



The Boulevard Walk

Saturday, August 26, 2017
Belleville, IL



Distances: 5K & 10K Rating: 1B

EVENT: MA17 - 107951

SPONSORED BY: THE GATEWAY MILERS

Signal Hill Lutheran Church **8100 W. Main St. Belleville, IL 62223**

DIRECTIONS: From St Louis MO:

From **I-64** take the **IL-157** exit, **EXIT 9**, toward **Caseyville**. Then 0.38 miles merge onto **IL-157** toward **Centreville/Our Lady of the Snows Shrine**. Then 1.87 miles turn **left** onto W Main St. At 1.71 miles Signal Hill Lutheran Church, 8100 W Main St, Belleville, IL, is on the **right**.

Special Events: *Walking the United States,*
Walking the USA A-Z,
Walk the USA-Street by Street



The Signal Hill Neighborhood, located high above the bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River, is a little-known gem – part of the greater St. Louis metropolitan area. Plotted as a planned community in 1904, construction of the beautifully maintained bluff-top homes draw their unmistakable, elegant, antebellum style from the use of building materials recycled from the St. Louis World's Fair. Set on several secluded blocks, the streets are divided by landscaped, broad, grassy medians, which remain to this day, adding grandeur to the tree-lined Boulevard.

Some of the earliest Signal Hill homes display elements of the Victorian era. In the 1920's the neighborhoods of Country Club Place and Oak Knoll began and the Tudor Revival style was popular. This style had been transported to America by the troops returning from England and France after WWI.

***Thank you to the Signal Hill Neighborhood Association for their assistance and historical information.

WHAT IS A VOLKSMARCH? A volksmarch is a leisurely walk through a scenic, historic, and/or interesting area over a clearly marked trail. The walk is family oriented, non-competitive walk done at your own pace. An achievement program of logbooks is available to keep track of your accomplishments.

START LOCATION: Signal Hill Lutheran Church, 8100 W. Main St., Belleville, IL 62223 (see map on back cover)

PARKING: Signal Hill Lutheran Church and street parking.

TIME: Start time is between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. You must be finished by 1 p.m.

REGISTRATION: Fee is \$3 for all walkers. Event will take place regardless of weather. No refund will be given. Event is open to the public. This event counts toward acquisition of IVV achievement awards. An adult must accompany children under the age of 12. Leashed pets are allowed (not inside church).

PROCEDURE: Every walker must fill out a start card and sign it before starting the walk. Carry this card with you on the walk. Start cards remain the property of the Gateway Milers and must be returned when the walk is completed.

TRAIL: The trail consists of a 5K and a 10K walk marked with arrows, streamers and chalk. Enjoy the beauty of Signal Hill neighborhoods, an asphalt bike trail, and Mount Hope Cemetery (gravel trail).

AWARD: This is a “credit only” event.

REFRESHMENTS: Water and restrooms available at the start/finish.

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SANCTION: Sanctioned by the American Volkssport Association (AVA), a member of the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV). IVV books, event and distance, are available at the start/finish for \$6.00 each. New Walker packets are available for those that wish to participate in IVV/AVA award programs.

DISCLAIMER: The sponsors of this event cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen items, accidents or injury at any time. Every reasonable effort will be made to make the event safe and enjoyable.

DIRECTIONS: See Back Cover

GATEWAY MILERS WALKING CLUB
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WEBSITES:

Gateway Milers --- <http://www.gatewaymilers.org/>

AVA Headquarters ---- <http://ava.org/>