



## Troop 349

### Historic Trail Campout

### Gettysburg National Military Park

January 29-31, 2016



General Lewis Armistead seizing a Union cannon in the course of Pickett's Charge.



Colonel Joshua Chamberlain leading Union troops in the battle for Little Round Top.

We will be hiking at the Gettysburg National Military Park on January 30-31. Called the “high water mark” of the Civil War, the Battle of Gettysburg incurred over 51,000 casualties, and – together with victory at Vicksburg – marked the beginning of the end of the Civil War. It would rage on two more years, but would be largely a defensive war for the Confederacy, thereafter fought in the South. Our two hikes will fulfill some of the requirements for the Gettysburg Heritage Trails Program and Scouts will earn temporary patches that they can wear on their uniforms. Our tour of the battlefield will afford us a vivid example of our heritage as American citizens. For regardless of when and how we came to this country, we all share in the legacy of the Battle of Gettysburg...



Activities for Saturday and Sunday are as follows:

On Saturday, we will arrive at Gettysburg National Military Park, tour the visitor center, and hike the 4-mile Johnny Reb trail winding through the battlefield. This hike will take around three hours, and will familiarize the Scouts with the Confederate line and positions during the three days of the battle.

On Sunday, we will break camp, return to Gettysburg National Military Park, and then walk the Historic Gettysburg Trail. This three mile trail is a hike through downtown Gettysburg and will take around three hours. It will help the Scouts imagine what it was like to live in Gettysburg in July 1863. We will then conclude our campout with the after-action review we always conduct on our campouts, and then return home.

The Scouts will earn the Historic Gettysburg patch, as well as the Johnny Reb rocker and the Historic Gettysburg Walk patch segment. These can be worn as temporary patches on the right pocket of the Boy Scout uniform.

We will be tent camping at a BSA camp called Camp Tuckahoe in Dillsburg, Pennsylvania, just a half-hour's drive from Gettysburg National Military Park. We will set up our campsite Friday evening after we arrive, and take it down before we depart for Gettysburg on Sunday morning. The campout participants will be provided with the rules of the Camp on the way up to it, and will be expected to abide them while we are guests there.

As we explore Gettysburg National Military Park, we are reminded that it is the site of an historic and tragic event in our nation's history. We are asked to behave in a manner respecting this, and preserving our troop's and the BSA's good name.



**Campout Schedule**  
**Friday, January 29, 2016**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
1500	GMHS RELEASE	
1630	Rally at American Legion parking lot	
1700	Depart American Legion parking lot	
1930	Arrive at Camp Tuckahoe	Check in and move to campsite
1930-2200	Set up camp/campfire	
2200	Lights out	

**Saturday, January 30, 2016**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
0700	Wake up	
0700-0845	Breakfast and clean-up	
0900	Depart camp for Gettysburg National Military Park	
0940	Arrive, park, unload and assemble for safety briefing and plan of the day	
0940-1340	Tour of Welcome Center/National Cemetery	Includes museum entry and film.
1340-1640	Lunch/Hike Johnny Reb Trail	
1640	Board vehicles and depart Gettysburg National Military Park	
1720-1900	Arrive at Camp Tuckahoe/Dinner/ Clean Up	
1930-2130	Campfire/Patrol Skits	Patrols should prepare skits
2200	Lights out	



## **Sunday, January 31, 2016**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>0700</b>	<b>Wake up</b>	
<b>0700-0815</b>	<b>Breakfast and clean-up</b>	
<b>0815-0900</b>	<b>Pack-up and depart for Gettysburg National Military Park</b>	
<b>0940-1240</b>	<b>Hike the Historic Gettysburg Trail</b>	
<b>1240</b>	<b>Rally and conduct review of Campout</b>	
<b>1300</b>	<b>Board vehicles and depart for Falls Church</b>	
<b>1530</b>	<b>Arrive in Falls Church and unload vehicles</b>	

### **What to Wear:**

**It will be cold. Dress in layers to keep yourself warm.**

- Class A shirt, long pants and belt for trip to and from Camp Tuckahoe
- Class B shirt, long pants and belt and hat for hikes on Saturday and Sunday
- Cold weather jacket or parka
- Gloves or mittens
- Knit cap or beanie
- Balaclava or scarf
- A sweater or a fleece vest (no cotton!)
- Long, thick socks comfortable for hiking
- Hiking boots or shoes
- An inexpensive watch (preferably with an alarm)
- A day pack containing 2-3 bottles of water, lunch, sunscreen, and personal first aid kit.



## **Individual Packing List**

- Backpack or duffel bag
- Sleeping bag (rated for cold weather)
- Sleeping pad
- Tent for you and your tent-mates

The following items are to be packed inside your backpack or duffel bag:

- Three clean pairs of socks for Saturday, Sunday and an extra
- Three clean underwear for Saturday, Sunday and an extra
- Thermal underwear tops and bottoms
- 1-3 Class B shirts
- 1-3 long-sleeve shirts
- Cold weather jacket or parka
- Gloves or mittens
- Knit cap or beanie
- Balaclava or scarf
- A sweater or a fleece vest (no cotton!)
- A rain jacket (and rain pants, if possible)
- A deep bowl, a cup for drinks, and a spork or a spoon & fork
- Three 1-quart/1-liter water bottles
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Compass



- Money (for souvenirs and/or lunch on the way home; no more than \$20)
- Sunscreen and lip balm
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Note pad and pen
- Camera (optional)

**DO NOT BRING RADIOS, CD/MP3 PLAYERS OR VIDEO GAME DEVICES.**

