

Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club  
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes. December 12, 2017

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:30 pm by President Tony Laing

**Attendees:** Alice Filemyr, Jeff Giddings, Yvonne Pennington, Pat Astill, Jone Parr, Carolyn Thurber, Dave and Nancy Fenster, Maribeth Evans, Brigitte DeHart

**Minutes of the November Meeting:** Approved as written.

**Treasurer's Reports for November:** Submitted by Alice Filemyr.

1. The net income in sales is due to the fact that not all expenses have been billed yet.

**Membership Report – Carolyn Thurber:**

1. No new members this month. Currently at a total of 174 member families.

**Wellness Committee Report - Jean Francis/Jone Parr:**

1. No information.

**Sales Committee Report – Brigitte DeHart:**

1. Vendor has provided pricing for production of the hoodies. Brigitte DeHart will make contact with the sales representative tomorrow to get Alice Filemyr the invoice.

**Wednesday 5K Walks:** The scheduled walks for December have been sent out.

**Club Group Walks – Maribeth Evans:**

1. Maribeth Evans will lead a group on the Kensington Seasonal, December 18, 2017.

**Old Business:**

1. **November, December, January Edition of the Club Newsletter is online.**
  - a. Deadline for submissions to the next edition is January 15, 2018.
2. **“10, 20, 30 in 2017” Sugarloafers’ Walk Program – Carolyn Thurber**
  - a. 15 people have turned in their books. Fourteen walkers have turned in books with 30 SVSVC YREs completed, one walker has turned in their book with 20 events.
3. **17th IVV Olympiad 2021**
  - a. No information
4. **OPTOutside - Friday, November 24 at 10:00 a.m. - Seneca Creek State Park**
  - a. SVSVC hosted a group walk on our YRE trail at Seneca Creek State Park.
  - b. The AVA announced that there was a total of 1556 OPTOutside participants nationwide.
5. **Other:**
  - a. None

**New Business:**

1. **December Checkpoint should be online at the AVA website soon.**
  - a. The AVA “Big Give” club donation will be discussed next meeting.
2. **Combine the Men’s and Women’s Dinners**
  - a. SVSVC will have a combined Men’s and Women’s dinner every other month starting in February. Tony Laing will contact Jackie Johnson regarding this change and will submit an article to be published in the next newsletter.
3. **Other:**
  - a. Carolyn Thurber stated that Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Shop in Rockville, MD is having a promotion to support the Children’s Inn at NIH. One free scoop of ice cream per canned good donated.
  - b. SVSVC Event Bookmarks will be ready for the Savage event. Green will be the 2018 bookmark color.

**Status of SVSVC Sanctioned 2017 Events:**

1. **Oct. 15 - Dec. 30, 2017: Kensington Fall Colors/Holiday Lights – POC Maribeth Evans**
  - a. Maribeth Evans reported that there have been 82 walkers for the seasonal event as of last night.

**Status of SVSVC Unsanctioned and Other Events:**

1. **November 18, 2017: 30th Anniversary Celebration – POC Tony Laing**

- a. The celebration event was declared a great success. Tony Laing thanked Carolyn Thurber and Brigitte DeHart for all of their efforts to organize the event. The rental of the Bauer Rec Center room was a total of \$100, because they refunded the security deposit of \$100.
- 2. **November 18, 2017: Conowingo Dam, MD Event**
  - a. Four SVSVC members did the event on Sunday, November 19th.
- 3. **Dec. 31, 2017/Jan. 1, 2018: New Year's Eve/New Year's Day, Savage, MD - Freestate Happy Wanderers.**
  - a. There will be an MVA meeting on Sunday, December 31 at the Savage event.
- 4. **March 16-18, 2018: Atlantic Regional Conference, Sterling, VA.**
  - a. The organizers of the Regional Conference are requesting 1 silent auction item per club and more items from individuals.
    - i. It was suggested that the SVSVC donate one of the unsold club coffee cups, possibly filled with something for the silent auction.
- 5. **March 25, 2018: SVSVC Annual Meeting in Asbury Methodist Village.**
  - a. Diane White coordinating the rental of the meeting room at the Asbury Methodist Village with Lee Storm.
  - b. It was proposed that the Montgomery Village - North Creek Lake 5k and 10k trails be used for this event.
  - c. Carolyn Thurber stated that the SVSVC shed was well stocked with cups, plates, and flatware.
  - d. Pat Astill has organized the event food and arrangement of tables in the past. She agreed to do this again for the next meeting.
  - e. Tony Laing will update the event communications (email notifications, etc.) for the new building and room.
- 6. **April 21, 2018: SVSVC Bus Trip to Harrisburg, Richmond or the Eastern Shore.**
  - a. Destination votes received at the 30th Anniversary Celebration selected Harrisburg Pennsylvania as the destination.
  - b. Tony Laing will contact the Dover POC, to follow up and say we will not be coming.
  - c. Tony Laing will contact Jackie Johnson to hire the bus.
  - d. Tony Laing will contact Harrisburg POC to let them know we will be visiting.

**Status of SVSVC Sanctioned 2018 Events:**

- 1. **January 13, 2018: C&O Canal/Carderock – POCs Jone Parr, Carolyn Thurber, and Maribeth Evans**
  - a. Event brochures were available at the meeting.
  - b. Carolyn Thurber is accepting event registration.
- 2. **April 7, 2018: Westminster Breakfast Walk – POC Ward Parr.**
  - a. Ward Parr is working on the brochure.
- 3. **September 29, 2018: Oktoberfest, Frederick, MD – POC Jone Parr, Alison Andrews**
  - a. The walking trail has been selected from a previous event. It will go into Hood College and along the canal.
- 4. **October 13, 2018: Muddy Branch Greenway Trail, Gaithersburg, MD – POC Jone Parr**
  - a. No information.
- 5. **November 17, 2018: Underground Railroad @ Woodlawn Manor – POCs Tony Laing and Dave Fenster**
  - a. No information

**Door Prize Drawing Winner:** Jeff Giddings

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:19 pm