



Girl Scouts at Gettysburg

Seniors



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Badge Connection: Textile Artist – The textile art of sewing was a part of a young lady’s education in the 19th century. Make a Homestead Orphanage ornament with Miss Liz who has been sewing for over 30 years.



Jennie Wade Story

Tour the home where “Jennie” and her family stayed during the battle of Gettysburg. Join the experienced guides of the Jennie Wade House Museum as they recount Jenny’s family struggle during the fateful battle that struck this quiet town and rocketed one young girl’s tragic death into the hearts of many and the pages of history.



Badge Connection: Novelist - Create great characters based on what you have learned about Jennie, her family and her friends. Develop a plot with a setting in Gettysburg. Enjoy writing your mini historical fiction novel.



Guided Battlefield Monument Walk – History & Art in Granite

Experience where history and art meet. Join a Licensed Battlefield Guide to learn about the battle and the monuments placed on the battlefield to commemorate the sacrifices by both armies in the summer of 1863.



Badge Connection: Outdoor Art Expert – Whether you are journaling about the sites that you see or using photography to capture the images on your walk, this will surely be an outdoor art experience to remember.



Dig Deeper!!!!

Ask an expert...secure a time to visit with a local sculptor. Meet Gary Casteel at his studio and learn about the process he used to create the Longstreet statue placed on the battlefield.

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Battlefield Bike Tour with a Licensed Battlefield Guide

Be an “adventurer” and ride along with Gettysbike Tours and a Licensed Battlefield Guide for an active battlefield tour.

Badge Connection: Adventurer- Does a biking adventure speak to you? This tour will put your biking skills to the test as well as immerse you in our Nation’s history. Make sure to capture this unique adventure with your camera.



Adams County Arts Council & Cooking Experiences

Take a cooking class from a Master Chef as he leads your troop in preparing a meal using ingredients sourced from local farms.



Badge Connection— Locavore— Create a local ingredient meal with an expert!



Read it! Love it! Live it!

Two Girls of Gettysburg by Lisa Klein



Lizzie and Rosanna are cousins. But when the Civil War breaks out, Lizzie finds herself committed to the cause of the Union, while Rosie is swept up in the passions of the old south. Torn in their alliances, each girl finds herself grappling with the brutality of war, and the elusive promise of love, until the battle at Gettysburg brings them together once again.

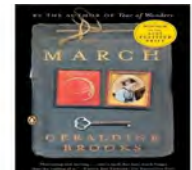
The Widow of the South, by Robert Hicks



Civil War buff Robert Hicks based his 2005 novel on the true story of a Confederate woman who devoted herself to giving Southern soldiers a proper burial – in her own backyard. The novel begins in 1894 when, the protagonist, Carrie McGavock, is an elderly woman. An equally elderly soldier – who turns out to be her lost love – shows up at her door. and asks if he too can be buried in her personal graveyard.

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“March”, by Geraldine Brooks



Blending one great fictional tale into another, this 2006 Pulitzer Prize winner imagines the wartime experiences of Mr. March, the father of the four girls in Louisa May Alcott's classic "Little Women." In a review for the Monitor, book critic Ron Charles wrote that, "The great philosophical and military clashes of 19th-century America come excitingly alive in this carefully researched novel."



Girl Scouts at Gettysburg Cadettes



Shriver House Museum

Travel back in time with a guide in period attire as you walk through the Shriver's restored 1860 home to learn the other side of the story – the civilian side of the battle. Connect to the past as you listen to the story of George, Hettie, Sadie (7) and Mollie (5) unfold as you move from room to room.

Badge Connection: Field Day – Talk to an expert and learn about the toys and games that Sadie and Mollie would have played with at their Baltimore Street home. Research games and toys of the 19th century and get ready to host a historical game day of your own.



Day and Night in Gettysburg

Town Tour – Walk the streets of Gettysburg led by a Licensed Town Guide. Learn about the people and the places that are forever etched in our Country's history. Explore this sleepy little town that was forever changed in the summer of 1863.

The Southside Tour: The original Truth or Scare Tour with a *Ghostly Images* Guide. Take a leisurely stroll along South Baltimore Street, a few back streets, and an alley. Stop along the way for a variety of stories, legends, folklore, and some make believe! Can you guess which stories are true and which were made to scare you?



Badge Connection: Night Owl - How does the look and feel of the town of Gettysburg change from daytime to nighttime?



Gettysburg National Military Park Visitor Center's

Film, Cyclorama & Museum

Begin with the New Birth of Freedom film to learn about the causes of the Civil War and how the armies met in Gettysburg. Be amazed by the Cyclorama's sound and light presentation of Pickett's Charge. Explore the Museum's 12 Galleries filled with artifacts, short films and interactive displays.

Badge Connection: Trail Adventure – You have completed your research with your day at the Visitor Center and now you are ready to hike on the Billy Yank (10.3 miles) and the Johnny Reb (4.2) Trails. A guide for hiking is available at the Visitor Center.



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Living History (Where Performance Arts & History Meet!)



Life of a Union Soldier

Enjoy this indoor living history presentation of what life would have been like for the Union soldiers that fought at Gettysburg. This performance will truly transform you to another place and time.

Life of a Confederate Soldier

Learn what life was like for the Confederate soldiers during the Gettysburg Campaign. This is an outdoor presentation with light walking in historic Gettysburg.

Badge Connection: Explore Art Outdoors – Performance Art - Compare the experience of seeing an indoor soldier presentation and an outdoor soldier presentation.



Adams County Arts Council & Cooking Experiences

Take a cooking class from a Master Chef as he leads your troop in preparing New Cuisine of your choice!

Badge Connection: New Cuisine -

Make cuisine from another country or another region of the USA. Bon Appetit!



Read it! Love it! Live it!

Bull Run by Paul Fleischman. (Grades 5-8). Sixteen different voices narrate this story: soldier and civilian, slave and free, male and female, young and old, Yankee and Confederate. All tell the tale of how their lives were changed by the First Battle of Bull Run, the first major conflict of the Civil War. This book won the Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction and made many 1993 and 1994 best books lists.

My Last Skirt: The Story of Jennie Hodgers, Union Soldier by Lynda Durrant. (Grades 5-8). Jennie Hodgers was a real woman who lived her life dressed as a man, from the time she left Ireland through her three years with the 95th Illinois Infantry. She even kept up the disguise after the war; her true identity was discovered shortly before her death.

Girl in Blue by Ann Rinaldi. (Grades 5-8). Sixteen-year-old Sarah Louisa has no intention of allowing herself to be forced into marriage, so she disguises herself as a boy and runs off to join the 2nd Michigan Infantry. Although she is eventually found out, she winds up working as a spy for Allan Pinkerton's fledgling Secret Service. Excitement, intrigue and a spunky heroine make this a great read for girls who don't picture themselves as Scarlett O'Hara-type Southern belles.



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Badge Connection: Playing The Past - Become a young lady of the Homestead and make an ornament with Miss Liz as she teaches you the fine art of sewing and tells you tales of life at the Orphanage and Gettysburg long past.



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Badge Connection: Scribe - Write An Article – You have learned the Who? What? When? Where? & How? of Jennie’s fateful day. Now do a news story about Jennie and her family describing the events of July 3rd 1863.



Guided Battlefield Monument Walk – Where History & Outdoor Art Meet

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Badge Connection: Outdoor Art Explorer – Be A Nature Photographer – Explore the Monument structures big and small... this a great place to take macro and micro shots of art in the outdoors.



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Hollabaugh Bros. Fruit & Farm Market

There are so many fun activities to do at this local farmer's market and orchard. You can learn about the importance of bees during your bee room presentation! Take a tour of the orchard! Do some cider sampling! Enjoy an apple dumpling demonstration and take a dumpling home!!

Badge Connection: Simple Meals – Create a Delicious Dessert – After you learn how to make an apple dumpling from an expert, find a recipe and make some to share with your family & friends.



Badge Connection: Flowers – Find Out How Flowers Help People - An apple blossom is a flower that turns into fruit. Learn all about nature's apple magic!

Adams County Arts Council & Cooking Experiences

Another Simple Meals Badge Connection! Take a cooking class from a Master Chef as he leads your troop in preparing a "simple meal" of your choice! Bon Appetit!



Read it! Love It! Live It!

Ghost Cadet by Elaine Marie Alphin. (Grades 3-5). Benji, who spends the summer with his grandmother in Virginia, feels miserable and lonely until he makes a new friend—the ghost of a cadet killed at the Battle of New Market in 1864! Only Benji can help his new friend solve a problem that's been bugging him for over a century. In the process, he learns what it means to be a hero, and what it means to be a friend.

Pink and Say by Patricia Polacco. (Grades 3-5). Pinkus Aylee, a former slave turned Union soldier, saves the life of a young Confederate named Sheldon Curtis (also known as Say). The two become close friends who stick together right up until the end when they are torn apart. Their story is told from the point of view of Say, who was one of the author's own ancestors

Ghosts of the Civil War by Cheryl Harness. (Grades 3-5). This graphic novel-style book tells the story of Lindsey, who is less than enthused about attending a Civil War reenactment until she meets a young boy who turns out to be the ghost of Willie Lincoln! Willie (son of Abe) takes her on a time traveling trip where he explains what caused the war, how it developed and how it ended.

The Civil War for Kids: A History with 21 Activities by Janis Herbert. (Grades 3-5). This is definitely the book for readers who prefer to be doers, as it provides a wealth of hands-on activities to accompany the information it provides. As he reads about battles, leaders and everyday life during the Civil War, your budding historian will also learn to build a lean-to shelter, bake hardtack, create a secret code and make



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