

S'more News

A monthly newsletter for Girls and Family



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Explore the outdoors in Utah with Girl Scouts Love State Parks

Girl Scouts love the outdoors, especially our state parks! Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) and the National Association of State Park Directors (NASPD) partner in hosting the annual, Girl Scouts Love State Parks, a weekend dedicated to showcasing the stunning beauty of state parks and Girl Scouts' passion for exploring the great outdoors. Join us this year at three parks throughout Utah: Utah Field House, Dead Horse Point, and Antelope Island. You might explore paleontology at the Utah State Field House, enjoy the beauty of the desert at Dead Horse Point State Park, or stargaze with astronomers at Antelope Island State Park. There are tons of opportunities with Girl Scouts Love State Parks!

Action: Register for Utah Field House, Dead Horse Point State Park, or Antelope Island State Park online by August 28.

REGISTER HERE



Develop real STEM skills through FIRST Robotics

FIRST Robotics is an exciting program where Girl Scouts learn real STEM skills through hands on exploration and learning. Girl Scouts explore programming, engineering, teamwork, and robotics in these series programs. We have opportunities for Girl Scouts in grades 1-12 in three levels: FIRST Lego League Explore (grades 1-4), FIRST Lego League Challenge (grades 4-8), and FIRST Tech Challenge (grades 7-12). All teams are currently recruiting Girl Scouts and adult volunteers. This opportunity is perfect for Girl Scouts who love STEM and want to be more involved!

I'M INTERESTED!

ATTEND THE OPEN HOUSE ON AUG. 16



Explore Girl Scout History at our very own Heritage Museum

Girl Scouts of Utah is excited to announce our fall open house at the Heritage Museum! Run by a dedicated committee of volunteers, this museum showcases the history of Girl Scouts in Utah and around the country. Come see artifacts, uniforms, and handbooks from Girl Scouts of the past and even check some out for your troop to enjoy! The Heritage Committee is also looking for volunteers, so this is a great way to check out the museum and what the committee does. Our Open House is free and will be held on September 9 at the Salt Lake office. To learn more about volunteering, email info@gsutah.org.

RSVP FOR THE OPEN HOUSE

Take Action vs. Community Service

It's important and helpful for Girl Scouts to understand the difference between these projects before they begin. Here's the difference:

Take Action	Community Service
A long-term project with sustainable and ongoing influence that addresses an issue's root cause	A short-term effort that helps something or someone fulfill an immediate need
Done WITH the community	Done FOR the community
Creating a unique initiative to address an issue's root cause	Joining an existing effort to solve an issue
Creating and leading your own team of volunteers	Done as part of an existing team , usually as a volunteer
Setting the goals and leading a team to achieve them	Working toward a goal that's set by others

What's the Difference Between Take Action and Community Service?

A Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award is a Take Action project that allows a Girl Scout to show leadership while addressing the root cause of an issue. Knowing the difference between Take Action and community service will help you be successful in your project.

EARN YOUR BRONZE, SILVER, OR GOLD

Troop Travel This Summer



Troop Trip Highlight: Ocean Excursions and the Physics of Rollercoasters

Our troops have been eager to get out and explore this summer and Troop 301 from Desert Sky Service Unit shared some insights with us from their recent trip to southern California. They worked hard to make the trip a reality by meeting and exceeding their cookie-selling goals, but this wasn't just your average trip to Disneyland. This art and science loving troop found a workshop that was all about the physics of Disney, led by the company's imagineers. They got a behind-the-scenes look at how rollercoasters are built and even designed and tested their own models. The magic continued on a whale-watching excursion where they earned a badge and became part of the lucky 1% of people that have seen a blue whale. Troop Leader, Suzanne Szabo sums up the trip: "I hope the girls will remember how they set a high goal, reached it, and then made memories with their troop that will last a lifetime."

Girl Scouts of Utah is excited to highlight Troop 301's recent trip to southern California to inspire others to start planning for a future adventure. In the near future you will be able to check out the full story on the blog section of our website.



Join the Girl Scout Climate Challenge.

Explore the science, connect with your community, and share hope.

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Learn about our climate with the Climate Challenge

As climate change affects our planet, it's up to us to do what we can to protect our Earth. When you participate in the Girl Scout Climate Challenge, you'll get outdoors to learn about climate science, connect with your community to understand how it is impacted by climate change and spread awareness of the issue to make a difference. Whether you learn about the effects of greenhouse gases, talk to local climate experts, or lead a sustainability project, your knowledge and involvement will help you be a climate advocate. Download your free activity guide and resources for grades K-5 or 6-12 to get out and get involved in taking climate action!

BECOME A CLIMATE ADVOCATE

Checkout our can't miss events

Find our upcoming programs on our [event calendar](#). We work hard to deliver a variety of programming throughout the state including at our camps and resource centers, in collaboration with [Program Partners](#), and virtual events.

August 3



Girl Scout Engineers Ogden

Grades 2-8,

Register by July 26

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August 26



Cadette STEM Careers with Tracy Aviary

Grades 6-8

Register by August 26

[LEARN MORE](#)

September 20



Playing the Past with the Hutchings Museum Institute

Grades 2-8, adults

Register by Sep. 12

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Have a question? Don't be shy!

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