

# Service Unit Agenda January 2024

Submit your troop photos to media@gshg.org, and you may see them featured on GSHG social media or in 5 on Friday!



## Updates from the Communications Team

### Stay up to date with Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia!!

Whether you are a seasoned troop leader or a first year Girl Scout parent, be sure to follow us on social media and bookmark our website so that you'll have first access to breaking news, event updates, and other additional information!

Just search for and follow Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn for the latest updates on social media.



For more in-depth information, visit our website at www.gshg.org and bookmark our home page for easy access to event calendars, breaking news, important forms, new training, and more!

## **Annual Meeting**

Join us virtually for our Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 27, at 12:30 pm! We will go over our Annual Report for 2022-2023 and celebrate our accomplishments from this year. This is an excellent opportunity for Girl Scouts to view the business side of working with a nonprofit, while getting to see how each facet of Girl Scouting comes together to work towards our mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place!.

If you plan to attend, please register by Friday, January 19, 2024. The QR code to the right links to the registration page.



# **Annual Meeting Elected Delegates**

The following people have been elected as delegates for the 2024 annual meeting:

#### Athens/Gainesville Area Delegates (Region 1)

- Audrey Gooch, Hall County
- Hope Haire, Apalachee Falls (girl)
- Debbie Inman, Barrow
- Kali Jackson, The Falls
- Laurel James, Towns-Union Mountains
- Patty Laine, Foothills
- Frances Mason, Towns-Union Mountains
- Dawn Palmer, River Shoals
- Natalie Peterson, River Shoals
- Sonya Plunkett, Morgan County
- Leeanna Strickland, Barrow
- Amanda Taylor, GA Foothills
- Janice Walters-Taylor, Towns-Union Mountains

#### Albany Area Delegates (Region 4)

- Aleyia Battle (girl)
- Alyssa Chaney, Wild Daisy (girl)
- Pam Chaney, Wild Daisy
- Janet Charles, Wiregrass
- Wendy Christmas, Wisteria
- Kim Cleesattle, Good Life
- Beverly Covington, Little River
- Keshia Garner, Wisteria
- Helen Greene, Little River
- Shelia Johnson, Good Life
- Teresa Lear
- Mahalie Long, Wiregrass (girl)
- Jennifer Norton
- Latasha Taylor, Flint

#### Augusta Area Delegates (Region 2)

- Ulah Bachelor, Richmond
- Marie Hageman, Columbia County
- Rhonda McDaniel, Augusta
- Lorelei Sampson, Augusta (girl)
- Leticia Taylor, Greater Clarks Hill
- Stephanie Ware, Richmond
- Adrienne Wheeler, Richmond
- Fred Worley, Greater Clarks Hill

#### Savannah Area Delegates (Region 3)

- Lauren Bautista, Emerald Rose (girl)
- Mary Boyer, Cherry
- Jennifer Clark, Emerald Rose
- Shena Frazier, Emerald Rose
- Stephanie Froncak, Mimosa
- Trisha King, Emerald Rose
- Ann D. Long, Watermelon



#### Columbus Area Delegates (Region 5)

- Sahara Allender, Concharty (girl)
- Faith Bodley, Concharty
- Michaela Coleson, Concharty
- Irmgard Cordell, Concharty
- Lindsey Hottel, Fort Benning
- Rebecca House, Fort Benning
- Charlotte Putnam, Fort Benning

#### Macon Area Delegates (Region 6)

- Brianna Baldwin, Heart of Georgia (girl)
- Tara Baldwin, Heart of Georgia
- Pamela Hill, Ocmulgee
- Roslyn Mullis, Sinconee
- Jamie Oglesby, Heart of Georgia
- Mercedes Shannon-Keefe, Ocmulgee
- Tina Skeen, Heart of Georgia
- Jennifer Starcher, Heart of Georgia
- Erika Towles, Ocmulgee



## Updates from the Property Team

Service units or troops who wish to reserve council properties should make the reservation through FareHarbor. This confirms the property is reserved, the rangers have the reservation, and everything is ready when they arrive. There is a small fee when reserving properties. For more information or to make your reservation, visit the "Reserve a Camp" page of our website.



# Updates from the Membership Team

## **Meeting Locations in Your Community**

Do you know of any places in your local community that would be a great spot to host a troop meeting? If so, please contact your regional Membership Recruitment Manager and provide them with the details.

### **Renew Today!**

With cookie season starting, we'd like to remind you to double check your troop rosters to ensure all of your girls and adult volunteers are registered for this current Girl Scout year. If you need assistance, please reach out to your Membership Support Manager. If there are girls who are listed in your troop and they are not active members, please notify your Membership Onboarding Manager.

## **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. We will 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. We will mark your troop as closed and it will not be displayed in the Troop Opportunities Catalog.





### **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.



# Updates from the Product Program Team



# Are you ready to OWN YOUR MAGIC this cookie season?!?

Cookie season officially starts January 1st, 2024!

Head over to our <u>website</u> for brand new trainings and resources for Troop Cookie Managers, Troop Leaders and parents/caregivers. **NEW resources include:** 

- eBudde Training and Digital Cookie Training
- <u>What's New with Cookies 2024</u>
- Troop Volunteer Manual
- and so much more!





Make sure you are Product Program Ready by completing the Troop and Parent Level Checklist. Download both How To Participate in the Cookie Program checklists to help you stay organized.

Reminder that the Product Program Manager Agreement Form must be completed by January 1, 2024 at 11:59 PM for your Troop Cookie Manager to have access to eBudde and the Troop Digital Cookie Site.

The Troop Debt Forms and Parent Debt Forms are due to Council by January 31, 2024 at 11:59 PM. These are paper forms, and they must be printed and signed in blue or black ink!





Troops that are gearing up for their first cookie season can sign up to receive a Cookie Captain. A Cookie Captain is an older, experienced cookie seller that wants to inspire younger Girl Scouts by teaching the tips and tricks to a successful cookie season. Sign up today!



## Updates from the Program Team

We have lots of exciting programs happening around the council! Whether you're a Girl Scout ready to earn your next badge and make new friends at an art workshop, or an adult volunteer looking for training opportunities, we've got an upcoming event to help you do it. Search for Girl Scout events near you!

## Athens & Gainesville

#### Sow What? Senior Journey Weekend

Jan. 19, 6 pm - Jan. 21, 3:30 pm; registration ends Jan. 8

Seniors will work through the Sow What Journey and discover how their food network can serve up what's best for the Earth and for them!

### Augusta

Basic Backpacking Jan. 13, 9 pm - Jan. 14, 4 pm; reaistration ends Jan. 5

Join us to learn the skills to successfully plan and carry out an overnight or weeklong backpacking trek. Course pre-requisite: tent camping experience.

### Savannah

#### Camp Low Challenge Course Facilitator Training

Jan. 19, 7 pm - Jan. 21, 4 pm; registration ends Jan. 11

Required training for adult facilitators for the zipline and rock wall at Camp Low in Savannah, GA. Includes low elements training.

### Albany

**Pins and Cookies** Feb. 10, 12 pm - 4 pm; registration ends Jan. 26

A sport you can do while eating? Count us in, especially if it's Girl Scout Cookies. Participants can sign up to just bowl or they can participate with the council booth happening out front.

## Virtual

#### Junior aMUSE Journey

Attend all 5 virtual sessions on Jan. 18, Jan. 25, Feb. 1, Feb. 8, and Feb. 15, 6:30 - 8 pm; registration ends Jan. 14

The aMUSE Junior Journey specifically focuses on combining storytelling with the many careers that your girls may one day explore.

## Columbus

World Thinking Day Jan. 13, 2024, 10 am-1 pm; registration ends Jan. 5

Join our World Thinking Day celebration, where we will learn about Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world!

#### Macon

#### It's Major Camp

Jan. 19, 7 pm - Jan. 21, 4 pm; registration ends Jan. 5

A diverse mini-camp that explores various cultures while also curating acceptance and tolerance. Each participant will have the opportunity to complete their AMAZE Journey!

## **Register for an event with us today!**

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





## Get ready to Explore!

With Girl Scout campgrounds across the council and superpowered outdoor programs, there are lots of options for Girl Scouts to create their own explorations this summer! Two weeks at Camp Low, two weeks at Camp Tanglewood, a week of travel camp to Washington D.C. and Philadelphia, and wrapping up summer camp season with a week at Camp Martha Johnston - the opportunities for Girl Scouts are just beginning! Girl Scouts will explore Greek mythology and a marina full of mermaids, get behind-the-scenes experience with the silver screen, and more! Stay tuned, our Summer Camp Guide 2024 is coming soon!



## Updates from the Retail Team

## Come visit us at one of our council shops!

- First Headquarters Museum & Shop is open 10 am 4 pm on Monday through Saturday. Closed Sundays and Wednesdays.
- Athens, Macon, and Savannah (Liberty Street) shops are open Monday Thursday from 9 am 5 pm, and Friday from 9 am 12 pm.
- The Macon and Savannah shops will not have a Saturday Shop at their storefronts in January.

## The shops are coming to the Cookie Rallies!

We will be bringing cookie promotion merchandise, cookie badges and pins, and hoodies, t-shirts, and accessories to up your cookie booth look. Please contact the appropriate shop if you need to pre-order uniforms or badges for your troop.

- Columbus & Macon Rallies Macon Shop (<u>lizellashop@gshg.org</u>)
- Augusta & Savannah Rallies Savannah Shop (Savannahshop@gshg.org)
- Athens/Gainesville Rally Athens Shop (<u>athensshop@gshg.org</u>)

### New Items for Cookie Season

Increase visibility to your booth with a Cookies Are Here Foam Finger - \$7.00.

Show off your cookie spirit with the new GSUSA Cookie Magic Collection. Items include belt bag, socks and scrunchie set, hair claw, lanyard, T-shirt, etc. Contact your local shop for availability or to place an order. Search Girl Scout Shop Products to see the entire collection.





Shop Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia 24/7 Online



## Meet the Customer Care, Product Program, & Retail Teams!

Questions about your area? Want to get ready for cookie season? Need to order an item from the shop? Reach out to our staff, or call Customer Care at 888-689-1912.

## Athens & Gainesville

**Lori Cobb** Customer Care Specialist

**Alicia Palmer** Customer Care Specialist

Addie Kelly Product Program Manager

**Sidney Popish** Retail Manager

## Data Administrator

Juliette Williams

Augusta

**Quiana Wizzart** Product Program Manager

#### Savannah

**Mollie Andrade** Product Program Manager

**Dawn Cusack** Director of Retail Sales

Nasheemah Kennedy Retail Manager

## Albany

**Shanika Price** Product Program Manager

## Columbus

**Jackie Ramsey** Customer Care Manager

**Susan Freeman** Director of Product Program

#### Macon

**Becki Sandifer** Product Program Manager

**Catherine Shinn** Retail Manager



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!

