

## Council Updates



### Little House Ribbon Cutting - Columbus, GA

We are thrilled to announce that the renovations on the Little House in Columbus are nearly complete! Help us commemorate the grand re-opening of the Little House by joining us for a ribbon-cutting on Wednesday, May 29. The ribbon cutting will begin at 11:30, and guests will have the opportunity to tour the Little House until 2 pm.

## Marketing & Communication Updates

### Send us your troop photos!

Submit your troop photos to us at [media@gshg.org](mailto:media@gshg.org), and you may see them featured on GSHG social media or in 5 on Friday!

### Branding Pro Tip: Use only approved colors in your designs!

Want to create flyers to help grow your troop? Looking to invite girls to a Service Unit event? Make sure you are using colors from the official GSUSA color palette! Our palette offers 27 color options to achieve various moods and tones when designing for different audiences.



For more information about our brand or to access ready-to-go Canva templates you can use, visit the Brand Center on our website.

Need a flyer approved? Email it to Brandy Tatum, Marketing & Social Media Specialist, at [btatum@gshg.org](mailto:btatum@gshg.org).

### Keep up to date with GSHG!

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# Membership Updates

## Daisy Experience Box

Our newest Girl Scout troop leader hack is here! Introducing the Girl Scout Experience Box: our monthly supply box for new Daisy (K-1) troop leaders, where you'll get everything you need to lead your troop successfully. The best part? It's complimentary!



Start a new Daisy troop by June 1 and you'll also receive a PLAY BALL kit, courtesy of Major League Baseball (while supplies last).



## Early Bird Registration is Here!

Calling all explorers! We know that you have been having an amazing year of fun and adventure, but are you ready for a year of exploration? Renew your membership from April 1 to June 30 and begin your journey of discovering more of what Girl Scouts has to offer!

## Council Early Bird Incentives

- All girls who reregister for 2025 during the campaign (April 1-June 30) will receive the one-of-a-kind 2025 GSHG Early Bird Patch designed by a GSHG girl!
- Troops who reregistered 80% of their girls and 2 adults during the first 2 weeks (April 1-14) will receive \$50!
- Troops who reregister 80% of their girls and 2 adults in the following weeks (April 15-June 30) will receive \$25!
- Service Areas will receive \$1 for every girl who early bird registers during the campaign (April 1-June 30).



## Regional Early Bird Incentives

Check out the Early Bird flyers to learn more about your local early bird incentives.

## Extended Year Membership

*For new members only*

The extended year membership campaign runs from April 1 - July 31, 2024. The cost of an extended year membership is \$40 for girls and \$35 for adults. New members who join during this time will have an active membership until September 30, 2025.

## Troop Size

A troop must consist of at least 5 girls. Older girl troops must consist of at least 3 girls.

## Meeting Locations in Your Community

If you know of any locations in your community that would be a great spot to host a troop meeting, please let your regional Membership Recruitment Manager know!

## Troop Opportunities Catalog

Need more girls and adult volunteers in your troop? We are here to help with that. Scan the QR code and complete the form so that we can update the Troop and Volunteer Opportunities Catalog for you. If you have the perfect number of girls and adult volunteers, please let your Membership Onboarding Manager know so that we can mark your troop as closed.



## Troop Monthly Reports

We look forward to hearing about all the wonderful things your troop is doing! Please fill out this form by the 30th of each month.

## Volunteer Development Updates

### Basic Water Rescue and Small Watercraft Training - Gainesville, GA

*Saturday, June 29, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm*

Learn the skills and safety information needed to take Girl Scouts on a canoe or kayak day trip. This is required training to take Girl Scouts on the water in small watercraft. Please register by June 10.



### Save the Date: Service Unit Team Rally

We are excited to announce our dates for the fall 2024 Service Unit Team Rallies! We want to help build your Service Unit Team to be its best by offering interactive trainings and workshops, sharing information and updates for the coming year, giving you time to connect with others who have similar Girl Scout roles, and making sure you have the resources you need.

We are hosting 3 conferences around the council this fall to connect with our Service Unit Teams. The content will be the same at all 3 events. All volunteers that serve in a Service Unit role are invited to attend any of the rallies:

- August 31, 2024 - Athens, GA
- September 14, 2024 - Savannah, GA
- September 28, 2024 - Camp Martha Johnston, Lizella, GA

Watch your email this summer for registration information. We look forward to seeing you at the Service Unit Team Rally!



### **Archery- Level 2 Training**

We are looking for volunteers that would like to become Archery-Level 2 instructors through USA Archery (USAA). Archery- Level 2 certifies individuals to train Archery-Level 1 courses. We are looking to schedule a class this fall if we have enough interest. If you are interested in becoming an Archery- Level 2 instructor or just have questions, please reach out to Betsy Connell, [bconnell@gshg.org](mailto:bconnell@gshg.org).

## **Product Program Updates**

### **Rewards have arrived!**

Please reach out to your Service Unit Product Program Manager for updates on when you are able to pick up your troop's rewards.

Extreme Team Rewards will be picked up by the parent/caregiver at their local council office location. Your regional Product Program Manager will contact those individuals for an update on their Girl Scouts' reward.

### **Cookie Program Credits**

Have Cookie Program credits? Head to our website for information on how to use them!



### **Product Program End Survey**

We are wrapping up the 2023-2024 Product Program Seasons and already planning for next year! Make sure to give us your honest opinions on the 2023 Fall Product and 2024 Cookie Program via our [2023-2024 Product Program End Survey](#). This survey will close on May 31 at 11:59 pm.

### **Product Program Planning Committee**

Looking for volunteers to apply for the [2023 Product Program Planning Committee](#). This is an application only committee for volunteers to have one-on-one conversations with the entire Product Program Team. We use these meetings to ask in depth questions on how we can make both the Fall Product and Cookie Program a better experience for you. Apply today!





## Girl Advisory Committee

Do your Girl Scouts want to share ideas on rewards? Maybe they have some items they want to see on the Extreme Team Level next year? Or they want to decide where we go for the 2025 Cookie Trip? Share the [Girl Advisory Sign Up Form](#) to receive an invite to our Girl Advisory Team Meetings and discuss ideas for next year's Fall Product and Cookie Program rewards.

## Retail Updates

### Uniform Heat Press Service at the Savannah Shop

We are now offering heat press service for uniform insignia only in our Savannah Shop. At this time, we will not have onsite heat pressing services in our other locations.



The cost is a \$12.00 service fee per vest/sash/tunic for the American flag, council ID, troop crest, and troop numbers (shipping is additional). Orders must be placed 48 hours in advance for 1-9 vests and 5 business days in advance for 10 or more vests. Heat press items are ineligible for refunds or exchanges.



### Bridging Kits

Let us get you started on your end of the year celebrations with an assembled Bridging Kit. Each kit comes with a certificate, bridging arc, bridging fun patch, pencil, membership star and disc.

- Bridging to Brownies, Senior, or Ambassador - \$8.00
- Bridging to Juniors or Cadettes (includes Brownie Wings) - \$9.75.

Place your orders now, so our shop associates can have time to prepare your kits. \*\*Designs may vary on patch, pencil and certificate.

### New items have arrived just in time for end of the year trips and spring campouts!

- Hydro Water Bottle Sling - \$16.00. The sling is insulated and will hold up to a 24-ounce reusable water bottle. It comes in 4 fun colors – teal, purple, royal blue, and lime green. The pocket can be used for a cellphone, keys, or money.
- Color Changing Tumbler - \$15.00. Just add cold water and watch the dots turn different shades of pink or green. Fits perfectly in the Hydro Sling Carrier.

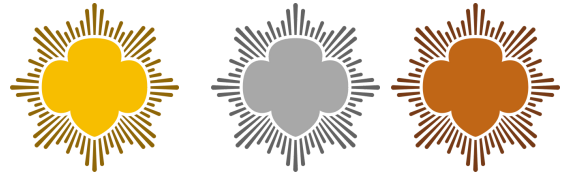


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# Program Updates

## Last Chance for Higher Awards Training for this Membership Year

- Bronze Award Training: May 7 at 6 pm (virtual)
- Silver Award Training: May 8 at 6 pm (virtual)
- Gold Award Training: May 9 at 6 pm (virtual)



## Bridging Savannah's Bridge

*June 8, 8:00am-12:00pm*

End your 2023-24 Girl Scout year with a BANG! Join us to celebrate all your accomplishments and contributions to your community and to connect with your Girl Scout sisters from all over Georgia and the U.S. at this ceremony by the sea. Please register by May 15.

## Camp Update

We're excited to announce that we've added resident camp sessions for Juniors, Cadettes, and Seniors for Week 1 of summer camp! Explore Greek Mythology with us this summer at Camp Low and create outdoor art, imbued with boundless magic! And if you dare, stay with us as night falls on Thursday and embrace one of the most beloved pastimes of Ancient Greece: theater.



Register for resident camp at Camp Low any of our other camp offerings today!

## Camper Chats

Join us every Monday in May at 6 pm on Facebook Live for this year's Camper Chats! Get a first-hand look at our beautiful camp properties and talk with our camp staff one-on-one! We can't wait to explore with you this summer!

- May 6: First-time camper questions and other topics
- May 13: Camp Martha Johnston walkthrough and questions
- May 20: Camp Tanglewood walkthrough and questions
- May 27: Camp Low walkthrough and questions

If you miss the live Camper Chat, you should be able to watch the replay on Facebook the next day!

## Check out our other summer programs!



### Girl Scout Night with Macon Bacon - Macon

*Saturday, May 25, 6:30-10 pm; registration ends May 9*

Bring the whole family out to cheer on the Macon Bacon baseball team!





### First Saturdays in Lizella: LGBTQ+ Pride Month

*Saturday, June 1, 10 am-12 pm; registration ends May 25*

Join us in the Lizella Office every First Saturday for fun new activities every month.

### LEGO Challenge - Athens

*Saturday, June 1, 12-2 pm; registration ends May 17*

Complete LEGO challenges and have a blast with creative building!



### Explore the Traditions Summer Troop Camp - Savannah

*Friday, June 7, 6 pm - Sunday, June 9, 12 pm; registration ends May 17*

Come along with us as we explore Girl Scouting through the eyes of Juliette herself.



### Foxtire Farms Day Camp - Nicholson

*Monday June 10 - Friday, June 14, 8 am - 4 pm; registration ends June 3*

Discover how to care for farm animals, learn about our local environment, and enjoy outdoor play!



### Pajama Camp - Athens

*Monday, July 1 - July 3; 5 pm-9 pm (with overnight option on July 3); registration ends June 17*

Join us from 5-9 pm for our Pajama Camp! Like Day Camp, we'll have lots of fun programming in store, we will provide food and you have the option to spend the night Wednesday night!

### BRITE Summer Program - Virtual

*Monday July 15 - Thursday August 1, 12:30-3:30 pm Mondays-Thursdays; registration ends June 17*

This program is part of a research study on girls interests in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Each day girls will participate in a hands-on project and discussion group and hear from a live STEM role model.



### Girl Scout Day with the Braves - Atlanta

*Saturday, August 3, 5-9 pm; ticket sales end July 19*

Cheer on the Atlanta Braves as they take on the Miami Marlins, and earn a fun patch!



### Register for an event with us today!

Visit our website see all of the programs happening around the council! Remember, you can attend any of our programs, no matter what region you live in!

# Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia Staff

## Meet the Executive, Marketing/Communications, and Fund Development Teams

Questions about your area? Reach out to our staff, or contact Customer Care at 888-689-1912 today!

### Athens & Gainesville

- **Cheryl Legette**  
Chief Operating Officer
- **LaDon Shaw**  
Chief Advancement Officer
- **Brandy Tatum**  
Marketing & Social Media Specialist
- **Lindsay McCuen**  
Community Engagement Manager
- **Rick Lemyre**  
Grants Administrator
- **Stefanie Murray**  
Accounting Manager

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- **Shawn Risher**  
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- **Janelle VanReenan**  
Director of Accounting
- **Monica Jones**  
Grants Administrator

### Savannah

- **Sue Else**  
Chief Executive Officer
- **Randi Brown**  
Executive Assistant to the CEO
- **Chelsea Simpson**  
Community Engagement Manager

### Albany

### Columbus

### Macon

- **Deborah Dees**  
Executive Assistant to the COO & CAO



*Need to get in touch with someone from another department? Visit our website for a full staff directory.*

## We're Hiring!

Imagine working for an organization that makes a positive difference in the lives of girls and a lasting impact on the community--a place that builds girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place. Working for Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia is about much more than a job. It's about passion and commitment to help girls – all girls – grow into the best version of themselves. It's about delivering leadership programs for girls, working side-by-side with volunteers to bring the Girl Scout mission to life and forming lasting partnerships in the community.

If you are ready to embark on a challenging, yet rewarding career, apply to any open position listed on our website!

