

The Liberty Bell Wanderers  
Welcomes You to  
**Perkasie - Sellersville**  
starting in Perkasie, Pennsylvania  
An AVA Sanctioned Year Round Event



This walk consists of two 5km walks both starting in Lenape Park. The first 5km walk is rated 2A and goes through the town of Perkasie passing a Carousel in Menlo Park, downtown Perkasie, residential areas and macadam paths next to the eastern branch of the Perkiomen Creek. The second 5km walk has 2 path options, one rated 1B and the other rated 1C. Both options follow a macadam path next to the Perkiomen Creek then on sidewalks through downtown Sellersville; it then proceeds over a short section of grass to a Labyrinth. At the Labyrinth, the walker can choose either the 1B option to (more or less) retrace his/her steps on macadam paths back to the starting point or the 1C option that includes a 0.8km section on a narrow dirt trail (possibly muddy) next to the Perkiomen Creek back to the starting point.

**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
Lenape Park	Starting Point for Perkasie and Sellersville routes	Bathroom, unisex	0km	Spring, Summer, Fall
Menlo Park	Perkasie 5km Route	Bathroom	1.5km	Summer
Lenape Park Baseball Field	Near Starting Point	Bathroom	0.5km	Summer
Kulp Park (2 <sup>nd</sup> St)	Perkasie 5km Route	Bathroom	3.8km	Summer

**Starting Point Location:**

Lenape Park, Constitution Ave & E Spruce St, Perkasie, PA 18944

The starting point, for both the Perkasie 5km route and the Sellersville 5km route, is in the parking lot next to the restrooms in Lenape Park. Parking is also permitted on the left or right side of the drive passing next to the restrooms.

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**Driving Directions:**

From PA-309 take exit for Perkasie/PA-152. If travelling 309 N, turn right at the end of the ramp on PA-152; if travelling 309 S, turn left at the end of the ramp on PA-52 for 0.4 mi to Bethlehem Pike. Left on Bethlehem Pike (PA-152) for 0.4 mi to Park Ave. Slight right on Park Ave that becomes Constitution Ave for 0.5 mi to E. Spruce Street and the marked entrance to Lenape Park on the left. Left into the park, then continue to restroom parking on the left.



**Emergency Numbers:**

	In case of Emergency: Dial 911
	Event related assistance:
	Mike Green: 845-781-6801

**Abbreviations used:**

- ns – No Sign. There is no street sign.
- C&P – Cross and/or Pass.
- Usage – {C&P: 1st St and 2nd St.}
- SP – Special Program

These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

**Perkasie 5km:**

1. With your back to the restrooms in Lenape Park, turn **LEFT** on the macadam drive to the twin bridges on the right.
2. **RIGHT** across the white twin bridges to the macadam path.

*The twin cable suspension bridges are Roebling bridges. Prussian-born engineer John Roebling came to the United States in the 1830s and designed the Brooklyn Bridge - a construction he never lived to see completed. His design was used in the mid-1930's when the New Deal's Work Projects Administration ordered a bridge be built over the Perkiomen Creek.*

3. **RIGHT** on the macadam path (the Sellersville-Perkasie-East Rockhill SPER Bike trail and walking trail). Follow the path bearing right {C&P: Seasonal Restroom, ball field fence on left, flagpole with Veterans Memorial on left **[SP]**, to the Covered Bridge then continue to the street W. Walnut St.(ns).

*Across the grass to the right is the South Perkasie covered Bridge, the oldest surviving covered bridge in Bucks County. Built in 1832, it was moved to this location in 1958. One of the reasons it was moved was because it was too weak for school buses. It is said that when school buses had to cross the bridge, the kids got off the bus and crossed over the bridge by foot. At the other end of the bridge, they hopped back onto the bus. In 2021, flooding caused by the remnants of hurricane Ida caused this bridge to float off of its supports. Internal support bracing has since been added to stabilize the bridge structure at its current location while awaiting more permanent repairs.*

4. **LEFT** on W. Walnut St {C&P: 2<sup>nd</sup> St} to 3<sup>rd</sup> St.
5. **LEFT** on 3<sup>rd</sup> St {C&P: Spruce St} proceeding uphill to Park Ave.
6. **CROSS** Park Ave at the top of the hill and enter the park (Menlo Park). The Perkasie Carousel **[SP]** is straight ahead on the left.

*A carousel has been here in Menlo Park (a well-known amusement park of its day) since 1892. The original carousel had hand-carved wooden horses. The building that houses the carousel was built in 1895. After a heavy snowfall collapsed the roof in 1995, it was completely restored. Today there are 36 aluminum horses and two wooden chariots. It is one of 150 carousels still operating in the U.S. today. Open on average 8-10 days/year, during community events.*

7. Bear **RIGHT** and walk through the parking lot. {C&P: Seasonal Restroom on left, the pavilions and playground on right, Library on left} to Arthur Ave (ns)
  8. **RIGHT** on Arthur Ave joining 5<sup>th</sup> St going downhill {C&P: to Park Ave.
- Notice War Memorial **[SP]** at Arthur St/5<sup>th</sup> St & Park St.*
9. **CROSS** Park Ave, then **LEFT** crossing 5<sup>th</sup> St., then **RIGHT** to continue on 5<sup>th</sup> St going {C&P: (Fairy Garden **[SP]**). Birds of Perkasie mural, Spruce St} to Walnut St.

*Just before the corner of Spruce St and 5<sup>th</sup> St turn around to see the Birds of Perkasie mural on the retraining wall of 312 Spruce St.*

10. **LEFT** on W. Walnut St. proceeding through Olde Town {C&P: Threddies, Penn St (ns), Perkasie Historical Society - a former trolley station, 6<sup>th</sup> St, 7<sup>th</sup> St parking lot retaining wall} to 7<sup>th</sup> St.

*Note the flowers painted on Threddies, a participant in the Ten Thousand Flowers Project. When you reach 7<sup>th</sup> St. look to your right, notice the parking lot retaining wall in the distance next to Perkasie borough building. The mural on the retraining wall has has Flowers #1-#85. Other towns throughout the US have joined the project with their own flower murals. The Chimayo Gallery and Threddies have 14 flowers bringing the total to 99. Each section has a flower trailing off and picking up with the rest of that flower in the next section. The goal is for the project to end up in Perkasie with the 10,000<sup>th</sup> flower painted here.*

11. **Cross** 7<sup>th</sup> St. onto a macadam path to the tunnel entrance.  
12. **Proceed** through the tunnel {C&P: tunnel Walls} to the steps on the right.

*The Liberty Bell trolley operated from 1900 to 1951 and ran from Philadelphia (69th St.) to Allentown. A section of the trolley tracks followed the route used to transport the Liberty Bell to safety in Allentown in 1777 just before the British occupation of Philadelphia during the American Revolution. Interesting information is painted on the tunnel walls.*

13. **RIGHT** on the stairs passing the Stout Family Cemetery, bearing left to continue uphill on 8<sup>th</sup> St to W. Market St.

*Jacob Stout came to America from Switzerland in 1737 and is attributed to be the first resident of Perkasie. A historic marker is located on the left at the top of the hill.*

14. **RIGHT** on W. Market crossing the RR tracks to 7<sup>th</sup> St.  
15. **LEFT** on 7<sup>th</sup> St. to Arch St.  
16. **CROSS** Arch St. and turn **RIGHT** to continue on Arch St {C&P: Chimayo Gallery, St. Stephen Reformed Church, (Gargoyles on church steeple/spire **[SP]**), (Little Free Library **[SP]**)} to 6<sup>th</sup> St.

*After turning onto Arch, notice the flowers under the window on the side of the Chimayo Gallery on the right. This is part of the Ten Thousand Flowers Project mentioned earlier. A St. Stephen Church*

17. **LEFT** on 6<sup>th</sup> St.

18. **Continue** on 6<sup>th</sup> St {C&P: Race on right, Race on left, 200 N 6<sup>th</sup> St with carved brick wall next to the sidewalk on left} to Vine St.

*Notice imprint of deer carved in brick wall.*

19. **RIGHT** on Vine St to 5<sup>th</sup> St.  
20. **RIGHT** on 5<sup>th</sup> St. {C&P: Race St, Arch St} to W. Market St.  
21. **LEFT** on W. Market St. {C&P: 4<sup>th</sup> St ,3<sup>rd</sup> St, down the hill – no sidewalk, 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Kulp Park is on the right} to foot bridge.  
22. **CROSS** the bridge over the Perkiomen Creek straight ahead to the bike trail.  
23. **RIGHT** on the bike trail. Follow the bike trail to the end at E. Walnut St.  
24. **CROSS** E. Walnut St, then **RIGHT** to cross Constitution Ave.  
25. **LEFT** to continue on Constitution Ave. to the entrance of Lenape Park on the right.  
26. **RIGHT** into Lenape Park. Follow the main road through the park to the starting point.

### Sellersville 5km:

27. With your back to the restrooms in Lenape Park, turn **LEFT** on the macadam drive to the twin bridges on the right.  
28. **RIGHT** across the white twin bridges to the macadam path.  
29. **LEFT** on the macadam path for 0.6km to a T intersection.  
30. **LEFT** at the T intersection. Pass the macadam path on the right, then cross the footbridge to the left, then continue for 0.5 km passing the Sellersville Disc Golf Course {SP} to a parking lot on the left.  
31. **LEFT** through the parking lot crossing the bridge to a T intersection (Boy Scout Troop 1 cabin on the left).  
32. **RIGHT** at the T intersection to the Sellersville War Memorial {SP}.  
33. Go around the War Memorial continuing on the macadam path back towards the Scout Troop 1 cabin to the path on the left.  
34. **LEFT** on the macadam path crossing the bridge and through the parking lot to the next path intersection.  
35. **LEFT** on the macadam path following it as it turns to the right to the T intersection.  
36. **LEFT** at the T-intersection to North Main St (ns - bridge on the left).  
37. **RIGHT** on North Main St {C&P: Elm St, W. Walnut St, E. Walnut St, town clock on corner of E. Walnut & N. Main [old SP], Maple Ave, Washington House Hotel and Restaurant} to E. Temple St.

38. **LEFT** on Temple St (crossing Main St) passing the Sellersville Theatre on the left to T intersection where W. Temple St. turns left.

*The Washington House & Sellersville Theater 1894 (from the Washington House website history page).*

**1742-1798:** A farmhouse is built by German immigrants along a Lenape trail, as shown by historic tax records.

**1850s-70s:** The first tavern license is obtained for The Washington House. Many additions, including the iconic tower, are built.

**1894:** A stable is built next door to board horses belonging to patrons of The Washington House. This structure later becomes Sellersville Theater 1894.

**1920s:** Prohibition goes into effect, but liquor is still served at The Washington House with the help of hiding places. Skeptical federal agents take the original wooden bar outside and destroy it. **1933:** Prohibition is repealed, and a new front bar is lovingly carved by local craftsman J. R. Newbold, whose name is inscribed behind it. **1950:** The "Selvil Theatre" opens,

transforming the old stable building into a movie theater. It is gutted by fire in 1970. **1972:** The theater is repaired, and "Cinema 1894" opens. **2002:** The old stable building is reunited with The Washington House and renovated to open a live performance venue, Sellersville Theater 1894. More additions are made to enlarge the lobby and the performer's lounge in 2008.

**2016:** Substantial additions and renovations are made to The Washington House, and the boutique hotel opens its doors.

39. **LEFT** to continue on W. Temple St to Maple Ave (ns – T intersection).
40. **RIGHT** on Maple Ave for a short distance then **LEFT** on N. Branch St to W. Walnut St.
41. **LEFT** on W. Walnut St to North Main St.
42. **Carefully cross** North Main St. then **RIGHT** on North Main St. crossing the Sellersville Veterans Memorial Bridge to the entrance drive for Mill Café.
43. **LEFT** on the entrance drive proceeding through the parking lot to grass.
44. Bear left (towards the creek) to continue on the grass to the split rail fence next to the creek.
45. Pass the split rail fence on the right, then continue on the grass onto the paved drive to the Shanteel Yoga Serenity Labyrinth [SP] on the right.

There is an optional path to return to the Starting Point via a narrow dirt tail path (possibly muddy) for the remaining portion of this 5km walk. If you wish to use this option, Go to Step 55)

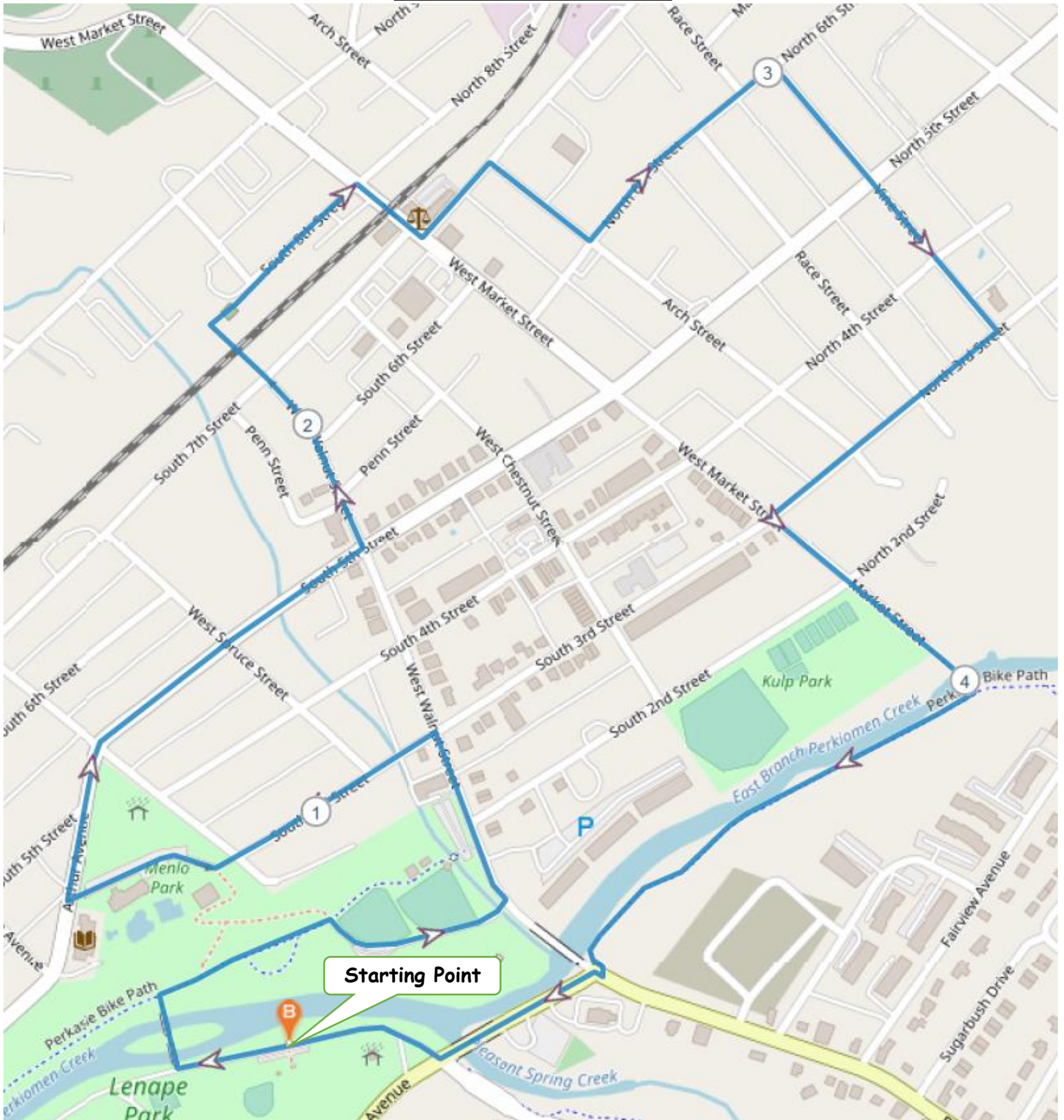
46. **TURNAROUND** and proceed back to the Mill Café Parking Lot with the creek on your right.
47. Continue through the parking lot to Main St.
48. **RIGHT** on Main St crossing the bridge to the first macadam path on the right.
49. **RIGHT** on macadam path passing the macadam path on the right and crossing the gravel/macadam driveway and continuing to a footbridge.
50. **CROSS** the footbridge to the macadam path on the right at the corner of the parking lot.
51. **RIGHT** on the macadam path then immediately **LEFT** proceeding on the path with the ball field on your right to the next macadam path on the left.
52. **LEFT** on the macadam path to the next path on the right leading to the twin bridges.
53. **RIGHT** on the path crossing the twin bridges to the macadam drive.
54. **LEFT** on the drive to the Starting Point.

### End of the Walk

55. **Dirt Trail Walkers Only:** Continue on the paved road passing the National Guard buildings on the right to the chain link fence.
56. **LEFT** at chain link fence continuing to the dirt trail path on the right.
57. Continue on the dirt path to where the path has been "washed out" causing an abrupt drop in the trail path.
58. At this point stay right and proceed downhill on grass next to woods to later rejoin the path where the grass ends.
59. Bear left to follow the path for 0.5km to a macadam drive.
60. Continue on the macadam drive to the first intersection on the right.
61. **RIGHT** on the macadam drive continuing straight, where the drive turns right, on a macadam path to Constitution Ave (aka East Park Ave.)
62. **LEFT** on the paved sidewalk to the Lenape Park entrance drive.
63. **LEFT** on the Lenape Park entrance drive to the Starting Point.

Liberty Bell Wanderers hope you enjoyed our Perkasie/Sellersville walk and hope you will return to enjoy it again.

# Perkasie 5km



# Sellersville 5km



**2024 KSPA Special Challenges and AVA Special and National Programs**

<b>WALK NAME: PERKASIE - SELLERSVILLE</b>				
<b>NUMBER: Y0293</b>				
<b>KSPA SPECIAL CHALLENGES</b>				
67 Counties (no end date)			Bucks	
AT Thru Hike (2017 -2023) in PA only			N/A	
<b>AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS</b>				
<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Perkasie</b>	<b>Sellersville</b>	<b>Information</b>
A-MAZE-ing Labyrinths	(2024-2026)		X	After passing the Mill Cafe
Appalachian Trail in 14 States	(2018 - 2028)			
Border Crossings	(2014 - 2023)			
Carousels Across America	(2018 - 2022)	X		Menlo Park
Great Lakes, Great Fun, Great Fitness, Great Friendships	(2021 - 2023)			
IVV-Americas	(2023 - No end)	X	X	
Lighthouses II	(2023-2025)			
Par For The Course	(2023-2025)	X	X	Perkasie - Kulp Park, Menlo Park Sellersville Disc Golf Course
Rails-to-Trails	(2022 - 2025)	X	X	Pleasant Spring Creek Bicycle/Walking Path Sellersville-Perkasie-East Rockhill Bicycle/Walking Path
Step to the Beat	(2024- 2026)	X	X	St. Stephens Church on Arch St. Band shell in Lenape Park
Town Halls/City Halls	(2022 - 2024)			
Walking with America’s Veterans	(2021 - 2023)	X	X	Perkasie - Menlo Park, Arthur St./5 <sup>th</sup> St. & Park Ave Sellersville - War Memorial next to Scout Troop 1 cabin.
Walking with the Wild Things	(2025-2027)	X		Gargoyles on the steeple/spire at St Stephen’s church on Arch St. Fairy Garden on S 5 <sup>th</sup> St between W Park Ave and W Spruce St.
Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail	(2021 - 2031)			
Airports - Celebrating American Flight	(2020 - 2022)			
Mayflower - 400 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Walk	(2020 - 2022)	X	X	Lenape Park (named for Lenni Lenape Indians), Perkiomen Creek
Rockin’ Around the Clock	(2020 - 2022)	X	X	Perkasie - Market St. & 7 <sup>th</sup> St. Sellersville - N. Main St & E. Walnut St.
<b>AVA NATIONAL PROGRAMS</b>				
<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Perkasie</b>	<b>Sellersville</b>	<b>Information</b>
50 States / 51 Capitals	(No end date)	X	X	Pennsylvania
Walk the USA (A To Z)	(No end date)	X	X	P and S