



July 9, 2021

Dive Into Family Fun with GSSI's Swim Party at Burdette Park

The banner has a purple background. On the left is the Girl Scouts of Southwest Indiana logo and a cartoon illustration of Olaf. In the center, the event details are listed in white text. On the right is a cartoon illustration of Elsa and Anna from Frozen II. At the bottom, a large white call-to-action is centered.

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**Girl Scouts Frozen II
Family Swim Party!**
Saturday, July 24, 2021
7:30 PM-10:00 PM CST
Burdette Park Aquatic Center
301 Nurrenbern Rd, Evansville, IN 47712

Join the fun - Register Now!

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! Admission is only \$5 per person.

[REGISTER](#)

POWERED by YOU!

Because of you, Girl Scouts in southwest Indiana do more than they ever thought they could and dream bigger than they ever imagined.
Thank you for standing strong with Girl Scouts.



Girls Camped Out

Girls got outdoors at Camp Koch for the Reach for the Stars family overnight and Counselor-in-Training camp sessions in June.



Girls Made New Friends

GSSI's summer outreach programs work with girls from across the community to learn team building and STEM skills.



Girls Did a Good Turn

Girls joined adult volunteers to prepare Camp Koch for the summer during Good Turn Weekend in May.

Want to continue creating possibilities for girls? A gift this summer will empower girls in our community to change the world for themselves and for others. Thank you in advance for giving every girl the chance to be her best self!

[GIVE NOW](#)

**Tough Cookie Mud Run July Team Special -
Only \$25 per runner for a team of 5!**



You may be tough, but are you tough enough to conquer the Tough Cookie Mud Run? 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. Participants must work together to overcome a number of obstacles along the 5k trail. 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, IN, 2:00-6:00 PM CST with waves starting every 15 minutes.

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.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Don't Miss Out on Summer Fun - Renew Her Membership Now!



Did you take a break this fall and you're ready to rejoin Girl Scouts? Sign up for an Extended Year Membership for just \$35. This membership runs through September 30, 2022 and will allow your girl to take advantage of fun activities this summer like camps and the Frozen II Dive-In Family Swim Party, AND includes her membership for all of next school year!

Thank you to everyone who participated in Spring Renewal! Incentives will be delivered to troop leaders in July.

RENEW NOW

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



Thank you to Annette Talbert & Mandy Scurry

These two volunteers recently attended a 5-day virtual training hosted by GSUSA to learn about astronomy and the resources available to introduce girls to the subject, and they will each be forming Girl Scout astronomy clubs in the fall.

Interest forms will be released this fall - watch for more information coming soon!

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 GSSI council area.

[>>MORE INFO](#)

Meet the 2022 Cookie Mascots: Kiana & Katie



We are excited to introduce the 2022 Cookie Program mascots, Kiana and Katie the koalas. Chosen by popular vote last year, the koalas will remind girls to climb with courage to their goals, and that they are totally koali-fied cookie bosses!

We have big cookie news coming in August! ABC Baker's Girl Scout S'mores cookie was retired last year, which means a new cookie will take its place! Stay tuned for the announcement coming in mid August.

While you await the reveal of the newest Girl Scout cookie, why not spend some time learning more about our koala friends? Check out the San Diego Zoo's Koala Cam [HERE](#).

Vote Now for Cookie Your Favorite Cookie Recognitions

We are gearing up for cookie season, and we need your input! Girls can express themselves by voting for their favorite recognitions from for the 2022 Cookie Program. Check out all the fun options at the ABC Bakers survey link below, and place your vote by July 16!

VOTE NOW

Smart Cookies Update

ABC Smart Cookies Platform will be down for routine maintenance beginning July 30, 2021 through October 4, 2021. Parents are able to login to their girl's Smart Cookie account at <https://www.abcsmartcookies.com/> prior to July 30, 2021 to pull the customer contact information from the 2021 Cookie Program and will be able to upload the customer contact information for the 2022 Cookie Program. Directions to complete pulling the girl's customer contact information is available [HERE](#).

Take Action
for the
Environment
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Summer is the perfect time to get outside and complete an environmental take action or highest award project, and now, thanks to a generous grant from Alcoa Foundation, girls can receive funding to help complete these projects!

GSSI is offering funding for projects that focus on environmental sustainability and/or environmental education through \$75 mini-grants. Projects must be completed by September 30, 2021.

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](#)



Upcoming Community Partner Events

Hoosier Teens on Trails Day at Hoosier National Forest

When: Saturday, July 17, 2021 from 9:30 AM-11:30AM CDT

What: Seniors & Ambassadors will work towards their Trail Adventure Badge by spending the day learning from Forest Service recreation staff! Girls will learn about trail work, how to use tools, and what goes into maintaining Hoosier National Forest

trails for all users.

Where: Hoosier National Forest (Perry County) - Exact location provided upon registration

Cost: Free

Contact: Alexander Johnson alexander.johnson@usda.gov

Brownie Trail Adventure Hike at Hoosier National Forest

When: Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 10:00 AM CDT

What: Brownies will work towards their Trail Adventure Badge by spending the day hiking with Forest Service interpreters! After an interpretive hike along the German Ridge trail, girls will have lunch at the shelters (built by the Civilian Conservation Corps!) and enjoy the afternoon at the lake.

Where: German Ridge Recreation Area in Perry County (Location subject to change)

Cost: Free

Contact: Alexander Johnson at alexander.johnson@usda.gov

