

The Liberty Bell Wanderers
Welcomes You to the
Collegeville
AVA Sanctioned Year Round Event



This AVA rated 2B 10km walk (5km also available) goes through Hunsberger Woods, Ursinus College campus which has many interesting sculptures, and along the Great Reading Road (Main St.) where Washington and the Continental Army encamped from Sep 19-22, 1777. The walk also goes along a section of the Perkiomen Trail, a rails-to-trail and into residential areas. Natural surfaces through the woods and paved surfaces through the campus and neighborhoods. There are some hills.

OSB or PSB Walk Registration (not both):

Please use either the Online Start Box (OSB) or Physical Start Box (PSB) to register and complete the event. Do NOT mix and match. For example, do not register using the OSB, then complete your event using the PSB (nor sign the PSB log sheet). The sponsoring club only receives credit for an OSB participation when an OSB registration has been completed online by entering your participation date, distances, and any special programs using the OSB.

OSB Walk Completion and Walk Credit:

When using OSB registration, upon physically completing the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account click on the "My Start Box" tab, then the "Finish Table" tab, then click on "Go to Finish Table" button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped "virtual" insert cards that you may choose to print out.

Restrooms:

Location	Route	Type	Distance	Hours - Season
Starting Point - Redner's Market	10/5km	Bathroom	0km	Year Round
Ursinus College - Shellhase Commons	10/5km	Bathroom	5km/2km	Year Round

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10km Starting Point, Driving Directions, Walking Directions & Map

Starting Point Address:

Redner's Warehouse Marketplace
201 Second Ave, Collegeville, PA 19426
(610-454-9709)

6AM - 9PM

Free parking in shopping center lot.

PSB Location:

The start box is located on floor under bench next to exit door near "Express Checkout".

Driving Directions:

Marketplace at Collegeville Shopping Center,
201 Second Ave, 19426, (610-454-9709)

South: I-95 N to I-476 N. Exit 20 - Germantown Pike West (Just before toll plaza). Take GPW to Collegeville - about 12 miles. Left at Rt 29 S (Second). Start point 0.4 mile on right in Marketplace at Collegeville Shopping Center. **PA Turnpike:** Exit 333 (Norristown) take GPW, follow directions above.

North: I-476 S to Exit 44 (Quakertown). Right on Rt 663 to Rt 29 S. Follow Rt 29 S about 17 miles to Main St. in Collegeville. Rt 29 S (Second) another 0.4 mile. Start point on right in Marketplace at Collegeville Shopping Center.

Reading and West: US Rt 422 E to Rt 29 N (Collegeville / Phoenixville Exit). Left on Rt 29 N to Collegeville. After 2.1 miles turn left at Freeland (traffic light past CVS Pharmacy.) Start point in Marketplace at Collegeville Shopping Center.

Emergency Numbers:



In case of Emergency: Dial 911
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1. Use the right hand exit when leaving Redner's Marketplace. Continue straight on the sidewalk. Go down the steps and straight across the parking lot to a split rail fence. The split rail fence has an opening near a light post. This is an entrance to the Perkiomen Trail {SP}. Turn **RIGHT** on the trail. (A map of the trail is in 3-ring binder in box).

The name Perkiomen is a derivative from the Lenni Lenape word meaning "where the cranberries grow".

The Perkiomen Trail is a 21-mile crushed gravel multi-use trail that extends from Oaks to Green Lane. It follows the old Reading Railroad (formerly Perkiomen Railroad) right-of-way. The Trail connects to the 130-mile long Schuylkill River Trail, which is a Federal River Heritage Corridor. The Schuylkill River Trail is a paved macadam trail that will extend from Fort Mifflin near the Philadelphia Airport to Pottsville beyond the Appalachian Trail. Over 60 miles of the trail are open including almost entire section from Philadelphia to Reading.

2. **Continue** on the Perkiomen Trail to the traffic light at Main Street (also known as Ridge Pike) and Third Avenue (next to Collegeville Diner).

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3. At the Collegeville Diner, push the button at the crosswalk and carefully cross Main Street to continue on the Perkiomen Trail. Take note of the "Collegeville Main Street Historic Crossroads" information board on the right.
4. **Continue** on the Perkiomen Trail until you reach Ninth Ave. at the stop sign.
5. **LEFT** on Ninth Ave.
6. After passing house number 339, look for a brown & white sign for Hunsberger Woods on the right. Turn **RIGHT** into the park, walk through the parking area and follow the paved path past the white gate.
7. **Continue** on the paved path down the hill and across a narrow stream. Turn **LEFT** after crossing the stream. Follow the wide grass trail to a small wooden footbridge (look for an AVA sign). Turn around at the footbridge and return to the stream crossing.
8. **Retrace** your steps across the stream, up the hill, through the parking area back to Ninth Ave.
9. **RIGHT** on Ninth Ave. Stay on the left and use caution when the sidewalk ends. Continue on Ninth Ave. to the 9th Ave. Entrance of Ursinus College.
10. **LEFT** onto the campus of Ursinus College. Follow the sidewalk on the right. Kaleidoscope Performing Arts Center {SP} is on the left. Next to the Kaleidoscope is a labyrinth {SP}. Turn **RIGHT** at the four trash cans.
11. At the circle, turn **LEFT**, keeping the residence halls (brick buildings) on the right. Pass the Wismer Center on the left. On the right, pass Myrin Library and Olin Hall. Just past Olin Hall is the Berman Museum of Art. *Just before Wismer Center look behind and to the left to view a copy of the red LOVE statue in the distance. It is 12 feet wide x 12 feet high. Each of the four letters is the same size as the entire LOVE statues located in Philadelphia on the Benjamin Parkway and at the University of Pennsylvania.*
*The Philip and Muriel Berman Museum of Art at Ursinus College is a must see. **Admission is free.** Exhibits change three times a year. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday 11:00am-4:00pm, closed Mondays and school holidays. (Restrooms available)*
***Note:** On your left, just past the entrance to the Berman Museum is a Map/Directory of the sculptures on Ursinus Campus. There are currently 66 sculptures located throughout the campus. There is also a map available inside the museum showing the location of each piece and other relevant information.*
12. Turn **RIGHT** just past the Berman Museum. Pass Corson Hall (large stone building on the left). Continue past Shellhase Commons (Bookstore/Café). to Main St. (Restrooms available in the café.)
13. **LEFT** on Main St. as you exit the campus. Continue to the light at Fifth St. (**5K**)
Collegeville Borough Building {SP} on the corner of Main & Fifth Sts.
14. **CROSS** Main St. at the light then **RIGHT** on Main. Continue to First Ave.
After crossing Eighth St., note the gnome {SP} in the front yard of 808 Main St.
15. **LEFT** on First Ave. Follow the sidewalk to Water Works Park.
16. Enter Water Works Park. Follow the entrance road to the walking trail on the left under the trees. Continue on the trail to a footbridge on the left. **CROSS** the bridge and follow the trail to exit the park.
Playground and athletic fields in Water Works Park {SP}.
17. **LEFT** at the park exit on Zvarick Rd./Locust St. Continue straight on Locust St. to Fifth Ave. (ignore the right turn on Locust).
After crossing Eighth St. is St. Eleanor Catholic Church on the left. Restrooms are available. Across the street from St. Eleanor Church at 660 Locust St. are 2 white gargoyles {SP} flanking the front door of the homeowner's home.

18. LEFT on Fifth Ave.

Pass the College Court Apts. which was formerly the Collegeville Borough School built in 1897.

19. CROSS Fifth Ave. at the crosswalk just before the stop sign at Park Ave.

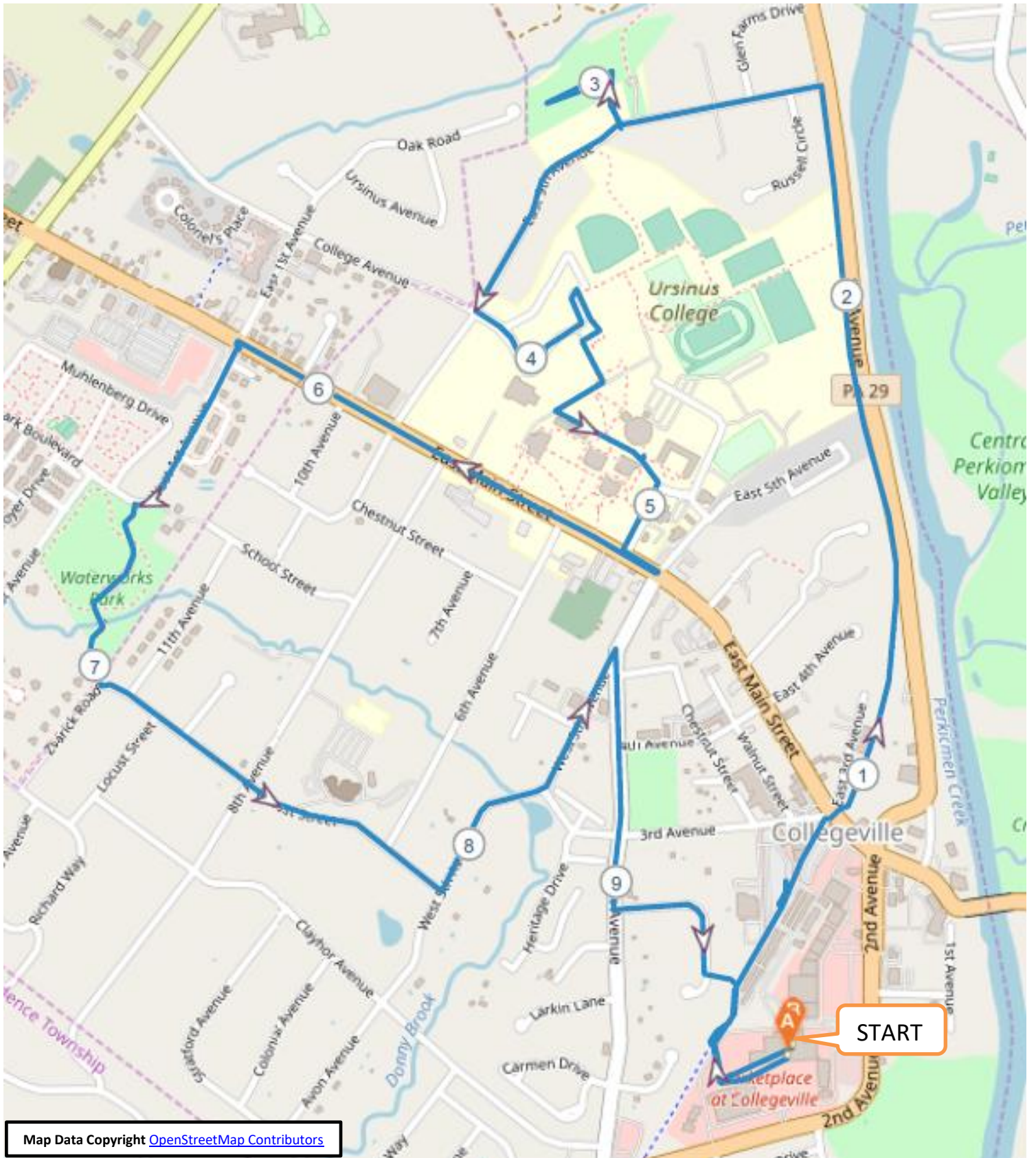
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20. RIGHT on Park Ave. to the crosswalk just before Claymont Dr.

Pass Community Park on the left. Musical events are held there during the summer {SP}. Also playground and athletic fields in the park {SP}.

21. LEFT on Claymont Dr. (use the crosswalk to cross Park Ave.) Follow Claymont to a narrow paved path on the left by a wooden fence.**22. LEFT** on the paved path. This path returns to the Perkiomen Trail.**23. RIGHT** on the Perkiomen Trail, then **LEFT** through the first opening in the split rail fence on the trail. Walk across the parking lot and return to the Start Point at Redner's.

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Street. Continue straight on the path 10 yards to the "Collegeville Main Street Historic Crossroads" information board on the right.

4. Return to Main Street and turn **RIGHT**. Continue on Main St. to the entrance of Ursinus College.
5. **CROSS** Fifth Ave. (Collegeville Borough building {SP} on the right just before crossing 5th Ave.) and enter the campus at the Shellhase Commons (Café/Bookstore) (Restrooms available in the café.)
6. Walk straight back to the Berman Museum of Art. Follow the path around to the front of the museum.
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Note: *Feel free to wander the campus to check out the many unique sculptures located throughout. There is a Map/Directory across from the museum entrance showing the location of 66 sculptures. There is also a map available inside the museum showing more relevant information on each piece. Most of the sculptures were donated by Philip and Muriel Berman.*
Just beyond the Berman Museum on the right is the Wismer Center. (Restrooms are available there also.)
7. Follow the path around the Berman to the **LEFT**. Over to the right is a statue of Zacharias Ursinus, founder of the college. Right next to the statue is Bomberger Hall {SP} where the college choirs perform. Continue on the path to the back of the Berman, then turn **RIGHT** on the walking path. Retrace your steps back to Main St.
8. **RIGHT** on Main St. to the stop light and pedestrian crossing at Sixth Ave.
9. **CROSS** Main St. and continue straight on Sixth Ave. to Locust St..

10. **LEFT** on Locust St.

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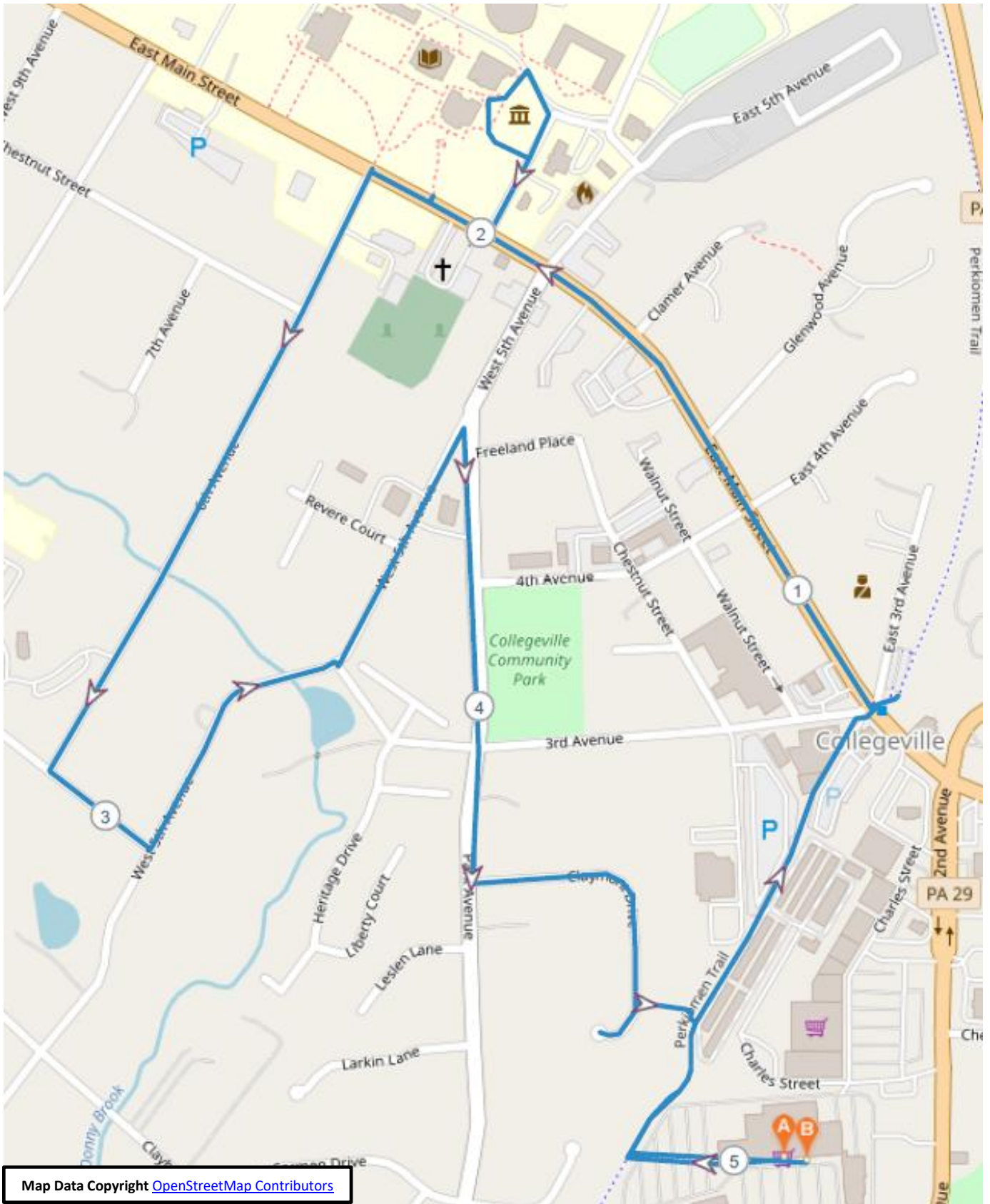
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5km Collegeville Walk



2025 KSVA Special Challenges and AVA Special and National Programs

WALK NAME: COLLEGEVILLE					
NUMBER: Y0618					
KSVA SPECIAL CHALLENGES					
67 Counties (no end date)				Montgomery	
AT Thru Hike (2017 -2023) in PA only				N/A	
AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS					
Program Name	Years	10K	5K	__K	Information
A-MAZE-ing Labyrinths	(2024 – 2026)	X			Located near the Kaleidoscope on Ursinus campus
IVV-Americas	(2023 – No end)	X	X		
Grain Elevators: Monarchs of the Plains	(2025 – 2027)				
Lighthouses II	(2023-2025)				
Par For the Course	(2023-2025)	X	X		Playground in Community Park Playground and athletic fields in Water Works Park
Rails-to-Trails	(2022 – 2025)	X	X		Perkiomen Trail
Step to the Beat	(2024 – 2026)	X	X		Kaleidoscope Performing Arts Center on Ursinus campus (10K) Bomberger Hall on Ursinus campus (5K)
Town Halls/City Halls	(2022 – 2024)	X	X		Collegeville Borough building 491 E. Main St.
Walking with America’s Veterans	(2021 – 2027)	X	X		WWI Memorial at Fifth & Park Sts.
Walking With the Wild Things	(2025 – 2027)	X			Gnome at 808 Main St. Gargoyles at 660 Locust St.
Closed Programs on Route					
Mayflower – 400 th Anniversary Walk	(2020 – 2022)				
Rockin’ Around the Clock	(2020 – 2022)				
AVA NATIONAL PROGRAMS					
Program Name	Years	10K	5K	__K	Information
50 States / 51 Capitals	(No end date)	X	X		Pennsylvania
Walk the USA (A To Z)	(No end date)	X	X		C