

WNY Niagara Heritage

For all age levels

Girl Scouts of Western New York (Legacy Niagara County Council of Girl Scouts, Inc.)

To earn the Niagara Heritage Patch, your troop or group must do the following activities for each age level:

Daisies One cultural field trip, one historical activity & Visit Niagara Falls

Brownies One pre-visit activity, one cultural field trip, one historical activity, visit Niagara

Falls, one post-visit activity

Juniors Two pre-visit activities, one cultural field trip, one historical fieldtrip, visit Niagara

Falls, one additional attraction of your choice two post-visit activities

Cadette, Senior & Two pre-visit activities, one cultural field trip, two historical field trips, Visit Niagara

Ambassadors Falls, two additional attractions of your choice and two post-visit activities

Pre-Visit Activities

- 1. Contact the Niagara County Tourism Office to gather information about Niagara County
- 2. Contact the Niagara Falls Convention and Visitors' Bureau to gather information about Niagara Falls
- 3. Check out the web sites for the Niagara Frontier area for additional information
- 4. Read a book about the Niagara Frontier area
- 5. Plan the Trip! Include plans for lodging, transportation, meals, agenda, scheduling, length of stay and financing of the trip
- 6. Research the history of the Tuscarora tribe of Native Americans that has a reservation in Niagara County
- 7. Research the connection that any one of the following people has to the Niagara Frontier area:

Red Jacket Father Hennepin Colonel William Johnson

Mary Brant Joseph Brant Colonel Porter

DeWitt Clinton Millard Fillmore Mary Jemison LaSalle

Laura Second Mark Twain

For Girl Scouts: Nellie Lytle Cornplanter

Buildings and Sites on the National Register of Historical Places

- Old Fort Niagara
- Frontier House, Lewiston
- Lewiston Burial Mound
- Lewiston Portage Landing Site
- Lockport Lowertown District
 Washington Hunt House
- Old Lockport City Hall
- Lockport Holly Water Works
- Canal Locks 34 & 35
- Canal Raceway
- DeVeaux School Historical District
- Old Niagara Falls Public Library
- Niagara Falls Reservation
- US Customs House
- Whitney Mansion, 335 Buffalo Ave., Niagara Falls
- Riviera Movie Theatre, North Tonawanda
- Holley-Ranke Home, 525 Riverside Dr., Niagara Falls
- Johann Williams House, Cayuga Dr., Bergholtz
- US Post Offices, Lockport Niagara Falls North Tonawanda & Middleport
- Fort Niagara Lighthouse

Cultural Field Trip Suggestions

Artpark - www.artpark.net

Tel. (716) 754-9001

4th Street, Lewiston, NY 14092

A public performing arts complex, that offers art, theater, and video camps for youth, and a variety of family programs on weekends. The park also includes numerous hiking trails, nature sites, fishing docks and picnic areas.

Niagara Arts and Cultural Center - www.thenacc.org

Tel. (716) 282-7530

1201 Pine Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14301

This center is home to more than 75 artists and art groups who offer adult and children classes to the public. Summer programs for kids offer an array of art, music, dance, and technology classes to elementary, middle and high school students.

Kenan Center - kenancenter.org

Tel. (716) 433-2617

433 Locust Street, Lockport, NY 14094

Restored mansion, gardens, special exhibits and shows throughout the year. Art exhibits are free to the public.

Castellani Art Museum at Niagara Univ - castellaniartmuseum.org Tel. (716) 286-8200 Lewiston Rd, Niagara University, NY Special displays and events. Free admission, donations welcome. Tuesday- Saturday: 11am-5pm; Sunday: 1pm-5pm

Wilson Historical Society - http://www.wilsonnewyork.com Lake Street, Wilson, NY 14172 Tel. (716) 751-9886

Eake Street, Wilson, William

Das Haus- German Heritage Museum - Niagara Rd., Bergholtz, NY 14304 Open Sunday from 1-5pm

Historical Field Trip Suggestions

Old Fort Niagara - Fort Niagara State Park, Youngstown, NY 14174; Tel. (716) 745-7611

Power Vista - 5777 Lewiston Road, Niagara Falls, NY 14305; Tel. (716) 285-3217 – Visitors' Center

Shoellkopf Geological Museum - Niagara Reservation State Park, Niagara Falls, NY 14305; Tel. (716) 278-1780

Historic Lockport Towpath Trolley - Call (716) 438-0174 for information and reservations

Lockport Locks and Erie Canal Tours - www.lockportlocks.com210 Market Street, Lockport, NY 14094

Tel. (716) 433-6155 or 1-800-378-0352

Belva Lockwood Memorial - Griswold Street, Middleport, NY 14105

Cobblestone Buildings

These buildings have the architecture that can only be found near the Erie Canal. Niagara County has 50 unique buildings and cobblestone tour maps are available online.

Lewiston, NY- Center St.; The most historic square mile in Western, NY

Lewiston Museum - 469 Plain, Lewiston, NY 14092; Tel. (716) 754-4214

Somerset Lighthouse-Golden Hills St. Park, Somerset, NY

Niagara University – Lewiston Rd, Niagara University

Niagara's Wax Museum - 303 Prospect Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14303; Tel. (716) 282-2542

Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum - 180 Thompson St., North Tonawanda, NY 14120 Tel. (716) 693-1885

Post-Visit Activities

- 1. Put together a scrapbook of facts about the Niagara Frontier area. Include drawings, newspaper articles, photos and pamphlets. Share with your troop or group or other troops/groups in your area
- 2. Find recipes that could have been prepared by early settlers of the Niagara Frontier region (English or French). Prepare and share the food with your troop/group.
- 3. Make some samples of artifacts from Fort Niagara. Be prepared to share your "artifacts" with your troop or group.
- 4. Write a brief report on one of the daredevils of Niagara and read the report to your troop/group.
- 5. Build a model of a Native American (Iroquois) longhouse and share the model, along with information on how and why it was used, when and by whom, with other girls.
- 6. Spend some time with another troop/group in your area sharing the knowledge you gained from your trip to Niagara Falls. Begin with your planning for the trip, the sights you were able to visit, the activities you chose to do to earn the patch, and any pictures, crafts, etc.
- 7. Prepare a collage of pictures of Niagara Falls (e.g. scenes at night, during the day, from the Maid of the Mist boat, in the winter, etc.)
- 8. Write a short article about the falls as a major power source
- 9. Do an activity with your family in a Niagara Frontier State Park

Helpful Numbers

Emergency	911
NYS Police Lockport	(716) 434-5588
Niagara	(716) 297-8831
Niagara County Sheriff	(716) 438-3393
Niagara County Fishing	877-FALLS-US
Niagara County Historian	(716) 439-7324
Niagara Parks Police	(716) 278-1770
Cobblestone Society & Museum	(585) 589-4355
14407 Ridge Rd., Albion NY	
Eastern Niagara Chamber of Commerce	(716) 433-3828
Niagara Falls Chamber of Commerce	(716) 285-9141
North Tonawanda Chamber of Commerce	(716) 692-5120
AAA- Lockport	(716) 434-2865
AAA- N. Falls	(716) 633-8363
Niagara Wax Museum	(716) 285-1271
Herschell Carousel Factory Museum	(716) 693-1885

Attractions

Niagara Falls State Park	(716) 278-1796	Observation Tower
Maid of the Mist	(716) 284-8897 May	/-Oct
Cave of the Winds	(716) 278-1730 Apri	l– Oct
Aquarium of Niagara	(800) 500-4609	
Niagara Legends Adventure	(866) 750-4629	