

S'm*s*re News

exclusively for leaders and volunteers



Pack Up. Let's Go Camping!

Resident Camp 2022 is underway and everyone is having a blast! Don't worry though, we still have a spot for you. Check out the session highlighted below, or check out the <u>2022 Camp Book</u> for more options.

Staff Spotlight

Please help us welcome one of our new staff members: Naudy Solano-Daye! Naudy is our Director of Program.

Naudy graduated from Georgia Southern University in 2013 with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and a minor in International Studies and Spanish Literature.

Since graduating, Naudy has held positions with many non-profit organizations working to improve the lives of others. She has created trauma-informed and DEI focused programs for Kansas City social services providers and worked with high school students in DC in two roles creating positive programming for them and safe places for them to Trouble viewing? Click here.

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be themselves.

In addition to her career in public service, Naudy also volunteers with the Junior League of Richmond. She has also acted as a mentor for Big Brother Big Sister and for a college student from 2016-2022. When she is not in the office, you can find Naudy reading a good book, kayaking, or exploring new places.

Naudy is looking forward to creating spectacular programs for Girl Scouts to experience and create memories. Naudy's one year-old daughter is a future Girl Scout!

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



Kick-off Save the Dates



Thursday, August 4th | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | Virtual

Tuesday, August 9th | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | Virtual

Saturday, August 13th | 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | In-person

Thank you for your feedback in May! We gathered your suggestions and requests, which resulted in this exciting Kick-Off built by you. Kick-Off is almost here and we have so much to tell you about! We will be hosting two virtual sessions full of educational topics, surprises to announce, and giveaways. In addition to the virtual sessions we will be at Camp Pamunkey Ridge for a second consecutive year. The in-person event will be free flowing where volunteers select what they want to do and learn about, while also enjoying all the wonderful things Pamunkey Ridge has to offer.

Thursday, August 4th | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | Virtual

Session Highlights:

- Mental health initiatives
- Town halls
- 110th Anniversary
- Ongoing training sessions
- Program Event & Activity Guide teaser
- New Badge & uniform spotlight
- Fall Product Program training
- Cookie Program sneak peeks □
- A chance to win a hammock AND a gift card for personalized Vans

Tuesday, August 9th | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | Virtual

Session Highlights:

- GSUSA Scholarship recipient announced
- Power Her Promise video
- Town halls
- Travel 101 training
- Tips to keep girls engaged
- Girl Scout Highest Awards mini-training
- Additional Troop money earning training
- A chance to win a hammock AND a gift card for personalized Vans

Saturday, August 13th | 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. | Camp Pamunkey Ridge - Adults only

Pure Fun Highlights:

- Complimentary breakfast from Chick-fil-A
- A dip in the pool
- Photo booth
- 110th Anniversary selfie station
- Product Program incentives and samples [©]
- T-shirt giveaway
- Ice cream truck
- Access to the Trading Post
- All volunteers at the Camp Pamunkey Ridge Day will be a part of a GSCV first-ever aerial photo to celebrate our 110th Anniversary as a Council

You do NOT want to miss out on Kick-Off 2022-23,**register now!** Registration closes August 5th for the in-person session.



Pamunkey Games| July 31st - August 5th

On your mark, get set, FUN! Girls who love a bit of friendly competition, this is the week for you. Campers will explore all the fun camp has to offer, as well as compete in different challenges within their group during the Pamunkey



building challenges, the climbing tower, and more await campers. All this fun will come together on WOW Wednesday in a series of camp-wide challenges to find out who will take home the gold medal. Lace up your shoes and get ready for an awesome week!

*This session does have Little Bit O' Camp available.

This session will be nothing but playing around, but if you are a looking for something different, we have a session for you. Check out the **<u>2022</u>** Camp Book for all that camp has

to offer.

TREK Save the Date



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

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 November 11th Last date for magazines and nuts online purchase

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Rewards submitted by troops

Volunteer Toolkit (VTK)



The Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) is a digital resource that supports volunteers in delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience and individually registered girls in managing their own experience with their caregiver, ensuring every Girl Scout has the opportunity she deserves to build a lifetime of leadership, success, and adventure. Accessible from desktop and mobile devices, the VTK allows access to badges, Journeys and programming across all levels at no additional charge!

VTK (Volunteer Toolkit) will archive year plans on August 2nd. Make sure to print any archived

year plans dating back 3 years or more if your troop wants to reference them as they will not be available after August 1, 2022. Should you need assistance, contact <u>gshelper@comgirlscouts.org</u>.

Not renewed yet? Only leaders renewed for MY23 will have access to VTK after September 30th.

Retail Shop Update - New!



My Girl Scout Values Patches

Show off what it means to be a Girl Scout with this fun patch. Wear your Girl Scout values on your vest (or sash) with this collection of Girl Scout Value Fun Patches. Stop by the Retail Shop to get yours today!

Each sew-on patch is \$1.50

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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