



## BUFFALO BEAT

April 2015

Another volksmarching season is about to begin. I am looking forward to getting out and exploring this beautiful country we live in. This year there are a number of events in areas where none of us have been. It should be an exciting year of walking.

The 10-11-12-13-14 walk held in December hosted 3,116 people from 86 clubs in 41 states. In May there will be the second World Walking Day on May 9, 2015. The walk in this area on that day will be in Sturgis, the Sturgis Dam and New Trail event. Hope to see you there.

The club's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party was well attended. A big thank you to Cathy Long, Beth Hendricks, Diane Johannesen and Mary Jayne Jordan for all their hard work in organizing this fun event for the club members. A booklet was given out to all members updating us on the past five years. There was an omission under the Meritorious Service Award. Larry Thovson received this award in 2013. I apologize for this oversight.

Congratulations to Board member Connie Hobbs. Connie received the 2014 Service Member and Family support Military Member of the Year Award. The SD National Guard presented this award to Connie for her impact to family readiness and youth programs as well as her community involvement.

I would also like to thank Mary Jayne Jordan for the awesome job she does in maintaining our club's website. If you haven't been on the site, I encourage you to check it out. Mary Jayne keeps the site up-to-date so if there is any questions regarding event dates or times our website is the place to go; [www.bhva.org](http://www.bhva.org)

With the start of the walking season I would also like to remind all POCs there are two boxes of supplies in the shed for your use. Everything you need for a traditional event should be in those boxes. I would encourage you to check the boxes before you take them to make sure they are fully stocked. Please replace any items you may use when you return the box. If you find we are low on something notify Chip Elverud, our supply master, and he will order what is needed. To keep better track of who has what there will be a check out sheet in the shed for you to list the items you have taken and when you return them. I appreciate Chip and Karen renting us space in their shed to keep all our supplies in one local place.

Mark your calendars – our Spring meeting is April 25, 2015 at 9 a.m. at the Holiday Hills Estate party house (Doug Kaupan's place).

“Good things are coming down the road. Just don't stop walking.” Robert W. Painter, Jr.

See you on the trails!

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