

ASHLAND DOWNTOWN ART WALK

TRAIL RATED 1A – 5K; 1B - 10K

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SPECIAL PROGRAMS: Little Free Libraries,
Rockin’ Round the Clock, Walking with America’s
Veterans (10k only)



Ashland, Nebraska is known for its art and small-town flavor. The business district will invite you to linger at the many small shops, eateries and galleries. Ashland is located along the flood plain of Salt Creek, so the 5k route is rated 1A for a nice flat stroll on neighborhood and business sidewalks. The 10k route includes a crushed rock trail along Salt Creek, making it a 1B rating. Insect spray is recommended during the summer months for this portion of the route. The 10k also includes a second Little Free Library and a visit to the top of Ashland Cemetery, with many nods to America’s Veterans.

This walk is also available through a physical walk box—please do not register at that location or use any materials from that walk box.

Walk Registration:

Registration takes place online using the AVA Online Start Box, on my.ava.org. Follow the instructions provided to create a user account and sign the AVA waiver (one time). Instructions for payment are also included. Download the directions 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 click on the “My Start Box” tab, then the “Finish Table” tab, then click on “Go to Finish Table” button for the event you have completed. 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 choose to print out.

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Starting Point Location:

41.038943, -96.366927
OxBow Trail System Parking Lot
1241 Silver St, Ashland, NE 68003

You will start your walk at the OxBow Trail System Parking Lot in Silver City, near the Ashland Public Library.


From the west: From I-80 eastbound take exit 420 (NE-63) left (north) on NE-63 to Ashland 3.1 miles to US 6. Turn right (northeast) on US 6 about 1.8 miles to NE-66. Turn left on NE-66 to Ashland. Take NE-66 (turns into 14th St in town) for about 0.5 miles to Silver St. Turn right on Silver St. for one block to parking on your right.

From the east: From I-80 westbound take exit 432 (NE-31). Exit right (north) to NE-31 to US-6/Gretna/Ashland 0.2 miles. Left (southwest) on US-6 about 7.4 miles to NE-66. Right on NE-66 about 0.5 miles to Silver St. Turn right on Silver St. for one block to parking on your right.

Restrooms:

Restrooms available at the library when open, Casey's Gas Station on 14th St. 1.5 blocks south of Silver St. (2.5 blocks from start point), Wiggernhorn Memorial Park (seasonal only), the No Frills Supermarket at 2301 Silver St. after leaving the cemetery on the 10K walk, or Cherio's Café near the end of walk for both 5K and 10K.

Emergency Numbers:

	In case of Emergency: Dial 911 Event related assistance: Karen Dix-Johnson 402.452.8422
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Notes on the Directions

- Walking directions are followed by compass directions in parentheses.
- Ashland's numbered streets run north/south. East/west streets are named streets.

About Ashland:

This authentic small town main street is lined with gift shops, galleries, unique shops, and an old-fashioned ice cream parlor. Located on historic U.S. Route 6, considered the longest highway in the U.S., it is home to the Gene Roncka Willow Point Gallery and Museum and Cooper Studio and Gallery. It is within 4 miles of three of the most popular attractions in the state of Nebraska including the Strategic Air and Space Museum, Mahoney State Park and the Lee G. Simmons Conservation Park and Wildlife Safari.

Be sure to browse the shops in downtown Ashland! Whether you're an art lover, a window shopper or just looking for a gift for a friend, you're sure to find something you'll treasure in Ashland!

SPECIAL PROGRAM QUALIFIERS

Little Free Library

- Near 1540 Furnas St.

Rockin' Round the Clock

- 1324 Silver Street (Library)
- 1501 Silver Street (Farmers and Merchants Bank)

Walking with America's Veterans

- You will find several qualifiers on Memorial Circle in the cemetery on the 10K route

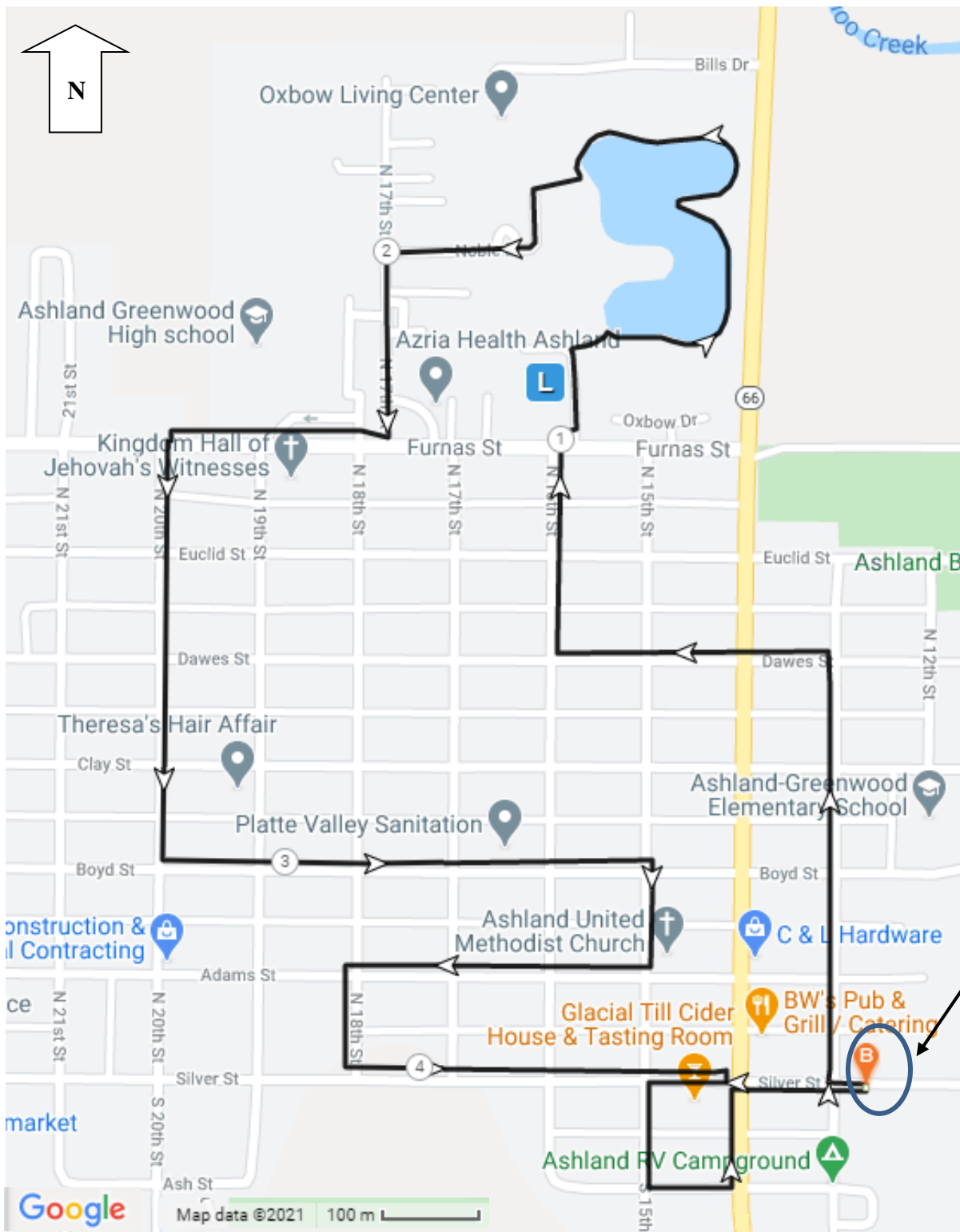
5k Directions

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1. From the parking lot, turn **LEFT** (w) on Silver Street to 13th Street and **CROSS**.
2. **RIGHT** (n) on N. 13th St., crossing Silver, to and **CROSS** Dawes Street.
3. **LEFT** (w) on Dawes, **CAREFULLY CROSSING N. 14th ST.**, to N. 16th St.
4. **RIGHT** (n) on N. 16th to and **CAREFULLY CROSS** Furnas St.
5. **RIGHT** (e) on Furnas a short distance to rock road on your left.
6. **LEFT** (n) onto road. Up ahead, you will see a paved path and a **Little Free Library**. Walk to the path.
7. **RIGHT** (e) on the path around the lake, walking counterclockwise, to a Y-intersection.
8. **RIGHT** (w) toward an old gas pump.
Notice: the cost of a gallon of gas on the pump!
9. Facing the pump, turn **RIGHT**(s), following Noble Dr. around to N. 17th St. (Street signs say "N. 17th AVE")
10. **LEFT** (s) on N. 17th to Furnas St.
11. **RIGHT** (w) on Furnas to N. 20th St.
12. **LEFT** (s) and **CAREFULLY CROSS** Furnas.
13. **CONTINUE** (s) on N. 20th St. to Boyd St.
14. **LEFT** (e) on Boyd St. to & **CROSS** N. 15th.
Notice at 17th & Boyd: First Christian Church built 1883-1925 for \$2,908.80 built in Romanesque style.
Notice at 16th & Boyd: First Congregational Church built 1906 also built in Romanesque style.
15. **RIGHT** (s) on N. 15th, crossing Boyd St., to Adams St.
Notice: Carnegie Public Library at 207 N. 15th St. It was built in 1911, one of 2,500 built world-wide. It is now a museum.
16. **RIGHT** (w) on Adams, crossing N. 15th St. to and **CROSS** N. 18th St.
Notice: St. Stephen's Episcopal Church built in 1872, Gothic revival architecture. It is the oldest church in Nebraska.
17. **LEFT** (s) on N. 18th, crossing Adams St., to Silver St.
18. **LEFT** (e) on Silver, crossing N. 18th St., to N. 14th Street.
Notice: Public Clock at 15th.
Historic downtown Ashland is located between N. 16th & N. 14th on Silver Street. Cheri O's is a vintage Ice Cream Parlor and eatery.
Willow Point is a do-not-miss art gallery on the south side of Silver. It houses a wildlife collection and is the home of Roncka's Art Studio.
19. **RIGHT** (s) on N. 14th and **CROSS** Silver.
20. **RIGHT** (w) on Silver, walking on the south side of Silver, to S. 15th St.
21. **LEFT** (s) on S. 15th one block to Ash St.
22. **LEFT** (e) on Ash to S. 14th St.
23. **LEFT** (n) on S. 14th to Silver St.
24. **RIGHT** (e) on Silver St., crossing 14th St., back to parking lot.
Notice: Sculpture & Public Clock at Library at 13th & Silver.

Ashland Downtown Art Walk – 5K

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	NWFT Club: Steve Burkland 402.659.1954
	Regional Director: Butch Spaulding 712.322.2797

10K Directions

1. **RIGHT** (e) to crushed rock path, just before the bridge.
2. **LEFT** (n) on the Oxbow Trail along Salt Creek (crushed rock path) to a small stop sign at N. 14th St. and **CAREFULLY CROSS**.
3. **RIGHT** (n) to cross Furnas St., then **LEFT** (w) to mailbox showing "1540 Furnas".
4. **RIGHT** (n), where you'll see a paved path on the right and a **Little Free Library**.
5. **RIGHT** (e) on the path around the lake, walking counterclockwise, to a Y-intersection.
6. **RIGHT** (w) toward an old gas pump.
Notice: the cost of a gallon of gas on the pump!
7. Facing the pump, turn **RIGHT**(s), following Noble Dr. around to N. 17th St. (Sign says "N. 17th AVE")
8. **LEFT** (s) on N. 17th to Furnas St.
9. **RIGHT** (w) on Furnas to N. 24th St.
10. **LEFT** (s) and **CAREFULLY CROSS** Furnas, staying on N. 24th to Euclid.
11. **RIGHT** (w) on Euclid. It will curve south and become N. 25th St.
- STAY** (s) on N. 25th St. Stay on sidewalk as it curves right (southwest) through Wiggernhorn Memorial Park to Clay St. *Note: Seasonal toilets are available near the end of the sidewalk on the left, before sidewalk turns sharply right.*
12. **LEFT** (e) on Clay to N. 26th St. **Little Free Library**.
13. **RIGHT** (s) on N. 26th to Boyd St.
14. **RIGHT** (w) on Boyd to N. 27th Street.
15. **LEFT** (s) on N. 27th to Adams St.
16. **RIGHT** (w) on Adams to N. 28th St. and **CROSS**.
17. **LEFT** (s) on N. 28th to Silver St.
18. **RIGHT** (w) on Silver to N. 29th St.
19. **LEFT** (s), crossing Silver, into the cemetery.
20. **RIGHT** (w, s, e, n) to follow the perimeter roads of the cemetery. (See map.) Follow American Lane to Liberty Lane to Cardinal Drive to a sharp right at Rose Avenue to Memorial Drive and to Memorial Circle (the top of the hill).
Notice: The American Legion tablet behind and to the left of the flagpole? (Veterans Program)
21. **EXIT** (n) Memorial Circle between the flagpoles on Memorial Drive to cemetery gate at Silver.
22. **RIGHT** (e) on Silver to N. 25th St.
23. **LEFT** (n) on N. 25th to Adams St.
24. **RIGHT** (e) on Adams to N. 19th St.
25. **LEFT** (n) on N. 19th to and **CROSS** Boyd St..
26. **RIGHT** (e) on Boyd to N. 14th St.
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Notice just south of 15th & Boyd: Carnegie Public Library at 207 N. 15th St. built in 1911.
27. **RIGHT** (s) on N. 14th to Adams St.
28. **RIGHT** (w) on Adams to and **CROSS** N. 18th St.
Notice: St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 201 N. 16th St., built in 1872, Gothic revival architecture. Oldest church in Nebraska.
29. **LEFT** (s) on N. 18th, crossing Adams St., to Silver.
30. **LEFT** (e) on Silver, crossing N. 18th St. to N. 14th.
Notice: Historic downtown Ashland is located between N. 16th & N. 14th on Silver Street.
Public Clock on SW corner of 15th.
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31. **RIGHT** (s) on N. 14th and **CROSS** Silver.
32. **RIGHT** (w) on the south side of Silver to S. 15th.
33. **LEFT** (s) on S. 15th one block to Ash St.
34. **LEFT** (n) on S. 14th to Silver St & **CROSS**.
35. **RIGHT** (e) on Silver St., crossing 14th St., back to parking lot.
Notice: Sculpture & Public Clock at Library at 13th & Silver.

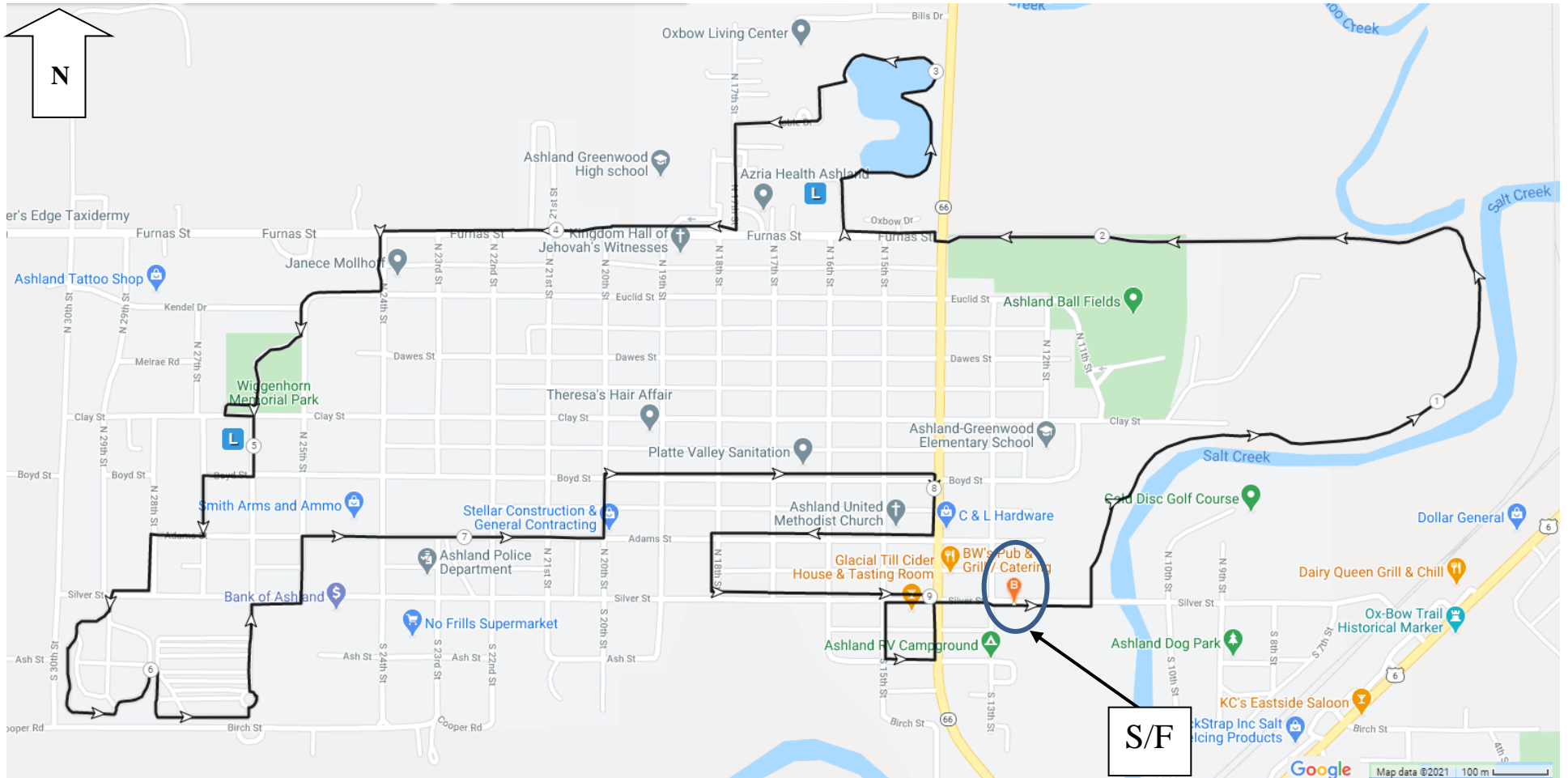
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