

Dallas Trekkers Newsletter



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November - December 2002

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING Speaker & Slides from the Arboretum

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 12, 6:30 PM
EL FENIX, 1601 MCKINNEY AVE
DOWNTOWN DALLAS

DALLAS TREKKERS BOARD MEETING

Open to all members
December 10 at 7:00 PM
REI, 4515 LBJ @ Welch in Dallas

JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

White Elephant Gift Exchange & Volunteer Recognition

TUESDAY JANUARY 14, 6:30 PM
EL FENIX, 1601 MCKINNEY AVE
DOWNTOWN DALLAS

Carrollton Group Walk Sunday, Nov. 10 at 2:30 PM**

WEEKLY YEAR ROUND EVENT GROUP WALKS AT RICHARDSON (WHOLE FOODS MARKET), CARROLLTON AND WHITE ROCK LAKE**

A Nature Walk in Dallas!

at the

DALLAS NATURE CENTER

10 KM Walk Rated 3 in the Nature Center
11 KM Walk Rated 1.5 in Neighborhood Parks
Saturday & Sunday, November 16-17, 2002

Saturday - Start Time: 8:00 AM-12:00 Noon
Bratwursts, drinks & conversation on Saturday only

Sunday - Start Time: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

No pets on the trails in the Nature Center

Award: Enamel Screech Owl Pin

Volunteer opportunities are available on:

Sat., Nov 16 from 7:30 am-3:00 pm

Sun., Nov. 17 from 8:30 am-4:00 pm.

The workers walk on Sun., Nov 10 at 9:00am

Trail marking party on Fri., Nov 15 at 3:30 pm.

For more information, to volunteer & join the fun contact:
John Ferguson at jhferg@earthlink.net or (214) 348-0003

Cathy Kelcher at cathy@classicopenings.com or (972) 386-5922
(Brochure enclosed**)

**See Pages 5 & 8 for a complete list of times and/or
dates or to print a brochure consult our new updated
Web page at: www.dallastrekkers.org

DON'T MISS ANY OF THESE EVENTS!

Dallas Trekker Newsletter Begins Internet Distribution Starting January 2003

Return Your Enclosed Postcard Today!

Starting with our January 2003 issue the Dallas Trekkers will begin distributing our newsletter over the Internet as do most of the other clubs in Texas. Your Board made this decision because the postage and printing cost savings will enable us to instead put on more walks, distribute more printed brochures when needed, to offer nicer awards and to provide food at most of our walks. We need **all of you** to **return the enclosed postcard** so that we can update our roster (address, telephone and e-mail addresses) in order to send out renewal notices and e-mail alerts to those that desire them. (It will be your responsibility, whenever you change your e-mail address, residence or phone number, to send us updated information immediately.) We still need all of you to faithfully renew your memberships and to volunteer to help put on our scheduled events. For those of you who have no Internet access we will still make a printed copy available if you request it on the postcard, but we hope as many of you as possible will download the newsletter from our Website at: www.dallastrekkers.org [For details on *Surfing the Web* see Story on Page 3]



Jim Ross,
John
Ferguson,
Lesley
Bowen and
Marvin
Petsel rest
after laying
out the two
trails for our
walks at the
Dallas
Nature
Center
scheduled
for Saturday
and Sunday,
November
16 and 17.

DALLAS TREKKERS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Don't miss our **Dallas Nature Center walk**, which takes place November 16-17. Make sure you read the enclosed brochure. We still have many opportunities for those who would like to help. Please contact John Ferguson at (214) 348-0003 to volunteer.

Remember, everyone who volunteers at least ten hours of time during the year earns the Dallas Trekkers' "Worker Bee Award" and there is still time for you to earn yours. Although we thank **Mary Jo Vasquez**, who has recently resigned, for her hours of service, we now **desperately need a Publicity Coordinator** to creatively promote club activities and to provide information to area newspapers and local communities. If you would like to help with this important service, please contact one of the club presidents. A hearty welcome and thank you to our two newest members of the board. **Helen Bateman** has volunteered for the important position of Trailmaster and **Jim Carlo** will tackle the challenges of Specialty Items Coordinator.

We have some great walks planned for 2003, including a return to the KATY Trail and an all-new DART Walk. If you are interested in leading or helping to lead one of our approximately six events scheduled for next year, please contact John Ferguson.

Get ready for other major changes for volkssporting and the Dallas Trekkers in 2003. Look for different year round walks, a different way to get your newsletter, frequent walker coupons with the same price for 15 or 30 coupons, some great new scheduled events and, beginning with the March meeting, a **dinner with a walk**. (The first one will be our Richardson Whole Foods Year Round and dinner at one of the local restaurants.) If you haven't taken the Garland, DeSoto, Midlothian or The Colony year rounds for this half of the year, hurry and take them before the end of December. Our Board has decided to put these walks on the shelf for 2003 and has replaced them with new year round trails in Waxahachie and Duncanville and a new second trail in Carrollton. (The Shreveport YRE will be run by the East Texas Trekkers next year.) We're looking at some other locations for possible new year rounds in the future and, if you have ideas for additional new scheduled or year round walks, feel free to talk with any of our club officers.

The Dallas Trekkers (AVA 034) is a nonprofit walking club open to people of all ages. It is a member of the Texas Volkssport Association and the American Volkssport Association. Mailing address: P.O. Box 743813, Dallas, TX 75374-3813

Home Page: www.dallastrekkers.org

The Whole Foods Market, the start point of the **Richardson YRE, now opens at 9:00 AM**, instead of 8:00 AM, as is stated in the original brochure.

As we've told you in the past couple of issues, our national organization, the American Volkssport Association (AVA), has not been bringing in enough money to meet its budget. In response the AVA Board of Directors reluctantly voted to raise the fee the clubs pay from fifty cents to \$1.25 for each walk participant **effective January 1, 2003. The new credit fee will be raised from \$2.00 to \$3.00** per participant. Our board is looking at several possible ways that we might be able to offer **discounts to our members**. Stay tuned for further developments in the weeks and months ahead. Please continue to **support our sport by walking and by renewing** your membership in the Dallas Trekkers and AVA.

One of the ways we hope to save money and to offset rising costs is to change the way we distribute the **newsletter**. Beginning with the January issue the standard method of **distribution will be via the Internet**. For those of you without access to the Internet, don't despair. We'll continue to publish a printed edition for those without Internet access who request to continue receiving a copy through the mail. On the enclosed **post card, which needs to be completed by every one of our members**, you may request mail distribution or e-mail alerts when the newsletter is published. Please fill in your telephone number, e-mail and home addresses **so that we can verify your information** on the club roster as we begin the new distribution process. Please fill it out and **mail it** as soon as possible. Make sure to inform us immediately as soon as you move or obtain a new e-mail address or phone number. Remember the newsletters for the past two years are posted on the Dallas Trekkers' Web site at www.dallastrekkers.org if you would like to read past newsletters.

A speaker from the **Arboretum** will be showing us slides at our **November 12 Meeting**. Please come eat dinner with us at the El Fenix Restaurant in downtown Dallas and enjoy the program.

Also don't forget the **Carrollton Group Walk on Sunday, November 10 at 2:30 pm** and, although the Dallas Trekkers will not be holding a holiday lights walk this year, don't miss one of the many holiday walks being held in Texas and Oklahoma. (See Page 8 for a list of December walks) and don't forget the **Texas Volkssport Association in Fredericksberg at Midnight on December 31st to bring in the New Year**. If you've never taken a holiday lights walk, don't miss one this year. On that note, have a wonderful Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays.

See you on the trail

Bruce Fitch



The image shows the Dallas Trekkers Walking Club logo at the top, which includes a blue ribbon award icon and a city skyline. Below the logo is a screenshot of the club's bulletin board. The bulletin board has a blue header with the text "DALLAS TREKKERS BULLETIN BOARD". The main content is on a green background and includes a "YOUR HELP IS NEEDED" section with contact information for Julie Ferguson, a "Guided Group Walk" for Wednesday, November 5, and a "Monthly Club Group Walk" for Sunday, November 10. A sidebar on the left lists various club activities and contact options.

Your Guide to Surfing The Web With the Dallas Trekkers

by Bruce Fitch

Many of Texas' volkssporting clubs, including the Dallas Trekkers, are moving away from printed information and newsletters and embracing electronic dissemination of club materials. The reasons are many, but the two most important are immediacy of information release and a major cost savings in printing and mailing costs. For example, recently on a Tuesday evening I received an e-mail message from Jim Ross at 10:30 PM asking me to publicize the club's group walk for the following Sunday at 2:30 PM. By 11:00 PM I had passed the information to over 100 people with an e-mail alert at no cost to the club. To do the same thing by mail would have involved printing and mailing costs of over \$50.00 and there would certainly be a question of whether the information would have arrived in your mailbox before the walk on Sunday. The only problem with this scenario is that all our members do not have e-mail or access to the Internet or are not part of the Dallas Trekkers' e-mail list. In this article I'd like to discuss the basics of how to get plugged into the Internet and e-mail, how to join the Trekkers' e-mail list and how to get the most out of our Web site www.dallastrekkers.org.

The first thing you will need is a computer. This is not as difficult or as expensive as you might think. If all you plan to do is get e-mail and write letters, you don't need the most expensive computer in the store. Shop around and make sure you check out the mail order companies. Look for the bargains such as purchasing a low-end system that includes a monitor and a printer. Many times you will save a substantial amount of money if you agree to a contract with an internet service provider. Talk to

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someone who can help you make a wise purchase. I am always happy to work with anyone interested in getting started. Many libraries provide Internet access, too.

Once you have your computer with e-mail capability, your next step is to join the Trekkers' e-mail list. We're making that real easy with this issue of the newsletter. Look for the card and check off the block requesting you be added to the e-mail list and drop the card in the mailbox and presto, you'll be part of the list. Don't worry, we won't share your e-mail address with anyone so e-mail alerts are all you will get as a result of providing your e-mail address.

Your next step is to access the Dallas Trekkers Web site and the electronic version of the newsletter. As discussed elsewhere in this issue, beginning with the January 2003 newsletter, the standard method of distribution will be over the Internet and here's how to get to it and how to print it if you would like. Click on the icon for your web browser type www.dallastrekkers.org in the space for an address. Wait a few seconds and the Dallas Trekkers' Web site will appear on your screen. The Web site has a picture of the Dallas Skyline and a description of the organization at the top. Below that on the right is the Dallas Trekkers Bulletin Board which is updated at least twice weekly and provides late-breaking information on club activities. On the left on all content pages is a list of club related destinations. In this article I will refer to content pages as ones that provide links to information and have the menu on the left. I will refer to documents as items such as newsletters and brochures.

The first, *Back to the Trailhead*, is on all pages that are not documents and takes you back to the page with the Bulletin Board (also known as the Home Page). Click this entry anytime you would like to return to the Home Page. Periodically click *Refresh* to make sure you have the most up-to-date information. Be sure to answer our *Survey* question which will be changed bi-monthly.

The next menu line is a greeting message from me. The

Time to renew? Did you move?

If the expiration date on the mailing label is highlighted don't let your membership lapse. So you won't miss a single issue of this newsletter send your \$10 renewal check made payable to the Dallas Trekkers in the enclosed envelope. Please write your phone number and e-mail address on the check.

Send changes of address to:

P.O. Box 743813, Dallas, TX 75374-3813
or to: bfitch@ix.netcom.com

line after that provides a comprehensive look at our club and an overview of our sport. This is followed by *Join the Trekkers* which will take you to our club's membership brochure. To join, just print it on your printer, fill it out and send it in. When you are sent to a document use the back key to return to the page from which you came.

The next group of items will send you to event brochures, Trekkers walk instructions and the newsletter achieves. When you click on *Event Brochures* you will go to a page that lists all the events in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and southern Kansas. The entries in BOLD type point to actual printable brochures. The other entries point to the AVA or TVA event sites where the user will find contact information. As the brochures become available they are scanned and added to the page so check back often. The next entry, *Year Round Brochures*, will take you to a similar list of Year Round Events in these same five states. To read these files your computer will need to have a program called *Adobe Acrobat Reader*. If your Web browser does not have this program click on the Acrobat icon on the brochure pages and follow the instructions to set it up at no charge on your computer.

The next entry has brochures and walk instructions for all the *Dallas Trekkers Year Round Events*. If you would like to check out a trail before you take one of our walks, download a copy of the instructions to read.

The *Club Newsletter* link, the next entry, will become very important in January. When the newsletter is published on the Internet, this is the link you will follow to get your copy. Isn't it great that you can magnify the copy for easier reading and see the photos in color? The Newsletter page also contains links to the past two year's newsletters.

The following section includes additional information about our club and the *American and Texas Volkssporting Associations*. The first entry is a list of club officers, followed by a link to the full calendar of upcoming events from the American Volkssport Association. If you want to see a weather map of the Dallas area before you hit the trail click on the *Current Weather Map* link and be taken to the Weather Channel's map of current weather conditions in Dallas.

Want to know how to get to our club's meetings? Click on the *Directions to El Fenix* and find a map and instruction to the El Fenix Restaurant.

The final section provides background information on the ins and outs of volkssporting such as how to submit your books or answers to your frequently asked questions.

Want to know about walking in all our states or state capitals or about walks in all the states along old Route

66? Click on these entries and find out about these programs. Want to volunteer or ask a question? Click on the *Email Us* or *Volunteer* button and leave a message. These are all things you can do on the Dallas Trekkers Web site.

If you're visiting us for the first time, "Welcome." If you've visited before and haven't fully explored it, happy hunting. You'll be glad you visited.



Jo Trautmann sits in front of the buffalo statue that can be seen on the Bismarck, North Dakota year round event. (Picture by Dick Trautmann)

136 People DARTed & Walked

Despite high humidity, the rain that was forecast never materialized. For our 121 credit and 15 free walkers Saturday, September 14, was fun-filled as they rode the DART trains and walked the various 5 KM trails set up at the Galatyn Park, Mockingbird, White Rock Lake and Dallas West End stations. Many chose to get past awards and Dallas Trekkers specialty clothing items as mementos of the day. Others had breakfast or lunch at the various restaurants available along the different routes. Beverly Peters of Garland, TX won the New Balance Shoes. Our rubber DART cars, donated by the transit agency, were awarded to Vicki West of Coppell, TX, Gayle Cooper and Sue Goodman both of Tyler, TX and Barbara Densing of Dallas, TX.

Thanks to our volunteers Bruce & Claudia Fitch, John Ferguson, Jim Ross, Cathy Kelcher, Lesley Bowen, Ann Murray, Jerry Vanlandingham, Ed Herider, Kitty Simmons, Carole Quarles, Mary Burnett, Andy Anderson, Libbie Hall, Helen Bateman, Ben Wheeler, Leroy Wright, Jim & Muffy Carlo, Ron Roeder, Harry & Beverly Eversole, Beth Joyce, Mackey Harper, Betty Gohman, Ava Simpson, Amy Green and Deborah Carter for making this walk possible. Plan to DART & walk with us next year!

DALLAS TREKKERS' YRE EVENTS

- Carrollton, TX 10/12 KM Walk****
Whataburger, 1919 Frankford at Josey
- Downtown Dallas, TX 10 KM Walk****
Security office at the south end of Union Station, 400 Houston St.
- Dallas White Rock Lake 10/15 KM Walk-Bike 25 KM****
Jack Johnson Bike Shop, 9005 Garland Rd.
- Denton, TX 10 KM Walk****
Whataburger, 1701 Malone at University
- Desoto, TX 10 KM Walk****
Albertson's Supermarket, 901 Polk St at Pleasant Run Rd.
- Garland, TX 10 KM Walk****
Expressway Convenience Store, 3925 Broadway
- Midlothian, TX 10 KM Walk****
Midlothian Police Dept., 101 East Avenue F
- Richardson, TX 10 KM Walk****
Whole Foods Market, Coit & Belt Line
- Shreveport, LA 11 KM****
Holiday Inn, 102 Lake St. (Exit IH20 at Spring St.)
- The Colony, TX 10 KM Walk****
Diamond Shamrock Store, 6801 N. Main at North Colony Blvd.

UPCOMING YRE GROUP WALKS

If there is severe, threatening or inclement weather, please call the P.O.C. before traveling to the event. Go to the web site bulletin board at www.dallastrekkers.org for updates

Sunday mornings unless scheduled metroplex walk available
Call or check www.dallastrekkers.org bulletin board for update
YRE locations and times vary

Jim Ross (972) 681-0045 (Optional breakfast after walk)

Wed., Nov 6 13, 20, 27; Dec 4, 11, 18

Richardson 10 KM YRE - 6:45 PM

Whole Foods Market, Coit & BeltLine**

Cathy Kelcher (972) 386-5922 (Optional meal after walk)

Sun. Nov. 10 at 2:30 PM

Tues., Nov 12, 19, 26; Dec 3, 10, 17

Carrollton 10 KM YRE 10:00 AM Tuesdays;

Whataburger, 1919 Frankford @ Josey Ln)**

Claudia Fitch (972) 235-9086 (Optional meal after walk)

****To print brochure or info: www.dallastrekkers.org**

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JANUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2002

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or by mail at: 5706 Maidstone Drive
Richardson, TX 75082

Questions? (972) 235-9086

**Join Us in Waxachie at the Kickoff
Group Walk for the New YRE**
Saturday, January 18, 2003 at 1:00 PM
by Harry and Beverly Eversole



On Saturday, January 18 at 1:00 p.m., the Dallas Trekkers will kickoff a new YRE in Waxahachie, the Crape Myrtle Capital of Texas. The trail starts at the historical Rogers Hotel located on the corner of College and Main Street across from the newly \$10 million renovated Courthouse. Thanks to Tony and Janice Cimino, owners of The Rogers Hotel, special rates are available for walkers in one of the 18 suites and 9 large rooms. You can also enjoy lunch, dinner and entertainment at Emory's Bistro and Lounge at the Hotel.

On the trail you will pass by the historical jail that was built in 1888, several antique shops, museums, several of the "Gingerbread" homes with ornate woodwork and, of course, some very good restaurants.

After meandering through the downtown square, you will proceed to the new Waxahachie Creek Hike and Bike Trail, which is the majority portion of the walk. The trail follows the tree-lined creek to Lyons Park along which you will see many birds, including hawks, owls and cardinals. Enjoy squirrels darting across the path. One of the more peaceful sights is that of horses grazing in the fields along the trail.

The walk finishes



back in town, passing by some different shops and restaurants. For further information concerning this new and exciting YRE visit the Dallas Trekkers web site at www.dallastrekkers.org, or contact Beverly Eversole at 214-532-8222 or Harry Eversole at heversole@ev1.net. A 10K is a great way to start your day!

It Rained on our Lake Tawakoni Walk
by John Ferguson

Marvin Petsel had planned a great walk route at Lake Tawakoni State Park for the October 19th weekend. However, our "no rain" volunteers did not do their job. It rained, and then it rained some more. It rained a lot.

Although there were many campers in the park Friday night, our trail was not usable for Saturday. Marvin used the park road as an alternate route. By Sunday the trails had dried sufficiently for our use. These are beautiful trails worthy of our return.

Only forty nine folks received credit along with two free walkers for this event. "Brats" and music greeted the walkers at the finish of the walks.

Helping Marvin was his friend Jerry Ford, along with Leroy Wright, Ann Murray, Leslie Bowen, Harry & Bev Eversole, Kathy Kelcher, Bobbie Howell, Jerry Vanlandingham, Gretchen Duersch and John Ferguson as volunteers. Paul Campanelli won the New Balance shoes.



Quiet, rain-soaked trails, blanketed by autumn leaves, greeted walkers at our Lake Tawakoni event this October. (Picture by Bruce Fitch)

**Dallas Trekker Vice President Receives
West Texas Trail Walkers' Honor**

At the 2002 annual meeting of the West Texas Trail Walkers (WTTW) in October, John Ferguson was presented with the "TEN YEAR WORKER APPRECIATION AWARD."

This award is in recognition for being a worker at WTTW events for ten years, The award is a silver statue of the WTTW mascot, a miner panning for gold. At WTTW events, the real gold is found in the volunteers.

John also serves as an elected director of the WTTW.

Santa DARTs into Plano

by Carole Quarles

On Saturday, December 7, the Plano Plodders Walking Club will sponsor a 10K walk in conjunction with the City of Plano's Christmas Dickens Weekend. The walk will start in Historic Downtown Plano at the new DART light rail station on 15th Street, which will open on that day. The start time is 8 a.m. until noon. Walkers must be off the trail by 3 p.m. The walk is rated a 1 and will be on sidewalks and paved park streets.

What a Saturday! First a \$4 all you can eat pancake breakfast (with sausage and choice of beverage) at 1st United Methodist Church, 1111 18th Street, from 6:30 until 9 a.m. Then a Christmas Parade with Santa Claus. DART Super Saturday will be from 10:30 am – 2:30 pm (with free week DART passes, Dr. P. and barbecue) for the opening of Plano's new rail stations. **And best of all, there's a walk!**

The walk starts at the Haggard Park Gazebo, 901 E. 15th Street. The start point is right next to the DART station so the easiest way to get to the walk would be by DART rail. Parking in Historic Downtown Plano will be difficult on that day due to the parade. There is free parking and a shuttle from the Bush Turnpike and Parker Road DART stations. For a schedule of entertainment and a map of available parking access www.planoparks.org.

Historic Downtown Plano is a treasure hunter's paradise. Quaint brick streets, antique malls, specialty shops, boutiques, galleries and dining establishments are right next to the start point.

For more information on this event contact Maggie Cole at (972) 612-8129 or maggiec@airmail.net

For Auld Lang Syne

by Ken King

Our Year Round Event line-up for 2003 will be different with new walks in Carrollton, Waxahachie and Duncanville. We are also bidding goodbye to The Colony, Garland, DeSoto and Midlothian walks in 2003. You only have a short time left to get out and do a "goodbye" tour of these events. Take advantage of this opportunity!

In addition, very nice awards are still available in some of these walk boxes. Of course, any left over will be used for "B" awards, but that is not quite the same as doing a walk and picking one up at the same time. Quantities vary, but a good supply of one of our nicest and most popular awards is still available in the walk box at The Colony.

So add a goodbye tour to your walk plans for the fall, and start the new year out right by doing the new walks in the new locations.

MILESTONES

The following north Texas volkssporters were recognized in the **October/November** issue of *The American Wanderer* for reaching milestones in the IVV Achievement Awards system. **Congratulations!**

- EVENTS -		- EVENTS -	
2300	Leroy Wright	75	Helen Bateman
750	James Sibley	75	Ann Murray
700	Margaret Aldridge	50	Srojan Nebovil
650	Jim Ross	50	Benjamin Saake
550	Gunhilt Money	50	Gerald Vanlandingham
525	Paul Campanelli	30	Richard Mickelson
375	David Burns	30	Srojan Nebovil
375	Kathleen Williston	30	Benjamin Saake
350	Frances Burns	10	Srojan Nebovil
350	Harry Eversole	10	Benjamin Saake
350	John Williston		
350	Kathleen Williston		
325	Harry Eversole		
325	John Williston	9000	Gunhilt Money
325	Kathleen Williston	5500	Harry Eversole
300	Beverly Eversole	5000	Beverly Eversole
300	John Williston	5000	Harry Eversole
300	Kathleen Williston	4500	Harry Eversole
275	Beverly Eversole	4000	David Burns
275	John Williston	3500	John Williston
275	Kathleen Williston	3500	Kathleen Williston
250	John Williston	3000	John Williston
250	Kathleen Williston	3000	Kathleen Williston
225	John Williston	2500	John Williston
225	Kathleen Williston	2500	Kathleen Williston
200	Gail Bassham	2000	John Williston
200	Scott West	2000	Kathleen Williston
200	Vicki West	500	James Carlo
200	John Williston	500	Srojan Nebovil
200	Kathleen Williston	500	Benjamin Saake
175	Beth Joyce	500	Gerald Vanlandingham

- DISTANCE -

NEW MEMBERS AND RENEWALS

-NEW MEMBERS-

T.J. Carter
Cynthia Hudson
Robert Ramming
Ron Roeder
Lynn Stokes

-RENEWALS-

Mary Burnett
Ethel Downing

-RENEWALS-

Gary Garmon
Jim & Phyllis Girard
Denise Harvey
Diane Hultquist
Aharon Netzer
Jeremy Rentschlar
Barbara Williams
Joe & Ann Workman
Bob White

JOIN AVA TODAY!

go to: www.ava.org/vajoin/htm

Download & Print the Form from the Internet

Choose membership level, fill out form, mail in with payment

UPCOMING EVENTS

Information obtained from www.ava.org may not be current. Please call the P.O.C. before traveling to the event.

Sat. Nov 02, 2002 - 10 KM Walk**

La Grange, TX

Friendswood Fun Walkers

Contact: Rax/Bob Creamer (979) 732-9231

Sat. Nov 02, 2002 - 5/10 KM Walk**

New Braunfels, TX

New Braunfels Marsch & Wandergruppe

Contact: Helgard (830) 625-6330

Sat. Nov 02, 2002 - 5/10 Walk**

Savannah, OK

Green Country Wander Freunde (Tulsa Walking Club)

Contact: Bob Pugh (918) 446-7924

Sat. Nov 02, 2002 - 10 KM Walk**

Lake Eufaula, Eufaula, OK

Holy Family Walkers

Contact: George Snyder (580) 357-2930

Sat/Sun Nov 02-03, 2002 - 10 KM & 12/14 KM Walks**

Ft. Belknap - Graham, TX

Tarrant County Walkers

Contact: R. Timmermeyer (940) 325-5440

Sat. Nov 09, 2002 - 5/10 KM Walk**

McKinney Roughs Nature Park, Cedar Creek

Colorado River Walkers

Contact: Joann Fries (512) 303-9505

Sat. Nov 09, 2002 - 10 KM Walk**

Daingerfield State Park, Daingerfield, TX

East Texas Trekkers

Contact: Dolly/Dan Welch (903) 663-1829

Nov 09, 2002 - 5/10 KM Walk

Okarche, OK

Wandergruppe Walking Club

Contact: Al Heberlein (405) 843-5731

Sat. Nov 16, 2002 - 2 - 10 KM Walks

Hondo, TX

Sam Ramblers

Contact: Mary Quandt (210) 659-9519

Sat. Nov 16, 2002 - 12 KM Walk**

Seabrook, TX

Houston Happy Hikers

Contact: Charles Christal (281) 498-1365

Sat. Nov 16, 2002 - 5/10 KM Walk**

Pawnee, OK

Green Country Wander Freunde (Tulsa Walking Club)

Contact: Lewis York (918) 492-4296

Sat/Sun Nov 16, 2002 - 10 & 11 KM Walks**

Dallas Nature Center, Dallas, TX

Dallas Trekkers

Contact: John Ferguson (214) 348-0003

Sat. Nov 23, 2002 - 10 KM Walk

College Station, TX

Bushwalkers

Contact: Glenda Baker (979) 764-8570

Sat-Sun, Nov 23-24, 2002 - 10 KM Walk

San Antonio, TX

Selma Pathfinders

Contact: Phyllis Eagan (210) 496-1402

UPCOMING EVENTS (continued)

Sat. Dec 07, 2002 - 10 KM Christmas Walk (Story Page 6)

Plano, TX

Plano Plodders

Contact: Maggie Cole (972) 612-8129

Sat. Dec 07, 2002 - 5/10 KM Walk**

Boerne, TX

Randolph Roadrunners

Contact: Alice Felder (210) 680-1580

Sat. Dec 07, 2002 - 5/10 KM Walk

Tyler, TX

East Texas Trekkers

Contact: Jan Wood (903) 534-9301

Sat. Dec 07, 2002 - 5/10 KM Walk

Broken Arrow, OK

Green Country Wander Freunde (Tulsa Walking Club)

Contact: Lewis York (918) 492-4296

Sat. Dec 07, 2002 - 10 KM Walk

Northshore, LA

Crescent City Volkssport Club

Contact: Brian Winters (504) 482-4315

Fri. Dec 13, 2002 - 10 KM Walk

Lawton, OK

Holy Family Walkers

Contact: George Snyder (580) 357-2930

Sat. Dec 14, 2002 - 5/10 Christmas Lights Walk

Chickasha, OK

Wandergruppe Walking Club

Contact: Ross Kiddie (405) 387-3231

Sat. Dec 14, 2002 - 10KM Walk

Houston, TX

Houston Happy Hikers

Contact: Charles Christal (281) 498-1365

Tues, Dec 31, 2002 - 10 KM Memorial Walk**

Fredericksburg, TX

Texas Volkssport Association

Contact: Robert Theis (830) 896-3550

Wed, Jan 01, 2003 - 10 KM Walk**

Fredericksburg, TX (Starts at Midnight on 12/31/02)

Texas Volkssport Association

Contact: Robert Theis (830) 896-3550

Sat. Jan 11, 2003 - 10 KM Walk

San Antonio, TX

Randolph Roadrunners

Contact: Larry Cook (210) 525-8900

Sat, Jan 18, 2003 - 10 KM Walk

Broken Arrow, OK

Green Country Wander Freunde (Tulsa Walking Club)

Contact: Jeannie Richey (918) 455-4908

Sat, Jan 18, 2003 - 10 KM Walk

Chalmette, LA

Crescent City Volkssport Club

Contact: Brian Winters (504) 482-4315

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