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Next Meeting –February 19, 2013
Universal City Library, Universal City
A member of the American Volkssport
Association (AVA) & the International
Federation of Popular Sports (IVV)
The Public is always welcome

**Randolph Roadrunners
Volkssport Club**
A Walking Club Established 1980
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www.randolphroadrunners.info

AVA Website

www.ava.org

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www.walktexas.org

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Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due:

Craig Holguin, Mark & Cecilia Tyler, Clarence & Dianne Johnson Thomas & Betty Arbaugh, Mary Miller & Travis Perez, Anne White, Leon & Liz LeVan, Preciliana Cabral, Jan Heyer, Patti Paulson, Suzanne Markgraf, Jacqueline Morris, Beverly Ahrens, Christine Anderson, Elanore Decker, John & MaryAnn Dornon, Misty Francom, Adrienne Hacker, George Hext & Dorothy Contreal, Susan & John Ives, Cheryl Lardy, Rachel Loreda, The Magness family, Bill & Pat Marcus, Pat & Laverne Middleswart, Brian Roberts, Lesley Rubin, The Ryals family, Jim Speights and John & Ann White. Please send in your renewal fees now. We value your membership. To renew your membership, fill out the renewal application attached or print one from the following website address:

www.RandolphRoadrunners.info
and send it with your fees to Nancy Paulson c/o the club address.

Hugs and a BIG “thank you” to all the volunteers who worked at these walk events:

Alamo Heights - Start /finish - Herb Laing, Wiley Smith
- Check points - Rick White, Carole and Victor Hernandez
- Larry Cook spent the day at Barney Smith's toilet seat museum.

Trinity/Monte Vista - Registration - Tony Paulson, Patti Paulson, Pat Gunter, Darlene Oner
- Start - Nancy Paulson, Priscilla Johnson
- Finish - Totsy Miller, Pat Roberts, Heinz Johnson
- Sales - Joanne and Carlen Forinash, Caryl Swann
- Check Point - Don Lahti, Ruben and Marta Knape
- Route patrol, route sweep, all around do everything guy - Bill Radigan
Bakers - Ellen Ott, Pat Roberts, Joanne Forinash, Mary Quandt.

Ellen Ott

From the Desk of the Pres-

The next RR club meeting will be held at the Universal City Public Library at 7 p.m. February 19, 2013.

At our February meeting, guest speaker, Ingrid Kokinda will give a 30 minute presentation on *Historical Districts in San Antonio*.

There was a packed room for her presentation at Oasis on 17 January 2013, and being German she is very familiar with Volkssports.

Don't forget the "try"athalon on 9 February at the beautiful Del Webb Hill Country Resort. Two different 5 km / 10 km walks and a bike event. Polish your bike and get air in the tires for the RR's once in a blue moon bike event.



Start Point – Bell Athletic Center-Trinity U.

Trinity University walks

Attendance:

Trinity/Monte Vista - 97 total with 92 for IVV credit; 5 noncredit.

Alamo Heights - 84 total with 70 for IVV credit; 14 noncredit.

Don't forget your bike helmet. There will be a couple of helmets available to borrow.

It's not too late to sign up to work a shift. The more workers, the less time on a shift.

TVA meeting in Galveston on 2 February at the Rosenberg Library, Harris Gallery.

I will list the special programs that were approved at the NEC meeting to begin in 2014 in the next club newsletter.

AVA Special Programs - there's something for everyone!

- America's Bakeries
- Strolling Somewhere Over the Rainbow
- America's Baseball Walks
- Struttin' Down Main Street
- America's Murals
- Special National officer Book - S.N.O.B
- Celebrating Golden Cinemas
- Walk the USA A to Z
- Civil War Battlefields
- Walking America's Trails
- Classic American Diners
- Walking the Old Spanish Trail
- Fraternal Organizations
- Works Progress Administration
- Gristmills
- 50 States / 51 State Capitals

The particulars regarding these special programs can be found on the AVA website and in the TAW.



Tales from the Trails

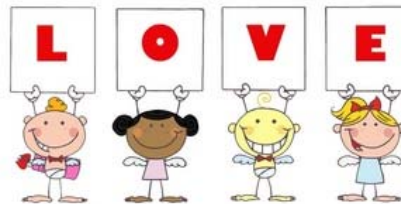
Las Vegas By: Ellen Ott

If you like walking in crowds in freezing cold weather in and out of major casinos and shopping malls then walking the North Strip and the South Strip year around events at New Year's in Las Vegas is for you!

A more pleasant walk was the University of Nevada Las Vegas campus. One passed several off strip casinos and restaurants to get to a very pleasant campus with a mix of contemporary architecture and nice landscaping. Once I figured out how to read the signs on campus, the directions were easy to follow.

Another pleasant Las Vegas walk was Peccola Ranch. The walk was mostly in a tree shaded quiet park with a paved pathway and through an upscale residential neighborhood. I walked with three folks from the local club which made it extra special.

Now that I have walked the year around events in Las Vegas at New Year's I can scratch it off my Bucket List forever!



Kudos to the following walkers (taken from Feb/Mar TAW):

10 - events	Gene Lysik
30 - events	Maggie Carswell
575 - events	Patricia Heller
1450 - events	Donald VanCleave
1500 - events	Joanne Forinash
1600 - events	Bilita Van Cleave
2400 - events	Carlen Forinash
3800 - events	Bill Radigan
3,000 km	Marta Knappe
3,000 km	Reuben Knappe
7,500 km	Patricia Heller
16,000 km	Donald VanCleave
22,000 km	Mary Quandt
25,000 km	Carlen Forinash



Joanne & Carlen Forinash at the Sales table - Trinity University Walks



Martin Callahan, Indie & the Tiger at Trinity University



Ellen Ott, Pat Roberts, Heinz & Priscilla Johnson at Finish Table - T.U. walks



Barney Smith and Larry Cook at the Barney Smith's Toilet Seat Museum, T.U. walks



Bill Hamilton SWRD, Siba Spencer, Brian Fisher, Martin Callahan & Indie at the Midnight walk in Fredericksburg, TX

***All photos are courtesy of Martin Callahan.**



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AVA 18th Biennial Convention

The 18th AVA Biennial Convention in Orlando, Florida is less than 3 months away, April 29 - May 3. Overall dates including all convention Volkssport events are April 27 - May 5, 2013.

The hotel, Orlando Airport Marriott, 7499 Augusta National Drive, Orlando, Florida 32822-5015 began taking room reservations June 1, 2012. For REGISTRATION: Call 1-800-380-6751 and ask for the AVA room block to take advantage of the negotiated reduced room rate (\$99 plus tax) and parking rates (\$30) from Monday through Friday nights. Rates prior to and after those dates depending on availability may be available at the \$99 rate; if no availability, rates increase and a \$12/day parking fee for cars is assessed.

To book a room online, go to the www.AVA.org website homepage, scroll to the bottom, or click on ["Room Reservations at the Marriott."](#) That takes you to the hotel homepage.

A room reservation form (gray color) will appear on the left side of your screen. Fill in the appropriate information. Be advised that there are no other discounts that will be honored by the hotel for our convention, such as AAA/CAA, senior or government and military.

Before you continue, be sure that the block *"Group Code"* displays the code **avaavaa**. If not, type it in and then proceed. This code will ensure you receive the discounted AVA room rate.

The \$99 room rate is only applicable for the April 29 - May 3 dates. The hotel will honor the convention rate, if rooms are available, the three days prior to and after the period. Book the Monday-Friday dates then ask for the pre and post day availability.

Nicknamed "The City Beautiful," Orlando is best known for Walt Disney World and for the Universal Studios Orlando Resort. Orlando is the 79th largest city in the U.S. and was the most visited American city in 2009. Orlando attracts over 51 million tourists a year. This 2013 convention is being held earlier in the year than most others because of a concern for the health and safety of volkssporters who would otherwise be walking in the Florida summer heat and humidity. Additional information will be released in the near future regarding convention registration, agenda, the pre-convention photo contest and other items of interest.

To volunteer for the 18th AVA Biennial Convention, click here Volunteer@ava.org. There are many volunteer positions available for the 18th AVA Biennial Convention. Volunteers need not presently be in Florida, but will be at the convention and would be available to help out. Please send an email to Maxine Johnson Convention Volunteer Coordinator if you are interested in helping.



Coming Texas Events:

2/2/2013 - 2/2/2013 - Walk
Event Number: 95448 10 km/5 km
Start: Rosenberg Library-Harris Gallery
Event City: Galveston - Rosenberg Library
Host Club: Houston Happy Hikers
Event Website: www.houstonhappyhikers.com
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:
P. O. Box 101
Orchard, Texas 77464
Contact: Catherine Kellner, (979) 478 - 6203
EMail: hphpresident@houstonhappyhikers.org
Club Website: www.houstonhappyhikers.com

2/9/2013 - 2/9/2013 - Walk
Event Number: 95355 10 km/5 km
Event Number: 95354 10 km/5 km
Start: Del Webb's Hill Country Retreat Resort Center
Event City: San Antonio - Hill Country Retreat by Del Webb
Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners
Event Website: randolphroadrunners.info
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:
11906 Pepperidge Cove
San Antonio, Tx 78213
Contact: Ellen Ott, (201) 723 - 8574
E-Mail: ellenott@sbcglobal.net
Club Website: www.randolphroadrunners.info

2/9/2013 - 2/9/2013 - Bike
Event Number: 95356 25km
Start: Del Webb's Hill Country Retreat Resort Center
Event City: San Antonio
Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners
Event Website: randolphroadrunners.info
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

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2/16/2013 - 2/16/2013 - Walk
Event Number: 95500 10 km/5 km
Start: Abiding Love Lutheran Church
Event City: Austin - Trails of Western Oaks
Host Club: Colorado River Walkers
Event Website: www.coloradoriverwalkers.org
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:
P.O. Box 13051
Austin, TX 78711

Contact: Carol Obianwu, (512) 771 - 9566

E-Mail: cobianwu@utexas.edu

Club Website:
www.coloradoriverwalkers.org/

2/23/2013 - 2/23/2013 - Walk

Event Number: 95608 10 km/5 km

Start : The Benini Galleries and Sculpture Ranch

Event City: Johnson City - Walking with Art

Host Club: Selma Pathfinders

More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:

17314 Springhill Dr.

San Antonio, Tx 78232

Contact: Phyllis Eagan, (210) 496 - 1402

E-Mail: papre1947@yahoo.com

Club Website:

www.selmapathfinders.com



RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS

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RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS APPLICATION

PO Box 2744, Universal City TX 78148-1744

Please check applicable box (es):

Renewal New Member Family member(s) included (see instructions below) DATE _____

Name _____

NEW MEMBER FEE: \$4.00 for 1 year
\$10.00 for three years

Address _____ Apt No. _____

This fee applies to the primary member. Additional family members require a \$2.00 fee per individual.

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

RENEWAL FEE: \$4.00 for one year
\$10.00 for three years

Telephone number _____

This renewal fee includes each family member who paid \$2.00 with the original application. If the \$2.00 fee was not paid with the original application, add family members now by including \$2.00 for each person.

E-mail address _____

Lifetime membership for (1) one person is available for a \$30 fee.

Family members _____

AVA Volkssport Associate Yes No

Amount submitted \$ _____

Eager to serve as club officer _____ or committee chair _____