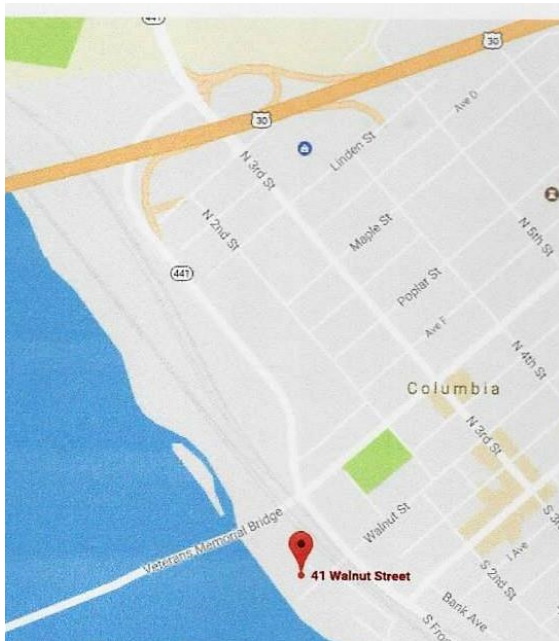


**Directions:**

From Harrisburg/North: Take I-83 South to Exit 21-US 30 East. \* Take US-30 East to exit PA-441. At the stop sign, turn Right onto Linden St to North 2nd St. At North 2nd St turn Left. At Walnut St turn Right and follow to the start point.

From Gettysburg or West: Take US-30 East. Follow from \* above.

From Lancaster /East: Take US-30 West to PA-441. At traffic light, cross over 3rd St, and continue on PA-441 to Walnut St. Turn Right on Walnut St to the Start Point.



For more information on these events, go to [AVA.org](http://AVA.org).

# Susquehanna Rivertowns Weekend

Three Traditional Walks and a Seasonal Walk and Bike

**Friday, April 24, to Sunday, April 26, 2020**

Wrightsville PA 113914-2020 York County

Marietta PA 113911-2020 Lancaster County

Columbia PA 113913-2020 Lancaster County

Columbia PA Seasonal Bike 113910-2020

Columbia PA Seasonal Walk 113912-2020



Three separate "B" Award Patches - One for each walking event.

Sponsored by the Penn Dutch Pacers,  
York White Rose Wanderers & Susquehanna Rovers.



These events are sanctioned by the American Volkssport Association (AVA), a member of the International Federation of Popular Sports. These events count towards the acquisition of IVV Achievement Awards.

**Dates:** April 24, 25, and 26, 2020

**Start Point for all events: Columbia Crossing River Trails Center,  
41 Walnut St, Columbia PA 17512**

**Start and Finish Times:** Start 8 am to 1 pm; Finish by 4 pm.

**Eligibility:** Everyone is welcome to participate. Walk at your own pace. Runners are welcome. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**Registration and Fees:** These events are Free to those who wish to participate without IVV Credit. IVV Credit is \$3.00 for each event. IVV Credit with the award is \$5.00 for each event.

**Award:** There are three awards as shown on the cover of the brochure, a patch for each Rivertown walk. They are fully embroidered. Each patch is 3" X 3.5". There are less than 40 patches for each event and they will not be reordered. The bike has no award.

**Procedure:** AVA policy requires that every participant, fee or non-fee, must sign an insurance waiver and obtain a numbered start card which is carried while on the trail. At the end of the walk or bike, the start card is turned in and IVV books are stamped for official credit, if the fee has been paid. The trail may be walked a second time on the same day using the same start card at no additional cost.

**Conditions:** The events will be held regardless of the weather. There will be no littering. Wildlife and plant life are not to be disturbed. No refunds. Pets are allowed on the walks but not in the Columbia Crossing River Trails Center. Leash laws must be observed. There are restrooms at the Center. Water will be available at the registration area. All walks except the Seasonal Walk go through a business area where you may find places to eat.

**Disclaimer:** The American Volkssport Association or its subsidiary clubs are not responsible for theft or loss of personal belongings or property.

**Parking:** There is plenty of parking. You must drive 2.6 miles to begin the Marietta Trail or combine it with the 5K rail trail of the Columbia walk.

### **Wrightsville PA**

5K, 6K or 10K trail Rated 1A

Point of Contact: Pam Copenhaver 717-817-9724; indigo1704@aol.com

Website: sites.google.com/site/yorkwhiterosewanderers/

According to a plaque at Samuel S. Lewis State Park, which overlooks Wrightsville and the Susquehanna River, Wrightsville was among George Washington's choices as location of the capital of the United States. The Columbia-Wrightsville Bridge and Wrightsville Historic District are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Except for the 5K, the other trails will go over the Wrightsville Bridge. Most of the trail will be sidewalks with a little roadside walking. Wheelchairs will have a difficult time; strollers will have medium difficulty.

### **Marietta PA**

5K or 10K trail Rated 1A

Point of Contact: Sharon Miller 717-805-9540; millersd@ptd.net

Website: [avaclubs.com/SRVC](http://avaclubs.com/SRVC)

Marietta is a Rivertown located on the eastern banks of the Susquehanna River in western Lancaster County just north of Columbia PA. It was incorporated in 1812 and prospered due to the river commerce on the PA Canal and the railroad. The varied architecture is a result of this time period. Most of the trail will be sidewalks with a little roadside walking. The walk will be difficult for wheelchairs as there are inclines. Strollers will have medium difficulty. You can combine the Columbia rail/trail 5K to pick up the Marietta trail. Otherwise, you will drive about 2.6 miles from start point to get to the beginning of the walking trail. Driving directions will be on the trail directions.

### **Columbia PA**

5K or 10K trail Rated 1A

Point of Contact: Carmie Keiser 717-898-1959; tk.ck@verizon.net

Website [www.avaclubs.org/pdp/index.html](http://www.avaclubs.org/pdp/index.html)

There are two 5K loops; one is on the rail trail and the other is on sidewalks. Those doing a 5K can do either loop. 10K walkers must do both loops. This walk will feature the Civil War and Underground Railroad history of Columbia as well as the northwest Lancaster County River Trail. Some historic sites that you will pass include Wright's Ferry Mansion, Mt Bethel Cemetery and the Turkey Hill Experience. You will also pass Zion Hill Cemetery-the burial site of many black soldiers who fought in the Civil War. Some of these soldiers are from the 54th Massachusetts Regiment, who were portrayed in the 1989 film, Glory, starring Matthew Broderick and Morgan Freeman. Wheelchairs and strollers will have little difficulty on rail trail. They will have more difficulty on the other trail because of inclines.

Special Programs for this trail are Rockin' Around the Clock and Underground Railroad.

### **Columbia PA Seasonal Bike**

15K to 35K trail Rated 1B

Point of Contact: Sharon Miller 717-805-9540; millersd@ptd.net

Website: [www.avaclubs.org/SRVC](http://www.avaclubs.org/SRVC)

A 35K bike ride on a newly constructed bike trail from Columbia to turn around at the Bainbridge River Access (Mile Marker 11). Ride will take you through parts of Marietta where there are places to eat. The rail trail is new black top except for around Marietta

### **Columbia PA Seasonal Walk**

5K or 10K trail Rated 1A

Point of Contact: Sharon Miller 717-805-9540; millersd@ptd.net

Website: [www.avaclubs.org/SRVC](http://www.avaclubs.org/SRVC)

This is a rail trail walk that goes from the start point into Marietta to a turnaround.