

**Chester County Red Rovers
Historical Lititz
Year~Round Walk – Online Start Box
Y1283 ~ 5K/10K/15K – Rated: 1B**



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Driving Directions

- The Start Point is located at the Lititz Rec Center, 3101 Maple Street, Lititz
- From the Pennsylvania Turnpike
- Exit the Turnpike at Exit 286 – Reading/Lancaster
- Take Route 222 South toward Lancaster (9.3 miles)
- Take Route 722 West (8 miles)
- Follow Route 722 -- carefully as it winds through the countryside changing name and direction several times.
- Turn left on Route 501
- Turn right on West Main Street
- Turn left on North Spruce Street
- Turn right on Maple Street
- Follow Maple for .4 mile to the Lititz Rec Center Entrance
- GPS Coordinates - 40.158122245023215, -76.31670808316517

Walk Completion & Credit Information

- Be sure to log back into the OSB system to finish/complete your online registration after walking the event.
- The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until he/she has submitted event completion information including the date the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable Special Programs in which the walker is participating.
- Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the walker's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded.
- Pater, any PDF fees are credited back to the walker's Event Bank when he/she submits the even completion information as a paying-for-credit participant.
- However, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.

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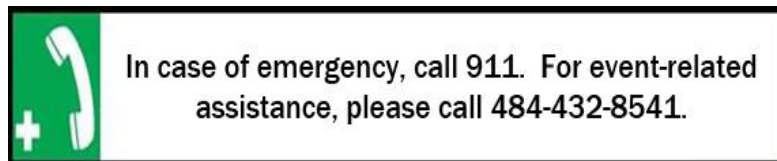
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Directions

1. EXIT the recCenter and turn RIGHT.
2. Follow the sidewalk to Maple St.
3. LEFT on Maple
4. After the water towers, CROSS the park access road
5. Angle LEFT onto the path into the park.
6. Take the steps down to Lititz Spring Stream Park
7. *Lititz Springs Park is a private park, owned by the Lititz Moravian Congregation and maintained by the Churches of Lititz, for public use. The Park does NOT receive public funding, relying on volunteers and donations for upkeep and events. The first concert was held here in 1778!*
8. RIGHT and follow the path through the park, keeping the stream on your left.
9. LEFT to the crosswalk (note the former Wilbur Chocolate Factory)
10. CAREFULLY CROSS N. Broad/Rt. 501 at the crosswalk
11. CONTINUE LEFT on N. Broad to E. Front St.
12. RIGHT on E. Front to N. Water St.
13. CROSS and LEFT on N. Water to New Street Park (There are no trails or features on maps, so please proceed with care and watch for the bridge.)
14. RIGHT on New Street Park Nature Trail, after crossing the stream.
15. RIGHT at the Wye
16. RIGHT to cross the bridge.
17. LEFT on E. New St. to N. Locust St.
18. RIGHT on N. Locust, passing the Lititz Academy of Music to E. Main St.
19. RIGHT on E. Main/Rt. 772 to S. Broad, passing through the Lititz Moravian Historic District. Don’t miss the pretzel factory!

20. CAREFULLY CROSS and LEFT on S. Broad to W. Orange St.
21. RIGHT on W. Orange/Rt. 722
22. RIGHT toward a parking lot just after passing the tennis courts.

23. Follow the sidewalk to the right to Maple.
24. LEFT on Maple
25. RIGHT to the entrance to the recCenter



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Lititz 5K



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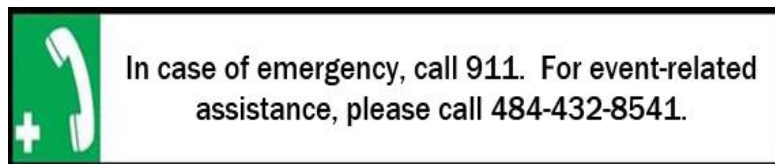
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Directions

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2. Follow the sidewalk to Maple St.
3. LEFT on Maple
4. After the water towers, CROSS the park access road
5. Angle LEFT onto the path into the park.
6. Take the steps down to Lititz Spring Stream Park
7. *Lititz Springs Park is a private park, owned by the Lititz Moravian Congregation and maintained by the Churches of Lititz, for public use. The Park does NOT receive public funding, relying on volunteers and donations for upkeep and events. The first concert was held here in 1778!*
8. RIGHT and follow the path through the park, keeping the stream on your left.
9. LEFT to the crosswalk.
10. RIGHT and CAREFULLY CROSS N. Broad/Rt. 501 at the crosswalk
11. LEFT on N. Broad St.
12. RIGHT on E. Front St.
13. CROSS and LEFT on N. Water St. to New Street Park (There are no trails or features on maps, so please proceed with care and watch for the bridge.)
14. RIGHT on New Street Park Nature Trail, after crossing the stream.
15. RIGHT at the Wye
16. RIGHT to cross the bridge.
17. LEFT on E. New St. to N. Locust
18. RIGHT on N. Locust St., passing the Lititz Academy of Music, to E. Front St.
19. LEFT on E. Front to N. Elm St.
20. LEFT on N. Elm
21. RIGHT on Chickadee Dr., which becomes Parkside.
22. CROSS N. Oak St.
23. STRAIGHT on Parkside Ln. to Creekside
24. CROSS Creekside
25. LEFT and then RIGHT to take steps down to asphalt walkway.
26. RIGHT on paved trail

27. LEFT at the next intersection.
28. STRAIGHT at next two intersections
29. RIGHT on Warwick-Ephrata Rail Trail
30. Follow trail to the end at S. Oak St.
31. LEFT on S. Oak to E. Main
32. RIGHT on E. Main, passing through the Lititz Moravian Historic District, to S. Broad. Don't miss the pretzel factory!
33. CAREFULLY CROSS and LEFT on S. Broad to W. Orange
34. RIGHT on W. Orange
35. Follow W. Orange to the SECOND Campus Dr. (after the Warwick High School)
36. RIGHT on Campus Dr.
37. LEFT, immediately, onto paved walking path, after the entrance to the parking lot, and pass to the left of the baseball field.
38. RIGHT at the next intersection – just before a row of homes
39. LEFT on the paved path just before the running track.
40. Follow the path, staying to the right, as it goes around another baseball field and ends at Maple.
41. CROSS and RIGHT on Maple
42. LEFT to stay on Maple at the intersection with Campus.
43. LEFT to return to the recCenter.



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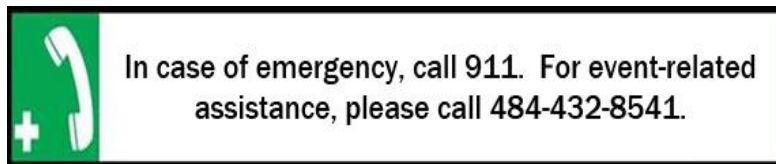
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30. Follow trail to the end at N. Oak
31. LEFT on N. Oak to E. Main
32. RIGHT on E. Main St. to S. Broad, passing through the Lititz Moravian Historic District, to Broad. Don’t miss the pretzel factory!
33. LEFT on S. Broad to E. Orange St.
34. LEFT on E. Orange to S. Cedar St.
35. RIGHT on S. Cedar to E. Marion St.

36. LEFT on E. Marion to S. Locust St.
 37. RIGHT on S. Locust St. to E. 2nd Ave.
 38. LEFT on E. 2nd to Kissel Hill Rd.
 39. RIGHT on Kissel Hill to E. 6th
 40. RIGHT on E. 6th Sixth Ave. to S. Locust
 41. RIGHT on S. Locust to the Butterfly Acres Trail
 42. LEFT on Butterfly Acres Trail
 43. LEFT to cross the bridge then
 44. RIGHT. RIGHT on S. 6th at the end of the trail
 45. CAREFULLY CROSS S. Broad
 46. CONTINUE on W. 6th to S. Spruce St.
 47. RIGHT on S. Spruce to W. 2nd
 48. LEFT on W. 2nd Ave., walking on the left side.
 49. At W. Marion, RIGHT to cross W. 2nd at the crosswalk
 50. LEFT to continue on the right side of 2nd.
 51. RIGHT on W. Lemon St. to S. Broad

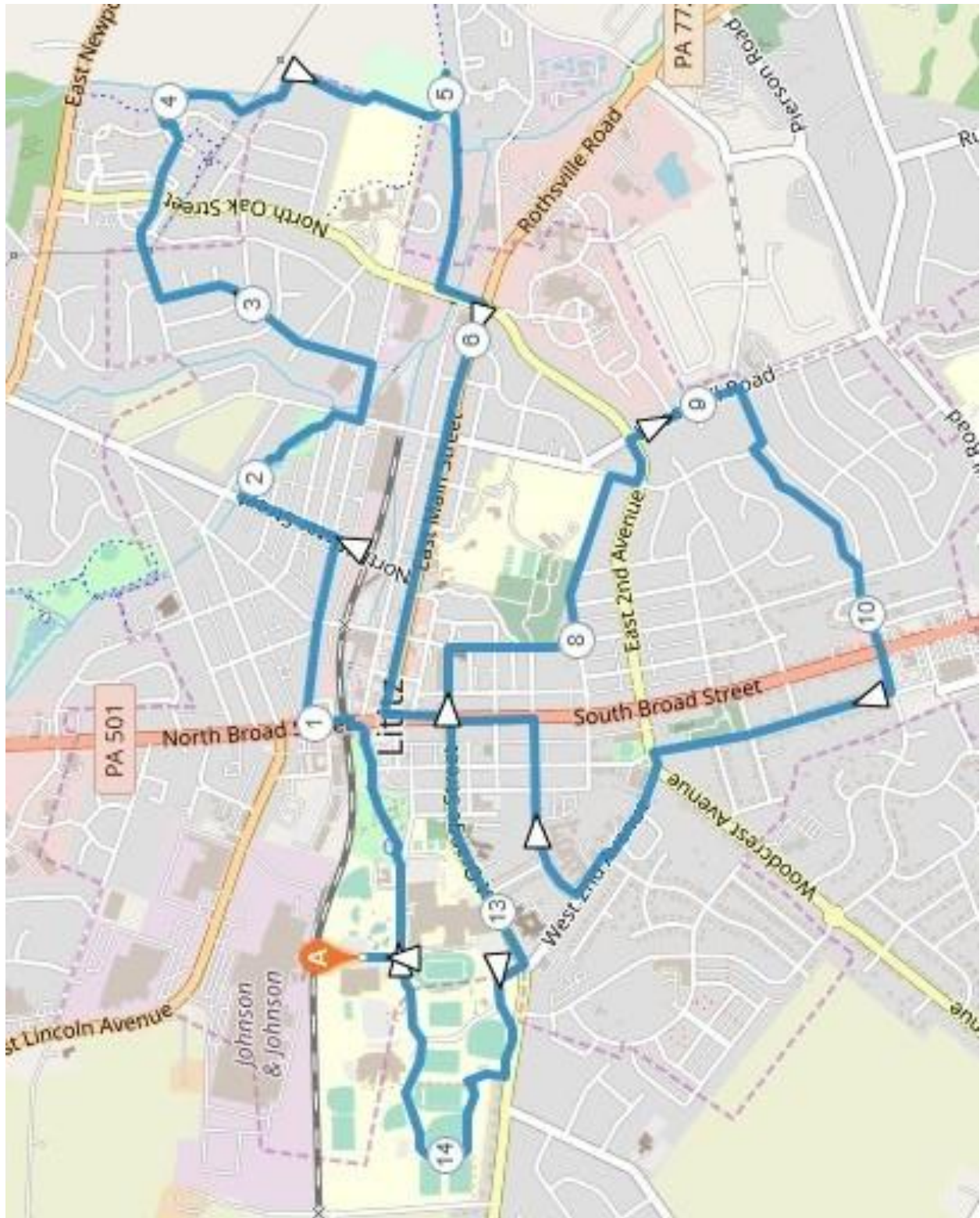
52. LEFT on S. Broad to W. Orange
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 54. CONTINUE ON W. Orange to Campus Dr., after Warwick High School
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Lititz 15K Map



More about Lititz ...

In 1865, Mr. H.O. Wilbur (a hardware and stove salesman) joined forces with Samuel Croft in the confectionery business in Philadelphia. Croft & Wilbur produced largely molasses candies and hard candies, which were sold to the railroad company for train boys to sell. Confectionery manufacturing equipment at that time consisted of a kettle, with a coal or coke fire, some buckets, and a marble slab. When chocolate was added to their production, it was necessary to build a separate factory for chocolate. Eventually, they divided the business, and H.O. Wilbur & Sons was formed for the manufacture of chocolate products, including their world-famous Wilbur Buds. By April 17, 1913, Wilbur had moved to Lititz and the directors authorized the construction of an additional building, between their two original buildings. After a 1927 merger with Suchard (Switzerland), factories produced chocolates in Newark (NJ), Lititz, and Philadelphia. In 1992, the **Wilbur Chocolate Company** was acquired by Cargill, Inc., who also produce Peter's Chocolate, Veliche Belgian Chocolate, and Gerkens Cocoa Powder. In January 2016, Cargill stopped chocolate production at the historic Lititz landmark and laid off approximately 130 Wilbur employees. This officially ended Wilbur's celebrated 125-year-old tradition of chocolate-making at this site. The Wilbur Chocolate Company Factory was converted into condos in 2018. Production was moved to more modern and efficient plants in Mount Joy, Lititz (West Lincoln Avenue) and Hazleton, PA; Milwaukee; and Ontario, Canada. You can visit the Wilbur Store at 45 North Broad Street. Don't leave town without a bag of Buds!

The **Lititz Moravian Historic District** is a National Historic District and was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1986. This district includes 113 contributing buildings, one contributing site, and two contributing structures that are located in Lititz. It has notable examples of the Federal and Late Victorian architectural styles. The buildings date from roughly 1755 to 1930. Notable buildings include the Warden's House (c. 1757), Corpse House (*Leichen Kappelchen*) (1786), Werner House, Tinsley Cottage, Sisters' House (1758), Moravian Church (1787), Brothers' House (1759), Lititz National Bank, Commonwealth National Bank (1922), Mary Dixon Memorial Chapel (1884) on the campus of Linden Hall School, and the General Sutter Inn (originally the *Zum Anker*, established 1764). The contributing site is the Moravian Church Cemetery, which was established in 1758 and contains the graves of General John Augustus Sutter, of California Gold Rush fame, and his wife Anna Dubeld Sutter, and Francis Florentine Hagen, composer of the beloved Christmas hymn *Morning Star, O Cheering Site*. Also located in the district are the separately listed the Congregational Store, the Sturgis Pretzel House, and Johann August Sutter House.

In 1861, Julius Sturgis purchased the house at 219 East Main Street and opened the first commercial pretzel bakery in America. Julius lived in the house with his family and added an addition for his bakery. The building at 219 East Main holds an even longer history. Built in 1784, by Peter Kreiter, the house is one of the original structures in Lititz. The sturdy stone house was built with stones dug from the street itself and timber hewed from the surrounding forest. The home has musket firing windows in the cellar, while the interior included beautifully carved wooden panels on the staircase, heavy wooden doors on iron strap hinges, and pegged plank floors. The **Julius Sturgis Pretzel Bakery** is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

And some places to check out for lunch ...

Chilangos Authentic Mexican Restaurante ~ 56 North Broad Street

Brunos of Lititz ~~ 11 East Kleine Lane

Blackworth Live Fire Grill ~~ 52 North Broad Street

Tomato Pie Café ~~ 23 North Broad Street

Tied House ~~ 27-31 East Main Street

Bull's Head Public House ~~ 14 East Main Street

Dosie Dough ~~ 45 South Broad Street

Piccolo Eatery & Italian Market ~~ 53 East Main Street

Rooster Street Burcher ~~ 53 East Main Street

CCRR Year-Round Walk -- Lititz**AVA / KVA Special Programs -- 2024****AVA WALKS**

Title	Expires	10K	5K
A-MAZE-ing Labyrinths	December, 2026		
Appalachian Trail	December, 2029		
IVV - Americas	No end date	yes	yes
Lighthouses II	December, 2025		
Par for the Course	December, 2025	yes	yes
Rails-to-Trails	December, 2025	yes	yes
Step to the Beat	December, 2026	yes	yes
Town Halls/City Halls	December, 2024		
Walking with America's Veterans	December, 2027	yes	yes
Walking the United States	No end date	yes	yes
Walking the USA A-Z	No end date	yes	yes
Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail	December, 2031	yes	yes

KVA WALKS

Title	Expires	10K	5K
67 Counties	No end date		
Appalachian Trail Thru Hike (PA only)	December, 2023		

Expired Special Programs

Title	Expired	10K	5K
Airports: Celebrating American Flight	December, 2022		
Border Crossings	December, 2023		
Great Lakes, Great Fun, Great Fitness	December, 2023		
Mayflower: 400th Anniversary	December, 2022		
Rockin' Around the Clock	December, 2022		
Bridges – Spanning the USA			
Carousels Across America			
Ice Cream Parlors			
Lady Liberty			
Little Free Libraries			
Make a Wish at a Water Fountain			
National Park Centennial			
Points of Reference			
State Street Sashay			
Take a Walk in a City Park			

Treasure Hunt			
United States Post Office			
Vice Presidential Walks			
Underground Railroad			
Walking the Path of Inventions			
Walk the USA – Street by Street			