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Lakeview Library Branch

July 21 Perrot State Park
& Lake Winona Walks
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& Winona Historic Walks

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WALK! WALK! WALK! WALK! By Don Suloff

Four walks in two days – two walks each in two different states – two new counties in our Walk the Counties of Wisconsin program – adding a seasonal walk in La Crosse – dinner Saturday night with your fellow walkers – sounds like quite a weekend! And that's what's in store for walkers joining us on July 21st and July 22nd!

The weekend kicks off (unless you choose to do the La Crosse seasonal walk on your way north) with a beautiful walk around Lake Winona in Winona, Minnesota, on paved trails along the lake and through wooded areas. The route passes through a newly completed Veteran's Memorial and a rose garden. 10K and 6K walks are available for starting between 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. and need to be completed by noon.

After this great warm up, the walking scene shifts across the river to Trempealeau, Wisconsin, for 11K and 5K walks in Trempealeau County. With registration at the Hotel Trempealeau available from noon to 3 p.m. And walkers expected to have completed the walk by 5 p.m., the walk will include the historic portions of Trempealeau, a section of the Great River Trail passing an historic cemetery and through farmland, and return to the start point below imposing bluffs along the Mississippi River in Perrot State Park.

To complete a remarkable day of walking, all participants are invited to join us for dinner at the Historic Hotel Trempealeau at approximately 6:30 p.m. A sign-up sheet will be available during the afternoon's walk registration so we can give a commitment to the Hotel. There will be between 6 and 8 entrée options, including a vegetarian and a gluten-free option, all costing a total of less than \$20 (including tax and tip). One option will be the Hotel's famous "walnut burger"! There are a maximum number of seats available, so sign up early!

Bright and early Sunday morning we will shift north on the Wisconsin side of the River about 30 minutes to Merrick State Park just north of Fountain City. This walk will start inside the park, so state park stickers will be required. We will have a signup sheet available at the Trempealeau walk registration and if 20 or more people need stickers, we can get day stickers for \$5 each rather than the normal \$7. Otherwise car pooling might be available. 10K and 5K walks will begin between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. and must be completed by noon. The walk is entirely within the limits of Merrick State Park primarily on natural surface trails and features beautiful views of the Mississippi River and attendant backwaters.

One last time back in our cars and a return to Winona for a Historic City Walk to complete our weekend, registering between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. with completion required by 4 p.m. The 10K and 5K walks will pass through the historic downtown portion of Winona (with over 100 National Register historic sites), through Winona State University, and along a Mississippi River levee.

This promises to be a memorable weekend and one which you will surely wish to be part of – don't wait for others to tell you what you missed! Driving directions will be available at the registration table at each walk to get you from event to event. For more information concerning start points and amenities, go to the www.dairylandwalkers.com website.

Dates of Interest?

Date

July 1 Canada Day
4 US Independence Day
7 Chocolate Day
10 MLB All-Star Game
13 Friday the 13th!!!!
27 Summer Olympics Opening

August 1 First US Census 1790
3 National Watermelon Day
7 "Order of the Purple Heart"
Created by Pres. G. Washington
13 Left Handers' Day
14 Japan Surrendered 1945
21 Hawaii Becomes 50th State '59
26 19th Amendment Passes
Congress – Women's Voting '20

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE SUBMITTAL DEADLINE

for
September-October

Due: August 20

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insertion!

New Shorter Route Options At Devil's Lake Excerpt From A Mary Liebig E-mail

Both of these new options are shorter, but they may be appreciated by those that have limited time, mobility, or just want to see something new. The two options are:

Option 1: 5K Out & Back on the Tumbled Rocks Trail to the South Shore Boat Launch Parking Lot

Option 2: 6K West Bluff Trail to South Shore Boat Launch Parking Lot, with return on Tumbled Rocks Trail

Long Distance Walks – Numbers Down! By Jerry Wilson

The 2012 Syttende Mai event on May 19 only had ten (10) walkers for credit, and may be dropped as a future annual traditional event. A decision on dropping the event in the future is pending.

Similarly, the June 2nd 2012 Stevens Point "Walk Wisconsin" traditional event had 14 participants, only thirteen (13) paid walkers.

April Hwy Cleanup By Terry Wendt

On Sunday April 22, 2012 we had 13 club members help clean the section of Highway 12 & 18 assigned to the Dairyland Walkers. The members were Jane Peterson, Carol Miller, Nancy Sparks, Barb Lunde, Barb Carson, Tom McGrill, Ed Reid, Joanne Rueter, June Quesnell, Norm & Darlene Olson, Ronni Guski, & me Terry Wendt.

The weather was nice, the clean up took about 1 & 1/4 hrs & we collected 25 bags of trash.

Thanks to everyone who helped.

Corrections to the May/June 2012 Newsletter

- The April Hwy Cleanup article should have accompanied the pictures shared in the May/June Newsletter.

- The Dairyland Walkers website address was correct in the Newsletter header, but incorrect in the page footers. The footer has now been corrected.

Traditional Events In Our Region for the Remainder of 2012

(Extracted from the North Central Newsletter forwarded by Doug Wiest, edited into chronological order.)

**AVA NORTH CENTRAL REGION'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS
 2012**

Wk=Walk, GW=Guided Walk, NW=Night Walk, M=Marathon, Sw=Swim, Bk=Bike, SS=Snow Shoe, XS=Ski, RS=Roller Skate

Note: This information is also available at www.ava.org and is the most up to date if changes occur.

Jul 7	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Little Elk Creek	SD	92644	605-718-3686	chipewalker@rushmore.com
Jul 8	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Silver City	SD	92645	605-388-9570	charlmart3@aol.com
Jul 13	Wk	Twin Cities Volkssport	Mound	MN	92850	651-774-9607	johnsonck@centurylink.net
Jul 14	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Nemo	SD	92646	605-574-3278	lctapr@bhws.com
Jul 14	Wk	Greater Des Moines Volkssport Assn	Ames	IA	92487	515-238-2486	welter@iowatelcom.net
Jul 14	&15	Central Minnesota Volkssport	St Cloud	MN	92516	320-230-2250	judyminnesnowta@mystation.com
Jul 21	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Custer State Park	SD	92650	605-718-0611	walkusa@rushmore.com
Jul 21	Wk	Lake Country Wanderers	Winona	MN	92510	763-571-8041	bonjohn@q.com
Jul 21	Wk	Madison Area Volkssport Assn	Trempealeau	WI	92615	608-821-0263	suloff@tds.net
Jul 22	Wk	Lake Country Wanderers	Winona	MN	92511	763-571-8041	bonjohn@q.com
Jul 22	Wk	Madison Area Volkssport Assn	Fountain City	WI	92617	608-821-0263	suloff@tds.net
Jul 28	Wk	Twin Cities Volkssport	Bloomington	MN	92530	952-884-5977	pstachour@acm.org
Aug 10	NW	Greater Des Moines Volkssport Assn	Waterloo	IA	92488	319-266-4822	nancy.hamilton@ini.edu
Aug 11	Wk	Hawkeye Hikers	Iowa City	IA	92935	319-338-2071	bjwprem@q.com
Aug 17	Wk	Prairie Wanderers Volkssport Club	Clear Lake	SD	92429	605-874-2437	esolem@itctel.com
Aug 18	Wk	NorthStar Trail Travelers	Granite Falls	MN	92585	651-407-8320	info@nstt.org
Aug 19	Wk	NorthStar Trail Travelers	Fairfax	MN	92586	507-362-8760	info@nstt.org
Aug 25	Wk	Koda Manipe Volkssport Club	Wahpeton	ND	92718	170-140-3373	larryt@rrt.net
Aug 25	Wk	Twin Cities Volkssport	Richfield	MN	92531	612-861-3053	l.moisant@comcast.net
Aug 25	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Custer State Park	SD	92652	605-342-6188	jmoranti.rap.midco.net
Aug 25	Wk	Madison Area Volkssport Assn	Portage	WI	92666	608-697-1599	kab68@wildblue.net
Aug 25	Wk	Red River Volkssport Association	Barnesville	MN	92797	218-233-5162	mhelen@cablone.net
Sep 8	Wk	Nebraska Wanderfreunde Trailblazers	Omaha	NE	93077	402-213-7972	nwftprezmel@cox.net
Sep 8	Wk	Greater Des Moines Volkssport Assn	Slater	IA	92489	515-228-3366	carly@huscomm.net
Sep 8	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Keystone	SD	92653	605-666-5135	connie.freidel@us.army.mil
Sep 15	Wk	Twin Cities Volkssport	St Paul	MN	92532	651-774-9607	johnsonck@centurylink.net
Sep 15	Wk	Madison Area Volkssport Assn	Monroe	WI	92618	608-873-7774	jpatw4@gmail.com 608-695-6449 update
Sep 17	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Gehring	NE	92980	605-381-5176	walkusa@rushmore.com
Sep 22	Wk	NorthStar Trail Travelers	Finland	MN	92587	612-529-0552	info@nstt.org
Sep 23	Wk	NorthStar Trail Travelers	Schroeder	MN	92588	612-529-0552	info@nstt.org Page 2 of 2
Sep 29	Wk	Mid-Nebraska Trail Seekers	Columbus	NE	92838	308-384-8679	mimcgahan@gmail.com
Sep 29	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Spearfish Canyon	SD	92664	605-716-2105	lorabigred@aol.com
Oct 6	Wk	Nebraska Wanderfreunde Trailblazers	Omaha	NE	93078	402-213-7972	nwftprezmel@cox.net
Oct 6	Wk	Twin Cities Volkssport	Long Lake	MN	92533	612-816-1590	mamajayne@comcast.net
Oct 6	Wk	Prairie Wanderers Volkssport Club	Huron	SD	92546	605-234-0115	mandon@midstatescl.net
Oct 6	Wk	Manitowoc City Centre Association	Manitowoc	WI	92545	920-652-0100	brian@weatlakgolfshop.com
Oct 6	Wk	Black Hills Volkssport Association	Hell Canyon	SD	92665	605-791-1124	jmoranti.rap.midco.net
Oct 13	Wk	Greater Des Moines Volkssport Assn	Granger	IA	92490	515-277-3653	susanp221@msn.com
Oct 13	Wk	Pelican Rapids CC Walking Club	Pelican Rapids	MN	92446	218-863-1531	lidagreens@att.net
Oct 27	GW	NorthStar Trail Travelers	Jordan	MN	92589	952-941-2937	info@nstt.org
Nov 3	Wk	Nebraska Wanderfreunde Trailblazers	Omaha	NE	93079	402-213-7972	nwftprezmel@cox.net
Dec 8	Wk	Nebraska Wanderfreunde Trailblazers	Omaha	NE	93080	402-213-7972	nwftprezmel@cox.net
Dec 8	Wk	Twin Cities Volkssport	Minneapolis	MN	92534	763-767-8812	hollandj@usfamily.net
Dec 31	Wk	NorthStar Trail Travelers	St Paul	MN	92590	651-457-5882	info@nstt.org

June 9, 2012 (amended June 20, 2011 by J. Wilson placing all events in order by date, and correcting one telephone number.)

On the Trail In Washington, D.C., You Can Walk 'Till You Drop By Rosemary Sprenger

Many monuments and memorials have been built since my first trip here in 1965. To see them, I took a Delta flight from Madison at 5:30 a.m. on May 7 and stayed at the Radisson Hotel near Reagan National Airport. I attended a Road Scholar program called Monumental D.C. and booked two additional nights on my own at the end of the program.

From information that Congresswoman Baldwin's office sent me prior to my trip, I learned it is best to set up a White House tour six months in advance. Since 9/11, one can only bring a billfold and keys there, and visitors must go through security (do not bring water) before entering Smithsonian museums.

The directions I had received for the National Mall walk suggested using Metro to get to the start point. I rode the subway from Crystal City station to Foggy Bottom and found the reception desk in the Consul, the name given to a building in the apartment complex. I began the 11K route, knowing the first 5K or so is identical to the 17K route, and all directions provided historical information. I ate lunch at a refreshment stand near the Lincoln Memorial. I saw veterans from an Honor Flight at the Korean War Memorial, but was surprised to see a woman I recognized near the Wisconsin column at the World War II Memorial. Confused, I had to ask someone how to get to the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial. In one of the rooms of the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial, I took a photo of tourists who pretended they were part of the bread-line statue symbolizing the Depression. I got lost for awhile near the Jefferson Memorial because I wasn't supposed to go completely around it. To return to the hotel, I passed more sites as I walked to Smithsonian station, and I added arrows to the mini-maps on the directions to help me later. I didn't return to Foggy Bottom because I knew I'd be seeing the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and others with my group during the next three days. For example, we all visited the National Gallery of Art, but when I visited the American History and Natural History museums, others went to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial or other museums.

At the Marine Corps Memorial with the group one evening, I stupidly kept backing up farther and farther to get the entire statue and flag in a photo. I was injured when I fell on a few steps that were behind me, but in spite of some pain when I tried to sleep, I didn't change any of my plans.

On May 11, the Old Town Trolley's hotel shuttle picked me up, but I had to transfer from one line to another to get to a stop a few blocks from the free National Zoo, considered a Smithsonian museum. (I brought my backpack after I learned visitors don't go through security.) A giant panda mostly slept, but I enjoyed a waterfall and animals that currently are not at the Vilas Zoo. Back on the trolley, we passed the National Cathedral and embassies. However, I had walked so much, perhaps I should have considering doing either the Zoo or Embassy walks.

On May 12, I rode Metro to Smithsonian station to walk part of the 17K route. I exited at Independence Ave., but wanted to find Jefferson Drive SW. I heard bluegrass music near the garden of the Smithsonian Castle, walked through it, saw sculptures near the National Gallery of Art and ate Tres Leches after a light lunch (cost \$15.95) at the Mitsitam Café, National Museum of the American Indian. The club sanctioning this walk suggests not visiting museums during the walk, but I wanted to go inside the Capitol. Men in uniform helped me find the place where people lined up to go through security prior to a film and tour of the rotunda and statuary hall. This took about an hour, so I only stopped briefly in Union Station (a checkpoint) and the National Postal Museum without using a restroom. On the way to the iron fence by the White House, I passed the U.S. Navy Memorial and other sites, but I didn't make it to the White House Visitor Center before it closed at 4 p.m. I was "relieved" to find a restroom near the Washington Monument (still closed due to the earthquake) where I didn't have to go through security.

No ideal mode of transportation exists in Washington, D.C. I had to learn how to buy a Metro ticket, and repairs caused delays on the Saturday I rode it. Old Town Trolley offers hop-on/off stops in only one direction, and riding it takes longer during rush hour on a Friday. The Segway riders wear helmets, but sharing a cab a short distance costs a reasonable price. A walker may need to improvise due to construction or security fences, and I was told a member of the club sanctioning this walk would walk with me if I returned. Seeing many sites on this walk--plus seeing or passing Arlington National Cemetery, Air Force Memorial and the Pentagon--gives new meaning to "God Bless America"!

Milestones

??? Events Joye & Gene Scheute
 1000 KM Hannah Wensling Age: 10

New Dairyland Walker Club Members

Please Welcome:

Katy Kaufman Monona
 Mike Lenihan Stoughton
 Mary Kathleen Newcomb Jackson, WI
 Mary Jo Ryan Stoughton
 Tamea Sanders New Glarus
 Ginny Widrick Middleton
 Kellan Zwiefel New Glarus

2012 Dairyland Walkers Calendar

Saturday, January 21	East Towne Walk	Results: 50 credit & 5 free walkers
Saturday, February 18	West Towne Walk	Results: 56 credit & 9 free walkers
Sunday, March 18	Poker & Pie Walk - Middleton	Results: 77 credit walkers
Saturday, April 21	Monona Kick-off Walk	Results: 49 credit & 32 free walkers
Saturday, May 19	Syttende Mai Walk - Madison	Results: 10 credit
Saturday, May 26	Sauk Prairie Walk	Results: 42 credit & 7 free walkers
Saturday, June 2	Walk Wisconsin - Stevens Pt.	Results: 13 credit & 1 free walker
Saturday, June 16	Lapham Peak Walk	Results: 40 credit & 10 free walkers
Wednesday, July 11	Board Meeting	Lakeview Library 6:00 PM ?????
Great River Walking Weekend:		
Saturday, July 21	Lake Winona Walk - MN	Register 7:00 – 10:00 AM
Saturday, July 21	Perrot State Park Walk - WI	Register 12:00 Noon – 3:00 PM
Sunday, July 22	Merrick State Park Walk – WI	Register 8:00 – 12:00 Noon
Sunday, July 22	Winona Historic City Walk – MN	Register 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Wednesday, August 8	Membership Meeting	Middleton – Fireman’s Park
Saturday, August 25	A Walk Into History - Portage	Register 8:00 – 12:00 Noon
Saturday, September 15	Cheese Days Walk – Monroe	Register 8:00 – 12:00 Noon
Saturday, October 13	High Cliff State Park Walk – Sherwood	Register 12:00 Noon – 3:00 PM
Sunday, October 14	Maywood Environmental Park Walk	Register 8:00 – 12:00 Noon
	- Sheboygan	

Attachment A

**Dairyland Walkers Board Meeting
Lakeview Branch Library
May 9, 2012**

**Minutes Pending
Board Approval**

Board Members Present

Doug Wiest (President) Barb Borde (Board Member at Large)
Kristi Kenyon (Treasurer) Don Suloff (Trailmaster)
Mary Liebig (Secretary) Russ Crane (Webmaster)

Welcome (Doug)

The meeting was called to order at 6:05PM by President Doug Wiest and the agenda was adopted. Also in attendance were Karen Reger and Cindy Haagensen.

Treasurer's Report (Kristi)

Kristi had emailed the Treasurer's Report to the Board. The balance on April 11, 2012 was \$2,744.95. Since that time, income totaled \$663.00 and expenditures were \$741.53. The current balance on May 9, 2012 is \$2,666.42. Of that balance, \$200 is restricted for trips. The Treasurer's report was accepted and filed for audit.

Meeting Minutes (Mary)

The minutes of the last Board meeting held on March 14th 2012 had been previously emailed to the Board. There were no corrections or additions to the minutes, and they were approved as distributed.

Director at Large Report (Barb)

Barb had nothing to report.

Trailmaster Report (Don)

Don reported that Ronnie Guski and Terry Wendt have volunteered to be the new East and West Towne Mall walk coordinators.

Don also wanted to discuss the newly revised dates for the AVA Biennial Convention in Orlando, FL. The overall dates including all convention volkssport events are Saturday, April 27 through Sunday, May 5, 2013. This is in conflict with the tentative dates the club had planned for the Outagamie and Waupaca County walks on May 4-5, 2013. After some discussion, the Board decided not to reschedule the Outagamie and Waupaca County walks from May 4-5, 2013. Most likely, the Outagamie County (Appleton) walk will be sanctioned as a seasonal walk from April 1 through December 31, 2013. That should give those planning to attend the AVA convention in Orlando plenty of time to complete that walk. The 2013 AVA convention attendees that also want to do the Waupaca county walk will need to pre-walk it.

Don then announced that all 2013 walks had been scheduled except for Racine. He still needs a proposed date from Caralee Giuntoli on the Racine walk.

Webmaster Report (Russ)

Russ presented the Usage Report from March 12, 2012 to April 30, 2012 and gave a short explanation of the numbers.

Unfinished Business

Northern Italy Trip

Barb Borde reported that fifteen people had signed up for the Volkssporting Northern Italy trip on September 6-19, 2012. She said that five more need to sign up by May 21, or the trip will be canceled.

Mackinac Bridge Bus Trip

The Board discussed the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore walking event as part of this trip. Russ Crane had researched the walking routes in the area and determined that our original plans for a walk in the Chapel Basin would be difficult to reach for the bus. A new route was approved, but will instead be sanctioned as a one day event. The Mackinac Island walk was already requested to be sanctioned as a remote seasonal event from July 1 to September 30, 2012. Both the Labor Day Bridge walk and Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore walks will be sanctioned as one day events.

Cindy Haagensen reported that she now has received initial deposits from thirty-three people planning to ride the bus for the trip. With that interest, the trip will most likely be a "go" and Kristi will deposit the initial checks. However, the deadline to sign up for the trip has been extended to May 31. Cindy plans to contact the Twin Cities Volkssports and Des Moines AVA clubs to see if their members have any interest in this bus trip.

New Business

Appleton Seasonal Volkssmarch

Mary Liebig has been in contact with Rob Molskness, an Appleton resident who has designed a walking route in downtown Appleton (Outagamie County). Rob has already met with the Appleton Downtown, Inc. group and they are very excited about having a seasonal walking event in their city. Appleton Downtown, Inc would like to sanction the seasonal walk starting July 1, 2012 so they could begin marketing it this year. The Board discussed this, but determined that it is too late in the year to sanction this walk for 2012. Instead, it will most likely be approved as a 2013 seasonal walk at the July 11 Board meeting, along with the other 2013 year-round and seasonal events.

Membership Dues Renewal

Doug Wiest brought up the issue of renewing membership dues now that the club has an electronic newsletter. The Board decided that this issue should be deferred until the July meeting, when Tom Doyle, Membership Chair, is in attendance.

June 13 Membership Meeting

The next General Membership Meeting will be on June 13, 2012 at the Middleton Library. There is not yet a scheduled topic for this meeting. It was suggested that the Dairyland Walker Caribbean cruisers could discuss their recent trip, and that Doug and Jhing Wiest could discuss volkssmarching in Germany.

The next Board Meeting will be July 11, 2012 at the Lakeview Branch Library. The next walking events will be the Syttende Mai walk on Saturday, May 19 and the Sauk Prairie walk on Saturday, May 26.

Meeting adjourned at 7 PM

Submitted by: Mary B. Liebig, Secretary

Attachment B

Minutes Pending Approval

**Dairyland Walkers Bimonthly Meeting
Middleton Public Library
June 13th 2012**

Officers Present: Doug Wiest (President), Mary Liebig (Secretary), Kristi Kenyon (Treasurer)

Board Members Present: Barb Borde (Board Director at Large), Russ Crane (Webmaster) Tom Doyle (Membership Chair), Don Suloff (Trailmaster)

In Attendance: 21

Meeting

President Wiest called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. There being no additions or corrections to the agenda previously emailed to the Board, the agenda was adopted.

Welcome New Members/Visitors (Doug Wiest)

Doug welcomed Mary Jo Ryan and Mike Linehan as visitors to our meeting. They had been researching trips on the internet and found our club website.

Meeting Minutes (Mary Liebig)

There being no additions or corrections to the minutes of the membership meeting held on April 11th 2012, they stand approved as previously emailed to the Board.

Treasurer's Report (Kristi Kenyon)

The report was previously emailed to the Board. The report noted income of \$3,577.00 and expenses of \$408.75 since the previous report. Current balance is \$5,834.67. Of this balance, \$3,250.00 is restricted for trips. Mackinac Bus trip payments of \$3,050.00 caused the income to be higher than normal this month and comprise the majority of the restricted funds. The report was accepted and filed for audit.

Old Business

Northern Italy Trip (Barb Borde)

Barb reported that the Northern Italy trip was canceled because not enough people had signed up for it.

Mackinac Bridge Bus Trip (Doug Wiest)

Doug told us that 41 people are planning to ride the bus for the Mackinac Bridge trip, but there is still room on the bus. The cost is \$400; those that have already made the initial \$50 deposit need to remit the remaining \$350 to Cindy Haagensen by July 31.

New Business

Remote Starts (Tom Doyle)

Tom talked about how the remote start has worked for the Key West Walk this year, and our plans to use it in the future for some of the northern Wisconsin counties. He has been pleased with how well it has worked for the 32 people that have already registered for the Key West Walk. One must pre-register by contacting the point of contact (POC) and completing a registration form. Upon receiving a signed Start Card (Registration Form) and payment, the POC will provide the Walk Directions, and instructions on how to obtain IVV credit stamps. Tom said that Key West walkers have either been mailing him an inset card to stamp or mailing him their books to stamp.

Walk Evaluations (Tom Doyle)

Tom brought written evaluations on five of our walks that one of our members, Carol Hollar from New Jersey, had completed in May. Carol had been President of an AVA club in Chicago and she may have used an evaluation form from that club. The walks that she completed and evaluated were: Capital, Janesville, Madison East Side, Monona, and Middleton.

Spirit Wear (Tom Doyle)

Our club plans to offer Augusta wicking shirts with the Dairyland Walkers logo. More information about ordering the new wicking shirts will be contained in the next newsletter.

Lapham Peak Walk (Barb Borde)

Our next walk is Saturday, June 16 in the Lapham peak Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest in Delafield. There is a park admission fee. The walk will start at the Evergreen Grove Park Shelter. Barb recommends that we bring walking sticks.

Program

Caribbean Cruise and Key West Walk (Tom Doyle)

Eighteen people associated with the Dairyland Walkers completed a Caribbean cruise in May. Tom talked about some the highlights of the trip, including a stop in Key West to do our AVA sanctioned walk there.

The next membership meeting will be a picnic held on Wednesday, August 8 at Fireman's Park in Middleton.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm

Mary Liebig, Secretary