

Lynchburg Campbell County Girl Scout Service Unit March 2019 Update

Mark your calendar for a very important **April 4 Service Unit Meeting**, beginning at 6:30 pm, First Christian Church. We have two wonderful programs planned, one to help and prepare you for submitting your End of the Year Report on line plus a "Quick Start Guide" to your VTK (volunteer tool kit). You do not want to miss this great information; all troops need to be represented. Troop assistants/parent helpers are more than welcome to join us. Our next gathering will be the annual **Leader Appreciation Dinner**, Thursday, **June 6, 6 :30 pm** at First Christian...lots to share, lots of good fellowship, lots of needed conversation about the upcoming Girl Scouting year Please RSVP to Becka6778@aol.com so we can plan our menu accordingly.

Great time at the annual **Sweetheart Dance**. Plenty of food, there was the fabulous cupcake bar, music by Mad Ladd, photography by Andrew Wilds and a great volunteer committee. The couples brought/donated toiletries that were shared with the Miller Home for Girls and the Shelter for Battered Women. Please ask your girls to send a note of appreciation to Scott and his staff at the Moose Lodge #715, 2307 Lakeside Drive, Lynchburg, Va. 24501. Thanks to everyone who made this event possible. Plan to pick up pictures at the April 4 SU meeting.

We were rocking at **WTD '19**, providing 13 stations including stations on leadership and service. Thank you to the Troop 440 Cadettes who took on a big leadership role, our UL Kappa Delta partners and all of the wonderful presenters.

Lots going on at Camp Sacajawea...

- Brand new deck at the Administration Building – Eagle Project of Ben Black, Pack 29 at PUMC
- New front deck at Gay Lodge, built by the R.E. Lee Construction Company
- Our old Pavilion shelter is gone and will be replaced with a brand new structure including a nice screened in porch. Pavilion demolition provided by R.E. Lee
- We were able to donate money from Cookie Fest/Cookie Cook Off '19 that will go toward the purchase of a new platform tent at Hideaway

We are getting ready for spring camping and Day Camp at Sac.

- **Help needed at Camp Sacajawea, Sunday afternoon March 31, 2 – 5:00 clean up. Meet Marc near Gay Lodge.**

There was a very **nice acknowledgement** in the "Tidbits" Meals on Wheels newsletter of the troops who provided the Birthday boxes from Super Service Day. They were so appreciative.

- **Daisy Day** Saturday, April 6, right around the corner. On Sunday, April 7, there is a wonderful program planned for our older scouts at the University of Lynchburg by Kappa Delta "**College Planning and Preparation**" 2:00 – 4:00 pm. **Brownie Camporee** "Camporee 101", exploring/earning the Outdoor

Journey, weekend of April 13/14 at Sac. all flyers are available. Questions:
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Striving for the Gold Banquet, Saturday, May 4, at First Presbyterian Church, celebrating our Bronze, Silver and Gold Recipients, and to recognize our Triumph Award recipients (those Girl Scouts who have earned all 3 prestigious awards). The flyer is out. We will need a general head count of families who plan to attend, and their food donation. Go to sign up genius, noted on the flyer.

Bridging and Award Recognition Ceremony, Sunday afternoon, May 19, at Timberlake United Methodist Church. Girl Scouts arrive at 2:30, proceed to the Family Life Center, parents/families go to the sanctuary to watch a slide show showcasing their daughter's scouting year. The ceremony begins at 3:00. We will honor our bridging Girl Scouts and their leaders, recognize our award recipients and high cookie sellers. The girls will be singing "On My Honor." Lyrics will be attached to flyer.

Silver Award Classroom Workshop, Sunday afternoon, June 2, 2:00 – 4:00 pm at First Christian. Hosted by GSVSC taught by local volunteer trainer. No cost. You must register on line to attend. Troop Leader/parents are welcome. Questions:
Becka6778@aol.com Min/max 5/20

Benefits of Summer Camps

- Camp builds problem-solvers. Girls with more frequent outdoor experiences are more likely to seek challenges and are better at solving problems.
- Camp exposes girls to new experiences! Of girls surveyed 72% said that GSs gave them the chance to build their skills and try new outdoor activities.
- Camp builds courage and confidence. Spending time in nature improves a girl's concentration and creative reasoning. Outdoor experiences also help promote healthy social development and self esteem.
- Girl Camp Leadership program
 - o CPA: (camp program assistant) or (camp program aide) for those girls wanting to work at camp...2 hour training TBA. Interested in being a CPA this summer at Camp Sac's Day Camp Contact "Captain Sarah" at daycampsacajawea@gmail.com
 - o CIT (counselor in training) – older girls who are completing the 8th grade may apply to be a CIT. Complete CIT application #2630 and attend weekend training. Local training will be at Camp Sac weekend of March 23/24.

Summer Camps at Sacajawea

"Camp Life is the Best Life"

- Go to gsvsc.org and to "Camp" for information on all GSVSC camp programs

- “Camp Sacajawea Day Camp,” week of June 10 – Friday, June 14. Campers’ ages, grades K – 9 in 2018-2019 school year. Theme: “Scout-er Space” Exploration as the girls learn about a journey to Mars. Led by volunteer staff.
- GSVSC’s “56th Anniversary Weekend Camp,” June 21 -23 at Sac. Campers’ ages: Rising grades 1 – 12. Similar to a resident troop camp. Led by GSVSC staff.
- “Dad and Me Camp”: a weekend for dads and daughters: Friday, July 19 – Sunday, July 21 at Sac. Campers’ ages: Daisies thru Ambassador. Led by volunteer staff.

Adventurers “Float Your boat” Program

Starting in April – September

Monthly, 2 – 4 hour canoe or kayak paddling trips on local rivers. No experience necessary for most floats. Led by paddle-experienced GS leader with the Adventure program

Troops may request specific dates and locations for consideration.

Troops may contact the Adventurers to schedule a “Float Your Boat” of their own choosing. Need 6 week lead time to get this on their calendar adventurers1912@gmail.com

Who: Girls ages 11 and up

Dates: Saturday or Sundays April – September exact dates to be determined. Weekdays available depending on school schedule

Time: 10:00 – 4:00

Location: Local rivers including Roanoke, Maury, James, New, Rivanna, Shenandoah, Staunton

Fee: \$15/girl, \$15/adult

Patch (optional): \$2 Adventurers

T-shirt (optional): \$12

Min/Max 4/max # dependent on location

Questions: 540-989-0203

Send registration form #2277, include Swim certification on each person participating along with check made out to Adventurers c/o Debbie Clark, 6661 Christopher Drive, Roanoke, Virginia 24018

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Kroger Community Rewards is another way to fundraise for GSVSC. When you shop at Kroger, swipe your Kroger Plus Card. Go to <https://www.kroger.com/community> rewards and choose “Girl Scouts of Virginia Skyline #82832 as your charity. Remember to re-register your Kroger card yearly. Troops are not eligible to register with either Amazon Smile or Kroger Community Rewards under the current money earning guidelines. These 2 reward programs benefit our own council’s operating budget.

Forms/documents:

<http://www.gsvsc.org/en/for-volunteers/forms---documents.htm>

Volunteer Resources Tab for trainers, delegates, troop leaders, service units, info/suggestions on first 6 troop meetings (D,B,J) <http://www.gsvsc.org/en/for-volunteers/volunteer-resources.htm>

**“Never regret a day in your life. Good days give you happiness,
Bad days give you experience. Worst days give you lessons and Best
days give you memories.”**

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