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GSEP News

GSEP News, our monthly e-newsletter is sent on the first Saturday each month. It's a great way for you to stay up-to-date on upcoming events and opportunities. To ensure you receive these updates please login to your MY GS account, click on the "Family Profile" tab and make sure the "Email Opt In" box is checked and that the email address we have on file is accurate. Please add gsep@email. girlscouts.org to your accepted senders list to keep email updates from us out of your spam.

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Notes from Kim



Kim with two local Girl Scouts at Take the Lead in Philadelphia

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Flip this magazine over to read all about how to have a successful and fun year as a Girl Scout family!

Dear Girl Scout Families and Friends,

I'm excited to welcome you to our latest edition of Spark, highlighting all the ways Girl Scouts take action! As we dive into the heart of our mission, I want to share some exciting updates and initiatives that truly reflect the spirit of Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania and our commitment to building girls of courage, confidence, and character.

One of our primary goals is to make earning Highest Awards more accessible for our girls. We've been hard at work scheduling workshops to guide girls through the process and offering Journeys in a day to jumpstart their path towards these prestigious accolades - accolades that help girls earn scholarships, grow personally, and most importantly showcase their commitment to making a difference in their community as a Girl Scout. Our aim is to empower every girl to reach her fullest potential and celebrate her achievements along the way.

I'm particularly thrilled to introduce our newest initiative, Calling All Girl Bosses, created to engage girls in grades 6-12 in Philadelphia (pg. 69). This program is designed to acknowledge leadership potential and equip girls with the skills and confidence to articulate their vision, make a plan, and take action to improve their community while working towards earning their Highest Awards. It's a testament to our commitment to empowering girls to help them grow and be the voice of change in their neighborhoods.

At Girl Scouts, we firmly believe that our programs are for everyone. Whether you're participating with your troop or on your own, there's a place for you here. Our diverse range of activities and opportunities are designed to help girls progress through their badge work and grow as they continue their Girl Scout journey. Check out our new Fall/Winter Council and Partner led programs, starting on page 88.

As we embark on another year of adventure together, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for your dedication and support, especially our Volunteers who selflessly devote countless hours to creating a positive experience for their Girl Scouts. Together, we are shaping the leaders, innovators, and changemakers of tomorrow.

Kim E. Fraites-Dow CEO, Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania

2024-2025 Calendar

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2024

Aug 30- Sept 02	Labor Day weekend: All Shops and Service Centers Closed
08-15	Girl Scouts Welcome Week
13-15	Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend
09	Golf for Girl Scouts Fundraising Event
30	Bronze Award Submission Deadline (for 2023-24 5th graders)
30	Silver Award Project Reflection Deadline (for 2023-24 8th graders)
30	Gold Award Final Report Deadline (for Class of 2024)

OCTOBER 2024

06	Silver and Gold Workshops @ Camp Shelly Ridge
10	Fall Product Program Starts
15	Fall Delegate Council Meeting
TBD	SUCM Cookie Program Training
18-20	Fall Leadership Weekend
20	Gluten Free Orders Due by Troops
31	Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday!

NOVEMBER 2024

01	Destinations (GSUSA) Early Submission Application Due (rolling thereafter until full)
01	2025 Trips Announced on girlscouts.org
05	Election Day
06	Troop Initial Orders Open in Smart Cookies
03	Volunteer Awards @ Camp Laughing Waters
09	History Committee Brownie Tea with Juliette
10	Fall Product Program Ends
20	Silver Awards Training @ Camp Valley Forge
24	Initial Order Home Delivery Deadline
28-30	Thanksgiving Holiday: All Shops and Service Centers Closed

DECEMBER 2024

01	Graduating Senior Girl Scout Scholarship Applications Available
03	Troop Initial Order Closes in Smart Cookies
06-07	History Committee Junior Jaunt
08	Gold Workshop @ Camp Laughing Waters
11	Silver Training @ Camp Laughing Waters
TBD	Summer Camp 2025 Registration Opens
Dec 25- Jan 01	Winter Break: All Shops and Service Centers Closed
31	Gold Award Final Reports Due for spring 2025 ceremony inclusion

JANUARY 2025

03-12	Initial Order Pick Up and Home Deliveries
15	Gold Award Workshop
16	Start of 2025 Cookie Program!
20	MLK Day: All Shops and Service Centers Closed
TBD	Applications Due for Girl Advisors/Girl Delegates for MY25-26
31	Older Girl Scholarship Applications Due

FEBRUARY 2025

05	Gold Award Workshop, Berks County
12	Silver Award Workshop, Berks County
14-16	National Girl Scout Cookie Weekend
17	President's Day: All Shops and Service Centers Closed
22	World Thinking Day

MARCH 2025

TBD	Spring Delegate Meeting
04	Take the Lead Greater Philadelphia
09	Last Day of Cookie Program
09-15	Girl Scout Week
27	Take the Lead Berks County
30	12th Graders Gold Award Proposal Deadline (for Class of 2025)

APRIL 2025

19	All Shops Closed
25-26	Collector's Meet @ Valley Forge Service Center
26	History Committee History Comes Alive!
29	Take the Lead Lehigh Valley

MAY 2025

01	Silver Award Proposals Deadline (for 2024-2025 8th graders)
03	GSEP's Annual Meeting
17	GirlzDay: Our World, Our Way Expo and Highest Awards Ceremonies
23-26	Family Camp Weekend @ Camp Mosey Wood
24-26	Memorial Day: All Shops and Service Centers Closed

JUNE 2025

TBD	Camp Begins!
19	Juneteenth: All Shops and Service Centers Closed

JULY 2025

Independence Day: All Shops and Service Centers Closed; GSEP Overnight Camps Open

AUGUST 2025

TBD GSEP Kick-off!	
TBD Adult Camping Weekend	
Aug 29-	
Sept 01 Labor Day Weekend: All Shops and Service Centers C	losed

SEPTEMBER 2025

TBD	Fall Delegate Meeting
30	Bronze Award Submission Deadline (for 2024-2025 5th graders)
30	Silver Award Project Reflection Deadline (for 2024-2025 8th graders)
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GSEP Shops

GSEP Shops are your headquarters for uniforms, badges, and so much more! We carry materials to help you with your badge work, the latest apparel and GS swag, and Cookie Program marketing tools and swag! Check out the shops page at gsep.org/shop for updated store hours, locations, and more. Watch Facebook and TeamApp for promotions and special hours.

One stop shopping for all your Girl Scout gear and supplies!

Mobile Shop

Look for our mobile van, Luella, visiting communities that are a little further from our regional locations with the same merchandise and customer service as in our traditional shops. You can check the dates and locations of the Mobile Shop on the shops page of the website under the drop-down menu "Mobile Shop."

Other Ways to Shop

Join us on our shops page for our weekly LiveChat, Wednesdays at 2PM to ask questions about merchandise, ordering, and special promotions. Order directly from GSEP for pickup, delivery at council events or shipping (nominal shipping rates apply) by emailing shop@gsep.org Look for JotForms on the shops page of the website and in TeamApp for an easier way to build your shopping lists for badges and uniforms! You can always shop the online store at girlscoutshop.com. Look for Online Only items and special promotions on the online shop but remember that when you purchase from the online shop, you are purchasing from Girl Scouts of the USA, not your council shops.

Shop Locations

Shelly Ridge

330 Manor Rd. Miquon, PA 19444

Valley Forge

100 Juliette Low Way Phoenixville, PA 19460

Jane Seltzer

2020 Rhawn St. Philadelphia, PA 19152

Luella - Mobile Shop

Various locations

Stay Up-to-Date

Look for monthly shop updates, events, and special offers in GSEP News. If you haven't subscribed yet, go to gsep.org and opt-in to receive email updates from us. You can also find out the latest on Facebook and Instagram (GirlScoutsEPenn)! And join our TeamApp (GSEP Shops) for updates on shop hours, new merchandise, and special promotions for TeamApp members!

More in Store at Council Shops!

Check out our fun patch collection, camp gear, Trefoil Fun Finds, and much more that isn't available online. Don't miss our new paintable ceramics and brand new cookie swag this fall!



Our Mobile Team is here for you!

On the Road: Luella is our fully stocked van that visits neighborhoods further away from our Service Center shops.

Fully stocked with badges, uniforms, patches, and seasonal merchandise.

Has an on-board register for the same shopping experience as our shops.

Pre-order or come shop in person! Email Luella@gsep.org for pre-orders.

Locations and Dates are posted:

On the shops page at www.gsep.org/shop under Mobile Shop. On the Shop Happenings ad on the shops page On TeamApp (GSEP Shops) Weekly posts on Facebook (GSEP Retail)

Group Ordering

Our Mobile Shop also offers the opportunity to combine orders to meet the \$100 minimum for free standard shipping! Service Units or Groups can start the process by emailing Luella@gsep.org with the subject line "Group Order Request." Requests should be made at least two weeks prior to the requested delivery date by the main point of contact for the group order.

The Mobile Team will email the contact with a control number and flyers to share. Individuals or Troops place orders via email or JotForm before the deadline. Orders are processed separately but mailed together to the Point of Contact. Find out more information on the shops page of the website.

My Girl Scout Kit



Free bag with purchase of uniforms and printed Girl Scout materials!

Or purchase the bag for \$10 with any uniform purchase over \$25!

Purchase must include at least one book or badge requirement*, uniform components (vest or sash, and insignia) and equal \$60 to earn the free bag.



*Earned Awards and Badges are not included in My Girl Scout Kit. Kit bag valued at \$15.

Heat Press Available!

Say hello to hassle-free heat pressing! For just \$10, let us do the work for you. We'll add your newly purchased insignia and badges to your vest or sash so your Girl Scout will be ready for whatever adventure she's up to next.

> Standard turnaround time is three days: same day rush service is available at Shelly Ridge and Valley Forge (\$4 surcharge).



New Build-a-Bear Parties,

All new party packages make it easier than ever to give your Girl Scouts a party they will never forget right in our Shelly Ridge Shop including the iconic Heart Ceremony, Girl Scout gear, and more!



Troop or Group Parties

Whether you are celebrating a Troop event, birthday party, or just having some fun, hosting a party is easy at GSEP:

- Exclusive use of JLow Lounge decorated especially for your party!
- Pizza and drinks included for your party, and we supply everything vou need.
- Activities provided for your guests choose from 3 options.
- Each attendee chooses a furry friend and a Build-a-Bear Girl Scout Vest.
- Package includes the Heart Ceremony, Make a New Friend patch, and birth certificate.
- All Girl Scout Troop parties are tax exempt and must meet girl-adult ratios for their group.
- All costs are provided when booking your party. Additional items available upon booking.

To request your party, visit gsep.org/shop and fill out the Build-a-Bear Party booking form. Our coordinator will connect with you within 3 business days.

JLow Lounge is just for girls with music, pool table, foosball, and more!

Individual Appointments

At this time, we are asking that all guests make an appointment to build a bear at least one week in advance. Appointment availability is listed on the Shelly Ridge drop down at gsep.org/shop. Guests will have access to the Build-a-Bear Workshop experience for up to 30 minutes; up to three guests can attend the same appointment. Each purchase includes the iconic Heart Ceremony and Make a New Friend patch. To request an appointment, submit the Build-a-Bear Individual form at gsep.org/shop.

Questions? Email memberservices@gsep.org with the subject line "Build-a-Bear Question."



Represent GSEP throughout the year on the news, social media, and more!



Submit vour video by emailing it to communications@gsep.org with the subject line, "First & Last Name - Media Girls 2024-2025." Videos are accepted August through September 30, 2024. v

Be a GSEP Media Girl!



Want to become a media and public speaking rock star? Then apply to be a GSEP Media Girl for the 2024-2025 membership year. This fun and exciting program runs from October to May and provides an opportunity for girls to explore the evolving media environment, have hands-on experiences developing communication skills, and create engaging content for the GSEP membership.

Media Girl participants will:

- Interview with media on TV, radio, or for print publications
- Represent GSEP at local news stations on Cookie Kickoff Day
- · Star in council commercials, videos, and print features
- Participate in exciting Girl Scout events throughout the year
- · Create video content for social media
- Receive hands-on media training
- Develop writing, public speaking, and content creation skills
- · Have fun and make new friends

The goals of the program include:

- To develop GSEP peer role models for other girls in the **GSEP** community
- Give our girls an opportunity to develop lifelong skills while representing Girl Scouts
- To elevate Girl Scouts as real examples of the impact Girl Scouts has made and continues to make on girls and their communities
- Remind the world that we are the premier leadership development organization for girls and young women
- Tell the Girl Scout story- our girls are always counting down to their next adventure
- Give more girls an opportunity to know how Girl Scouts can give them a chance to explore the world and have fun with new friends

To audition, submit a two minute video telling us:

- Why you want to be in the program
- What you want the world to know about Girl Scouts

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Fall Product Program

October 10 – November 10, 2024

The Fall Product Program gets more delicious each year and 2024 won't be an exception! Join us in participating in selling candy, nuts, magazines, and more and earn up to 22% profit for your troop! The top seller in GSEP will earn a GIANT stuffed elephant!

Starting October 10, Girl Scouts across GSEP can start marketing their online shop to friends, family, and neighbors to earn high profits for their troop. Get your online store started by designing your very own avatar and add your personal flare. Your avatar can be used to create an introductory message on your online store and on your Personalized Patch to commemorate the program.

While participating in this super easy and fun program, Girl Scouts will also learn about the mascot, the Asian Elephant. Did you know that the Asian Elephant is the largest animal on land! They use their trunks to communicate and to handle items such as food.

Keep an eye on the GSEP Fall Product website page for training information happening on September 11, 2024 for troops and families!











Did you know you can earn a special patch by participating in the Fall Product Program and the Cookie Program?! For the Fall Product Program, create your avatar in the M2 system, send 18+ emails, and sell over \$300 in product. When it's time for the Cookie Program, sell at least 300 packages of cookies and you will have earned the Crossover Patch!





Board Chair Spotlight

Nicole LeVine, the first female Chief Operating Officer at PECO, was elected Board Chair on May 6, 2023. She has served on our Board for more than seven years and previously chaired GSEP's Property Committee. Nicole is also a National Council Session Delegate.

To introduce Nicole to our membership, Girl Scout Anika S. caught up with Nicole to ask her all about her career and experience at GSEP. Anika was a Girl Advisor to the Board for the 2023-2024 Governance Year and is currently a Girl Delegate. She is also a National Council Session Delegate. Anika is a 12th grader from Montgomery County and is working on earning her Trifecta Award!



Anika: Have you enjoyed your first year as Board Chair?

Nicole: I am loving it! Around the same time. I was elected to be the new Board Chair, I also received a promotion to Chief Operating Officer at PECO. So far, I am loving both and am able to appreciate how far I've come professionally.

Anika: What do you want to accomplish as Board Chair (in your possible 6 years)?

Nicole: I would like to see girl membership grow and utilize camps to the fullest. I would also like to see our mission in Philadelphia grow.

Anika: What advice would you give to your younger Girl Scout self?

Nicole: Don't be so hard on yourself and don't doubt yourself. Another piece of advice I'd give is 'perfection is just an opinion'.

Anika: What do you want girls to know about you?

Nicole: Anything is possible. I am the first woman to be PECO's Chief Operating Officer in 140 years! I want to pave the way for other women so they have it easier in the future.

Anika: What is a fun fact about vourself?

Nicole: I love to run marathons and am trying to run one in every state. So far I've ran 39 marathons.



Donor Spotlight

What Inspires You to Give to GSEP?

Meet Rebecca Smirk, Troop Leader of Troop 2105. Rebecca has been a Troop Leader for the past nine years, since her daughter was in 4th grade. Her Ambassador troop has graduated ten Girl Scouts! As a troop, they have completed service and "take action" projects, enjoyed hikes, camping and backpacking trips. Rebecca's troop has taught others to camp, learned to kayak and rock climb, and of course, sold countless boxes of cookies! They even traveled to Europe, which is something they will all remember forever. Rebecca and her daughter recently started a troop together, Brownie Troop 2401, and have so enjoyed getting to know the young Girl Scouts and their families. Read more below on on what supporting Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania means to Rebecca!





Q: What inspired you to make a recurring gift to GSEP?

A: Girl Scouts has been such an important part of my life, my daughter's life, and my family's life. Girl Scouts provided me with a unique and wonderful opportunity to watch my daughter grow from a little girl into the woman, the leader, she is today. Girl Scouts also provided me with the opportunity to engage with a sisterhood and community of women, whom I would not have met otherwise. Without these spectacular women in my life, supporting me and cheering me on, I would not be where I am today, personally and professionally. Making a recurring gift to GSEP is a small way of saying thank you for all the things that Girl Scouts has given to me and to my family.

Q: What impact do you hope your support would make to Council?

A: I hope that my financial support helps GSEP provide another Girl Scout, another volunteer, another family with the ability to participate in Girl Scouts the way my family has been able to. I hope that my support as a volunteer inspires others to volunteer for Girl

O: What's your favorite thing about

A: My favorite thing about Girl Scouts is that I get a front row view to witness girls become leaders, discover who they are, and determine how they fit into our communities. Girl Scouts gain leadership skills, project planning skills, collaboration skills, and so much more. And, in my opinion, GSEP allows Girl Scouts to complete this journey better than other councils!

Take the Lead

Inspiring the Next Generation of Women Leaders

Take the Lead is GSEP's signature fundraising event series, held annually in Berks County, the Lehigh Valley, and Greater Philadelphia.

Unique to GSEP, Take the Lead is a girlled event that enables girls and women from across our 9-county footprint to forge long-lasting mentoring relationships designed to teach girls the skills they will need to become the leaders of tomorrow. In conjunction with each event, four deserving high-school Girl Scouts shadow an honoree for a day to understand their work and impact on their community. After reflecting on their experience, each girl gets to present their Honoree with the Take the Lead Award at the ceremony. As always, our Girl Scouts are the stars of the show, serving in many capacities including host, emcees, chorus, and presenters.

In Spring 2024, we honored 12 deserving community leaders and witnessed the leadership skills of our Girl Scouts at all three events. Guests enjoyed joining "Troop Take the Lead" and participated in activities like the Daisy Constellation Station, Brownie Master the Physics of Game, and Ambassador First Aid Kits for Others. These activation stations allowed guests to earn patches at different levels in Girl Scouting in each category of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE), which are: STEM, Outdoor, Entrepreneurship, and Life Skills.

Take the Lead supports GSEP's programs, which embolden girls to discover a strong sense of self, connect with others, and take action to improve their communities.

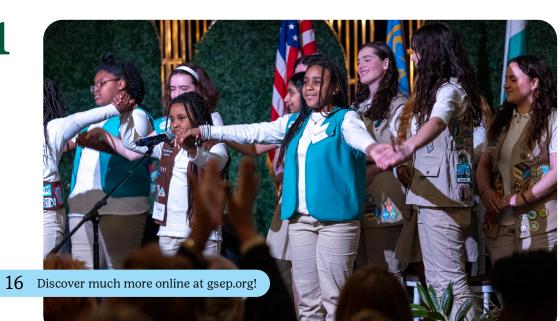


- 2. Girl Scouts at Take the Lead Berks **County competing** at the STEM station, **Brownie Master the** Physics of Game.
- 3. Viewing constellations at the **Daisy Constellation** Station at Take the Lead Lehigh Valley.
- 4. Enjoying delicious post-event s'mores.
- 5. Girl Scouts and guests learning outdoor skills by practicing soft archery.
- 6. Reciting the Girl **Scout Promise &** Law to kickoff the program at Take the Lead Berks County.















2024 Take the Lead Honorees and Girl Presenters: Mentorship in Action

Each Year, Honorees have the pleasure of providing Girl Presenters with a special mentorship opportunity. Girls spend the day "shadowing" an assigned Honoree, seeing firsthand how they spend their time, learning about their area of expertise, and gaining an understanding of how they lead. Many pairings go on to have long standing mentor-mentee relationships.







Chellie Cameron, President & CEO of The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Philadelphia with Girl Scout Marisa M. at The Chamber of Commerce offices in Center City.







their shadow days.



2024 Take the Lead

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Danielle Joseph Executive Vice President, Diversity Councils Lehigh Valley Chamber



Stephanie Sherry Vice President, Corporate Communications Olympus Corporation of the Americas



Juliette Gordon Low Society members being honored at the 2023 Adult Camping Weekend.

"...It is bigger than just giving our money. Our commitment also reflects the confidence we have in knowing that Girl Scouts is continuing the tradition of building our girls and instilling in them the good habits and strong values that they need to be the leaders of tomorrow."

Dianne Belk | Founding Chair, Juliette Gordon Low Society

Make a Lasting Gift to Girl Scouts

Join the Juliette Gordon Low Society

The Juliette Gordon Low Society recognizes those who make a planned gift to GSUSA, GSEP, or both! These gifts can include naming Girl Scouts as a beneficiary of a:

- Will
- Retirement plan
- Living trust
- Donor-advised fund
- Life insurance policy
- Remainder gift of real estate
- Tax-smart gift that provides lifetime income, such as a charitable gift annuity or a charitable remainder trust

Your thoughtful and generous planned gift will extend your involvement with the Girl Scout Movement beyond your lifetime.

Contact Stephen Burn at sburns@gsep.org to share your plans or to discuss the best planned gift option for you.

Volunteer Appreciation

Girl Scouts of Eastern PA would like to say thank you by shouting out some of our amazing GSEP committee volunteers. You make Girl Scouting memorable and we couldn't do this meaningful work without you!

The History Committee conducts ongoing research, preserves archives, and curates the GSEP History Museum located at the Valley Forge Service Center. They also run badge earning programs for Girl Scouts of all ages at the museum through interactive tours and activities.





Co-chairs of the Adult Camping Weekend Committee, Ann Donley and Deb Walters, work with a group of dedicated volunteers to plan, promote, and run a fun weekend for GSEP Alumni every year at Camp Laughing Waters. Adult Camping Weekend raises money for Older Girl Scholarships.

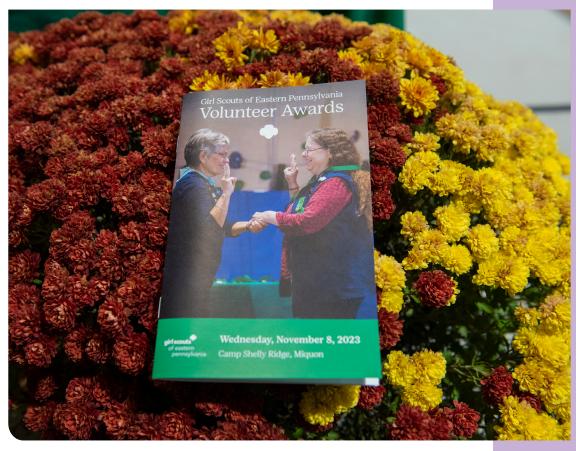
The Volunteer Recognition Committee reviews nominations and assists GSEP to facilitate its annual Volunteer Awards ceremony.



Thank you for all you do. Your constant support and leadership builds girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place!

Volunteer Awards 2024

On November 8, 2023, GSEP honored over 100 volunteers who have been recognized by their peers for going above and beyond in their volunteer roles. We celebrated with a ceremony at Camp Shelly Ridge.





Rebecca Smirk

Awardee Spotlight

The Gertrude K. McGonigle Award recognizes one individual a year who has been a registered Girl Scout for a minimum of ten years, has proven to be a positive role model while working directly with girls, and has exemplified the values and traditions of Girl Scouting. This year, the award was presented to Rebecca Smirk. Thank you Rebecca, for leading the way and making an impact on your Girl Scout community!

2023 Volunteer Award Recipients

The Numeral Guard recognized an individual's total years of registered membership including years as a girl and as an

35 Years: Becky Rimby, Laurie McGowen

40 Years: MaryAnn Rodda, Tiffany Sherman, Robin Fiola, Stephanie Tomlinson

45 Years: Joanne Loeper, Leigh Kukoly, Darlene Fluck

50 Years: Linda Mills

60 Years: Jane Cope, PJ Flick, MaryAlice Peeling

70 Years: Paula DeLucco

Years of Service

The Years of Service Pin recognizes a volunteer's years of service in 5-year increments.

25 Years: Becky Rimby, Cynthia Bucklin, Amber Ebinger, Cynthia Cook, Paul DeBlieck, Nancy DeHaven

30 Years: Mary Ann Rodda, Robin Fiola, Laurie McGowan

35 Years: Patricia McFarland 40 Years: Judith Samans-Dunn

45 Years: Linda Mills

Rising Star Award

Amy Alford, Karen Buzzi, Shannon Cowdrick, Jacquelyn Davies, Gail DeHelian, Valentina Denisco, Amanda Diprospero, Tabitha Fronheiser, Jennifer Harding, Kaylee Hartzell, Christina Holody, Amy Kusen, LaTanya Kennedy, Michelle Mocarski, Ashley Moser, Jessica Radicke, Valerie Raie, Crystal Schaeffer, Hilary Walton

Lights of Loyalty

Janet Slater

Appreciation Pin

Natasha Davis, Korine Blackwell, Augie Chung, Carissa Celements-Moock, Victoria Czechowski, Claudia Dicrosta, Jennifer DiPietro, Nicole Floyd, Kimberly Giangrante, Ashley Gill, Ginny Harze, Jennifer Heinz, Phyllis Mcbride, Nikki Nesta, Rachael Tresch, Anne Wagner, Monica Weisberg, Chandra Masimore, Jennifer McDuell

Super Service Unit Award

Becky Rimby, Bridget Powell, Beth Gutierrez, Carrie Daly, Cindy Lighton, Cory Derer, Beth Michener, Erica Szwast, Felise Shellenberger, Heather Jordan, Jennifer Pontzer, Laura Burtner, Shannon Long, Stacey Darrohn

Diversity Award

Karen Turek

Thanks Badge

Chris Reber

Friend of GSEP Award

Scoupe DeVille Ice Cream

Service Unit Growth Award

SU 556- Caryl McNeill

Service Unit Retention Award

SU 618- Palisades

GSEP CEO Award

The GSEP CEO Award recognizes the efforts of Service Units exceeding their membership goals, participating in learning opportunities at a council level, and completing a Service Unit-level service project. Congratulations to:

SU560- Colonial

SU606- Westtown

SU539- Schuylkill Hills

SU607- Greater Coatesville

SU635-Oxford Valley

SU515- Mill Creek

SU714- Bethlehem Friendship

SU616-Tohikanee

Leadership Knot Award

SU611- Octorara

SU624- Sandy Run

SU645- Freeland Hills

Gertrude K. McGonigle Award

Rebecca Smirk

Volunteer Awards 2024

Sunday, November 3, 2024 1:30pm at Camp Laughing Waters

Please join us for the awards ceremony, followed by a dessert and coffee/tea reception. Enjoy shopping at the GSEP store in our activity center and catching up with fellow volunteers. Register for this FREE event in gsEvents!

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Girl Governance Applications

Influence the future of GSEP!

Apply this fall to be a Girl Delegate or Girl Advisor to the Board for next year.

In early December, applications open for older girls to apply to be either a Girl Delegate or a Girl Advisor to the Board. Girls in these positions have the unique opportunity to discuss key issues directly with our CEO and Board of Directors.

Each year, three girls are selected as Girl Advisors to GSEP's Board. Girl Advisors participate in meetings of the Board of Directors, where they provide girl insight and perspective on crucial matters as well as learn about the work of the Council on a strategic level.

Plus, 30 girls are elected as Girl Delegates to represent more than

25,000 Girl Scouts in GSEP's ninecounty footprint. Girl Delegates weigh in on important ideas at the three Delegate Council Meetings (Fall, Winter, Spring) and vote on new Board members and policies and procedures at GSEP's Annual Meeting

There are many benefits to becoming a Girl Advisor or Girl Delegate. You'll get a pin for your vest or sash, opportunities to network with adult volunteers and Board Members, plus hands-on experience practicing parliamentary procedure and public speaking. Additionally, Girl Governance positions look great on a college, scholarship, or job applications.

From L-R: Girl Advisors for Governance Year 2024-2025 (Myah D., Marisa M. Lindy A.) meeting their predecessors at the 2024 Spring Delegate Council Meeting with (Girl Advisors for GY2023-2024: Anika S., Layla J., Emma S.).

Are you ready to

raise vour voice,

influence change,

and speak up on

behalf of girls?





NCS Delegate Application

Applications for the 2026 NCS Delegate Role will open this fall!

GSEP's National Council Session (or "NCS") Delegates joined thousands of sister Girl Scouts in Orlando in July 2023 for GSUSA's triennial business meeting, followed by "Phenom"-enal programs, sessions, and fun activities for girls, families, and adults.

Every three years, Girl Scouts from across the country and around the world gather to discuss, debate, and vote on issues important to our entire Movement. For example, proposals that were approved by the 2023 NCS Delegates included allowing virtual NCS attendance in special circumstances, the formal establishment of a national Gold Award scholarship fund and adding anti-racism language to the Girl Scout constitution.

The NCS Delegates also elect new National Board Members and National Board Development Committee (or "NBDC") Members. In fact, GSEP's former Board Chair, Debbie Hassan, officially became a NBDC member when she was voted into office at the

Immediately following the governance meetings and discussions, GSUSA hosted girl-friendly entertainment, performers, receptions, and a Hall of Experiences with hands-on activities from hundreds of exhibitors.

Interested adult AND older girl* members are encouraged to apply to become a 2026 NCS Delegate. The applications will open this fall (2024), and the link to apply will be shared on the governance page of GSEP's website. The new NCS Delegates will be elected at GSEP's next Annual Meeting on May 3, 2025. All NCS Delegates serve a three-year term (and girls who will bridge to adult membership in those three years can apply).

Consider joining us for a once-in-alifetime experience of being in a sea of green with thousands of Girl Scouts, united by friendship, sisterhood, and a goal to make our world-and our Movement—a better place!

The next National Council Session will be held July 20-25, 2026, in Washington, D.C., chosen in part to celebrate our nation's 250th birthday!

*Per GSUSA guidelines, girls involved in any governance role must be at least 14 years old at the time of election. So, to be considered for the 2026 NCS, a girl's 14th birthday must be on or before May 3, 2025.

NCS 2026 Application

Here's what the 2023 Delegates had to say about experiencing the National Council Session:



From left to right: 2023 NCS Delegates Sienna P., Stella T., and Anika S.

"My favorite part of NCS was meeting new people, learning about governance, and gaining an understanding of the 'behind the scenes' part of Girl Scouting."

— Sienna P. | 2023 NCS Delegate



"Attending the NCS/Convention made me feel connected to Girl Scouting in a way I've never experienced before.

I was especially touched during the opening flag ceremony, seeing so many nations represented and seeing Girl Scouts of all ages carrying the flags. It was very moving to think about the millions of girls and women around the world that join our Movement to make the world a better place.

I was so proud of our Movement when I saw so many girls and women speaking for and against topics they feel strongly about. Even though there were many opposing views in the room, everyone was supportive and respectful of each other."

- Chris R. | 2023 NCS Delegate

18 Under 18

In the following pages, you'll learn how 18 amazing Girl Scouts from our council define community, what makes their communities unique and special, and how they've given back to the community. Our region is stronger thanks to Girl Scouts who are making their neighborhoods, towns, schools, and the WORLD a better place.

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Being a Girl Scout equips me with critical thinking skills to break down problems, resourcefulness to find creative solutions, and teamwork abilities to collaborate effectively. Through leadership opportunities and community engagement, I develop resilience and a deeper understanding of local issues, enabling me to tackle challenges with determination and make a meaningful impact. Girl Scouting fosters a problem-solving mindset, empowering me to address obstacles confidently and contribute positively to my community.

Share a time when you had to solve a problem. How did you do it?

As a junior firefighter, I volunteer much of my time to help others in my community, but there are few women in the field, especially in my town. I adopted a fire safety badge from a neighboring Council, tweaked it, and shared it with other Girl Scouts. With the support of my fire company, I now host an annual Girl Scout Day at the firehouse, where girls of all ages get to explore the firehouse, climb in the trucks, try on gear, test out night vision goggles, and shoot the fire hose! Most importantly, this day is to empower young girls; many go home wanting to do what I do!

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

Any girl, no matter her age can make a difference. Remember that every action, no matter how small, counts. Start by identifying issues within your community, then brainstorm creative solutions. Don't hesitate to collaborate with other Girl Scouts or community members - the more brain power, the better! Stay resilient when you face challenges, and always be open to learning and adapting along the way. Most importantly, never underestimate the power of your voice and actions to inspire positive change.

Myah D.

Ambassador • Troop 1797 **Berks County**

Keep shining bright, **Girl Scouts**"

— Myah D.





Claire T.

Senior • Troop 2114 **Bucks County**

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Through Girl Scouts, I've been able to really advance my leadership skills as well as my public speaking abilities. I have also participated in multiple Take The Lead events which have helped me find the courage to put myself out front and carry myself with confidence.

Share a time when you had to solve a problem. How did you do it?

I observed after the pandemic that there was a need in the community for more social skills and etiquette awareness. I wanted to help ease the transition from lockdown to bringing people closer together again. I planned my Silver Award around this need and hosted multiple classes teaching letter writing, dining and phone etiquette, and first impressions. I continued with my classes even after earning my award to reach a personal goal of teaching over 130 kids.

Rayna M.

Daisy • Troop 1006 **Berks County**

What does helping your community mean to

Helping the community to me means giving back to the people that make our community great. It means a lot when I see them smile.

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

I would tell them to get out and help wherever they can. I love helping at my church and school.

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the world?

I am not sure how to help solve bigger problems in the world because I am only 7. But my parents always teach me to be kind. So maybe spreading kindness.



Lucia P.

Daisy • Troop 91032 Philadelphia County

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

If you see something that could look nicer or have an idea to make a place a better, don't wait for someone else to do it! It's OK to get your hands dirty sometimes...you won't ever think "aw man I should have left all this trash on the ground". And when your family helps it's a lot of fun too!

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Girl Scouts helped me learn about recycling, tree planting, and even about how bees are great pollinators so we should leave them alone! Even though they are a little scary.



Aditi J.

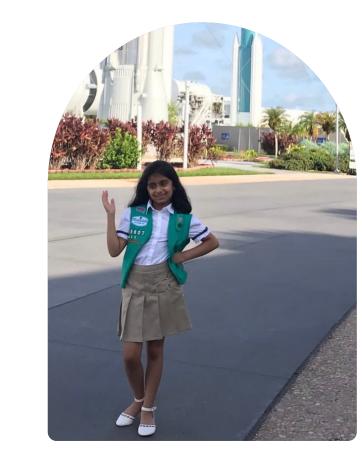
Cadette • Troop 5607 **Delaware County**

What does helping your community mean to you?

I want to become a lawyer when I am big so, I think, Advocacy is a powerful tool in our arsenal as teen changemakers. We have a unique perspective and the ability to raise awareness about issues that matter to us, whether it's climate change, mental health awareness, or social justice issues. Through social media, writing letters to local representatives, or organizing peaceful protests, we can amplify our voices and push for meaningful societal change.

Share a time when you had to solve a problem. How did you do it?

For the local township, my troop and I helped build a playground for rescued goats to improve their health by building climbing structures. My science experiment, Growing Plan for Plants in Space, was sent to the International Space Station. This was through Girl Scouts, and I strongly feel Girl Scouts has been a powerful support for my growth and I will always support them.





Gretchen D.

Junior • Troop 41554 **Chester County**

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Girl Scouts has given me the tools and resources that I may not have elsewhere. I know that I am able to bring an issue to my troop leader and she will help me brainstorm a solution. I have the confidence to solve the problem and speak up.

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the world?

One troop can start on a small project and involve other Girl Scouts from different communities which would be a chain reaction. What started off as a small local project, became a county wide project with a larger outcome, involving many more Girl Scouts.

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

Just start with something you like to do and see if the community could benefit from a project. Even a small project can be helpful to your community. Just have fun with it!

Anna P.

What does helping your community mean to you?

Helping my community means being there when people and even animals need me. It means respecting property, authority, and others. Listening to the laws and volunteering with Girl Scouts and even on my own time.

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

During cookie booths, I need to solve problems like restocking items and dealing with many groups of customers. It teaches me to act fast and smartly. It teaches me to always pay attention and be aware of my surroundings in case a problem occurs.

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the world?

Girls can do anything, especially Girl Scouts. I think we can team up and fight for things that are not right. We can even solve bigger problems that we've always tried to like pollution, injustice. poverty, hunger and much more. Girl Scouts are always working to make the world a better place just like it says in the Girl Scout Law.





Bailey C.

Senior • Troop 4308 **Chester County**

What does helping your community mean to you?

Helping my community is important to me because it allows me to give back to the people and organizations who helped me become the person I am today.

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Being a Girl Scout has helped me solve problems by helping me be brave and encouraging me to face any problem that comes my way.

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the world?

The biggest power that Girl Scouts has to solve bigger problems is to raise girls right. The access to teaching and educating young kids is one of the strongest tools to accomplish anything. Empower girls, and you empower our future.

Zoya B.

Brownie • Troop 93546 Philadelphia County

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Girl Scouts has taught me to leave things better than I find them. This helps me with everyday life in finding solutions for my community.

Share a time when you had to solve a problem. How did you do it?

One day, I saw there was smoke coming out of a bakery next to my playground. I don't have a phone so I let my mom know so that she could call 911. In the meantime, my mom and I let everyone in the park know about the smoke that was coming out of the building so they could keep a safe distance. We called 911 and the fire trucks came within 10 minutes to put out the fire.

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

My advice is to be a good member of your society and always look out for others' wellbeing.



Alessandra & Francesca D.

Brownies • Troop 1544 **Berks County**

Share a time when you had to solve a problem. How did you do it?

As twins, we tend to stick together on almost everything. We have learned through Girl Scouts that we can be individuals as well as a team. We have learned how to be ourselves, how to make our own friends, and grow our support circle.

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

Put yourself out there. We all have the ability to help, but we need to be the ones to take that initiative to begin making the difference.

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Girl Scouts has helped us grow as individuals. We have learned how to treat others and how to have respect for ourselves as well as others.





Anika S.

Ambassador • Troop 7288 Montgomery County

Share a time when you had to solve a problem. How did you do it?

Over Covid, it was difficult for people to go in person and get groceries so I created a mini garden people could make at home and plant their own veggies. The garden was made out of cardboard boxes and can be any size a person wants.

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the world?

Girl Scouts can work together by using their voices and team working skills to help bring change.



Saanvi S.

Cadette • Troop 2636 **Bucks County**

What does helping your community mean to you?

Helping in my community means to change someone's life in a positive way, even it is in a small way.

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

To make a difference, you must find something you deeply care about that is not working in some way and find a way to improve it - that will help make a difference. Even if they are small changes, they add up to make an impact.

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the world?

As an individual, I can only accomplish so much, but if we create teams and then a network of teams, we can accomplish bigger and more impactful things - team work!

Molly & Addison B.

Cadettes • Troop 1080 Berks County

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

We can be ourselves in Girl Scouts, our troop is small and close. Our leader encourages open conversations, brainstorming and supports us whether it's badge work, community service or bigger projects. We can use our own individual strengths and talents to work together.

Share a time when you had to solve a problem. How did you do it?

We were Juniors when Covid disrupted a lot of normalcies for people. We noticed that there were more and more food insecure people, people struggling to get to the store or food bank or even afford to go. We decided to seek permission for our local borough to build and install a food pantry from our community. We built our town a blessing box, check on it, stock it and it's a big hit! We're very grateful for all the attention and support it gets and so happy that it helps so many in our community.



Kara R.

What does helping your community mean

Doing community service at nursing homes, a food pantry, at the domestic violence shelter, and at community cleanups.

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the world?

Girl Scouts can work together in large and small ways by working together!



Katelyn W.

Ambassador • Troop 5882 **Delaware County**

How does Girl Scouts help you solve problems?

Girl Scouts inspires me to be the best girl I can be - strong, caring, kind, and courageous are just a few of many. I'm inspired to be a fearless leader through Girl Scouts. It's brought me out of my shell from an introverted, self-conscious teen to a confident, strong young woman. Seeing so many amazing girls achieve incredible things inspires me to do the same, and I'm honored to be in the same spot that other fearless girls have been in!

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

If you want to make a difference in your community, my advice is to do it. Start today! You won't regret it, I promise. If you start today, you'll make the journey ahead easier. Talk with your friends, family, and anyone you know who can help you. Building a team and working together is the key to success. Think about something you want to change, no matter how big or small, and go for it. Take that first leap and then keep going, going, going-you can do it! After all, we're Girl Scouts, we can do anything!

Elizabeth B.

Brownie • Troop 93546 Philadelphia

What does helping your community mean to vou?

Helping my community means that I am advocating for those who can't always speak up for what's right. Be able to show kindness and compassion to others in need and treating others the way I want to be treated. I think we all have a hand to making this world a better place.

What advice would you give to other Girl Scouts who want to make a difference in their communities?

I think you need to focus on success and not fear. Learn about Girl Scouts and be a member. talk to others in a troop and read about us on the website or call member services. Everyone is friendly. Also, don't push away your achievements but pull in your achievements. You got this!

In what ways do you think Girl Scouts can work together to solve bigger problems in the

Let's just say that we need to build a pyramid as a team. All we need to do is work together to be successful and also sustain a healthy, environmentally friendly and morally conscious way so that we preserve Mother Earth. It's important to have unity.



Thank you to these inspirational Girl Scouts for leading with courage, confidence, & character!





Unbox the Future

Girl Scout Cookies® are more than delicious treats, they are building blocks for Girl Scouts! Every box sold fuels our biggest adventures and coolest projects! Girl Scouts all over GSEP's nine-county footprint are using their Cookie Dough Credits and cookie proceeds to fuel their passions and help them explore their world. The Cookie Program is like having a magic key that opens doors to fun, friendship, and fantastic opportunities!

Here are some stories from Girl Scouts just like you who have chased their dreams and unboxed adventure with their cookie proceeds.

- Top 6 Cookie sellers in New York City to see Harry Potter and the Cursed Child.
- 2. Top 100 Cookie sellers exploring **Camp Mosey Wood** for the weekend.
- Top 1000 Cookie sellers enjoying time at the Adventure Aquarium!





"Cookie Dough gave me the freedom to start shopping for my project supplies without relying solely on fundraising or asking for donations and helped cover the unplanned changes to my project."



Parker M. | Troop 2786



"Earning Cookie Dough gave me the opportunity to take a new dance class. Cookie Dough also helped pay for my dancewear."





Riley B. | Troop 7819



"Being able to go on a trip to London, Paris and Italy made me realize that exploring new places brings priceless memories to look back on because of all your hard work that got you there."

CENTRIES SENTINGENTIAL CLASS OF 2024

On the following pages, you'll meet 516 Girl Scouts who raised the bar and reached their goals! These amazing Girl Scouts each sold 1,000+ packages of cookies, earning a spot in the prestigious Cookie Boss Class of 2024. From changing the world through community service or going on fun adventures, these #CookieBosses deserve a shout-out!

Daisies (K-1)

Addilyn K. | Troop 2023 Addison R. | Troop 2241 Adelyn C. | Troop 920 Alexis S. | Troop 285 Amarri T. | Troop 919 Anna C. | Troop 4429 Aria S. | Troop 9115 Audrey D. | Troop 4817 Ava B. | Troop 9161 Brielle M. | Troop 9609 Camryn W. | Troop 285 Catherine D. | Troop 4817 Charla G. | Troop 91477 Charlotte O. | Troop 53588 Cianni B. | Troop 9161 Cora L. | Troop 8412

Djazya A. | Troop 751

Ella H. | Troop 8189 Elliott A. | Troop 93942 Isabelle B. | Troop 41353 Isabelle A. | Troop 21127 Ja'Khari C. | Troop 5462 Jenna W. | Troop 5462 Jivika B. | Troop 98327 Kayla S. | Troop 2015 Kendra K. | Troop 1061 Kennedy J. | Troop 2990 Liliana C. | Troop 9576 Lilyanne B. | Troop 937 Lucia P. | Troop 91032 Madison J. | Troop 4324 Makayla W. | Troop 2023 Maya L. | Troop 5444 Mia A. | Troop 111

Mia M. | Troop 9609 Nora S. | Troop 1638 Paisleigh L. | Troop 8189 Penelope M. | Troop 2241 Phoebe A. | Troop 877 Quinn J. | Troop 77801 Rahlee S. | Troop 8712 Rayna M. | Troop 1006 Riley S. | Troop 2015 Savanah L. | Troop 8189 Soleil H. | Troop 2241 Stella S. | Troop 2241 Taylor W. | Troop 2624 Valon C. | Troop 9609 Winifred W. |Troop 4065 Zoe T. | Troop 93942

Brownies (2-3)

Abigail S. | Troop 21051 Abigail C. | Troop 1684 Abigayle G. | Troop 93942 Addison H. | Troop 572 Adelyn G. | Troop 2598 Agnes V. | Troop 902 Alessandra D. | Troop 1544 Alicia D. | Troop 7458 Amiyah B. | Troop 9161 Annabelle G. | Troop 51251 Ariyana B. | Troop 9403 Aubree R. | Troop 285 Autumn H. | Troop 6123 Bristol F. | Troop 805 Brooke B. | Troop 4313 Brooklyn H. | Troop 1694 Cadence O. | Troop 57080 Camille M. | Troop 902 Caroline M. | Troop 807 Catherine L. | Troop 559 Cecilia P. | Troop 7498 Charlotte Y. | Troop 597 Cheyenne G. | Troop 8795 Ciara K. | Troop 1694 Colbie L. | Troop 1052 Colette A. | Troop 93942 Collins O. | Troop 536 Cricket E. | Troop 619 Diara F. | Troop 9161 Dilllon D. | Troop 2649 Ellen F. | Troop 9712 Emery G. | Troop 2598 Emilie A. | Troop 728 Emily S. | Troop 1011 Emma S. | Troop 7034 Emma R. | Troop 2066 Emma L. | Troop 4313

Frances W. | Troop 902 Francesca D. | Troop 1544 Gabriella N. | Troop 71282 Gianna H. | Troop 7052 Grace M. | Troop 7893 Gwendolyn M. | Troop 93942 Hailey A. | Troop 2601 Haley H. | Troop 20 Harmony J. | Troop 2015 Harper S. | Troop 2598 Harper O. | Troop 7893 Harper S. | Troop 4079 Haviva C. | Troop 252 Ilo W. | Troop 91441 Jesse H. | Troop 2241 Jordan F. | Troop 5408 Josephine M. | Troop 4412 Julianna B. | Troop 2598 Julien R. | Troop 93942 Kaci O. | Troop 7010 Kara R. | Troop 807 Kennedy Y. | Troop 787 Kiera B. | Troop 9210 Kourtney L. | Troop 9689 Kyleigh P. | Troop 9552 Laila-Marie K. | Troop 9689 Layna M. | Troop 2549 Leela F. | Troop 2934 Leilanna I. | Troop 2029 Lilah P. | Troop 46 Lily D. | Troop 2531 Lucie H. | Troop 572 Luna S. | Troop 443 Lyla M. | Troop 559 Madeline D. | Troop 7131 Madelyn K. | Troop 7448 Maggie M. | Troop 6603

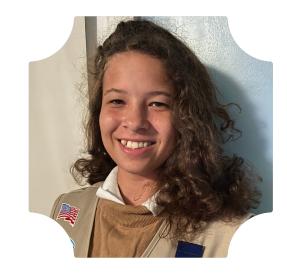
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Juniors (4-5)

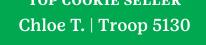
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Chelsey A. | Troop 4382 Cirya C. | Troop 91054 Claire B. | Troop 12147 Danni H. | Troop 5813 Demi W. | Troop 9545 Dior W. | Troop 9545 Elizabeth B. | Troop 7091 Emily H. | Troop 1315 Emily C. | Troop 41242 Emma P. | Troop 71515 Emma H. | Troop 8189 Emmalynn B. | Troop 9674 Emmeline C. | Troop 902 Evangeline L. | Troop 53178 Geal M. | Troop 5555 Genevieve G. | Troop 720 Giana Q. | Troop 7043 Hadley S. | Troop 21453 Hannah D. | Troop 4219 Helena A. | Troop 281 Honor J. | Troop 9674 Hope P. | Troop 71140 Isabella T. | Troop 71620 Ivori T. | Troop 9957 Jaelynn W. | Troop 281 Jasmine W. | Troop 285 Jordyn J. | Troop 295

Julie K. | Troop 93942 Kalynn J. | Troop 9263 Kathryn H. | Troop 71515 Keira B. | Troop 5555 Kenleigh P. | Troop 9552 Kennedy M. | Troop 133 Keyier R. | Troop 9957 Kimber C. | Troop 585 Kimberly H. | Troop 21609 Kinsley S. | Troop 22022 Krystal F. | Troop 513 Kyra T. | Troop 5115 Laila G. | Troop 871 Layla D. | Troop 71140 Layla A. | Troop 21374 Leenah B. | Troop 2531 Leilani E. | Troop 93941 Lila M. | Troop 2552 Lilah H. | Troop 2018 Lillian B. | Troop 71515 Lillian K. | Troop 8828 Louisa W. | Troop 93942 Lucia R. | Troop 8412 Luna T. | Troop 5340 Maci B. | Troop 91200 Maci N. | Troop 2151 Madilyn G. | Troop 71140







What advice do you have for new Girl Scouts selling cookies for the first time?

My advice for first time sellers would be for them to not necessarily focus on exact numbers sold, but their milestones achieved.

Margaret C. | Troop 285 McKenzie B. | Troop 9552 Megan F. | Troop 71515 Meira S. | Troop 93942 Molly T. | Troop 7171 Molly M. | Troop 7511 Monee M. | Troop 9957 Natalie P. | Troop 5149 Nora C. | Troop 7044 Olivia J. | Troop 91054 Olivia K. | Troop 902 Olivia W. | Troop 921 Paola H. | Troop 93942 Penelope M. | Troop 7616 Penelope C. | Troop 2132

Petunia C. | Troop 5207 Piper W. | Troop 7108 Queen R. | Troop 9957 Reagan R. | Troop 4576 Rebecca W. | Troop 2384 Rebecca V. | Troop 59 SaMyya G. | Troop 9545 Sarah V. | Troop 2782 Shoshana C. | Troop 21640 Siani J. | Troop 9263 Sloane W. | Troop 7742 Sophia S. | Troop 20006 Sophia R. | Troop 573 Sophia S. | Troop 2363 Talia V. | Troop 21318

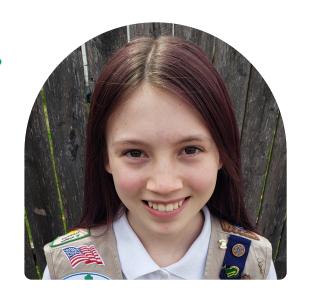
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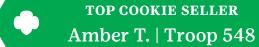
TOP COOKIE SELLER Scootaloo L. | Troop 6169



Ask everyone you meet if they would like to buy Girl Scout Cookies[®]. Keep some boxes on hand and be ready to tell them what your goal is and what your troop plans to do with your cookie money. If someone says no or is rude to you, keep your head high and keep reaching for your goals. Because the next person may say yes!









What motivates you during the season to sell cookies?

During Cookie season what motivates me the most is knowing that I get to help my troop do more trips and activities that we love.

Alaina B. | Troop 5944 Alaina M. | Troop 2132

Alanni B. | Troop 91053 Alaysia P. | Troop 51518

Alivia R. | Troop 7761

Alyssa A. | Troop 722

Amanda M. | Troop 91531 Amarri L. | Troop 91

Amber T. | Troop 548

Amelia D. | Troop 1111

Amy W. | Troop 9012

Anaiyah L. | Troop 91

Anna P. | Troop 6169

Arianna J. | Troop 2786

Aurora W. | Troop 795

Ava W. | Troop 91

Bailey S. | Troop 6169

Beatrice W. | Troop 93942

Breana S. | Troop 99

Brielle L. | Troop 91326

Brooke F. | Troop 51686

Brooklyn U. | Troop 7685

Cadence D. | Troop 8433

CaeLyn L. | Troop 7104

Cadettes (6-8)

Carmella L. | Troop 99 Cassidy J. | Troop 9943 Cassidy B. | Troop 5393 Charlotte D. | Troop 6169

Charlotte M. | Troop 21820

Chelsi N. | Troop 2628

Cherish H. | Troop 91

Chloe L. | Troop 4727 Claire M. | Troop 6169

Colby G. | Troop 208

Devyn G. | Troop 795

Deysjah B. | Troop 9629

Diahna S. | Troop 91326

Djazori A. | Troop 7715

Elena Y. | Troop 8412

Elia H. | Troop 93942

Elizabeth L. | Troop 41441

Elizabeth-Virginia B. | Troop 2692

Ella D. | Troop 544

Ella M. | Troop 7104

Ellie H. | Troop 6244

Eloise O. | Troop 7761

Emily I. | Troop 7124

Emily B. | Troop 247

Emily C. | Troop 2132

Emma H. | Troop 4932 Emma H. | Troop 605

Emma M. | Troop 9129

Emma S. | Troop 21820

Gabrielle C. | Troop 9115

Gabrielle T. | Troop 7124

Isabella G. | Troop 73182

Isabella M. | Troop 795

Jessica B. | Troop 71975

Katelyn K. | Troop 6011

Kathryn B. | Troop 602

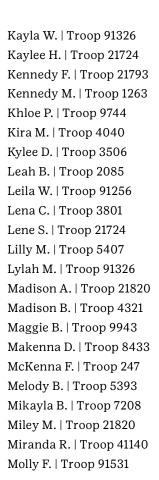
Faith W. | Troop 9785 Falyn J. | Troop 21321 Frances R. | Troop 9226 Gabriella T. | Troop 6169 Gabriella P. | Troop 247 Gabriella M. | Troop 212 Gabrielle B. | Troop 91326 Genevieve G. | Troop 5101 Grace B. | Troop 2974 Grace G. | Troop 9012 Grace B. | Troop 1727 Gwenan W. | Troop 51518 Hailey C. | Troop 5944 Harper K. | Troop 208 Izabella C. | Troop 566 Jaelyn W. | Troop 1263 Jessica W. | Troop 4245 Jocelyn B. | Troop 51129 Julianna K. | Troop 2528 Kaila T. | Troop 5340



TOP COOKIE SELLER Kyra T. | Troop 5115

What motivates you during the season to sell cookies?

My motivation during Cookie season is knowing that my hard work is getting rewarded from all the activities.



Natalie J. | Troop 77801 Natalie R. | Troop 93213 Nedra T. | Troop 415 Neeve B. | Troop 5801 Nevaeh C. | Troop 91 Nia B. | Troop 7142 Olivia M. | Troop 2132 Paige P. | Troop 6169 Parker M. | Troop 2786 Payton P. | Troop 2130 Payton K. | Troop 8133 Penelope C. | Troop 5077 Raven V. | Troop 4727 Rhyan M. | Troop 212 Riesling R. | Troop 2974 Riley V. | Troop 8371 Rosalia N. | Troop 6741 Rowan B. | Troop 21321 Ryleigh K. | Troop 4466 Samantha T. | Troop 701 Sani B. | Troop 91053 Sara K. | Troop 91326

Sarah W. | Troop 8276

Sarah J. | Troop 71947 Savannah C. | Troop 51129 Scootaloo L. | Troop 6169 Shalese R. | Troop 7028 Shruti K. | Troop 4044 Sofia F. | Troop 93942 Sophia J. | Troop 208 Sophia B. | Troop 602 Sophie C. | Troop 2130 Stella P. | Troop 9934 Stellar R. | Troop 6169 Suheir B. | Troop 91 Sydney H. | Troop 2786 Sydney H. | Troop 57002 Taegan Z. | Troop 7389 Taylee K. | Troop 3862 Taylor W. | Troop 51518 Taytiannah B. | Troop 99 Teagan J. | Troop 21321 Tessa R. | Troop 21820 Trinity F. | Troop 2516 Violet M. | Troop 7761



TOP COOKIE SELLER Diahna S. | Troop 91326

What advice do you have for new Girl Scouts selling cookies for the first time??

Do not get discouraged if customers say "NO" to purchasing cookies because many Girl Scouts are also selling within the same area. Always use that "NO" to help think of creative ways to make sure that the next customer says, "YES."



Seniors (9–10)

Aaralyn F. | Troop 9663 Abigail C. | Troop 97234 Adriana S. | Troop 8373 Allysse K. | Troop 8587 Aniah J. | Troop 9744

Ashley E. | Troop 6931 Asiya B. | Troop 71159 Autumn H. | Troop 6038 Avery B. | Troop 9744 Brianna C. | Troop 5047

Bryanna L. | Troop 7104 Cadence G. | Troop 7100 Cailey K. | Troop 4780 Caralyn G. | Troop 51129 Chloe T. | Troop 5130

Ciana B. | Troop 9785 Cyneathia R. | Troop 5357 Emily C. | Troop 513 Emyrson S. | Troop 70300 Gillian S. | Troop 81078 Gisele A. | Troop 7157 Isabel A. | Troop 72055 Jessica S. | Troop 5407 Jessica T. | Troop 7157 Kayla D. | Troop 91 Kiara L. | Troop 61

Korpo K. | Troop 9517 Lauren M. | Troop 81078 Liana S. | Troop 7100 Margaret M. | Troop 2187 Maya K. | Troop 21041 Micaela B. | Troop 93 Michaela G. | Troop 219 Mykayla Y. | Troop 53086 Paige F. | Troop 513 Paloma C. | Troop 7686

Rileigh S. | Troop 6931

Robyn B | Troop 71032 Sabrya B. | Troop 9158 Samantha B. | Troop 883 Samantha R. | Troop 163 Sana'a H. | Troop 9696 Simra S. | Troop 7021 Skye S. | Troop 91176 Sydney B. | Troop 768 Victoria M. | Troop 21041 Wynter L. | Troop 7104

TOP COOKIE SELLER Kayla E. | Troop 6169

What advice do you have for new Girl Scouts selling cookies for the first time?

Persevere! Don't let the no discourage you just say, "Thank you" anyway. Politeness goes a long way, and some people turn around even if they don't buy, they'll donate.



Ambassadors (11–12)

Annabella S. | Troop 8948 Ashley L. | Troop 9629 Bree T. | Troop 329 Briana C. | Troop 9020 Brianna B. | Troop 7369 Brynn W. | Troop 789 Christine M. | Troop 7360 Daniela W. | Troop 81107 Ella L. | Troop 44123 Emily B. | Troop 4215 Emma C. | Troop 97234 Erica K. | Troop 9517 Faith W. | Troop 91 Hannah I. | Troop 7210

Hayden J. | Troop 8948 Isabelle K. | Troop 5320 Jada M. | Troop 7753 Jasmine W. | Troop 9364 Jenna T. | Troop 81107 Kayla E. | Troop 9629 Kennedi P. | Troop 8587 Ketorah B. | Troop 914 Kiera M. | Troop 5913 Kyleigh M. | Troop 53086 Layla J. | Troop 97234 Lillian K. | Troop 7151 Madison J. | Troop 9629 Marisa M. | Troop 97234

Myah D. | Troop 1797 Natalie D. | Troop 21603 Nicole S. | Troop 2779 Nylah E. | Troop 91444 Olivia S. | Troop 41536 Olivia R. | Troop 1516 Sadahlyn D. | Troop 7369 Sanari H. | Troop 9020 Sarah Q. | Troop 7369 Shelby K. | Troop 44123 Sophia O. | Troop 71113 Sophie W. | Troop 81107 Vashti V. | Troop 91

Good News Stories

Girl Scouts from across our 9 counties are always doing amazing things! Check out some of these stories from the past year.



Spark | Girl Scouts in Action

Brownie Troop 71399 from Montgomery County chose Home at Last Rescue Dog Rescue as recipients of their Hometown Heroes donations through the Cookie Program. They also set a giving goal that helped purchase supplies, such as food, treats, collars, and leashes for the dogs at the rescue. Home at Last, in return, helped them earn their Pets Badge. The Girl Scouts had such a great experience with the rescue, that some families even adopted a new furry friend from the rescue!





As part of Earth Day projects, Delaware County Junior Troop 53178 and Cadette Ellie R. (Troop 553) held a clean-up along Bethel Spring Elementary Nature Trail. Completing their Bronze Award, Troop 53178 built and installed two owl houses and repaired a 70-foot washedout section of the hiking trail. They installed six water bars and laid 20 tons of gravel to restore the trail using funds raised through the sale of Girl Scout Cookies®.

As part of Ellie's Silver Award effort, the trail signs were cleaned, trees across trails were removed, and the paths were lined and cleared in preparation for Earth Week celebrations at Bethel Springs Elementary School.

Spark | Girl Scouts in Action

Maggie M. from Troop 2187 in Bucks County earned her Silver Award by creating a badge program for Mitzvah Circle in Norristown, PA to encourage other Girl Scouts to volunteer. Girl Scouts can host a collection, then volunteer at Mitzvah Circle sorting donations and packing care packages of clothing, diapers, household supplies and more for those experiencing poverty. Maggie created a PowerPoint on the importance of giving back and a donation game to understand what is good to donate and not so good to donate.

Maggie has been volunteering at Mitzvah Circle since she was seven years old. Each year she hosts a collection of socks and underwear to honor her Uncle Gerard. This year was her 7th collection and hitting the milestone of having organized the donation of over 40,000 pairs of socks in



Troop 7157 from Chester County bridged to Ambassadors over the Gold Gate Bridge in San Francisco, CA. They enjoyed all the sights of San Francisco as well as enjoying a day trip and hiking in Yosemite National Park. They planned this trip for two years right after they bridged to Seniors in Savannah, GA. They are busy planning their last and final bridging to adult Girl Scouts now.



The Girl Scouts of Three Leaves Service Unit from Philadelphia sponsored a 2 day long Amazing Race style adventure. Troops from the Philadelphia area and as far south as Delaware gathered at Camp Laughing Waters to race in this round the world adventure. The girls raced around the world visiting four continents and 10 countries! Each location was filled with activities and challenges that included learning a local language, preparing a local food dish, and performing a cultural activity. The highlight of the weekend was a special guest visit from Andrea Simpson, current Season 35 Amazing Race contender who emphasized the importance of teamwork, strategy and resilience needed in life and to be successful on the Amazing Race.



Adult Camping Weekend

Every year, the Adult Camping Weekend (ACW) Committee hosts Girl Scout adults and their friends from across the country. This weekend retreat, filled with nostalgic activities and camaraderie, serves a dual purpose: it fosters a sense of community among participants and raises vital funds for scholarships for graduating Girl Scouts.

Through various fundraising activities, participants contribute towards empowering the next generation of Girl Scouts, ensuring they have the resources and opportunities to succeed. This meaningful weekend celebrates the enduring spirit of Girl Scouting and their continued commitment to make an impact in our community.



Over the

past 30 years, ACW has

continued to grow,

girl scholarships, which

are awarded each spring.

ACW attendees participating in the flag ceremony around the flag pole

exceeding their goals each year. Over its history, ACW has raised more at Camp Laughing Waters. than \$220,000 for older

Learn more about what it means to be part of this special initiative from members of the Committee:

"I am committed to ACW to raise money for graduating Ambassador Girl Scouts to help with their schooling."

Debbie O.

"I enjoy having a chance to help in the education of girls and of course the camaraderie of it all. Girl Power!" — Tina S.

"Not only does ACW provide amazing older girl scholarships, but it also provides women with a chance to truly unplug and connect in a space of shared values...summer camp for adults!"

— Heather K.

"I love to cook, so this is a fun weekend for me to hang with my great kitchen crew and weekend helpers."

Loretta B.

"Good fun, good food, good friends, lasting memories!"

— Diane B.

"I am committed to ACW because I found a way to support the ladies who run the event, and I get to unplug with my daughter for a weekend!"

— Beth M.



Introducing the Sonia Foderaro Scholarship

Sonia Foderaro, a lifelong Girl Scout, passed away in 2023. Her legacy and commitment to Girl Scouting lives on through her generous contribution of a dedicated scholarship for graduating Girl Scouts. Sonia participated in Girl Scouts for more than 70 years, helping to mentor new leaders and girls. She was an active member of the Silver and Gold Award Committees as well.

Her generosity will help the ACW Committee award the Sonia Foderaro Scholarship to graduating Girl Scouts in 2025.

Interested in joining the fun and raising money for a noble cause? Join us at Adult Camping Weekend 2025!

Scan the QR code to stay up to date on all things ACW and be the first to know when registration opens! We hope to see you and your friends at the next ACW.





A group of friends playing favorite among all Girl Scouts.

Learning to basket weave in the arts pavilion at Camp Laughing Waters.



GSEP History Committee

The GSEP History Committee is composed of dedicated volunteers who are passionate about Girl Scout history! They maintain and run the GSEP Museum of Girl Scout History, located at the Valley Forge Service Center, which features changing displays about Girl Scout history in our Council and beyond! The History Committee offers several programs each year for the different age levels (see programs section), as well as tours and programs upon request.

This past year, the History Committee curated a fascinating exhibit about Girl Scouting through the World Wars. They showcased uniforms from the time period and had hands on sections of the exhibit that allowed visitors to create kits that Girl Scouts during WWII used to make to send to troops.

Visit the History Museum page by scanning the OR code to learn all about upcoming events and new exhibits.

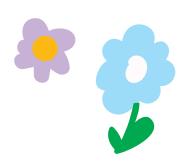
The Museum of Girl Scout History is open the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10 am-2 pm, and by appointment.

Contact: historycommittee@hotmail.com

Join us to see what Girl Scout traditions have stood the test of time!







Spark | Community in Action



Historic uniform examples on display



Girl Scouts learning about the items Girl Scouts collected during the World Wars to aid troops and auxiliary groups.

Scan the OR code to learn more.



Volunteer Resources

Everything you need to keep your troop running smoothly

Everyone can use a little guidance, whether you're a brand-new volunteer or a seasoned veteran. The resources on this page will help you along the way in your volunteer journey. Whether you're looking for guidance on managing troop finances or need help planning your first year of meetings, you'll find everything you need.



myGS

Many of your must-have tools, like gsLearn and the Volunteer Toolkit, are accessible when you log in to myGS, which is always accessible on our website—just look for the icon on the upper right corner on the homepage.



Volunteer Toolkit

The VTK is a digital resource that supports troop leaders and makes the process of running a troop easier and more efficient. Fully customizable, the VTK provides resources and program content to deliver the Girl Scout Leadership Experience easily to the girls in your troop. New! Plan your whole troop year using the interactive Year Plan tool on VTK.



gsLearn

Your source for on-demand training. Find new leader trainings, information on how to support DEI in Girl Scouting, important finance training, and so much more all on-demand and ready to view on your schedule.

Explore so much more on our website! Scan the QR code to find resources, guides, and more that are essential to volunteers!



Volunteer Training

We know that training is critical to a successful volunteer experience. For that reason, we are continually adding to our training portfolio to provide a variety of experiences to help you lead a troop, take girls camping, go on trips, and engage in exciting activities. Some of these trainings are available to you at any time through our gsLearn platform, while others are live webinars or in-person trainings on specific dates.

Always Available

You can access gsLearn anytime to complete new leader training, troop finance training, Service Unit role trainings, and many others. This is also where your training records are kept, so you can upload your First Aid/CPR certificates, etc. to have them on file. And if you want to check which trainings are current, log in to MyGS, click on gsLearn, and look under "achievements".

Live and In-person Trainings

Overnight and Outdoor Trainings are required for taking troops on overnights and outdoor adventures. Register through your MyGS account or through the GSEP Event Calendar. These trainings must be taken in order:

Indoor Overnight Skills (IOS) Webinar- required to take girls on an overnight trip at modern indoor facilities and is also the pre-requisite for Basic Outdoor Skills part 1. Available at least once a month, all year.

Basic Outdoor Skills (BOS) Part 1 Webinar - first of the two-part Basic Outdoor Skills Training, this virtual session will take participants through GSEP property policies and procedures, and the basic skills required for group camping. Pre-requisite for BOS Part 2. Available once a month August-December and February-May.

Basic Outdoor Skills (BOS) Part 2 In-person Skills second of the two-part Basic Outdoor Skills Training, this in-person session will take you through the basic skills required for group camping, including fire safety/building, outdoor cooking, and much more. Available once a month August-December and February-May.

Get Comfortable Camping

Recommended for leaders who have completed both Basic Outdoor Skills trainings and would like a full overnight experience before taking their troop camping. You will sleep overnight in a platform tent and do all your cooking outdoors. Spend some time on nature activities, campfire songs, and how to plan simple Girl Scout camping ceremonies. This training is offered once or twice each year.

First Aid/CPR Training

This blended course is completed partly on-line, and partly with an In-Person Skills Assessment class. It covers rescue breathing, CPR and emergency care skills for infants, children, and adults; and prepares participants to serve as a first aid adult for most Girl Scout activities.

A Year of Impactful Advocacy

Over the past year, Girl Scouts have met with various State, City, and Federal legislators to keep them up to date on exciting initiatives across Council and to tell the GSEP story. We were grateful to have the opportunity to meet with so many legislators and connect with other Councils advocating for Girl Scouts at events like Troop PA in Harrisburg and Take the Lead Greater Philadelphia, where Mayor Cherelle Parker spoke.





Girl Scouts of Eastern PA, Girl Scouts Heart of PA, and Girl Scouts of Western PA met at the state capitol building in Harrisburg for the Troop PA event. This event connected Girl Scouts with their local female legislators, helping them to learn about governance and ask them questions about what it's like to be a female legislator. The networking event was followed by an afternoon of STEM learning! This was a powerful event for Girl Scouts as they advocated for their communities and learned from amazing women making a difference every day.

Philadelphia's first female Mayor, Cherelle Parker, attended GSEP's Take the Lead Greater Philadelphia fundraising event in March 2024. She talked about the important role Girl Scouts play in Philadelphia and how she is committed to elevating Girl Scout voices in the city. Mayor Parker encouraged all GSEP Girl Scouts to continue to advocate for change in their communities and take action!

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Thank you to GSEP's generous Annual Fund donors! We are grateful for the leadership and support from our outstanding community of individual, corporate, and foundations donors. Their philanthropic investment of \$2,500 or more* helps bring the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to girls across GSEP's nine-county footprint.

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GSEP Scholarship Opportunities

Calling all **Graduating Senior Girl Scouts!**



Scholarships are available for Girl Scouts who are pursuing higher education and trade schools after high school.

Scholarship Applications open December 1, 2024, and will close February 15, 2025.

There are many different scholarships available for all **Girl Scouts!**

Each scholarship has a different set of qualifications and criteria from living in a specific area to achievements earned through your Girl Scout experience to how you live with courage, confidence, and character!

GSEP scholarships are sponsored by donors within Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania. Scan the

OR code to learn more about GSEP scholarships!

Not sure how to navigate scholarship applications?

Join us for a Scholarship Application Info Session

November 17, 2024

Webinar

Register through gsEvents (a recording will be available afterwards if this date doesn't work for you). During this session we will go through the application process, important things to remember while filling out your applications and how to navigate Smarter Select with tips and tricks!

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Daisies in a year!

Match the activity that goes with the badge or patch!

Directions: Draw a line to match the badge or patch with the activity that will help you earn it! Then, think about which badges and patches you might want to earn this year in Girl Scouts. The next page has some events that might help you take action to reach that goal!

BADGES/PATCHES







Craft and Tinker Badge



Space Science Explorer Badge



Toy Business Designer Badge



MLK Day of Service



Autumn **Adventure Patch**



Daisy My First Cookie Business Badge



Zoo Trip Patch



Celebrate JGL **Birthday Patch**

ACTIVITIES



Creating a Roller Coaster model



Painting a Bird House



Looking at Stars



Selling a Toy



Picking Up Trash



Painting a Pumpkin or Creating a Scarecrow



Participating in a Cookie Booth



Learning about animals of the world!



Celebrating JGL Birthday

Daisy Opportunities

Throughout the year, our Daisy programs offer endless opportunities for young girls to blossom into confident leaders. From outdoor adventures to creative projects, each activity is designed to inspire curiosity, foster friendships, and ignite a passion for making a difference. Check out some programs for Daisies below. All program descriptions can be found in the programs section, starting on page 91.

Family Camp

Aug 30-Sep 2 at Camp Mosey Wood CMW's 85th Anniversary Celebration!

Wont' You Be My Neighbor

Sep 21 – Philadelphia Earn the Good Neighbor Badge!

Camp Wood Haven's 70th **Anniversary Celebration!**

Oct 11-13 at Camp Wood Haven Come celebrate 70 years of awesome camping!

Ready to Climb!

Oct 13 - Gravity Vault Radnor Test your climbing skills!

Schuvlkill River Greenways

Oct 19 – Pottstown Learn about positive changes on the environment!

Family 5K Costume Race

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Race around camp in costume!

Autumn Adventures

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Enjoy the fall weather!

Daisy/Brownie Climbing Adventure

Nov 2 – Doylestown Earn the Climbing Adventure badge!

Crayola Experience

Nov 2 - Easton Learn how Crayons are made!

Trail Adventurers!

Nov 9 - Berks Earn the Trail Adventure badge!

Eco Leaners

Nov 16 at Camp Shelly Ridge Earn the Eco Leaner badge!



Day of Code

Dec 7 at Camp Shelly Ridge Earn the Day of Code patch!

Winter Lights Carnival

Dec 14 at Camp Laughing Waters Explore winter fun!

Winter Camp

Dec 27-30 at Camp Mosey Wood Explore a camp winter wonderland!



Cookie Rally

Jan 11 - Chester, DelCo. Laughing Waters, and Philly Earn the Cookie Rally patch!

Timeless Toys

Feb 8 - Northampton Earn the Toy Designer badge!

Mechanical Engineering Feb 2 at Shelly Ridge

Feb 8 in Valley Forge Feb 15 in Philly Earn the Board Game, Roller Coaster, and Model Car Design Challenge badges!

GSEP Presents: Maple Sugaring

Feb 15 at Camp Laughing Waters Learn how to make maple syrup!







Brownie Activity

Create a troop time capsule.

Directions: Find a waterproof container that can hold your treasures. Decide as a troop how to decorate it. Complete the letter with the prompts below and add a small token that represents your Girl Scout journey so far. After all letters and tokens are added, close the container and put a note on it when to open. (Maybe your Senior Year of High School?) Then decide where to keep it safe - this could be buried in the backyard, in an attic, closet, or basement. Where can it be kept?

Letter to My Future Self
My Name Is:
My Current Nickname Is:
I am years old and have been in Girl Scouts for years.
My Troop Number is
My favorite activity to do with Girl Scouts is:
What I want to be when I grow up is:
By the time I read this, I will be years old. I hope to have
done these three things in Girl Scouting by then:
1.
2.
3.
My best Girl Scout memory is:

Brownie Opportunities

Throughout the year, our Brownie programs provide a multitude of enriching experiences designed to nurture leadership skills and foster personal growth. Plan your year with some of the programs below. All program descriptions can be found in the programs section, starting on page 91.

Family Camp

Aug 30-Sep 2 at Camp Mosey Wood CMW's 85th Anniversary Celebration!

Budget Makers

Sep 6 - Philadelphia Earn My Own Budget Badge!

Brownie Adventure Blitz

Sep 14 at Camp Shelly Ridge Earn the Climbing Adventure badge!

Badge Blast! - Brownies

Oct 5 at Camp Mosey Wood Earn the Hiker, Eco Friend, and Outdoor Adventurer badges!

Explore the Outdoors!

Oct 6 - Delaware County Earn the Hiker Badge!

Ready to Climb!

Oct 13 - Radnor Test your climbing skills!

Schuylkill River Greenways

Oct 19 - Pottstown Learn about positive change in the environment!

Family 5K Costume Race

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing WatersRace around camp in costume!

Autumn Adventures

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Enjoy the fall weather!

Journey in a Day: **Wonders of Water**

Oct 27 - Reading Earn the Wonders of Water Journey!

Outdoor Art

Oct 27 - Delaware County Earn the Outdoor Art badge!

Daisy/Brownie Climbing Adventure

Nov 2 - Doylestown Earn the Climbing Adventure badge!

Crayola Experience

Nov 2 - Easton Learn how your favorite crayons are made!

Tea with Juliette

Nov 9 at Camp Valley Forge Earn the Girl Scout Way badge!

Trail Adventurers!

Nov 9 - Reading Earn the Trail Adventure badge!

Coding for Good: GSEP's Hour of Code Event

Dec 7 at Camp Shelly Ridge **Coding for Good 1: Coding Basics** badge.

Spark | Activities & Opportunites

Winter Lights Carnival

Dec 14 at Camp Laughing Waters Explore winter fun!

Winter Camp

Dec 27-30 at Camp Mosey Wood Explore a camp winter wonderland!

Explore the World of Girls

Jan 25 at Camp Shelly Ridge Earn the World of Girls journey!

Cookie Rally

Jan 11 - Chester, DelCo, Laughing Waters, and Philly Earn the Cookie Rally patch!

Mechanical Engineering

Feb 2 at Camp Shelly Ridge Feb 8 at Camp Valley Forge Earn the Leap Bot, Fling Flyer, and Race Car Design Challenge badges!

GSEP Presents: Maple Sugaring

Feb 15 at Camp Laughing Waters Learn how to make maple syrup!





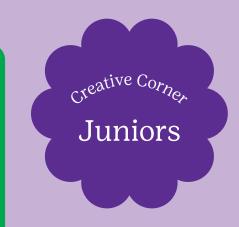












Junior Activity

Girl Scout fortune teller.

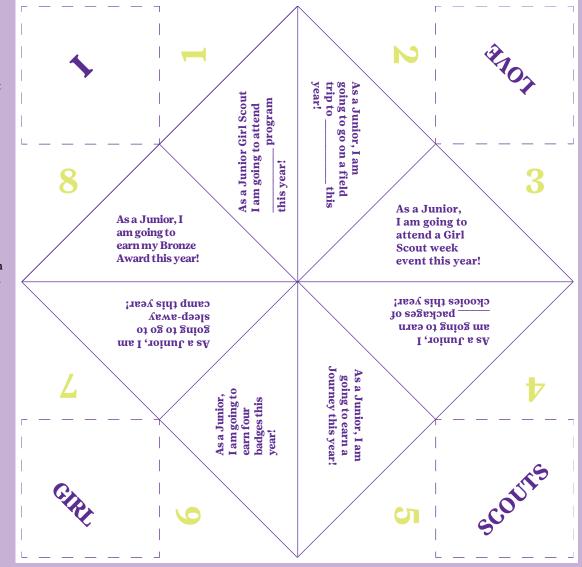
Directions:

- 1. Cut out the square.
- 2. Fold the paper in half, then turn it and fold it in half again and crease it, so that you can see where the center of the paper is. Open the paper flat.
- 3. With the print side facing down, fold each corner to meet in the middle.
- 4. Turn the folded paper over so that the "fortunes" (small words) are facing up.

Fold the paper in half with the numbers facing in and the words "I love Girl Scouts" facing out so that you can reach the "pockets" on the underside.

How to Play:

- 1. Hold the fortune teller with your fingers.
- 2. Pick a word. Spell out the letters of that word (e.g., L-O-V-E) while alternating a pinching and pulling motion with the teller.
- The teller will reveal 4 numbers. Pick one and move the teller the corresponding number of times.
- Choose a number again, then open the flap and reveal which Girl Scout Cookie you should get!



Junior Opportunities

Throughout the year, our Junior programs offer a myriad of captivating experiences tailored to inspire growth and confidence. From thrilling outdoor adventures to meaningful service projects, each opportunity is crafted to ignite a passion for leadership and instill valuable life skills that will last a lifetime. All program descriptions can be found in the programs section, starting on page 91.

Family Camp

Aug 30-Sep 2 at Camp Mosey Wood CMW's 85th Anniversary Celebration

Budget Makers

Sep 6 - Philadelphia Earn My Own Budget Maker Badge!

Explore the Trails

Sep 14 at Camp Shelly Ridge Earn the Trail Adventure badge!

Knowing My Emotions

Sep 22 at Camp Mountain House Earn the Knowing My Emotions patch!

Camping with Bronze in Sight

Sep 27-29 at Camp Wood Haven Earn the Outdoor Journey!

Badge Blast - Juniors!

Oct 4-6 at Camp Mosey Wood Earn the Camper, Outdoor Art Explorer, and Eco Camper badges!

Camp Wood Haven's 70th **Anniversary Celebration!**

Oct 11-13 at Camp Wood Haven Come celebrate 70 years of awesome camping!

Explore Animal Habitats

Oct 12 - Churchville Earn the Animal Habitat badge!

Ready to Climb!

Oct 13 - Radnor Test your climbing skills!

GSEP Out of School Journey in a Day: Think Like an Engineer

Oct 14 at Camp Mountain House Earn the Think Like an Engineer Journey!

Schuylkill River Greenways

Oct 19 - Pottstown Learn about positive change in the environment!

Flight Force

Oct 20 - Chester Discover forces of flight!

Family 5K Costume Race

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Race around camp!

Autumn Adventures

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Celebrate fall weather!

Crayola Experience

Nov 2 - Easton Learn how your favorite Crayons are made!

Foodies!

Nov 2 at Camp Mosey Wood Earn the Simple Meals badge!

Democracy

Nov 4 - Philadelphia Earn the Democracy badge!

Gettysburg Trip

Nov 8-10 at Camp Wood Haven Walk through history!

Robotics Roundup!

Nov 10 - Garnett Valley Earn the Designing Robots badge!

Journey in a Day: aMuse Nov 16 - Valley Forge

Earn the aMuse Journey Business Jump Start badge!

Junior Jaunt

Dec 6-7 at Camp Valley Forge Earn the Girl Scout Way Badge!

Day of Code

Dec 7 at Camp Shelly Ridge Earn the Day of Code patch!

Broadway NYC Bus Trip

Dec 7 at Camp Valley Forge (bus to NYC) See a Broadway show!

Winter Lights Carnival

Dec 14 at Camp Laughing Waters Celebrate winter!

Junior Climbing Adventure

Dec 21 - Downingtown Test your climbing skills!

Winter Camp

Dec 27-30 at Camp Mosey Wood A camp winter wonderland!

Cookie Rally

Jan 11 - Chester, DelCo, Laughing Waters, and Philly Earn the Cookie Rally patch!

Wildlands - Animal Habitat

Jan 25 - Emmaus Earn the Animal Habitat badge!

Mechanical Engineering

Feb 2 at Shelly Ridge Feb 8 in Valley Forge Earn the Paddleboat, Crane, and Balloon Car Design Challenge badges!

GSEP Presents:

Maple Sugaring

Feb 15 at Camp Laughing Waters Learn how to make maple syrup!

















Cadette Activity

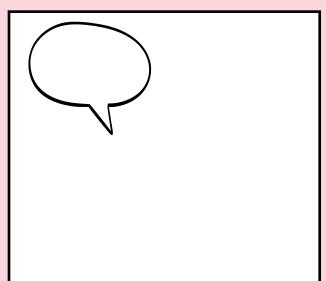
Create your own comic strip!

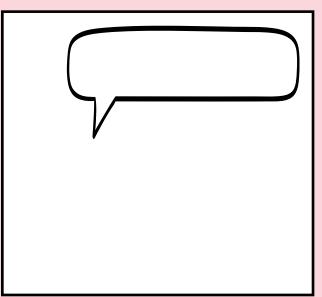
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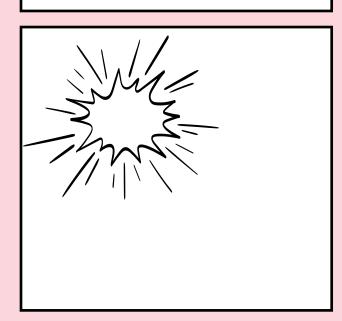
Create a comic for what you hope to accomplish this year in Girl Scouting. (Stick figures are totally cool!)

Here are some ideas to get you started:

- Badges I want to earn
- Leadership activities helping younger troops, participating in a program with service
- A Journey I want to complete
- · An outing I want to go on
- An award I want to earn











Cadette Opportunities

Throughout the year, our Cadette programs present a diverse array of empowering opportunities aimed at fostering personal growth and building invaluable skills. From immersive outdoor expeditions to impactful community initiatives, each endeavor challenges Cadettes to embrace their potential, cultivate resilience, and make a lasting difference in their communities and beyond. All program descriptions are listed in the programs section starting on page 91.

Family Camp

Aug 30-Sep 2 at Camp Mosey Wood CMW's 85th Anniversary Celebration!

Splash into Adventure!

Sep 6-8 at Camp Mosey Wood

Canoeing

Sep 22 - West Chester

Sundae Sunday

Sep 29 at Camp Laughing Waters

Badge Blast!

Oct 4-6 at Camp Mosey Wood

CWH's 70th Anniversary Celebration!

Oct 11–13 at Camp Wood Haven Celebrate 70 years of awesome camping!

Night Adventure at Blue Mountain 2024!

Oct 11 - Palmerton

Ready to Climb!

Oct 13 – Radnor Learn the ropes of climbing!

GSEP Out of School Journey in a Day: Think like an Engineer Oct 14 at Camp Mountain House

Wildlands- Night Owl

Oct 19 - Emmaus

Journey in a Day: Breathe Oct 19 at Camp Valley Forge

Earn the Breathe journey!

Real Rocks

Oct 20 at Camp Valley Forge (bus to offsite climbing)
Challenge your climbing skills!

Family 5K Costume Race Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters

Race around camp!

Autumn Adventures

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Celebrate Fall weather!

Foodies!

Nov 1-3 at Camp Mosey Wood Earn the Simple Meals badge!

Gettysburg Trip

Nov 8-10 at Camp Wood Haven Walk through history!

Winter Lights Creators

Nov 10 at Camp Laughing Waters Help plan Winter Lights Carnival!

Night Owls

Nov 3 - West Chester

Silver Award Learning SessionNov 20 at Camp Valley Forge

Learn how to get started on your Silver

Broadway NYC Bus Trip

Dec 7 at Camp Valley Forge (bus to NYC) See a Broadway show!

Pawsitivite Playmakers

Dec 7 - Birdsboro

Stick Season

Dec 8 at Camp Laughing Waters

Winter Lights Carnival

Dec 14 at Camp Laughing Waters Celebrate winter!

Wire Ring Making

Dec 14 - Reading

Funny Pages

Dec 15 - Bethlehem

Cadette Climbing

Dec 15 - Bridgeport Challenge your climbing skills!

Winter Camp

Dec 27-30 at Camp Mosey Wood Enjoy camp winter wonderland!

Snow Splash!

Jan 3-5 at Camp Mosey Wood A weekend of winter fun!

"Real" Media- Girls Empowered

Jan 12 - Doylestown

Climbing Crew! Jan 12 - Wind Gap

Grow your climbing skills!

MLK Day of Service

Jan 20 - Various Locations Spend your day at a service project!

Maple Sugaring Program Leaders Jan 25 at Camp Laughing Waters

Stop the Bleed!

Jan 26 - Paoli Earn your Stop the Bleed certificate!

Winter Carnival

Jan 31- Feb 2 at Camp Mosey Wood Enjoy winter!

Silver Learning Session

Feb 12 - Berks County Get started on your Silver Award!

Journey in a Day: Breathe Feb 16 - Reading

Earn your Breathe journey!

aMAZING Relationships- Girls Empowered

Feb 22 – Doylestown Learn about healthy relationships

GSEP Presents: Maple Sugaring

Feb 15 at Camp Laughing Waters Learn the process of making maple sugar!



Senior Activity

Word search wonder!

Being a Senior Girl Scout means exploring new leadership positions, projects, and awesome adventures! Find all the words that answer the questions below in the word search. Hint: all the words have to do with what you can accomplish as a Senior Girl Scout!



Questions

- What is the Highest Award you can earn as a Senior Girl Scout?
- Number of volunteer hours needed to earn the Senior Service to Girl Scouting Bar.
- A program where you can earn Service to Girl Scouting Hours.
- A program at Day Camp where you can help lead younger campers.
- Girl Scouts founder's first name.
- Number of current Senior STEM badges.
- Senior badge with shortest name.
- VIT stands for _____ in Training
- How many Journeys start with "Think Like a"
- 10. How many programs in this magazine can you participate in and earn service hours?

Senior Opportunities

Throughout the year, our Senior programs offer a dynamic range of opportunities crafted to inspire leadership, ignite passions, and cultivate lifelong skills. From immersive travel experiences to innovative projects tackling global issues, each endeavor empowers Seniors to embrace their potential, make meaningful connections, and become catalysts for positive change in the world. All program descriptions are listed in the programs section starting on page 91.

Family Camp

Aug 30-Sep 2 at Camp Mosey Wood CMW's 85th Anniversary Celebration!

Splash into Adventure! Sep 6-8 at Camp Mosey Wood

Journey in a Day: Bliss Sep 21 - Reading Earn your Bliss journey!

Canoeing

Sep 22 - West Chester Spend the day paddling!

Sundae Sunday

Sep 29 at Camp Laughing Waters

Get Ready to Go Gold Oct 5-6 at Camp Shelly Ridge

Gold Award Workshop Oct 6 at Camp Shelly Ridge

Night Adventure at Blue Mountain 2024!

October 11 - Palmerton

Learning the Ropes

Oct 13 - Radnor Learn the basics of climbing!

Camp Wood Haven's 70th **Anniversary Celebration!**

Oct 11-13 at Camp Wood Haven Come celebrate 70 years of awesome camping!

Ready to Climb!

Oct 13 - Radnor Put your climbing skills to the test!

Real Rocks

Oct 20 at Camp Valley Forge (bus to offsite location) Spend the day climbing with friends!

Family 5K Costume Race

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Race around camp with your family!

Autumn Adventures

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Enjoy the fall weather!

Celebrate Sisterhood-Girls **Empowered**

November 7 – Doylestown

Gettysburg Trip

Nov 8-10 at Camp Wood Haven Walk through history!

Winter Lights Creators

Nov 10 at Camp Laughing Waters

Broadway NYC Bus Trip

Dec 7 at Camp Valley Forge (bus to NYC) See a Broadway show!

Pawsitivite Playmakers Dec 7 - Birdsboro

Winter Lights Carnival Dec 14 at Camp Laughing Waters

Wire Ring Making Dec 14 - Reading

Winter Camp

Dec 27-30 at Camp Mosey Wood Enjoy the camp winter wonderland!

Snow Splash!

Jan 3-5 at Camp Mosey Wood A weekend full of winter fun!

Climbing Crew!

Jan 12 - Wind Gap

MLK Day of Service

Jan 20 - Various Locations Spend the day completing a service

Maple Sugaring Program

Jan 25 at Camp Laughing Waters

Winter Carnival

Jan 31-Feb 2 at Camp Mosey Wood

Gold Award Workshop

Feb 5 - Berks County Learn how to get started on your Gold Award!

GSEP Presents: Maple Sugaring

Feb 15 at Camp Laughing Waters

Showing Up for Me and You Feb 22 at Camp Laughing Waters







Ambassador Activity

Letter to My Past Self

Directions:

You are now an Ambassador Girl Scout and you have accomplished a great deal in your Girl Scouting career so far! Think about what Girl Scouting has taught you and what Girl Scouting means to you. Write a letter to your younger self, the year you joined Girl Scouting, and tell them all about what their future in Girl Scouting holds! If you feel so inclined, email your letter to communications@gsep.org and we might use it in a future marketing piece.

But have no fear, your Girl Scouting adventure is not over yet! Check out the next page for activities you can do in the coming months!

Ambassador Opportunities

Throughout the year, our Ambassador programs present a dynamic array of opportunities designed to empower young women to lead with purpose and passion. From engaging in advocacy initiatives to pursuing ambitious projects, each endeavor challenges Ambassadors to embrace their potential, amplify their voices, and shape a brighter future for themselves and their communities. All program descriptions are listed in the programs section starting on page 91.

Family Camp

Aug 30-Sep 2 at Camp Mosey Wood CMW's 85th Anniversary Celebration!

Splash into Adventure!

Sep 6-8 at Camp Mosey Wood

Canoeing

Sep 22 - West Chester Spend the day paddling!

Journey in a Day: Bliss

Sep 21 - Reading Earn your Bliss journey!

Sundae Sunday

Sep 29 at Camp Laughing Waters

Get Ready to Go Gold

Oct 5-6 at Camp Shelly Ridge

Gold Award Workshop

Oct 6 at Camp Shelly Ridge

Night Adventure at Blue Mountain 2024!

Oct 11 - Palmerton

Camp Wood Haven's 70th **Anniversary Celebration!**

Oct 11-13 at Camp Wood Haven Come celebrate 70 years of awesome camping!

Learning the Ropes

Oct 13 - Radnor Learn the basics of climbing!

Ready to Climb!

Oct 13 - Radnor Put your climbing skills to the test!

Real Rocks

Oct 20 at Camp Valley Forge (bus to offsite location) Spend the day climbing with friends!

Family 5K Costume Race

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Race around camp with your family!

Autumn Adventures

Oct 26 at Camp Laughing Waters Enjoy the fall weather!

Celebrate Sisterhood-Girls **Empowered**

Nov 7 – Doylestown

Gettysburg Trip

Nov 8-10 at Camp Wood Haven Walk through history!

Winter Lights Creators

Nov 10 at Camp Laughing Waters

Scholarship Info Session

Nov 17 - Virtual ZOOM

NYC Broadway Trip

Dec 7 at Camp Valley Forge (bus to NYC) See a Broadway show!

Pawsitivite Playmakers

Dec 7 - Birdsboro

Winter Lights Carnival

Dec 14 at Camp Laughing Waters

Wire Ring Making

Dec 14 - Reading

Winter Camp

Dec 27-30 at Camp Mosey Wood Enjoy the camp winter wonderland!

Snow Splash!

Jan 3-5 at Camp Mosey Wood A weekend full of winter fun!

Climbing Crew!

Jan 12 - Wind Gap

MLK Day of Service

Jan 20 - Various Locations Spend the day completing a service

Maple Sugaring Program Leaders

Jan 25 at Camp Laughing Waters

Winter Carnival

Jan 31- Feb 2 at Camp Mosey Wood

Gold Award Workshop

Feb 5 - Berks County Learn how to get started on your Gold

GSEP Presents: Maple

Feb 15 at Camp Laughing Waters

Showing Up for Me and You

Feb 22 at Camp Laughing Waters





Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge 2024

Summer is here and it's time to have some fun outside! Pick your favorite ways to enjoy the great outdoors from a backyard, window, computer, playground, park, or campsite—and earn the Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge patch. This challenge starts on June 1 and ends with Girl Scouts Love State Parks weekend on September 14 and 15, 2024. Use #gsoutdoors on social media to share your adventures with friends.

Complete at least 25 activities from the list below to earn your patch. Will you choose challenging, silly, or artsy activities? It's all up to you—just have fun!

- 1. Attend Girl Scouts Love State Parks on September 14 and/or 15
- Identify three types of trees in your neighborhood
- 3. Germinate apple seeds
- Try paddleboarding
- Take photos of a flower in bloom
- Join a community clean-up effort
- 7. Dance barefoot in the grass
- Share the seven principles of **Leave** No Trace with a younger Girl Scout
- 9. Make a bird feeder out of recycled materials
- 10. Build a fort or tent in your home for indoor camping fun
- 11. Prepare for a hike using mental imagery
- 12. Make a nature-inspired collage with colored scraps of paper
- 13. Volunteer for a shift at a community garden
- 14. Plan an indoor or outdoor picnic for family or friends
- 15. Learn about the history of Indigenous people in your area
- 16. Write down ten things that make you feel peaceful outdoors
- 17. Create an obstacle course in your backyard or at a local park
- 18. Write out five words that best describe the sights and sounds of nature
- 19. Blow bubbles outside and try to catch them

- 20. Learn how your favorite forest animal finds food outdoors
- 21. Walk silently in nature with a friend and then compare what you each heard
- 22. Skip rocks on a lake or pond
- 23. Make an outdoors first aid kit
- 24. Identify two constellations you've never seen before
- 25. Make s'mores while singing silly songs
- 26. Paint a landscape mural with friends or family
- 27. Learn about a local environmental issue and find a way to help
- 28. Make a pretend campfire out of tissue paper
- 29. Feel three types of soil: sand, silt, and clay
- 30. Read your favorite book outdoors
- 31. Make a playlist of outdoor-inspired sounds
- 32. Organize a tree-planting event using the **Girl Scout Tree Promise**
- 33. Draw a map of your neighborhood or playground
- 34. Look at the clouds and describe the shapes you see
- 35. Create a story or comic about animals you might find in the forest
- 36. Following the principles of **Leave No Trace**, find four durable surfaces in your neighborhood
- 37. Practice deep breathing outdoors for three minutes

- 38. Design a treehouse that would fit perfectly in your favorite tree
- 39. Put on an outdoor show (including songs) with friends or family
- 40. Do five minutes of stretching exercises outdoors
- 41. Make a sundial
- 42. Take a close-up look at a tide pool
- 43. Write a poem about your favorite outdoor memory
- 44. Make shadow puppets with a flashlight at night, indoors or out
- 45. Earn your Outdoor Art badge
- 46. Ask an adult about the games they played outdoors when they were young
- 47. Place a jar outside to measure the rain during a rain shower
- 48. Create an outdoor bingo game to play with friends or family
- 49. Fly a kite
- 50. Make a video of an eco-trek

Completed your 25 activities? Get the patch!



Patch available at all GSEP shops.

Patch available at GSEP Shops!

Girl Scouts Love

Leave No Trace

etiquette, and so

much more! Girl

Scouts are joined

by Park Rangers

at various parks

throughout the

To prepare for

that educate

Girl Scouts

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follow the

instructions

below to make

your own State

Parks passport.

Girl Scouts Love State Parks

State Parks takes place from September 14 to 15 this year at State Parks KZIGKEENZX across our nine-KKHIKEKLDÓ Y O E K S S N N K L county footprint. POFETTOII **GS** Loves State EDICANNCBO Parks is a TTLNAAESHF Y N D Y E F A F C E favorite event TOLRLPDRTR every year where TAIANUTIUS girls learn about KCMTOAECЬM conservation. words that describe your experience. After your adventures, find and circle the forestry unforgettable outdoor fun September 14-15! CONTACT YOUR COUNCIL TO JOIN IN ON SOFTIE management, Ready to discover your local state parks?

Love State Parks Word Search

7. Share our trails and manage your pet

6. Keep wildlife wild

5. Be careful with fire 4. Leave it as you find it

3. Trash your trash and pick up dog poop 2. Stick to trails and camp overnight right

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principles of Leave No Trace. Girl Scouts always practice the seven To show their respect for nature

Get Outside with Girl Scouts!



Made possible by





Lead the way during Girl Scouts Love State Parks weekend, September 14 and 15, 2024, to explore outdoors. Share your experience with #gsLoveStateParks

Creative Corner Cardboard Cat Scratcher!

Design your own cat scratching pad by reusing cardboard from Girl Scout Cookie cases! This is a sustainable way to repurpose all those cookie cases! Ask your local cat shelter if they are looking for cat scratchers to be donated! These scratches are a great place for our feline friends to use their claws and what a great use for the cardboard that might have ended up in a landfill.

Materials Needed:

- Heavy Corrugated Cardboard (i.e. left over Cookie Cases)
- Box Cutter*
- Tacky Glue or Hot Glue*
- Heavy Weight
- Newspaper
- Catnip (optional)

*Ask a responsible adult to handle

Instructions:

- 1. Cut several strips of cardboard, about 2 inches by 15 inches depending on the size of your cardboard. Cutting cardboard can be difficult and dangerous, please seek the help of a responsible adult for this step.
- 2. Cover your work surface with newspaper to catch any spills.
- 3. Lay the first strip flat on your newspaper. Take the next strip and cover with glue and lay it on top of the first one. Continue in this manner until you have enough layers to make a pile 4 inches high.
- 4. Put a weight on top of the pile to hold it while it dries and become sandwiched tightly
- 5. When completely dry, sprinkle with a little catnip if you wish and give to a shelter or a lucky cat for their scratching needs!



Scan the OR Code to watch a video of how to complete this project! QR code link:





Service Bars



Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors!

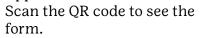
When you earn a **Community Service Bar** or **Service to Girl Scouting Bar**, you're making a difference in your community — and practicing values of the Girl Scout Law. It's also a great way to get involved with a cause that's important to you! Girls may earn each bar once per level. This means that a girl can earn both a Community Service Bar and a Service to Girl Scouting Bar once as a Cadette, once as a Senior, and once as an Ambassador.

Choose one organization where you would like to volunteer for at least 20 hours to earn the Community Service Bar OR choose to help Girl Scouts earn their Service to Girl Scouting Bar; you can help with another troop for 20 hours, assist a service unit for 20 hours, or even volunteer with GSEP for your 20 hours.

Ask the organization these three questions:

- 1. Do you need help?
- 2. Can I volunteer for at least 20 hours?
- 3. Can you provide instructions about what I will be doing?

If they say 'yes' to all of these questions: Complete and submit the online Service Bar Application Form.





Where can you get Volunteer Hours with GSEP?

Register for:

- Sundae Sunday to prep to help with Autumn Adventures!
- Winter Lights Creators to help with Winter Lights Carnival!
- Maple Sugaring Program Leaders to help with Maple Sugaring!
- Any work afternoon or weekend at any of our camp properties!
- Helping shops with annual physical inventory!



Calling All GIRL BOSSES

A year-long program empowering girls in Philadelphia to lead the change they want to see in their neighborhoods.



Calling All Girl Bosses was developed by Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania as a blueprint to give Philadelphia girls in grades 6-12 the skills they need to identify a community problem and Take Action to find a solution.

Driven by passion, determination, and a desire to make the world a better place, girls will discover their agency to make real sustainable changes in their neighborhoods while working towards the highest awards in Girl Scouting.

The first-ever pilot program of Calling All Girl Bosses launches in September! Follow along at #CAGB on social media.



Save the Date!

GirlzDay: Our World, Our Way May 17, 2025

Pennsylvania Convention Center

Connect, create, and celebrate with thousands of girls from across our region for a day planned just for you!







Opportunities for Older Girls

As a Girl Scout, you've already started a remarkable journey filled with learning, growth, and empowerment. And the road to your next adventure is just the beginning. Explore a variety of opportunities awaiting you and discover how you can keep making a difference in the world as you continue to blaze your trail.

*All awards are available at GSEP shops.

Cadettes

Girl Scout Silver Award The Silver Award is the highest achievement for a Girl Scout Cadette. To earn the award, a girl must identify a community issue, then plan and execute a 50-hour project that addresses a root

Leader in Action (LIA)

cause of that community issue.

Cadettes can earn a Leader in Action award by assisting a Brownie group on any of their National Leadership Journeys.

Service Bars

These awards are earned when a Girl Scout provides 20+ hours of service to one organization, either in the Girl Scout community for a Service to Girl Scouting Bar, or beyond for a Community Service Bar.

Silver Torch Award

This award recognizes Cadettes who act as leaders in their communities by serving for one full term in a leadership position.

Seniors

Girl Scout Gold Award

The Gold Award is the highest achievement in Girl Scouting, earned by Seniors and Ambassadors. To earn the award, a girl must identify a community issue, then plan and execute an 80-hour project that addresses a root cause of that community issue.

Counselor in Training (CIT I & II)

Seniors and Ambassadors with an interest in becoming a camp counselor should start with CIT I and CIT II.

GSEP Scholarships

Seniors and Ambassadors can apply for GSEP scholarships to help cover the cost of things like Destinations and higher education expenses.

Service Bars

These awards are earned when a Girl Scout provides 20+ hours of service to one organization, either in the Girl Scout community for a Service to Girl Scouting Bar, or beyond for a Community Service Bar.

Silver & Gold Torch Award

This award recognizes Seniors who act as leaders in their communities by serving for one full term in a leadership position.

Volunteer in Training (VIT)

This award is for Seniors or Ambassadors who mentor a Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie, Junior, or Cadette troop.

Ambassadors

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Girl Scout Gold Award

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Gold Torch Award

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Volunteer in Training (VIT)

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All Older Girls

Take the Lead (TTL)

GSEP's signature fundraising event, Take the Lead is an event for the girls, by the girls. The event honors incredible women leaders from our community who are the positive role models our girls need today. Help with the flag ceremony, chorus, raffles, or more as a Cadette. Senior Girl Scouts are perfect for the role of Emcee. As an Ambassador, you can set your sights on the Presenter role which provides amazing mentorship from honorees and once in a lifetime creative writing and public speaking opportunities!

Girl Delegates and Service Unit Delegates*

Girls can influence the direction of the Council by representing their Service Unit or sharing their perspectives on important issues at Delegate Meetings and voting on new policies and procedures at GSEP's Annual Meeting.

Girl Scout Destinations

Girl Scout Destinations are the ultimate adventure for individual Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts! Make friends from all over the country as you travel with Girl Scouts from different states.

Program Leadership

Older girls can participate in special programs throughout the year designed to teach them new skills and give them the opportunity to grow as leaders. Help with some of GSEP's signature programs such as Sundae Sunday, Cookie Captains, and Maple Sugaring.

Girl Advisors to the Board*

Girl Advisors hold seats at the table during Board of Directors meetings, where they provide girl insight and perspective on important matters. The opportunity to network with business leaders and hands-on experience practicing parliamentary procedure and public speaking is unique!

National Council Session Delegates*

Girls can influence the direction of the entire Girl Scout Movement by serving a 3-year term as an NCS Delegate, providing guidance to the National Board. They vote on national Board Members and national Board Development Committee Members. NCS Delegates discuss, debate, and vote on proposals impacting the entire Movement.

Beyond the Badges

Young Alum

leaders.

Stay involved with Girl Scouts even after high school graduation by joining the Young Alum group!

Mentorship Programs

Pay it forward by becoming a mentor to younger Girl Scouts, sharing your experiences and empowering the next generation of

As you navigate the path ahead, remember that your Girl Scout journey has equipped you with the skills, values, and confidence to conquer any challenge. Embrace the opportunities that lie ahead, and continue to live by the Girl Scout promise, making the world a better place, one step at a time. So, what's next?

* Girls must be 14 or older to apply for Girl Advisors to the Board, Girl Delegates and Service Unit Delegates, and National Council Session Delegates at the time of Election.

Travel Mode: On

Girl Scout Destinations are for everyone! Looking for an international adventure? Want to make friends on the other side of the country? There are so many destinations to choose from! Get ready for the ultimate Girl Scout adventure! There's a unique, life-altering experience for every Girl Scout! Explore all the opportunities on the GSUSA destinations page and apply, for individuals ages 11 and older!

Discover Passions hiking in North Carolina



Build Skills and Confidence in the Ozarks





Make New Friends on the **Hogwarts Express**



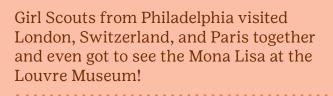
Experience New Places in Italy & Greece

Ready to pack your bags? Scan the QR code to learn more!





Applications open August 1, 2024! Early round applications are due November 1, 2024. Rolling applications are accepted after November 1, 2024 until trips are filled. Apply today!





Troop 902 visited Washington D.C. and got to spend time in the Spy Museum, Botanic Garden, National Museum of the American Indian, National Zoo, and the National Museum of African American History and Culture. They even got to tour the Capitol Building!

Troop 5783 went on a whirlwind tour of London! They visited London Bridge, Abbey Road, Pax Lodge, and even got to see the Ceremony of the Keys at the Tower of London.





Troop 548 traveled to Savannah, Georgia to visit the birthplace of Girl Scout Founder, Juliette Gordon Low.

About Highest Awards

Girl Scout's Highest Awards give you the framework to make a lasting change in your community or even the world! Each award will challenge Girl Scouts to step up to become leaders among their peers and trusted adults as they make the world a better place.

Program Level Requirements

As a Girl Scout progresses through program levels, so do the requirements to complete each award. It's like building blocks for your awards journey!

For the Bronze Award, Juniors focus on community awareness and engagement while the Silver Award gets Cadettes involved in deeper problem-solving and collaboration. Seniors or Ambassadors earning a Gold Award requires extensive planning and execution of a sustainable project. As you develop your leadership skills through Girl Scouts, you will explore new concepts for each award and face unique challenges while earning them.

	Leadership	Root Cause	Sustainable	Measurable	National and/or Global Link
Bronze Juniors	♦	♦			
Silver Cadettes	\	\	•		
Gold Seniors/Ambassadors	\rightarrow	\rightarrow	\	\rightarrow	•

Trifecta Award

The Trifecta Award honors girls who have earned all three Highest Awards - the Bronze Award, Silver Award, and Gold Award!

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Bronze Award Overview

The Girl Scout Bronze Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout Junior can achieve. As a Junior Girl Scout, you will complete a Take Action project, where you will develop more confidence, meet new people, and have the kind of fun that happens when you work with other Girl Scouts to make a difference.

Throughout this journey, you will team up with fellow Girl Scouts to explore your community, discover a need or issue you care about, and work together to address it. It's a chance to create a plan and make an impact on the community you live in.

You can become a Bronze Award Girl Scout if you:

- Are in fourth or fifth grade
- Are a registered Girl Scout Junior
- Have completed a Junior Journey

How to earn the Girl Scout Bronze Award:













Leaders: Once the project is complete, receive official council recognition by adding the Girl Scouts to "Bronze Award Completion" in gsEvents. The latest date to complete the Bronze Award is Sepember 30 after your fifth grade year.

Ready to get started but have some questions? Email us at girlawards@ gsep.org with the subject line BRONZE for help.

To find more information. including a detailed Guidebook, scan the QR code!



Check out two GSEP Bronze projects on the next page!

Bronze Award Spotlight





TROOP 9263

Who doesn't love cats? This simple question led Troop 9263 to explore ways to help our "furry" friends.

As cat lovers, we researched multiple organizations and found a non-profit named, "Ms. Lauren's Lost Cats." Ms. Lauren's mission is to help improve the quality of life for abandoned cats in Philadelphia. She was very excited to partner with us and we were just as excited to make a difference. We learned that since the Covid pandemic, there has been a significant increase in the number of cats found on the streets and the need for care for them has grown as well. Our project focused on soliciting donations for cat toys, food, paper towels, laundry detergent, cages, and any other items that would benefit the cats. We also were able to give a monetary donation. Ms. Lauren was extremely pleased with our efforts and stated, "everything you all did really helped out with keeping the cats safe and clean." We are super proud of our work and look forward to continuing our partnership with Ms. Lauren's Lost Cats in the future.

TROOP 5607: Goat-Topia

All the girls in our troop share a passion for animals and environmental stewardship. When we were looking for Bronze Award project ideas in the fall of 2022, we knew we wanted to focus on helping animals and the environment. We discovered that Concord Township had welcomed a herd of goats to Bush Hill Farm, and we saw an opportunity to make a lasting impact. We envisioned creating a goat playground that would cater to the goats' natural instincts and serve as an educational and recreational space for park visitors, especially children.

Before starting the project, we presented the project proposal to the Concord Township Council for approval and met with the goats' caretaker for suggestions. We aimed to use recycled and eco-friendly materials. We contacted local communities, friends, and families to gather materials, and we attended a woodworking workshop led by family members. We found recycled wooden pallets and made them into a swing. We collected several wooden spools from a local wiring company, cleaned and painted them with non-toxic milk paint, and turned them into an elevated jungle gym. Using tree stumps and leftover lumber, we made a seesaw. We repurposed old brushes into scratch posts to provide the goats with enrichment. We also installed informative "goat-facts" displays to educate visitors. The project, which we named "Goat-Topia," came to life in May 2023.





Silver Award Overview

The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest honor a Cadette can achieve. As a Cadette, you will complete a Take Action project, where you will develop more confidence, meet new people, and have the kind of fun that happens when you work with other Girl Scouts to make a difference.

As a Cadette, you will team up with a few fellow Girl Scouts or do it on your own. You, or your group, will partner with your community, discover a need or issue you care about, and work to address it. It's a chance to create a plan and make a lasting impact on the community you live in.

You can become a Silver Award Girl Scout if you:

- Are in sixth, seventh, or eighth grade
- Are a registered Girl Scout Cadette
- Have completed a Cadette Journey

How to earn the Girl Scout Silver Award:

Find an issue you care about

Build your Girl Scout Silver decide to go solo

Explore your community and think of how that ssue affects your



Develop your project



Reflect, share your story, and celebrate

Cadettes, your Silver Award proposal must be submitted by May 1 of your eighth grade vear.

Check out the dates we are offering Silver Award Workshops in the Program Guide! Register online through gsEvents.

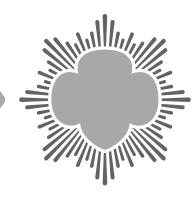
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Check out a GSEP Silver Project on the next page!

Silver Award Spotlight





Library **STEAM Workshops** SAMANTHA B.

I know STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) is a rapidly growing field that many girls are still not getting involved in. Encouraging girls, like me, to get involved and interested in STEAM is a passion project of mine, so I partnered with the Easton Public Library in Palmer. By participating in STEAM activities that I created during this project, the children I worked with gained valuable skills such as, confidence, critical thinking, and reallife problem-solving skills. Getting interested in STEAM means girls can do exciting things and make a big difference in the world.

During my partnership with the Easton Area Public Library, I held three STEAM programs for preschoolers over the summer where they learned scientific principles in the hopes of building background knowledge of some of the PA Department of Education Science Standards before they entered kindergarten. My project was designed in hopes of building an interest in STEAM in a new generation of children.

I held three sessions for preschoolers where I read a book and led them through a STEAM project that corresponded to the scientific principle they learned in the book. I included directions for parents in case they wanted to repeat the project/experiment at home and information on similar projects and books related to the subject of the session's project. Before each event, my team and I researched related books and set up a book display so that parents and kids could check them out of the library.

The reason I did this project was to build background knowledge of Pennsylvania Science Standards in preschool children prior to them entering kindergarten. Specifically, my STEAM projects provided prerequisite learning to Standards 3.1.K.A, 3.1.1.A, 3.1.1.B in Life Science and 3.2.2.A in Physical Science. This matters because, so much time in school is spent on teaching math and literacy, that children don't spend as much time learning science. I don't want kids to miss out on loving science the way I do and having the opportunity to enter a STEAM

I know my project made a difference to the public, because the library Board of Directors listened to the feedback of families who attended and the library continued to run a similar program that was inspired by mine. It also made a difference to me because the success of my project has encouraged me to continue working with the library and I have started preliminary conversations about ideas for my Gold Award. It made a difference by encouraging me to continue working with children. I hope to work as a counselor at Girl Scout camp one day.

Gold Award Overview

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout can achieve. You'll complete a Take Action project, where you will develop more confidence, meet new people, and have the kind of fun that happens when you work with other Girl Scouts to make a

Seniors and Ambassadors who want to go for the Gold Award build a team of trusted adults, peers, and leaders in their community to guide them through challenges and support their success.

You can become a Gold Award Girl Scout if you:

- Are in 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade
- Are a registered Senior or Ambassador
- Have completed two Senior or Ambassador Journeys
- Have earned the Girl Scout Silver Award and completed one Senior or Ambassador Journey

How to earn the Girl Scout Gold Award:

Complete the online training or a workshop

Find an issue in your community or the world that you care

Learn everything you can about that issue through research and trusted sources

Form a team by identifying experts and people in your community who could help you

Submit your project proposal to our Girl Scout council in GoGold for

carry out your plan

Think about the root cause of an issue, then plan to tackle it

Reflect on the change vou've created in your community and the world, share your story, and inspire others to make a difference, too

Ambassadors, your Gold Award proposal must be submitted by March 30 of your 12th grade year.

Check out the dates we are offering Gold Award Workshops in the Program Guide! Register online with gsEvents.

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Check out a GSEP Gold Project on the next page!

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Gold Award Spotlight





and swing during class which allows students to concentrate and improve their focus, attention, and overall learning experience. I taught others how to create tools to help special needs students in the classroom and increased awareness about the wonderful impact of the special education department and career paths within the department as well.

ANJALI G.

Anjali G. from Troop 7343 in Chester County is a Trifecta Award Girl Scout and focused her Gold Award project on meeting a need in her school for students with sensory issues.

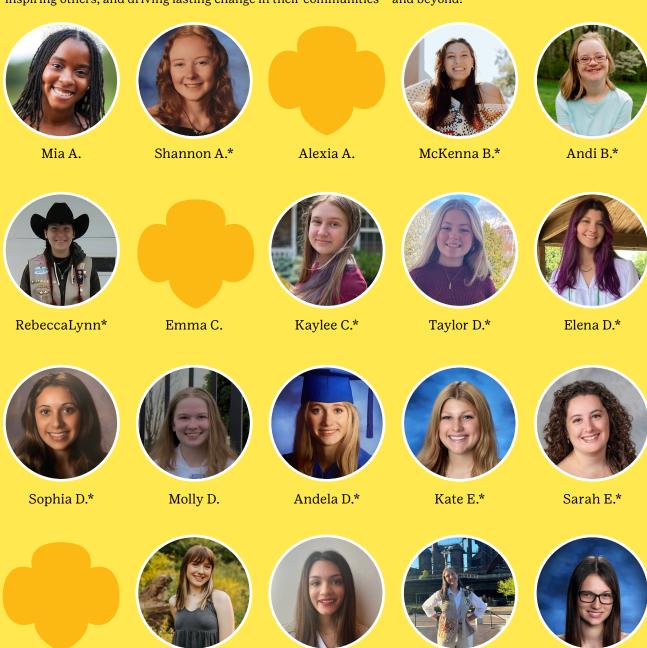
Many special education students have sensory issues and attention deficit disorders and struggle to effectively learn in the school environment. I collaborated with an occupational therapist at my school to find this unmet need within the special education department at Spring-Ford Area High School and created foot swings to help students in the classroom. The foot swings are attached to each desk in order for students to rest their feet



Meet the 2023 Gold Award Girl Scouts!

GSEP proudly presents the Gold Award Girl Scouts who earned the highest achievement in Girl Scouting during the 2023 calendar year.

These 42 Gold Award Girl Scouts showed true leadership by following their passions, practicing problem-solving, inspiring others, and driving lasting change in their communities – and beyond!



Anjali G.*

Molly F.

Alaina G.*

Leah G.

Gabrielle G.*

Ashlyn H.*







Grace I.*



Grace J.



Rosemary J.*



Sowmya K.



Taylor L.*



Emma L.*



Madison L.*



Annie L.*



Isha M.*



Caroline O.



Hannah P.*



Rishita P.



Breanna R.



Maryn S.



Carissa S.*



Sienna S.



Allison S.*



Elizabeth S.*



Katheryn W.*



Autumn W.*



Cathleen Z.*

Trifecta Award







Bronze. Silver. Gold. These represent the highest awards a Girl Scout can earn.

The Trifecta Award honors girls who have earned all three of these awards. Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania celebrates 28 Girl Scouts who earned the Trifecta Award in 2023 calendar year. See who has earned all three awards, completing their Trifecta on the Class of 2023 Gold Award Girl Scouts page.



Congratulations Girl Scout Scholarship Recipients!

Being a Girl Scout literally pays off!

GSEP awards over 20 scholarships to Girl Scouts like you each year to go towards higher education and trade schools. AND You are also eligible for scholarships from Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA), local colleges and universities, and other organizations that Girl Scouts partners with.

GSEP Scholarship applications open December 1, 2024 and close February 15, 2025 for graduating seniors. See the full list of GSEP scholarships, plus additional opportunities by going to www.gsep.org/scholarships.

Congratulations to this year's Girl Scout Scholarship recipients!

Mia A. Sarah K. Abigail B. Isabelle K. Kellyanne C. Mary L. Andela D. Christine M. Kayla E. Sienna P. Annika G. Charlotte R. Leah G. Grace S. Ashlyn H. Emma S. Ashlie J. Brynn W.

Take the Lead Girl Program Opportunities

Greater Philadelphia March 4, 2025

Berks County March 27, 2025

Lehigh Valley April 29, 2025

Take the Lead is GSEP's signature fundraising event honoring our community's most distinguished women, whose leadership and professional achievements make the world a better place.

Girl Scouts can be a part of this exciting evening in a number of ways. Girls Scouts who participate will learn about leadership and be inspired by our incredible honorees! Please see pages 70-74 in Spark to learn more about Take the Lead.

There are three events, and Girl Scouts in grades 6-12 are needed to perform a variety of Lead Roles at each. Use the zip code for the event you would like to register for when searching in gsEvents.



Lead Role: Emcee

Grades 9-12

Be a LEADER—grab the mic and take the stage! Narrate the program and get the crowd on its feet.

Lead Role: Presenter

Grades 10-12

Be a RISK TAKER by breaking out your notebook and preparing your best questions. Interview and shadow a Take the Lead honoree, then present her award at the event. Girls must be able to participate in the shadow day on a weekday and write a speech (GSEP will provide a school note).

Lead Role: Campership Lead

Grades 6-12

As an INNOVATOR, share your camp experience with the crowd and help introduce a live auction to help send sister Girl Scouts to camp!

Lead Role: Girl Co-Chairs*

Grades 11-12

Step up and be a LEADER at Take the Lead! Join the GSEP Take the Lead team of staff members as you help plan and facilitate Take the Lead training, attend and report on the Girl Experience at Take the Lead committee meetings, and lend a hand during event day. *Prerequisite: Prior Emcee and/or Presenter.

Lead Role: Chorus Lead

Grades 6-8

Do you have a special interest in music, and are you looking for a new leadership role? Warm up those vocal cords and help lead

Lead Role: Girl Coordinator

Become a leader to the supporting Girl Scouts at Take the Lead! Help the supporting Girl Scouts with the flag ceremony, help organize the chorus Girl Scouts on the stage and support the activity

Participation includes Take the Lead patch and rocker, snack at training/rehearsal, and dinner at a Take the Lead event. All lead roles require an interview for selection. A member of the Girl Experience team will reach out in October to set up interviews. Registration deadline is October 1, 2024.

Not sure about a Lead Role, or too young for one? There is still a place for you at Take the Lead!

Look out for our spring program guide which will be released in December to register for our supporting Girl Scout roles, including color guard, chorus, greeters, and networkers.



ICON GUIDE



Brownies (2-3)

Juniors (4-5)

Cadettes (6-8) **Seniors** (9-10)

Ambassadors (11-12)

SEPTEMBER 2024 EVENTS

Family Camp Weekend

AUGUST 30, 7PM-SEPTEMBER 2, 10AM **Camp Mosey Wood**

Grades: K-12

Cost: \$110/Girl Scout, \$110/adult

Enjoy a weekend of fun and relaxation the entire family! Parents, sisters, brothers, grandparents, and other relatives are invited to Camp Mosey Wood to participate in organized activities such as swimming, boating, hiking, games, and crafts. Attendees can also enjoy other activities independently. Activity specialists will be on hand to guide you through archery (2nd grade and above) and the high ropes challenge course (6th grade and above), with lifeguards overseeing swimming and boating. Includes accommodations in platform tents and all meals.*

CMW's 85th Anniversary Celebration!



AUGUST 31, 9AM-8PM

Camp Mosey Wood

Grades: K-12

Cost: \$40/girl, \$40/adult

Come celebrate Camp Mosey Wood's 85th anniversary with new friends and rekindle old friendships. Enjoy the activities around camp, check out a display about the history of Camp Mosey Wood, and end your day with a traditional Wishing Candles Ceremony. Includes event patch. This program is included in Family Camp activities, no need to register separately if already registered for Family Camp. Lunch and dinner included.*

Budget Makers ●●

SEPTEMBER 6, 6-8PM

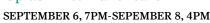
Finley Recreation Center, Philadelphia, PA 19150

Grades: 2-5

Cost: \$10/girl, FREE/adult

Have you ever wanted to save up and buy something of your own? Or start your own business? Or go on a vacation? Learn how to save and spend your money to meet your goals. This awesome program will accelerate how you think about what's in your piggy bank! Brownies, earn your My Own Budget badge. Juniors, earn your Budget Maker badge.

Splash into Adventure • • •



Grades: 6-12

Camp Mosey Wood

Cost: \$125/Girl Scout, \$100/adult

This weekend is all about the water! Spend time out on the lake in rowboats, canoes, kayaks and on stand-up paddleboards! View the lake from a new perspective as you soar over it on the ziplines and explore the beaver habitat as you paddle to the overflow. You will definitely get wet this weekend, so be sure to pack extra clothes! On Sunday, the water fun continues—it's time to travel to Lehighton and take a rafting trip down the Lehigh River! Seniors, earn your Paddling badge. Troops are responsible for own transportation to rafting on Sunday.*

Brownie Adventure Blitz

SEPTEMBER 14, 9AM-3PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: 2-3

Cost: \$40/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Pack your backpack and join your Brownie buddies for an action-packed day at Camp Shelly Ridge! Hone your camp skills, hike scenic trails, conquer the climbing wall, and learn fire safety. Don't forget your packed lunch! Earn your Brownie Climbing Adventure, Brownie Trail Adventure, and Outdoor Adventurer badges.in the program.

Explore the Trails •

SEPTEMBER 14, 9AM-3PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$40/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Join your fellow Juniors for an unforgettable adventure at Camp Shelly Ridge! Hike scenic trails, draw inspiration from nature for your salt dough ornaments, and conquer the climbing wall. Don't forget your packed lunch! Earn your Junior Trail Adventure and Outdoor Art Explorer badges along the way.

Journey in a Day: Bliss

SEPTEMBER 21, 9AM-3PM

Dunn Community Center, Reading, PA

Grades: 9-12

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Dream big and inspire others to do the same! Discover your values, strengths, and passions to unlock exciting new adventures. Earn your Dream Maker badge and gather the tools to kickstart your Take Action project. The future is yours to shape!

Won't You Be My Neighbor

SEPTEMBER 21, 10AM-12PM

Jane Seltzer Service Center, Philadelphia, PA 19152

Grades: K-1

Cost: \$5/Girl Scout

Hi neighbor! Discover what makes your community unique and learn how to be the best neighbor possible in this special program. Explore the highlights of YOUR neighborhood and earn your Good Neighbor badge, Daisies!

Knowing My Emotions •

SEPTEMBER 22, 9:30-11AM

Camp Mountain House

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$12/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Connect with your emotions at camp! Join us for activities focused on mental wellness, behavioral insights, and healthy habits. In a safe and supportive environment, learn to name your feelings and develop positive coping skills with your friends. Juniors, earn your Knowing My Emotions patch!

Canoeing • • •

SEPTEMBER 22, 10AM-2PM

Northbrook Canoe Company, West Chester, PA 19382

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$45/Girl Scout, \$40/adult

Spend your day canoeing down the scenic Brandywine River. Paddle on a two-hour adventure, allowing extra time to relax, eat a picnic lunch on the river, and spend quality time with your friends. Please bring your own bagged lunch and water. Lifguards provided.*

Camping with Bronze in Sight!

SEPTEMBER 27, 7PM-SEPEMBER 29, 1PM

Camp Wood Haven

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$65/Girl Scout, \$40/adult

Is your troop aiming for the Bronze Award this year? Kick off your journey at camp and earn your Outdoor Journey, including the Take Action Project, Enjoy outdoor activities like archery and the climbing wall while learning all about the Bronze Award. On Sunday, collaborate with your troop to plan and launch your Bronze Award project in your community. This weekend adventure includes all activities, accommodations, and meals from Friday snack to Sunday lunch. Start your year strong!*

Build Your Own Business

SEPTEMBER 29, 12-3PM

Sturgis Playground, Philadelphia, PA

Grades: 9-12

Cost: \$10/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Got a brilliant idea and thinking, "This could be a business!" but unsure of the next steps? Look no further! In this exciting program, you'll learn how to launch and sustain a business. Seniors, earn your Business Start-Up badge. Ambassadors, earn your Entrepreneur Accelerator badge.

Sundae Sunday • • •

SEPTEMBER 29, 1-3PM

Camp Laughing Waters

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$15/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Help create GSEP's Halloween extravaganza for younger scouts at our Autumn Adventures planning event. Earn Service to Girl Scouting hours through leadership, planning, and facilitating opportunities between Sundae Sunday and Autumn Adventures. You will also, of course, enjoy making sundaes! Attendance at both events is required. Adults attending will be asked to volunteer and assist with activities.

OCTOBER 2024 EVENTS

Badge Blast! - Brownies

OCTOBER 4, 7PM-OCTOBER 6, 10AM **Camp Mosey Wood**

Grades: 2-3

Cost: \$75/Girl Scout, \$45/adult

The outdoors are calling, and it's time to answer! Embark on a climbing adventure with fun games, complete a scavenger

hunt on a trail trek, and learn to build a safe campfire on an eco adventure. This weekend, you'll even get to go boating! Earn three badges as you explore Mosey Wood. Includes lodging, all meals from Friday snack to Sunday breakfast, activities, and the Brownie Hiker, Eco Friend, and Outdoor Adventurer badges.*

Badge Blast! - Juniors

OCTOBER 4, 7PM-OCTOBER 6, 10AM **Camp Mosey Wood**

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$75/Girl Scout, \$45/adult

The outdoors are in, and it's time to go! This weekend you'll need both your brain and your body power, so bring your Girl Scout spirit. Enjoy camp life while earning three badges. Create nature-inspired art, master new camping skills, and make a snack over a campfire. Paddle across the lake and climb the rock wall too! Includes lodging, all meals from Friday snack to Sunday breakfast, activities, and the Camper, Outdoor Art Explorer, and Eco Camper badges.*

Badge Blast! - Cadettes

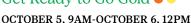
OCTOBER 4, 7PM-OCTOBER 6, 10AM **Camp Mosey Wood**

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$90/Girl Scout, \$45/adult

The outdoors are in, and it's time to go! Spend an exciting weekend at camp and earn three badges while exploring nature. Learn Leave No Trace principles, paddle across the lake, conquer the challenge tower, and zoom across the lake on zip lines. Includes lodging, all meals from Friday snack to Sunday breakfast, activities, and the Outdoor Art Apprentice, Primitive Camper, and Archery badges.*

Get Ready to Go Gold ••



Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: 9-12

Cost: \$40/Girl Scout

Ready to begin your journey to earn the Gold Award? Join us at Camp Shelly Ridge to complete the Bliss Journey Award, kickstart a take-action project, and learn all about starting your Gold Award journey with a Gold Award Learning Session on Sunday morning. Spend the weekend with fellow Girl Scouts, brainstorming ways to make a community impact. Saturday lunch and dinner, and Sunday breakfast are provided. Includes the Bliss Journey Award.

Gold Award Learning Workshop



OCTOBER 6, 9AM-12PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: 9-12

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts attending this workshop will learn the requirements to complete their Gold Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. Don't know what to do yet? This is the perfect opportunity to get inspired! This workshop counts toward the preparation hours.

Silver Award Learning Session

OCTOBER 6, 1-4PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: 6-8

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Cadette Girl Scouts attending this session will learn the requirements to complete their Silver Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. This workshop counts toward the preparation hours.

Explore the Outdoors!

OCTOBER 6, 1-3PM

Ridley Creek State Park, Media, PA 19063

Grades: 2-3

Cost: \$10/Girl Scout

Trace a map, chart your course, and learn what to pack as you earn your Hiker Badge!

CWH's 70th Anniversary Celebration! • • • • •

OVERNIGHT OPTION: OCTOBER 11, 5PM-OCTOBER 13, 10AM

DAY ONLY OPTION: OCTOBER 12, 9AM-8PM

Camp Wood Haven

Grades: K-12

Overnight Cost: \$60/Girl Scout, \$60/adult Come celebrate Camp Wood Haven's 70th

Day Cost: \$40/Girl Scout, \$40/adult

anniversary with new friends and rekindle old friendships. Enjoy the activities around camp, check out a display about the history of Camp Wood Haven, and end your day singing around the campfire. Program activities will be open throughout the day including archery (2nd grade and above), climbing wall (2nd grade and above), and more! Includes event patch. Overnight option includes outdoor housing accommodations. breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday. Day only option includes lunch and dinner Saturday.*



Night Adventure at Blue Mountain 2024! ● ● ●

OCTOBER 11, 6:30-9:30PM

Blue Mountain Resort, Palmerton, PA 18071

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$50/Girl Scout, \$50/adult

CALLING ALL DAREDEVILS! If you are looking to try something new to test your limits, try out Blue Mountain's High Ropes Challenge Course in the dark! The course will glow in the dark as you zip through the air, bring your own glow sticks to help you shine for added fun! Attending adults can stay on the ground or pay to participate in the course. Includes Blue Mountain Resort Patch.

Explore Animal Habitats with Churchville Nature Center •

OCTOBER 12, 12-1:30PM

Churchville Nature Center, Churchville, PA 18966

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$6/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Join us for a fall badge program at Churchville Nature Center, offering the opportunity for Juniors to earn their Animal Habitats badge. In this program, Juniors will learn about wild animal habitats and how to protect these important places with their sister Girl Scouts. Juniors will earn their Animal Habitats Badge.

Learning the Ropes • •

OCTOBER 13, 10AM-12PM

Gravity Vault, Radnor, PA 19087

Grades: 9-12 Cost: \$30/Girl Scout

Spend the morning at Gravity Vault climbing gym in Radnor, PA, and learn the ropes of climbing! Seniors and Ambassadors will master belaying others up the rock wall, gain essential climbing safety skills, and have a blast!*

Schuylkill River Greenways Heritage Area- Water Ecology Program • • •

OCTOBER 19, 10-11:30AM

Pottstown Riverfront Park, Pottstown, PA 19464

Grades: K-5

Cost: \$3/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

This program will include a tour of the River of Revolutions Interpretive Center, an explanation of our interactive Enviroscape Watershed Model, and a game that simulates how a droplet of water moves through our environment. A Schuylkill River Watershed map review and interactive activity will demonstrate how land use and storm water runoff contribute to water pollution. By the end of the program, Girl Scouts will have built an appreciation for nature and an understanding of how positive changes in personal behavior can have positive changes on the environment.

Ready to Climb! • • • • •

OCTOBER 13, 12:30-2:30PM Gravity Vault, Radnor, PA 19087

Grades: K-12

Cost: \$35/Girl Scout

Climbing is fun for everyone! Spend the afternoon with your Girl Scout sisters at Gravity Vault climbing gym in Radnor. All age groups are welcome to come together and test their skills on the climbing walls.*

GSEP Out of School Journey in a Day: Think like an Engineer



OCTOBER 14, 9AM-4PM

Camp Mountain House

Grades: 4-8

Cost: \$35/Girl Scout

Looking for a break from school? Come to Mountain House for some camp fun all while earning your Think Like an Engineer Journey award! You'll play gaga, learn about the engineering design process, create tiedye, and work with your sister Girl Scouts to complete several hands-on design challenges. Camp is calling and adventure awaits! This is a girl-only program. Includes snack and the Think Like an Engineer Journey award.

Journey in a Day: Breathe

OCTOBER 19, 9AM-3PM

Camp Valley Forge

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout

Discover the secrets of the air we breathe! Learn about wind farms from an environmental scientist and conduct exciting wind experiments. Earn three

leadership awards: Aware, Alert, and Affirm.

Wildlands- Night Owl

OCTOBER 19, 6-9PM

Dorothy Rider Pool and Wildlife Sanctuary, Emmaus, PA 18049

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$35/Girl Scout, \$FREE/adult

Uncover the mysteries of the outdoor world after dark! Meet and greet owl ambassadors, explore the trails at night, and have a star party with telescopes. Finish the evening with a campfire and s'mores. Includes Cadette Night Owl Badge.

Real Rocks

OCTOBER 20, 8AM-5PM

Camp Valley Forge

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$50/Girl Scout

Spend the day climbing real rocks! Meet at Camp Valley Forge and travel by van to the outdoor rocks in Mocanagua, PA. Climb for a few hours, enjoy a lunch break, then climb some more. Unleash your inner risk-taker as GSEP belayers keep you safe while you reach new heights. Pack your lunch and water bottle to stay energized. This is a Girl Scout-only event with dropoff and pick-up at Camp Valley Forge.

Flight Force

OCTOBER 20, 1-4PM

American Helicopter Museum, West Chester, PA 19380

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$25/Girl Scout, \$15/adult

Discover the forces of flight and explore how they help helicopters soar! Includes Junior Aviation badge.*

Family 5K Costume Race



OCTOBER 26, 10AM-12PM

Camp Laughing Waters

Grades: K-12

Cost: \$15/Girl Scout, \$15/adult

Join us for a spook-tacular Family 5K Costume Race at Camp Laughing Waters! Don your most creative costumes and lace up for a thrilling journey through scenic trails. Come for the fun, laughter, and Halloween spirit, and stay for Autumn Adventure*! Registration for Autumn Adventure is separate. All who are affiliated with a Girl Scout are welcome!

Autumn Adventures



OCTOBER 26, 1-4PM **Camp Laughing Waters**

Grades: K-12

Cost: \$15/Girl Scout, \$8/adult

Parents, siblings, cousins, and friends join your Girl Scout for some autumnal fun! Be your own tour guide as you choose your own adventure around camp to various activities that celebrate the changing seasons and Halloween. Create fall crafts, play games, and explore the trails. See how far apples can fly when you go apple chunking and enjoy a round of Gaga with a s'more to top it all off! Event is rain or shine. Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors interested in helping to plan and run the event must register for Sundae Sunday on Sepember 29th.* All Girl Scout friends and family are welcome regardless of their affiliation with a troop.

Journey in a Day: Wonders of Water •

OCTOBER 27, NEED TIME

Reading Public Museum Reading, PA 19611

Grades: 2-3

Cost: \$25/Girl Scout, \$6/adult

Dive into the fascinating world of water and discover its global significance! Earn four exciting leadership awards: LOVE Water, SAVE Water, SHARE Water, and the WOW! Award. Bonus! Price

includes a return admissions pass!

NOVEMBER 2024 EVENTS

Foodies!

NOVEMBER 1, 7PM-NOVEMBER 3, 10AM

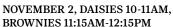
Camp Mosey Wood

Grades: 4-8

Cost: \$95/Girl Scout, \$45/adult

This weekend is a foodie adventure! Cook in a modern kitchen and over a campfire, then create your own recipe book to take home. Enjoy a yummy weekend with heated cabin accommodations and meals from Saturday breakfast to Sunday breakfast. Juniors will earn their Simple Meals badge, and Cadettes will earn their New Cuisines badge. Limited adult spots. All registered adults will lead groups of Girl Scouts alongside GSEP staff.*

Crayola Experience • •



Crayola Factory, Easton, PA 18042

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$35/Girl Scout, \$30/Adult

Spend the day at the Crayola Factory learning how your favorite colors are made into crayons and so much more!

Daisy/Brownie Climbing Adventure • •

NOVEMBER 2, 9:30-11:00

Doylestown Rock Gym Doylestown, PA 18901

Grades: K-3

Wells Fargo Center Scout Opportunities

Book your next troop outing today!

Contact Kayla_Pfleger@comcastspectacor.com

Cost: \$23/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Ready, set, adventure! Check out the Doylestown Rock Gym and challenge yourself to try something new as you boulder across their gym walls. You'll leave feeling confident in your new climbing skills. Earn your Climbing Adventure Badge.*

Night Owls

NOVEMBER 3, 5-8PM

Brandywine Red Clay Alliance, West Chester, PA 19382

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$25/Girl Scout

Unveil the secrets of the night and ignite your imagination! Discover the wonders that emerge when the sun sets. What mysteries will you uncover after dark?*

Democracy - Philly • •

NOVEMBER 4, 2-4PM

Jane Selzter Service Center

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$10/Girl Scout, FREE/Adult

Play games and learn about who works together and how rules are made in government. Includes Democracy Badge for Daisies and Brownies.*



Discover Democracy • •

NOVEMBER 3, 2-4PM

Camp Mountain House

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$10/Girl Scout, FREE/Adult

Play games and learn about who works together and how rules are made in government. All troops must meet girl-adult ratios for their group. Individual girls must be accompanied by a registered adult. All adults must have a satisfactory background check to participate in the program. Includes Democracy Badge for Daisies and Brownies.

Gettysburg Trip • • •

NOVEMBER 8, 7PM-NOVEMBER 10, 10AM **Camp Wood Haven**

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$165/Girl Scout, \$145/adult

Join us at Camp Wood Haven for an unforgettable adventure! Start with a Friday night campfire and sleepover with Girl Scouts from across the council. On Saturday, explore historic Gettysburg! Visit Jenny Wade's home, learn about the Shriver sisters' experience, stop by the Visitor's Center, and tour the battlefield. Finish the day with the thrilling "Ghosts of Gettysburg" candlelight tour, where you might encounter spirits and paranormal activity. Return to camp for another cozy night in heated cabins. Includes accommodations, round-trip transportation from camp to Gettysburg, all activity fees, and breakfasts and lunch. Saturday dinner in Gettysburg is additional

Celebrate Sisterhood- Girls Empowered • •

NOVEMBER 9, 11:30AM-4:30PM

Salem United Church of Christ, Doylestown, PA 18901

Grades: 9-12

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Join the staff of Girls Empowered and your fellow Girl Scouts to explore what sisterhood means and why it is important. Learn how to develop healthy relationships with other girls, use effective communication skills, empower yourself and others. You'll identify a sisterhood issue and work to develop a plan to take action! Girl Scouts should bring water, lunch, and a snack. Includes Mission: Sisterhood! Journey award.

Trail Adventurers • •

NOVEMBER 9, 1-2:30PM

Berks Nature, Reading, PA 19607

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$15/Girl Scout

Gear up for an outdoor adventure! Bring one item you think is essential for the trail and one item you think isn't. Learn vital trail skills and earn your Trail Adventure badge. Let the adventure begin!

Tea with Juliette

NOVEMBER 9, 1-4PM

Valley Forge Service Center

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$10/Girl Scout, \$5/adult

The GSEP History Committee invites Girl Scout Brownies to Tea with Juliette Low! Earn the Brownie Girl Scout Way Badge through historic games and songs, crafts, a tour and scavenger hunt in the Museum, and a review of vintage Brownie uniforms. Then, enjoy tea and cookies with Juliette. Please bring nonperishable food items for a local food bank as a service project. Includes Girl Scout Way Badge and event patch.

Robotics Roundup!

NOVEMBER 10, 11AM-12:30PM

S2STEM, Garnet Valley, PA 19060

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout, FREE adult Join S2STEM by building a prototype of a robot that solves a world problem, all while earning your Designing Robots badge.



NOVEMBER 10, 1-4PM Camp Laughing Waters

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$15/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Calling all girls eager to create GSEP's Winter Lights Carnival for younger Girl Scouts! Join





us at this planning event to learn about volunteer roles and design fun activities. Roles include tattoo artists, arts and crafts leaders, and winter games coordinators. Earn Service to Girl Scouting hours and enjoy hot chocolate and cookies! Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors must register for Winter Carnival Creators and attend the Winter Lights Carnival on December 14th. Includes snacks at the planning meeting, dinner at the event, and an event patch for the Winter Lights Carnival.

Journey in a Day: aMuse

NOVEMBER 16, 9AM-3PM

Camp Valley Forge

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout, FREE adult

Explore roles you play in your life and try on new ones—play a role-playing game, invite actors to talk about the characters they've played, or learn to spot stereotypes on TV, in movies, or in ads. Earn three leadership awards: Reach Out!, Speak Out!, and Try Out!

Outdoor Art Explorers!

NOVEMBER 16, 10AM-2PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: K-1

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Explore the wonders of Camp Shelly Ridge! Discover the outdoors and learn how to care for our planet. Make new friends as you color, draw, and paint the natural world. Enjoy a hike and listen to the sounds of nature. Earn your Daisy Eco Learner and Daisy Outdoor Art Maker badges.

Who Dunnit?

NOVEMBER 17, 9AM-3PM

Oxford Scout Cabin, Wheeler Blvd.,

Grades: 4-5

Follow the clues and discover facts like a real detective! Practice the power of observation, communicate in code, take fingerprints, and solve a mystery! Earn your Detective badge.

Scholarship Info Session • •

Dreaming of higher education but find scholarship applications daunting? Join the scholarship committee, a group of volunteers who will help break down the scholarship application process. Learn how to read the scholarship application like a pro. Know what you will need to do besides answering the application

NOVEMBER 20, 9AM-12PM

Camp Valley Forge

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Cadette Girl Scouts attending this session will learn the requirements to complete their Silver Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. This workshop counts toward the preparation hours.

Oxford, PA 19363

Cost: \$35/Girl Scout

NOVEMBER 17, 6-7PM

Virtual: ZOOM

Grades: 11-12

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout

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Silver Award Session

Grades: 6-8

DECEMBER 2024 EVENTS

Junior Jaunt

DECEMBER 6, 7PM-DECEMBER 7, 12PM

Valley Forge Service Center

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$20/Girl Scout, \$20/adult

Girl Scout Juniors can join the GSEP History Committee for a Night at the Museum! Celebrate all the Girl Scout Holidays with parties and activities, and spend the night in the camping rooms.

Earn the Junior Girl Scout Way badge (not included) and the legacy Girl Scouting Around the World badge. Includes snacks and breakfast. Includes Girl Scouting Around the World Badge and event patch.

Broadway NYC Bus Trip



DECEMBER 7, 6AM-9PM

Camp Valley Forge

Grades: 4-12

Cost: \$215/Girl Scout, \$215/adult

Ready for an adventure? Hop on our bus at Camp Valley Forge and head to the Big Apple! Spend the day exploring New York City in the winter and enjoy a matinee show of Wicked on Broadway. Troops must meet girl-adult ratios, and individual girls must be accompanied by a registered adult with a background check. Includes round-trip bus travel and Broadway tickets, with free time in the morning to explore NYC on your own.*

Coding For Good: GSEP's Hour of Code Event ••

DECEMBER 7, 9AM-12PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$20/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

You + coding = a whole new world! Join thousands of other participants from hundreds of countries at a global Hour of Code event. Learn how coding changes and enhances our lives - from solving problems to connecting people around the world. Start thinking like a coder as you play games both on and off the computer. Hear from people who use code every day to make the world a better place and be inspired to do the same! Includes event patch and Coding for Good 1: Coding Basics Badge.

Coding Juniors •

DECEMBER 7, 1-4 PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$20/Girl Scout, FREE/Adult

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Pawsitive Playmakers



DECEMBER 7, 2-4PM

Animal Rescue League, Birdsboro, PA 19508

Grades: K-12

Cost: \$3/Girl Scout and Bring a donation item! Join Animal Rescue League for a handson morning at the shelter! Discover the inner workings of the facility while crafting enrichment toys for our furry friends. In lieu of a program fee, you can bring a donation item for the animals! See ARL's wish list on gsEvents.

Arena STEM- robotics •

DECEMBER 8, 2-5PM

Arena STEM Pennsylvania, Southampton, PA 18966

Grades: 2-3

Cost: \$25/Girl Scout, FREE/Adult

Welcome Girl Scouts to a brand new oneof-a-kind destination offering Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education and entertainment all in one place. At Arena STEM, you will experience everything from life-sized robots (that can dance!) to STEM lessons on 3D printing and drones. Kids can play in the 3,000+ square feet Entertainment zone where they will experience virtual reality, drones, interactive wall, LEGO robotics, first-personview racing, 3d pens, and much more!

Gold Award Learning Session



DECEMBER 8, 9AM-12PM **Camp Laughing Waters**

Grades: 9-12

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts attending this session will learn the requirements to complete their Gold Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. Don't know what to do yet? This is the perfect opportunity to get inspired! This workshop counts toward the preparation hours

Stick Season

DECEMBER 8, 1-4PM

Camp Laughing Waters

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$15/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

It is becoming a little bleak this time of year. Come to Camp Laughing Waters to find the beauty in Stick Season. Cadettes will explore and discover the hidden gems of the season and create art with what they find. Includes Cadette Outdoor Art Apprentice Badge.

Silver Award Learning Session

DECEMBER 11, 6-9PM

Camp Laughing Waters

Grades: 6-8

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Cadette Girl Scouts attending this session will learn the requirements to complete their Silver Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. This workshop counts toward the preparation hours.

Wire Ring Making • • •

DECEMBER 14, 10AM-1PM

Goggleworks, Reading, PA 19601

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$70/Girl Scout, \$70/adult

Just in time for the holidays, join this Goggleworks jewelry-making workshop! Learn the tools, techniques, processes, and safety procedures for crafting beautiful jewelry. Build your skills for future metalwork and take home a metal wire ring made by you! Cost includes materials and instruction for both Girl Scouts and adults.

Winter Lights Carnival Family Event • • • • •

DECEMBER 14, 5-8PM

Camp Laughing Waters

Cost: \$20/child, \$5/adult

Come one, come all to the Winter Lights Carnival! Girl Scouts can bring their family and friends to Camp Laughing Waters to enjoy activities, food, and festive lights.

See camp transformed for the winter and warm up with a rousing game of Glow Gaga and some yummy hot chocolate. Choose what you want to do when you want to do it. Event is rain or shine, warm or cold. Coming as a troop: all troops must meet girl/adult ratio. Coming as a family: adults must supervise their children during the event; one adult must register for every three children, Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors interested in helping to plan and run the Winter Lights Carnival must register for and attend Winter Carnival Creators on November 10. Includes Winter Carnival Patch.

Funny Pages

DECEMBER 15, 9AM-12PM

Banana Factory, Bethlehem, PA 18015

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$25/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Join us at the Banana Factory to create and learn about how to be a comic artist. Find out more about the world of comic art and then tell your own visual story. Includes Comic Artist Badge.

Cadette Climbing •

DECEMBER 15, 1PM-3PM

Reach Climbing, Bridgeport, PA 19405

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$45/Girl Scout

Whether you're a pro on the climbing wall or are just starting out, come join us at Reach Climbing. See how high you can climb using a top rope or test your skills bouldering and climbing sideways across the wall. Spend the afternoon climbing and learning the basic safety skills of climbing!*



Junior Climbing Adventure

DECEMBER 21, 9-11AM

Downingtown Rock Gym, Downingtown,

Grades: 4-5 Cost: \$23/Girl Scout

Ready, set, adventure! Challenge yourself to try something new as you boulder across the rock gym walls. You'll be introduced to the basics of bouldering and top rope climbing, as well as basic safety skills. Leave feeling confident in your new climbing skills. Helmets will be provided and must be worn.*

Winter Camp

DECEMBER 27, 1PM-DECEMBER 30, 6PM Camp Mosey Wood

Grades: 1-12

Cost: \$175/Girl Scout

Do you remember how fun summer camp was? Do you need your camp fix for the winter? Leave your parents and leaders behind and come to Mosey Wood to make new friends and meet up with your summer camp buddies! GSEP Summer Camp Staff will treat you to traditional camp activities with a winter twist! Activities include crafts, campfires, hiking, and weather permitting ice skating and snowshoeing! Stay in heated buildings and enjoy your meals in the Dining Hall. Includes activities (weather permitting), accommodation in heated cabins, and all meals served in the Dining Hall.

JANUARY 2025 EVENTS

Snow Splash - Kalahari Style!

JANUARY 3, 7PM-JANUARY 5, 4PM

Camp Mosey Wood

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$215/Girl Scout, \$195/adult

A weekend of adventure awaits you in the Poconos! Stay in heated cabins with other troops. Spend Saturday in camp enjoying winter sports such as ice skating and snowshoeing (weather permitting) at camp and head over to the local tubing hill for an evening of snow tubing. After a cold breakfast Sunday, we head over to Kalahari Waterpark for hours of splashing around and fun! You must provide your own transportation to the ski resort and water park. Includes activities (weather permitting), accommodation in heated cabins with other troops, meals provided include Saturday breakfast, lunch, and dinner in the Dining Hall and a cold breakfast Sunday, as well as your water park and snow tubing passes. Lunch at the waterpark is on your own. Cadettes, earn parts of your First Aid badge.*

Cookie Rally! • • •

JANUARY 11, 9AM-12PM

West Chester University, West Chester, PA

JANUARY 11, 2-5PM

Neumann University, Aston, PA 19014 JANUARY 11, TBD

Camp Laughing Waters, Gilberstville, PA

Grades: K-5

Cost: \$15/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Cookie Season is almost here! Join Girl Scouts from all over our Council to play games and create crafts designed to help you build the skills of a #cookieboss. Learn tips about talking to customers, taste the cookie lineup, and get a sneak peek at the cookie recognitions. Whether this is your first cookie program, or you are a seasoned pro, you will leave ready to go with the skills needed to reach your cookie goals! All troops must meet girl-adult ratios for their group. Includes snack and event patch.

"Real" Media- Girls Empowered



JANUARY 12, 11:30AM-4:30PM

Salem United Church of Christ. Doylestown, PA 18901

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Join the staff of Girls Empowered and your sister Girl Scouts to take a closer look at how women are portrayed in the media! You'll explore negative stereotypes about women in TV/movies, music, and magazines. Discover how these stereotypes in the media affect yours and other young girls' self-identity, self-esteem, and body image. Then, you'll have the opportunity to create your own TV show, music, and magazines where you combat negative stereotypes of women by portraying "real" girls in a positive light. Girl Scouts should bring water, lunch, and a snack. Includes Media Journey Award.

Climbing Crew! • • •

JANUARY 12

North Summit Climbing, Wind Gap, PA

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout

Whether you're a pro on the climbing wall or are just starting out, come join us at North Summit Climbing. See how high you can climb using a top rope or test your skills bouldering and climbing sideways across the wall. Spend the afternoon climbing and learning the basic safety skills of climbing!*

Gold Award Learning Session



JANUARY 15, 5:30-8:00 PM

Temple University, Philadelphia

Grades: 9-12

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts attending this workshop will learn the requirements to complete their Gold Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. Don't know what to do yet? This is the perfect opportunity to get inspired! This workshop counts toward the preparation hours.

MLK Day of Service • • • • •

JANUARY 20, TIMES VARY

Various Locations - check gsEvents for locations and times

Grades: K-12

Cost: \$5/Girl Scout, \$5/adult

Each year on the third Monday of January, we observe Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and reflect on the continued work of his dream. This January 20, make the holiday more than just a day off and take time to reflect and take action with your Girl Scout community by participating in our Community Service focused activities. Includes an event patch.

Explore the World of Girls •

JANUARY 25, 9AM-3PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

Grades: 2-3

Cost: \$40/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Join your sister Girl Scouts on a global adventure! Learn about girls from around the world and be inspired by their stories to make a difference. Bring a packed lunch. Includes the Brownie Journey: A World of Girls.

Maple Sugaring Program Leaders • • •

JANUARY 25, 10AM-4PM AND FEBRUARY 14, 7PM-FEBRUARY 16, 10AM

Camp Laughing Waters

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$20/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Put your leadership skills into action while giving service to Girl Scouts! Help teach and inspire younger Girl Scouts! Create and deliver educational information about everyone's favorite pancake topping: MAPLE SYRUP! Whether you enjoy writing scripts, acting, making crafts, singing songs, or helping others, there is an important role for everyone. Commitment to this event includes a training on January 25, as well as presenting



the program on Saturday, February 15, with rehearsal Friday night, February 14. Troops are welcome to stay for an optional Saturday overnight, February 15. Earn Service to Girl Scouting hours as well as have lots of fun! All adults will be assigned a specific task during the program. Includes accommodation in heated cabins in February, meals during training and the event, as well as event patch.

Wildlands - Animal Habitat

JANUARY 25, TIME TBD **Dorothy Rider Pool and Wildlife** Sanctuary, Emmaus, PA 18049

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$29/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Where do animals live? Investigate various animal habitats, discover the challenges they face, and build an animal home. Learn how you can protect local wildlife and their environments. Join us for an animal adventure with the Wildlands! *Includes the Animal Habitats Badge.

Stop the Bleed! • • •

JANUARY 26, 10AM-12PM

Paoli Hospital, Paoli, PA 19301

Grades: 6-12

Cost: \$20/Girl Scout

Do you know what to do in the event of a bleeding emergency and want to learn how to take care of common bleeding injuries? Join us as we take you on the journey of bleeding control. Learn how to provide pressure and packing to stop severe bleeding, how to apply a tourniquet, and practice your new skills.*

Winter Carnival • • •

JANUARY 31, 7PM-FEBRUARY 2, 10AM

Camp Mosey Wood

Grades: 4-12 Cost: \$125/Girl Scout, \$105/adult

Experience the thrill of winter in the Poconos at camp! Spend part of your weekend enjoying outdoor winter activities (weather permitting) and the other part working on a Journey. On Saturday evening, head to a local ski hill for an exciting night of snow tubing. (Note: You must provide your own transportation to the ski resort.) Enjoy heated cabin accommodations, all meals served in the Dining Hall from Friday snack to Sunday breakfast, and a snow tubing pass. Includes Junior Get Moving Journey, Cadette Breathe Journey, and Ambassador Sow What? Journey.*

FEBRUARY 2025 EVENTS

Regional Daisy and Brownie Badge Day—Mechanical Engineering ••

FEBRUARY 2, 9AM-12PM Camp Shelly Ridge

FEBRUARY 8, 9AM-12PM

Camp Valley Forge

FEBRUARY 15, 9AM-12PM

Jane Selzter Service Center

Grades: K-3

Cost: \$20/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Daisies and will be challenged to build racecars, create board games, and construct roller coasters as they design and engineer their way to three badges today! Daisies, earn your Board Game Design Challenge,

Roller Coaster Design Challenge, and Model Car Design Challenge Badges. Brownies will be challenged to build racecars, create leap bots, and construct fling flyers as they design and engineer their way to three badges! Brownies, earn your Leap Bot Design Challenge, Fling Flyer Design Challenge, and Race Car Design Challenge Badges.

Regional Junior Badge Day— Mechanical Engineering •

FEBRUARY 2, 1-4PM

Camp Shelly Ridge

FEBRUARY 8, 1-4PM

Camp Valley Forge

FEBRUARY 15, 1-4PM

Jane Selzter Service Center

Grades: 4-5

Cost: \$25/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Juniors will be challenged to build race cars, create paddle boats, and construct cranes as they design and engineer their way to three badges! Juniors, earn your Paddle Boat Design Challenge, Crane Design Challenge, and Balloon Car Design Challenge Badges.

Gold Award Learning Session

FEBRUARY 5, 6-9PM

Berks County

Grades: 9-12

Cost: Free/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts attending this workshop will learn the requirements to complete their Gold Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. This workshop counts toward the preparation hours.

Timeless Toys

FEBRUARY 8, 2-4PM

Sigal Museum, Easton, PA 18042

Grades: K-1

Cost: \$17/Girl Scout, \$5/adult

Explore the antique toy collection in Sigal Museum's galleries with a guided tour from their volunteer staff. Learn how to turn a creative idea into a marketable toy and how to talk about it with others. Daisies, earn your Toy Business Designers Badge.

Silver Award Learning Session

FEBRUARY 12, 9AM-12PM

Berks County

Grades: 6-8

Cost: FREE/Girl Scout, FREE/adult

Cadette Girl Scouts attending this session will learn the requirements to complete their Silver Award through various activities, collaboration, and discussion. This session counts toward the preparation hours.

GSEP Presents: Maple Sugaring



FEBRUARY 15, STAGGERED ARRIVAL TIMES

Camp Laughing Waters

Grades: K-12 (Best suited for K-5) Cost: \$20/Girl Scout, \$10/adult

Step back in time as older Girl Scouts lead you on a sweet three-hour tour of the history of maple syrup! Experience everything from the discovery of maple sugar to how maple syrup is produced today. Tastetest sap and syrup to learn which one is your favorite and learn the science behind collecting sap and the process to make it into syrup. This program runs three hours and has staggered start times. You will be prompted to select your start time during the registration process. Includes snack, drink, event patch, and earn part of your Girl Scout Ways Badge. While this is open to all ages, programming is best suited for our Daisy through Junior Girl Scout age levels.*

Journey in a Day: Breathe

FEBRUARY 16, 9:00AM-12:00PM

Reading Public Museum, Reading, PA

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$25/Girl Scout, \$/adult

Air is all around us! Spend the morning exploring air at the Reading Public Museum and learn why it is important! Take Action Project not included. Fee includes return admission passes for all adults and scouts participating, materials, instruction, and badge.

Showing Up for Me and You

FEBRUARY 22, 10AM-12PM

Camp Laughing Waters Gilbertsville, PA 19525

Grades: 9-12

Cost: \$12/Girl Scout

The Mental Wellness Patch Program equips you to practice self-care, cope with difficult situations, and help yourself and others. Connect with your sister Girl Scouts, discuss how we can be better for each other and learn how to show up for a friend in need. Seniors and Ambassadors, earn your Showing Up for me and You Patch.

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FEBRUARY 22, 11:30AM-4:30PM

Salem United Church of Christ, Doylestown, PA 18901

Grades: 6-8

Cost: \$30/Girl Scout, \$FREE/adult

Want to develop the skills to have AMAZING relationships? Join the staff of Girls Empowered and fellow Girl Scouts to learn the qualities of healthy versus unhealthy relationships, the skills to effectively overcome friendship challenges/ peer pressure, and how to prevent/handle bullying. You will also learn about the importance of having strong interpersonal skills in the "real world." You will end with creating a Take Action project to help prevent bullying in your community. Girl Scouts should bring water, lunch, and a snack. Includes aMAZING Journey award.







Flip this magazine over to read all about how to have a successful and fun year as a Girl Scout family!