



Victor Hiking Trails, Inc.

Meeting Minutes, July 27, 1995

The meeting came to order at 7:30 PM. Ten people were in attendance:

- Lenore Dey
- Sue Freeman
- Dennis Inch
- Ruth Nellis
- Irene White
- Larry Fisher
- Jeff Hennick
- Diane Inch
- Norm Smith
- Chauncy Young

Last month's minutes:

- The following corrections were noted to last months minutes:
 - brochures cost \$457, not \$157
 - people adopting a trail for maintenance should be called sponsors
 - 1996 dates were corrected on the calendar
 - spelling errors were corrected

Membership:

- Lenore Dey has accepted the position of VHT Membership Chairperson. Thank-you and congratulations Lenore!
- Welcome new members:
 - Kathy Hershey
 - Chuck & Carol Ann Callari
 - Heartbeats Of Victor, Inc.
 - Eastview Mall

Education:

- Norm Smith noted he has a book on local geology which he will bring to a future meeting.

Trails:

- Larry Fisher reported that Thursday evening work crews have been light lately. Please come out to help maintain trails if you can. We need your help. Call Larry at 924-5803 if you need to know the meeting location. Work crews meet every Thursday evening at 6 PM.
- The Seneca trail is wet and needs some 2 to 3 ft. bridges over streams.
- At the Conservation Board, Tande (near Willowbrook) is expanding and the Board asked for a trail easement. The proposed Driving Range on Route 251 was also asked for a trail easement. A walk of this property is planned for Saturday with some VHT members.
- Trail maintenance nights - each Thursday except for VHT meeting night at 6PM.

Aug. 10	Meet at Phillips Rd. (Auburn Trail)	6 PM
Aug. 17	Meet at Schools St.(Auburn Trail)	6 PM
- Chauncy Young reported that Kathy & Mike Houser (south of Ganondagan toward Boughton Park) have agreed to let us use their land. He'll follow up and get a revokable permit signed.
- We need plexiglass holders to hold our brochures at Boughton Park. Can anyone make &/or get some??
- Ken Wilson signed revokable permits for 3 of the properties along Break-A-Day Rd. We can start clearing the trail. The Village Of Victor owns the railbed from Brace Rd. west to the village. We can schedule a meeting with Ken Wilson to show him why it is important that the town

purchase the section from East Victor Rd. east to the town line.

- Our problem of excessive litter on the Auburn Trail by the Lehigh tressle has been reported to the Ontario County Sheriff's office. They said they would monitor the area for any activity after dark.

ISTEA Grant:

- Jane Luce had to send 3 more certified originals and 3 more copies of the agreement to DOT. We hope to hear from DOT next month.

Adopt-A-Trail:

- The program is working well. Our trail sponsors are keeping the Phillips to Fishers Rd. and 251 to Phillips Rd. sections of the Auburn Trail well maintained. Thanks.
- We unanimously voted to grant free membership to Trail Sponsors for the duration of their sponsorship.

Trip To Marcia Bryan's (September 15-17):

- Norm Smith will not be joining us.
- Those who are going, please reserve your motel room in advance or bring a tent.

BridgeWalk:

- The new brochure is ready & looks great! One is enclosed. Be sure to sign up for the Bridge Walk.
- Diane Inch and her team are actively recruiting donations along with making & placing brochure holders.

Hang Around Victor Day:

- Irene White is busy organizing this event. She'll soon begin recruiting people to bake pies. Please say yes if she calls you. Or, better yet, call her (924-3091) to volunteer to work the booth and/or bake pies.

Promotional Items:

- Embroidered patches, whistles, and bandannas have been ordered with our VHT logo. These will be used at Hang Around Victor Day and for our Bridge Walk.

Newsletter:

- The summer version will feature our BridgeWalk brochure and an article about Adopt-A-Trail program.
- The deadline for the next issue is 10-11-95. We need ideas, or better yet, articles. Please call Sue Freeman (924-4149) if you can write an article or have a topic idea.

Misc.:

- Larry Fisher reported that Ron Sears now has our brochure on a home page on Internet. Our address is <http://www.nyey.com/vht/vhtcov.htm>. Anyone with access to Internet please help us proof read it to make sure it's accurate. Thanks.
- Dave Wright left a note saying that he got a call from Arthur Graham of the New York State Dept. Of Parks. He is doing an impact study on the Greenway Trail along the Genesee River. He wanted to know the number of members in all the local hiking groups so they can project the probable use of the trail and any loops which might be built.
- The Open Space Plan was formally presented to the Town Board for them to review and act on in the near future.
- Fishers Landing on Rt. 96, (plaza with Monro Muffler) has approval to move Hadley Circle closer to Route 96 and consolidate some wetlands. They plan to put in a footpath along the wetland and we might be able to connect to the Lehigh Trail.
- Ontario Pathways received a grant from Rural NY Grant Program for \$3,000. It will be used to do a detailed inventory of the rail-trail property.
- See the attached flyer from Genesee Valley Hiking Club listing their scheduled hikes.

Next Hike:

- On our last hike, July 8th, seven hikers and our mascot (Kamen a black lab) made the trek from Ontario County Park to the BSA Camp Cutler. They started out with some dew and fog but the temperature was a perfect 62 degrees F. The only mishap was at the end of the hike when some nasty wasps stole Diane Inch's hat. They wouldn't let her use the rustic facilities either!
- Saturday August 12th we'll hike on an Ontario Pathways trail. Meet at 9 AM at the Victor Town Hall to car pool to Canandaigua. Someone from Ontario Pathways will lead the hike and tell us about their new bridge decking over the Outlet.

Next Meeting:

- Join us at 7:30 PM on Thursday, August 24, at the Victor Town Hall for our next meeting. Save your empty cereal boxes and bring them to the meeting - we'll make them into brochure holders.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Sue Freeman

Secretary

VHT CALENDAR - Save The Dates

Aug. 10	Trail Maintenance - Meet at Phillips Rd. (Auburn Trail)	6 PM
Aug. 12	VHT hike on an Ontario Pathway's Trail, meet at Victor Townhall	9 AM
Aug. 17	Trail Maintenance - Meet at Schools St.(Auburn Trail)	6 PM
Aug. 24	VHT meeting, Victor Townhall	7:30 PM
Sept. 9	Hang Around Victor Day - visit our booth (or volunteer to work)	
Sept. 15-17	Visit Marcia Bryan, hike the Adirondacks at Schroon Lake	
Sept. 30	VHT BridgeWalk along the Seneca Trail	8 AM
Oct. 14	VHT hike in High Tor area	9 AM
Nov. 11	VHT hike at Spring Farm, Silverhill Rd., Lyons NY	9 AM
Dec.	VHT hike at Cummings Nature Center	9 AM
Jan 13, 96	VHT hike at Rattlesnake Hill Wildlife Management Area in Dansville	9 AM
Feb., 96	VHT hike at Harriet Hollister Park in Springwater	9 AM
March, 96	VHT hike of a Macedon Trail	9 AM