



GSU Volunteer Weekly Update



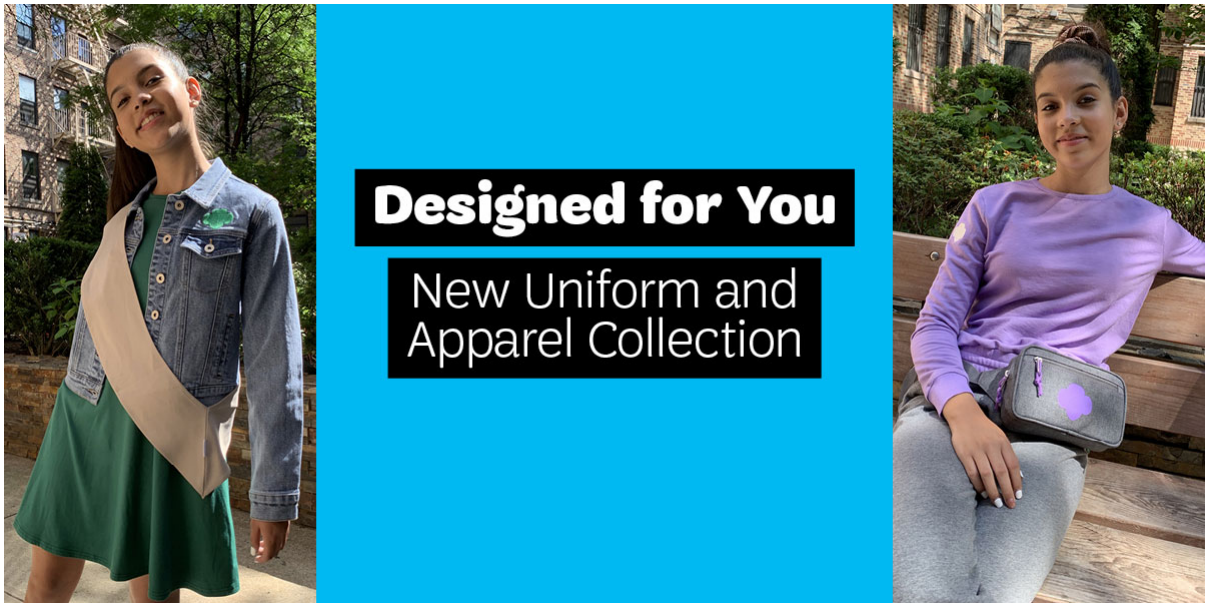
Volunteer of the Month
Marie Grogan



Celebrating an Amazing Volunteer

Introducing our newest Volunteer of the Month! Gold Award Committee, Camporee Committee, Service Unit Director, Troop Leader - you name the volunteer position, and Marie Grogan has most likely held the role at least once in her 30+ years as a Girl Scout volunteer. Read more about Marie's volunteer impact on our [Volunteer of the Month page](#).

New Girl Scout Apparel and Uniform Collection Available for Preorder



We're proud to introduce new Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador uniforms and apparel for girls in grades 6–12. The collection, which was designed by female students from the Fashion Institute of Technology, highlights elements of the classic Girl Scout look while also peppering in modern, fashionable twists so every girl can express her own unique style. These versatile looks can be worn for Girl Scout activities or as everyday wear. Preorder your new uniform today and **save 10%** with code **GOGSSTYLE** through **September 8!**

Action needed: [Shop the new collection and preorder now!](#) The new uniform and apparel collection is currently available for preorder through the GSUSA Girl Scout shop ONLY.

Our New Talk Show By Girls, For Girls



Introducing a new talk show you won't want to miss! The new G-Team TV show, created by girls, for girls, was made with Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors in mind. Produced by Girl Scouts of the USA's G-Team (teen leadership team), the show creates a supportive, interesting, and fun community where middle and high school girls can connect, inspire one another, and empower themselves to change the world. Weekly episodes focus on issues that girls care about most,

through interviews with amazing Girl Scouts and special guests; regular segments on travel, STEM, mental health, and the outdoors; and highlights of all the incredible ways that our girls are changing the world.

Watch new episodes on [Girl Scouts' IGTV](#) every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. ET starting August 27! And if you miss an episode, catch up on Girl Scouts' [YouTube channel](#).

Summer Clearance Sale Coming to St. George

The Summer Clearance Sale is coming to St. George! Join us September 5 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the River Rock Meeting Room at the Hampton Inn (52 North River Road) for this end-of-season event.

Activity Credits can be used to purchase items, as well as renew your membership in person! If troop leaders and parents are interested in uniform components and current items from the Salt Lake Shop, please call the shop at (801) 716-5141 before September 3 and the desired items will be brought to the clearance sale for you.

Girl Scouts at Home Tops Parents Magazine List

Girl Scouts at Home is number one on Parents Magazine's list of after-school programs! The list of 16 virtual after-school programs offering a safe space for kids includes programs in reading, tech, and tutoring.

Action needed: [Read the full article.](#)

Fall Recruitment Campaign

Announcing Girl Scouts of Utah's new fall recruitment campaign! Over the next two months, GSU will be hosting Animal Dance Parties, Robot Building Parties, and Virtual Open Houses for non-members to learn more before joining. The parties are for girls in grades K-3. While these events are not intended for current members, girls can invite friends and both can register to attend. The more the merrier!

Action needed: For more information on the different events and to share with friends, [visit our website](#).

On-Time Renewal and Centennial T-Shirt Incentive!



Congratulations to **Troop 367** for winning the weekly drawing for a Troop Program Voucher!

Have you renewed your membership for 2021? Our On-Time Renewal incentives were created with our members in mind, and our goal was to find ways to elevate your program opportunities.

- All members who renew by September 30, 2020, will receive a limited-edition GSU Centennial t-shirt
- During August, troops with 100% renewal will be entered into a weekly drawing for a Troop Program Voucher
- During September, troops with 100% renewal will be entered into a weekly drawing for a Girl Scout shop gift card

Action needed: Join us for another rewarding and fulfilling journey in Girl Scouts. [Renew today](#) for the best eligibility in the incentives and increase your troop's odds as well.

Zoom for Volunteers



Keeping the Girl Scout sisterhood strong from home? We've got you! Zoom licenses are now available through our council for troops that want to meet or continue meeting virtually this fall. Your girls can stay connected, continue building their skills, and have a blast no matter where they are. Learn about the benefits of having a Girl Scout Zoom license.

Action needed: If you are interested in a Zoom license for your troop, please [complete this form](#).

Camp Update

We are pleased to announce that we will be reopening our beloved camps, Camp Cloud Rim and Trefoil Ranch, for limited day-only use beginning August 28 for the following programs:

- Council events
- Never the Same Weekends hosted by Service Units (NTSW)
- Camp rentals for troops

In alignment with national and local guidelines, we are taking precautions:

- No overnights; day-only events until Utah has successfully passed into the green phase (normal risk) of the reopening process.
- Reduce total event capacity to 50 people or less, including staff.
- Face coverings and physical distancing required.
- Enhanced sanitation and food service protocols.
- Hold activities outdoors when possible.

Action needed: Visit our [website](#) for the complete list of guidelines for in-person meetings and activities. If you currently have a reservation for a council event, NTSW, or camp rental for troops, we will contact you directly to answer questions and to support you in making decisions about your event. If you would like to make a reservation, please email info@gsutah.org.

Lifetime Membership Offer Extended

GSUSA is extending the gift-with-purchase offer to August 31 so our graduates and their caregivers can purchase lifetime membership as girls bridge to alum. This gift offer is not limited to graduates and will be available to all new lifetime members. Lifetime membership for graduates and young alums is only \$200 for a lifetime association with the organization that helped develop her into the woman she has become!

Action needed: Become a [lifetime member](#) today! Gifts should be selected by September 30.

Service Units

Building Your Service Unit Team

Who is the Service Unit Recruiter/Troop Mentor?

- Champions in telling the Girl Scout story in ways that builds awareness
- Works with GSU to determine recruitment opportunities in service unit community
- Identifies GS Champions to engage community partners (schools, churches, etc.)
- Encourage the overall mission of Girl Scouts to reach more girls
- Provides a welcoming and supportive environment to new and prospective GS members

[Read the full position description](#)

How council supports this role:

- Provide training, scripts for presentations, outlines for events, etc.
- Printed resources – for example: posters, flyers, postcards (always allow 2+ weeks for requests)
- GSU Staff – the council recruiters are your subject matter experts when it comes to recruitment and all the resources. Check in with Amanda, Danielle, Julia and Mary – get to know them – they are fantastic! As you get to know your council recruiter better, the better you can work together to identify gaps.

Service Unit Managers

GSU CEO Listening Sessions

These sessions are an opportunity for Service Unit Managers to have an open dialogue with CEO Lisa Hardin-Reynolds that is focused on identifying opportunities, challenges, and experiences in a virtual world. Instructions on joining these sessions will be sent once we receive feedback regarding date preferences.

Action needed: Select your date preferences to attend a [CEO Listening Session](#). The final date is September 3.

Mark Your Calendars!

1000+ Cookie Party - September 12 @ 6:00 p.m.

All girls who sold 1,000+ packages during the 2020 Girl Scout Cookie season will receive an email with details and a link to register. If you have not received this email, please reach out to Allison Wickel at awickel@gsutah.org.

Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend - September 12-13

Join Utah State Parks staff and the University of Utah's South Physics Observatory for a [Facebook Live event](#) September 12 at 8:00 p.m. to discover how to star hop and identify constellations, learn the basics of astronomy, and find out why Utah has some of the most beautiful dark skies in the world!

Girl Empowered - September 19 @ 10:00 a.m.

This FREE virtual conference is for girls grades 6-12 and adults who want to advocate for themselves and others. You do not have to be a Girl Scout to participate! The event will include inspirational and motivational speakers and sessions, and registration is required. [Learn more and register.](#)

Spotlight: In-Person Troop Meeting Guidelines

Reporting and Communicating a Positive COVID-19 Test

In the event of a COVID-19 positive test result, do NOT contact the parents or troop members. Promptly contact Ruth Strawser, Chief Operating Officer, at 801-716-5157 in this situation. When you call, be ready to provide the facts. You should review or complete the [Incident Behavior Report](#) to ensure you have the right information.

A council staff member, NOT volunteers, will be responsible for:

- Confirming and tracing the positive tester
- Contacting the parents of anyone who may have been exposed (or other volunteers)
- Notifying a facility or homeowner where a troop has met
- Alerting the Utah Department of Health

Reminder: A council staff member, NOT volunteers, will notify parents and others about a positive test result and that the tester's identity is confidential. Remember that girl and volunteer health information is private and strictly confidential and should be only shared on a need-to-know basis with a council staff member.

Please note, case counts in Utah continue to fluctuate. We ask all volunteers, girls, and parents to exercise extreme caution and stay up-to-date with the latest CDC and local health department guidelines.

Action needed: Review [GSU's full guidelines](#) for in-person meetings and activities. If you live in an orange (moderate risk) area, you may not begin meetings. If you live in yellow (low risk) or green (new normal) risk level areas, you are required to wear a face mask at Girl Scout activities and functions, and you must follow the provided guidelines.

Sister Council Programs

Centennial of Suffrage Patch Program

August 1-31

Join Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida to learn more about the historical importance of the suffrage movement that led to the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment and all the positive impacts women voters have had on society ever since. This virtual program can be done completely on your own over the course of the month of August by following a printable Activity Guide that will be provided to you.

Action needed: [Learn more and register online](#). This program costs \$19 for out-of-council members. Girls will earn a limited edition patch and a new Democracy badge, which will be shipped to them.

For All Leaders

Tips for Troop Leaders

As a Girl Scout troop leader, you fill important roles in your girls' lives: fearless leader, empowering role model, and innovative event organizer, among others.

No one said this rewarding journey would be easy, but with Tips for Troop Leaders, you'll be ready to meet any challenge that comes your way. By providing accessible advice and inspiring ideas from our panel of Volunteer Experts, Tips for Troop Leaders supports both new and returning troop leaders as they encourage their girls to grow into the leaders they were born to be!

Action needed: Visit the [Tips for Troop Leaders](#) page to learn more.

Upcoming GSU Virtual Programs

Please see the list below of upcoming programs. Full descriptions are available online. In order to deliver engaging and interactive experiences, virtual

programs have limited space and registration is required.

To prioritize space for our current Girl Scouts in Utah, new programs will be announced through **this newsletter** a few days before they are posted on Facebook or our website.

- **Awesome Girls: Take Action for Wildlife (GSUSA)**
 - September 2 @ 5:00 p.m.
 - Grades K-12
- **CSI: Crime Scene Investigators**
 - September 10 @ 5:30 p.m.
 - Grades 4-8 (Juniors & Cadettes)
 - Cost: \$5
- **Awesome Girls Read-a-long with I am One - a Book of Action by Susan Verde (GSUSA)**
 - September 14 @ 3:00 p.m.
 - Grades K-1 (Daisies)
- **Talk It Up**
 - September 14 @ 5:00 p.m.
 - Grades K-1 (Daisies)
 - Cost: \$3
- **Meet My Customers**
 - September 14 @ 5:00 p.m.
 - Grades 2-3 (Brownies)
 - Cost: \$3
- **Financing My Future**
 - September 14 @ 5:00 p.m.
 - Grades 9-10 (Seniors)
 - Cost: \$8
- **On My Own**
 - September 14 @ 5:00 p.m.
 - Grades 11-12 (Ambassadors)
 - Cost: \$5
- **Awesome Girls Read-a-long with Janet Lawler of Kindergarten Hat (GSUSA)**
 - September 23 @ 3:00 p.m.
 - Grades K-1 (Daisies)
- **STEM Careers for Cadettes**
 - September 25 @ 6:00 p.m.
 - Grades 6-8 (Cadettes)
 - Cost: \$5
- **Write a Story with Write Here**
 - September 30 @ 6:00 p.m.
 - Grades 4-12 (Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors)

- o Cost: \$5

Action needed: See a full list of virtual programs on our [Girl Scouting at Home website](#) or on our [Activities Calendar](#). Additional programming is also available on GSUSA's [Girl Scouts at Home page](#).

Quick Links & Council Reminders

Fall Product Program

The Troop Fall Product Manager Agreement is due by September 1. All forms and information about the fall product program are available on [our website](#).

On-Time Renewal

On-Time Renewal is underway - take action now! Renew today for the best eligibility in incentives. [Full list of incentives and FAQs](#)

Guidelines for In-Person Troop Meetings & Activities

At this time, only troops in yellow (low risk) and green (new normal) risk level areas of the state are permitted to begin meeting again. Review [GSU's guidelines](#) while planning your Girl Scouts participation.

Retail

The Salt Lake City and American Fork Retail Shops are open for in-person shopping and curbside orders. Masks are required, and only one person or family is allowed in the store at a time. [Retail shop hours and contact information](#)

Ongoing Communications

Bookmark our [dedicated webpage](#); like and follow us on [Facebook](#); and ensure contact information in your member profile is up to date to receive updates and other important communications.

Support Girl Scouts of Utah While You Shop!

- Shop with [AmazonSmile](#) and select Girl Scouts of Utah
- Shop at [Smith's](#) and follow the instructions to link your Rewards Card to Girl Scouts of Utah



Have a question? Don't be shy!

Contact us for more information.