

# GSU Volunteer Weekly Update

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# **Volunteer Support**

#### **On-Time Renewal Drawing Winner**

We kicked off August with On-Time Renewal and our first \$50 program activity certificate drawing.

#### **Congratulations Angela C. a Juliette Girl Scout from Millcreek Service Unit**. We hope your Girl Scout year is full of new adventures, friends and memories!

<u>Renew now!</u> Each week we will have a new drawing winner for another program activity certificate.

## Six Tips for Getting Ready for Girl Scout Back to Troop

With the dog days of August upon us and summer coming to an end, it is time to start thinking about getting ready for Girl Scout "Back to Troop". If you are a leader who does not meet over the summer, then it is time to wake up that part of your brain that has been relaxing and get it into gear for the upcoming troop year. <u>Here are 6 tips for getting back into the swing of things!</u>

#### Volunteer Toolkit – What's New for 2022-2023!

#### For Troop Leaders

Explore all year long without starting over! Now the Explore tab adds on to your meeting instead of resetting it. Combine pre-selected tracks or add individual meetings, the choice is yours! If you need to delete your plan and start over, the delete button is on the Year Plan tab.

#### What else is new?

- Even more information about the Girl Scouts in a troop all in one place, grade, communication preferences, and secondary caregiver information has been added to the My Troop Tab.
- Looking for all the new content in one place? Use the New for 2022-2023 filter when searching for meetings (Explore Meetings or when you Add Badge/Journey) to find everything new in one easy place.
- New Speaker Template! Invite topic experts to share their knowledge and passion with your troop. Use the Speaker invite under Manage Communication on the meeting plan to get started.

New badges are here! View the Badge & Award Chart from the VTK Resources tab and discover all the amazing new and returning Badges, Journeys, and Awards. These newly updated Award Logs and Badge Charts for each grade level replace the versions in The Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting.

• Action needed: Check out all the new VTK resources by logging into your account today.

#### Mentorship Opportunity for Older Girls and Young Alums

Girl Scouts of Utah's signature luncheon celebration is back for 2022! Utah Day of the Girl is scheduled for Friday, October 7, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Salt Lake City Marriott. Seniors, Ambassadors, and young alums are invited to join us for this opportunity to meet and network with business leaders in a professional lunch setting. Thanks to generous donors, girls attend for free!

During the luncheon, we will highlight the impact of Girl Scouts and honor our 2022 Girl Champions, leaders in each of our four pillars – Dr. Tami Goetz (STEM), Lavanya Mahate (Entrepreneurship), and Dr. Tiana Rogers for (Life Skills), and Wendy Fisher for (Outdoors). Learn more about the <u>2022 Girl Champions</u>.

Action needed: Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors (grades 9-12) and young alums (ages 18-24) are invited to apply. Encourage your Girl Scouts to <u>apply to be</u> a part of Utah Day of the Girl and submit name, age, contact information, and areas of interest by September 1.

#### **Attention Bridging Troops**

Is your troop bridging this fall? Be sure to update your knowledge with Grade Level Essentials training on gsLearn. GSUSA Grade Level Essential training is available for Daisy, Brownie, & Junior levels.

# **TPM Fall Product Sign Up**

The GSU Fall Product Program is quick and easy, the perfect opportunity for

troops to kick off the Girl Scout year with a fun team-building activity that generates essential funds to support troop activities. Also, new troops that need resources in their treasury can quickly earn money to fund uniforms, Journey Books, and Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting books.

The GSU Fall Product Program is an optional council-sponsored program that combines educational activities with money-earning opportunities for troops. The Fall Program is directed toward family and friends - those closest to Girl Scouting and enables troops to earn start-up funds by selling magazine subscriptions, nuts and chocolate.

The program dates are September 23 – October 9, 2022.

**Action needed:** Troop Product Manager can fill out the online <u>TPM</u> <u>Agreement Form</u>, due August 15, 2022, for the Fall Product Program.

#### Girl Empowered registration is now open!

At Girl Empowered on September 17, girls can explore their passions and learn from local women about their journey to empowerment. After hearing the stories of how these women were able to discover their sources of empowerment, participate in two hands-on, interactive workshops to help you find your inner power. Will you embrace your creative side, harness your inner strength as an athlete, engage your mind with science, or discover a new love that you've never had the chance to explore?

• Action needed: Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors can register now for Girl Empowered at a special early bird price of only \$5! Registration is open for members and non-members, so bring a friend! To register and learn more about our speakers and workshops, <u>visit our website</u>.

#### **Quick Links**

- Volunteer trainings and girl programs GSU Event Calendar
- Reserve meeting rooms at the NUSC, CRC, and CUSC <u>Meetings on</u> <u>Council Premises</u>
- Customizable flyers for troops, social media toolkit for volunteers, VTK, and troop leader blueprint <u>Online Support for Volunteers</u>

- Guidelines for in-person activities and troop meeting space at council service centers <u>GSU's COVID-19 guidelines</u>
- Schedule programming for your troop with local organizations <u>Program</u> <u>Partners</u>

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## **Outdoor Programs**

## **Minicamp Programs – Registration Open through 2023**

Girl Scouts of Utah provides camp programs all year – not just during the summer! Girl Scouts can go on paddle boarding adventures in Moab, celebrate the winter holidays, snowshoe the camp properties, and experience all their favorite program areas. Minicamps are a great chance for families to experience camp for a few hours to a few nights before a longer summer adventure. Registration is now open for all programs through September 2023.

Action needed: <u>Review all upcoming minicamps and register</u> for you next adventure!

#### **Girl Scouts Love State Parks**

Are you new to Girl Scouts and ready to tackle an adventure? Are you a Juliette and want to take a day trip with other Girl Scouts? Is your troop working on their travel progression so you can go on longer overnight trips? Join us at Utah Field House of Natural History State Park Museum on September 10 to celebrate Girl Scouts Love State Parks and go on a day trip to Vernal to learn about dinosaurs! GSU is offering transportation from our Salt Lake City office to and from the state park as an option to participate in this program. Sign up today!

Action needed: Register for <u>Utah Field House of Natural History State Park</u> <u>Museum</u> or check out our other Girl Scouts Love State Parks programs on our <u>Events Calendar</u>!

#### **Important Reminders**

- Service Unit Fall Product Program Training now available on gsLearn
- Service Unit Communications Rep Training now available on gsLearn
- Service Unit Finance Rep Training now available on gsLearn

## Leadership Summit 2022 – Ready. Set. Rally!

Is your team ready for a new year of girl scouts? Are they set with knowledge to help them lead the way? Let's rally together at Leadership Summit!! This year your team can participate in a variety of workshops that will revitalize your passion for the mission and Movement. You can also schedule time with your team to begin planning your year, connect with council staff, and much more!

Join us for Leadership Summit 2022 - August 26 & 27 at Trefoil Ranch in beautiful Provo Canyon.

Action needed: <u>Register for Leadership Summit</u> ; registration closes Sunday, August 15. Friday night is optional. To register your entire team, contact Customer Care at <u>info@gsutah.org</u> or 801-265-8472 with the list of people you would like to register.

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- Council-Provided Resources Online Support for Volunteers webpage
- Council Connect recordings, PPTs, and registrations <u>Service Unit Team</u>
  <u>Resources webpage</u>

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- Join the GSU team <u>View job openings and apply</u>
- Support GSU Camps <u>Amazon Wish Lists</u>
- Salt Lake City and American Fork shop info Retail

- Receive ongoing communications from GSU <u>COVID-19 Updates</u> & <u>GSU's</u> <u>Facebook page</u>
- <u>GSU Health & Safety Guidelines</u>

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