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Connecting. Testing her strength. Making a difference. Renew today to make sure your Girl Scout continues to shine her brightest.

She's ready to explore, learn, and create. She's ready to come back. Keep the fun going with Girl Scouts and watch her confidence soar.

All members who register from by **June 6, 2022** will receive a free patch AND a double bubble fidget backpack charm.* Plus, for every day before June 6 you are renewed, your name will be entered into a drawing to win fun Girl Scout prizes! (For example, if you renew May 13, your name will be entered 25 times—that's 25 chances to win.)

Troop leaders: Troops who renew 80% of their girls and 2+ co-leaders will receive a 25% off coupon to use in the GSSI council shop!

*Girls who earned a membership through the 2022 Cookie Program will receive all early renewal incentives.

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Congratulations to all of our Highest Award & GSSI Adult Award Recipients!

We will celebrate all of our awardees on Saturday, May 14. To see a full list of all recipients and to read about our Gold Award Girl Scouts, view the Highest Awards Celebration event program at the link below.

2022 Award Recipients»



We're going to Disney World!

Learn more at the GSSI 2023 National Convention Trip Information Meeting on Monday, June 6

Get Ready! Girl Scouts is taking over Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando for the 2023 National Convention, and GSSI is planning a trip to join in the excitement! National Convention is a celebration of all things Girl Scouts. This mega event will provide attendees with unforgettable experiences as they gain inspiration, tools to empower themselves, and the know-how to lead change in their communities while connecting with some of the most influential women in the world. Participants will also enjoy daily entertainment from traditional Girl Scouts songs to dance parties and fun Disney extras! Best of all, girls will be part of the sisterhood that surrounds the entire event.

Information Meeting Details

Join us **Monday**, **June 6**, **from 6:00 PM–8:00 PM CDT** at the Council Office to learn more about this unique national event opportunity, travel details, cost, and fundraising options. Potential Travel Dates are July 16-24, but final times will depend on travel planning and additional experience options. *NOTE: Girl attendees must be entering 8th grade in Fall 2023 to participate in the trip.*

Girls should bring one parent or guardian to the information meeting (no siblings, please). To ensure we have enough space, please RSVP at the link below. If you cannot attend in person, please reach out to Aimee Stachura at astachura@girlscouts-gssi.org for a virtual meeting link option.

RSVP TO ATTEND

Plan Your Girl Scout Summer: New Program Guide Now Available

We invite you to check out the newest version of our Program Guide, which includes both scheduled and anytime events. We have added a variety of new community partners and included community events that girls and families can attend together. Check back often - the guide will be updated as we add new programs. Questions? Contact Cassie McCord, Girl Experience Specialist, at cmccord@girlscouts-gssi.org.

Summer 2022 Program Guide

Cookie Updates

Congratulations & Thank You for a Successful 2022 Cookie Program

Thank you to our cookie volunteers for your hard work and support, and kudos to our cookie entrepreneurs for an outstanding cookie season! Check out our Cookie Celebrity Publication for the list of all of our top Cookie Bosses.

2022 Program Facts & Figures

- 99.8% of eligible girls participated
- Girls sold 277,056 packages total
- Average packages sold per girl was 224
- 696 packages were donated via Cookie Share

Summer Camp Programs

- Resident Camps: In addition to the Spring Troop Camporee, we will offer five different resident camp sessions at Camp Koch this summer; four for CSAs and one for Brownies and Juniors. <u>Learn More</u>»
- Day Camps:
 - o Vanderburgh/Posey: 6/20-6/23 at USI Learn More»
 - o Southwest Warrick: 6/16-6/17 at Camp Brosend <u>Learn More</u>»
 - o Pike/Daviess/Martin: 6/22-24 at Pride's Creek *Info coming soon*
 - North Dubois: 7/11-7/13 at Camp Carnes <u>Learn More</u>»
 - Perry: 6/7-6/9 at Camp Koch <u>Learn More»</u>
 - Gibson: 6/18 at Gibson County Fair Grounds <u>Learn More»</u>
 - o Spencer: 8/13 at Lincoln State Park Info coming soon

Take Action for the Environment with Alcoa Foundation

Thanks to a generous grant from Alcoa Foundation, GSSI will again offer mini grants for take action and highest award projects that focus on environmental



sustainability and/or environmental education throughout the remainder of the 2021-2022 membership year.

Troops, service unit events, service unit camps, and individuals (registered members grades K-12) must submit a mini grant proposal form for consideration. If awarded, the project will receive \$75.00 towards project

expenses. Project plans and proposed budgets must be submitted to and approved by GSSI before starting. Final project reports and receipts must be submitted by troop/group/individual to GSSI at the completion of the service for tracking. Projects must be completed and submitted before September 1, 2022.

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Young Adult Members Ages 18-30: Apply now to attend the Juliette Gordon Low Seminar

Girls Scouts of the USA is looking for representatives to attend this year's Juliette Low Seminar (JLS). Each triennium, the World Association of Girl Guides & Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) hosts this Seminar to build friendships across borders and help young women step outside of their comfort zones. This event is all about empowering participants with the leadership practices and mindsets they need to succeed. Join us to meet your Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting peers in a unique environment, explore how to actively tackle gender barriers to leadership, and bring about positive change for girls in your community when you return.

The JLS 2022 will empower up to 500 young women (aged 18 to 30) around the world with the leadership practices, global perspectives, and a peer support network to take the lead in their lives and act on their values to bring positive social change to their world. This year's theme for the 2022 JLS is: #Lead4Impact

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Upcoming Community Partner Events

Girl Scout Event at Countryside Orchard May 21 9:00-12:00 PM CT 16800 Petersburg Rd, Evansville, IN 47725

Explore the orchard during spring tree blooming season. Travel through program stations across the orchard, meet the farmers and get an in-depth look at what they do every day, and take home a fruit seed to plant for GSSI's Tree Pledge. Space and parking are limited, so register early! All girls must attend with an adult or as a troop/group with required adult ratios. No tag-a-longs, please. Deadline to register is Monday, May 16.

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Girl Scout Night at Newburgh Tumbling June 4 6:00-8:00 PM CT

Join Newburgh Tumbling for a fun opportunity for girls to learn the sport of gymnastics and tumbling with a carnival theme, The Greatest Gymnastics Show. Registration deadline is May 23. *This is the final session in the spring event series.

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GSSI Shop Updates

Shop Hours:

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

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

Tuesday & Friday: Closed

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
