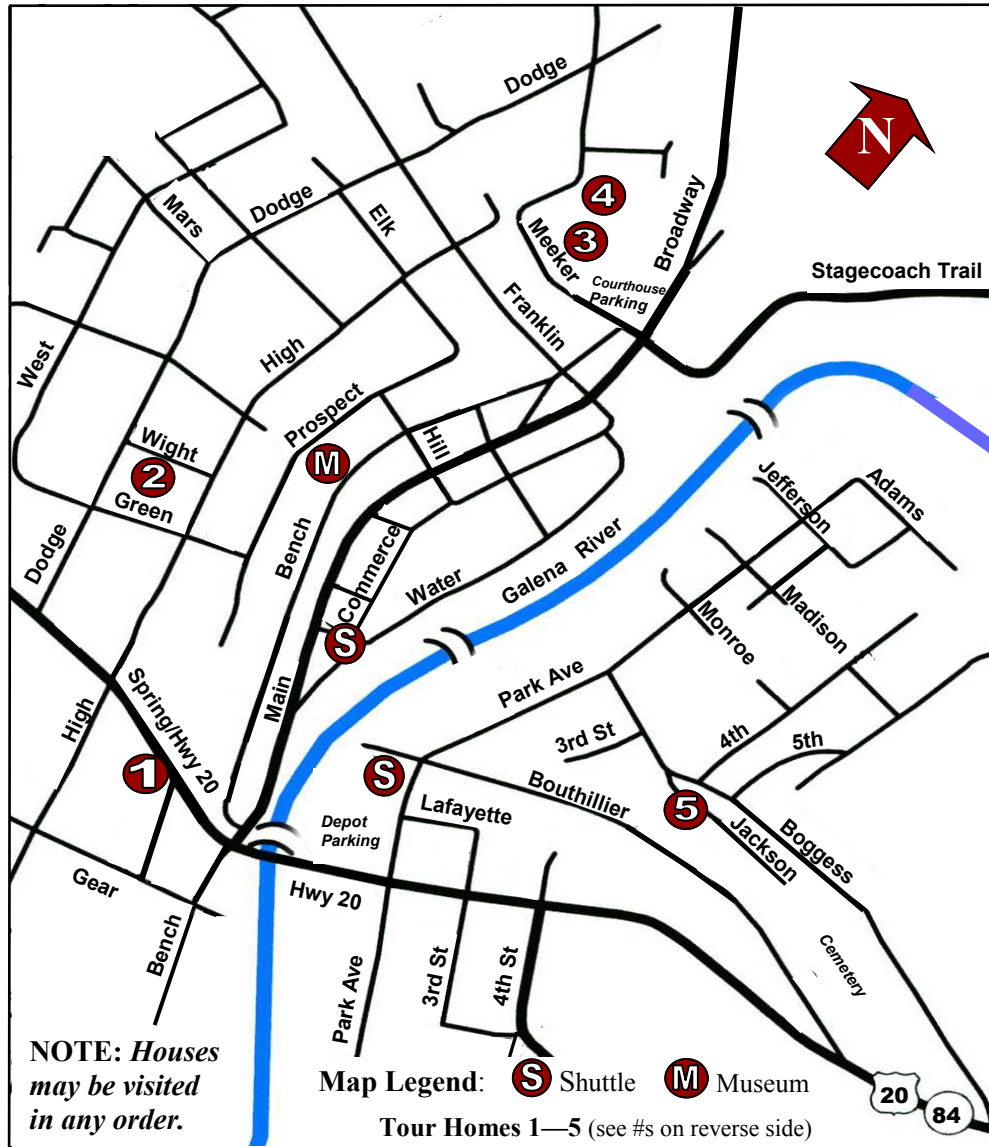


2011 HOME TOUR MAP



2012 HOME TOUR DATE: Sept. 29 & 30



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Early Galena merchant Daniel A. Barrows built this mansion in 1858. The architect was the same man who designed the U.S. Grant Memorial Home on Bouthillier Street. The home features four original Italian marble fireplaces, ornate ceiling moldings and the original wooden spiral staircase.

HOME TOUR TICKETS INCLUDE FREE MUSEUM ADMISSION ON TOUR WEEKEND.

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FARMERS' HOME HOTEL

1 (Farmer's Guest House)
334 Spring Street
Owners: Jess & Kathie Farlow



Originally built as a combination bakery, market, and boarding house, farmers who came to Galena from a distance to sell their wares could stay upstairs in this Italianate-style building. Built in 1867 for Casper and Balzar Vogel, descendants of the bakers' family occupied the site until 1978, just more than 111 years.

The building evolved as an antique shop, then a restaurant, as a series of owners remodeled the interior spaces.

The current owners purchased the property in 2001 and opened an inn with nine guest rooms and spacious common areas. Over time they tackled major restoration of the brick exterior, stabilized the structure, and installed period-appropriate shutters. They then turned their creative talents to the interior, creating luxurious and romantic spaces for guests to enjoy.

Historic architecture, vintage décor, lush gardens and patios, and its close proximity to downtown make this guest house a perennial favorite.

SMITH-STRYKER HOUSE

2 408 Wight Street
Owners: Marty & Jane Yates

Frank and Betsy Jane Smith built this charming two-story house in 1856. Frank was co-owner of the Fuller and Smith Company, wholesale grocers and agents for the Anchor Steamship Line. The two-over-two windows, small second story horizontal windows, and narrow sidelights with multi-paned lights above the centered front door are typical of the late 1850s.

The next owner, in 1877, was prominent local dentist, Dr. Franklin Stryker. A native of Prince Edward County, Ontario, he was one of eleven children. After teaching, then training as a dentist, Stryker moved to Galena in 1865. He worked the first year for Dr. J. Brown, taking over his dental practice in 1866 and marrying Dr. Brown's daughter, Jennie, soon after. The couple raised four children in the home.

After changing hands a number of times, the home was purchased by the current owners in 2009. Saffron-colored built-in cabinets surround the great room fireplace; original honey-hued pine flooring and open spaces make this a cozy home, with a wonderful garden area in the rear.



THE OLD COUNTY JAIL

3 319 Meeker
Owner: Michelangelo Alvarez



Built in 1878 at a cost of \$16,000, the Old County Jailhouse is Second Empire architecture three stories high with a Mansard roof. The top floor had six "airy apartments provided for evil-doers" according to the August 25, 1879 *Galena Daily Gazette*. The first and second floors were a residence for the Sheriff and his family.

As a security feature, the flooring and ceiling of the prisoner area were built of iron beams and brick arches, then covered with two-inch plank, then a heavy iron plate riveted solid. Now exposed as the second floor ceiling, the soaring brick arches provide a delightful industrial feel to the master suite and bedroom areas.

Sold by the County in the 1970s, the Old Jail sat empty and deteriorating until 2000 when new owners stabilized the structure and completely rebuilt its distinctive roof, showcased during the 2003 Tour.

In 2006 the current owner moved his eclectic collection in and eventually plans to create two condos on the upper floors.

SCHWATKA COTTAGE

4 411 Meeker
Owners: Jess & Kathie Farlow
House Managers: Bob Palmer & Jack Kirkby

This enchanting miner's cottage, nestled into the private hillside behind the Old Jailhouse, was built in 1846 by Frederick Schwatka. Market Master while in Galena, Schwatka had the heart of an explorer, leading a discovery team into Alaska in 1883 which resulted in a book of great geographical and cultural interest.

Originally a two story brick dwelling 30' x 16', the cottage was listed for sale in the January 11, 1853 *Weekly Northwestern Gazette*: "5 rooms and a kitchen - a first rate Cistern, holding between 70 and 80 barrels of water - a Cow Stable, Shed, and other conveniences. The whole is enclosed with a good substantial fence." Apparently the fence was not substantial enough, as just 10 months later Schwatka advertised a \$5 reward for the return of his stray three-year-old red heifer.

Purchased in 2008 by the current owners and enjoying its Home Tour debut, the secluded cottage with exposed stone walls is decorated in an artistic, whimsical style.



CROWLEY HOUSE

5 403 Jackson Street
Owners: Ron & Kris Chapman



James Crowley arrived in Galena in 1850, wed Mary Allwell and built this house in the mid-1850s. Mr. Crowley, a Civil War veteran of the 45th Illinois, served as East Galena Township Assessor for 30+ years.

The property originally faced Fourth Street, no longer used, which ran directly in front of the U.S. Grant Home, just above Crowley House. The Crowleys raised eight children in the original 1,000 sq. ft. 1850s structure that features first floor 24-inch thick stone walls, a warm fireplace and wide plank floors. A kitchen and bedroom were added in 1896. Crowley descendants owned the home for 90 years until 1946.

The house was last on Tour in 1978, after a renovation which added an office, side porch and garage. The current owners, who purchased it in 1989, made a final addition including a dining room, windowed garden room and exercise room in 2006. The property is eclectic in style, combining the original Federal structure with several additions that blend nicely into a pleasing whole.

TICKETS: \$15 each, \$13 in advance (before Sept. 15); children under 10 free with an adult. Tickets—good for either day—may be purchased on Tour weekend at the History Museum, the Gateway to History, the Old Train Depot, the DeSoto Hotel, and at each tour home. Advance tickets (non-refundable) are available at the Museum & Gateway to History, or call 815.777.9129 to charge to your MasterCard, Visa, Discover.

GROUPS: Groups of 15 or more may qualify for a 10% discount off regular ticket price if booked in advance. For information, call 815.777.9129.

PARKING: Parking is available at the city lot behind the Old Train Depot. Follow directional signs posted along U.S. Route 20. *NOTE: City parking fees apply!*

SHUTTLE: FREE transportation provided to all tour homes from the Old Train Depot Information Center, downtown Post Office, History Museum and each tour home. Look for the yellow school buses.

The Tour involves walking and several steep staircases, so please wear comfortable, sturdy shoes!

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