

Victor Hiking Trails, Inc. Meeting Minutes, August 25, 1994

The meeting came to order at 7:33 PM. Eight people were in attendance.

Correction to last month's minutes:

The Auburn trail and potential Indian trails do go through wetlands in some sections.

Treasurer's Report:

•Sue Freeman reported that the treasury balance sits at \$1,719. We have taken in \$625 in donations for the Bridge Hike.

Misc. Items:

•Marcia Bryan mailed a get well card to Margaret Nugent. Margaret ... we miss you & hope you're feeling better.

•Marcia got a combination tax base / topograhical map from the town showing the White Brook area. She plans to map out the potential Seneca trail route and use the map when we ask landowners to sign the revokable permits. Marcia, Ruth, and Larry hiked the Johnson property with Mr. Johnson - this will be part of the Seneca trail.

•Marcia reported that the Eagle Scout project to blaze a trail from the Auburn trail to Fisher's Park

has been approved but Larry has yet to hear from the Eagle Scout.

•Sue Freeman has had several requests for maps of our trails. We especially need maps showing parking areas & access points. If anyone would like to try their hand at map making, please call Sue Freeman, 924-4149.

Hang Around Victor Day (September 10th):

- •A group gathered at Diane Inch's house to make jam. Dennis Inch brought samples of the finished product for us to taste. It's wonderful - be sure to buy some at Hang Around Victor Day - only \$2.50 a jar...
- •The Ryon's have made and donated a number of cedar bluebird houses to sell for \$20 a piece.

•Chauncy Young is busy making 6 cedar bat houses to be sold for \$20 also.

•Diane Inch has made arts & crafts which will be for sale, and to date we have 25 pies donated. •Wade's donated 200 canvas tote bags which we'll sell for \$3 each.

•Our booth (in front of Lolis) will be chock-full of great buys.

Trails:

•Douglas Fisher gave us ariel pictures & slides of the Victor area which will come in handy in planning trails. Thanks Doug.

•Maintenance schedule (6 PM):

September 1 Fisher's firehall September 8 Fisher's Rd. September 15 Phillip's Rd.

VHT BridgeWalk:

• SAVE THE DATE September 17 will be our VHT BridgeWalk.

•Dave Wright and his assistants have been busy distributing brochures and posters.

Thanks donors:

Susan Brannen

Betsy Russell (Ontario Pathways)

Dick Ottalagana

•Notices & articles have appeared in many publications including the Victor newsletter, Ontario pathways newsletter, Nordic ski club newsletter, ADK newsletter, Crescent Trails newsletter, Our Towns section of the D&C. Plus we've done interviews for the Canandaigua Messenger & Wolfe Publications. Finger Lakes Trail Conference gave us local mailing addresses for direct mail to their members. Dave Wright has sent letters to the editors of 6 local publications. Doug Fisher suggested an up & coming Geneva paper which should be added to the list. Dave is preparing 675 brochures to go as stuffers in the Rochester Bike Club newsletter. Plus, he's asking local radio & TV stations to make announcements. The publicity committee has been BUSY!

•The best method however remains person to person interaction. Please talk it up with neighbors & friends. Join us in the drive to recruit hikers, pledgers, and contributions. One family pledged \$ 200 to their neighbors who are walking the Bridge Hike. We need more of

those!!

- •Dan Welch of WhistleStop came by to offer a donation of hot dogs & lemonade for our hike.
- •Deb Wegman agreed to provide the keys to the locks so we can open the gates along the trail.
- •Dave ordered 30 green T Shirts with white lettering for Hang Around Victor Day and Bridge Hike volunteers.
- •Nalge is donating a dozen free waterbottles. Other donations include a free cellular phone, gift certificates, and brunch coupons.
- •A Shortsville store donated 2 jackets, embroidered with our logo. We will display them at Hang Around Victor Day & award them to our top earners on the Hike.

Newsletter:

•Norm Smith has interviewed the Ryon's to write an article on the history of Monkey Run.

Saturday Hike:

•September 17th - The Bridge Hike we need a big turnout!!

•On August 13th Norm Smith led 13 people on a nature hike where the group had fun identifying trees & flowers. It sounded like those of us who missed it, missed a fun time.

•Don't miss out the next time. Save October 8th on your calendar. We'll meet at 8:30 AM at Lolis Restaurant, have breakfast, then car pool to Chimney Bluffs (park behind the town hall). Chimney Bluffs is over toward Oswego along lake Ontario. It's a wonder of nature where wind & water have sculptured the sand cliffs along the shoreline.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Our next meeting is Thursday, September 22nd at 7:30 PM in the Victor Town Hall. Hope to see you there.

Sue Freeman

Secretary