

President's Corner

Did you see the brochure for Lincoln Woods? Many thanks to Monica and Bea Hait for putting it all together. I'm so excited for everyone to come! It's a beautiful walk. I know the pre-registration requirement is a little unusual; it does take a little of the spontaneity out of it. If you want to come but aren't sure in advance, you can always use the new online start box (OSB) at my.ava.org up to the morning of the walk. It's really easy to use. You create an account and then you register and pay online by depositing a minimum of \$3 using a credit/debit card. You can do that up until the morning of the walk. You'll pay \$2 upon registering and then when you go back in and mark that you did the walk, the additional \$1 is deducted from your OSB fund. The state park isn't allowing us to sell anything (including walk registration fee payments) and this is a good way to still let people decide that morning if they want to do the walk. If you use the OSB for registration, please check in at the on-site start table when you arrive so we know how many people are out on the trail. We will also have a patch you can pre-purchase. We did a walk in Lincoln Woods in 1993 and we have 20 patches left. There is a place on the registration form for you to indicate that you want one and it will be waiting for you when you check in.

by Mary Frink

Don't forget about the picnic! Walking isn't the only reason we're getting together. It's been so long since we had a social event. I'm really looking forward to it. There are plenty of picnic tables and the pavilion is in a big field, so if you are not comfortable sitting with so many people, you can put a chair nearby. This is **not a potluck picnic**, so you're asked to bring your own lunch. Dessert (cupcakes and fruit), however, will be provided. Hopefully next year, we'll be able to go back to potluck picnics. If you don't want lunch, please stay and hang out with us. We'll also be handing out our annual volunteer awards. If you didn't know, when you volunteer to do anything with the club, you get points. As you reach certain milestones, like 10, 50, 100 points, you get recognized for the achievement. When you reach 1000 points, you get a lifetime membership in Walk 'n Mass! That's a goal to reach for!

As you can tell, I'm really excited that we are able to have a walk with a social event. I know everything is not back to the way it was and that people are still hesitant. I am too, but I know we will make this work and have a lot of fun!



Come Friends, Let's Walk

- ❖ Saturday, June 4
Group Walk:
Shelburne, Falls
10:00 am
- ❖ Saturday, June 11
Group Walk: New
London, CT
9:00 am (CVVC)
- ❖ Saturday, June 18
Group Walk:
Fall River 10:00 am
- ❖ Saturday, June 25
Group Walk:
Middlebury, VT
8:45 am (TSVA)
[see page 2]
- ❖ Saturday, June 25
Group Walk:
Saco, ME
11:15 am (SMVA)

See club or AVA website for starting location details on these events. For group walks, please aim to arrive 15 minutes earlier to sign-in.



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Charlotte Phillips Memorial Service

by Beate Hait

A memorial service for Charlotte Phillips, former president and long-time member of Twin State Volkssport Association (TSVA), who died in December 2021 in San Antonio, TX, is tentatively scheduled for June 25.

The service will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the Cornwall Congregational Church, 2598 Rt. 30, Cornwall, VT and a luncheon will follow. (Her ashes will be buried at a later date in the Evergreen Cemetery on Rt. 74.)

We ask volkswalkers who would like to attend the service to wear a volkswalk-related t-shirt and meet at 10:45 a.m. in the parking lot of Bingham Memorial School, 112 School Rd. (off Rt. 30), to walk the short distance together to the service.

The TSVA seasonal volkswalk in Middlebury, VT (8-minute drive to Cornwall) is one that Charlotte planned—and has remained active to the present day. A group walk of that event will start at 8:45 a.m. from The Middlebury Inn, 14 Court Square, Middlebury, VT. Please register using Online Start Box (OSB) for full walk details. Or, enjoy this route anytime it fits your schedule!

Please call/text Bea Hait, 774-292-9098, for confirmation of the memorial service date.

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Two Town: Ipswich Walk Recap by Joe Piffat

Thirty-eight walkers from 6 states came (most early to beat the heat) on May 21 to enjoy Two Town Walking Club's event in Ipswich honoring the late Karen Campbell. We were gratified that we had many members of Karen's family attend, even if not walking, to join in the remembrance. Starting from the Ipswich Masonic Temple, the 6K and 10K trails both included many of the First Period Historic Homes. Each person who attended received a packet of Forget-Me-Nots to plant in Karen's memory.



Joe Piffat



Eileen Anderson



Joe Piffat

Left: Archie Campbell, Eileen Anderson, and Janet Battista

Above: gathering at the Start/Finish

Above: remembering Karen

Below: seed packet mementos



Joe Piffat



Bev Lange



Eileen Anderson

Above left: Carolyn Adams on Meetinghouse Green

Above right: Carolyn Adams, Beate Hait, and Bev Lange finding a spot of shade



Bev Lange



Bev Lange



Beate Hait

Left: house along 6K route

Middle: Bell Manor condos, former Roman Catholic Church

Above right: eye check, can you spot the real people admiring the mural?

Bulletin Board

Special Days in June

3 - Doughnut Day (also World Bicycle Day)

4 - National Trails Day (also National Cheese Day)

9 - Strawberry Rhubarb Pie Day (also Donald Duck Day)

14 - Flag Day

18 - International Picnic Day

19 - Juneteenth

21 - International Yoga Day

May cryptogram answer:

If I could not walk fast and far, I think I should just explode and perish. — Charles Dickens

Next Club Meeting Monday, June 7

6:30 pm

Choate Park
Main Street (Rt. 109)
Medway, MA
Picnic pavilion near
parking/playground

No club meeting in July, have a safe & happy Fourth!



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Haunted Gettysburg Weekend

November 11-13, 2022

4 walks, 1 swim, Sat. dinner, lots of fun!!!

More at: sites.google.com/site/yorkwhiterosewanderers

Or see my.ava.org/find-a-fest.php

Tuesday Walk & Lunch: Summer Plan

Walks start at 10:30 am

JUNE

7 Wellesley
14 Rockport
21 Sandwich
28 Hyannis

JULY

5 Quincy
12 Salem
19 Bristol
26 Mystic

AUGUST

2 Providence
9 Beverly
16 Bedford
23 Newton
30 Lexington

Plymouth Photos

by Bev Lange

The group walk of Plymouth on April 30 revealed a new outdoor art project with delightfully decorated shells. Dawn Harlow and new puppy also enjoyed the outing.



Tuesday Walk Pictures:

Keith, Carol, and Joanne enjoyed this year's Newton route on May 10, with some "painted ladies" showing off their spring gardens.



Carol Giesecke



Joanne Izbicki

MA folks (Joanne, Ann, Marianne, and Keith) traveled to Mystic, CT on April 26 and were joined by CVVC stalwarts Bob McDougall and Andy Fal where they found an oversized chair perfect for a group photo or two.

Walk Coordinator Speaks

by Beate Hait

Ipswich, MA – On May 21, Two Town Volkssport Club held a walk in memory of that club's Treasurer and active walker, Karen Campbell, who died in Sept. 2021. Walkers enjoyed the map-guided routes planned by the Piffat family: Joe, Barbara and Kathy. Many interesting historical facts were included in the walk directions of this intriguing town. While walking through the lively downtown with many plaques noting historic information and observing lovely, well-kept old homes in residential areas, Janet Battista from CT was heard to exclaim, "I feel like I'm in a Hallmark movie. Everything looks so perfect!"

Lincoln Woods State Park: Aug. 20 – Don't forget to register for this event by mail (see brochure included with this newsletter) or Online Start Box (OSB) through my.ava.org. We hope this requirement doesn't deter participation in this day event and club picnic followed by the annual meeting with awards presented to members who have reached volunteer-hour milestones. Contact me by August 15 to coordinate delivery of any club apparel or IVV book. Hope to see you there!

Northeast Weekend: Sept. 17 and 18 – I hope you have this weekend on your calendar to enjoy the camaraderie of volkssporters from this region and beyond at the walks and social activities. The Holiday Inn-Niagara Falls is the host hotel. See direct link from www.NiagaraVolkssportClubs.org or call 716-285-2521 ext. 2 for event hotel special rate.

On Sept. 17, the walk starts at the authentic Hofbräuhaus Restaurant in Buffalo. Enjoy beer and wurst after you complete the walk! The Niagara Riverwalk on Sept. 18 in Niagara Falls features a new pathway along the Niagara Escarpment overlooking the Class IV rapids of the lower river. Nearby are also the Underground Railroad Museum and the Whirlpool Bridge, which was one of the busy border crossings for the Underground Railroad.

There are also seasonal events in the area, such as walks across the Rainbow Bridge into Canada (don't forget your passport), and many others. To plan your trip, see www.NiagaraVolkssportClubs.org

Framingham, MA – Oct. 15 – Save the date for this out-and-back walk route featuring the Cochituate Rail Trail.

IVV Olympiad: Feb. 19-23, 2023 – Registration is open for the multi-day Olympiad in San Antonio at ivvolympiad2023.org and for reservations at the host hotel LaQuinta Riverwalk, which is where all of the walks will begin. AVA also negotiated with other hotel brands (e.g., Marriott, Hilton, and Red Roof Inn) to accommodate walkers' individual preferences. Early bird discount until Sept. 30.

If you would like to volunteer at this festival, note your interest on the registration form.

[The location of an IVV Olympiad changes each year. My family attended the IVV Olympiad in Seefeld, Austria in 2001. What fun to enjoy the scenery along the routes with thousands of international participants! I encourage you to consider joining in the fun.]

IML San Antonio: Feb. 24-26, 2023 –The IVV Olympiad in San Antonio is piggy-backed with the International Marching Association (IML) festival that draws thousands of international walkers. Normally, there is only one authorized IML event per member country, but a second can be authorized if it is held a sufficient distance from the first and in a different topography. In the US, two IML events are held annually: US Freedom Walk Festival in October in Arlington, VA and the Texas Trail Roundup in February in San Antonio, TX.

Another reason to travel to San Antonio in February: the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo is in town!