

## Agricultural History Farm Park Walk

10 km (6.2 mile) or 5 km (3.1 mile) Walk

**SATURDAY -- October 30, 2010**

**Derwood, MD**

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

Credit only event # 86869 -- AVA trail rating 3

**Sponsor:** Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club, Inc. (AVA 419), a member of the Maryland Volkssport Association.

**Sanctioned by:** The Maryland Volkssport Association and The American Volkssport Association, a member of the International Volkssport Verband, to promote leisure sports in the interest of family health, recreation, fun, and companionship.

**Start/Finish:** Agricultural History Farm Park, 18400 Muncaster Road, Derwood, MD 20855

**Start Time:** Registration 8 am – 11am. Must finish the walk by 3 pm.

**Trail:** The trails are rated 3, with some moderate hills; not suitable for wheels. They are on all natural terrain and rough paths. There are no rocky trails. Some areas may be damp, depending on weather conditions. We suggest that you wear boots, or sturdy shoes, wear long pants, and bring your walking stick.

**Agricultural History Farm Park is the site of the Magruder-Bussard Farm, established as a tobacco plantation in 1734 by John Magruder. The Park is also the site of Newmantown, a post-Civil War African American kinship community established in 1879 by Albert Newman and his wife Mary. The buildings of Newmantown no longer exist.**

**Eligibility:** We welcome everyone to walk with us. All participants must register and sign a waiver of liability. Each participant must carry a start card throughout the walk. Please turn the card in at the end of your walk so we know that you are safely off the trail. An adult must accompany children under 12 throughout the entire walk. Parents of minor children must sign a waiver of liability for the children.

**Fees:** Our walk is free. If you wish to receive IVV credit for the walk, the fee is \$3.00. There is no award for the event. Children under 12 may walk for IVV credit without paying a fee.

**Event Information:** Contact Peg Baloga at 301-869-0698 or email at Proxemy2@aol.com or Joe Ginther at 301-926-4985 or email josephginther@hotmail.com

**Volksmarch Information:** [www.ava.org](http://www.ava.org) & [www.mdvolks.org](http://www.mdvolks.org)

**Conditions:** You may walk with a group or alone. Walkers should carry water. A portable toilet will be available near the Start/Finish. Pets are allowed on the trail but must be leashed at all times during the walk, and you must clean up after them. This walk will be held regardless of the weather, unless conditions cause the sponsors to close the trails for safety reasons.

**AVA Special Programs: No special programs identified.**

**Disclaimer:** Neither the Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club, Inc., the Montgomery County Department of Park and Planning, nor the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission shall be liable for accidents, theft, or material damage. Every reasonable effort will be made to make this a safe, enjoyable, and memorable event.

**Membership:** Membership in the Sugarloafers is open to everyone interested in walking. For questions about membership, contact Carolyn at 301-926-0915 or cbthurber@verizon.net or check our club website [www.sugarloafers.org](http://www.sugarloafers.org).

### DIRECTIONS TO START POINT

**Warning: Obey all 30/35 mph signs as speed cameras are in operation on Muncaster Rd.**

**From I-270 north or south:** Take exit 9A. Approaching from the **north**, follow sign “9A 370 EAST-METRO STATION.” Approaching from the **south**, follow sign “9A-B METRO STATION – SAM EIG HIGHWAY”, then “9A 370 EAST –METRO STATION”. Continue on 370 EAST approx. 2.4 miles to exit at “SHADY GROVE RD-EAST”. Take SHADY GROVE RD EAST 1.4 miles to MUNCASTER MILL RD. Turn right onto MUNCASTER MILL RD, then 0.3 miles to MUNCASTER RD (no street sign; 7-ELEVEN store ahead on left at intersection). Turn left onto MUNCASTER RD, go 1.3 miles to park entrance on left. Follow signs on entrance drive to parking area and Start/Finish.

**The park can also be reached from the EAST via Rt. 108. From Rt. 108, take MUNCASTER RD. 2.1 miles to park entrance on right. Follow signs on entrance drive to parking area and Start/Finish. Please be aware of speed cameras along this route.**



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