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Lynchburg/Campbell County
Girl Scout Service Unit

Amherst/Appomattox

July 2023 Update



What a lovely afternoon under the trees at Camp Sac's Gay Lodge fire circle for our end of the year celebration.

We had a SU meeting, recognized achievements and those receiving awards, honored our new leaders with their friendship ribbons and pins, shared in the discussion on plans for the upcoming year and enjoyed cooking out together...



Great fellowship!

Green and Growing Award

Brittany - new leader Troop 2222 and assisted with March '23 new leader recruitment event.

Christine Terry - Troop 9200 leader, our '22-'23 Delegate and provided a great deal of assistance with the GS Tree of Hope project

Shining Light Award

Donna - our finance advisor and Outdoor Ed master/advisor

Product Sales Team — Brentz, Alys, Andrea, Cynthia and Brad

Rosa, Anna, Audry, Charlotte, Madeline and Lydian — members of the team who executed the "Bunny Hop" event Ah-mazing!

Wise Owl Award

Detria - Product Sales “master” trainer

Marion - our inspiration

You are Our Sunshine Award

Ann, Karen and Colleen - hardest and most dependable Camp Sac volunteer work

Amy - our Camp Sac Day Camp Director

Man Enough to Be a Girl Scout Award

Paul and Daniel

We dedicated three new trails/overlooks at Camp Sacajawea

- Trail 51 - in honor of our Outdoor Ed trainers: Donna, Ann, Gail and Rebecca members of "Club '51". Color blaze: Peach
- Guill's Hill - in honor of Donna and where Trail 51 ends. Color Blaze: peach
- Amy's Overlooks - two lovely overlooks of the James River at the end of the Mama Stump Trail. Includes 15 seats made from stumps with painted light green tops.

Mama Stump was presented with a new custom made patch *Mama Stump Trail* designed by GSVSC staff Marinne Williams. Activity tub to learn about Eagles is located at Sunspot.





Each adult and individual girl leaders were presented with a hand built pottery creation by Michele showcasing Camp Sacajawea and those special times together at our Happy Place. This hand crafted magnet will be enjoyed for years.

Thank you:

Marion and Katie for the beautiful cake, cookies and small cupcakes;

Detria, Ann, Donna and Amy for making this all come together;
And Troop 440 for their endeavors toward making our newest outlooks and trails ready...taking that one last look.

We can never thank Girl Scout volunteers too much...girls as well as adults. Shows us what happens when so many people work together.

Camp Sacajawea Weekend Camp '23 is a wrap...Friday, June 23 — Sunday, June 25.

We will talk about this for a long time and how much fun we had. You should have been there...absolutely something you don't want to miss. It was awe-inspiring! We served 60 campers - girls and adults...directed by Captain Buttercup (Amy McCarty) along with Rebecca, her trusted side kick. The theme was "Sacajawea

Adventure Camp"...the girls enjoyed archery, Dot, hiking, learning about animals at camp, camp fire safety and first aid. They personalized their own water bottle holders and drip bags, dye tied bandanas, made foil packet dinners, roasted corn on the cob, made cobbler in Dutch ovens and so much more.



Oh my, it was incredible!



A special thanks to:

- Our CITs: Charlotte and Lily;
- Our teen helpers: Lucy G, Payton, Lydian and Lucy P;
- Our campsite leaders: Gail, Amie, Katie, Ann, Jayden, Marion, Shelby, Kristin, Queen and Kathi;
- Our cooks: CJ and Beth;
- Our hike leader: Daniel
- Nurse Janice.



Campers joined us from Lynchburg; Campbell County; Amherst; Appomattox; Charlottesville; Pittsville; Monterey; Radford; and Parkville, Maryland.





These girls seemed to thrive in the outdoors which provided unique opportunities to learn, grow and have lots of fun! They developed more independence, learned new skills, made new friends, built on their own self-esteem and social skills. They were empowered to try new things and work as a team.



Thank you for sharing your daughters. They added so much to our lives!

We all had a blast!!!

Rebecca



Showing kindness...

- The Culpepper SU spent a long weekend at Camp Sac, June 3 — 5. They enjoyed the trails, The Dot and watching a bear cub walk up the Animal Tracker Trail.
- Members of Troop 6230 - Madison, Alexis and Cheyenne stained the Pavilion Fire Wood Box. It is absolutely lovely and really stands out. Everyone is working hard to get Pavilion Campsite up and running.
- Greatly appreciate all the help from Troop 1315 who helped clean up, rake and remove brush from around Pavilion campsite as we got ready for Day Camp. Their adventures continued with cabin camping at Gay Lodge.



Thank you Girl Scouts!

Kindness (continued)



- Myra, from Troop 9424, joined her Girl Scout sisters from Troop 676 to participate in Wreaths Across America. This group of Girl Scouts laid at least 20 wreaths (December '22)
- Troop 1315 donated canned and dry goods and used troop money to purchase turkeys for 10 Thanksgiving dinners donated to New Prospect Food Pantry/Blue Ridge Area Food Bank. Check out the flowers at the Pollinator Garden created by Troop 1315...the lilies are gorgeous! and eye catching as you drive down the hill.
- Troop 293 purchased items and filled stockings for those at the Salvation Army Center of Hope. These were part of a special children's Christmas program.
- Troop 676 made hundreds of holiday favors for the recipients at Daily Bread. Each favor was stuffed with special candy.



Oh how much we appreciate the Arborculture and Landscape Design Crew from Orange, Virginia and all the work they did at Sac June 14 & 15. They removed dead trees but the most exciting part was the grinding of the six remaining stumps at our "new" archery range. The volunteers can now make plans to weed out and start raking...lots of good stuff moving forward for a larger and permanent range.



We will keep you posted.

A great hands-on watershed experience that combines STEM with recreation through a partnership with Parks & Rec and Lynchburg Water Resources. Learn about ecosystems, run science experiments and explore the habitat and organisms that support recreational fishing! Using loaner gear and educational materials, girls will explore a local stream habitat, discover aquatic insects and learn the art of fishing. Contact Parks & Rec for more details. Register by August 1.

Adventurers Backpack Training

Date: Friday, October 13 6:00 pm to Sunday, October 15 2:00 pm

Location: Giles Scout Hut, Pembroke, Virginia

Cost: \$35.00

This training is required before an adult volunteer takes a group of Junior Girl Scouts and older on a backpacking trip. The combined course will cover the knowledge and skills necessary to make important decisions about gear, clothing, overnight hike planning and outdoor safety. Objective is for participants to gain firsthand knowledge of equipment and how to use it properly in preparation for overnight backpacking in the wilderness so they may hit the trail feeling confident and self-sufficient.

Talmi Entertainment Ballet Company...production of THE NUTCRACKER! Magical Christmas Ballet coming to the Jefferson Center in Roanoke on November 22. Special prices available for groups of 10 or more people, also meet and greets available for groups of 25 or more. Contact Audrey Ryan, Market Manager at 800-320-1733 ext. 211 or audrey@nutcracker.com if you have questions and need additional information. www.talmientertainment.com or www.nutcracker.com.

Girl Scout Badges

New Badges

- Daisy Animal Observation Badge
- Daisy Art and Design Badge
- Daisy Craft and Tinker Badge
- Daisy Create and Innovate Badge
- Brownie Craft and Tinker Badge
- Brownie Create and Innovate Badge
- Brownie Art and Design Badge
- Junior Art and Design Badge
- Junior Craft and Tinker Badge
- Junior Craft and Innovate Badge
- Cadette Animal Helper
- Cadette Animal Habit

Retired Badges

- Brownie Painting
- Brownie Potter
- Brownie Inventor
- Junior Drawing
- Junior Jeweler
- Junior Product Designer
- Cadette Entrepreneurship
- Senior Social Innovator

The Journey Summit Award Pin is earned by girls who have completed three National Leadership "Journeys" at their grade level. The colored border around each pin corresponds to their grade level. This can be earned in all program levels.

If you could only sense how important you are to the lives of those you meet; how important you can be to the people you may never even dream of. There is something of yourself that you leave at every meeting with another person.



Fred Rogers



Forms/documents:

<https://www.gsvsc.org/en/for-volunteers/forms---documents.html>

Volunteer Resources Tab for trainers, delegates, troop leaders, service units, info/suggestions on first six troop meetings (D, B, J)

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