

# S'more News



#### December 2023



## Help serve your community with Girl Scouts Give Back Day on February 10, 2024

Join your Girl Scout friends on February 10 for a day of community service! We will be holding service projects throughout Utah for Girl Scouts to help give back. From Logan to St George, from hygiene kits to tree planting, there is something for everyone. We hope that you will take this time to give back to your community this winter!



## Kick Off the Cookie Season at a Cookie Rally

Service Units all over the state are hosting cookie rallies to get you in the cookie-selling spirit; check out the variety of offerings on our Events Calendar and join in the fun!

Jan 4: Crystal View 2024 Cookie Rally (Ogden)

Jan 6: Uintah Basin Cookie Rally 2024 (Vernal)

Aspen's "Own Your Magic" Cookie Rally (SLC)

Jordan's "Own Your Magic in the Jungle" Cookie Rally (Sandy)

Classic Fun Center Cookie Rally with Alta, Rosecrest, Sunnyside, & Sunrise (Sandy)

Jan 12: Wasatch's SeaQuest Cookie Rally (Layton)

<u>Nebo Shadow's "ABC...Easy as 123" Cookie Rally</u> (Spanish Fork)

Jan 12-13: South Davis Cookie Rally 2024 (Centerville)

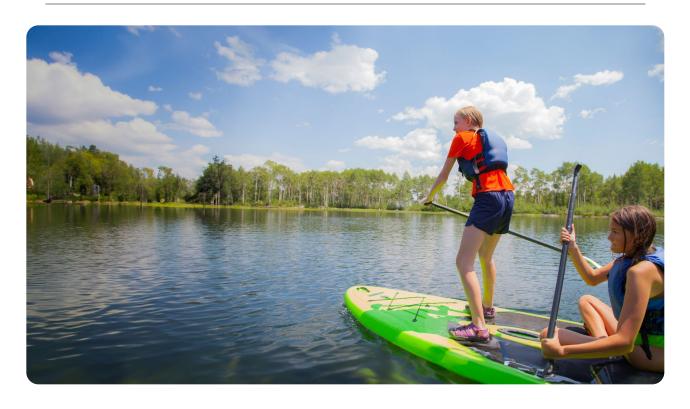
Jan 13: <u>Daylily Cookie Rally 2024</u> (Cedar City)

Jan 16: Four Valley Cookie Rally 2024 (Park City)

**Jan 19**: Francis Peak's SeaQuest Cookie Rally (Layton)

Cache's "Own Your Magic" Cookie Rally (Logan)

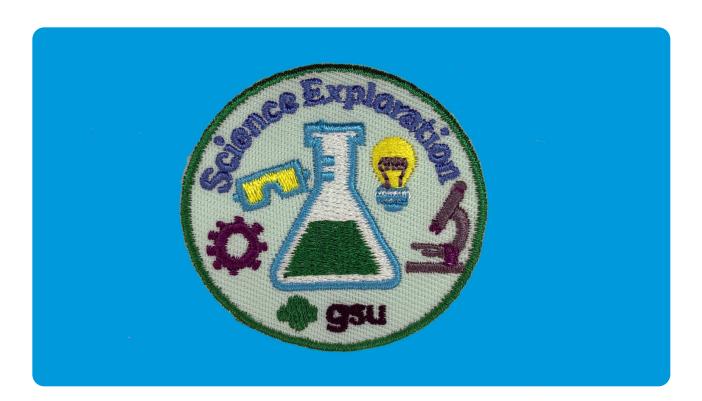
Frontier Service Unit Cookie Kickoff (Clearfield)



## **Summer Camp Registration is Open!**

Registration for our summer camp programs opened December 12. A <u>digital</u> <u>version of the Camp Catalog</u> is available to view the scheduled programs at each camp location, as well as some of the minicamps that are happening through September 2024!

#### **LEARN MORE!**



## **Explore STEM on your Winter Break**

Time off from school is the perfect time to explore STEM through fun, hands-on activities! Girl Scouts do not need to be in school to learn, and our Science Exploration Patch Program is the perfect way to find easy at-home science experiments. Many of these activities can be done with things you already have at home, like blowing up a balloon with vinegar and baking soda or making a soft and sweet-smelling slime with corn starch and hair conditioner.

ACTION: learn more about the **Science Exploration patch program!** 



## Start Thinking About Highest Awards Over Winter Break

As the school year progresses, you may have had the opportunity to observe and become aware of the events taking place in your community. On your school break, take the next step and think about ways to act and create change in your community. Our Girl Scouts who have earned their Highest Awards often emphasize a top tip: allocate ample time for your project. So, why not start dedicating that time now?

Start by taking the training related to your level's award:

- Juniors can go through the <u>Bronze Award Training.</u>
- Cadettes can go through the Silver Award Training available on gsLearn. Contact us at <a href="mailto:info@gsutah.org">info@gsutah.org</a> to gain access.
- Seniors and Ambassadors can email <u>programs@gsutah.org</u> to access the Gold Award Training.

#### **LEARN MORE!**



## Travel to Japan in 2025!

Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors are invited to join Girl Scouts of Utah (GSU) on an international adventure in 2025. Immerse yourself in the culture of Japan as you tour a bamboo forest, visit a Zen Buddhist temple, travel by bullet train, eat a hot pot dinner, and so much more. Registration for this trip is currently discounted through the end of December and opportunities to fundraise for the trip through cookie sales are right around the corner. Join us at our information session on December 18 to learn more about the trip and how you can have the experience of a lifetime with your Girl Scout friends!

#### **REGISTER NOW!**



## Tips and Tricks for Take Action Projects

Your first Take Action Project can be intimidating, but this last step to Journeys does not have to be. Here are some tips for your troop or Girl Scout's next Take Action Project:

- Start with a problem. Ask yourself: What have you observed in your community? Who could you ask about issues facing your school, town, or state?
- Once you have a problem, figure out the root cause. Your root cause might not be the easy answer, so do not be afraid to ask local leaders for help.
- Take Action Projects should be sustainable. Some ideas for sustainability include asking a school club to continue a project, changing a local law, or creating educational resources.
- Stay organized by keeping notes to remind your Girl Scouts about what has been completed and what they still need to do.
- Keep it youth-led by finding age-appropriate ways for Girl Scouts to take charge. Daisies might do well with making choices between options or brainstorming ideas, while Seniors and Ambassadors can take on more ownership in planning.



## National Opportunity for Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors

Are you interested in taking on a leadership role on the national level of Girl Scouts? Do you have great ideas about how to make Girl Scouts even more fantastic? Use your voice and collaborate with Girl Scouts from across the nation on the Girl Advisory Board to Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA). GSUSA is looking for those who will be in grades 7-11 in fall 2024 to join their team. Members of the Girl Advisory Board will make recommendations, contribute to key initiatives, and influence decision-making processes at the national office. Girl Advisory Board members serve for up to two years or until their high school graduation, whichever comes first.

Check out the program's information sheet and send in your completed **application** by January 21, 2024.

#### **APPLY TODAY!**

#### 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.

January 20



Fling Flyer Design Challenge

Grades: 2-3 Register by January 15

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### February 10-11



February Family
Snowshoe
Adventure Grades K12, Adults
Register by March 22

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April 5-6



**Girl Scout Grizzlies Night & Sleepover**Grades K-12, Adults
Register by January 15

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#### **Quick links**

- Receive up to three **scholarships** per year to participate in Girl Scout Programming.
- Visit 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 **Walmart online** and round up your change to donate.











Have a question? Don't be shy! **Contact us** for more information.

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