

Warren, PA – County Seat of Warren County

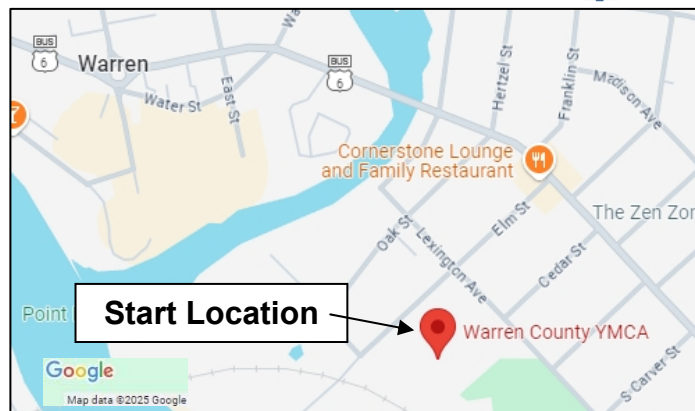
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Start Location: YMCA, 212 Lexington Ave, Warren, PA

Driving Directions to get to the Start Location: Take US-6 West to Warren. From US-6 Turn right onto US-6 BUS W/Pennsylvania Ave E. Turn left onto S Carver St. Turn right onto Lexington Ave. Turn left into the YMCA parking lot.

Walk Description: Warren, located along the Allegheny River, is the county seat of Warren County, PA. Lumber was initially its main industry, but when oil was discovered, the town really flourished. In fact, Warren was at one point the wealthiest city in the nation during its heyday. Many of the town's large Victorian homes were built with revenue generated by the local oil and timber industries. You will walk past many of these gorgeous homes and mansions, and many buildings of distinction that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. You will also walk past all six of Joseph DeFrees unusual and fascinating bell towers and read a little about his story. Walk across and along the beautiful Allegheny River through historic and scenic parks! Perhaps enjoy a beer at Warren's two craft breweries, both of which are along your walk route!



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Restrooms: There are restrooms at the Start/Finish location where you will park your car. There are also restrooms available at businesses along the way.

Walk Completion and Credit: Be sure to log back into the OSB system to finish/complete your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant's Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user's Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user's Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.

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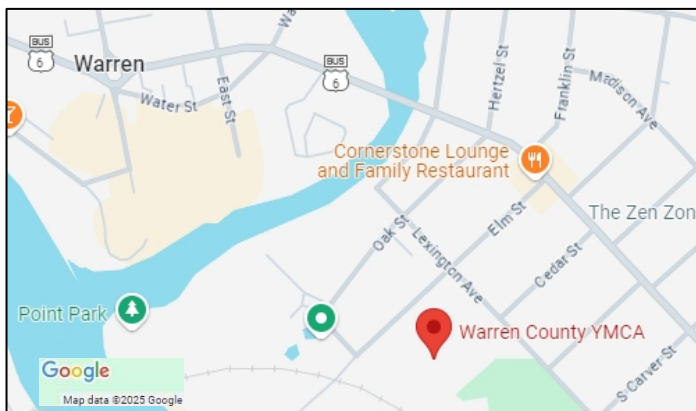
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Warren, located along the Allegheny River, is the county seat of Warren County, PA. Lumber was its main industry from 1810–1840, as the abundance of wood and access to water made it profitable to float lumber down the Allegheny River to Pittsburgh. David Beaty discovered oil in Warren in 1875 while drilling for natural gas in his wife's flower garden. Oil came to dominate the city's economy. In fact, Warren was, at one point, the wealthiest city in the nation during its heyday. Many of the town's large Victorian homes were built with revenue generated by the local oil and timber industries. You will walk past many of these gorgeous homes. While Warren has struggled through hard economic times and a decline in population, the city has really polished itself in recent years, including its riverfront development project. There are many buildings of distinction that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. You will also walk past all six of Joseph DeFrees unusual and fascinating bell towers and read a little about his story.

- Not suitable for wheelchairs or strollers due to natural paths, gravel paths and steps.
- There are restrooms at the YMCA (you have to go in and ask the front desk) at the Start/Finish location where you will park your car. There are also restrooms available at businesses along the walk route.
- You might want to time your walk to arrive at some of the downtown businesses to have lunch, before they close. Arbor House Cafe is especially tasty and unique. As of this writing, their hours are Mon-Fri 7AM-3:30PM, Sat 8AM-1PM, CLOSED on Sun.
- Along the walk, notice the banners honoring local veterans on the utility poles in town with the heading "Warren Hometown Hero". **(WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM)**

1. This walk begins at the YMCA, 212 Lexington Ave, Warren, PA 16365. Park close to War Memorial Field (**WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM**). The YMCA has **RESTROOMS** available, when they are open. Ask to use them at the front desk.



2. Exit the door of the YMCA and go left through side parking lot.
3. At the stop sign, cross and turn **RIGHT** on Elm St (no sign, but there is a blue Blessing Box on the right as you exit the driveway for the YMCA). Walk on the sidewalk on the left side of the street.
4. At the stop sign, cross and turn **LEFT** on Lexington Ave (no sign), to walk on the sidewalk on the right side of the street.
5. Cross and turn **RIGHT** on Oak St, to walk on the sidewalk on the left side of Oak St.
6. Turn **LEFT** on Pennsylvania Ave (no sign, but Warren Dental Arts is on the left corner).
7. At the traffic light, use the pedestrian signal and the crosswalk to cross Conewango St (no sign). Continue straight ahead on Pennsylvania Ave (which is also US-6) and cross the bridge over the Conewango Creek.

Wendy's and Tim Horton's are on the left after you cross the bridge. **(RESTROOMS)**

8. Continue on the sidewalk on the left side of Pennsylvania Ave. Use caution at the driveways you will be crossing. Just after the Keystone Gas Station – you have to **CAREFULLY**

cross Water Street (no sign) on the left to continue on Pennsylvania Ave.

9. Pass Celoron Park on the left. Cross East St.

Note the Blue Star Memorial in Celoron Park. **(WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM)**. Also in Celoron Park is a large rock with a plaque commemorating the Seneca Indian Village that once was on the site of Warren.

10. Continue walking on the left side of Pennsylvania Ave to the rotary.
11. At the rotary, turn left and walk clockwise around the circle using the sidewalks and crosswalks. Pass Water St and Market St (the street signs face away from you), exiting on the other side onto Pennsylvania Ave (US-6) – still walking on the sidewalk on the left side of the street. Pass the Choice Convenience Store on the left after the rotary.
12. Continue to the traffic light at Hickory St. Hickory Street Bridge is to your left here.

Notice Soldiers and Sailors Park on the left just before Hickory St. You will walk through this park later in the walk.

13. Press the button for the pedestrian signal to cross Hickory St with the traffic light and crosswalk.
14. Turn **LEFT** to cross the bridge over the Allegheny River using the sidewalk on the right side of the bridge. The Hickory Street Bridge is also called the Veterans Memorial Bridge. **(WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM)**. Notice the dedication plaque on the bridge, as well as the banners for the different branches of the military along the bridge as you cross.
15. At the end of the bridge turn **RIGHT** and enter Crescent Park. Follow the white/grey gravel path with the Allegheny River on your right through Crescent Park.

As you walk through Crescent Park, you will pass many plaques, monuments, informational signs and a fountain. Enjoy the park and its views.

16. Pass Warren General Hospital to the left, and a helicopter landing pad to the right.

If you need a **RESTROOM** now, across from the helicopter pad, you can take the wide sidewalk on the left to cross to the hospital. Go in Door # 5 which is to the right across the road. Once inside the hospital, go down a very short hallway to an

intersection. Turn LEFT and go down the hallway to a restroom. The restrooms are located on the right at the signs for the Elevator and RehabWorks. BONUS: The halls are lined with VERY interesting and beautiful photographs of Warren and they are worth seeing !

To return from the hospital restrooms: Turn LEFT out of the restroom. At the sign for Obstetrics & Gynecology, turn RIGHT and exit the hospital. Cross the road toward the helicopter pad, return to the trail and turn LEFT to continue.

17. Continue along the path to the **RESTROOMS** at the end of the park. These restrooms may or may not be open, depending on the time of year.

Next to the restrooms, there is a playground and basketball courts. (PAR FOR THE COURSE SPECIAL PROGRAM)

18. Continue on the gravel path, passing the playground on your left.

As the gravel path approaches the road, notice the Warren County School District Art in Public Places Statues and beautiful Crescent Park Healing Garden.

19. Bear RIGHT at the tiny path triangle with the statue of the boy to come to the intersection of Tuscarora Ave and Lee St.
20. Turn RIGHT onto the sidewalk, which curves left along the right side of Lee St. Walk past the Warren General Cancer Care Center.
21. At the stop sign, cross and turn RIGHT on Cayouga Ave, walking on the sidewalk on the left side of the street.
22. At the stop sign, turn LEFT on Wayne St. Walk on the sidewalk on the left side of the street. Cross Palm Ave.

Near Main Ave across Wayne St, House #200 on the right has gnomes. (WALKING WITH THE WILD THINGS SPECIAL PROGRAM)

23. Carefully cross Main Ave in the crosswalk. (Cars on Main Ave do not have a stop sign and they seem to go faster than the speed limit.)
24. Cross Seneca St.

As you cross Seneca St, at the Head Start on the right corner has a playground (PAR FOR THE COURSE SPECIAL PROGRAM).

25. Cross Onandaga Ave and Oneida Ave.
26. At the stop sign at the end of Wayne St, turn RIGHT on Crescent Park (no sign), crossing Wayne St and continuing on the sidewalk on the right side of Crescent Park. Cross Biddle St.
27. Walk to the SPEED LIMIT 35 sign that is just before the RR crossing sign. Turn LEFT onto the short sidewalk that is right behind the SPEED LIMIT 35 sign.
28. CAREFULLY cross to the other side of Crescent Park. There is no crosswalk here, so be really careful. Pick up the short sidewalk on the other side of the road.
29. Turn LEFT onto the dirt trail now on the right side of Crescent Park with the Allegheny River to your right.
30. Pass Biddle St, Wayne St and Oneida Ave on the left.
31. After Oneida, the trail becomes a sidewalk. Follow the sidewalk back to the Hickory Street Bridge.

Just before the Hickory Street Bridge on the right side, there is an unusual memorial honoring those of Warren County who

served in the Spanish-American War, Philippine Insurrection and China Relief Expedition 1898-1902. (WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM)

32. Turn RIGHT and go across Hickory Street Bridge/Veterans Memorial Bridge using the sidewalk on the right side of the bridge.
33. At the end of the bridge, press the button for the pedestrian signal. Use the traffic light and crosswalk to turn LEFT to cross the end of the bridge. Walk ahead, on the left side of Pennsylvania Ave (the side closest to the river).

On the right side of Pennsylvania Ave, just after the Kwik-Fill station is American Legion Post Chief Complanter Post 135. (WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM)

As you walk up Pennsylvania Ave, notice the sign boards for "Walkable Warren".

34. The sidewalk ends at the Riverwalk Overlook Gazebo. Enjoy the view here, and then reverse your steps to a crosswalk on Pennsylvania Ave at Poplar St, across from Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church
35. Use the crosswalk to VERY CAREFULLY cross to the other side of Pennsylvania Ave to the church.
36. In front of the church, turn LEFT to now cross Poplar St in the crosswalk. Continue on the sidewalk ahead of you.

To your right is the triangular-shaped General Joseph Warren Park. Notice the Blue Star Memorial, as well as many Veterans Memorials in this park. (WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM)

37. Continue ahead on the sidewalk to the "point" of the park, passing a flagpole and the memorial and statue of General Joseph Warren.

General Joseph Warren, a Founding Fathers of the US and the namesake of this town and county, was killed at The Battle of Bunker Hill on June 17, 1775.

Warren had been commissioned a major general in the colony's militia shortly before the June 17, 1775 Battle of Bunker Hill. Rather than exercise his rank, Warren chose to participate in the battle as a private soldier, and was killed in combat when British troops stormed the redoubt atop Breed's Hill. His death, immortalized in John Trumbull's painting, The Death of General Warren at the Battle of Bunker's Hill, June 17, 1775, galvanized the rebel forces. Warren has been memorialized in the naming of many towns including the one you are standing in, counties, streets, and other locations in the US, by statues, and in numerous other ways.

The sculptor of the General Joseph Warren statue, Richard W. Bock, was an associate of Frank Lloyd Wright.

38. At the "point", the sidewalk bends right to a crosswalk. Carefully cross the road, which is Third Ave. Once across, turn LEFT onto the sidewalk, which merges back to Pennsylvania Ave.
39. Walk now on the sidewalk on the right side of Pennsylvania Ave. Cross Hazel St and Laurel St.

Just before Calvert Pearson Insurance Group, notice the mansion on the right. There is also a bell tower in the yard, to the right of the mansion.

Notice the sign above the drive-thru arch: "Welcome to Hazeltine". This mansion was a private residence for one of Warren's leading citizens, Charles Warren (C.W.) Stone who was a congressman and Pennsylvania's second Lieutenant Governor. The house was built in 1905-1907, and is a three-

story, buff brick dwelling in the English Jacobean style. It features marble lintels and capstones and wide terraces on two sides of the house. Its builder, A. J. Hazeltine, was a business associate of Congressman Charles Warren Stone. Placed on the national register of historic places in 1976 because of its unique architecture and dedicated craftsmanship, Hazeltine has since been meticulously restored to its original 1907 grandeur. The interior has the feel of an old world European home. It has dark tiger oak woodwork throughout, stained glass, iron woodwork, relief plaster, coffered ceilings and antiques.

The American Legion occupied the house starting in 1928. It was acquired by the county for the Warren County Historical Society (WCHS) in 1975 and it became The Honorable Charles Warren Stone Museum. The WCHS sold the museum in 1996 and it became a private residence again. Today, it is the Hazeltine Boutique Hotel. Hotel guests have access to all the rooms that give Hazeltine its charm: The parlor, library, HUUUUUGE living room that extends the full width of the house, dining room, solarium, conservatory, billiard room, tap room (including complimentary on-tap craft beer) and the outside veranda. One of the rooms has an amazing hot tub and private veranda. It is stunning.

The bell tower, "The Honorable Charles Warren Stone Museum Bells" at The Hazeltine, was erected in July of 1976 when the building was still The Honorable Charles Warren Stone Museum. This bell tower is the first of the six Joseph H. DeFrees bell towers that you will see on this walk. It sits here because Joseph DeFrees was the grandson of Charles Warren Stone, and DeFrees was instrumental in maintaining the museum for the historical society.

Joseph H. DeFrees was born September 1, 1905, and lived most of his life in Warren. He graduated from Warren High School in 1924 and earned a civil engineering degree from Cornell University in 1929. He was a key to the community and left behind a legacy of generosity and community involvement. He was a brilliant engineer and extremely accomplished, having invented and developed valves used to transport liquids by rail and truck throughout the nation, and fittings that became industry standards in the petroleum transport industry. Joseph DeFrees established two companies — "Allegheny Valve" and "Allegheny Coupling", in operation today as one company — "Allegheny Valve and Coupling, Inc."

Mr. DeFrees placed 24 total bells throughout the city of Warren in specially designed towers to add a touch of modern art to Warren's beauty. The first of six bell towers was erected in 1975 and the last in 1982, the year he died. Most were designed by him, and include a poem or quote, meaningful to Mr. DeFrees with regard to a life well-lived and as a tribute to Warren, its pioneers, its citizens, beauty, and progress. This particular tower seems to be missing its plaque.

Joe loved his bells and Warren County. He was a true humanitarian and great contributor.

40. Cross Union St.

At House #812, there are gnomes and gargoyles on the steps. **(WALKING WITH THE WILD THINGS SPECIAL PROGRAM)**

41. Turn RIGHT onto Beech St. Walk on the sidewalk on the right side of the street.

42. At the stop sign, CAREFULLY cross Fourth Ave (no sign, but there is a building with Warren Printing Co on the left corner at this intersection).

At Fourth Ave and Beech St, is the second of the six Joseph H. DeFrees bell towers that you will see on this walk.

This bell tower was designed by Joe DeFrees and constructed in 1981. The plaque on the base of the bell tower has two lines of the poem "In Memoriam, [Ring out, wild bells]" by Alfred, Lord Tennyson:

Ring in the lover of truth and right.
Ring in the common love of good.

43. Cross the railroad tracks. Then turn RIGHT onto Carbon Place.

To your right as you walk along Carbon Place is Ancient Poem Park. Its prominent feature is the third of the six Joseph H. DeFrees bell towers that you will see on this walk, a sculpture with eight bells. Although this bell tower is officially called "Beech Street Bells", a plaque with "An Ancient Poem" – is on the left part of the arch near the ground. This was Joe's final bell tower erected, in 1982.

Joseph DeFrees passed away on July 16, 1982 and the construction on this bell tower was completed by Jeff Werner of Bill's Welding. In his final gift to Warren's bell lovers Joe takes the words from "An Ancient Poem", the 5th century Hindu philosophical poet Kalidasa:

Look to this day, for it is life; the very life of life. In this day's brief pause lie all the verities and realities of your existence: The bliss of growth, the glory of action, the splendor of beauty; for yesterday is gone and tomorrow is only a vision. But today we'll live makes of every yesterday a dream of happiness, and every tomorrow a dream of hope.

44. At the stop sign, turn RIGHT onto Union St (no sign). Walk downhill to the stop sign.

At this intersection is the fourth of the six Joseph H. DeFrees bell towers that you will see on this walk, a sculpture with three bells. This sculpture, from 1981, has "A Touch of Modern Art" as its official name. It was designed by Joseph DeFrees, built by Jeff Werner, and is "A Continuing Tribute to Warren, Its Pioneers, Its Citizens, Its Beauty, Its Progress".

45. Cross and turn LEFT onto Fourth Ave, walking on the sidewalk on the right side of the street. Cross Laurel St.

There is a playground on the right after Laurel St. **(PAR FOR THE COURSE SPECIAL PROGRAM)**

46. Cross Hazel St

47. Cross and turn RIGHT onto Poplar St, which is a brick street. (At the end of Poplar St is General Joseph Warren Park again.)

Notice an amazing yellow house with beautiful gardens on the left corner as you approach Third Ave (422 W Third Ave). The yellow house is Rockwell-Winans House, dating from 1850. It was originally the residence of Frank H. Rockwell and his wife Tamar Gilbert, who came to Warren for the oil industry. Anna Rockwell was the last family member who lived in the house until her death in 1962. After that date it had a varied history which included being divided into four apartments. In the mid-1990's the Winans bought the house and converted it back into a one family dwelling, putting it back to as close to the original architecture and decor as possible. The Winans resurrected the original beautiful gardens and Koi pond from pictures. The pond had been buried, and when they were having some landscaping done the cement pond was found intact. The Winans decided to put the pond back into working order and added a fountain and waterfall.

On the right corner at Poplar At and Third Ave(500 W Third Ave) is a STUNNING brick mansion . The "Logan House" English Tudor Revival mansion was built between 1917 and 1919 for Harry A. Logan, who was a wealthy Warren oil refinery magnate. Logan was married to an English actress and "he wanted to make her feel at home." So he commissioned New York architect Albert Joseph Bodker to design a house reminiscent of one in the English countryside. The three-story mansion features beautiful English walnut woodwork, leaded casement windows, marble fireplaces, 7/8-inch-thick oak floors and wooden doors inlaid with a fanciful floral design. It is 10,000

square feet with eight bedrooms and six bathrooms, sunken billiard room, wine cellar, and even secret compartments in the wainscoting in the living room. There is a YouTube video about this home at <https://youtu.be/MvjaZ5ZUsv8> and the narrator (who is David Winans, a local historian and owner of the yellow house across the street !!!) describes how Logan chose the design for the home and the challenges he faced and how he met those challenges - including bringing stone masons over from England to work on the house for two years!

48. Turn LEFT on Third Ave.

You are now in front of the yellow Rockwell-Winans House.

49. After viewing Rockwell-Winans House, cross to the other side of Third Ave, turning left to now walk on the sidewalk on the right side of Third Ave.

Notice the brick house to the left of the church at 419 Third Ave. This house was built by William A. Hall in 1886 and was purchased to become the corporate headquarters for Joseph DeFrees' Allegheny Valve Company in 1960. If the blinds to the window to the right of the door are open, try to look inside – there is a little bell tower just inside the window!

The Allegheny Valve Company Headquarters building has the fifth of the six Joseph H. DeFrees bell towers that you will see on this walk. The "Shrine of Socrates" bell tower, from July 1975, was actually the first bell tower to be designed and erected by Joseph DeFrees. He designed this tower to stand next to his Allegheny Valve Company. Notice that this tower is different from the ones you've already seen, with its frame having been formed from stainless steel tubing. Its plaque reads:

SHRINE OF SOCRATES

To Socrates himself are usually ascribed an intense ethical devotion which influenced all later Greek philosophy, the development of the inductive method, and the conception of knowledge or insight as the foundation of virtue.

50. As you approach the traffic light at Hickory St, there are some more "Walkable Warren" signs to the right at the intersection. At Hickory St, use the traffic light to cross back to the left side of Third Ave. Cross Hickory St. Continue on the sidewalk, now on the left side of Third Ave.
51. Pass in front of the Municipal Building. (**TOWN HALL/CITY HALL SPECIAL PROGRAM**)

Just after the Warren Municipal Building, the Warren Fire Department is on the left.

The sixth of the six Joseph H. DeFrees bell towers that you will see on this walk is in front of the fire department building. This is the "Bicentennial Bell Tower", dedicated to the members of the Warren Fire Department both living and dead. Joseph DeFrees actually began his bicentennial project to erect three bells in tribute to Warren's local firefighters in 1973. (His dream eventually became 24 bells throughout the City of Warren.) The Bicentennial Bells Design Contest was held in 1975, where Albert Kondak's design was selected (so this structure was not designed by DeFrees, unlike the other bell towers), and the bell tower was erected in 1976.

Walk to the bell tower and notice the plaque. The three bells on this tower were originally from Warren's fire departments: Centennial, Struthers and Central, and at one time constituted the only alarm system of Warren Borough.

The Centennial bell is brass, weighs 700 pounds and was cast in 1868 by Clinton H. Meneely. The bell summoned volunteer fire fighters to the old Centennial fire station on Warren's east side at Madison and Buchanan Streets for over 40 years.

The Struthers Bell was from the Struthers Independent Hose Company, organized in 1862 by Struthers Iron workers to fight

blazes in the neighborhood of the iron works. The bell weighs 1,200 pounds and is made of iron. The Struthers Bell was discovered at the Girl Scout Camp Birdsall Edey. Joe DeFrees negotiated with the Girl Scouts to have the bell donated for the Bicentennial project.

The Central Bell made of bronze and weighing 1,700 pounds, was also cast by Clinton H. Meneely, and was shipped to Warren on December 10, 1884.

The area ahead is the Warren Historic District, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1999. You will pass many buildings in this area with the "National Register of Historic Places" plaques on them.

As you approach Liberty St, the Struthers Library Theatre, est 1883, is on the left corner.

The historic Struthers Library Theatre is one of the nation's oldest continuously operating theaters. It had its start as a public library and cultural center in Warren. It served as the library until the new library building was built in 1916 on Market St. Today, the Struthers Library Theatre is the area's premiere location for large-scale concerts featuring internationally-known musicians and bands, and musicals are also performed here, making this a qualifier for the **STEP TO THE BEAT SPECIAL PROGRAM**. It was also awarded Outstanding Historic Theater of the Year in 2018 by the League of Historic American Theatres.

52. Cross and turn LEFT onto Liberty St, walking on the sidewalk on the right side of the road.
53. At the traffic light, press the button for the pedestrian signal to cross Fourth Ave. Then turn RIGHT onto Fourth Ave, walking on the sidewalk on the left side of the street.

Pass the Warren County Historical Society and Warren County Courthouse on your left. Both are on the National Register of Historical Places.

54. At the traffic light, turn LEFT on Market St. Walk on the sidewalk on the left side of the street.
55. At the traffic light, press the button for the pedestrian signal to cross Fifth Ave. Then turn LEFT onto Fifth Ave, walking on the sidewalk on the right side of the street.
56. At the stop sign, turn RIGHT onto Liberty St, walking on the sidewalk on the right side of the street.

As you turn from Fifth Ave onto Liberty St, take a look through the trees at the gorgeous mansion ahead of you on the corner of Fifth and Liberty. The Stone-DeFrees Mansion was completed in 1905 for Charles Warren Stone - remember him from The Hazeltine? Later, his grandson Joseph DeFrees lived in this mansion.

The large Colonial Revival brick house has three stories and two-story porches supported by Ionic columns - a rectangular porch on the front and a semicircular porch on the side. Notice the round-arched pediment on the central dormer, the trio of fanlit, glass-paned French doors set into a wall of panes on the front and the balcony with the decorative railing.

57. Turn RIGHT onto Sixth Ave. Stay on the sidewalk along the vine-covered stone walls. Stay on the sidewalk on the right side of the street.
58. Turn RIGHT onto Market St, walking on the sidewalk on the right side of the street.
59. Cross Fifth Ave and Fourth Ave.

After crossing Fourth Ave, Wetmore Park is on the right with interesting "Walkable Warren" signs.

60. Cross Third Ave.

*The Warren County Public Library is on the right after Third Ave. There are **RESTROOMS** inside the library to the right on the first floor and on the lower level, when the library is open.*

First Presbyterian Church from 1895 is across Market St at Third Ave.

After Third Ave, First Methodist Church is across Market St. The current church was built in 1925, replacing two earlier churches from 1833 and 1885.

61. Turn RIGHT onto Second Ave, walking on the sidewalk on the right side of the street.
62. At the traffic light, cross Liberty St.
63. Second Ave meets Pennsylvania Ave in a lovely area with a fun shops and eateries including Wicked Warren Brewery (!!!) on the right. The Arbor Coffee House Cafe & Tea Room is a really great place to have lunch! Continue on the right side, now on Pennsylvania Ave.

You might want to cross to the triangular-shaped island at "The Point" to your left to take a good look at the fountain, which truly represents the wildlife in the Pennsylvania Wilds! There is a "Walkable Warren" plaque there. Also notice the distinctive triangular-shaped flat-iron building, also called the National City Bank Building. Built in 1891, it has a hexagonal clock tower with a dragon weather vane on top. It was built with Hummelstown brownstone, which is a medium-grained, dense sandstone quarried near Hummelstown, Pennsylvania, known for its dark brown color with reddish to purplish hues and its use as a building stone, especially for trim and ornamentation. The Hummelstown Brownstone Company operated from 1863 to 1929. Their quarries are now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Susquehanna Rovers Volksmarch Club has a seasonal event in Hummelstown (listed under Hershey) from October 1 to December 25, 2025. A historical marker for the Hummelstown Brownstone Quarries is located on E. Main St in Hummelstown.

64. At the traffic light at Hickory St, use the pedestrian signal to cross Pennsylvania Ave.
65. Enter Soldiers & Sailors Park (**WALKING WITH AMERICA'S VETERANS SPECIAL PROGRAM**). Walk behind the round WWI Memorial and go down the steps to a stage area.

*Throughout the summer, Warren provides "Music in the Park" at Soldiers and Sailors Park, featuring live concerts. **(STEP TO THE BEAT SPECIAL PROGRAM)***

66. Bear left at the stage and go down another set of steps. Continue ahead on the sidewalk with wooden railings.
67. Bear RIGHT onto another sidewalk. Just after the yellow fire hydrant at the sidewalk Y, take the right sidewalk that slopes downward next to the river.
68. Continue on the sidewalk with the silver railing, enjoying the views of the Allegheny River.
69. Follow the Riverwalk as it curves to the left.
70. At the end of the Riverwalk, there is a cinderblock building with **RESTROOMS**. These restrooms may or may not be open, depending on the time of year.
71. Cross the gravel parking lot ahead of you, past the kayaks and canoes that belong to Allegheny Outfitters. Go to the building and use the sidewalk to walk past Allegheny Outfitters (there is a **RESTROOM** in the back of their store) and Bent Run Brewing Company.

*On the left side of Bent Run Brewing Company, there is a grain silo! **(GRAIN ELEVATORS: MONARCHS OF THE PLAINS)***

72. Cross to the sidewalk that is between a road and a parking lot. Continue down the sidewalk with the parking lot on your left.
73. Turn LEFT onto Langdon Dr (no sign, but Allegheny Community Center & TAWC is on the right at this corner.) There is no sidewalk here, so walk on the left side of the road.
74. Turn LEFT onto Market St. Pass Subway and McDonalds (**RESTROOMS**).
75. At the circle, use the crosswalks and sidewalks, walking counter-clockwise until you reach Pennsylvania Ave. When you get there, CVS will be across Pennsylvania Ave. Turn RIGHT and walk on the sidewalk on the right side of Pennsylvania Ave.
76. Carefully cross East St and Water St at Celeron Park and the Keystone Gas Station. Use caution when crossing the driveways ahead of you.
77. Pass Tim Hortons and Wendys, and cross the bridge.
78. At the traffic light, use the pedestrian signal to cross the road to your right (no street name sign, but there is a green sign that says "War Memorial Field and High School".) Continue on the sidewalk ahead of you on Pennsylvania Ave.
79. Turn RIGHT at the next street, which is Oak St.
80. At the stop sign, cross Oak St and continue ahead on the sidewalk on the left side of Lexington Ave (no sign).
81. At the stop sign at Elm St, cross Lexington Ave to the right side of the street (there's still no sign for Lexington Ave). Then cross Elm St.
82. Follow Lexington Ave on the right sidewalk a short distance to the driveway of the YMCA on your right.
83. Return to your car.
84. Don't forget to check in with the Online Start Box! And thank you very much for supporting the Cumberland Valley LEAD Foot Club on this walk! We hope you enjoyed it! 😊

Special Programs for this walk:

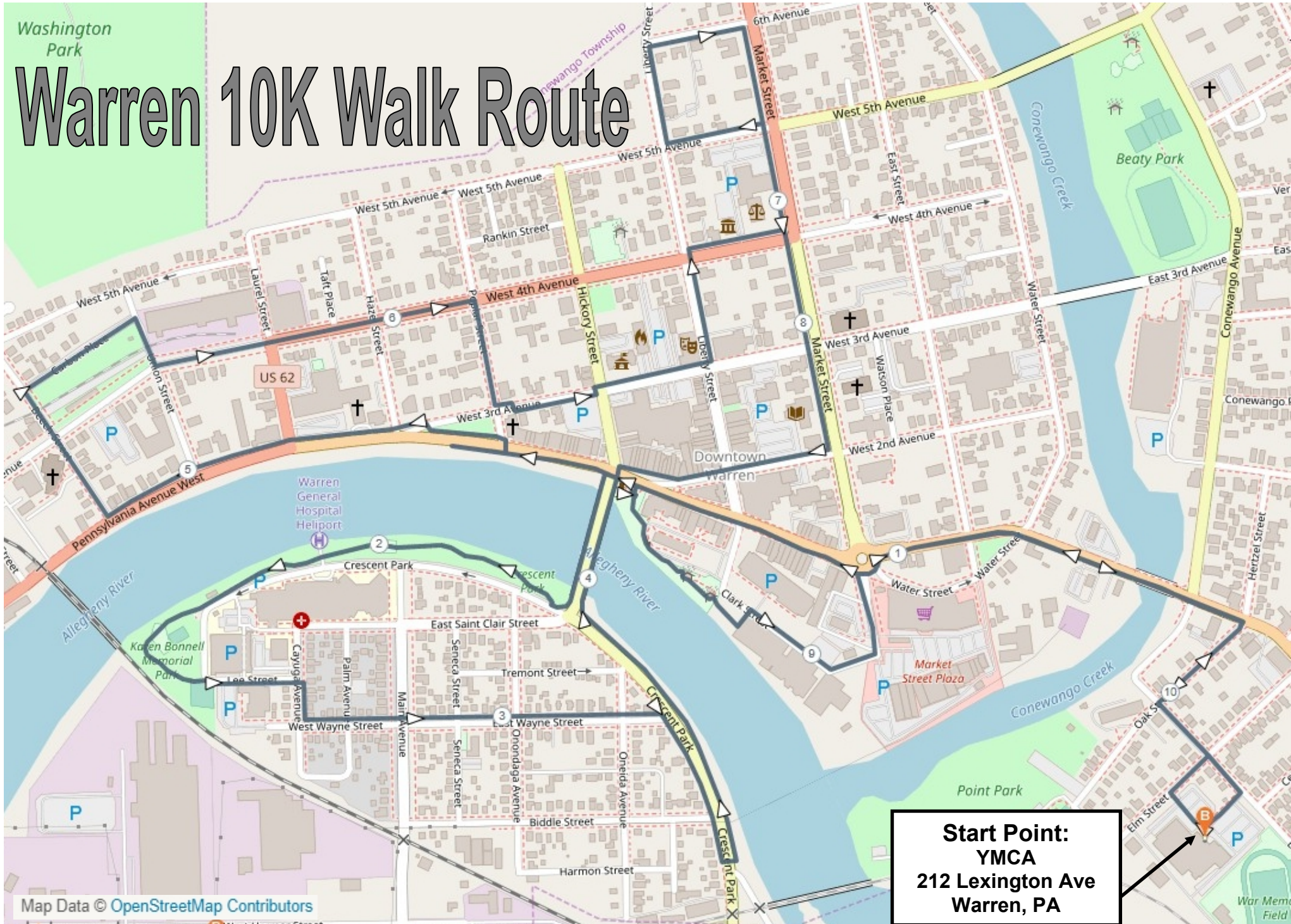
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- KSVL Counties Program (Warren County)

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Warren 10K Walk Route



Start Point:
YMCA
212 Lexington Ave
Warren, PA