



May 28, 2021

Camp life is the best life.

Register now for our  
exciting new summer  
camp programs!



Summer camp programs are back for 2021! We have several all-new programs for all grade levels. Check out the events coming up in May and June:

### **Reach for the Stars Family Camp Weekend:**

**When:** Saturday & Sunday, June 19-20

**Where:** Camp Koch, Cannelton, Indiana

**Who:** Girls entering grades K-12 and their families

**What:** This option is fun for the whole family! Want to take a mission to space? Join us as we explore the exciting realm of space science, become an amateur astronomer, and reach for the stars with experts from the Evansville Museum. Plus, check out GSSI's NEW eVscope as we sleep under the stars. Get full information and register [HERE](#).

**Registration deadline is Monday, June 14.**

### **Kite Festival:**

**When:** Saturday, June 26

**Where:** Camp Koch, Cannelton, Indiana

**Who:** Girls entering grades K-12 and their families, Perry County first responders,

camp alum, and community supporters

**What:** GSSI invites you to join us and fly a kite as we honor the individuals impacted by the events at camp in 2019. Bring your own kite or purchase one from GSSI; proceeds go to the “I Love Camp Koch Fund.” Enjoy the outdoors, listen to music, and bring a picnic lunch to share with your friends and family. The event is free to attend, but donations are graciously accepted. Get full information and register [HERE](#).

**Registration deadline is Monday, June 21.**

## **Holiday Camp Overnight at Camp Koch:**

**When:** Saturday-Sunday, July 17-18

**Where:** Camp Koch, Cannelton, Indiana

**Who:** Girls entering grades K-12 (K-1 will have a day program - no overnight)

**What:** Feel like COVID took some of your 2020 holiday joy? Join us at Camp Koch and relive the fun of your favorite holiday traditions! If you love trick-or-treating, hunting for eggs, birthday cake, and all things holiday – this camp is for you! Learn more and register [HERE](#).

**Registration deadline is Monday, July 12.**

For more information on all of our summer programs, visit the link below.

**MORE INFO**



### **Day Camp Dates & Information Available**

In addition to council camp events, day camps will also be held by service units this summer! More information will be added as dates are confirmed.

**[GSSI Day Camps](#)**



Take Action for the  
Environment with



Now, thanks to a generous grant from Alcoa Foundation, girls can get outdoors and make a difference for the environment!

GSSI is excited to offer funding for take action and highest award projects that focus on environmental sustainability and/or environmental education through \$75 mini-grants. Projects must be completed in the 2020-2021 membership year.

Troops, service unit events, service unit camps, and/or individuals (registered members grades K-12) must submit a quick form outlining the project to be considered.

[APPLY NOW](#)

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**Renew Her Membership Now to Earn Special Incentives**

You've  
Got This

Today, tomorrow, together—  
Girl Scouts is on your team.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP



When the world turned upside down, you turned to Girl Scouts, and your trust in us means so much. Girl Scouts of Southwest Indiana will continue to be here for you and your family through it all. Cheering you on, lifting you up, celebrating your strengths. Today, tomorrow, together - Girl Scouts is on your team.

Hurry, register by June 7 to receive your "We've Got This" patch!

RENEW NOW

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## **Congratulations to our 2021 Girl & Adult Award Recipients and Top Cookie Bosses**

Congratulations to all of our award recipients for 2021! View the complete list of all awardees at the links below. GSSI Adult Awards will be presented at service unit meetings this month, and a full list of recipients will be published in an upcoming newsletter.

In case you missed it, the full GSUSA Adult Awards presentation is available to view [HERE](#).

**GIRL AWARD RECIPIENTS**

**COOKIE CELEBRITIES**

## Join Us for a Frozen II Family Swim Party!



Girls entering grades K-12 and their families are invited to join us for an evening of fun at the Burdette Park Aquatic Center! The entire pool has been rented for this event, so you can enjoy the water and slides with just your fellow Girl Scouts. Elsa and Anna from Frozen II will also be on hand to take pictures!

**When:** Saturday, July 24 (Rain date: Friday, July 30)

**Where:** Burdette Park Aquatic Center, Evansville, IN

**Cost:** \$5 per person, children 2 & under free

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Volunteer  
Spotlight



### Training Program Facilitators:

This week we send a thank you to all of the volunteers who are scheduling fun summer adventures for their girls and the facilitators who are helping make this a possibility.

Here is the list of facilitators who have offered trainings in 2021:

**Fire Building and Basic Outdoor Cooking:** Kelly Birkhead, Mary Birkhead, Suzanne Hunter

**On the Go:** Dawn Crowley

**Troop Camp Training:** Beth Heil, Jennifer Miller, and Tina Voges

**First Aid/CPR:** Michelle Sullenger and Kristine Breitwieser



## Is Your Troop Information Up to Date?

Keeping your troop information updated helps us know when and where your troops are meeting, what your troop focuses are, and if you plan to return in the fall. We appreciate your help in keeping our records current!

[Update Your Info Now](#)

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## Tough Cookie Mud Run Registration Now Open



You may be tough, but are you tough enough to conquer the Tough Cookie Mud Run? Test the limits of your mental and physical toughness as you run, crawl, jump, climb, and giggle your way through rugged woodland and steep hills along the beautiful Ohio River. Whether you're an elite athlete or just looking for a fun challenge with friends, Tough Cookie Mud Run is for you!

**WHEN:** August 21, 2021 at Camp Koch in Cannelton, Indiana

**NEW COURSE THIS YEAR!** You'll take on natural and man-made obstacles like treacherous tight ropes and arduous mud-caked trails as you make your way to the finish line. You will get dirty, muddy, and wet; that's what makes it fun! Participants must work together to overcome a number of obstacles along the way, at least 10 within the 5k trail. Try not to crumble as you climb a giant tire wall, crawl through muddy pits, run up a 10' warped wall, take an arctic dip, and leap over fire!

**First 50** to register get a **FREE** Tough Cookie t-shirt! Must be registered by July 16, 2021!

*Must be 14 years old by August 21, 2021 to participate in all obstacles. Kids ages 10-13 may run a limited course. All participants will sign a waiver to participate. Individuals under the age of 18 will need a parent or guardian present to sign a waiver on the day of the event.*

[LEARN MORE](#)

## Support GSSI With the Family Giving Partnership



The Family Giving Partnership is an opportunity for families and friends of Girl Scouts to make a financial contribution to directly benefit the girls. As a member of our Girl Scout family, you know how important Girl Scouting is to girls, their families, and the community. Any amount is appreciated, but a \$25 or greater donation will get your Girl Scout a Family Giving patch.

[GIVE NOW](#)



### Summer Program Facilitators Needed!

Are you a college student, retiree, or just looking for a part time job opportunity this summer? GSSI is looking for responsible, enthusiastic, and energetic program facilitators to lead Summer Outreach programs across the 11-county



## Upcoming Events & Program Opportunities

View the [Spring 2021 Program Guide](#) for all full list of fun activities for your troop!

### **eVscope Star Party for Seniors with the Evansville Museum**

Are you fascinated by the night sky and wonder what star clusters, nebula and galaxies look like close up? Don't miss this event that features GSSI's new eVscope for the girls to learn about and test out!

**When:** June 5, 2021

- Session I: 8:45-9:30 PM CDT
- Session II: 9:30-10:15 PM CDT

**Cost:** \$10 per girl

[REGISTER HERE](#)

### **Cybersecurity Program with PAR IT Consulting for Grades 6-12**

Come hang out with your troop at a real IT firm where you'll play games, solve puzzles, earn THREE badges, and learn about real-life good-guy hackers! Find out what happens to every phone photo you take, every video you post on TikTok or YouTube, and how you could even get spied on in your own home (and how to prevent that). This is the perfect age to become an official "PAR IT Consulting Junior Cybersecurity Investigator!"

**When:** June 15 from 4:30-7 p.m. CST

**Cost:** \$15 per girl

**Contact:** Jo Van Hoy, [jo.vanhoy@par.consulting](mailto:jo.vanhoy@par.consulting), to register your troop

