

Dear AHG Parents:

The first award that a new American Heritage Girl earns is called the Joining Award. We have created a file-folder book to help learn about AHG and to earn the Joining Award. The activities are designed to assist in completing the requirements for the award, and are meant to be fun, but are not required. Since this is our first time putting this together, we appreciate all input on whether or not the activities are effective (i.e. too hard, not age-appropriate, etc.) If you have suggestions for what else can be included, we'd love to know that, too!

There are two components to this packet: one: the Lapbook with complete directions included, and two: extra activity sheets and informational sheets for the various requirements.

LapBook: This was created by a mom and leader of an AHG troop somewhere in the country and she has shared with all who asked for it! Yeah! All directions and materials are included in the book. We've prepared this packet for one girl, but multiple girls can use it. There are extra sheets on our website if you need them. You should only need scissors, a glue stick, white paper, and a stapler. The front and back covers can be decorated with markers, stickers, etc. as well as the enclosed cut-outs. We'd love to see her creativity!

(For the part where it says, "Quicktime and a decompressor required to view this image", the image is an American Flag. Have your child draw a flag and discuss the number of stars and stripes and their meaning here in the pictures place.

Also: For the Creed booklet: When you open the flaps there is nothing on the inside. You can have your daughter write either a definition of the word and/or the Bible verse that goes along with it. These are found in the Girl Handbook (new) on pages 15-17.)

The Req't #5 to memorize the Pledge of Allegiance is a new one for this year so that is why it is not included in the lapbook instructions. I have tried to create one for the Pledge so if it doesn't work or needs to be changed, please let me know.

Our first ceremony of the year is October 7 where the girls will receive their Joining Award. Be in contact with your daughter's Unit Leader about her progress on the Joining Award. We want to assist you in every way we can! We will have a table at our awards ceremony for lapbooks and for other badge projects.

If you have questions about putting the book together, please call or email me.

Have fun!

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