

Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

Volume 2014 – December, 2014 No. 12 Next Meeting – January 20, 2015 Esplanade Gardens, Converse, TX 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 PO Box 2744 Universal City, TX 78148-1744 **Elected Officers** President Ellen Ott 210-723-8574 Vice President Susan Medlin 210-325-3523 Treasurer Pat Gunter 210-479-0805 Secretarv Pat Roberts 210-657-5814 **Committee Chairs** Membership **Nancy Paulson** 210-658-8324 **Publicity Susan Alton** 503-789-9166 Sales Joanne Forinash 210-493-8543 Webmaster & Event Flyers **Randy Baker** 210-369-9538 Newsletter Audrey Vertucci – AudreyVe@aol.com 210-496-2197 Year-round Events, Boerne Year-round Event, Gonzales Year-round Event, Palmetto State Park Pat Gunter 210-479-0805 Year-round Event, DeZavala Daily Bread Year-round Event, Junction Year-round Event, Leon Creek Ellen Ott 210-723-8574 Year-round Event, Crownridge& Friedrich Park Susan Medlin 210-325-3523 Year-round Events, Schertz Herb Laing 210-414-0954 Club Website www.randolphroadrunners.info AVA Website www.ava.org **TVA Website** www.walktexas.org SW Regional Director 210-493-8543

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Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due: Beverly Patton, Maeve Reddin, Kathy Crane, Shelia & Robert Fleming, Al & Gloria Mick, Julia Way, Margaret Carrasco, Nicole Davis & Pavton Storev, Marsha LaFleur, David & Wilma Reyes Angela Segraves, James Russell, Joan Whealen, Ted Cieslak, Laura Cortez, Susan Fine, Betsy Kernahan, Sandra Lamprecht, Gerry Wagner, Roger & Mary Brensinger, Lana Collins, Merrill Rosas, Mike & Carol Abbott, Jerry Rehmar and Mary Stevens. 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.

NEW MEETING LOCATION

Our new RR meeting Place is: Esplanade Gardens 10790 Toepperwein Road Converse, TX 78109 <u>www.esplanadeseniorcampus.com</u> The Roadrunners meet the third Tuesday of each month. The next RR meeting is January 20, 2015 with a "meet and greet" at 6:30 and general

From the Desk of the RR Pres-

meeting at 6:45 p.m.

RR CHRISTMAS PARTY December 16, 2014 River City Seafood & Grill 115 Loop 1604 NE, Suite 1108 San Antonio, TX 78232 (210) 233-6790 Chinese Auction – wrapped gift Between \$10 - \$15 per person. (order from menu)

There will be no club meeting in December in lieu of the Christmas Party December 16th.

RR member, Susan Alton has stepped up and volunteered to handle RR Publicity. Spreading the word about the club's great events is of the upmost importance.

RR member, Herb Laing volunteered to take over from Tony Paulson as coordinator for the Schertz walks.

RR member, Susan Medlin is the new coordinator for the Crownridge and Friedrich Park YREs.

And member, Pat Gunter is now coordinating Gonzales and Palmetto State Park YREs.

Membership is still looking for a replacement. Nancy Paulson has filled the membership position for ten years. She would like a break.

Walk Texas special program books are available for \$10 from Ellen. Since this is a Texas Volkssport program, please make your check out to the TVA. Don't forget the TVA Texas Historical Landmark special program and the AVA OST special program. Both programs are coordinated by the RR's and books are available at all events or from Ellen.

Upcoming RR walks:

13 December – Boerne Christmas walk Worker's walk is December 12th at 9:30 a.m. at the Lutheran church on Rosewood in Boerne. We still need some volunteers to help with the breakfast on the morning or the walk.

Spreading the word about Volkssporting is something we all should be doing. On 31 October, the RR's had a Volkssport display at the OASIS Wicked 5K Walk at O.P. Schnabel park. A "thank-you" goes to Pat Gunter and John Ives for informing interested participants at the event about the AVA.

On 5 November, Ellen participated in the official briefing to City officials on happenings on the Old Spanish Trail (OST). It was easy to set-up a small display when the RR's have two blue ribbons for our partnership with the OST and the AVA special OST program. For further information check out:

http://oldspanishtrailcentennial.com.

Ellen

Suggestions for 2015 Volkssport Resolutions

- 1. Walk at Least two traditional events a month.
- 2. Participate in the Roadrunner's Baker's Dozen Special Program
- 3. Volunteer to coordinate a RR event.
- 4. Work at least one shift at a RR event.
- 5. Attend at least one RR meeting each quarter.
- 6. Order a club name tag.
- 7. Participate in the 2015 AVA Centennial program.
- 8. Attend the AVA convention in Salem, Oregon.



The Next NEC meeting is January 30-31, 2015

The next NEC meeting will be held in Sacramento, California. The exact location is not available at this time. Meeting will start January 30 at 7:00 pm.

AVA Official Facebook site

The National Headquarters would like to hear why YOU Volkssport! Share your pictures and stories with us on the official Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/AmericanV olkssportAssociation about being a

Volkssporter so we can share them on a National level! Simply post your pictures and stories with a description on the official AVA page. *Note: There is also a group on Facebook called American Volkssport Association in which 800 members have been posting in. This group is NOT the official Facebook page for AVA. For the official Facebook website please go and post at: www.facebook.com/AmericanVolksspo rtAssociation You can call or e-mail your Regional Director for assistance. The AVA HQ staff CANNOT answer your questions or concerns through Facebook!



lt's Time to Walk – 10.11.12.13.14

Patches are here and along with the special slug will be mailed out 30 days prior to the event date. Those that did not order patches, but still wanted the slug will also be mailed at this time and billed \$5.00.

To order a unique T-shirt, ball cap or other items an account has been set up with Cafépress.

You place order directly and pay directly via Cafépress not through AVA HQ. Check it out.

www.Cafépress.com/avagear

Coming Texas Events:

12/6/2014 - 12/6/2014 - Walk Event Number: 99965 15 km/10 km/5 kmStart: Arlington Visitors Center Event City: Arlington - Christkindl Market Host Club: Tarrant County Walkers Event Website: www.walktx.org/Tarra nt CountyWalkers More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 1049 Creek Hollow Lane Fort Worth, TX 76131 Contact: Bill Wigton, (817) 847 - 5185 E-Mail:billwigton@gmail.com

Club Website: www.walktx.org/TarrantCountyWalker s

<u>12/6/2014 - 12/6/2014</u> - Swim **Event Number:** 101147 332 Meters / 7 Laps

Start: Community Aquatic & Skate Park behind the Rockport/Fulton High School Complex

<u>12/6/2014 - 12/6/2014</u> - Walk **Event Number:** 101133 10km/6km **Start:** Community Aquatic & Skate Park

Event City: Rockport - Tropical Christmas Festival 2014-Swim **Event City:** Rockport - Tropical Christmas Festival 2014

Host Club: Rockport City Trailways Event Website: www.cityofrockport.co

m/507/Tropical-Christmas More Details: Click here for directions,

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Write for more information to: 622 E Market Street, Rockport, TX 78382

Contact: Jackie Hattenbach, (361) 727 - 2158

E-Mail:parks3@cityofrockport.com Club Website: www.cityofrockport.com

12/13/2014 - 12/13/2014 - Walk **Event Number:** 100184 10km/5km **Start:** St. John's Lutheran Church, Luther Hall **Event City:** Boerne - Come for Breakfast--Stay for a Walk **Host Club:** Randolph Roadrunners **Event Website:** www.randolphroadrun ners.info/events/BoerneDec.php **More Details:** Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to: 11906 Pepperidge Cove San Antonio, Tx 78213 Contact: Ellen Ott, (210) 723 - 8574 E-Mail:ellenott@sbcglobal.net Club Website: www.randolphroadrunners.info

12/13/2014 - 12/13/2014 - Walk Event Number: 101155 10km, 5km Start: Jones Building, St. Pauls United Methodist Church Event City: Houston - St. Paul's Host Club: Houston Happy Hikers Event Website: HoustonHappyHikers.c om More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: P. O. Box 101, Orchard, Tx 77464 Contact: Catherine Kellner, (979) 478 -6203 EMail:<u>hhhpresident@HoustonHappyHi</u> <u>kers.com</u> Club Website: www.houstonhappyhikers.com

12/13/2014 - 12/13/2014 - Walk Event Number: 9879 10 km / 5 km Start: Corsicana Visitor Center Event City: Corsicana - It's About Time we walked Corsicana Host Club: Dallas Trekkers, Inc. Event Website: www.dallastrekkers.org More Details: <u>Click here for directions,</u> ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 1134 Thistle Dr. Mesquite, Tx 75149 Contact: Deborah Carter, (214) 549 -0851 E-Mail:www.debwalk@earthlink.net Club Website: www.dallastrekkers.org

12/31/2014 - 12/31/2014 - Walk Event Number: 10116110km/5km Start: St Joseph's Hall Event City: Fredericksburg - TVA Memorial Walk Host Club: Texas Volkssport Assn. Event Website: www.walktx.org More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

2334 Saharah, Garland, Tx 75044 Contact: Helen Hull, (972) 530 - 1026 E-Mail:<u>helenthehun@yahoo.com</u> Club Website: <u>walktexas.org</u>

1/1/2015 - 1/1/2015 - Walk Event Number: 101162 10km/5km Start: St Joseph's Hall Event City: Fredericksburg Host Club: Texas Volkssport Assn. Event Website: www.walktx.org More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

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RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS APPLICATION PO Box 2744, Universal City TX 78148-1744			
Please check applicable box (es):	□ New Member	Family	/ member(s) included (see instructions below) DATE
Name			NEW MEMBER FEE: \$4.00 for 1 year
Address			\$10.00 for three years This fee applies to the primary member. Additional family members require a \$2.00 fee per
		Apt No.	individual. RENEWAL FEE: \$4.00 for one year
City	State	Zip code	\$10.00 for three years
application. Telephone number			This renewal fee includes each family member who paid \$2.00 with the original If the \$2.00 fee was not paid with the original application, add family members
now by E-mail address			including \$2.00 for each person.
E-man address			Lifetime membership for (1) one person is available for a \$30 fee.
Family members			
Amount submitted \$			AVA Volkssport Associate
Amount submitted §			Eager to serve as club officer or committee chair



Bill & Jane Radigan Fredericksburg 6/2012



St. Mary's University 1/2012



Comfort Easter Walk & Awards 3/2013

-In Memoriam -William J. (Bill) Radigan, Jr.

I write this about Bill Radigan with mixed feelings. Sad, that he will no longer be with us to share his unwavering energy for all things Volkssporting, but glad that the Volkssport community had a chance to enjoy his support for the eight years he has been in the states.

Bill ran circles around the energizer bunny. He was the first person at a Roadrunner event to set up check points and to make certain nothing untoward had happened to the route since he did the worker's walk. After making certain everyone and everything was in place, Bill would drive the route patrol all day and occasionally could be seen as relief worker at a check point.

At the close of the start window, Bill always checked the time that the last person left to do the walk. Then he would drive the route picking up markers and check point supplies. Bill was the first person at an event and the last person to leave.

After logging in his walk and bike books he accumulated thousands of kilometers and events. The pages of Year Around Event logs won't be quite so full without him. And support at our Roadrunner events won't ever be quite the same....

Ellen Ott, President Randolph Roadrunners - AVA#44



Bill's Memorial Ceremony 10/8/14





Ellen, Bill, Mike - Junction Sunrise 9/2014



Quihi Walk - 9/2014



Fredericksburg Midnight walk 1/2012



Smithville Walk 12/2012