



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

Council Updates

Closures

All council offices and shops will be closed on Friday, March 29.

Upcoming Town Halls

Looking for more ways to stay up to date with GSHG? All volunteers, parents, and girls are welcome to attend any of the scheduled Town Halls.

- Thursday, March 14, 6:30pm – Virtual (register by March 7)
- Saturday, March 23, 11:30am - Virtual (register by March 18)
- Thursday, March 28, 6:30pm – Savannah (register by March 21)
- Thursday, April 4, 6:30pm - Virtual (register by March 29)

Scan the QR code and fill out the form to submit your questions and RSVP for one of these dates!



Volunteer Development Updates

Adult Training Patches

Want to show off your Girl Scout volunteer training accomplishments? Check out our Adult Training Patch and rockers. If you have completed the training, you can order the patch! The patches are sold exclusively in our Lizella retail shop. Contact Catherine Shinn in the Lizella shop or place your order using [this form](#).



Scan this QR code to order a patch!

Spring Outdoor Training

It's time to level up your Girl Scout Outdoor game! Take advantage of one or more of these upcoming trainings and get ready to take your Girl Scouts on some amazing adventures that we know they will love! Some are also open to older girls. Questions? Contact Betsy Connell at bconnell@gshg.org or 470-208-3664. We'll see you out there!

- March 16-17: Basic Outdoor Skills - Fitzgerald, GA
- March 23-24: Basic Outdoor Skills - Savannah, GA
- April 6: Outdoor Skills Summit - Lizella, GA
- April 12-13: Basic Outdoor Skills & Advanced Cooking - Fortson, GA
- April 19-20: ARC Lifeguard Training - Lizella, GA
- April 27-28: Basic Outdoor Skills (along with Troop Camp) - Crawfordville, GA
- April 27: Basic Water Safety & Small Watercraft - Springfield, GA
- May 4-5: ARC Lifeguard Training - Augusta, GA
- June 29: Basic Water Rescue & Small Watercraft - Gainesville, GA

Outdoor Skills Summit

Join us on April 6 for Outdoor Skills Summit, an outdoor training event for adults and older girls. We'll offer a variety of courses and classes and provide all needed supplies. Lunch is also included. Choices include Archery Level I, Backpacking, Advanced Outdoor Cooking, Lashing, Compass and Orienteering, Songs and S'mores, Knives and Hatchets, and Machetes. Come spend the day with other Girl Scout outdoor enthusiasts at beautiful Camp Martha Johnston!



For more information or to register for one of these trainings, please visit the events page of our website.

If you have a need for outdoor training in your area, please email Betsy Connell at bconnell@gshg.org.

Communications Updates

We want everyone to know about the exciting things that Girl Scouts are doing! If your troop or a Girl Scout in your area has been featured in the external media (TV, radio, internet or publication), let us know! Girl Scouts will earn the “In the News” patch for the first article and a microphone for the next one after that (limit of one patch per Girl Scout and one microphone per year). To receive patches, please complete the form and submit it to media@gshg.org.



Membership Updates



Early Bird Registration

Early Bird Registration runs from April 1-June 30. This year's theme is "Your Year of Exploration."

Here's a little blurb you can use when sharing with your Service Units and Troops: 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 re-register 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 re-register 80% of their girls and 2 adults during the first 2 weeks (April 1-14) will receive \$50!
- Troops who re-register 80% of their girls and 2 adults in the following weeks (April 15-June 30) of the campaign will receive \$25!
- Service Areas will receive \$1 for every girl who early bird registers during the campaign (April 1-June 30).

Be on the lookout for your local regional incentives again this year!

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

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.

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.

Product Program Updates

We are close to wrapping up our Girl Scout Cookie Program!!! March 10 marks the official end of the 2023-2024 Cookie Program.



As Council we just want to give a special shoutout to our Troop Cookie Managers and Service Unit Product Program Managers. You are the glue that holds this program together and we wouldn't be able to build strong entrepreneurs without you.

Upcoming Dates and Deadlines:

- March 4 - Reorders must be placed by 10 AM
- March 8 - Cookie Cupboards close
- March 12 - All money due in Troop Bank Account
- March 13 - Troops must request a decrease in the amount of Final ACH withdrawal
- March 14 - Final Rewards due in eBudde
- March 14 - Extreme Team Level Rewards due via online form
- March 14 - Delinquent Account Form due
- March 14 - Operation Cookies From Home (OCFH) Form due
- March 18 - SU submit Final Rewards
- March 22 - SU Bonus due

Service Unit Product Program Managers will complete the 2024 Service Unit Bonus by March 22 in order to receive additional proceeds.

Any Girl Scout that surpasses the 1,200+ package level qualifies for Extreme Team Rewards. Parents/caregivers and Troop Leaders can make their Girl Scout's selection via the Extreme Team Level - Online Form. This form is due before 11:59 PM on March 14.

Did you ever have a Cookie Captain visit your troop? Maybe they helped younger girls at a booth sale or shared some cookie wisdom? Make sure to complete the Cookie Captain - Patch Form by March 14 in order for your Cookie Captain to receive their patch!



Operation
Cookies From
Home Form



Service Unit
Bonus Form



Extreme Team
Form



Cookie Captain
Patch Form

Need help with eBudde or Digital Cookie?

Check out the GSHG Cookie Essentials page of our website for resources to help you with all your cookie season needs!

- Mini Monthly Trainings
- eBudde Training Videos
- eBudde Training Video Guide
- Digital Cookie Training Videos
- 2024 Parent Cookie Training
- 2024 Juliette Cookie Training
- and more!



Retail Updates

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.
- Don't forget about Shop Saturday! The Athens, Macon, and Savannah (Liberty Street) shops will be open on March 2 from 10 am - 2 pm.
- All shops and council offices will be closed on Friday, March 29.

Share your Girl Scout pride!

Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors share your Girl Scout Pride in this new comfy t-shirt designed just for you. The NEW Oversized Retro T-shirts come in Women's sizes XS-5X. \$23.00. Available in our shops now.



Celebrate Girl Scout Week!

How are you celebrating Girl Scout Week? Place your order for the New Girl Scout Week Fun Patch with your local shop today!



Shop Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia 24/7 Online



Program Updates

Get ready to Explore!

With Girl Scout campgrounds across the council and super-powered outdoor programs, there are lots of options for Girl Scouts to create their own explorations this summer! Check out our Summer Camp Guide to learn more. Registration is open now!



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

Troop Camp & Outdoor Skills 101

Apr. 26, 6 pm - Apr. 28, 12 pm; registration ends Apr. 4

Join us for a camping weekend to explore the wonders of nature! Cook on a fire, sleep in a tent, participate in nature hikes and outdoor arts!

Augusta

Van Gogh Get'Em

Mar. 23, 12:30 - 4 pm; registration ends Mar. 9

Starry Night has been stolen! Join us for a crime-solving extravaganza that will test your detective skills to find the culprit.

Savannah

Serendipity Troop Camp

Apr. 12, 4:30 pm - Apr. 14, 12 pm; registration ends Mar. 30

Come experience Camp Low in the Spring as we explore nature and science in the unique setting of Coastal Georgia.

Albany

Journey to Aspire (Mental Health Workshop)

Mar. 23, 1-4 pm; registration ends Mar. 8

Come along for this journey to explore personal mental health and learn tips and tricks of self regulation and care.

Columbus

Hiking Columbus (Part 2)

Apr. 13, 1 - 2:30 pm; registration ends Apr. 8

Come join your local Girl Scouts and go on a hike. In Part Two of earning the The Trail Adventure Badge, you'll have already planned and explored the skills to do a long-distance trail run or take three separate challenging trail hikes.

Macon

Sustainability Summit

Apr. 19, 6 pm - Apr. 21, 11 am; registration ends Apr. 1

Learn about how you can help our planet in this weekend summit designed specifically for our Middle and High Schoolers.



Register for an event with us today!

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

GSHG Staff

Questions about your area? Want to get ready for cookie season? Reach out to our staff, or contact Customer Care at 888-689-1912, today!

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Augusta

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Assistant Property Manager / Ranger



We're Hiring!

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 on our website at www.gshg.org/employment. We have full-time, part-time, and Summer Camp positions available across the council.

