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TEXAS VOLKSSPORT ASSOCIATION TO MEET IN MIDLAND

Midland, Texas — On Saturday, August 2, the Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club will host the Texas Volkssport Association (TVA) Semi-Annual Meeting at 902 W. Dengar Ave. (Midland Junior League Building). This is the first time that Midland has hosted this statewide event that helps promote walking and the Volkssporting Clubs. Thirty-one Volkssporting Clubs will travel to Midland from across the state and will walk routes in Midland, Odessa and the surrounding areas.

There will be a 5K and a 10K walk on Saturday morning, beginning at 902 W. Dengar Ave. between 7 and 9 a.m., with a registration fee of \$3 per person. The walk will finish by 12:30 p.m. at the latest. Walking directions will be provided at the sign-in table at the Junior League building.

Visitors with the event may tour the I-20 Wildlife Preserve, George W. Bush Childhood Home, and the Wadley Barron Duck Pond on 'A' Street. They will also have the opportunity to walk the nine routes created by the Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club and sanctioned by the American Volkssport Association (AVA). These walks are in Midland, Odessa, Big Spring, Stanton, Monahans, and the Ft. Davis area and will provide Volkssporting Club members an opportunity to receive AVA credit.

The DoubleTree by Hilton Midland Plaza, 117 W. Wall St., will be the host hotel for the weekend. At 5:30 p.m. Friday, August 1, Bob Hicks, a member of the Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club, will host a wine and cheese event for the walkers. After the walk on Saturday morning, club representatives will gather at the Junior League Building for a light lunch and the Texas Volkssporting Association's Semi-Annual Meeting at 1 p.m.

The TVA meetings date back to the early 1990s with the first meeting being held in Houston. Since then, many cities have been involved including Brenham, Granbury, Abilene, San Antonio, Plano, Dallas, and Fort Worth. Helen Hull of Garland, Texas, is the current TVA President.

Carolyn Petersen is the current president of the Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club. For more information to get involved with the Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club, or to attend the August 2 event, visit www.MidlandWalkabout.org or call Carolyn Petersen at (432) 697-4310.

About the Midland Convention and Visitors Bureau

The mission of the Midland Convention & Visitors Bureau is to encourage economic growth by developing, promoting, enhancing and supporting Midland as a vibrant visitor destination.

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