

**Chester County Red Rovers
Year-Round Walk – Online Start Box
Wander Around West Chester
Y2628 – 5K & 10K – Rated 2B**



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Driving Directions

- The Start Point is located at the Market Street Grill.
- The street address is 6 West Market Street, West Chester, PA 19380 – 610-429-5328.
- From north or south: Exit PA Rte 202 to Paoli Pike. Turn right on Paoli Pike. Stay to the very left. Continue straight to Church St. Turn left on Church and then left on Market St. Look for on-street, metered parking. If you don't find metered street parking, turn right on High St. There is a reasonable-priced parking garage just around the corner on the right on High.
- GPS Coordinates - 39.95964434366731, -75.6045648052504

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.
- Later, 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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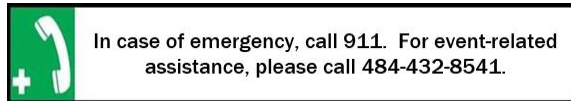
Awards: B Award available for \$3

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view of the Old Glory monument and the Historic Courthouse. Directly across Market from Old Glory is the 1908 Farmers and Mechanics

- Building**, an early skyscraper – NRHP. Catty-corner from Old Glory and one property south, you'll see Barnaby's Pub which was the location of a later version of the **Turks Head Inn**, for which West Chester was originally named. The original tavern was on East Market St.
2. CROSS Market to the **Historic Courthouse** – 2014 WCPA. View **1869 Town Drinking Fountain** – for people, horses, and dogs in front of the Courthouse.
 3. CONTINUE past the Courthouse to Gay St. Wells Fargo, at 17 North High, was the **Bank of Chester County**, the first bank chartered in the county and built in 1836. NRHP
 4. CROSS Gay and go straight. **Iron Hill Brewery** on the corner is in a former F. W. Woolworth Store – 2018 WCPA. Pass the **Warner Hotel**, the former 1930 art deco Warner Theater – NRHP & 2013 WCPA. Don't miss the Little Free Library at the Visual Expansion Gallery!
 5. CONTINUE on N. High to W. Ashbridge (crossing Chestnut, Washington, Biddle, Marshall, Virginia). Along High you'll see:
 - a. **Chester County History Center** at 225 N. High – 2017 WCPA.
 - b. **Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center** in the former West Chester National Guard Armory at 226 N. High - 2017 WCPA.
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 - d. **Barclay Park** - WCPA 2016.
 - e. **1879 Biddle House**, built by Mary Biddle, widow of a Civil War general, for "elegant rental" at 519 N. High – 2018 WCPA.
 6. Walk on grass shoulder on N. High after crossing Virginia.
 7. LEFT on W. Ashbridge (The West Chester Golf & Country Club then will be on your right.) to N. Church.
 8. LEFT on N. Church to S. Church - While strolling down Church Street, you will cross Virginia, Marshall, Lafayette, Biddle, Washington, Chestnut, Gay, Market, Miner, Barnard, Union, Dean, Price, Sharpless and see:
 - a. **Broadlawns** is the 1881 T. Roney Williamson designed cottage of Stephen P. Darlington, partner in the Hoopes Bros. & Darlington Wheel Works at 629 N. Church – 2016 WCPA.
 - b. **The 1858 Joseph Rothrock House** at 428 N. Church – NRHP.
 - c. **West Chester Public Library (1888)** at 415 N. Church - 2011 WCPA (rest rooms available)
 - d. **1833 Village Record Building** at 15 N. Church - 2011 WCPA.
 - e. **The boyhood home of Samuel Barber**, American composer of orchestral and vocal works, including "Adagio for Strings," at 107 S. Church.
 9. Enter West Chester University campus with Mell Joseph's Plaza on left and Goshen Hall on right. CONTINUE STRAIGHT on S. Church (cross University) and then pass:
 - a. **Ruby Jones Hall**, named for WCU's first faculty member of color, which now houses classrooms and offices -- 2018 WCPA.
 - b. **Anderson Hall** (the lintel over the central doors references West Chester State Teachers College).
 - c. **Schmucker Science Center** on right.
 - d. **Old Library and the Ram statue** on left (Note the Thomas Carlyle quote over the doorway, "The true university is a collection of books.")
 10. LEFT on W. Rosedale
 11. LEFT on S. High
 12. Continue STRAIGHT ½ block past steps then ramp to 2nd set of steps on left.
 13. LEFT up the steps to **Old Main Arch** and through arch to enter the **West Chester State College Quadrangle Historic District** (informational sign on inside of arch)

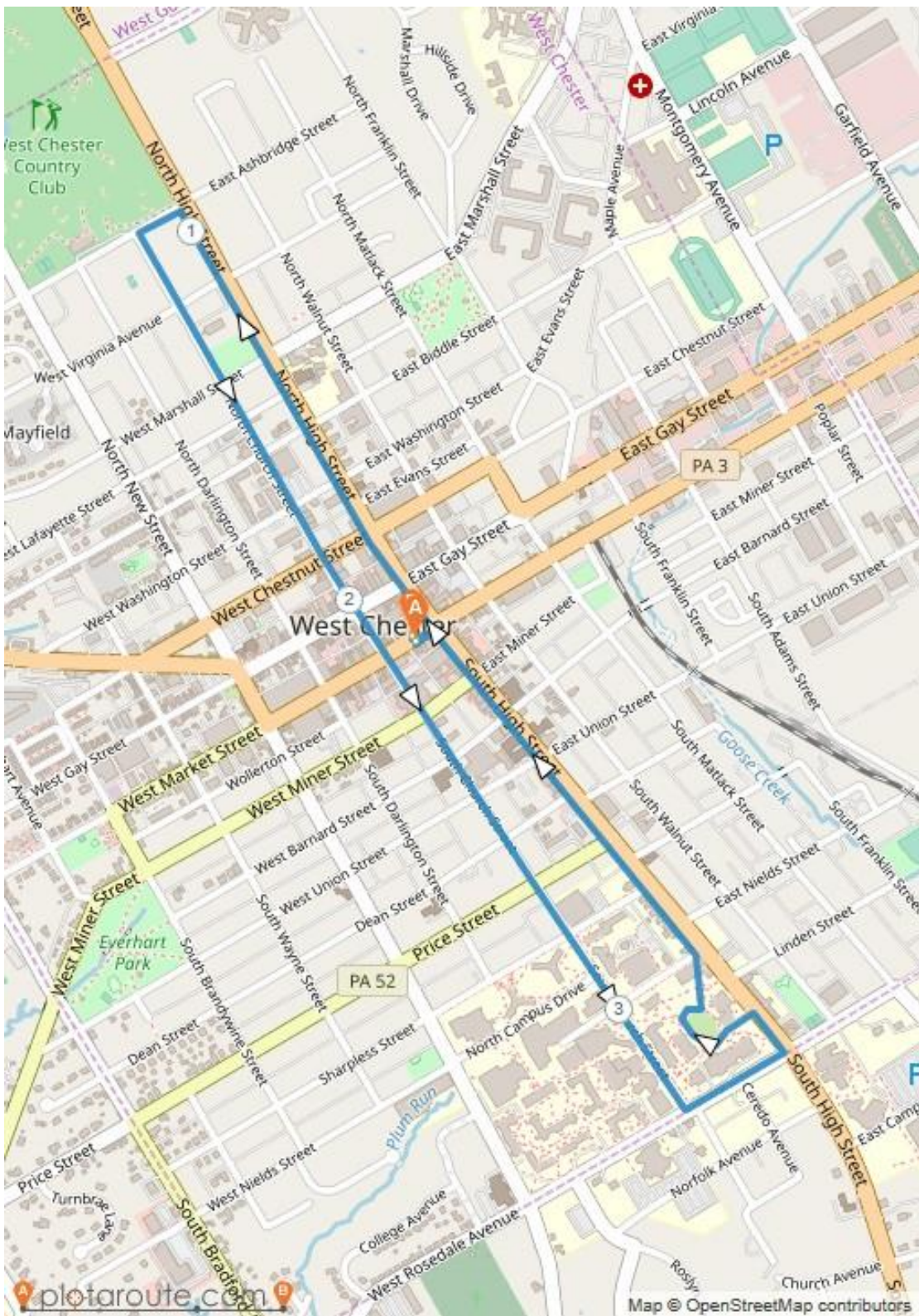
14. RIGHT across grass to path
15. LEFT on path with New Main on right, then Green Library on the left
16. Bear LEFT to quadrangle oval and then following the path around to the right (see map), you will pass, on your left:
 - a. *Francis Harvey Green Library (1966)*
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17. Follow the path toward the **Frederick Douglas Monument**. *Douglass gave his last public lecture at WCU on February 1, 1895, just 19 days before he died.*
18. Pass through the Philips Arch through **Philips Memorial (1925) & Emilie K. Asplundh Concert Hall**. *(plaque about George Morris Philips on left) to the corner of S. High and University*
19. LEFT on S. High (cross University and Sharpless) *Just before Price Street, across High, the Unitarian Congregation of West Chester is housed in the 1914 New Century House, former headquarters of a women's club, also known as the Square House – NRHP.*
20. CONTINUE on S. High to W. Market (crossing Dean, Union, Barnard, Miner)
21. LEFT on W. Market to Wilmont Mews
22. CROSS Wilmont Mews to see **the 1833 Everhart-Lincoln Building**, *where the first biography of Abraham Lincoln was published, at 519 N. High - NRHP*
23. TURN BACK on Market to return to the Start Point.



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West Chester 5K Map



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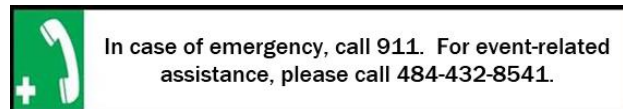
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5. CROSS W. Chestnut Street
6. CROSS and LEFT on N. High, crossing Washington, Biddle, Marshall, and passing:
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7. Walk on grass shoulder on N. High after crossing Virginia.
8. CROSS and RIGHT on E. Ashbridge (cross Walnut)
9. Continue straight on E. Ashbridge, when the sidewalk ends.
 - a. *The complex of buildings (cream with red roofs) in the*

near distance is Chester County Hospital.

10. CROSS and RIGHT on N. Franklin – no sidewalk (cross Elizabeth, Virginia)
11. CROSS N. Franklin and CROSS E. Marshall to enter **1848 Marshall Square Park** at the corner.
 - a. *Marshall Square Park, modeled after Philadelphia's Washington Square, was created by Dr. William Darlington, Joshua Hoopes, and David Townsend, amateur botanizers. It was named for botanist Humphrey Marshall, a cousin of William Bartram and became a public park in 1878. Note the historical markers around the park.*
12. Follow the paved trail to the right of the **Jack R. Loew Memorial Fountain** – 2017 WCPA
13. Pass the Little Free Library on your right, gazebo on left.
14. LEFT on the brick path after the gazebo, then follow the grass path to the corner of Franklin and Biddle.
15. RIGHT on E. Biddle to N. Matlack - 200 *East Biddle was the 1836 West Chester Boarding School for Boys* – NRHP.
16. RIGHT on N. Matlack Street to E. Marshall.
17. CROSS and LEFT on E. Marshall to High.
18. CROSS and RIGHT on N. High and continue north with **Barclay Park** -- WCPA 2016 on your left -- to W. Ashbridge (cross Virginia) on grass
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21. RIGHT on W. Gay, passing Saint Agnes Church.
 22. Carefully cross N. New St and continue on W. Gay to S. Everhart St – crossing Wayne, Brandywine. *327 W. Gay was the home of African-American artist, Horace Pippin (1888-1946). Pippin is buried at the Chestnut Grove Annex Cemetery, north of town on Rte 100.*
 23. LEFT on S. Everhart– passing Horace Pippin Park on left -- to W. Miner
 24. LEFT on W. Miner to S. Brandywine.
 - a. *1887 house designed by T. Roney Williamson at 511 W. Miner – 2018 WCPA.*
 25. CROSS Miner and enter Everhart Park
 26. Follow path DIAGONALLY and cross the stream using the gazebo/bridge and continue diagonally to the opposite corner at Bradford and Union.
 - a. Near this corner of the park, you will find a small labyrinth if it's not covered with leaves.
 27. **(Restrooms located at the western end of the park on your right.)**
 28. LEFT on Union Street to S. Brandywine.
 - a. *500 W. Union is the **Lorgus House** with its 2013 WCPA plaque on porch post.*
 29. CROSS and RIGHT on S. Brandywine to W. Price (cross Dean - no sign)
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 33. CROSS and LEFT on W. Rosedale to light at S. High.
 34. CROSS S. High.
 35. RIGHT on sidewalk (inside fence) at **E.O. Bull Center for the Performing Arts** with its public artwork and sculpture.
 36. Follow sidewalk as it curves to the left.
 37. ***Swope Hall/Madeline Wing Adler Theatre**, home of the WCU's "incomparable" music school on right, is shaped in part like a grand piano.*
 38. LEFT at campus map and cross Walnut (no sign) at the crosswalk, then STRAIGHT through parking lot.
 39. LEFT on S. Matlack (no sign) to E. Rosedale
 40. LEFT on E. Rosedale, passing:
 - a. ***Bayard Rustin Park**, honoring the civil right leader who was born in West Chester*
 - b. ***Tanglewood**, the WCU President's Residence at 100 E. Rosedale.*
 41. CROSS Rosedale and then CROSS and RIGHT on S. High at WCU corner sign.
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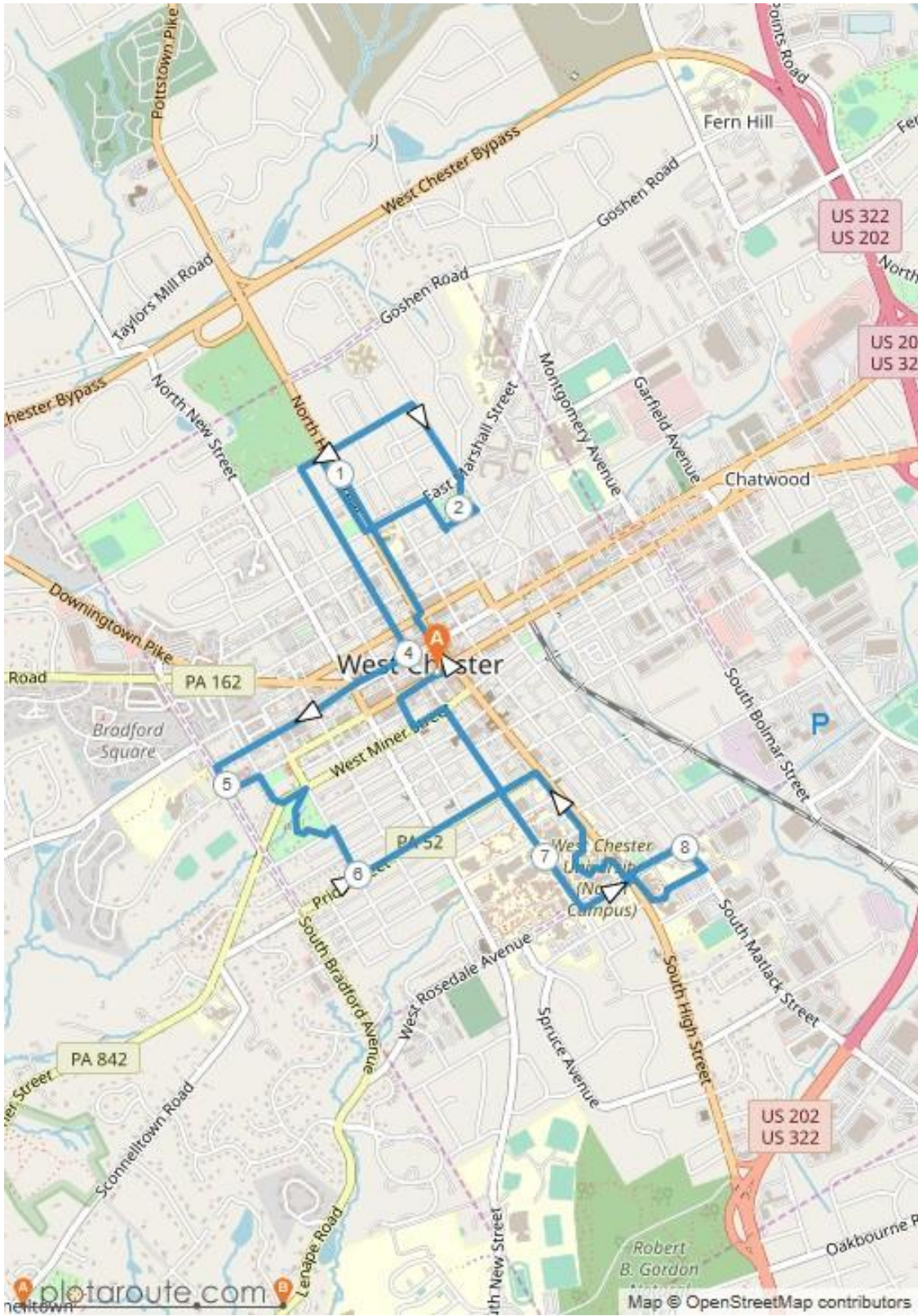
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52. CROSS and LEFT on W. Miner passing:
 - a. *1850 Everhart Mansion at 121 W. Miner - for sale, if you're looking!*
 - b. *1832 First Presbyterian Church of West Chester, with its fabulously minimalist sign, at 130 W. Miner – NRHP & 2014 WCPA.*
53. RIGHT on S. Darlington
54. RIGHT on W. Market passing the *1833 Everhart-Lincoln Building, where the first biography of Abraham Lincoln was published, at 28 W. Market -- NRHP*
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West Chester 10K Map



While You're Visiting West Chester ...

Take Time for Lunch

- Carlino's – 128 West Market Street
- Couch Tomato Café – 31 West Gay Street
- Iron Hill Brewery – 3 West Gay Street
- Lorenzo's Pizza – 27 North High Street
- Market Street Grill – 6 West Market Street
- New Haven Pizza – 18 North Church Street

More to See and Do

- Antique Ice Tool Museum – 825 Scennelltown Road, West Chester (by appointment - <https://www.antiqueicetoolmuseum.org/contact/>)
- Chester County History Center – 225 North High Street
- West Chester Railroad – 230 East Market Street

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