

S'more News A monthly newsletter for Girls and Family

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Renew for another year of Magic!

Think back to all you've accomplished throughout your Girl Scout journey. You've helped your community, faced big challenges, discovered new passions, and made forever friends. So, what's next? Anything you can dream up! There's so much more to explore with your Girl Scout crew. Now is the time to save your place and keep growing, learning, and laughing with your best friends all year long. Keep the magic of Girl Scouts going.

But wait, there's even more reason to renew on time with our On-Time Renewal Incentives:

*Retro Membership Fee: Flash back to 2010! All members who renew between August 15 and September 30 will pay only \$15 per membership. This is your chance to lock in this special rate and continue your Girl Scout adventure.

*GSUSA "Your Year of Fun" Renewal Patch: Renew your membership and attend a council or service unit activity anytime from August to October, and you'll receive the exclusive "Your Year of Fun" Renewal Patch to proudly wear on your uniform. It's a fun way to celebrate your commitment to Girl Scouts!

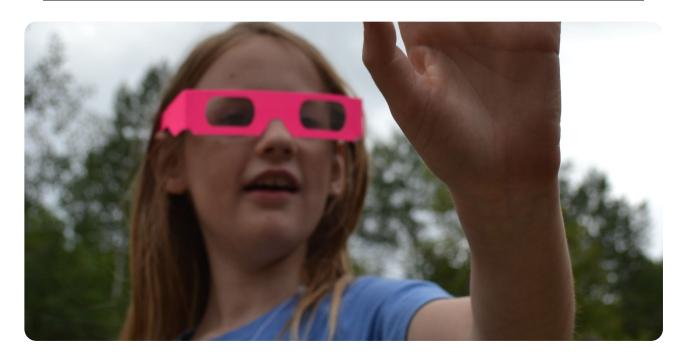
*FREE T-shirts for the WHOLE Troop: Here's an exciting opportunity for your troop! GSU will be holding a drawing for FREE t-shirts for 20 lucky troops. To qualify, your troop must meet specific criteria:

- Maintain the required adult to girl safety ratios
- Achieve 100% girl renewal

- Be in good financial standing with the council
- Have submitted the annual troop finance report
- Ensure that all troop volunteers have completed Youth Protection Training
- Add five new girl members to the troop all of which will be verified

Don't miss out on these fantastic incentives! Renew your Girl Scout membership today and keep the adventure alive with your troop. Your journey continues, and we can't wait to see where it leads you! Download the **On-Time Renewal flyer** for more information as well as our **Renewal FAQ flyer**.

RENEW TODAY!



Experience the solar eclipse with us

Girl Scouts of all ages are invited to experience the annular solar eclipse with us this October at Trefoil Ranch. Come for the overnight on October 13-14, where you'll enjoy an eclipse-themed campfire and space science activities, or for the day-only program October 14 and join us for a Saturday full of eclipse experiments, art, and fun! You'll explore the eclipse through hands-on activities, work towards your space science badge, and experience the annular solar eclipse at 87% totality. You won't want to miss this Girl Scout exclusive!

REGISTER FOR DAY-ONLY PROGRAM

REGISTER FOR THE OVERNIGHT PROGRAM



Schedule your troop's community partner experience with a "You Schedule It" partner

Girl Scout troops are invited to explore their community through our "You Schedule It" partnerships – organizations who run Girl Scout workshops just for troops. You Schedule It partners are community organizations who have agreed to run certain workshops or badge activities for Girl Scout troops. They include Tracy Aviary, Hill Aerospace Museum, Archer's Cave, and SUU's STEM Center Teaching and Learning. "You Schedule It" partners are listed on our program community partners page, including contact information.

CHECK OUT OUR "YOU SCHEDULE IT" PARTNERS



Highest Awards Deadline Approaching

As the end of the membership year approaches, remember to turn in your Final Reports for your Silver and Bronze Awards by **September 30**. After turning in a Final Report, you will receive an email acknowledging your submission and congratulating you on your project. Details about recognition will be sent separately in the fall.

If you are still in the same Girl Scout level as last year, you can continue to work on your project and finish it in time for next year's deadline. However, if you bridged to a new level this year (Junior to Cadette or Cadette to Senior), you must turn in your Bronze or Silver Award Final Report by the deadline. The Bronze Award Final Report can be filled out as a troop after the leader checks off the requirements on this **rubric**. The Silver Award Final Report must be filled out by each individual Girl Scout that worked on the project after the leader checks off the requirements on this **rubric**.

SILVER AWARD FINAL REPORT

BRONZE AWARD FINAL REPORT



Audition to be a musical act at our Recognition of Excellence Ceremony

We are looking for an individual or group to perform a musical number during our program that honors and celebrates our 2023 Recognition of Excellence awardees in a special and unique way! The GSU Recognition of Excellence ceremony is held every year in November, and celebrates our Silver and Gold Award Girl Scouts, as well as our Adult Volunteer Awardees from the previous membership year. The ceremony will be held in Ogden on Saturday, November 11, from 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm.

In order to audition, you'll submit a one-minute recording of your performance along with some basic information. Audition submissions are due by October 1. We can't wait to see what our talented Girl Scouts have to share with us and this year's awardees!

SUBMIT YOUR AUDITION TAPE



Travel the World with Girl Scouts

Picture this: You've just stepped over the edge of a waterfall as you rappel down to meet your cheering friends surrounded by the natural wonder of the Pisgah National Forest. Or perhaps "defying gravity" from the comfort of a theatre is more your speed as you take in a Broadway show. Maybe your wanderlust has you jetting across the Atlantic to see Italy, England, or France.

All these experiences and more are possible through Destinations. Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors can **sign up now** to have the experience of a lifetime. Early applications for most programs are due in November, but a couple special programs close registrations October 1, so make sure to sign up for the options that interest you soon. GSU is hosting an information session on September 26 where you can hear from Girl Scouts that have been on past Destinations trips.

LEARN MORE ABOUT DESTINATIONS



Build, Design, and Create with the new Maker Badges

Makers create art and design objects that are useful and beautiful. Anyone can be an artist or designer! All you need is your imagination. With so many different mediums to choose from, you'll find one that sparks your creativity. Three new badges have been released for Daisies, Brownies and Juniors: Art and Design, Craft and Tinker, and Create and Innovate. These hands-on badges will get your Girl Scouts creating!

Checkout our can't miss events

Find our upcoming programs on our <u>event calendar</u>. We work hard to deliver a variety of programming throughout the state including at our camps and resource centers, in collaboration with <u>Program Partners</u>, and virtual events.

October 6



Utah Day of the Girl Grades: 9-12, ages 18-24 Register by September 24

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October 7



Cadette STEM Day with Weber State Grades 6-8 Register by October 1

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November 17-18



Badge-a-palooza Grades 2-5 Register by October 22

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Quick links

- Receive up to three <u>scholarships</u> per year to participate in Girl Scout Programming.
- **<u>Visit</u>** our offices and shops.
- Discover all the **activities** you can do with Girl Scouts.

Support Girl Scouts of Utah while you shop!

- Shop at <u>Smith's</u> and follow the instructions to link your Rewards Card to Girl Scouts of Utah
- Shop with <u>Walmart online</u> and round up your change to donate.



Have a question? Don't be shy! <u>Contact us</u> for more information.

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