

# S'more News

exclusively for leaders and volunteers



## Early Bird is Almost Here

Early Bird is the first chance for members to renew their membership in advance of the new year. Read below for the exciting incentives we have for those that renew early!

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## April 13, 2022 Edition

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## Cheers to our Volunteers

We want to recognize our volunteers by hosting two social events as an appreciation for all your dedication to Girl Scouts. Please plan to join us at the location and date that works best for you. Please click on the invitation below to RSVP to this **adult only function**. An RSVP is required as the venues do have limited capacity.



Fredericksburg  
Thursday | May 12, 2022  
6 Bears & A Goat Brewery  
6:00-8:00 p.m.  
*limited space available*  
*RSVP is required to attend*

Richmond  
Thursday | May 19, 2022  
Triple Crossing Brewery - Fulton  
5:00-7:00 p.m.  
*The venue requires NO early admittance*  
*RSVP is required to attend*

We are excited to host events at two locations for our volunteers to drop in, enjoy a beverage with friends and staff. Please attend the location and date that will work best for you. Kindly RSVP by filling out the form linked here by April 21, 2022.

# Keep the fun going!

## Activities & Incentives on April 20th:

- First 500 girls who renew on the first day (or before) will get a First Day Patch
- Fun Facebook videos throughout the day with songs, dances, and more

## Early Bird Incentives:

- Early Bird Patch
- Retail Shop discounts for girls, leaders and Service Units
- Discounted event before the Juliette Gordon Low Campfire
- No charge exclusive Early Bird Event on June 18th

## GSUSA Incentive:

- Paint Your World Purple - featuring Kristen Bell
- Must renew by May 13th
- Event Date: May 19th at 6:00 p.m. or 9:30 p.m.
- Members-only virtual event



Click the graphic above to learn more about the great benefits of renewing your membership as an Early Bird. Mark your calendars for April 20th, the first day of our Early Bird Renewal. You will not want to miss out on the fun and exclusive events!



**Kristen Bell and Girl Scouts:  
Paint Your World Purple, May 19**

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## Cookie Updates

### Kayla the Koala

There are only TWO days left to determine who the winner of Kayla the Koala will be. The girl with the most direct ship packages of cookies sold will be taking home this lovely giant stuffy. Encourage your friends and family to use your link to order a few more cookies as

you work towards your goal!



## Check On-Hand Inventory

1. Log into Smart Cookies
2. Click on "Reports"
3. From the column on the left choose "Inventory/Delivery"
4. From the column on the right choose "Troop on-hand inventory"
5. Click "Go to report"
6. Then "View report"

This report shows you the cookies your troop owns, but has not been assigned to girls. This means no one is getting credit for those cookies. Please complete the next step of transferring those cookies to girls.

## Transfer Cookies to Girls

1. Log into Smart Cookies
2. Click on "Orders"
3. Choose "Transfer orders"
4. Select "Troop to girl transfer"
5. Assign the cookies from on-hand inventory to the girls who sold them or participated in the booths where the cookies were sold
6. Be sure to click "Save" after you update each girl's record

## Review Reward Information

1. Log into Smart Cookies
2. Click on "Rewards"
3. Click on "Manage recognition order"
4. You will see two different types of recognitions appear: "*Troop and Main*"
5. If the section on the right says complete you do **not** need to do anything



6. If it says incomplete you need to click on the edit icon (the pencil)
7. Review the needed information
8. If a girl needs to make reward choices, contact her family
9. If your troop qualifies for a troop reward (based on the per girl average), enter the number of tote bags your troop would like
10. Once the "Troop and Main" recognitions are identified as complete you are finished



**You can edit this information until April 15th.**

## Growing Up WILD

### Training for Daisy and Brownie Leaders

Girl Scouts has emphasized the importance of getting outdoors for the past 110 years. Learning about the environment and having fun outdoors helps Girl Scouts build courage, confidence and character to make the world a better place.

**Growing Up WILD** builds on Girl Scout Daisy's and

Brownie's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife and the world around them. Through a wide range of activities and experiences, explore differences between living and non-living objects, basic needs and characteristics of plants and animals. Leaders will receive a troop copy of the **Growing Up WILD guide** along with other resources to help conduct the activities with their troop. The 27 **Growing Up WILD** activities supports many of the Daisy and Brownie badges, including the Outdoor Art, Math in Nature, Camping and more.

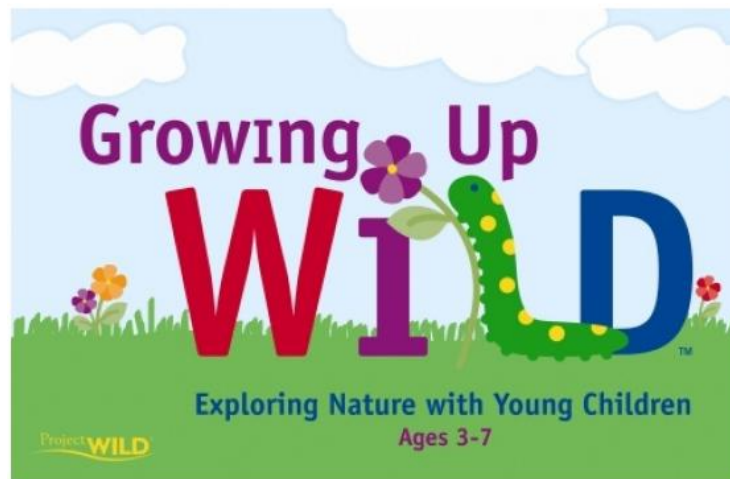
**Date: Saturday, May 14th, 2022**

**Time: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

**Location: Fort Clifford, 100 Brockwell Lane, Colonial Heights, VA**

Registration is open now and closes Saturday, April 30th. Troop leaders are encouraged to have one leader from their troop attend as the maximum class size is 25.

**[Register here now!](#)**



## Partner Program Opportunity

**Virginia Credit Union - Financial Literacy**  
**GSCV Service Center, 4900 Augusta Ave.**  
**Richmond, VA 23230**  
**\$15 for Girl Scouts**



The best way for girls to develop business skills and learn to think like an entrepreneur! All levels of Girl Scouts have the opportunity to work with the professionals from Virginia Credit Union to earn Financial Literacy badges. These special sessions for Girl Scouts are being hosted in-person at the GSCV office and include the badge.

**Money Counts leaf for Daisy  
Saturday, April 30th | 9:00-10:00 a.m.**

Learn more about money. Girl Scouts know that you can use money to buy things. But girls will also learn how you can use money to help people and make the world a better place. **Register here.**

***Registration deadline April 22, 2022.***

**Money Manager badge for Brownies  
Saturday, April 30th | 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

Girl Scouts will learn the differences between needs, like food and clothing, and wants, like games and movie tickets, and how best to financially plan for both. **Register here.**

***Registration deadline April 22, 2022.***

**Savvy Shopper badge for Juniors  
Saturday, April 30th | 12:30-1:30 p.m.**

Girl Scouts will explore the difference between needs and wants and learn how to make a plan to support both. **Register here.** ***Registration deadline April 22, 2022.***



**Girl Scout Night at the Fred Nats**

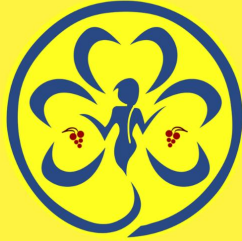
The Fredericksburg Nationals are hosting their first Girl Scout Night! Girl Scout troops and families will be able to purchase discounted tickets to the game. There will be a pre-game parade as well for all the troops who purchase group tickets. Girl Scout Patches will be available as well. You can purchase your ticket **here.**

**Girl Scouts Supporting Ukraine**

In order for Girl Scouts to raise money in support of our sister Girl Guides and their volunteers and families who are being impacted by the war in Ukraine, the GSUSA Board of Directors has lifted fundraising restrictions. Here are a few ways girls can offer their support:

1. **CARE – Ukraine Crisis Fund** – collecting funds to send immediate aid— food, water, hygiene kits, and services; prioritizes support for women, girls, and the elderly.
2. **Save the Children – Ukraine Crisis**

Our thoughts are with the Girl Guides of Ukraine and all people of Ukraine.



**Relief Fund**—international humanitarian organization that is focused on improving the lives of children around the world in addition to providing emergency aid in natural disasters, war, and other conflicts.

3. **Voices of Children**—Ukrainian organization supporting children with psycho-social support.
4. **World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts Emergency Relief Appeal**—an emergency appeal fund to support Member Organizations involved in the crisis around Ukraine and to provide other humanitarian support in response to this emergency.

## Girl Scout Shop Stop

Congratulations

Girl Scout Junior

Welcome, Girl Scout Junior!  
Inspiring adventures lie ahead!

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Girl Scout Volunteer Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



### Junior Bridging Kit

The adventure continues as Brownies bridge to Junior.

Kit includes: Girl Scout Junior bridging certificate, Brownie Wings, Bridge to Junior iron-on award, Brownie Membership Disc, Girl Scout Membership Star pin, colorful Bridging Pencil for checking off achievements as a Junior and an exclusive, new Bridging Patch.

*PLEASE NOTE: The certificate design, patch and pencil included in the kits may vary from that shown in the image.*

Come check out our other bridging kits available for Brownies, Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors!



The Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia Retail Shop will be closed:

Saturday, April 23, 2022  
Due to Annual Meeting

Monday, April 25, 2022  
Due to professional development

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**Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia**

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Girls and volunteers can text NEXT to 59618 to join!