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Fall Product Program

The Fall Product Program starts in a few short weeks! Make sure you mark the dates on your calendar. Scroll below to find all important dates.

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Retail Shop will be closed August 24th-26th

Staff Spotlight

Please help us welcome one of our new staff members: Liza Newell! Liza is our Director of Membership.

Liza graduated from Rhodes College in Memphis, TN in 2013 where she majored in Anthropology and Sociology and minored in Women and Gender Studies.

Liza has a background in startups, hospitality and non-profit organizations. While working in the non-profit organizations she has created large scale community events. Liza spent time at the Enrichmond Foundation as the Event Manager. Just prior to joining us, Liza was the

Programming Manager at the Common House.

In addition to her career, Liza volunteers with many wonderful organizations such as Art180 and Bike Walk RVA. She serves as a Ginter Urban Gardener for Lewis Ginter Park and a Goatocado Farm Volunteer. As you can tell Liza enjoys being outdoors and enjoying the city.

Liza is most excited to be part of the positive impact, fun and accomplishments that our girls within our council are going to experience this year. Liza was a Girl Scout with our neighbors - Virginia Skyline Council.

We are thrilled to have her join our team. Join us in welcoming Liza to GSCV!



Kick-Off 2022-23

Ready, set, RALLY!

We had a great time at all three kick-offs with you! We hope that you gained a lot from the sessions as well. Some of the sessions, such as Girl Scout Traveling 101, will be accessible in gsLearn. If you were unable to attend, below you can find the handouts we sent to all attendees. If you have any questions about Kick-Off 2022-23, please email gshelper@comgirlscouts.org.

Thursday, August 4th | Virtual

Session Handouts:

- [Inhale Confidence, Exhale Doubt - GSCV Mental Health and Wellbeing Initiative](#)
- [110th Anniversary Planning Committee Application](#)
- Older Girl Advisory Group - [OGAG Form](#)
- [Program Event & Activity Guide Teaser](#)
- If you were the winner of the selfie ring light, please email kflickinger@comgirlscouts.org in order to claim your prize.

Tuesday, August 9th | Virtual

Session Handouts:

- [Travel 101 Training Handout](#)
- [Girl Scout Highest Awards Handout](#)
- [Additional Troop Money Earning Handouts](#)
- If you were the winner of one of our three prizes, please email kflickinger@comgirlscouts.org in order to claim your prize.

Saturday, August 13th | Camp Pamunkey Ridge - Adults only

Pure Fun Highlights:

- [TREK Information flyer](#)
- [SWAPS flyer](#)
- [Ready, Set, Go Gold! flyer](#)

- [New Updated Girl Scout Program flyer](#)
- [Ready, set, earn new badges! flyer](#)
- [Girl Scout Traditions booklet](#)



Introducing the newest member of the Girl Scout cookie family: Raspberry Rally™! This thin, crispy cookie infused with raspberry flavor and dipped in chocolatey coating is sure to become a new favorite—some may even say it's the sister cookie to the beloved Thin Mints®. This cookie will be available for \$4 online only during the 2023 Cookie Program beginning January 1st, 2023. For more information be sure to attend cookie training in December and stay tuned to S'more News.

Flaming Arrows



The Flaming Arrows, GSCV award-winning archery team, hosted a tournament at Camp Pamunkey Ridge on July 23rd. Participating girls shot distances of 10, 15, 30 and 50 meters. The Girl Scouts of the Flaming Arrows displayed dedication, shooting in 100°F heat and their incredible sportsmanship.

Tournament Results:

Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD) 50 Meter Shoot:

Gold - Olivia P.
Silver - Olivia C.
Bronze - Danica B.

JOAD 30 Meter Shoot:

Gold - Emma T.
Silver - Sophia H.
Bronze - Elizabeth C.

National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) Shoot, Elementary Division:

Gold - Abby K.
Silver - Cora K.

NASP Shoot, Middle Division:

Gold - Sophia H.
Silver - Isylen J.
Bronze - Dalanie H.

NASP Shoot, High Division:

Gold - Emma T.
Silver - Kennedy M.
Bronze - Lorelei M.

GSUSA Mental Wellness 101

The GSUSA Mental Wellness 101 course is now available through your gsLearn account. In this course, you will learn what mental health is and how to recognize the signs of mental health challenges. You will explore different scenarios that young people may experience, and learn how you can promote an environment within Girl Scouts for you and others to thrive and grow. This course is perfect for troop leaders and other adult volunteers who work directly with Girl Scouts. The course will take approximately 25 minutes and you can go at your own pace.



Troop Opportunity Catalog

Update your troop information today!

Every girl has a light that can shine brightly – all she needs is a spark to get her started. There are girls waiting to join Girl Scouts. You can be the spark for a girl who truly needs it by welcoming a new Girl Scout into your troop

- Update troop meeting info
- Update troop openings
- Advertise volunteer openings
- Update your troop description

Get started today and update your troop information in the **Opportunity Catalog**.

Altria Theater Partner Event



We are happy to announce our partnership with Altria Theater! The Wicked Broadway show is offering a discount of 20% exclusively for Girl Scouts. Discounted tickets can be purchased for the September 1st and September 8th shows. To order your tickets, email groups@broadwayinrichmond.com or call (804)-592-3401.

Girl Scouts Love Virginia State Parks

GSCV is partnering with Virginia State Parks again this year!

As part of this year's national Girl Scouts Love State Parks weekend, you are invited to use the [activity pages](#) to explore a park near you, find your nature connection, and receive a Girl Scouts Love Virginia State Parks patch while also meeting the requirements to earn the Daisy Outdoor Art Maker, Brownie Outdoor Art Creator, or Junior Outdoor Art Explorer badge.



There are 21 events throughout the state. [This link](#) will take you to all of our Girl Scouts Love State Parks events. You can check with the parks in your region to see if they added any more events.

Fall Product Program Important Dates

September 10th

Start Date

October 5th

Date orders should be in the system for girl delivery

October 21st

Fredericksburg Nut Drive Thru & Delivery

October 22nd

Richmond & Chesterfield Nut Drive Thru & Delivery

October 21-24th

Rural deliveries

October 26th

Second chance orders pick up - Fredericksburg

October 28th

Second chance orders pick up - Richmond & Dunmar

November 10th

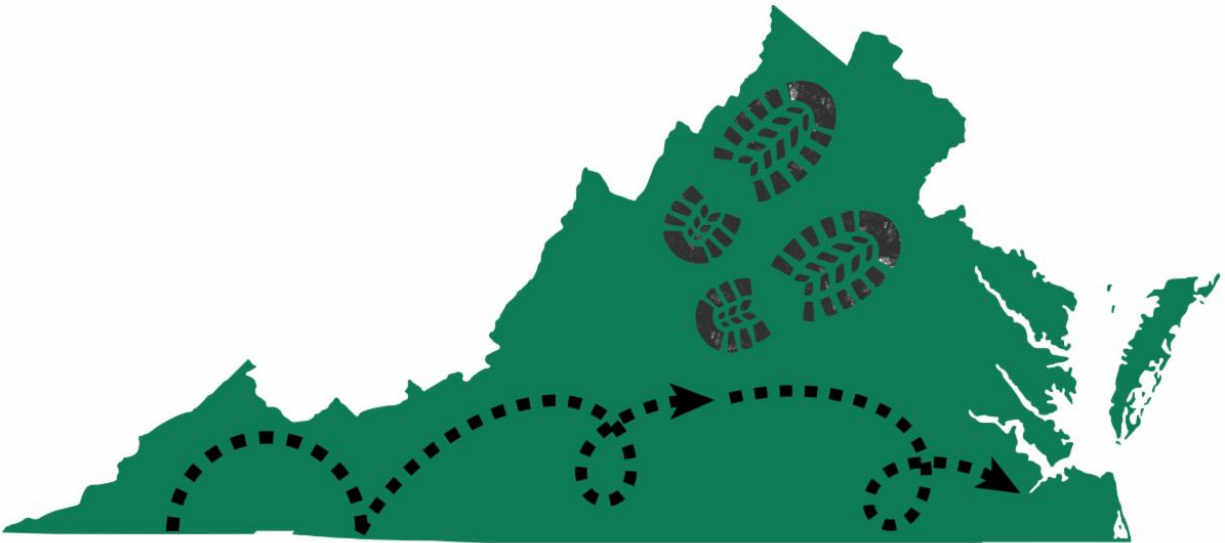
Last date for magazines and nuts online purchase

November 11th

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Rewards submitted by troops

TREK - Register Today



TREK through Virginia

Attention volunteers!

TREK Weekend will be held October 14-16th at Camp Pamunkey Ridge. Join us for a weekend of camping, workshops, networking, exploring Camp Pamunkey Ridge and so much more. If you are a new leader, this is the perfect weekend to build your confidence at camp all while meeting other leaders. If you are a seasoned leader, this weekend will have many learning activities for you to try something new. Making memories and new friends is not just for the girls. Do not miss out on this weekend of fun, **register today!**

Weekend Pricing:

Full weekend - \$40
Saturday only - \$30

Retail Shop Update - Inventory Hours

The Retail Shop will be closed due to the inventory process. We will be conducting inventory on Wednesday, August 24th-Friday, August 26th. We will resume normal hours on Monday, August 29th at 10:00 a.m.

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Summer Hours

The Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia Office and Retail Shop have transitioned to Summer Hours.

Office

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday: CLOSED

Retail Shop

Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Closed Saturday and Sunday

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Girls and volunteers can text NEXT to 59618 to join!