

**Directions:**

Parking Garage address: 23 N. Potomac St., Hagerstown, MD 21740.  
(On-street meter parking is free)

**From the EAST**, take I-70 West to EXIT 32B (US 40), exit and proceed approximately 3.2 miles to Potomac Street, which is just past Mulberry Street and Locust Street, in that order. Turn left on Potomac Street. Go ½ block to parking deck on right (**\$5.00, all day**). **NEW START POINT** 60 West Washington Street, University Plaza. On-street meter parking is free on weekends.

**From the NORTH, SOUTH & WEST**, take I-81 to EXIT 6A (US 40 EAST) towards Hagerstown, which is Washington Ave., ONE WAY eastbound for about 1½ miles. After going through an underpass cross Walnut St., Prospect St., Jonathan St. to the Public Square at Potomac St. Fest tent is ½ block to the left. On-street meter parking is **free**; the **parking deck** costs **\$5.00**, all day. To reach the Parking Deck, turn left on Locust St., turn left on Franklin St. and turn left on Potomac St. Go ½ block to parking deck on right, **NEW START POINT** 60 West Washington Street, University Plaza. On-street meter parking is free on weekends.

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The Augustoberfest Event pays tribute to the area's rich German heritage and supports scholarships for exchange students to Hagerstown's Sister City - Wesel, Germany. This 25th annual event will feature two days of festivities found at traditional Oktoberfest celebrations in Bavaria.

The Augustoberfest Volksmarch is on **Saturday, August 21, 2021**. **Start Times from 8:00 a.m. - 11 a.m.. Finish by 2:00 p.m.** The German-themed festival runs from 1p.m. - 8 p.m. at University Plaza

**Antietam Pathfinders**

**Hagerstown, MD**

**Augustoberfest Plaza Festival Volksmarch**

*regular festivities are postponed, but a small-scale German-themed event will occur at University Plaza.*

**(6K and 10K Trail)**



Join the **Antietam Pathfinders** for a Volksmarch at the annual Augustoberfest celebration in Hagerstown, MD.

**Washington County**

**Saturday, August 21, 2021**

**Event #116452**

**11km / 6km Trails Rated 1+**

**AVA Special Programs: Little Free Libraries, Walking with America's Veterans, Rockin' Around the Clock, 50 States, A to Z**



*Member: Maryland Volkssport Association*

**Sponsor:** Antietam Pathfinders Volksmarch Club, Inc. (AVA-976), a member of the Maryland Volkssport Association.

**Sanctioned by:** The American Volkssport Association (AVA) a member of the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV) to promote leisure sports in the interest of family health, recreation, fun and companionship .

**Date:** SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 2021

**Start Time:** 8:00 a.m. – 11:00. Finish by 2:00 p.m.

**Start/Finish:** On the sidewalk at 60 West Washington Street in front of University Plaza . Exit at the front of the garage, turn right on Potomac street and right again on Washington Street. University Plaza is on the right just past Pizza and Pretzel Creations.

**Distance:** One event with two trails offered, a 10 km and a 6 km. Do the walk at your own pace. Walk the trails a second time for distance credit for no additional fee.

**Trail Description:** The trails are on sidewalks and roadsides through the city of Hagerstown. You will pass by stately houses, churches built in the late 1700 to 1800's, the City Farmers Market, the historic Hager House/Museum, through City Park, Washington County Fine Arts Museum, the Hagerstown Cultural Trail, and the Welcome Center. The trails have medium difficulty for wagons and strollers; hard for wheelchairs. **NEW: Statue of Thomas Kennedy.**

**Eligibility:** EVERYONE WELCOME!! Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Groups are welcome.

**Registration/Fees:** This event is FREE for those who wish to participate without receipt of IVV credit. Fee for IVV credit is \$3.00.

**Procedure:** At the start point each participant signs a waiver and receives a start card to carry and be presented, and stamped at the checkpoint. Individual start cards are turned in at the finish table upon completing the walk.

**Dogs:** Pets may be taken on the trail. They must be leashed and you must clean up after your pet.

**Award:** There will be no award for this event.

**Conditions:** This event will be held regardless of weather conditions. Please NO LITTERING on the trail.

**Disclaimer:** Neither the sponsors of the event, employees of the City of Hagerstown, MD, nor "*Augustoberfest*" employees and volunteers can be held responsible or liable for any lost, stolen or damaged items, any accidents or injuries at any time.

**Refreshments:** Water and snacks will be available at the start/finish point. Food and drink may be purchased at the "*Augustoberfest*." Upon completion of the walk, walkers will enjoy free entry into the German themed festival from 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**Restrooms:** Available at the start/finish and at various locations on the trails.

**IVV Record Books:** This event counts towards IVV achievement awards. New books will be available for purchase at **\$6.00 each**.

**Information:** Contact Kat Dittrich at 240-675-1028 or [kdballou@gmail.com](mailto:kdballou@gmail.com)  
Additional information on the Augustoberfest :  
<http://www.augustoberfest.org/>

**Volksmarch information:** [www.ava.org](http://www.ava.org) (American Volkssport Association)  
and [www.mdvolks.org](http://www.mdvolks.org) (Maryland Volkssport Association) "Friend"  
Antietam Pathfinders on facebook.com

**Membership:** Membership in the Antietam Pathfinders is open to everyone interested in non-competitive sports with a focus on fitness, fun, and fellowship. Members are encouraged to walk our volksmarch trails and to help with events and other club activities.