

BUFFALO BEAT

January 2015

Happy New Year to you all!

Hopefully 2015 has started out well for you all. Nineteen of us met on January 1 to start our new year off. The weather was cooperative and we all enjoyed the walk.

The traditional walks for this year have been sanctioned. We have 17 walks plus the seasonal and year rounds to keep us busy through the year. I hope to see many of you out on the trails.

Our first traditional event is February 7, 2015, the club's 30th anniversary walk. We will meet at the Mall at 7 a.m. to do a 5K walk. If the weather is pleasant we have the option of walking downtown. After we finish the walk we will meet at the Golden Corral to have breakfast between 9:30 – 10:30. There will be an ongoing slide presentation and individual members' memorabilia to share. The anniversary t-shirts will be available for those who ordered them. The shirts will not be mailed out so please make every effort to pick up your shirt.

We need someone to volunteer to coordinate the Spring walks for this year. If you are interested in this task, please call me. I would like to include the schedule in the Event Booklet that will be handed out at the Spring meeting on April 18, 2015 at 9 a.m. at Doug Kaupan's party house.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Special Programs ending 12/31/14: America's Bakeries, Celebrating Golden Cinemas, Classic American Diners, Strolling Somewhere Over the Rainbow, Struttin' Down Main Street, Work Projects Administration, Walking America's Murals. Participants have 1 year from the end date to complete and send the books to the clubs that hosted the special program for processing of the awards. Please do not send the completed books to AVA Headquarters.

Centurion Changes: For October 2014 the NEC made a decision to reduce the cost of the 2015 Centurion Challenge. The reduced price is \$15.00. If you ordered a 2015 Centurion in 2014 your account was credited \$10.00. The first book purchased each calendar year is \$15.00, and any additional books purchased the same year are \$10.00 each.

In every walk with nature, one receives far more than he seeks – John Muir.

Happy Trails!

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