



## Troop 23 U.S. Grant Pilgrimage - Galena, IL April 26th-28th, 2019

### General Description:

The first Ulysses S. Grant Boy Scout Pilgrimage was a weeklong celebration starting on Saturday, April 23, 1955 founded by Virginia Carroll and Ruth Turner. There were 444 boy scouts from 37 different troops and three states in attendance. Today- this event draws between 3,000 and 5,000 scouts and scouters. This year's theme, Spirits of 1869, highlighting events that took place in 1869 and some of the Spirits in Galena's History. Some of the fun activities that are planned include:

**Trail Hike** Scouts 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 will receive the Pilgrimage Trail medal. Trail medal is included in registration.

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

### **Parade**

**History - Hunt** There will be changes coming to this activity, it will be like the Trail hike, but focused on the Generals. When complete come to the Trading Post to purchase the hat pin for \$TBD.

### **Patch Trading**

**Civil War Battle** Civil War and Revolutionary Re-enactors at 11:30am

**Live historical exhibits** will include pottery, spinning, wood carving, clay molded animals, blacksmith, broom making, buck skinner, neckerchief slide carving.

**Museum Tours** – Included with Wristband Every registered person will receive a wristband for the various places of interest.

### Departure Information: PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE!

Meet at the Community Presbyterian Church at 5pm with a prompt departure time of 5:30pm.

### Permission Slips and Waivers:

Permission slips and fees need to be returned by the beginning of the meeting on April 11th 2019 or dropped at the Brock's house no later than 4/14/19.

### Cost:

The cost of this outing is \$53 per person.

\*Also may want to send some spending money with your scouts who will have a chance to enjoy the town a bit!

### Gear Needed.

Keep an eye on the weather! Please make sure to pack accordingly. A recommended list of items is available on the Troop 23 website <http://www.troop23.org/media/wintergear.pdf>

### Travel information:

It is mandatory that you wear your scout shirt on this outing. Travel Time is about one hour!

Please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions about the outing.

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