

Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club  
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes. June 13, 2017

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

**Attendees:** Alice Filemyr, Jeff Giddings, Dave and Nancy Fenster, Carolyn Thurber, Gary and Mary Katherine Jeffers

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

**Treasurer's Reports for May:** Submitted.

1. Income included the end-of-quarter deposits from the YREs
2. Donations was the \$100 to the AVA's Big Give
3. The next AVA bill is almost \$700 and will be paid in June.

**Membership Report – Carolyn Thurber:**

1. Two new member families for a total of 183 member families

**Wellness Committee Report - Jean Francis:**

1. A Get Well card was sent to Dave DeHart.

**Sales Committee Report – Brigitte DeHart:**

1. No information.

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

1. June 14 walk at Damascus Regional Park will be led by Carolyn Thurber starting at 9am.
2. Miriam Worthing will also lead a walk at Lakeforest mall.

**Club Group Walks:**

1. Dave Fenster will lead a walk in July, the date and location are TBD.

**Old Business:**

1. **Club Newsletter** for May, June, July is posted on our website.
  - a. Deadline for the next edition is July 15.
2. **“10, 20, 30 in 2017” Sugarloafers’ Walk Program – Carolyn Thurber**
  - a. Klaus Waibel is the first to send in his record book with all 30 stamps.
3. **Election of Officers at the AVA Convention, Bylaw Changes, and Vote for Mascot**
  - a. New president is David Bonewitz.
  - b. Sam Kroff was re-elected as Secretary.
  - c. New treasurer is Bob Morrison.
  - d. “None of the above” won the mascot vote.
  - e. The 2019 AVA Convention will be held in Albany NY.
4. **Bus Trip for 2018**
  - a. Tony Laing has informed Bob Schmick of the date of the bus trip.
  - b. Further discussions the destination of the trip will be discussed in future meetings.
5. **Other:** None

**New Business:**

1. **May AVA Checkpoint is online**
2. **Atlantic Region Ramblings #41 and #42 are posted on the club's website.**
3. **Next year's events may have to be re-sanctioned. No event sanctioning should be done until after July 1.**
4. **Other:**
  - a. Carolyn Thurber receives coupons for copying from Office Depot. Anyone who wishes to use those coupons may contact her directly.
  - b. Tony Laing has contacted OASIS to give another Volkssport presentation. He hasn't received a response from them yet.
  - c. Dave Fenster mentioned that the Jewish Community Center in Rockville may be interested in a Volkssporting presentation. He will try to set up a presentation.
  - d. Alice Filemyr shared a tip regarding the OLSB.

- i. Do not download walk instruction PDFs more than 30 days prior to doing the event and applying for walk credit. Within the 30 day window the download fee of \$2 can be used toward the walk credit fee. After 30 days it is no longer available for credit and is used to maintain the OLSB.

**Status of Planned Events:**

1. **April 1 – December 31: Appalachian Trail Seasonal Walk – POC Alice Filemyr**
  - a. Tony Laing did the walk and showed the meeting attendees his Insert Card.
  - b. There is a Group walk scheduled for September 18. The only participation requirement is to go online and “sign” the AVA waiver.
2. **May 20, 2017: Lake Frank and Meadowside Nature Center – POCs Alice Filemyr, Jeff Giddings**
  - a. Weather for the event was cool and cloudy but dry.
  - b. There were 95 credit walkers and 11 free walkers, for a total of 106 walkers.
  - c. Many walking sticks were loaned and returned.
  - d. 1 walking stick was sold to a walker after she walked the 10km trail without a stick..
3. **Jun. 1 - Oct. 14, 2017: Silver Spring/Takoma Park Seasonal – POC Maribeth Evans**
  - a. No additional information.
4. **September 30, 2017: Oktoberfest, Frederick, MD – POCs Yvonne Pennington, Pat Astill**
  - a. No additional information.
5. **Oct. 15 - Dec. 30, 2017: Kensington Fall Colors/Holiday Lights – POC Maribeth Evans**
  - a. No additional information.
6. **October 28, 2017: Agricultural History Farm Park Derwood, MD – POCs Colleen Biasco, Jone Parr**
  - a. No additional information.
7. **November 18, 2017: SVSVC 30th Anniversary – POC Tony Laing**
  - a. Planning Committee meets the first Monday of every month.
8. **January 13, 2018: C&O Canal/Carderock – POCs Jone Parr and Carolyn Thurber**
  - a. No additional information.
9. **April 21, 2018: Bus Trip**
  - a. Discussions will be held in future meetings.
10. **November 17, 2018: Underground Railroad @ Woodlawn Manor – POCs Tony Laing and Dave Fenster**
  - a. No additional information.

**Door Prize Drawing Winner:** Dave Fenster

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:09 pm