The north end of the Lick Run Greenway is accessed from the parking lot of Target on Valley View Blvd NW. Proceed southwest on the Lick Run Greenway.

Barbara Duerk, Lick Run Greenway bridge across I-581

The Lick Run Greenway bridge across I-581 is the result of Barbara Duerk’s persistence. Because of her constant campaigning, VDOT included the bike/ped bridge with the Valley View interchange project on I-581. She received the 2015 RIDE Solutions Bike Hero Award in recognition of her advocacy.

Continue on the Lick Run Greenway. (Construction on 10th St NW may cause rough terrain, gravel and mud. Cross 10th St into Brown-Robertson Park, and resume the Lick Run Greenway.)

Brown-Robertson Park, 913 NW Shadeland Ave

One victim of the flood of ’85 was the neighborhood of Shadeland Avenue with its nice homes, now the site of the Brown Robertson Park. Two other victims were residents of Shadeland Ave, Mrs. Brown the taxi driver and Mrs. Robertson who operated a daycare. Both women drowned in the flood.

Continue east on Lick Run Greenway

At Orange Ave SW, continue south on Gainsborough Rd NW

Right on Harrison Ave NW

Lucy Addison, 523 Harrison Ave NW

Lucy Addison came to Roanoke in 1886 to teach African-American students. She was the first president of the Harrison School which was built for African-American students in 1917. She lobbied for high school accreditation of the Harrison School, and in 1924 the first students received high school diplomas. A new high school for African-Americans built in 1928 on Orange Avenue was named for her. That building is now a magnet middle school, and the Harrison School is an apartment building.

East on Harrison Ave NW

Right on Gainsborough Ave NW
Left on Wells Ave NW
Right on Henry ST NW
Continue south on Martin Luther King, Jr Memorial Bridge
Left on Salem Ave SW
Right on Jefferson St SW
Left on Kirk Ave SW
Right into Century Plaza

**Pearl Fu, 14 Church Ave SE**

*Pearl Fu is Roanoke’s goodwill ambassador, a liaison to immigrant populations and a one-woman welcoming committee. She is best known for her leadership of the Local Colors annual festival from 1995 – 2014, which grew to over 100 nations and up to 30,000 participants, with numerous smaller festivals throughout the year and other programs promoting diversity and multicultural understanding. She selected one of Roanoke’s seven sister-cities, Yunnan province, which is not only her birthplace but has similar plants and mountains as the Roanoke Valley.*

Continue south through Century Plaza
Right on Church Ave SW
Left on 2nd St SW
Right on Luck Ave SW

**Jefferson Hospital School of Nursing, 309 Luck Ave SW**

*The Roanoke Valley Regional Commission building is all that remains of the hospital and nursing school that once filled the paid parking lot. Dr. Hugh Trout Sr needed nurses for his new hospital, named in honor of Thomas Jefferson. Six nurses graduated in the first class in 1917.*

Continue west on Luck Ave SW
Right on 5th St SW
Left on Moorman Ave NW
Right on 10th St NW
Left on Madison Ave NW
Right on 16th St NW
Right on Norris Dr NW
Left on Lick Run Greenway