VICTOR HIKING TRAILS MEETING AT MARY FRANCES BLUEBIRD HAVEN MARCH 20, 2008

ATTENDANCE:

Dave Wright, Chauncy Young, Larry Fisher, Ruth Nellis, Dave Coleman, Nat Fisher.

Meeting called to order by Dave Wright at 7:35 p.m..

MINUTES OF February 21, 2008 MEETING:

No changes.

Motion to accept as written made by Larry, seconded by Chauncy. Approved.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>: Chauncy Young As of 02/29/08.....

Checking \$ 6,779.27

Other assets \$2,286.04

Total assets \$ 9,065.31

Motion by Larry, seconded by Nat, to accept the report. Approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: David Coleman

Members last month:	128
Renewals:	6
New members:	2
Re-joined:	1
Total:	131

PUBLICITY: Dave Wright

Dave Wright updated the phone message and sent e-mail to the newspapers for our April 12th hike at Canadice Lake Trail.

EDUCATION: Ruth Nellis

Ruth reported that the Victor Teen Adventure Club has continued to express interest in helping with early spring

trail clearing projects. She will communicate plans for further trail clearing work scheduled for April 5th on the Monkey Run Trail and April 19th on the Beaver Dam Loop Trail behind The Apple Farm.

Tim Clapp, a teacher at Victor Central, has asked Victor Hiking Trails to send a letter in support of his PEP grant application to provide exercise opportunities for school age children. Dave W. will send a letter.

NEWSLETTER: Dave Wright

The next issue will be the spring issue and will be mailed approximately April 1st. Dead line for submissions is March 20th.

TRAILMASTER: Carol MacInnes

No report.

TRAIL BOSS: Larry Fisher

Larry has published the '08 maintenance schedule.

April $5^{th} \rightarrow$ additional trail clearing scheduled on the Monkey Run Trail. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Helen Schrader's house off Victor-Egypt Rd. Bring loppers, bow saw, and hand clippers.

April 19th \rightarrow additional trail clearing on the Seneca Trail behind The Apple Farm. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at The Apple Farm parking lot with loppers, bow saw, and hand clippers. If the work goes past noon, lunch will be provided.

LAST HIKE

Six people enjoyed a nice winter VHT outing on March 8th at Dryer Rd. Park. There was enough snow for skis, snowshoes, and hikers.

OLD BUSINESS:

Anyone who needs a special Victor Hiking license plate holder, please contact Dave Wright...still only \$5.00. Show your support for Victor Trails wherever you go!!

National Trails Day is celebrating 16 years in 2008 on Saturday, June 7. VHT plans are to hike some portions of three different trails in Victor that bridge improvements were made on during 2007. Portions of trails on the Lehigh Trail at Lehigh Crossing, Monkey Run Trail, and The Apple Farm will be featured. Logistics have been worked out to accommodate participation on one, two, or all three legs of the hike. Look forward to a great day and some beautiful Victor scenery!!

Auburn Trail activities:

-) The Auburn Trail Signage Committee has the 5 interpretative signs out for bid, expecting them back by the end of March. Installation should occur in late May or June.

The Plazas at Main St., Fishers and in Victor, near Mickey Finn's, have been designed and sites approved. Construction will take place in early summer.

NEW BUSINESS:

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April 22nd is Earth Day. Anyone have any ideas for VHT participation?? <u>NEW BUSINESS (cont)</u>:

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation has designed a trail use survey specifically for the Lehigh and Auburn Rail Trails. They will supply boxes, which Victor Hiking Trails will set up, and monitor, at key locations on both trails.

NEXT HIKE:

Saturday, April 12th, on the Canadice Lake Trail. We will meet at the parking lot behind the old Town Hall on Main St. at 9:00 a.m. Bring good hiking boots and clothing to match weather conditions. A bag lunch would be appropriate, as we will not return to Victor until approximately 2 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, April 24, 7:30 p.m. at Mary Frances Bluebird Haven

Motion to adjourn was made by Larry, seconded by Chauncy. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Schedule of '08 hikes/outings:

Apr. 12 th	Canadice Lake Trail
May 2-4	Adirondack Spring Weekend
May 10 th	Browncroft Rd. / Irondequoit Creek wetlands trails
May 31st	Victor Train Festival and inaugural excursion
Jun. 7 th	National Trails Days
Jun. 14 th	Bike ride
Jul. 12 th	Robert Treman / Buttermilk Falls State Parks
Aug. 9 th	Fillmore Glen State Park
Aug.30 th	Bare Hill ring of fire picnic and evening hike
Sep.6 th	Hang around Victor Day and Victor Fest
Oct. 11^{th}	Swifts Landing
Nov.8 th	Finger Lakes Trail, Bristol section
Dec. 13 th	Sherwood Parcel (Penfield)