

Associate Memberships

Lifetime, Individual & Family/Friend

Lifetime Membership Fees

Please select according to your age:

☐ 1-29 yrs. \$500 ☐ 30-39 \$450 ☐ 40-49 \$400 ☐ 50-59 \$350
☐ 60-69 \$300 ☐ 70+ \$250

Lifetime Membership may be paid in (2) two monthly installments.
Please check the option(s) below:

☐ Please add my spouse or friend for a one-time fee of \$100 (same address).

☐ Enclosed is my first payment ☐ Enclosed is my payment in full

Please charge my credit card ☐ In full ☐ 2 Installments

Individual & Family/Friend Membership Fees

☐ Individual (\$25 / year) ☐ Family/Friend (same address) (\$30 / year)
☐ Canadian Individual (\$35 / year) ☐ Canadian Family (\$45 / year)

☐ Check or money order payable to the AVA in US funds only.

Charge my credit card: ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa
☐ Discover ☐ Amex

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Please send my Lifetime or Individual or Family /Friend Membership packet to:

Your Name: _____
(please print the name you would like to appear on your card)

Spouse/Friend
Name: _____
(for Family/Friend membership or paid Lifetime Spouse/Friend membership only)

Family/Friend Members
(for Family/Friend membership only)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Associate Membership Benefits (National Level)

Lifetime Package offers payment installment plan; lifetime subscription to *The American Wanderer* (TAW) newspaper (6 issues per year at \$24); 15% off Biennial convention registration and most specialty item purchases; personalized membership card and Life member recognition pin; participation opportunity in the Centurion Challenge Program and rental car discounts. **Individual or Family/Friend Package** offers one-year TAW subscription and 10% discount on Biennial convention registration and most specialty item purchases; personalized membership card; participation opportunity in the Centurion Challenge Program and rental car discounts. **For additional information on AVA national level membership benefits, go to ava.org and click on the Membership button.**

The New Walker Packet is not a membership benefit and must be purchased.

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**AMERICA'S
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Fun, Fitness and Friendship

Are you looking for something healthy, something fun and something that gets you out of the house and provides the opportunity to meet new people? Try low impact, noncompetitive, self-paced walking with the American Volkssport Association (AVA).



Visit ava.org, **Clubs** to gain contact information on AVA clubs in your community.

Ask the club contact when their next *Traditional* weekend walk is scheduled. Come walk the trail and decide if this is for you. Then, once you feel comfortable with our events and organization, we invite you to join as an AVA club member (a local membership) and/or become an AVA Associate member (national level membership) at the Life-time, Individual or Friends/Family level.

Young or old, new members bring energy and life to the association and everyone benefits. Come share the adventure and experience what AVA has to offer.

"It's worth the \$25"

"I have just received my family membership packet as a new member of the AVA Associate Membership program.....The packet that has been put together is well worth the money that we paid for our annual membership. The value of the American Wanderer newspaper alone is worth the \$25. It was good to know that part of the funds raised from our membership will be used to further our sport. The economic picture for America is far from being great and if we expect to grow as a sport, we must all do our part. Just being a participant is not the answer." Hamner Family. Reprint from TAW.

Giving Back

And for you veteran volkssporters who have let your memberships lapse or who haven't made up your minds regarding memberships or other kinds of donations, we're not asking you to give, but **to give back.**

Do you remember when you first made the commitment to embrace volkssporting? To decide to become a part of something good for you. Maybe it was that inevitable wakeup call from the doctor or a desire to get out of the house and meet new people. At that point, you committed to investing your time to make the physical effort to walk.

You made your investment in time and now AVA needs your financial investment to meet one of its organizational goals, to remain financially sound.

When you become a national member of AVA, you do more than just write a check. You invest in the future of yourself and thousands of other volkssporters nationwide who share the same enjoyment you do.

And financially speaking, you can become a national member of AVA for a fraction of what it would cost you to join a gym or fitness program and without any contracts.

AVA Headquarters Expenses

Much of the AVA revenue is club generated and used to pay fixed costs to operate the AVA Headquarters and to provide essential services to clubs and individuals. These costs are salaries, rent, insurance, employee benefits, supplies/equipment, printing, awards and other services.



In addition there are expenses for National Executive Council and professional services for legal, services, audit and internet technology.

One of our major expenses is event insurance which covers all Volkssport events conducted by chartered clubs. This fee is based on AVA risk and loss factors. Fortunately, we are low risk and have had no losses.

The AVA headquarters staff supports national leadership officers, member clubs, regional directors, state organizations and the parent International Association of Popular Sports (IVV) to which AVA pays dues.

When you invest in an AVA membership you are investing in yourself, and as you benefit from our membership, the entire Association will benefit from you.

Take that step and join today! Fill out the membership form on this brochure panel or visit ava.org, **Membership** for more information.