

VICTOR HIKING TRAILS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
May 15, 2003

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Dave Wright, Dave Coleman, Larry Fisher, Ruth Nellis, Carol Mac Innes, Chauncy Young, Jeff Hennick

Last Month's Minutes:

Approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: (Chauncy Young) for April

CD	\$3093
Checking	2528
Cash	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$5621

Membership: (Dave Coleman)

New members:	2
Renewals:	5
Dropped:	0
Current	143

Publicity: (Dave Wright) Voice mail updated. Newspapers notified by e-mail of June 7 National Trails Day Hike. Added our trails and website to the Rails-to-Trails website. Sent maps and brochures to two inquires. Jeff Hennick now has full control of our website and will keep it current. Send your stories and pictures to Jeff for possible posting. Jeff's address is JHennick@mindspring.com.

Historian: (Roberta Lockwood) Articles on Adirondack Quest (less travelled trails), letter to the editor by Dave W. about trails and tourism in the Finger Lakes area, Cleaning trails on Earth Day in Canandaigua, Bicycling and tourism in the Finger Lakes region, Chimney Bluffs State Park,

Education: (Ruth Nellis) Ruth will keep the aluminum sign for evaluation. She has updated the text for the nature signs and put them on a CD for Dave W. We will leave 1 inch at the top for the braille signs. The signs will be 8-1/2 x 11 ".

Newsletter: (Dave Wright) Dave has next issue roughed out and will go out end of May, before National Trails Day. Deadline is May 15. Ruth will do an article on what to pack for a day hike. Victor Community newsletter was mailed end of April. Next issue will be end of July. Deadline will be mid-June.

Trail Master: (Carol MacInnes) (Bellville) Camden Hills: Carol and Ruth will continue looking at trail possibilities. Domine would like a few changes in the revocable permit. Dave will call Domine to work out details.

Trailboss: (Larry Fisher)

All trails have been checked for clearing from ice storm.

One change in the schedule- May 21. Clear the Trolley Trail in Brace Road Park. Meet at 6 PM at the East Street entrance. OK to drive in on the grass. Need chain saw.

Trailer- Still looking for a trailer. Tractor Supply has a 5' x 8' with drop-down ramp for a good price. Larry is getting a hitch for his van.

Domine Trail: plan to clear using ADK help.

Jason Bowerman, a scout with Troop 30 in Canandaigua and a Farmington resident, has decided to clear the trail from County Road 41 to the Apple Farm, along Great Brook, about .6 miles. Dave W. signed his Eagle workbook. He needs to get scoutmaster and district approval. We will need to cross a small drainage ditch at the north end. It will need a bridge to get across Great Brook at the south end.

Last Hike:

18 hikers made the journey to Chimney Bluffs State Park, east of Sodus Bay on Lake Ontario. There were some downed trees and branches at the beginning of the trail, but we managed to get by them without any problems. The group enjoyed lunch on the beach and a nice walk back to the cars along the beach.

Old Business:

Lehigh Crossing Park Bridge- Beaver dam is back and causing flooding near the bridge.

Monkey Run Trail- Trail will be closed for this season due to construction of the sewer line. The entrance at Valentown Road is open.

National Trails Day-

We have 12 people signed up to date.

200 color brochures were printed and distributed around town. 200 B&W brochures have been printed so far.

Letters were sent to Jack Richter, Tom Walker, Leslie Bamann and Jim Mattoon to speak at the dedication of the trail connecting Dryer Road Park and Fort Hill. Contributors include Papa Jack's, Mead Square Pharmacy, LDC, Mickey Finn's, The Grind, Chesapeake Coffee, Pactiv, Victor Coal and Lumber, Bank of Geneva, Canandaigua National.

The Victor Hockey Booster Club will sell water and ice cream at Mead Square. Pontillo's will sell pizza slices and cans of soda.

We can purchase bottled water from the Victor Hockey Booster Club at \$7.00 per case. Need at least two cases. Dave W. will order.

We need to purchase granola bars.

We will need bags. Dave W. will check Mead Pharmacy and Apple Farm.

LDC will have fruit at Mickey Finn's. Mickey Finn's will have cold bottles of

water.

Victor Fire Dept. will direct traffic when we are crossing Maple Ave.

Ruth Nellis and Lee Dey are arranging for help on the day of the hike.

Special National Trails Day shirts arrived. All helpers will get one.

We will have a table at the Farmer's Market from 3 to 7 PM on Wednesday, May 21 and June 4. Chauncy and Dave W. to set-up at 2:30 PM.

We have a large display board of the Auburn-Lehigh Trail Enhancement project, thanks to Fishers Associates.

Auburn Trail Priority Study- Bergmann Associates is gathering info on the stone bridge. Do we have any photos?

Auburn TEP Grant- Review of the scope of the project took place on 5/13. Fishers Associates will modify and resubmit.

Genesee Region Trails Coalition- Planning for fall hike, bike and paddle at Genesee Valley Park and Genesee Waterway. Guidelines for issuing grants has been roughed out. Plan is to award grants before end of year.

Adirondacks Spring 2003 weekend- Dave Coleman and Jane Luce hiked with Marcia Bryan the Nun-da-ga-yo Ridge and Hurricane Mt. on Saturday, May 3. Marcia and Dave hiked Goodnow Mt. on Sunday.

ADK Outdoor Expo, June 14- We will have a table and tent at Mendon Ponds Park. If you can help for an hour or two, leave your name and phone number at 234-8226.

Walkable Communities- Dave W. attended the session on May 9th in Mt. Morris. Dan Burden is tentatively scheduled for June 21.

Footprint Press Promotion- Need someone to coordinate this membership drive-fundraiser. Please call 234-8226 and leave your name and phone number if you can help.

May 21: VHT will have a booth at the Farmer's Market in Mead Square. Signs advertising National Trail Days will be displayed as well as our membership brochures and maps. Chauncy and Dave will set-up at 2:30 PM. Need table sitters from 5:30 to 7 PM. Dave and Chauncy will take down at 7 PM.

May 31: 2nd Annual "Bark n the Park" Upstate Guide Dog 5K walk; Beeper Ball contest. Bring your dog.

Reminder- June 11: Finger Lakes Visitor Connection: 3-5 p.m. at Finger Lakes Race Track. Dave Wright will join Leslie Bamann to hand out and collect brochures.

Cedar Hollow Gift Shop: Nancy Pagano has VHT logo items, books, etc. at her shop to sell. Stop in and say hello.

New Business:

Dave Wright and Douglas Fisher attended the Geneva Historical Society talk on Friday, April 25 at 7:30 PM. It was supposed to be on the Auburn Railroad, but the speaker couldn't make it so they got a replacement to speak on the Lehigh Railroad. Very informative and interesting.

Hang Around Victor Day- Sept. 6th, 9am to 5pm. Motion to participate by Dave C., seconded by Jeff. Carried.

Pizzeria Uno has a fund raising proposal. For any three days per month (such as the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesday of each month), but not Friday, Saturday or Sunday, members, friends, families, co-workers, neighbors, etc. are given Pizzeria Uno Fundraiser Donation vouchers. When they eat at the Victor restaurant on any of those days and give them the voucher, VHT gets 20% of the total bill, less tax and tip. On motion by Dave W., seconded by Jeff, agreed to apply for the donation program for the days stated. Passed. Dave W. will submit the application.

Received an inquiry from a horse person in North Rose. Told her our trails aren't good for horses yet, but we will be improving them.

Erie Canal Convention will be held in Utica on June 8-10.

Naples Rotary Club has a pamphlet on how to do fund raisers. Write to Naples Rotary Club, PO Box 173, Naples NY 14512.

Suggestion for advertizing VHT in Victor. Design a paper place mat with a map or several maps of trails in Victor for restaurants. Offer local businesses an opportunity to place ads along the border. Give the place mats to the local restaurants. Dave W. will investigate.

Discussed the Adirondack fall hike on Sept. 19-21. Climb Mt. Marcy via Johns Brook. Need a count of how many want a reservation in one of the cabins, including meals. Call 234-8226 and leave your name and number if interested. Need to make reservation by June 9.

Next Hike:

National Trails Day, June 7th
Mendon Ponds Park, June 14

Next Meeting:

June 19, 2003

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Wright, acting secretary

Schedule of Hikes for Duration of 2003

June 7	National Trails Day	5 mi	9AM	Dryer Rd. Pk	VHT
June 14	ADK Outdoor EXPO		9AM	Mendon Pk	ADK
June 14	Mendon Ponds Park		9AM	Town Hall	VHT
June 19	Monthly Meeting			Town Hall	
	7:30PM				
July 12	Stony Brook State Pk	6 mi	9AM	Town Hall	VHT
July 17	Monthly Meeting			Town Hall	7:30PM
August 9	Dishmill Creek	6 mi	9AM	Town Hall	VHT
August 21	Monthly Meeting			Town Hall	7:30PM
August 30	Ring of Fire	2 mi	7:30PM	Town Hall	VHT
Sept. 6	Hang Around Victor Day-	Visit our booth			
Sept. 13	Boughton Park	6 mi	9AM	Town Hall	VHT
Sept. 18	Monthly Meeting			Town Hall	7:30PM
Oct. 11	Stid Hill	6 mi	9AM	Town Hall	VHT
Oct. 16	Monthly Meeting			Town Hall	7:30PM
Nov. 8	Black Creek Park	6 mi	9AM	Town Hall	VHT
Nov. 20	Monthly Meeting			Town Hall	7:30PM
Dec. 13	Durand Eastman Pk	6 mi	9AM	Town Hall	VHT
Dec. 18	Monthly Meeting			Town Hall	7:30PM

NOTE: If you received this via U.S. mail and would like to receive it via e-mail, send a message to dwright@VictorHikingTrails.org.

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