girl scouts of virginia skyline

Lynchburg Campbell County
Girl Scout Service Unit

Amherst/Appomattox

September 2023 Update





Ya'll know Donna Guill..."Donna the Magnificent" who as a lifetime Girl Scout has enjoyed 36+ years with GSVSC. Back in the 90's Donna served as not only a troop leader but Service Unit Manager of the Rustburg area. She also became one of the key trainers (volunteer) for GSVSC outdoor education curriculum. Donna now serves as a master trainer for the Skyline Council...she has a wealth of knowledge in writing and reviewing programs/curriculums for multiple training sessions as well as providing guidelines for online module development. She serves as the GSVSC International Travel Mentor Trainer, member of the MVC (Membership Voice Committee) and a USA National Volunteer Partner sharing her expertise with other councils. Donna is a member of our SU where she serves as the Finance Coordinator and Program Assistant. Who is she really? Well...the BEST Zero turn operator ever and a crucial part of the volunteer work force who takes care of Camp Sac. She is a leader of leaders...Donna is the real deal!

#### Why Be A Girl Scout Leader and what this Leadership has done for me.

"I'd like to express my gratitude for what Girl Scouts has given me especially the exceptional ladies of the Lynchburg/Campbell County Service Unit. I cannot say this lightly, Girl Scouting absolutely made me who I am today. No other activity or organization has been so impactful to me. I want to first say thank you to every person who was behind the scenes, planning and setting up activities, calling people, mowing lawns, and moving mountains so my friends and I could learn and grow. There are things that Girl Scouting taught me that I did not realize until long after I left, so to Ms. Rebecca and Mama Stump and so many others that I did not have the words to "Thank you for building me into a strong leader and a fearless woman."

Girl Scouts teaches a lot about leadership. I don't mean the curriculum or the books or the badges. Girl Scouts sets you up with challenges and gives you responsibilities that may be difficult. It also teaches you the values you need to fulfill responsibility and be worthy of surmounting any challenge. All of that is not from lessons or crafts (although those are fun, too). Leadership grows from adults like you who put your trust in your girls to succeed and follow through.

At age 11, Ms. Rebecca entrusted me with leading an activity for Brownies at a camporee. By the time I was 15, I was helping lead a group of Juniors paddle down the river in kayaks. Both of these times I was scared out of my mind. But my leaders had guided me and trusted me and with their trust I was able to follow through, build confidence and prove to myself that I was capable.

- This is what builds ambition.
- This is what builds Gold Award Girl Scouts.
- This is what builds pillars of our community.
- Our Girl Scouting community challenges girls to reach their potential and they step up and take it with everything they have.

I wish the next generation of girls bravery and courage as they reach their goals and to all of you fearless leaders I give my gratitude for your trust and hope you keep showing girls they're capable of anything.

Helen Cohen, Lynchburg
Gold Award recipient
Senior Pard College at Simon's Book

## Why You Should Become a Girl Scout Leader?

- Empower the next generation. As a Girl Scout Leader you have the chance to empower young girls to be future leaders.
- Make a difference. By dedicating your time and energy as a Girl Scout Leader, you will directly contribute to creating a better future for the girls in your community.
- Build lifelong friendships. Girl Scouts is not just about the girls, it's also a chance for you to connect with other leaders and volunteers who share similar interests.
- Create lasting memories: As a Girl Scout Leader you will be part of creating memories that girls will cherish for a life time.
- Be part of a proud tradition. Girl Scouts has a rich history of empowering girls for over a century.

If you are paid to work
You're an employee.

If you work for free
You're a volunteer.

If you pay to work
You're a scout volunteer.



Girl Scout volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart. Discover your talents in mentoring, teaching and leading young girls.

#### What are Girl Scout Leaders Grateful For?

- When parents read our emails first time.
- When Girl Scouts is their extra curriculum that takes priority.
- When all parents rsvp for an event by the deadline
- When the girls say the meeting was the best ever
- When the girls enjoy the activities you spent hours planning
- When activities go as planned
- The girls remembering the first campout
- When the girls pack their own bag and then know where their stuff is at camp
- When all the parents take the hundreds of dollars' worth of badges and get them on their daughter's vest and then the girls remember what they're for
- When parents offer to drive to an event before you ever ask
- Knowing that a lot of their adventures and memories the girls might not have had on their own



#### For the Love of Girl Scouting

- 40 years and still going strong
- We have an amazing sisterhood.
- I spend my time thinking of new ways to engage my girls so they can grow into strong confident women.
- I put on sunscreen, stay hydrated, do a tick check and make plans to buy cookies.
- I will invest my time, talent and treasure to ensure that the future leaders of our world are strong women of courage and integrity.
- I will stand with our girls in freezing cold temperatures at a Cookie Booth to teach them that reaching a goal is hard but rewarding work.
- I will spend countless hours facilitating meetings and gatherings so that our girls progress into women that support women rather than compete with them and tear them down.

• I will devote 10 years to my troop but ultimately to my daughter to watch her grow and mature into a leader with the Girl Scout

Law as her core value.

I will stay positive.

- I know that the seeds I plant today become the harvest we enjoy tomorrow.
- I will do lots of paper work.
- I've slept on the floor of every aquarium, zoo, museum and mall in a 100-mile radius.
- I've got something in my pocket, it belongs across my face, I keep it very close at han the most convenient place.
- I will fit 125 cases of cookies into my mini van.
- I am man enough to be a Girl Scout volunteer to support my daughter. I bleed green.
- For the Love of Girl Scouting you will have the most wonderful friends. I have held many positions in Girl Scouts and have enjoyed them all. Through these experiences I have developed friendships that have been there to share everyday things to travel with an offer support and advise when I have needed it. They have been there for the long has I love each of them.



## Celebrating Labor Day...the 141<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

Help your Girl Scouts learn all about Labor Day, a federal holiday in the United States celebrated on the first Monday in September to honor and recognize the American labor movement and the works and contributions of laborers to the development and achievements of the United States.

- Labor Day is a great day for your Girl Scout to earn her Patriotic Heart Patch.
- Perfect for Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Constitution Day and Veterans Day
- Recite the Pledge of Allegiance at each GS meeting
- Participate in a flag ceremony (<a href="https://www.gsnorcal.org/en/site-search.html?q=flag+ceremony">https://www.gsnorcal.org/en/site-search.html?q=flag+ceremony</a>)
- Participate in a flag retirement ceremony (<a href="https://www.gswo.org/en/site-search.html?q=flag+ceremony">https://www.gswo.org/en/site-search.html?q=flag+ceremony</a>)
   Focus on flag training: learn how to hold a flag and how to fold a flag
- Visit a VA hospital to visit and spend time with veterans
- Have a veteran guest speaker come in and address your troop and help your troop through some of the patriotic badges
- Deliver flags to a cemetery on Memorial Day, Independence Day or Veterans Day
- Make and display or gift a patriotic craft
- Make and enjoy patriotic foods



For a special Patriotic Patch go to paypalme,com/FunPatchPrograms or check out Snappy Logos

It's that time of year, Girl Scouts! Get excited for Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend on September 9 and 10. You will get to explore the wonders of state parks...lead the way. (<a href="https://blog.girlscouts.org/2023/08/5-fun-activities-to-celebrate-girl.html">https://blog.girlscouts.org/2023/08/5-fun-activities-to-celebrate-girl.html</a>) - 5 fun Activities to Celebrate Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend...But you can celebrate all year long.

- 1. Geocaching is a real-life treasure hunt! It's a fun way to tap into your sense of adventure and explore cool, unique hiding spots, called caches around your state park.
- 2. Nature Art and Journaling...Nature is one of the best inspirations for art whether it's a beautiful bird or a sky full of stars. State parks are a great place to get inspired.
- 3. Bird Watching and Photography...bird watching is a popular activity that teaches patience and observation while fostering an appreciation for our feathered friends.
- 4. Picnicking and Stargazing...Girl Scouts love State Parks Weekend is filled with adventurous activities, but if you're looking for something more relaxing there's lots to choose from, like picnicking and stargazing!
- 5. Outdoor Yoga is a wonderful way to get grounded and align your self during each moment. What better place to practice yoga than by doing so in the beautiful outdoors? No matter how you choose to get out and explore a state park, you'll develop an appreciation for the nature world while spending time with loved ones. Learn more about each of the 5 activities and download the free passport activity.



Super Service Day is Saturday, December 9, at First Presbyterian Church, VES Road. Our Girl Scouts will participate in three service projects, decorate/eat holiday sugar cookies and make four ornaments to take home.

- 1. Handmade/decorated thinking of you cards for two nursing homes
- 2. Meals on Wheels birthday boxes...the girls will decorate boxes and fill them. Each girl needs to bring a two-piece cardboard shoe box (no flip top) and items to go in a shoe box, for example: shampoo, lotion, tooth brushes, tooth paste, shaving cream, razors, soap...anything a senior would like...pens, tablets, etc. for so many of these residents this is their only birthday remembrance.
- 3. Donations for the Lynchburg Area Food Bank also needed. Wish list includes beef stew, peanut butter, chili & beans, juice boxes, rice, canned tuna, boxed macaroni and cheese, jelly, spaghetti sauce, pasta, cereal, tomato and chicken noodle soup...please make sure all cans have flip tops.

See flyer for time and cost. This is open for D-A Girl Scouts. Questions: Rebecca (Becka6778@aol.com)

Save the date Saturday, December 16, 2023 at the Old City Cemetery, Lynchburg for "Wreaths Across America." This very patriotic ceremony starts at noon and our Girl Scouts will participate in laying on the wreaths. Lynchburg Campbell Co. Service Unit will donate funds toward multiple wreaths.





National D-Day Memorial Scout Day October 14. Cost: \$6. Time 10 — 3. Includes a patch, guided tours, fun activities and games.

Register: dday.org/events/scout-day

Questions: 540-586-3329

## Camp Sac News:

- Bobby Hudgins is our new camp property manager serving Headquarters/Icimani,
   Camp Sugar Hollow and Camp Sacajawea overseeing various projects. He has a long history with Virginia State Parks.
- We have blocked the front door at the Sports/Game Shed. Please use the back door. The front door would never stayed closed, subsequently the birds were making a mess inside. Donna and Ann have cleaned and reorganized, adding two new shelves and discarding broken items. Feel free to use the Game Shed...back door facing Troop House.
- Amy and Charlotte, Troop 9424, are now ACA (American Canoe Association) level
   2 skills certified August 12, 2023 Congratulations!
- The Letterboxing program is almost ready to go...hoping to open by the first of October. Thank you Hartley and Piper.

#### Lynchburg/Campbell Co. Service Unit Volunteer Leadership Team '23 —'24

- Service Unit Team Leader (interim): Rebecca Duncan (Becka6778@aol.com) Co-leader: Amy McCarty (abebko@gmail.com)
- Finance: Donna Guill (<u>Donna.c.quill@gmail.com</u>)
  Rebecca Duncan
- Product Sales Manager/Candy-Nut/Area 9: Detria Moore (<a href="mailto:thepreachaswife@hotmail.com">thepreachaswife@hotmail.com</a>)
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- SU Program Coordinator: open position (assistance provided)
- Age Level Mentors: Daisy: Brittany McPeake (britt.mcpeake19@gmail.com)
  - Brownie: Marion Stump (mamasturnp@hotmail.com)
    - Junior: Marion Stump
    - Cadette: Amy McCarty (abebko@gmail.com)
    - Senior/Amb. Alys Miller (<u>karinalys@juno.com</u>)
    - Brentz East (cess525@gmail.com)
- Delegates: positions to be filled
- Camp Sacajawea Day Camp Director: Amy McCarty (Captain Buttercup)
  Programming: Rebecca Duncan
- Gold Award Champion Resource/Area 8/Area 9: Karen Stober
- Area 8 (Amherst, Appomattox, Buckingham, Nelson) (<u>GSCMArea8@gsvsc.org</u>)
- Area 9 (Lynchburg/Campbell Co., Bedford) (<u>GSCMArea9@gsvsc.org</u>)
- Bronze/Silver: (infor@gsvsc.org) and Rebecca (Becka6778@aol.com)
- Recruitment: everyone

# 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) https://www.gsvsc.org/en/for-volunteers/volunteer-resources.html



It is not what you do as a troop leader for your girls, but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings.



## Questions:

<u>LynchburgCampbellCoGirlScouts@gmail.com</u> <u>www.lburgccgirlscouts.weebly.com</u>

www/facebook.com/LCCGSSU

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# Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.



# GOVERNANCE



# **Open Council Dialogue Meetings\***

Oct. 21: OCD Meeting (in person/Charlottesville)

Oct. 28: OCD Meeting (virtual)

Nov. 4: OCD Meeting (in person/Lynchburg) - TBD

Nov. 9: OCD Meeting (virtual)

Check GSVSC Calendar & GS Connections for OCD registrations.
\*If elected delegate or alternate delegate misses attending one of the above OCD meetings, they must register and watch a recording that will be shared at a later date.

#### **DELEGATE ELECTIONS:**

Service units or at-large groups are to hold delegate elections to elect delegate representation for their operating unit at a minimum of one open dialogue meeting and the annual meeting. A roster must be submitted to council of those present/voting in delegate service unit delegate elections.

Check here for allowable delegate count by service unit.

GSVSC Delegate Elections are to be completed and all required forms submitted **by Nov. 30, 2023.** 

Annual Meeting Date: January 20, 2024

Annual Meeting Snow Date: January 27, 2024

(Volunteer Recognition Ceremony: January 19, 2024)

# Governance



#### **Delegate Election Quorum Requirements**

## **Voting Quorums:**

- **1. Service "Operational" Units:** At least *five* members representing at least ten (10%) of the troops shall be present in person or linked by telecommunication or by means such that all members participating in the meeting are able to hear one another and participate in the proceedings, shall constitute a quorum for the election of operational unit delegates and persons to become delegates for the unexpired term should vacancies occur (alternate delegates).
- **2. At-Large Groups:** At least twenty-five (25%) of the declared members of an at-large group must participate in voting to constitute a quorum. Declared members of an at-large group may meet in person, meet via video/audio conference call, or vote by electronic ballot to elect delegates and persons to become delegates for the unexpired term, should vacancies occur (alternate delegates).

Each participating member of an at-large group must complete the 1356 At Large Group Participation Declaration form no later than October 31, 2023, and *prior to elections being held*, to be a declared a member of an at-large group.

Contact council staff for assistance at <u>info@gsvsc.org</u> or call 540-777-5100.

# Governance



#### **Service Unit Delegate Elections Required Forms**

Delegate/alternate Election Roster and position agreement forms have been converted to **online forms**. This allows council to use our resources wisely, easily track delegate elections, and reduce paper, which saves time and costs.

# We can no longer accept paper version of forms #1369 and #1608

Click links below for online forms!

- To verify elections, the Service Unit Team Leader or other appointed volunteer, must submit online form: Delegates and Alternate Delegates Roster Report (#1369)
  - Submit Attendance Record (#3066) to verify quorum of voting members. If voting electronically, a copy of the electronic election results must be submitted to verify a quorum for delegate elections. One of these MUST be uploaded through online form #1369.
- Each elected delegate and alternate delegate MUST then submit the online form: Delegate & Alternate Delegate Position

  Agreement (#1608)
- All newly elected delegates and alternates, who have never held the position, must also complete the <u>Delegate Self-Study (#1358)</u> and email it to council at <u>info@gsvsc.org</u>.

All of the above must be submitted to council by November 30, 2023

Contact council staff for assistance at <a href="mailto:info@gsvsc.org">info@gsvsc.org</a> or call 540-777-5100.

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## **At-Large Group Delegate Elections:**

Members who qualify and wish to participate in the at-large group (Adventurers, Alumnae, Camp Volunteers, or Council Trainers) delegate elections rather than their Service Unit Operational delegate election, MUST first submit the declaration form to council BEFORE elections can be held: At-Large Group Participation Declaration (#1356). Last date to submit is Oct. 31, 2023.

- At-large voting members may NOT vote with their service unit
- To verify the at-large group election has been completed, the chair of each at-large group submits the <u>Delegates and Alternate</u> <u>Delegates Roster Report (#1369)</u>
  - a. Attendance Record (#3066) or copy of the electronic election results must be submitted to verify a quorum for the election and MUST be uploaded through online form #1369
- Each elected delegate and alternate delegate MUST then submit the online form: Delegate & Alternate Delegate Position

  Agreement (#1608)
- Complete <u>Delegate Self-Study (#1358)</u> as needed

All At-Large Delegate Roster Reports and Position Agreements must submitted to council by November 30, 2023

Contact council staff for assistance at info@gsvsc.org or call 540-777-5100.

# Fund Development



"Girl Scouts are Trailblazers!" is an annual fundraiser sponsored by Girl Scouts of Virginia Skyline in commemoration of the council's anniversary which falls on July 1 each year. This year on July 1, 2023, we turned 60 years old!

You can celebrate with us from July 1 to October 31 (Founder's Day/Juliette Low's birthday) by donating \$60 or more in honor of our 60th birthday. Donations of \$60+ snags you a limited edition 60th anniversary bandana and fun patch! ALSO if you sign up to become a new monthly donor of \$5 or more that also gets you the bandana and fun patch too!

You can pick-up your bandana and patch at council HQ or at special anniversary events or it will be mailed to you for free.

# Fund Development

Other opportunities to support Virginia Skyline:

- Sept. 15: Fundraiser: Panera Bread,
   Roanoke
- Sept. 19: Fundraiser: Blaze Pizza, Lynchburg
- Sept. 25: Fundraiser: Chipotle, Blacksburg

# Tough Cookie:

• Returning to Greenfield Recreation Park on Saturday, March 23, 2024.

# Marketing & Communications



## Your Girl Scout Calendar

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Sept. 4: GSVSC Closed for Labor Day Holiday

Sept. 5: Fall Product Program starts

Sept. 5: Council's new website launches

Sept. 9-10: Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend,

Virginia State Parks

Sept. 15: Bronze/Silver/Gold Award final reports deadline

Sept. 15-Oct. 15: Hispanic Heritage Month

#### **OCTOBER**

Oct. 3, 10, 17 & 24: Future Voter Series

Oct. 21-22: Girls & Ghouls, Camp Sugar Hollow (D/B/J)

Oct. 28-29: Girls & Ghouls, Camp Sacajawea (C/S/A)

Oct. 31: Halloween & Girl Scout Founder's Day

#### **DETAILS HERE:**

www.gsvsc.org/calendar

# Marketing & Communications



# Website Refresh: Sept. 5

As we start moving between our current website and our refreshed website, there's a possibility of links going down or info missing. If you can't locate something or find a page error, please reach out to us at **communications@gsvsc.org** and we'll fix it as soon as possible. Thanks!

# Marketing & Communications



# **Council Holiday Card Contest**

Girl Scouts of VA Skyline needs your help designing the 2023 holiday card. Show us in "picture-form" how a Girl Scout is "prepared" for badge fun, for the great outdoors, for summer camp, for cookie fun, for whatever fun you have in Girl Scouting!

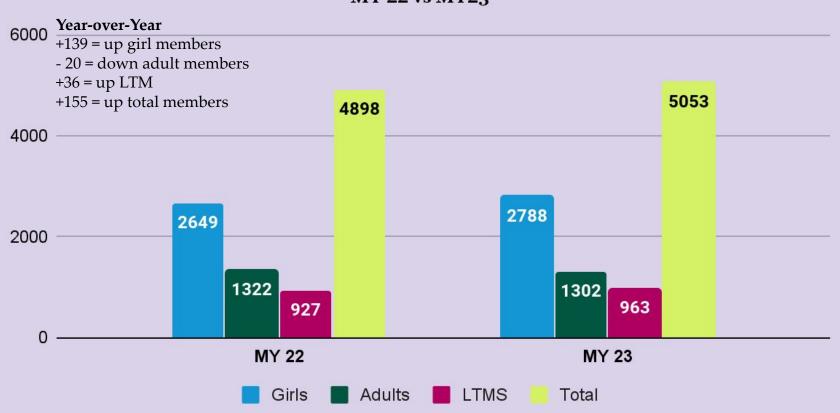
You can complete this project on your own or with your troop. The overall top card winner will receive a \$50 gift certificate to The Skyline Shop and her own supply of cards to send to family and friends! Second and third place winners also receive prizes, and the top 10 cards are made into a video montage that we share on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and our website.

Entry Deadline: Sunday, October 29 (entries must be received by 12 midnight via mail, email or dropped-off at council headquarters in Roanoke)

The winner will be notified on Friday, November 3, & announced on our website & Facebook page.

# **Membership YTD**

MY 22 vs MY23



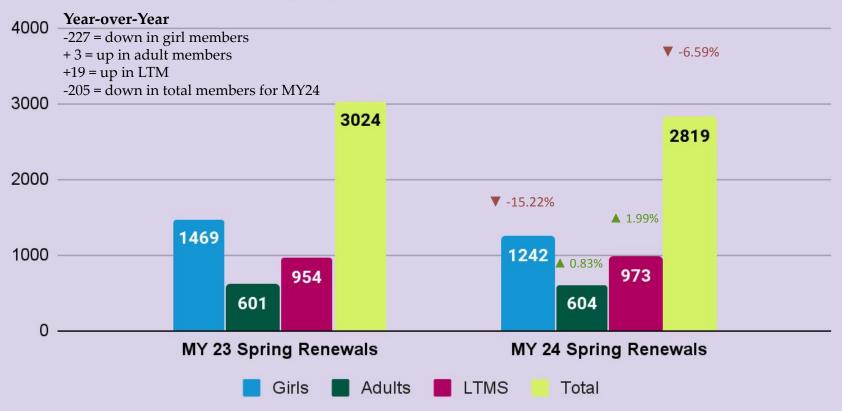
# **Membership Growth**

## Year End MY22 vs Current MY23



# **Spring Renewals**

## Spring Renewal Year-over-Year



# Required Annual Troop Meeting Updates



Troops not meeting the minimum requirements to maintain a troop/group status (5 girls/2 troop co-leaders) must request permission to continue as a troop/group. Request must be submitted in writing annually to <a href="mailto:info@gsvsc.org">info@gsvsc.org</a> by September 30.

#### 3007 Troop Meeting & Participation Catalog Updates

Every troop/group MUST submit this <u>form</u> annually to ensure Troop Meeting information is current with council.

#### This form is to be submitted:

- A. Once annually or as soon as there is a change in meeting location or meeting day/time/frequency
- B. When accepting new girls (growing troop size)
- C. When accepting new program levels (D/B/J/C/S/A)
- D. When no longer accepting specific program levels (specifically troop/groups aging up)

# PLEASE NOTE: TROOP/GROUP MEETINGS IN A PRIVATE HOME ARE NOT ALLOWED.

Troops are ONLY displayed in the participation catalog to new members upon request.

Once requested, troops will be displayed in the catalog until:

- A. The troop reaches the total desired number of girls and/or volunteers
- B. The troop leadership decides to change the number of open spots for girls and/or volunteers displayed in the catalog by filling out this form again or emailing info@gsvsc.org.
- C. The troop leadership has requested to be removed from the catalog and/or to ensure troop stays within girl-to-adult ratios.

Should you need assistance or have questions, contact Customer Care at 540-777-5100 or email info@gsvsc.org.

# Membership Recruitment

# Help us spread the word!

- Join Yard Signs
- Flyers
- Community & Civic Centers
- Events/Local Festivals
- Social Media Apps/Groups
  - NextDoor
  - Facebook
  - Twitter
  - Instagram
- Parent/Teacher Organizations/Associations
- Children's Museums/Book Stores
- Online Newspaper Calendars

https://www.gsvsc.org/en/for-volunteers/mem bership-marketing.html

Reach out to your Community Engagement Manager by contacting <u>info@gsvsc.org</u> for assistance or suggestions!

# **GSVSC Membership Recruitment Rally**

Join the Membership Recruitment Rally on Rallyhood. All council-wide recruitment opportunities are posted for volunteers and girls to sign-up and help out!

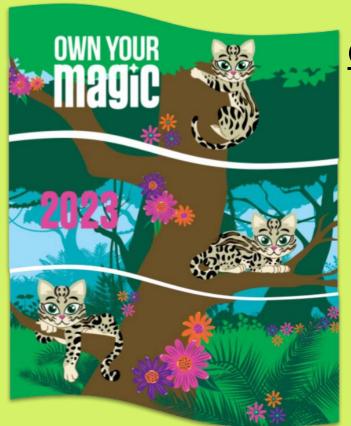
Share your recruitment opportunities and sign up to help! Check the <u>Rally calendar</u> for dates and click on the sign up link or see the sign up list <u>here</u>!

Great opportunity for older girls to earn their **Service to Girl Scouting bar!** 





# 2023 Fall Program



# Gearing Up for Fall!!!

• Theme: "Own Your Magic"

• Mascot: Ocelot

• **Start date:** September 5, 2023

• End date: October 26, 2023

Order due date: October 16, 2023

Parents will enter orders taken in M2 by Oct. 16, 2023. (Girls may continue to take orders and turn into the Troop Fall Product Manager by Oct. 16, 2023.) October 10, 2023, is when Troop Fall Product Managers can start entering order card information. October 16, 2023, is the last day troops can add orders into M2.

# **Program Updates**



Sept. 9-10: Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend, Virginia State Parks (D/B/J/C/S/A)

Sept. 16: Fall Journey Fest, Charlottesville (D/B/J/C/S/A)

Sept. 24: Float Your Boat: James River, Botetourt Co. (J/C/S/A)

Sept. 29-Oct. 1: GS301A & GS301B Outdoor Education (all-in-one weekend), Giles Co. (V)

Sept. 30-Oct. 1: GS301B Outdoor Ed Overnight, Camp Sacajawea (V)

Oct 3, 10, 17 & 24: Future Voter Series (D/B/J/C/S/A), virtual

Oct 14: Scout Day at D-Day Memorial (D/B/J/C/S/A)

Oct 21-22: Girls + Ghouls (D/B/J), Sugar Hollow

Oct 28-29: Girls + Ghouls (C/S/A), Sacajawea





# **Property**

- Welcome to Bobby Hudgins! The new Property Manager/Camp Ranger. Bobby's "home base" will be Camp Sacajawea.
- Icimani
  - Phase 1 is wrapping up. Phase 2 will begin during the winter. Troop/group use of Icimani is still limited/restricted.
- Sacajawea:
  - Trees were removed in June as scheduled.
- Sugar Hollow:
  - Replanting planning is underway for the trees that were removed.
  - Reminder: Only bagged, household trash may be placed in the dumpster. No construction waste will be accepted by GFL.
- Looking ahead....camps will be winterized in mid-November.

# **SHOP TALK**

# The Skyline Shop Open Sept. 27



The Skyline Shop will be open for shopping on Wednesday, Sept. 27 from 11:00 AM to 5:30 PM by appointment on the half hour. Schedule your time: skylineshop@gsvsc.org

The shop will continue to process orders by email (skylineshop@gsvsc.org) for pickup or shipping. When you are notified that an order is ready for pickup, please come to the new headquarters location at 5488 Yellow Mountain Rd, Roanoke 24014. The office is open Mondays through Thursdays from 8:30 AM-5:30 PM for pickups. Please continue to shop online at the Girl Scouts of the USA's online store. The council receives credit for all sales within our council footprint. Watch here in *The Girl Scout Connection* for upcoming special discounts!





# **GSVSC** Training Dates

#### TRAININGS REGISTRATIONS

- Sept. 9: Gold Award Workshop, virtual (S/A)
- Sept. 10: Gold Award Workshop, virtual (S/A)
- Sept. 10: Silver Award Workshop, virtual (C)
- Sept. 28: Virtual Gold Award Workshop reg. coming soon to gsEvents!
- Sept. 29-Oct. 1: GS301A & GS301B Outdoor Education (all-in-one weekend), Giles Co. (V) Personal tent required.
- Sept. 30: Gold Award Workshop, Camp Sugar Hollow (S/A)
- Sept. 30: Silver Award Workshop, Camp Sugar Hollow (C)
- Sept. 30-Oct. 1: GS301B Outdoor Ed Overnight, Camp Sacajawea (V) Must complete GS 301A Online Planning in gsLearn by Aug. 22
- Oct. 7: <u>Bronze Award Workshop</u>, Camp Sugar Hollow (J)
- Oct. 13: <u>GS302A & GS302B Backpacker Training</u>, Giles Co. (V)
- Oct. 16: Virtual Looker training for service unit team members reg. coming soon to gsEvents!
- Oct. 17: Virtual Silver Award Workshop reg. coming soon to gsEvents!
- Oct. 28-29: GS301B Outdoor Ed Overnight, Camp Sugar Hollow (V) Must complete GS 301A Online Planning in gsLearn by Sept. 28)
- Oct. 29: GS203 International Trip Training, virtual (V)
- Nov. 1: Gold Award Workshop, virtual (S/A)
- Nov. 9: Virtual Bronze Award Workshop reg. coming soon to gsEvents!
- Nov. 11-12: Training for Trainers Charlottesville reg. coming soon to gsEvents!
- Nov. 18: Annual Conference of Trainers @ Camp Sacajawea reg. coming soon to gsEvents!
- Nov. 19: Bronze Award Workshop, virtual (J)
- **Dec. 9:** Gold Award Workshop, virtual (S/A)
- Dec. 17: <u>Silver Award Workshop</u>, virtual (C)
- Feb. 13, 2024: Gold Award Workshop, virtual (S/A)



# Important Save the Dates

#### Service Unit Roundtable Dates (Zoom registration link will be posted in SU Team Network Rally)

Oct. 26, 2023

Dec. 14, 2023

Feb. 22, 2024

Apr. 25, 2024

#### **Service Unit Team Campout**

May 4-5, 2024 @ Camp Sacajawea - Reg. coming soon to gsEvents!

#### Virtual Town Halls Dates (Zoom registration will be posted on GSVSC Event calendar)

Nov. 16, 2023

Jan. 25, 2023

Mar. 28, 2024

May 24, 2024

No service unit talking points, roundtables, or town halls during the months of June, July or August.



# **Questions?**

# Thank you!

Reach out to...

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