

The Liberty Bell Wanderers Welcomes You to the Year Round Walk of Milford, PA

This 10km walk located in Pike County, PA with a 6km option begins at an historic mill complex dating back to the 19th Century, then goes into downtown Milford with its many interesting and unique historic buildings, and onto the Pinchot Greenway Trail. The trail winds through residential areas and the business district and finally to the Grey Towers, Milford's famous National Historic Site and ancestral home of Gifford Pinchot, the first Chief of the U.S Forestry Service and twice Governor of Pennsylvania.

Grey Towers is open daily Memorial Day through October and weekends in May and November. However, pedestrians are welcome to tour the grounds any time during the year.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grey_Towers_National_Historic_Site

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/greytowers>

Start Point: Water Wheel Café & Bakery, 150 Water Street, Milford PA 18337 (570) 296-2383

The Water Wheel Café & Bakery is located in the Upper Mill Historic District which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The café is part of a fully restored 19th century water-powered grist mill – the Jervis Gordon Grist Mill (1882). The mill's 24-foot water wheel operates from May through October. Self-guided tours of the building are available year-round — walk to the back of the café, go through the exit door to start the tour. In addition to touring the grist mill, there are various shops and art galleries at the Upper Mill to visit.

Walk Registration:

Please use the online start box provided by the California Volkssport Association website (www.cva4u.org). Follow the left side link, 'Online Start Box', and the instructions provided to sign a waiver and register for this event. Payments for event credit and directions use Paypal. The directions and insert cards are PDFs that you can download and print as needed. The POC does not provide event directions or accept alternate payment methods.

Walk Completion and Walk Credit:

Once you have physically completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account and select the "Maps / Finish" tab. 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 later choose to print out.

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10km and 6km Walking Directions for the Year Round Walk of Milford, PA

Driving Directions to the Start Point:

Water Wheel Café & Bakery, 150 Water St, Milford PA 18337 (570) 296-2383

(Lat: 41.324129, Lng: -74.810363)

From the South: Take Rte. 209 North (Federal Rd.) from East Stroudsburg into Milford. Turn left on Broad St. at the light (there is only stoplight in Milford). Follow Broad St. as it curves to the right and becomes Sawkill Ave. Continue to the Water Wheel Cafe parking lot on the left.

From the West: Take I-84 East to Exit 46 for Milford. Turn right on Rte. 6. Go about 2 miles then turn right on Mill St. which becomes Water St. The Water Wheel Cafe will be on the left.


From the East: Take I-84 West to the Exit 46 for Milford. Turn left on Rte. 6. Follow directions from Rte. 6 above.

From the North: Take your best route to I-84 and follow directions for West or East above.

Restrooms:

Public Restrooms are available inside the Water Wheel Café. The management is use to visitors walking past the counter on the right to the back of the cafe to see the historic waterwheel. Restrooms are located on the way to the waterwheel.

Emergency Numbers:



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

Walking Instructions:

Maps are included for both the 10 and 6 km walks.

Typically “Alleys” in Milford are not marked with a street sign. Walk directions will not note when an Alley is not marked by a street sign

Abbreviations used:

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

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

1. With your back to the entrance door to the Water Wheel Café, turn RIGHT onto Sawkill Ave {C&P: “Do Not Enter” sign, Eagle Ct, Millcreek Woods, and Wycoff Ln} to Broad St (ns, first left after Wycoff Ln).
2. Left on Broad St to Harford St (the only stoplight in Milford). **10K Walkers proceed to Instruction #3.**

6K WALKERS ONLY: When you reach the stoplight, continue straight ahead on Broad St {C&P: W. Plum Alley) to George St. Rejoin the 10K route at **Instruction #18.**

3. RIGHT on E. Harford St {C&P: Blackberry Alley, Pike County Library, 4th St, Cranberry Alley, 3rd St, and Mott St} to the cross walk just before Mid-Atlantic Realty.

Restrooms are available in the Pike County Library.

POI's along E. Harford St:

If you are participating in the Fraternal Organizations Special Program, continue on Harford and turn left on Fourth St. Look for Masonic Lodge bronze plaque next to 202 4th St. This 3-story brick building was built as a general store. It became home of the Milford Masonic Lodge in 1901.

201 (c.1740): Oldest house in Milford, only one to survive the 18th century. Marquis de Lafayette stayed here during one of his tours of America.

209: Pike County Chamber of Commerce building. You are welcome to stop here to learn more about Milford. There are also restrooms available.

4. Using the crosswalk, CROSS E. Harford then RIGHT to walk through the small park. Pass the memorial plaque dedicated to President John F. Kennedy.
5. Follow the path through the park to the fork. Bear LEFT at the fork and exit the park.

6. Bear RIGHT on E. Harford St. between the Second St. Salon & Spa and Belle Reve Sr. Living Center. At Front St turn RIGHT and go downhill as it curves right then left to the Metz Ice House (white building) and River Rd (aka Log Rd).

POI: Metz Ice House (c.1869), National Register of Historic Places. The plaque on the Metz Ice House identifies it as a former grist mill. It operated as a refrigerated warehouse and ice plant running on water power until 1979.

7. Option: Walk an extra 0.2 km and see the Callahan House.
- The Callahan House that served as an inn, is believed to have been a station on the Underground Railroad, and on 3/13/2009 added to the register of National Register of Historic Places.*
- Continue uphill on Front St passing River Rd to the intersection with Milford Beach Rd (ns, stop sign facing the other way).
 - Very sharp RIGHT for a short distance on Milford Beach Rd to a T-intersection with E. Hartford St (aka Rte 209).
 - Directly across the E. Hartford St is the Callahan House (white house with dark green trim)
 - After viewing the Callahan House, retrace your steps back on Milford Beach Rd to Front St.
 - Very sharp LEFT on Front St to River Rd (across from the Metz Ice House).
 - RIGHT onto River Rd to entrance of the Pinchot Greenway Trail, then skip to instruction #9.
8. LEFT on River Rd to entrance of the Pinchot Greenway Trail.
9. Look for map of the trail on the left. Continue straight on the trail keeping the river on the right to the house with a large stone chimney and prominent deck.
10. LEFT on E Catherine St (ns) and go up the hill {C&P: the green Pinchot Greenway sign, Strawberry Alley} to Third St (at the stop sign).
11. LEFT on Third St. to Apple Alley.
12. LEFT on Apple Alley to Strawberry Alley (ns, 1 block)
13. RIGHT on Strawberry Alley to E Ann St. (ns, 1 block),
14. RIGHT on E. Ann St {C&P: 3rd St, Sculptured Tree, and Cranberry Alley} to Fourth St. Many lovely homes all along E. Ann St.

CHECKPOINT: At the corner of E. Ann St. and 3rd St, is a sculptured tree trunk on the right. Count the number of bears carved into the tree trunk.

POI: Milford Methodist Church (1864). Note the beautiful stained-glass windows which take their theme from Matthew, 6:28: "Consider the lilies how they grow..."

15. RIGHT on Fourth St {C&P: Apple Alley and E. Catherine} to E High St.
- POI: Milford Theater (1911) on Fourth & Catherine Streets. Each October the Black Bear Film Festival is held here to support and promote innovative, independent films. The festival also celebrates Milford's rich heritage as a filmmaking location during the silent film era, and features silent and historical films. Legends such as Zane Grey, D.W. Griffith, Mary Pickford, Lillian Gish and John Barrymore have either lived in or visited Milford.*
16. LEFT on E. High St {C&P: Blackberry Alley} to Broad St (stop sign)
- POI: 110 E. High St., "The Judge School" (c. 1890). In the 1920's this was a fashionable hotel called "The Winsor". From 1941-1966 it was a school for exceptional children. It is said to be an overwhelming visual experience with nothing left to be desired in 19th Century architecture. Note the partial wagon wheels that decorate the front and side entrance stairs.*
17. RIGHT on Broad St {C&P: W. Plum Alley} to George St.
18. LEFT and CROSS Broad St at George then RIGHT to continue on Broad St {C&P: W. Cherry Alley}.
- POI: Columns Museum (1904-07). Among the many exhibits is the "bloody Lincoln flag" which is believed to have cushioned the dying president's head after he was shot at Ford's Theater. The flag was kept by the theater manager who passed it down to his daughter who eventually moved to Milford. After her death, the flag was donated to the museum.*
- Also notice the "Hiawatha Stagecoach" exhibited in the porte-cochere.*
19. Stay to the left on Broad to Sarah St. Do not take the highway.
20. LEFT on W. Sarah St to Fifth St (sign is on the right side of the street).

21. LEFT on Fifth St {C&P: W John St and W Cherry Alley} to W. George St.
 22. LEFT on W. George St {C&P: Gooseberry Alley} to Broad St.
 23. RIGHT on Broad St {C&P: W Plum Alley, High St, Peach Alley, Catherine St, Apple Alley, Ann St, and Pear Alley} to Harford St. There are many shops and restaurants along Broad St.
POI's along Broad St.:
500-2 - "Old Jail House", (1814). Was originally the courthouse until 1874. For many years it served as the County Jail. Look closely as the five windows that were filled-in with stone to prevent prisoners from escaping.
412-14 - "Pike County Court House", (1874). It is listed individually on the National Register of Historic Buildings.
401 - "Hotel Fauchiere", (c. 1850). This hotel was built by Louis Fauchiere, a former chef of Delmonico's Restaurant in New York City. It has hosted many prominent guests over the years such as William Tecumseh Sherman, Rudolph Valentino, Sarah Bernhardt, Mae West, Babe Ruth, and Presidents Theodore and Franklin Roosevelt, and John F. Kennedy.
320-322 - "Bloomgarden Building", (1888). This commercial building once housed the local bank and a succession of department stores.
300 - "First Presbyterian Church", (1874). The bell tower and "town clock" were donated in 1887 by Illinois Lt. Governor William Bross. He was the first signer of the constitutional amendment abolishing slavery.
 24. RIGHT on Harford St to Gooseberry Alley.
 25. RIGHT on Gooseberry Alley {C&P: Pear Alley ns} to W. Ann St (ns).
 26. LEFT on W. Ann St to Fifth St.
 27. RIGHT on Fifth St {C&P: Apple Alley, **Little Free Library** on left in Milford Park} to W. Catherine St.
 28. LEFT on W. Catherine St {C&P: Raspberry Alley, 6th St, Currant Alley, and 7th St} to Elderberry Alley.
 29. LEFT on Elderberry Alley {C&P: Apple Alley} to W. Ann St (ns, first paved street). **(5K)**
 30. LEFT on W. Ann St {C&P: 7th St, Currant Alley, 6th St, Raspberry Alley} to Fifth St.
POI's on W. Ann St:
209 - (1875). Decorative details such as double-hooded window crown groupings with keystones, bracketed cornices, and porch details are key features of this house.
208 - (c.1870). In the alley abutting the house is a carriage house which once was used as a viewing parlor for mortuary services. The local Indian Lenni Lenape, known as Chief Indian Cloud was laid to rest here.
 31. RIGHT on Fifth St {C&P: Pear Alley} to W. Harford St.
 32. RIGHT on W. Harford St {C&P: Raspberry Alley, 6th St, Currant Alley, 7th St, Elderberry Alley, 8th St, and Huckleberry Alley} to Ninth St.
 33. At Ninth St turn LEFT and use the crosswalk to carefully cross W. Harford St then RIGHT to cross Ninth St. to Old Owego Turnpike. **10K Walkers proceed to Instruction #34.**
- 6K WALKERS:** Bear left to continue on Owego Turnpike {C&P: Pine Alley, Pine Acres} to the entrance of Grey Towers. Rejoin 10K route at **Instruction #37.**
34. Bear left to continue on Old Owego Turnpike {C&P: Pine Alley, Grey Towers National Historic Site sign} to Pine Acres
 35. RIGHT on Pine Acres. At the fork, keep to the right. LEFT at the stop sign. Follow the road as it loops around to the left, then right to return to Owego Turnpike.
 36. RIGHT on Owego Turnpike to the gate to Grey Towers.
 37. Enter the gate to Grey Towers on the left. If the main gate to the Grey Towers is closed, enter through the pedestrian gate located to the left at the sign "Pedestrians Welcome".
 38. Go past the Grey Towers sign and turn RIGHT on the Pinchot Time Line Trail (look for the marker on the right).
 39. Follow the serpentine trail as it goes up the hill toward the amphitheater (large open meadow). Before reaching the amphitheater,

you will see the historic Laurel Hill Cemetery on the right (worth walking through) to the large gazebo on the left (Restrooms on the lower level).

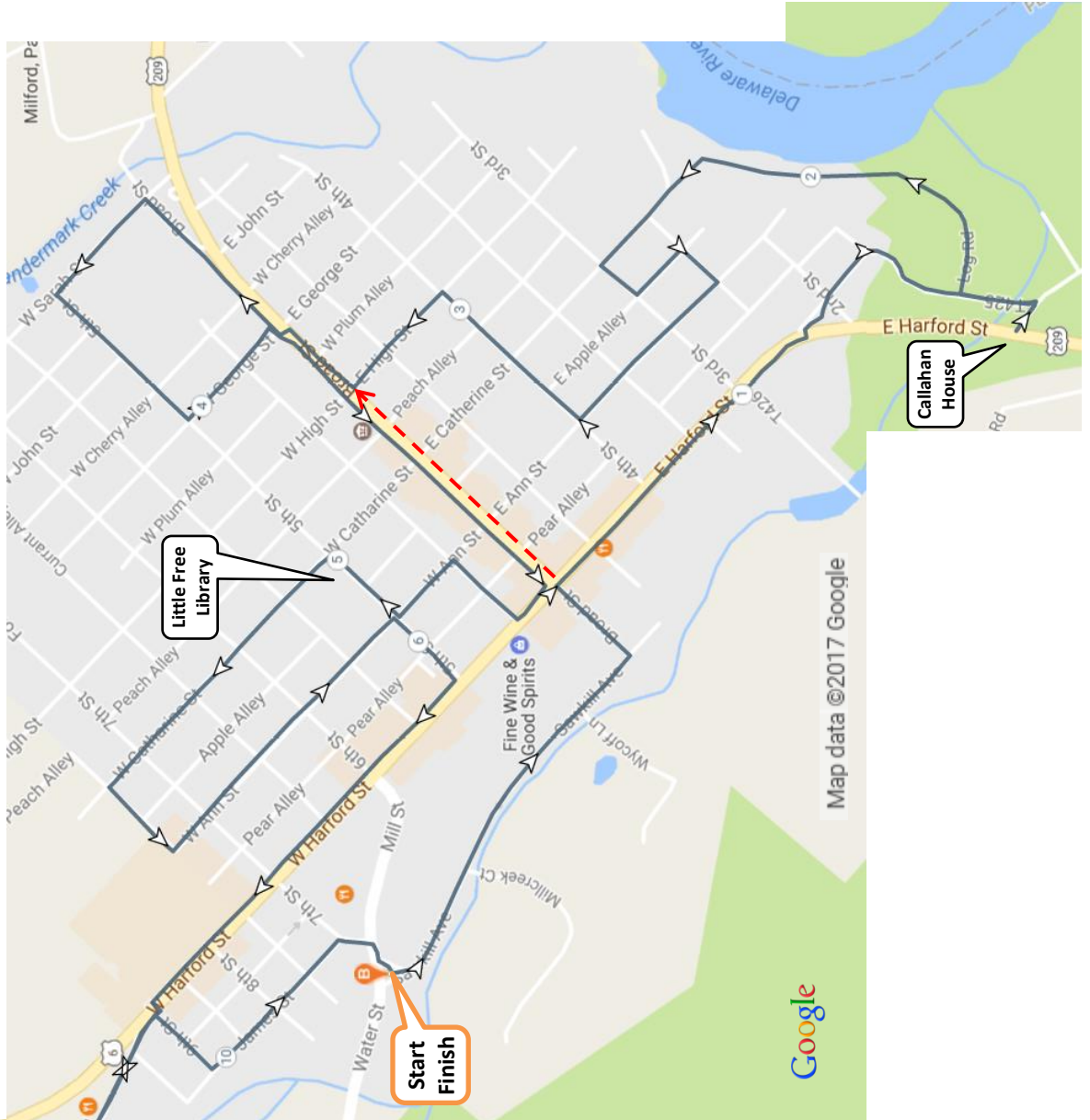
40. Continue past the large gazebo. Follow the paved trail on the right as it goes up to the tower.
41. You are welcome to check out the trails around and in the back of the Grey Towers. Follow the path to the back of the mansion and up the steps. Continue around the mansion and pass by the "Fingerbowl", the outdoor dining table which served as the Pinchot's dining room. Admission fees are required for tours through the mansion.

POI: Grey Towers is the ancestral home of Gifford Pinchot, first chief of the U.S. Forest Service and twice governor of Pennsylvania. It was built in 1886 by his father, James Pinchot, a successful businessman and philanthropist. The mansion has 3 60-foot turrets, 23 fireplaces, 44 rooms and served as the Pinchot family's summer home. The Pinchot family's rich legacy consists of conservation, civil rights and social justice. Their contribution to society and fascinating history is more than can be written here and is worth exploring further.

42. After touring the grounds at Grey Towers, take the road down the hill. Bear right at the main driveway and follow it back to Owego Turnpike.
43. RIGHT on Owego Turnpike {C&P: Pine Acres, Pine Alley} to W. Harford St (stop sign)
44. RIGHT on W. Harford St a short distance to Ninth St.
45. RIGHT on Ninth St {C&P: Chestnut St} to James St.
46. LEFT on James St {C&P: Huckleberry Alley, 8th St, and Cranberry Alley} to Seventh St.

47. RIGHT on Seventh St to Mill St.
48. RIGHT on Mill St. and return to Start/Finish at the Water Wheel Café

Milford 10k Walk
 With 6K Shortcuts



2019 KSVa Special Challenges and AVA Special and National Programs

WALK NAME: _____MILFORD_____					
NUMBER: _____111755 AT19 / Y0168					
KSVa SPECIAL CHALLENGES					
67 Counties (no end date)	Pike				
AT Thru Hike (2017 -2020)	N/A				
KSVa 20/10 Award (2017)	Milford				
PA State Parks And Forest Challenge 1 st (2015-2016) 2 nd (2016-2017)	N/A				
AVA SPECIAL PROGRAMS					
Program Name	Years	10K	6K	__ K	Information
Alternative Capitals	(2014 - 2016)				
Amphitheatres	(2015 - 2017)	X	X		At Grey Towers
Animal Safari	(2015 - 2017)	X			Tree carving on Ann St.
Boardwalks	(2015 - 2017)				
Border Crossing	(2014 - 2023)				
Bridges – Spanning the USA	(2016 - 2018)				
Carousels	(2019 - 2022)				
Cities in Song	(2014 - 2016)				
Food for Thought	(2015 - 2017)				
Honoring our Flag	(2014 - 2016)	X	X		Various locations
Ice Cream Parlors	(2017 -2019)	X	X		Milford Dairy Bar
Lady Liberty	(2016 - 2018)				
Little Free Libraries	(2019 - 2022)	X	X		In Milford Park on 5 th St
Make A Wish – Water Fountains	(2016 - 2018)				
National Parks Centennial	(2016 - 2018)	X	X		Grey Towers National Historic Site
National Register of Historic Places	(2014 - 2016)	X	X		Upper Mill Historic District
Points of Reference	(2016 - 2018)	X			High St.
State Street Sashay	(2016 - 2018)				
Take A Walk in a City Park	(2016 - 2018)	X			W. Ann Memorial Park
Treasure Hunt	(2016 - 2018)				
Trekking with the Trees	(2014 - 2016)	X	X		Grey Towers
Underground Railroad	(2017 - 2020)	X			Callahan House (optional .2km)
United States Post Office	(2016 - 2018)	X	X		200 Harford St.
Vice Presidential Walks	(2016 - 2018)				
Walking America’s Ports of Call	(2016 - 2018)				
Walking the Path of Inventions	(2016 - 2018)				
Walk the USA – Street by Street	(2016 - 2018)	X	X		Harford St. (MD, PA, NY)
You’ll Never Walk Alone	(2014 - 2016)	X	X		Gifford Pinchot
AVA NATIONAL PROGRAMS					
Program Name	Years	10K	6K	__ K	Information
50 States / 51 Capitals	(no end date)	X	X		Pennsylvania
Walk the USA (A To Z)	(no end date)	X	X		M for Milford