

S'more News

exclusively for leaders and volunteers

Summer hours have begun!
Friday, May 26, 2023 - Saturday, September 2, 2023

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Shop Hours

Monday - Thursday: 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
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Saturday & Sunday: CLOSED



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July 5, 2023 Edition

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2023 Summer Camp

Session Spotlight: Potions & Pixies
July 23 - July 28



Camp always has a kind of magic, but this session inspired by the worlds of your favorite witches and wizards promises to be the most magical week yet! Be sorted into a magical house, make your own wand, and learn about some of the magic in the world all around you in this fun-filled week at camp. You'll find the magic doesn't stop as campers enjoy activities like archery, the pool, arts and crafts, and the lake. You'll have to pull together all your newfound magical skills on WOW Wednesday as houses compete to win the house cup! Pack your cauldron and your quill for what promises to be a magical week!

*For Girls Entering Grades 2-8

***Little Bit O' Camp available for girls entering Grade 1-3 (July 26 - July 28)**

[Register Here](#)

Session Spotlight: Paddle On July 30 - August 4



Strap on your PFD and head to the lake. This week we're squeezing in a last bit of summer fun as we paddle on! Take on all that the waterfront has to offer. Campers will canoe, kayak, and stand-up paddle board before the week is done. Campers will explore more than just the lake though; after all, it wouldn't be camp without some time at the pool, arts and crafts, and more! WOW

Wednesday promises to be boatloads of fun as groups compete in the second annual cardboard boat regatta – it's up to you to keep your counselor dry!

*For Girls Entering Grades 2-12

[Register Now](#)

Program Events and Activities

Incredible Bravery at the Special Olympics: Highlighting Girl Scout Avery



On June 9, 2023, Avery was volunteering at the Special Olympic Summer Games and assisting with the aquatic events. Shortly before the races began, one of the swimmers suffered a medical emergency; she had a seizure during her warm up lap. Avery, as well as the lifeguards on duty, noticed the swimmer in distress. They rushed over and got her out of the water and ensured the area was safe. Once her seizure had subsided, Avery was tasked with making sure her head and neck were stabilized until emergency responders arrived. The swimmer was transported to a nearby hospital for further care.

While the medical emergency was not something that Avery could have anticipated happening, she was glad things went as well as they did with assisting the swimmer. She is proud to have been able to help. The role she played in her rescue can be directly tied to being a Girl Scout. As stated in the Promise, to “help people at all times,” she did not hesitate to take action. Additionally, she feels as though the badges she has worked hard to earn over the past nine years, such as First Aid and outdoor activities, helped prepare her for the situation.

Volunteering in the community is something she enjoys and does a lot of

through Girl Scouts and school. It makes her feel proud to represent herself, Girl Scouts, and her community when she helps others.

GSCV Treat Yourself: Fall Product Program

The Fall Product Program is a fun and simple way for Girl Scout troops to finance adventures, give back to the community and learn the five essential skills of Goal Setting, Decision Making, Money Management, People Skills, and Business Ethics. Troop packets will be mailed to leaders this summer.

This year's theme is OWN YOUR MAGIC and the mascot is the Ocelot.

The Ocelot is a medium-sized wildcat found throughout the Southwest in the United States, Mexico, and Central and South America. They are agile climbers and love to swim. Their beautiful fur coats make them resemble a jaguar or leopard. Encourage your Girl Scouts to learn more interesting things about these beautiful, endangered cats.



New this year customers will be able to purchase Tervis products and a special Girl Scout themed Bark Box through the magazine portal.



Key Dates for 2023

September 9: Start date for online sales and order taking can begin

October 3: Last day for parents/guardians to enter order form orders in the M2 site

October 5: Last day for troop leaders to enter order form orders in the M2 site

October 20: Fredericksburg Drive Thru

October 21: Richmond and Chesterfield Drive Thru

October 23 -24: Rural Deliveries

October 26: Second Chance Order pick up Fredericksburg

October 27: Second Chance Order pick up Richmond and Chesterfield

November 9: Last Date to purchase magazines, nuts and candy online

November 10: ACH draft for troop payment

November 10: Deadline for rewards selections


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JULY 15

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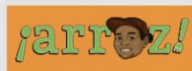

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WOMEN IN SPORTS NIGHT

PRESENTED BY 
GATES OPEN AT 5:45 PM
KICKOFF 7 PM

GIRL SCOUT PARADE *STARTING AT 5:50PM TO 6:15PM*
HEINEKEN HAPPY HOUR
UNCOOL HAPPY HOUR
ON-SITE JERSEY CUSTOMIZATION STATION

FOOD TRUCKS:



SHAKEDOWN EATS

GET YOUR
TICKETS
NOW!



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GIRLSCOUTDISCOUNTEDTICKETS

HOME MATCHES HELD AT CITY STADIUM. HAPPY HOUR FROM 5:45-7PM. UNCOOL HAPPY HOUR STARTS AT THE 70TH MINUTE DURING THE MATCH UNTIL THE END OF THE MATCH. ALL TIMES AND THEME NIGHT DETAILS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

WANT TO BOOK A GROUP? CONTACT DONOVAN HAVENS AT DHAVENS@RICHMONDKICKERS.COM
OR CALL (804) 644-5425 EXT 324

Richmond Kickers Publication



Come out to City Stadium on July 15th as the Richmond Kickers Pro Soccer Club faces off against Charlotte Independence for our Women In Sports Night!

Link will provide two price types - One ticket for girls to receive a Richmond Kickers Patch and the other for a discounted ticket to the match!

Pre-match parade for all Girl Scouts will run from 5:50pm - 6:15pm. Gates open at 5:45pm with first kick set for 7:00pm.

See you at City Stadium!

GET TICKETS

**TICKETS AVAILABLE: GIRL SCOUT NIGHT
WITH THE CHILI PEPPERS **RESCHEDULED**
TO JULY 26th!**

GIRL SCOUT NIGHT
SHEPHERD STADIUM
FRIDAY, JUNE 16TH
GATE OPENS @ 5:45PM.
GAME STARTS @ 7PM.

*First 500 Girl Scouts at the game will receive a Chili Peppers patch!

*On field parade @ 6:30pm

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

Chili Peppers



GET TICKETS!

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. It ensures 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!



Volunteer Toolkit(VTK) will archive year plans on July 9, 2023. 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 July 9, 2023. Should you need assistance, contact gshelper@comgirlscouts.org.

Not renewed yet? Only leaders renewed for MY24 will have access to VTK after September 30, 2023.

Feature Your Troop on Social Media!

**WANT YOUR GIRL SCOUT TROOP
FEATURED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA?
SHARE YOUR PHOTOS WITH US!**

Send in your photos with a short description, and we'll spread the love on our Facebook & Instagram.



Submit all photos to
Janna Joyner,
Director of Marketing &
Communications, at
jjoyner@comgirlscouts.org.

Training Opportunities

**September 29-30, 2023
Pamunkey Ridge**

TREK Weekend 2023
Registration is open!

**Open 24/7
on-demand**



**Questions about training? Need assistance registering for a training course?
Contact the GSCV help desk: gshelper@comgirlscouts.org**

**TREK Weekend 2023
September 29-30, 2023**



Join us for a **TREK Through Georgia** at Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp!

- Learn about The Birthplace, Girl Scout travel and more
- Experience the highlights of camp
- Network with fellow leaders
- Take away new troop ideas

This adult-only training weekend is for new and seasoned leaders alike. Make memories and new friends. Do not miss out on this weekend of fun.



Join us for TREK Weekend 2023!

Friday, September 29, 6:00 p.m. (optional overnight)
Saturday, September 30, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
\$40 (includes meals, class supplies, and event patch)

Register below!



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TREK Weekend is *for* volunteers, *by* volunteers.

Our theme this year is *TREK Through Georgia*, held at Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp. So, register today and join us for exciting Girl Scout leader focused workshops, a chance to explore Pamunkey Ridge Camp, and a Georgia inspired menu. This adults-only weekend is just for you! Register below for a fun packed weekend of Girl Scout learning and networking.

September 29-30 TREK Weekend Registration

Browse the TREK Weekend workshops

Download the flyer above and share with your troop adults!

Retail Shop

Rainbow T-Shirt — Girls



Girl Scouts Repeat Decal



Rainbow Backpack Clip



Who doesn't love the sight of a rainbow? Light heather grey t-shirt with rainbow colored "Girl Scouts" in overlapping repeat pattern. Cotton (60%) and recycled polyester (40%). Traditional fit. Imported. Love this look? Get the backpack clip and water bottle decal to match!

Rainbow T-shirt: \$25.00

Water Bottle Decal: \$2.00

Backpack Clip: \$8.00

Shop hours now through September 2, 2023

Monday - Thursday | 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. | Friday | 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
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Shop online 24/7

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