

# Alum Newsletter



## Adult Camping Weekend

Date: August 15-17, 2025

Location: Camp Laughing Waters

Adult Camping Weekend is a fun fundraising weekend for adults ages 18 and over. Come to camp for the day or for the weekend and relive your own camp memories or create new ones. You can participate in a variety of activities or sit under a tree and read a book. Whatever you choose to do is fine. Food is provided from Friday night snacks through Sunday breakfast. Our cooks are amazing, especially when it comes to dealing with special dietary issues. All funds, after expenses, are used to provide scholarships for Girl Scouts graduating from high school.

Registration has recently opened. Please [click here](#) or the button below to register.

If you are not able to attend the weekend but still want to contribute, click the "donate" button on the webpage. The more money we raise the more we can give to our girls!!

For questions or additional information contact Ann Donley at [anndonley28@gmail.com](mailto:anndonley28@gmail.com) or Deb Walters at [debwalters1256@gmail.com](mailto:debwalters1256@gmail.com).

REGISTER FOR ACW

## Alum News from Around the Council

### Berks County

For information regarding activities, or to offer to help plan an activity, please contact Sandy Faust at [wmnrsmttr@aol.com](mailto:wmnrsmttr@aol.com).

### Chester County

For information regarding activities, or just to indicate a willingness to participate, please contact Lori Lepard at [llepard@verizon.net](mailto:llepard@verizon.net). Don't forget to join the Chester County Alum Facebook Page by [clicking here](#) or the button below!

JOIN THE CHESTER COUNTY ALUM FB PAGE

### Delaware County



There was a fun family holiday event on November 30, 2024, with crafts and lots of food! They are considering having a party at an axe throwing venue on April 4, 2025. For more information contact Nicole Creely at [nicole.creely@gmail.com](mailto:nicole.creely@gmail.com) or go to their Facebook page by [clicking here](#) or the button below.

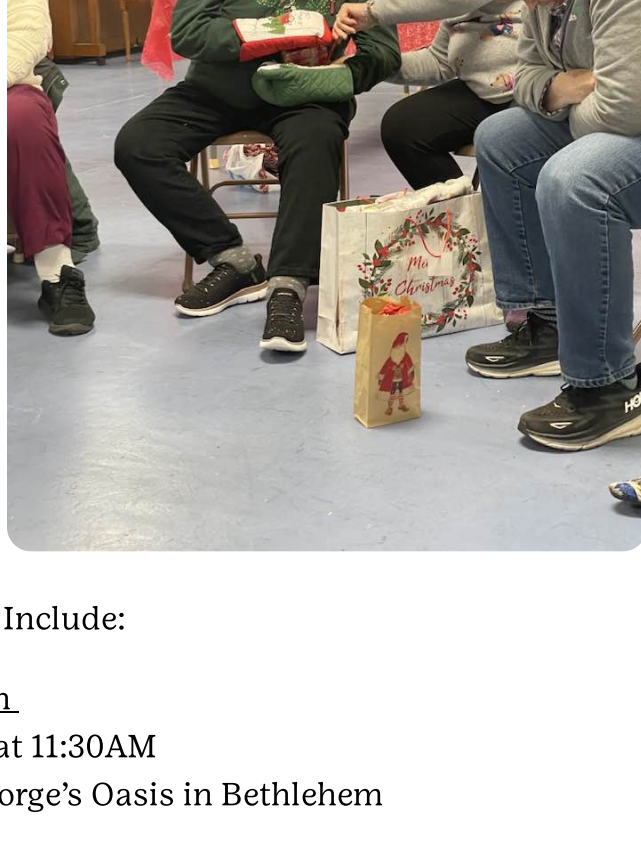
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### Greater Lehigh Valley



In December the Greater Lehigh Valley Alum Group had a fun holiday pot luck with games, crafts and delicious food! Several Alums attend glass fusion sessions together and many others enjoy our Lunch Bunch events.



Upcoming Events Include:

- Lunch Bunch**  
Date: May 9 at 11:30AM  
Location: George's Oasis in Bethlehem

RSVP to Janet Rosenberg 610-462-0564 (call & text) or email Janet at [janetbr1@yahoo.com](mailto:janetbr1@yahoo.com)

- Spring Camp Day**  
Date: May 20, Drop by anytime between 11:00AM & 6:00PM  
Location: Camp Mountain House

We will have a campfire, & crafts for those who are interested. More details on our Facebook page in April.

Join our Facebook Group by clicking here or the button below to find all of these activities on the Events page!

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### Shelly Ridge

[Girl Scout 113th Anniversary Tea Celebration](#)

Date: May 24

Location: Shelly Rideg Service Center

Bring your favorite tea sandwich to share. If you want, wear your favorite fascinator/hat and white gloves. To RSVP or if you have questions, contact Mary Jane Meconi at [amj4247@verizon.net](mailto:amj4247@verizon.net). You may also join their Facebook group by [clicking here](#) or the button below.

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## GSEP Alums are on Rallyhood!

Search for Alum/GSEP in Rallyhood. Then click on "GROUPS". There you will find all the GSEP Alum Rallies as they are created. You may join all of them to find Alum activities to attend in our Council. We will continue to maintain our

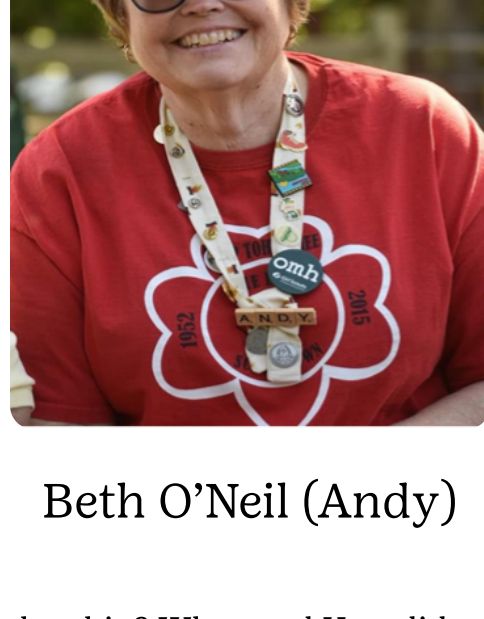
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## Alum Spotlight



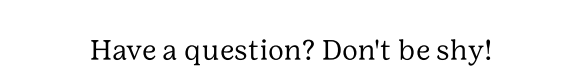
Diane Nordmark

- Why Lifetime membership? When and How did you get your Lifetime?  
2021- I figured I had finally paid in enough yearly dues (31!)
- What roles have you enjoyed in GS (past and present)?  
Like most busy alum I have worn many hats- troop leader, Service Unit Manager for many years, SU delegate, Delegate or Alt to National Convention 4X, outdoor & event director trainer, SUEd & SU events committee, council event committees like Time for You, FALL, GS Up Round Round Up, council awards committee, SU team many years to the present, etc.
- What has Girl Scouts done for YOU?  
GS has given me the privilege of helping girls grow & become strong women & leaders as well as helping me become a stronger woman & leader! Many of "my girls" still keep in contact with me & I have done wedding flowers for at least 4 of them. GS has given me a huge circle of Green friends, both local & across the country.
- How do you (or how do you want to) give back to Girl Scouts?  
I want to keep giving back to GS through the many experiences & trainings that I have had. I still have time and energy that I can share. I help with our team, council committees & our LV GS Alum group.
- Share one favorite GS memory!  
My last troop went to Savannah as our last hurrah. I had watched them grow for at least 6 years in GS with me (many said "please stay & be my leader- just one more year!" that was 11 years after my daughter graduated & I was her leader for 12 years- LOL) We had a fabulous week together there- doing all kinds of activities GS do there including great programs at the Birthplace. The last day we went to see Juliette's grave & did our last Scout's own, saying what GS meant to us. Oh, the tears flowed! What a wonderful way to wrap up all those years as a leader!  
Perry was in that troop & I watched her grow to serve as a girl delegate to the Board, GSEP delegate to Convention & now work at GSEP! Full circle.



Beth O'Neil (Andy)

- Why Lifetime membership? When and How did you get your Lifetime?  
After retiring from teaching, I decided I wanted to do something with my time, so I started to volunteer with troops in my area. After volunteering for so long, I purchased my Lifetime Membership. I purchased is around 5 years ago and then joined the Juliette Low Society by planning to donate money from my estate when I am gone to benefit future Girl Scouts through camp.
- What roles have you enjoyed in GS (past and present)?  
I have been an assistant leader for my daughter's Junior troop, a CIT, LIT, camp counselor, Site Director, and work currently in the Retail shop. I love seeing people and girls who enjoy Girl Scouting as much as I did.
- What has Girl Scouts done for YOU?  
It is a wonderful program that teaches great skills and values for lifelong learning. Some of my best memories have come through scouting. I have many friends that were a part of scouts as well, and we still get together.
- How do you (or how do you want to) give back to Girl Scouts?  
I volunteer with the Adult Camping Weekend, Fall Leadership Weekend, and work in the retail shop. I also Site Direct at CMW and CLW. I also ran the trading post at Shelly Ridge for a summer, which is where I got my start working for GSEP.
- Share one favorite GS memory!  
One of my most favorite memories from Girl Scouts was singing in the Freedom Valley GS Chorus. We would meet on Sunday afternoons and sing with guitars. Scouts from all over the council would gather and sing. A record album was made from this group and many of the songs are still sung today at camps and scouting events.



Have a question? Don't be shy!  
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