



Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

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 Next Meeting November 6, 2007
 7:00 p.m. at the Golden Corral
 Restaurant, Universal City
 A member of the American Volkssport
 Association (AVA) & the International
 Federation of Popular Sports (IVV)
 The Public is always welcome

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 Volkssport Club**
A Walking Club Established 1980
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Event Information

1-800-830-WALK

TVA Website

<http://walktexas.org/>

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Hans-Dieter Fuhr
 Wiesbaden, Germany
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Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due:
Carol Christy, Alan & Gloria Mick, Jack & Janet Shircel, Newton Cole, Ann & Ken Humphrey, Barbara & Frank Marrou, Elaine Talarski and Frankie Sorrell, Lionel Dry, Gus Glaser, Diana & David Padden, Mary Quandt and Bilita & Don VanCleave.

Please send in your renewal fees now. We value your membership. To renew your membership, fill out a renewal application attached or print one from the following website address:
www.geocities.com/RandolphRoadrunners/membership.html and send it with your fees to Nancy Paulson c/o the club address.

Kudos to the Following Volkssport Achievers:

(from TAW Oct./Nov. events and distance)

Bilita VanCleave	1250 events
Ellen Ott	1150 events
Martin Callahan	1150 events
	18,000 km
Don VanCleave	1100 events
	12,000 km
Diane Duesterhoeft	250/300 events
	2500 km
Gus Glaser	300 events



Carpooling to Events-

If anyone is interested in carpooling to any of the walks or meetings, please contact David Toth, 521-8684, or E-mail dntoth@scbglobal.net. It's never too early to start planning for the Dallas AVA convention in 2009!

Notes from the AVA: Next Executive Council Meeting

The next meeting of your Executive Council is Saturday, December 1. It will be held at the Kings Island Resort and Conference Center, 5691 Kings Island Dr, Mason, OH 45040. All Volkssporters are invited to attend for all or a portion of the meeting. Come watch your Council in action.

Events Position

Mark is no longer with AVA. Until further notice, please direct all of your stamp, event and insurance questions to avahq@ava.org

AVA Headquarters' Staff

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2007 Starting Point

These books are now half price while supplies last.

Call for Volunteers

How can you help AVA grow? Volunteer to help AVA Committees. AVA needs working volunteers to help our clubs and attract more participants at events, but committees can't help with only one or two members like last term. We will try to make volunteering easier by asking each of the committee chairs to design specific tasks based on your desires so that you can know how much of your time and effort is required. But, you must help by showing your interest.

Descriptions of committees are at www.ava.org. Click on **Membership** and then on **AVA Committees**.

Training Committee

The Training Committee is looking for interested parties willing to WORK. If anyone in the vast AVA audience already has training material(s) that they are willing to share, THE Committee would be most interested in them forwarding it by either snail mail to Wave Walkin' Wayne, Commodore of the Entire Pacific Fleet, 2687 Fria Springs Road, Rescue, CA 95672 or via e-mail to pa_rd@ava.org.

New AVA Contest

Where's Ava? For the next year, AVA will sponsor a new contest. Each issue of *The American Wanderer* will have a picture of someone from the back wearing the AVA Jacket somewhere in the world. Readers guess where the picture was taken. For each issue a free AVA Jacket will be awarded to someone, selected from among the pool of all correct entries submitted for that issue of TAW. Here are the rules:

To submit a Photo: Photos must show a person in the foreground, wearing an AVA jacket with the logo on the back facing the camera. In the background the photo should show a recognizable landmark. Send photo submissions by postal mail to AVA (AVA, Attn: Jackie, 1001 Pat Booker Rd, Suite 101, Universal City, TX 78148) or email (avahq@ava.org). Include the name of the photographer, name of jacket wearer, city (and state if in the US) and country where the photo was taken and a brief description of the landmark. Don't make it too easy – no city names in the photo, nothing too obvious (like in front of the Statue of Liberty), but don't make it too hard either (no pictures in your back yard). Photos must be clear and printable as well. Submitted photos will not be returned and will be kept by AVA for future promotions.

To enter the Contest: Send a postcard (no emails, no letters) to AVA, (Attn: Jackie, 1001 Pat Booker Rd, Suite 101, Universal City, TX 78148). Include on the postcard: your name and address, the month of the TAW issue the photo was in, and your guess of the city and country where

the photo was taken. Postcards must be postmarked by the end of the first month of the TAW issue, for example for the October/November issue; entries are due by October 31.

National Executive Council members, AVA Headquarters employees and *The American Wanderer* staff are not eligible for the contest. Winners of the jackets and the names of both photographer and subject (the jacket wearer) will be listed in the next TAW.

Disney World Events!

Anyone interested in reserving a space on a bus or mini-van for the Volkssport Walking Festival at WALT DISNEY WORLD® Resort, please call David Toth, 521-8684 to coordinate travel. This year's event will include two full days of walking and a weekend of unforgettable fun. The Disney World weekend walking events are scheduled for November 23, 24 and 25, 2007.

Special Events Program Walking the Old Spanish Trail (OST) In Texas

Hosted by the Randolph Roadrunners the program begins January 1, 2008 and ends December 31, 2011. The point of contact for the OST special event is RR member, Carlen Forinash (cwforinash@yahoo.com). This new special event program promotes doing any walking event that runs along or crosses, or is in very close proximity to any part of the Old Spanish auto highway in the State of Texas. YREs as well as regular one-day or weekend walks may qualify for this event as long as they are on the OST.

Each entry in the OST Special Event booklet must have a different sanction number. Participants must complete 20 different walks to be eligible to receive the special patch designed specifically for this special event.

Upon completion of the required 20 events, the participant will be awarded the 3.5"x4.25" 100% multi-colored embroidered patch. The cost of the patch is included in the book fee. Event books are \$8 each and may be ordered by mailing a check payable to:

Randolph Roadrunners, Attn: OST Coordinator, 1726 Fawn Crest, San Antonio, TX 78248
Current 2008 OST qualifying YRE's in San Antonio are:

Y1848	Alamo Heights
Y1174	Churches
Y1852	DeZavala
Y0261	Ft. Sam Houston
Y0263	Maury Maverick Library
Y0461	Mission Concepcion
Y0804	Mission Espada
Y0462	Mission San Juan
Y0055	Riverwalk

The OST coordinator would have to qualify all one-time events for inclusion in the Special Event Program at the time the event is sanctioned. This qualification would be included in the OST event brochure.

Coming Texas Events:

11/3/2007 - 11/4/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 77826 10K and 5K
Start: Schlitterbahn Water Park
Employee Cafe-Corner of Liberty and North Street

Event City: New Braunfels

Host Club: NB Marsch-und Wandergruppe

More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:

590 Shady Hollow

New Braunfels, TX 78132

Contact: Ray Menzel, (830) 907 - 4488

E-Mail: rmenzel238@aol.com

Club Website:

www.muw.walktexas.org

11/10/2007 - 11/10/2007 - Walk

Event Number: 74665 5K & 10K

Start: Lake Tawakoni State Park

Event City: Willis Point

Host Club: East Texas Trekkers

Event Website:

www.Walktx.org/EastTexasTrekkers/07Tawakoni.pdf

More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:

4722 Comanche Trail

Tyler, TX 75707

Contact: Jan Wood, (903) 534 - 9301

E-Mail: jpw6391@msn.com or jpw6391@yahoo.com

Club Website:

www.Walktx.org/EastTexasTrekkers/

11/10/2007 - 11/10/2007 - Walk

Event Number: 78522 10K

Start: Miramar Park and Pool Pavilion
Event City: Seabrook
Host Club: Houston Happy Hikers
Event Website:
houstonhappyhikers.org
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
P.O. Box 101
Orchard, TX 77464
Contact: Catherine Kellner, (979) 478-6203
E-Mail: hphpresident@houstonhappyhikers.org
Club Website:
www.houstonhappyhikers.org/

11/10/2007 - 11/11/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 77998 10K & 5K
Start: Chisholm Trail Winery, 2367 Usener Road, Fredericksburg, TX 78624
Event City: Fredericksburg
Host Club: Selma Pathfinders
Event Website:
www.geocities.com/Yosemite/gorge/8195
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
PO Box 700946
San Antonio, TX 78270-0946
Contact: Phyllis Eagan, (210) 496-1402
E-Mail: milchene@juno.com
Club Website:
www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Gorge/8195

11/17/2007 - 11/17/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 77475 10K, 5K
Start: Emmanuel Episcopal Church.
Event City: Lockhart
Host Club: Colorado River Walkers
Event Website:
coloradoriverwalkers.org
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
2012 Krizan
Austin, TX 78727
Contact: Sam Harris, (512) 833-8969
E-Mail: jaltex@juno.com
Club Website:
www.coloradoriverwalkers.org/

11/23/2007 - 11/24/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 79402 5K, 10K, 15K, 20K.

Start: Trinity Hill Irish Pub, Mockingbird Station, 5321 E. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, TX 75206
Event City: Dallas
Host Club: Dallas Trekkers, Inc.
Event Website:
www.dallastrekkers.org
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
3321 Dartmoor Dr.
Dallas, TX 75229
Contact: Helen Bateman, (214) 732-3419
E-Mail: helenbateman@earthlink.net
Club Website:
www.dallastrekkers.org/

12/1/2007 - 12/1/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 77640 5K & 10K
Start: St. John's Lutheran Church
Event City: Boerne
Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners
Event Website:
www.geocities.com/randolphroadrunners/
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
1726 Fawn Crest
San Antonio, TX 78248
Contact: Joanne Forinash, (210) 493-8543
E-Mail: sjforinash@yahoo.com
Club Website:
www.geocities.com/randolphroadrunners/

12/8/2007 - 12/8/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 77446 5K & 10K
Start: Quicksands Cafe and Bakery 502 Embassy Oaks, Suite 109, San Antonio, TX 78216 (Across from Embassy Theater – Hwy 281 & Bitters Rd.)
Event City: San Antonio
Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners
Event Website:
www.geocities.com/randolphroadrunners/
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
11906 Pepperidge Cove
San Antonio, TX 78213
Contact: Ellen Ott, (210) 525-8574
E-Mail: ellenott@sbcglobal.net
Club Website:
www.geocities.com/randolphroadrunners/

12/8/2007 - 12/8/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 78057 10K

Start: Houston Arboretum and Nature Center
Event City: Houston
Host Club: Houston Happy Hikers
Event Website:
houstonhappyhikers.org
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
P.O. Box 101
Orchard, TX 77464
Contact: Catherine Kellner, (979) 478-6203
E-Mail: hphpresident@houstonhappyhikers.org
Club Website:
www.houstonhappyhikers.org/

12/31/2007 - 12/31/2007 - Walk
Event Number: 79552 10K
Start: St. Joseph Halle
Event City: Fredericksburg
Host Club: Texas Volkssport Assn.
Event Website:
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
1801 Lavaca Street Apt 6G
Austin, TX 78701-1306
Contact: Charles Wortz, (512) 479-0741
E-Mail: cwortz@texas.net
Club Website: walktexas.org

1/1/2008 - 1/1/2008 - Walk
Event Number: 79553 10K
Start: St. Joseph Halle
Event City: Fredericksburg
Host Club: Texas Volkssport Assn.
Event Website:
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
1801 Lavaca Street Apt 6G
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Be a Part of the 2009 AVA Convention

In June 2005 AVA voted to bring the 2009 American Volkssporting Association Convention to Richardson, Texas using the DART and TRE rail lines to attend the walks during the Convention and to have special additional bus transportation available to the walks in the South Central region states of Louisiana, Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma and

Missouri on the weekends bookending the convention.
 Now the challenge is for you to help us fill the many positions needed to put on a successful convention.
 Here's what it takes to put on an AVA Convention. Look at the Organization Chart online and click on any positions in which you might be interested. This will take you a position description and a link to volunteer. You can use the link to volunteer or you can call 972 235-9086 or send a note to:
 2009 AVA Convention Committee,
 120 East FM 544, STE 72, PMB 216,
 Murphy, TX 75094 with your name, address, phone number and e-mail address along with the position for which you would like to volunteer.

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 Universal City TX **78148-1744**

Some of the open positions are:
 Convention Activities Director --- [Volunteer to fill this position](#)
 The Convention Activities Director is in charge of Speakers and Entertainment, the Social Activities Committee and Convention Events.
 Social Activities Committee --- [Volunteer to head this committee](#) | [Volunteer to serve on this committee](#)
 The Social Events Committee plans and coordinates meals and social events, including speakers and entertainment.
 Exhibits Coordinator --- [Volunteer to fill this position](#)
 The Exhibits Coordinator leads the committee that will coordinate exhibit space and provide support to convention exhibitors.

Corporate Sponsors Committee --- [Volunteer to head this committee](#) | [Volunteer to serve on this committee](#)
 The Corporate Sponsors Committee identifies and solicits corporate sponsors to help defray the expenses related to putting on the AVA Convention.
 History, Documentation and After Action Report Committee --- [Volunteer to head this committee](#) | [Volunteer to serve on this committee](#)
 The Convention History Documentation and After Action Report Committee maintains relevant historical documents and materials and photo documentation of Convention Activities. The committee also coordinates production of the Convention After Action Report.

RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS APPLICATION PO Box 2744, Universal City TX 78148-1744			
Please check applicable box(es):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> New Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Family member(s) included (see instructions below)	DATE _____
Name _____		NEW MEMBER FEE: \$4.00 for 1 year \$10.00 for three years This fee applies to the primary member. Additional family members require a \$2.00 fee per individual.	
Address _____		RENEWAL FEE: \$4.00 for one year \$10.00 for three years This renewal fee includes each family member who paid \$2.00 with the original application. If the \$2.00 fee was not paid with the original application, add family members now by including \$2.00 for each person.	
Apt No. _____			
City _____	State _____	Zip Code _____	
Telephone number _____		AVA Volkssport Associate Yes / No	
E-mail address _____			
Family members _____		Eager to serve as club officer _____ committee chair _____	
Amount submitted \$ _____			