



September 16, 2022

Cookie Updates and Information



Start Brainstorming with Your Troop for the Cookie Billboard Design Contest!

Our Cookie Billboard Design Contest is back! Troops are invited to put their creative skills to work and design a billboard on display in Evansville in December. The billboard should let the community know that cookie season is beginning and showcase one or more cookies. Designs are due to council by October 7. Winners will be selected by vote and announced on October 28. The final billboard images will be created by GSSI using the winning design idea. For design requirements, guidelines, and cookie images, visit the link below.



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Cookie Permission Forms

Don't wait - submit your cookie permission forms now! Each girl must have a permission form on file by December 1, 2022, to participate in the Girl Scout Cookie Program.

DOWNLOAD FORM

Additional Updates

- **Two Online Exclusive Cookies:** Along with Raspberry Rally™, Caramel Chocolate Chip (Gluten Free) cookies will be exclusively available online for direct shipment only. They will not be on the order cards or available from troops or the Cookie Cupboards.
- **Troop Cookie Volunteers:** As soon as your troop has your 2023 cookie volunteer in place, please email cookies@girlscouts-gssi.org so they can be added to Smart Cookies when the system becomes available again.



The graphic features a light blue background with a pink border. It includes a smiling sun, a butterfly, a tree with yellow leaves, a tree with brown leaves, a raccoon, and mushrooms. Text on the graphic includes "Woodland Fall Camporee 2022" and "girlscouts of southwest indiana".

Wild Woodland Fall Camporee

Saturday, November 5
Camp Koch

Jump into adventures with your troop at Camp Koch this fall! GSSI will organize everything for you; all you have to do is show up with your girls and have fun!

The following activities will be available for you and your troop to enjoy:

- Archery
- Guided Creek Hikes
- Team Building Course and Slacklining
- Pollinator Workshop (Take Action Project and some badgework steps)
- Hayrides
- Rock and Pumpkin Painting
- Hammock Hideaway Hike and Relaxation
- Chalk Art Installation
- SWAPs
- Letterboxing

GSSI Brownie and Junior troops are invited to attend this event. Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors may volunteer at this event with an hour after the camporee for older girl fun! (archery and tomahawk/knife throwing) GSSI will sign off on Girl Scout and school service hours for volunteers. Check-in begins at 9:30.

When: Saturday, November 5, 2022, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM CST

Where: Camp Koch, Cannelton, IN

Cost: \$20 for campers, \$10 for CSA & adult volunteers (Camp registration fee includes lunch, a snack, and a camporee patch.)

Learn more and register now at the link below. Questions? Contact oblanco@girlscouts-gssi.org.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Troop Leader Updates



Volunteer
Spotlight



This week we would like to recognize the following volunteers:

- Angie Speed for assisting with recruitment in South Dubois
- Natalie Teeters for her help with after school programs in Princeton and assistance of troops in need in Gibson County
- Shirley Harris for training Knox County volunteers
- Becky Grimes for attending parent nights and recruiting events in Vanderburgh County
- Lydia Thompson for hosting a Girl Scout table at Mt. Vernon River Days

Your work helps strengthen the Girl Scout Movement in southwest Indiana, and we are grateful for you!

Honor & Golden Honor Applications Due October 1

Honor and Golden Honor recognition showcase troops achieving the Essential Elements of a Girl Scout Troop and overall excellence in troop management and programming each year. To achieve this honor, leaders, and girls must work in partnership with each other, other troops, their local Service Team, and council staff. When completing the application form, please only reference activities from the 2021-2022 membership year. If you have any questions, please contact your Troop Support Specialist or email support@girlscouts-gssi.org.

View [Award Requirements](#)

APPLY NOW

Troop Leaders: Renewal Incentives are Ready

Troop Support has contacted leaders regarding pick-up or delivery of troop renewal incentives; if you have not received a message, please contact support@girlscouts-gssi.org.

As a reminder, if you earned the 25% off coupon to the GSSI shop, it will expire September 30.

GSSI Shop Updates

A purple-bordered graphic with a light green header containing the text "GSSI Shop Promotions". Below the header are two rounded rectangular boxes. The left box is purple and contains the text "My Girl Scout Kit" above two drawstring bags (one blue, one yellow) and the text "Free bag with purchase!". The right box is light purple and contains the text "Back to Troop Special" above a collection of Girl Scout items (a white t-shirt, a sash, a flag, a patch, a book, and a pin) and the text "Buy now, save later!".

GSSI Shop Promotions

My Girl Scout Kit
Free bag with purchase!

Back to Troop Special
Buy now, save later!

Introducing two exciting new shop promotions!

My Girl Scout Kit

The My Girl Scout Kit includes all of the essentials your girl needs for each grade level for just \$60, AND includes a free drawstring bag!

[LEARN MORE](#)

Back to Troop Buy Now, Save Later Fall Promotion

From September 12-September 30, every GSSI shop purchase of \$60+ will receive a \$10 coupon. The coupons are valid on shop purchases of \$25+ from October 1-November 30, 2022. Each customer may earn a maximum of three coupons, and multiple coupons may be earned on one purchase. For example:

- \$60-\$119.99 = 1 coupon
- \$120-\$159.99 = 2 coupons
- \$160+ = 3 coupons

To redeem coupons, the original purchase receipt must be attached. The promotion is only valid on purchases made through the GSSI shop; not applicable to GSUSA online purchases.

For questions, contact support@girlscouts-gssi.org.

Regular Shop Hours:

Monday & Wednesday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM CDT

Thursday: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM CDT

Tuesday & Friday: Closed

Note: GSSI office staff is available Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM CDT

Can't Make it In?

In addition to in-store shopping, we now offer online ordering with the option of store pick-up or FREE shipping!

SHOP NOW

Give to 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 benefit the girls directly. 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 receive a Girl Scout Family Giving patch!

To donate online, visit the link below and enter "Family Giving Partnership" in the Designation dropdown box. To give by mail, download this [FORM](#).

GIVE NOW

Upcoming Events

Outdoor Journey in a Weekend Event

When: Friday, September 23-Saturday, September 24, 2022

Juniors: Friday 6:00 PM-Saturday 3:00 PM EDT

Daises & Brownies: Saturday 9:00 AM-3:00 PM EDT

Where: Hornady Park, 1213 W Park Rd, Petersburg, IN 47567

Cost: Juniors \$25, includes meals; Daises & Brownies \$15, need to bring a sack lunch

All Daises, Brownies, and Juniors in Pike, Davies, and Martin Counties are invited to join Troop 411 for a Journey in a Weekend, facilitated by Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts!

For questions, contact Sandy McBeth at slmcbeth@yahoo.com or (812) 582-0088.

Registration deadline is Wednesday, September 21 at 11:45 PM CDT.

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Harry Potter Tea Party

When: Saturday, October 1, 2022

Session 1: 11:00 AM-12:30 PM CDT

Session 2: 1:30-3:00 PM CDT

Where: EVPL Central Library, Browning Room A & B

Cost: \$10/Girl Scout, \$12/non-Girl Scout, \$5 Adults

Join us for a fun, Harry Potter-themed tea party event that will include tea, cupcake decorating, BINGO w/ prizes, a STEM activity, and a game or craft. Costumes are welcome but not required.

The event is open to all registered Girl Scouts, and each girl is welcome to bring one non-Girl Scout guest in grades K-12. Proceeds from the day will go towards the GSSI Girl Scout National Convention Trip Travel Group.

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Farming for the Community at Seton Harvest

Saturday, October 22, 2022

Brownies & Juniors: 10:30 AM-1:00 PM CDT

Cade es, Seniors, & Ambassadors: 12:00-1:30 PM CDT

Seton Harvest, 9400 New Harmony Rd, Evansville, IN 47720

Cost: \$5 per girl

Learn about Community Supported Agriculture and earth-friendly farming practices. Girls will walk around the farm to see fields of vegetables, herb and flower gardens, and visit the hydroponic and aquaponic greenhouse. They will learn about composting, renewable energy, pollinators, and the importance of sharing abundance with people in need. Girls may also participate in community service by helping weed the crops and bring a sack lunch to enjoy while surrounded by nature under the shade of the shelter house from 11:30 - 12:00.

REGISTER NOW