

U.S. GRANT PILGRIMAGE

“USS Galena”



August 27th-29 th
Galena, Illinois

Register today at: www.blackhawkhub.org/events/23526

Celebrating its 67th Anniversary, the U.S. Grant Pilgrimage is a weekend full of Scouting activities. Take part in the fun, activity, and friendship of Scouting with Scouts from around the region. The number one annual Scouting event for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers.

Join us for the weekend while camping at Canyon Camp, Dittmar Farms, Village of Elizabeth, Stockton Schools, or other partner locations. Your program event and camping fees are covered for \$22/person. Unable to camp for the weekend with your unit? Join us for the main event for \$10/person.

If camping at one of our partner locations (registered through our online portal) your registration packet will be picked up at your camping location, but be sure to stop by registration to sign-up for the parade and bucket brigade if you're interested. If not camping with us, your unit will need to visit registration at the Galena Bible Church for your registration packet. Once checked-in, enjoy your time as you take part in one of the Midwest's biggest and best Scouting adventures.

Your registration includes, admission to the Pilgrimage event, Historical Museums, Blacksmith Shop, Civil War encampment, Grant's Home, Bucket Brigade, Parade, Trail Hike, History Hunt, Shuttle Bus services, Church services, and our exclusive event patch. Additionally, the Trail Hike patch and History Hunt patch will be awarded upon completion.

This year's theme, USS Galena, highlighting history of the Civil War Iron Clad ship named after Galena.

Pilgrimage Events

The weekend will be full of activities:

- > Trail Hike Open all day.

Participants will receive a map with 16-18 questions. The answers to these questions are placed at historically significant places around Galena. The hike is approximately 5 miles and takes 2-3 hours to complete. **Hikers who complete the trail need to show proof of completion at the Trading Post and will then receive the limited Trail Hike Patch.**

- > Bucket Brigade Open from 9:00am to 11:00am

A team competition where the team puts out "the fire" by passing buckets of water down the line. Schedule a time when checking in at Registration between 9-11am.

- > Parade Line up at 1:00pm (1:30 start time)

- Sign up for the Parade at check in to receive your section assignment in the parade.
- > History Hunt 9:00am to 11:30am
 - The History Hunt is an interactive scavenger hunt to find the Galena Generals and get 14 to 16 questions answered. This can be completed concurrent with the trail hike. Once completed turn in the answer sheet at the Trading Post and receive the History Hunt Patch. *Patch is included in registration fee.*
- > Visiting the museums and other historical sites of Galena
- > Cub Scout activity area (sponsored by Wulapeju Lodge-Order of the Arrow)
- > Patch Trading
- > Civil War and Revolutionary war Re-enactors
 - Civil War Battle at 11:30am**
- >Original Craftsmanship Demonstrations held at Grant Park.
- > Live historical exhibits such as pottery, wood carving, buck skinning, neckerchief slide carving and more

Museum Tours – Included with Wristband

Every registered person will receive a wristband for admittance to the various places of interest. Leaders must make sure that their Scouts receive and wear this wristband. If the Scouts do not wear the wristband, they will need to pay the full museum price instead of being admitted for free. *No exceptions will be made on the admission fees. This includes adults. All youth and adults MUST register.*

Parking

FREE parking is available at the elementary/middle/high schools and Galena Bible Church. Shuttle service will be provided from these lots to Turner Hall (Trading Post) and back. Other parking lots require parking fees. Failure to pay at these non-complimentary lots will result in a parking ticket.

Registration Information

- Pilgrimage Fee
 - \$12.00 per participant (including adults).
 - Units can register online at <https://blackhawkhub.org/events/23526>
 - Registrations received by July 2nd will be guaranteed to receive patches at the event.
 - Registrations received after July 2nd, may not receive patches at the event.
- Paper Registrations are accepted at Blackhawk Area Council service center
 - Blackhawk Area Council, 2820 McFarland Rd, Rockford IL 61107.
- If camping with a council partnering location the registration is \$22 which includes program and camping fees. The unit registration packet will be picked up when checking into the camping location-no need to come to check at registration in Galena.
 - ***If planning on being in the parade and participating in the bucket brigade you will need to visit registration.***
- Registered participants will receive:
 - Our multi-color event patch
 - Wristband for free admission to area attractions
 - Pilgrimage Trail literature
 - Trail Patch (Pending completion with correct answers)
 - ***Turn in at table in front of Turner Hall/Trading Post***
 - History Hunt literature (Pending Completion with correct answers)
 - ***Turn in at table in front of Turner Hall/Trading Post***
- Every participant must register with the Pilgrimage. Registration will be checked.

Registering *in advance of the event* assure your unit patches will be in Galena for pick up.

Please Note: There are no refunds of registration fees. Registration fees can be transferred to another youth or adult.

Check-in

- Check-in will be at the Galena Bible Church, 11108 US-20 Galena IL, 61036.
- Friday, August 27th – 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- Saturday, August 28th -- 8:00 am to noon

Trading Post –Friday 4-7:00pm; Saturday 8:30-1:00pm and 2- 5:00pm

Turner Hall is the site of the official Trading Post. This is where you will be able to purchase previous collectibles such as hat pins, mugs, patches, t-shirts, and other Pilgrimage souvenirs.

New for 2021 is our online trading post at www.pilgrimage.sgtradingpost.online. Preorder hoodies, rain gear, T-shirts, Polos Active gear and other pilgrimage items.

This is also the location to turn in your trail hike and history hunt sheets to receive your patches.

Pilgrimage Item Prices

- 3.5” 2021 Event Patch \$5.00
- Limited 2021 6” Patch \$8.00
- Previous year Pilgrimage collectibles available at reduced prices
- Online items including:
 - Screen print pullover hoodie
 - Screen print T-shirt
 - Water proof jacket
 - Fleece jacket
 - Embroidered Field shirt
 - Embroidered Pullover Hoodie
 - Wicking Polo
 - Wicking T-shirt
 - Back Pack

Unit Recognition Awards

- Unit coming the farthest away
- Troop with the largest contingent of Scouts BSA youth
- Pack with the largest contingent of Cub Scouts
- Crew with the largest contingent of Venture youth
- Unit must be registered by August 22nd, 2021
- These awards will be presented at registration when units sign-in.

Pilgrimage Schedule

- Friday, August 27th
 - Registration – 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
 - Trading Post – 4:00pm to 7:00 pm

- Saturday, August 28th
 - 8:00 am - Noon - Registration
 - 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Trail Hike
 - 9:00 am - 11:00 am - Bucket Brigade Relay
 - 8:30 am - Noon - Cub Scout Activity Area – Grant Park
 - 8:30 am - Noon - Crafter Activity Area – Grant Park
 - 8:30 am - 1:00 pm - Trading Post Open – Turner Hall
 - 9:00 am – 11:30 - History Hunt
 - 11:30am - Civil War Battle along River below the Hwy 20 Bridge.
 - 1:00 pm - Parade line up begins.
 - 1:30 pm - Flag raising ceremony in Market House Square and Parade
 - 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Resume Regular Trail Hike.
 - 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Trading Post Open – Turner Hall
 - 4:00 pm - Catholic Service St Mary's Church *= Covid permitting
 - 4:00pm - Non-Denominational Service First United Methodist Church*
 - 5:30pm - Catholic Service St Michael's Church*

- Sunday, August 29th
 - Have a safe trip home

Camping Facilities

**[Camp with us at Canyon Camp by registering online](https://blackhawkhub.org/events/23526) (<https://blackhawkhub.org/events/23526>)
Registration and Camping Fees will be combined \$22.**

If your unit wishes to camp at Stockton High School, West Cross Rd, Stockton Schools, Dittmar Farms, or the Village of Elizabeth please register online today! These fill-up fast:

<https://blackhawkhub.org/events/23526>

- New Camping Opportunities
 - 1602 North Cross Rd.
 - Limited to 3 Troops limited parking 2-3 vehicles per unit. Rustic camping with a local Scout unit bring in water.
 - Stockton High School
 - 540 Rush St. Stockton IL
 - Camping on school practice fields behind school just off Highway 20
 - Room for 170 campers.
 - Dittmar Farms
 - 256 S Grebner Rd, Elizabeth, IL 61028
 - Room for 100 campers
 - Village of Elizabeth
 - Terrapin Park, 350 West St, Elizabeth, IL 61028
 - Room for 100 campers on the Baseball out field

Registration and Camping are combined through Pilgrimage Web site:

<https://blackhawkhub.org/events/23526>

If you have any issues registering online, please contact Emily Cross at 815-397-0210.

Council Camping locations fill up fast. Please get your units spot early. Camping fee for the weekend is \$22 per person. Registration and camping are combined.

Other Things to Remember

- Every unit must have two-deep leadership and follow all YPT protocols
- Have in possession copies of individual medical history with parent approval in case of an emergency.
- Leadership by example. Adults and senior youth are reminded that we have an obligation to be that positive role model and display a positive image to the public.
- Complaints in previous years have prompted the Galena Chamber of Commerce to work towards restricting the sale of hazardous toys in Galena. All adults are strongly urged to do their part also. Please discourage your Scouts from bringing, buying, or possessing any hazardous or annoying articles such as snappers, slingshots, whips, pea shooters, squirt guns. Remember Scouts BSA Cell phone usage rules etc.
- Because we are in the Scout uniform at a Scouting event for the weekend, adults should not have adult beverages. It is the responsibility of adults to be a positive role model.
- Be prepared, to be responsible, face masks may be required by the state of IL, as good citizens, we follow all rules outlined to us by the city, state, and our Country.

Patch Trading Information

A popular activity at the Pilgrimage is patch trading. The Market House will again be the location for patch trading. All patch traders must register with the Pilgrimage to participate. Only trading will be allowed – NO cash sales. The trading area will be supervised. A Galena city ordinance prohibits the peddling of goods – including patches. This ordinance will be enforced by the police. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS MADE!!**

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