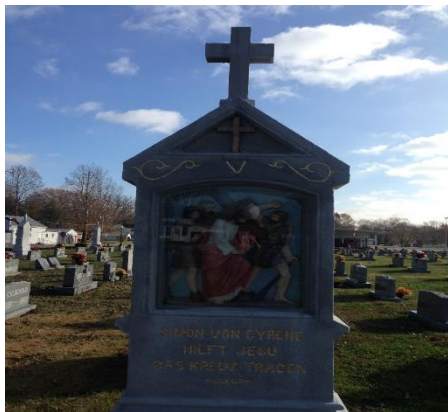




The Illinois Trekkers invite you to help Germantown celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Spassfest. Germantown was established in 1833 and was originally called Hanover. Germantown is the hometown of Red Schoendienst, Cardinal player, coach and manager and has a replica of his Cooperstown MLB Hall of Fame Plaque. Germantown celebrates their German Heritage at the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Spassfest with food, music and a parade at 5:30 pm. The Spassfest starts on Friday evening and continues until noon on Sunday.



**What is a Volksmarch:** A Volksmarch is literally a “folks walk” or a walk for the people. It is a self-paced walk for all to enjoy. The purpose of a Volksmarch is to encourage physical fitness, promote fellowship and to enjoy the outdoors.

**START LOCATION:**

**START TIME:** Start

between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 am. Walk at your own pace. You must be finished by 2:00 p.m. 5k and 10k walk will be offered. The first 5k loop is on sidewalks and city streets through St. Boniface Cemetery with the Stations of the Cross with inscriptions in German. The walk continues through Veterans Memorial Park and Historic Germantown. The second 5k loop is on sidewalks and city streets through Historic Germantown. Both walks are easy for wheelchairs and strollers to navigate.

**DISTANCE:**

**TRAIL:** The trail is rated 1A and is on sidewalks and city streets.

**REGISTRATION:** Everyone is welcome to participate in this event for a fee of \$3. An adult must accompany children age 12 and under. All participants must check in at the registration table and receive a start card. Carry the card with you on the walk. Start Cards remain the property of Illinois Trekkers and must be turned in at the finish point at the end of your walk. There is no refund for monies paid. Event will take place regardless of weather. Pets are welcome on a leash. Please clean up after your pet.

**REFRESHMENTS:** Water and restrooms will be provided at the Start/Checkpoint/Finish. The Spassfest will have food and refreshments for sale

**INFORMATION CONTACT:** The point of contact is Diane Prost, phone 256 527-3377, email [diaprost@sisna.com](mailto:diaprost@sisna.com)

AVA Website is [www.ava.org](http://www.ava.org)

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**DISCLAIMER:** AVA and the sponsors of this event are not liable for accidents, thefts or material damage. Every effort will be made by the sponsors to make this a safe, enjoyable and memorable event.

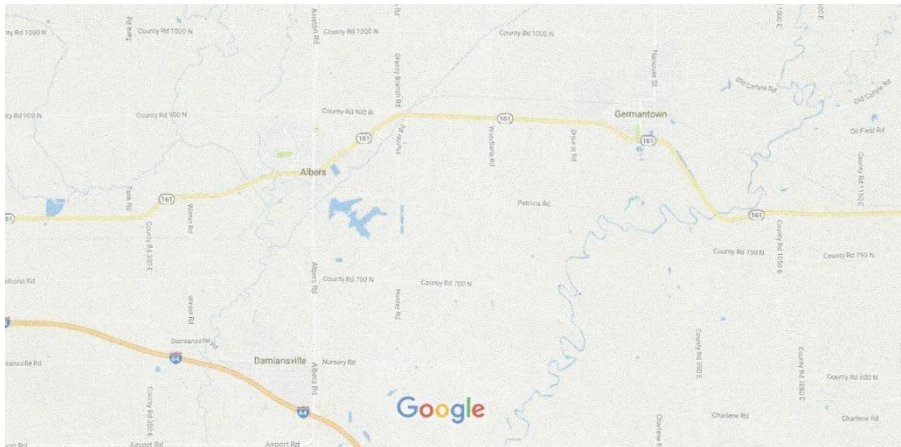
**SPECIAL BOOKS:** Take A Walk in a City Park, United States Post Offices, & Walking the USA A-Z



**Trip to private Fort:** A shuttle bus will be available from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm for walkers to tour the private fort. The fort contains old log cabins that have been moved to the fort from their original locations, antiques and an arrow head collection. The ride to the fort is provided by the Germantown Historical Society for a donation.



**DIRECTIONS:** From Interstate 64 take exit 34 north on Albers Road toward Albers. Continue on Albers Road to State Route 161. Turn right onto State Route 161, Continue on State Route 161 to Germantown, Turn left on Hanover Street. Turn right on Sycamore Street. Continue on Sycamore Street to Red Schoendienst Park. Please park in designated parking area. (Enter 102 East Park Road, Germantown, IL in the GPS to arrive at park.)



# Germantown's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## Spassfest Volksmarch (Walk)

A Non-competitive 5k & 10k Walk Credit Only

Presented by Illinois Trekkers

**Saturday August 19, 2017**

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