

Council Updates

S'morevivor Troop Discount

S'morevivor is a community open house at Camp Tanglewood consisting of a variety of activities for participants. Registration for S'morevivor is \$125 per four person team. *GSHG troops have the opportunity to receive a reduced registration fee of \$80 per team by entering the discount code **GSHGTroop** at this link!*



If you or your troop would like to stay at Camp Tanglewood for S'morevivor, the cost is \$2 a bed; this is lodging only, food and S'morevivor registration is purchased separately. Refer to 5 on Friday or contact Customer Care for more information.

Troop Monthly Report

Don't forget to send in your Troop Report by the 15th each month! It's a fun way to share all the amazing things your girls have been up to—and it helps us bring the Girl Scout experience to life. **Bonus: Each meeting submitted earns your troop one entry into a random drawing for a \$50 gift card!**



Girl Scout Specialty License Plate

This opportunity allows you to celebrate Girl Scouting while helping expand opportunities for girls across Georgia. Available beginning in 2027, the license plate gives Girl Scout families, alums, and community champions a visible way to support the mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character every time they drive.



Reserve your Girl Scout Georgia Specialty License Plate today for \$25, or \$50 to secure a special low-number plate. When registrations renew in 2027, drivers will simply pick up their new plate and pay the standard annual registration and specialty tag fees. The Girl Scout Georgia license plate will be more than just a tag - it will be a statewide symbol of support for the leadership, entrepreneurship, and life skills that Girl Scouts develop every day.



Scan here
to preorder!

Save
these
dates!

Cookies and Corks
September 10 | Columbus

Clementi L. Holder
Promises to Keep
September 10 | Athens

S'morevivor
September 12 | Augusta

Into the Woods Trail Run
September 26 | Lizella

Scan here for more info



Membership Updates

The 2026 Membership Year is coming to a close. Encourage families to renew by September 15 to ensure they're active in the system before the new membership year begins on October 1. We will be sending targeted emails out to members that have not yet renewed throughout the month.

Volunteers and staff are still out in the community spreading the word about Girl Scouts and inviting families to join the fun. This year's theme is **Find What's Within**—and there's no better time to grow our Girl Scout family. If you're interested in helping with recruitments in your area or need support growing your troop, reach out to your Membership Manager. We'd love for you to be a part of our recruitment team!



Please note that a new membership fee structure went into effect on April 1, 2026:

- Girl Membership: \$70
- Adult Membership: \$30 (no change)

Need help renewing? Our Customer Care team is happy to assist—call 888-689-1912.

Reminder: Girls can use their Cookie Program rewards to renew their membership.

Reminder for our Lifetime Members and SU Volunteers: Please login to your myGS account and renew your SU roles for the upcoming 2027 membership year!

Insurance Partner Updates

Current and future Girl Scouts with insurance through our partners CareSource and Peach State will have an updated membership fee of \$5 per girl. Refer to the Insurance section of our website for requirements set by our partners for eligibility.



Power Her Future

For the next several weeks, Albany and Columbus locals will see a pink, Girl Scout 2025 Ford Bronco driving between Columbus and Albany, Georgia and have the opportunity to sign the vehicle while sharing their own Girl Scouts story.



Be sure to find the car near you and don't forget to send photos to media@gshg.org!



Volunteer Development Updates

Returning for this year, we will hold monthly calls for new Girl Scout Troop Leadership Team volunteers still in their first-year. The monthly sessions, Ready, Set, Troop!, will allow first-year troop leaders to ask questions, meet other new leaders and learn more about a singular Girl Scout troop topic.

Ready, Set, Troop!

3rd Monday each month at 6:30 p.m.

link to register coming October 1st

October- Welcome to Girl Scouts!

- Welcome and Staff Introductions
- NLO training questions
- How to stay connected

Songs and S'mores Adult Training - Augusta

October 2

Songs and S'mores gives participants the skills needed to safely build, tend and put out a campfire the Girl Scout way, how to make s'mores, and how to lead a campfire program with their Girl Scout troop or group.

This training is required before building fires with Girl Scouts.



Basic Outdoor Skills - Augusta

October 3-4

Basic Outdoor Skills Training gives leaders the skills needed to take Girl Scouts on a beginning outdoor overnight experience. This is a facilitator-led course that is required before taking Girl Scouts on experiences where there will be outdoor cooking (campfire or propane stove) or sleeping in an outdoor setting (bathroom facilities in a separate structure, platform tents, cabins, pitched tents).

Course Prerequisite: GSUSA Girl Scouts in the Outdoors (online course on gsLearn for all registered adult members of GSHG).

This training is required before camping with Girl Scouts.



USA Archery Level 1 Instructor Training - Augusta

October 4, 2026

The Level 1 Instructor will learn about range safety, range setup, the steps of shooting, equipment and repair, programs, and lesson plans. This course is required to facilitate archery programs for Girl Scouts. Participants must be 15 years old on or before the day of training. *There is an online portion that must be completed before the in person training.*



LEAP - Camp Low in Savannah

October 16-18, 2026

LEAP (Leadership Experience for Adult Pathways) Presents: Into the Holidays! This adult volunteer event includes a variety of training classes - from core training like Basic Outdoor Skills to enrichment workshops all in one convenient training event. Volunteers will have the opportunity to take several workshop sessions of their choosing over the course of this event and meet leaders and volunteers from across their region and the council.



Product Program Updates



New! For Service Unit Product Program Manager. The SUPPM eCookbook is now available in gsLearn. This training is mandatory for all volunteers in the Service Unit Product Program Manager Role.

To be considered a functioning Service Unit and receive the SU Bonus, you must have the following roles assigned to a volunteer in your Service Unit: Treasurer, Manager, Cookie Program and Fall Product Program. You have until October 1st, 2026 to make this decision and have the roles assigned in myGS.

Don't forget to use your cookie rewards!

- Starter Vest Kit will expire September 15th, 2026
- Trefoil Fun Find will expire on December 15th, 2026
- Cookie Program Credits will expire on December 15th, 2026

Are YOU ready for the 2026 Fall Product Program?

Step 1: Be Product Program Ready!

- Be a registered Girl Scout volunteer with an approved background check for the current Girl Scout Membership year. To verify, call Customer Care at 1-888-689-1912.
- You must have the Troop Fall Product Program Manager role assigned to you in myGS to gain access to your Troop M2 Media Dashboard and have two non-related, background-checked volunteers assigned to the troop leadership role in myGS.
- Troops with less than 5 registered girls in grades K-5 and/or less than 3 registered girls in grades 6-12 may participate in upcoming Product Programs IF they are open in the Troop Catalog. Call Customer Care on 1-888-689-1912 for verification.
- Have your troop bank account set up by the Troop Account Manager.
- Complete the Product Program Manager Agreement Form and Troop Debt Form via Jotform.

Step 2: Watch training videos! Go to gsLearn to access the entire Fall Product Program Training playlist. Get started by watching the GSHG Fall Product Program Training video to gain access to your M2 Media troop dashboard. [Click here to view your Volunteer Guide.](#)

Step 3: Mark your calendar! Be aware of all deadlines set throughout the Fall Product Program.

Are YOUR GIRL SCOUTS ready for the 2026 Fall Product Program?

Step 1: Complete the Parent Checklist!

- Register your girl for the current Girl Scout membership year. To verify, call Customer Care at 1-888-689-1912.
- Opt-in to receive emails. Ensure that your correct email address is in your myGS account and verify that you opted-in to receive emails to receive your Girl Scout's online site invite.
- Complete the Product Program Caregiver Permission Form & Parent Debt Form via Jotform with your troop number, service unit name, and region before September 19th, 2026.
 - For Girl Scouts in multiple troops, you can only participate in one troop for the duration of the cookie program.
 - Caregivers must submit one form per Girls Scout. For example, if you have three girls in your household, you must complete three separate submissions of the caregiver permission form.

Step 2: Watch the training videos! Head to www.gshg.org/cookies+ to access all available training resources. [Click here to view our Caregiver Guide!](#)

Step 3: Mark your calendar! Be aware of all deadlines set throughout the Fall Product Program.



Program Updates



Region 1 Events

9/10: Clementi L. Holder Promises to Keep Breakfast
9/12: Fun With Movement
9/19: Fall Product Rally
9/19: Girl Scouts Love Llamas!
9/25-26: Disney on Ice
9/26: Horseback Riding for Girl Scouts

Region 2 Events

9/5: Puff the Magic Dragon
9/12: S'morevivor
9/15: Girl Scout Night at Surcheros
9/20: Fall Product Rally
10/2: Songs and S'mores Adult Training
10/3-4: Basic Outdoor Skills Adult Training
10/4: USA Archery Level 1 Instructor

Region 3 Events

9/26: ACT Work Day
9/26: Family Fun Day at Camp Low
10/16-18: LEAP into the Holidays

Region 4 Events

9/22: Dear Diary
10/6: Pasta-bilities
10/13: K-Pop Hunters Journey
10/30: Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday Party!

Region 5 Events

9/10: Cookies and Corks

Region 6 Events

9/12: Leave No Trace Bingo Hike at High Falls
9/12: Kangaroo Kickoff
9/19: CMJ ACT Work Day
9/25: CMJ ACT Work Day
9/26: CMJ ACT Volunteer at ITW
9/26: Into the Woods Trail Run
10/24-25: Miss Fix-it Troop Camp
10/27: Texas Roadhouse Dine to Donate

Virtual Events

9/8: Bronze Award Training
9/9: Silver Award Training
9/10: Gold Award Training
9/29: Trivia Tuesday: Hispanic Heritage
10/4: Ask me Anything: Highest Awards

Love State Parks September 12 & 13

Head out to explore your local state parks during this year's Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend! You can participate in self-guided tours, family hikes, watersports, stargazing, and more.



National CleanUp Day September 19 & 20



Join Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia for National CleanUp Day! Organize a clean up with your Girl Scout sisters in your local community!



Retail Updates



\$11



\$25

\$4



Show off your GSHG council pride with our New Where it All Began T-shirts and Tote Bag. Available in Lavender or Yellow from Youth M-XL and Adult S-3X for \$25. The matching canvas tote bag is \$12 and patch is \$4. **Purchase a T-shirt and Tote Bag and receive the patch for free!**



Attention high schoolers, your uniform is getting a glow-up! Seniors and Ambassadors are getting their own uniform colors. Seniors will now have a Spruce Green vest and sash option. Ambassadors will have a Slate Blue vest and sash option.

Are you ready for a new troop year! Did you bridge to a new level or has your uniform disappeared never to be found again? Purchase a vest and starter pins and patches receive free drawstring bag.



Celebrating the bridging from one Girl Scout level to the next is a time-honored tradition. We have Bridging Kits available for all levels that include a certificate, bridging arc, bridging fun patch, membership star and disc, and a rainbow hair coil. All packaged and ready to go for \$9.

Looking ahead: the Girl Scout Promise Challenge is coming back in September, so make sure your girls are practicing.

Follow us on social media!

Want to stay up to date with the latest from GSHG? Follow us on social media for pictures and videos of all the exciting things girls are doing, program opportunities, council updates, and much more. Just search for "Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia" on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, or TikTok!

Help us hit our goal of 1,000 followers on TikTok so we can do exciting things like being able to go on TikTok Live from camp and events, and even open a TikTok Shop!



Meet the Membership Team!

Questions? Reach out to our staff, or call Customer Care at 888-689-1912 today!

Athens & Gainesville

Jaci Bridges, Regional Director of Membership and Volunteer Support

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You can always access our full [staff directory online](#) or call Customer Care at 888-689-1912, and they will direct you to the right person!

