



**The Texas County Walkers
2022 Wise County Walks
10 km and 5 km Walks
DECATUR, TEXAS**



Decatur was on the Butterfield Stage Line when it ran from 1858 – 1861. Discord over secession of Southern states reached a climax in North Texas with the “Great Hanging” in Decatur in 1862. You can read about it [here](#). The Courthouse was designed by J. Riley Gordon and built in the Romanesque Revival style with pink granite from Burnet, TX. It is considered a “sister” to the courthouse in Waxahachie. “Ada from Decatur county seat of Wise” was a crap shooters lucky saying when trying to roll an 8, Ada being a woman of whom he was enamored. The saying evolved into “Eighter from Decatur”.

Walks include the Courthouse, “Eighter from Decatur” sign and mural, a Veterans Park, Petrified Wood gas station, the County Heritage Museum, and the Waggoner Mansion “El Castille” who’s interior was duplicated on the set of the movie “Giant”.

Walk Completion and Credit:

When you finish your walk(s), be sure to log back in to the OSB System and enter your participation date, distances, and Special Programs (if applicable).

Start Point Address and Driving Directions:

Parking lot at 102 E. Walnut St., across from Adult Probation Office in Decatur. Take US-380 Business or US-81 Business in Decatur to Walnut St. Turn west to 102 E. Walnut Street.

Restrooms and Parking:

There are numerous gas stations and fast food restaurants nearby on US-287.

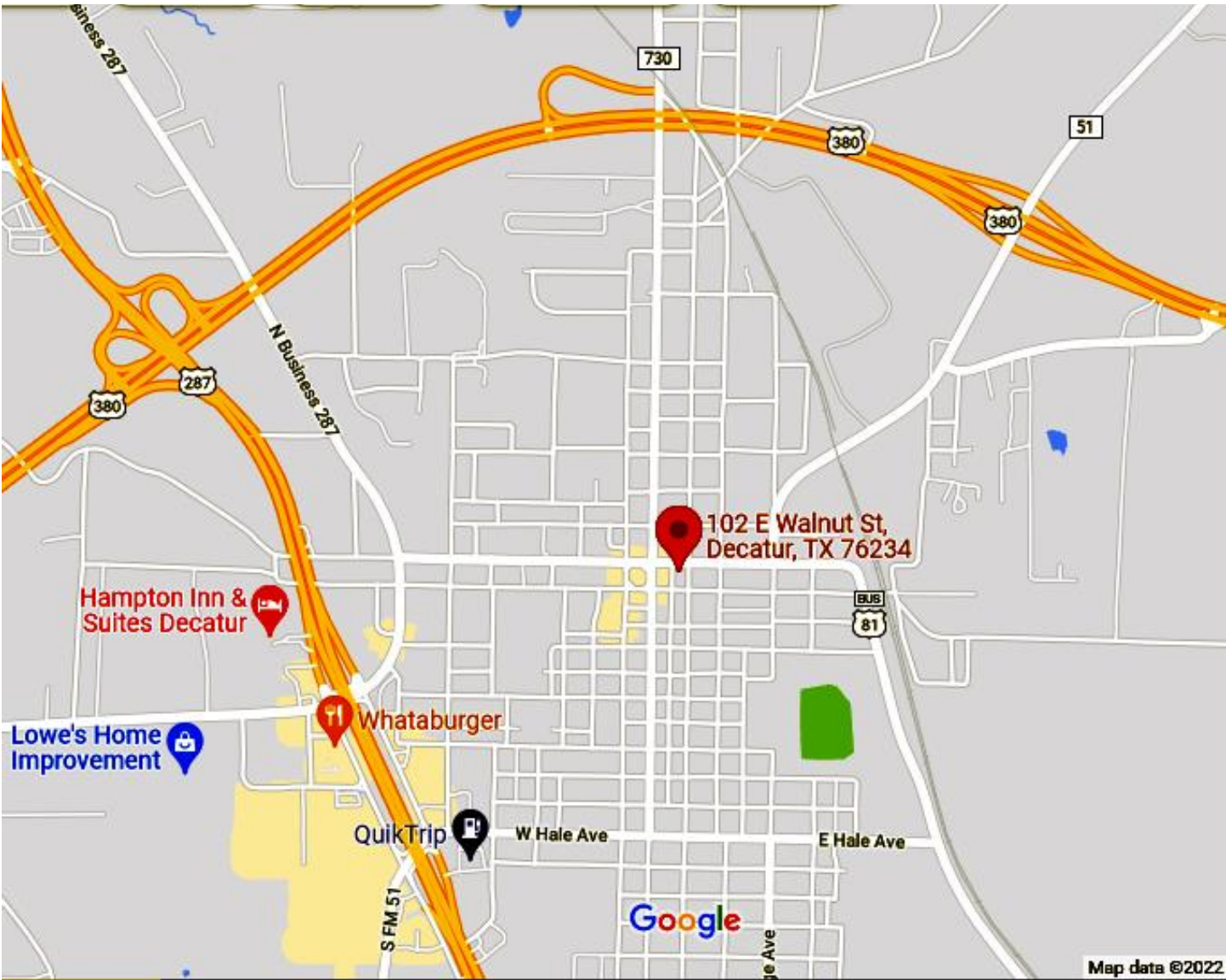
Special Programs:

Rockin’ Around The Clock
Little Free Libraries
Walking With America’s Veterans

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START POINT LOCATION



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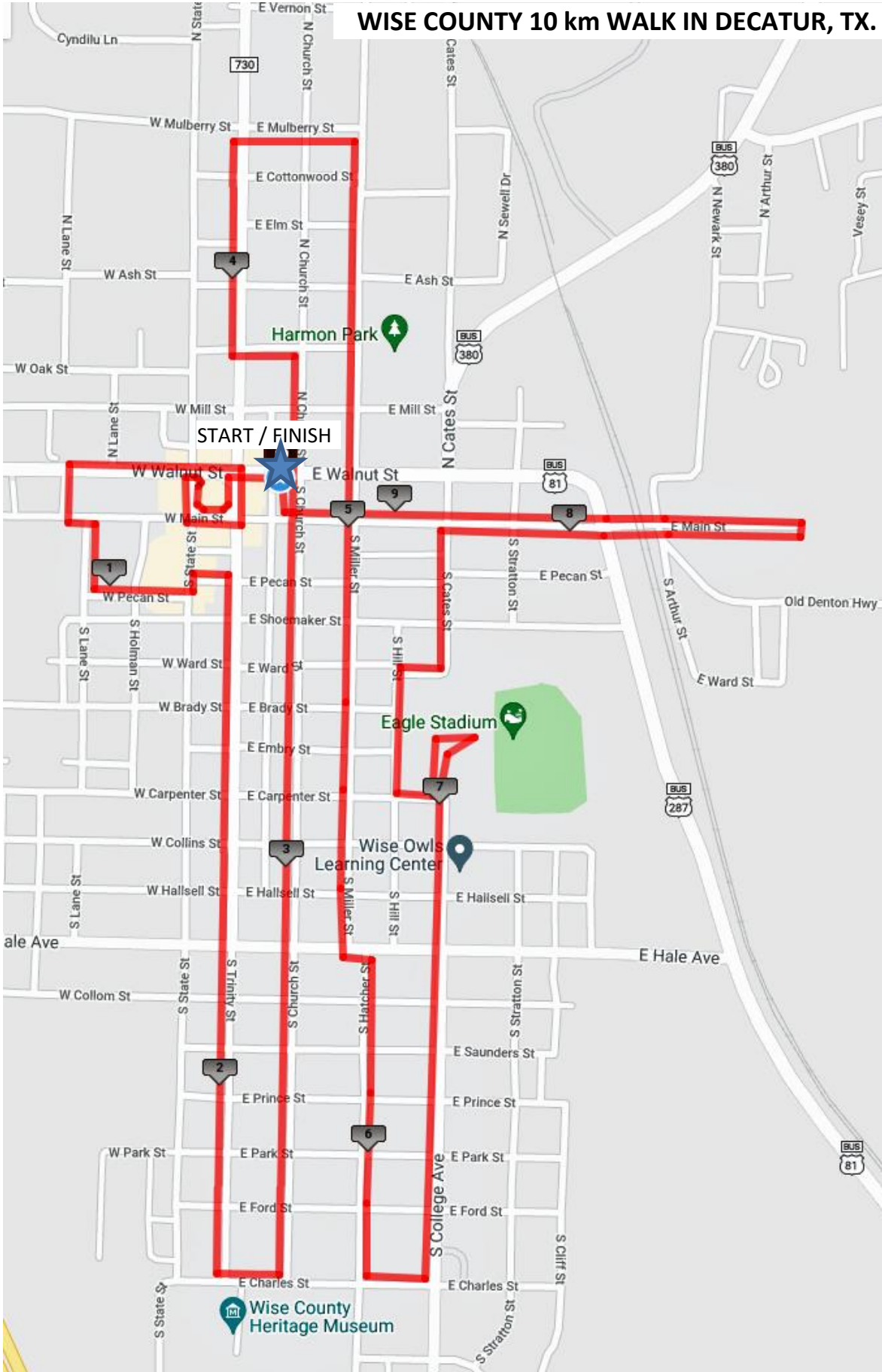
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10 KM INSTRUCTIONS

1. Look for the “Eighter from Decatur” mural and the “Eighter from Decatur” sign.
2. **FACING** the Probation Office, turn **LEFT** for 1 block to Trinity Street and the Courthouse Square.
3. **CROSS and LEFT on** Trinity and **CIRCLE** the Courthouse 3/4 of the way around until you reach the corner of Walnut and State Streets.
4. **CROSS and LEFT** on State St.
5. **CIRCLE** the Square along the store fronts, **returning** to the corner of Walnut and State Streets.
6. **CONTINUE** on Walnut St. for 1+ block to the Historic Marker and carved tree trunks on your right.
7. **LEFT** on Lane St. (across Walnut) for 1 block to Main Street.
8. **LEFT** on Main for 1/3 block to Lane Street.
9. **RIGHT** on Lane for 1 block to W. Pecan Street.
10. **LEFT** on Pecan for 2 blocks to State Street.
11. **CROSS and LEFT** on State St. ¼ block to Pecan St.
12. **RIGHT** on Pecan for 1 block to Trinity Street.
13. **RIGHT** on Trinity for 14 blocks to Charles Street and the Wise County Heritage Museum (Hours: Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.; Sunday by appointment).
14. **LEFT** on Charles St. for 1 block to Church Street.
15. **LEFT** on Church St. for ~18 blocks to Oak Street (watch for a Little Free Library at Church and Hale Sts.).
16. **LEFT** on Oak for 1 block to Trinity.
17. **CROSS and RIGHT** on Trinity for 1 block to Ash Street and the Veterans Park.
18. **CONTINUE** on Ash for 4 blocks to Mulberry S
19. **RIGHT** on Mulberry for 2 blocks to Miller Street.
20. **RIGHT** on Miller St. for 17 blocks to Hale Avenue.
21. **CAREFULLY CROSS and LEFT** on Hale for ¼ block to Hatcher Street.
22. **RIGHT** on Hatcher for 6 blocks to Charles Street.
23. **LEFT** on Charles St. for 1 block to College Avenue.
24. **LEFT** on College Ave. for 9 blocks to Carpenter.
25. Go **straight up the ramp** and **angle to the right** to enjoy the view of the stadium below and the surrounding area.
26. **RETURN** to Carpenter St.
27. **RIGHT** on Carpenter for 1 block to Hill Street.
28. **RIGHT** on Hill St. for 3 blocks to Ward Street.
29. **RIGHT** on Ward St. for 1 block to Cates Street.
30. **LEFT** on Cates St. for 3 blocks to Main Street.
31. **RIGHT** on Main St. for 2 blocks to the stop sign at Business 287.
32. **CAREFULLY CROSS** the highway and railroad tracks and continue uphill on Main St. to El Castille.
33. **TURN AROUND** and return on Main St. for 6 blocks to Church Street and the parking lot with the “Eighter From Decatur” mural and sign (**FINISH**).

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WISE COUNTY 10 km WALK IN DECATUR, TX.



TEXAS COUNTY WALKERS – 2022 WISE COUNTY 5 km WALK in DECATUR, TX.

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5 KM INSTRUCTIONS

1. Look for the “Eighter from Decatur” mural and the “Eighter from Decatur” sign.
2. **Facing** the Probation Office, turn **LEFT** for 1 block to Trinity Street and the Courthouse Square.
3. **CROSS and LEFT** on Trinity and **CIRCLE** the Courthouse 3/4 of the way around until you reach the corner of Walnut and State Streets.
4. **CROSS and LEFT** on State St.
5. **CIRCLE** the Square along the store fronts, **returning** to the corner of Walnut and State Streets.
6. **CONTINUE** on Walnut St. for 1+ block to the Historic Marker and carved tree trunks on your right.
7. **LEFT** on Lane St. (across Walnut) for 1 block to Main Street.
8. **LEFT** on Main for 1/3 block to Lane Street.
9. **RIGHT** on Lane for 1 block to W. Pecan Street.
10. **LEFT** on Pecan for 2 blocks to State Street.
11. **CROSS and LEFT** on State St. ¼ block to Pecan St.
12. **RIGHT** on Pecan for 1 block to Trinity Street.
13. **RIGHT** on Trinity for 14 blocks to Charles Street and the Wise County Heritage Museum (Hours: Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.; Sunday by appointment).
14. **LEFT** on Charles St. for 1 block to Church Street.
15. **LEFT** on Church St. for 10 blocks to Embry St. (watch for a Little Free Library at Church and Hale Sts.).
16. **RIGHT** on Embry for 2 blocks to Hill St.
17. **LEFT** on Hill St. for 2 blocks to Ward Street.
18. **RIGHT** on Ward St. for 1 block to Cates Street.
19. **LEFT** on Cates St. for 3 blocks to Main Street.
20. **RIGHT** on Main St. for 2 blocks to the stop sign at Business 287.
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