## Nebraska Wanderfreunde Trailblazers 2016 Upcoming Walks (as of 4/1/16)

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Nebraska City Group Walk (Meet and Eat): Will coordinate carpooling by email. Meet in Mangelsen's parking lot at 9 a.m. or in Bellevue (location TBD), meet in Nebraska City by 10 a.m. Parker's Smokehouse is the designated restaurant

**May 3<sup>rd</sup>-**The Big Give SA-for this one day only, donate to AVA online through thebiggivesa.org/. There is a \$10,000 matching fund. Or you can download a mail in form from the AVA website. If they are able to raise enough money, they will not have to raise walking fees. This was very successful last year and put the AVA in the black for the first time in 5 years. This is what is needed to upgrade our organization and bring it into the modern world. If you donate \$50, you will become an associate member of the AVA, receiving the American Wanderer for the next year and supporting our organization, ensuring that we will be able to do walks throughout the country for years to come.

**May 7<sup>th</sup>** – Johnston, IA Kite Festival – a Group Walk (Meet and Eat). Carpools will meet in the Omaha/Council Bluffs area around 7:30 a.m. and meet in Johnston, IA around 10 a.m. Food vendors available at the Kite Festival.

**May 14<sup>th</sup>** – Prairie Queen Recreation Area - a Traditional Event. Registration from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. If you would like to walk as a group, meet at the start at 9 a.m.

June 4<sup>th</sup> – National Trails Day at Chalco Hills. Registration from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. If you would like to walk as a group, meet at the start at 9:30.

July 16<sup>th</sup> – Downtown Lincoln Group Walk (Meet and Eat) – will announce a morning time for carpooling and when to meet in Lincoln closer to the date; the hotter the weather, the earlier we go. If it is very hot, we may do the 5 K trail. Restaurants are available at the Farmers' Market in the Haymarket District.

**August 13**<sup>th</sup> – Hanscom Park/Ford Birthsite Group Walk (Meet and Eat) – will announce a morning time to meet closer to the date; the hotter the weather, the earlier we go. If it is a very hot day, we may do the 5 K trail. Restaurant TBA.

**September 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> –** March to the Arch in St. Louis – possible carpooling to that and other walks in the area over the weekend; will require an overnight stay. Let us know if you are interested.

**September 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> –** Prairie Wanderers Club in SD hosts 5 walks in Huron and Mitchell over 2 days. Possible carpooling to those events; will require an overnight stay. Let us know if you are interested.

**September 24<sup>th</sup>** – Ogallala "Indian Summer Rendezvous". Registration from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Recommend you make your motel reservations for Friday night (the 23<sup>rd</sup>) now in either Ogallala or North Platte. Possible carpooling to that event.

**October 1**<sup>st</sup> – Omaha Community Playhouse – a Traditional Event. Registration from 9 a.m. to 11? (Details being finalized. Will announce later a time for those interested in walking as a group.

**October 15<sup>th</sup>** – Shelby, IA Group Walk (Meet and Eat) – details to be announced later. The Corn Crib is the designated restaurant.

**October 29<sup>th</sup>** – Lincoln Wyuka Walk – a Traditional Event. (Details being finalized). Our club encourages you to go, but will not be organizing formal carpools to this event.

**November** 5<sup>th</sup> – New Cassel (Omaha) – a Traditional Event. (Details being finalized) Will announce later a time for those interested in walking as a group.

**November 19<sup>th</sup>** – Council Bluffs Group Walk (Meet and Eat). Details being finalized.

**December 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Lights Walk – a Traditional Event. Registration from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.?? (Details being finalized) Will announce later a time for those interested in walking as a group.

**December 17**<sup>th</sup> – Kansas City Plaza Lights Walk (Meet and Eat). Carpools would leave in the early afternoon, to arrive around 4 p.m. Details to be announced later. Westroads Mall alternate walking site if roads are icy.