



Juliette Connections



Dear Juliettes and families,

Spring is here, and we are busy at Girl Scouts of Utah preparing for our upcoming events and Summer Camps! We have lots of fabulous opportunities coming up that we hope you and your Juliette will enjoy. Keep reading to see this month's updates!

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Summer Camp for Juliettes

Summer camp is a fantastic opportunity for Juliettes to build independence and make new friends! Overnight camp allows Juliettes to get outdoors with fellow Girl Scouts while doing fun activities like horseback riding, boating, archery, and rock climbing. Most Girl Scouts don't attend overnight camp with their troop, so your Juliette won't be the only one attending on their own. Overnight summer camps are led by camp counselors and support staff and take place at private Girl Scouts of Utah facilities.

ACTION: Check out our [Summer camps!](#)



Spring Activity Packets

Do not forget to sign up for the spring activity packets! Juliettes in Utah where families can sign up to receive a free packet of things to do, including badge work, patch programs, and just for fun activities, mailed right to each Juliette. This Spring's activities are sure to get your family outdoors and enjoying nature!

Juliettes only need to sign up once a year, so if you have already received a packet or signed up since January, you do not need to fill out the form again. If you have not signed up before, please be sure to fill out the form before April 3.

ACTION: Sign up for [activity packets!](#)



Juliette Families Corner: Keeping it Girl Scout Led

Girl Scouts is a youth-led program, but you may be wondering what that means. Youth-led or girl-led means that your Juliette takes charge of their own Girl Scout experience. This builds independence, leadership skills, and more. This looks different at every age, but here are some ideas to keep your Juliette's experience Girl Scout-led:

- For young Girl Scouts, start out by giving basic choices, such as what color to use for a craft or picking a badge activity from two choices.
- For older Girl Scouts, help them self-direct their experience by choosing activities, badges, and Journeys.
- As Girl Scouts get older, give them even more opportunities to lead their experience, such as doing their own research for how they would like to earn a badge.
- When working on Journeys, have Girl Scouts pick Take Action Projects that are meaningful to them. Work with them on brainstorming what they care about, then develop a project from that. For example, caring about animals might lead you to organize a pet food drive at your school.
- Rather than choosing a single way to do an activity, give choices, such as choosing colors, textures, and other materials for a craft project.
- Give your Juliette the opportunity to be an advocate for others and themselves, helping them develop key skills in leadership.
- When your Juliette is working on their Silver or Gold award, encourage them to take the lead by sending their own emails (even if it's from your

account), taking the lead on coordination, and doing as much as possible on their own.



Awesome Activities: Craft your way to a Craft and Tinker badge!

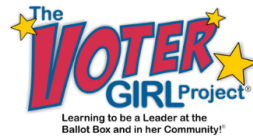
This month's awesome activity is from the Junior Craft and Tinker badge. Step two is to "tinker with your craft," by using tools, and new materials, or by playing with the function of your craft. Since Spring is right around the corner, we thought it would be great to share this fun Girl Scout Trefoil Nail Art project. By using tools like a hammer and printer, you can create a beautiful craft to show your love of Girl Scouting.

Start by printing the template. Then, using the template as a guide, add nails. Remove the paper and wrap string between the nails. Enjoy your new trefoil!

ACTION: Check out the [craft!](#)



Voter Girl Events!



Voter Girl: Explore Democracy with the League of Women Voters

Come earn your Citizenship badge with the League of Women Voters! The League is excited to be hosting Voter Girl, a special program where Girl Scouts of all ages can earn or work towards their Citizenship badge. Volunteers will guide Girl Scouts through their badge with fun, interactive activities.

ACTION: [Register](#) now!

Ongoing Information

We have many resources available for Juliette parents and caregivers. Check them out:

- **Volunteer Toolkit**, an online curriculum database where you can find meeting plans for badges and Journeys. Check out the Volunteer Toolkit by logging into MyGS from our website and finding it under My Account. Visit the new [Juliette webpage](#) to download the PDF guide for Juliettes.
- **Juliette Activity Packets** have ongoing sign ups. [Sign up](#) for our next round of packets.

- The **Juliette Handbook** is now available! Visit the new [Juliette webpage](#) to download it.
- Stay **connected** with us! [Girl Scouts of Utah](#) and [Camps](#) Facebook pages and [GSU Juliettes](#). For the safety of our Juliettes, the group is private, and members must be approved. Steffi is in the group as GSU Programs.
- As a reminder, you must **remain subscribed** to the council newsletters to continue receiving this monthly newsletter.

Please let Steffi know if you have any questions about Girl Scouts. Her contact information can be found at the beginning of this email.



Have a question? Don't be shy!
[Contact us](#) for more information.