



## CENTRALIA HISTORIC WALK YRE# 957

**Distance:** 10K, 5K  
**Difficulty Rating:** 10K RATED 1B  
5K RATED 1A

### Introduction

Tour historic neighborhoods and a city center full of antique shops. Also enjoy trails of Fort Borst and Riverfront Parks. You will walk mainly paved sidewalks in this historic town, located halfway between Seattle and Portland.

Medium difficulty for strollers, not possible for wheelchairs. Pets are allowed. **Restrooms** are at Safeway (start point) for the 10K and along the route. No public restrooms at the 5K start. However, for the 5K there are restrooms at nearby businesses, at the library (M-Sat 10-5), and on the Centralia College campus.

### Walk Registration

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box at [my.ava.org](http://my.ava.org). Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions and print as needed.

### Walk Completion and Walk Credit

Once you have physically completed 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 a stamped “virtual” insert card that you may print.

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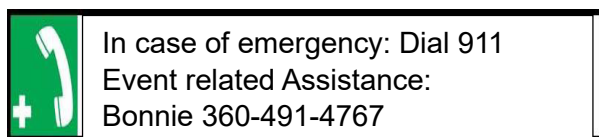
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**ESVA Challenges:** 39 Counties (Lewis), That's Entertainment, Tell Me a Story

**VA Challenges:** Walking with the Wild Things, Step to the Beat, Walking with America's Veterans

**Start Point:** Safeway, 1129 Harrison Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531

Lat: 46.727992, Lng: -122.981011

**Driving Directions:** From I-5 take Exit 82. Northbound turn left onto Harrison Ave. Southbound turn right onto Harrison Ave. Left at next traffic light and then turn right into Safeway parking lot. Please park further away from the store doors.

**Restrooms** inside Safeway and along the route.

NRHP = National Register of Historic Places

1. **LEFT** out of Safeway to Johnson Rd.
2. **LEFT** on Johnson Rd.
3. **CROSS** Pioneer Way and enter Fort Borst Park.
4. **RIGHT** on asphalt path by baseball fields, passing large green building (NW Sports Hub).
5. **FOLLOW** path, crossing road at yellow post.
6. **CONTINUE** on path toward schoolhouse.
7. **LEFT** just before schoolhouse on Lavender Lane
8. **At end of path** walk through grass to original burial site of Borst children.
9. **RIGHT** to Oregon Trail Marker and cross lawn in front of historic Borst home to asphalt path by Chehalis River.
10. **LEFT** on path.
11. **CONTINUE** on path as it becomes gravel passing the Rhododendron Garden, a dog park, and Borst Lake.
12. **CONTINUE** at end of parking lot on path paralleling road and exit park.
13. **CROSS and RIGHT** on Borst Ave to pathway leading to Harrison Ave.
14. **RIGHT** on path to Harrison Ave.
15. **RIGHT** on Harrison Ave crossing two freeway on/off ramps **ONLY** when walk light is on.
16. **CONTINUE** walking on Harrison Ave as it veers right crossing bridge over Skookumchuck River, then curves left at stop lights.
17. **CROSS** both Main St and Yew St (Harrison changes to W Main St) to Cedar St.
18. **RIGHT** on S Cedar St to Centralia College Blvd.
19. **CROSS and LEFT** on Centralia College Blvd 1 block to S Ash (unmarked).
20. **RIGHT** on S Ash to fence next to China Creek.
21. **LEFT** on gravel trail between fence and China Creek to S King St (not marked).
22. **CROSS** S King ST at crosswalk and **RIGHT** on gravel path.

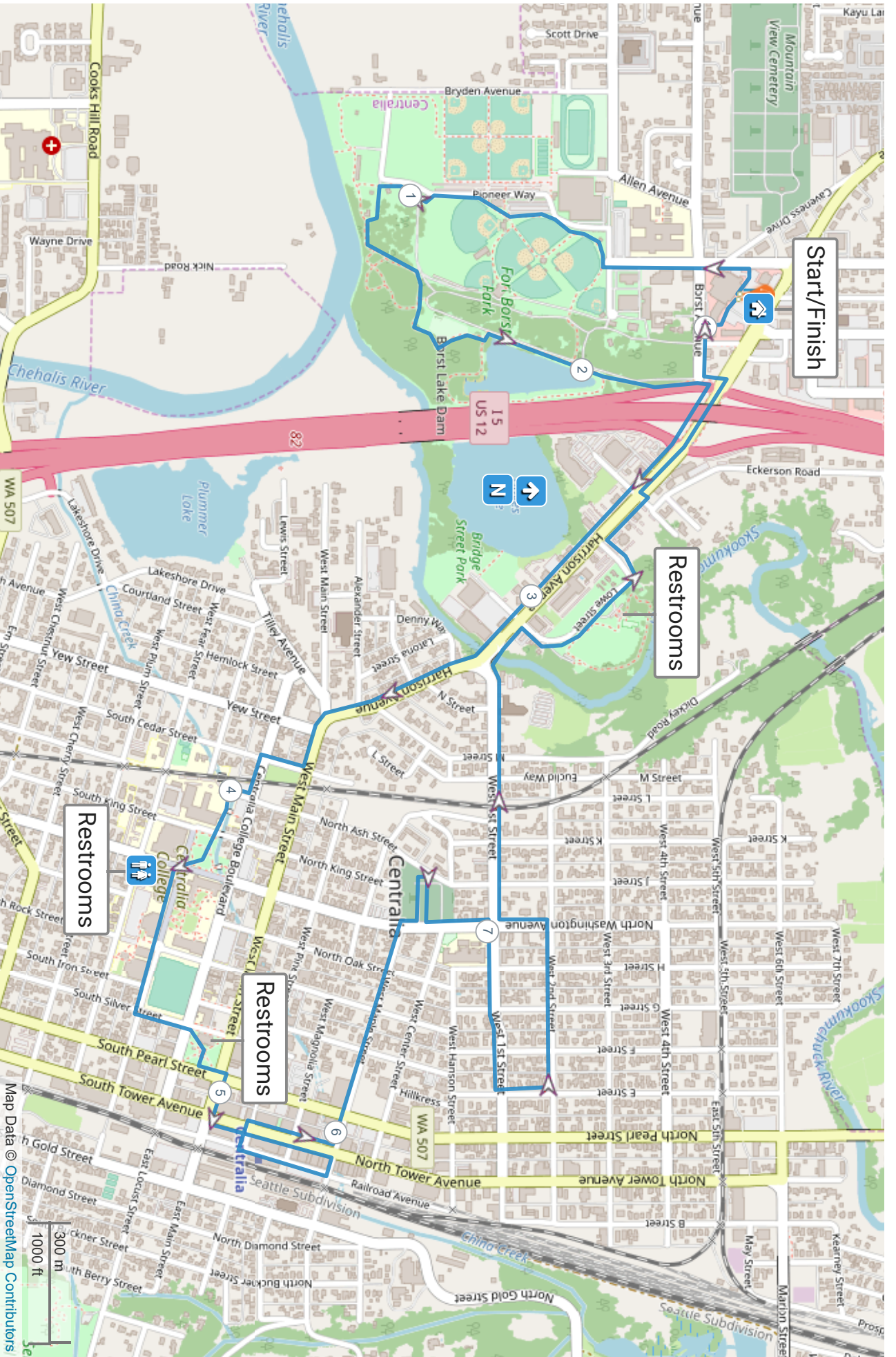
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23. **CONTINUE** on gravel path veering **RIGHT** after picnic table to roundabout on Centralia College Campus.
24. **LEFT** at roundabout walking through campus on Aadland Esplanade (restrooms at Trans Alta Building and Library) to the end of Esplanade (changes to Walnut Street). **Restrooms in Trans Alta Commons Building and Library.**
25. **FOLLOW** sidewalk to the right towards Hanson Hall on Walnut St continuing 2 blocks to Silver St.
26. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on S Silver St 1 block to Centralia College Blvd.
27. **CROSS** Centralia College Blvd carefully, immediately **VEERING RIGHT** into Centralia Library Courtyard (restrooms).
28. **RIGHT** at flagpole to Statue of the Sentinel continuing to Pearl St past Lewis County War Memorial.
29. **LEFT** on Pearl St To W Main St. Note the statue of Centralia founder George Washington and wife Mary Jane. George was the son of a slave.
30. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on W Main St 1 block to N Tower Ave.
31. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on N Tower Ave to E Maple St. stopping at the George Washington Museum 214 N Tower Ave.
32. **RIGHT** on E Maple 1 block to N Railroad Ave.
33. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on N Railroad Ave walking by Historic Centralia Train Depot to Pine St at end of Depot.
34. **RIGHT** on Pine St to N Tower Ave.
35. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on N Tower to E Maple St
36. **LEFT** on E Maple several blocks to N Washington Ave. You will pass City Hall (restrooms) and the Rollerdrome.
37. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on N Washington Ave to entrance of Historic Lawn Cemetery.
38. **LEFT** into cemetery walking straight ahead to fenced monuments where George Washington and his family are buried. After visit to graves, return to Washington Ave.
39. **LEFT** on Washington Ave to W 1st St.
40. **RIGHT** on W 1st St, passing Historic Edison School, to E St.
41. **LEFT** on E ST to W 2nd St. Note Historic Birge House on left (715 E St, NRHP home dated 1894).
42. **LEFT** on W 2nd St to N Washington Ave.
43. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on N Washington Ave to W 1st St. Note beautiful homes, many on the NRHP.
44. **RIGHT** on 1st St to Harrison Ave.
45. **RIGHT** on Harrison Ave to E Bridge St.
46. **RIGHT** on E Bridge St (becomes Lowe St as you go around the curve) past Rotary Riverside Park (restrooms) back to Harrison Ave.
47. **RIGHT** on Harrison Ave to stoplight at High St.
48. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on Harrison at the traffic light.
49. **CONTINUE** on Harrison Ave, crossing freeway off ramps (only when walk sign is on) to pathway you came out on earlier in the walk.
50. **LEFT** on pathway to Borst Ave.
51. **RIGHT** on Borst Ave crossing Belmont Ave a short distance to driveway on right that leads into the Safeway parking lot and your car.

**We hope you enjoyed your walk!**

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# Centralia Historic 10K

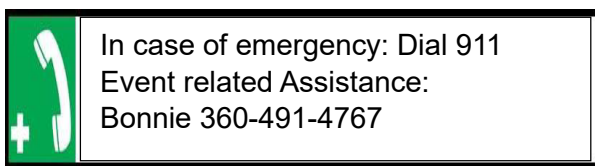




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210 Railroad Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531  
Lat: 46.717155, Lng: -122.953132

**Driving Directions:** From I-5 take Exit 82. Northbound turn right onto Harrison Ave. Southbound turn left onto Harrison Ave. Continue over Skookumchuck Bridge until it merges with Main Street. Slight left on Main to Railroad Avenue. Left on Railroad Avenue. Free parking on both sides of the depot. Note that restrooms at the depot are for passengers only.

**Restrooms** are at 0.5K in the library (M-Sat 10-5) and at 0.8K on the Centralia College campus.

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1. **RIGHT** to the end of train depot. (E Magnolia St).
2. **LEFT** on E Magnolia St 1 block to N Tower Ave.
3. **RIGHT** on N Tower Ave walking past Insert Coin Arcade (309 N Tower on the opposite side of street) to E Maple St.
4. **LEFT** to cross Tower and continue on E Maple to N Washington Ave. You will pass City Hall (Restrooms) and the Rollerdrome.
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12. **RIGHT** on W 1st St to N Street.
13. **LEFT** on N St to Harrison Ave.
14. **LEFT** on Harrison, which changes to W Main Street at stoplights (at Yew Street).
15. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on W Main on crosswalk with the Yew Street stoplights.
16. **CONTINUE** on W Main St to S Cedar St.
17. **RIGHT** on S Cedar St to Centralia College Blvd.

## Centralia Historic Walk YRE# 957 5K

18. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on Centralia College Blvd 1 block to S Ash St (first street after RR tracks).
19. **RIGHT** on S Ash to fence next to China Creek.
20. **LEFT** on gravel trail between fence and China Creek to S King St (not marked).
21. **CROSS** S King Street at crosswalk and **RIGHT** on gravel path.
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