

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

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Saturday & Sunday: CLOSED



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June 21, 2023 Edition

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110th Rally: Thank You!

We had an incredible time at our 110 Rally on June 10th.
Thank you to everyone who volunteered and supported the event.

Five of our Ambassador Girl Scouts bridged to Adult Members during our
110th Rally. Congratulations!





2023 Summer Camp

Summer's Officially Here: Celebrate at Girl Scout Camp!



Happy 1st Day of Summer!

Camp season has officially begun! Make sure to check out our **2023 Camp Book**, which is filled with exciting new offerings and classic camp fun. As you continue making summer plans this year, consider giving the gift of summer camp! Each session is a chance for campers to learn new skills, make new friends, and gain self-confidence all while having boatloads of unplugged fun in the great outdoors.



Program Events and Activities

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

Pride Month



June is LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer) Pride Month, an annual celebration of the achievements, impact, and contributions

of the LGBTQ+ community in the United States. In June we also commemorate the Stonewall uprising which marks the beginning of a movement to outlaw discriminatory laws and practices against LGBTQ+ Americans. As Girl Scouts we deeply value diversity and inclusion. A Girl Scout is a friend and ally to all families.

It's important for your troop meeting to be a welcoming place where all its members feel safe and included in their troop. Since this may be considered a sensitive topic, be sure to read over the Girl Scouts Volunteer Essentials for tips on creating a safe space for girls.

We've got plenty of activities for you to choose from throughout as you join the LGBTQ+ Pride Month celebration. Here are a few options for the week so you and your troop can discover and learn your way to earning a fun patch!

- Make rainbow flags to celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month. (All Levels)
 - Draw a map of the United States and mark on it six LGBTQ+ historical landmarks and read about why they are important. (All Levels)
 - Visit the National Women's History Museum website and read about LGBTQ+ historical figures and how they advocated for their community in the larger gay movement. Share what you learned with your troop or family. (J/C/S/A)
 - Learn about three famous LGBTQ+ chefs and/or leaders in the food industry. What is their favorite part of their jobs and favorite dish? For extra fun, try to make one of their dishes. (J/C/S/A)
 - Attend an LGBTQ+ Pride celebration in June with your family or troop. (All Levels)
 - Read a children's book featuring LGBTQ+ characters. Here are a few recommendations: *Love Makes a Family* by Sophie Beer; *Stonewall: A Building, an Uprising, a Revolution* by Rob Sanders; *I am Billie Jean King* by Brad Meltzer; *I Am Jazz* by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings, or find one on your own. (All Levels)
 - Make a list of 3 LGBTQ+ athletes, the sport they participated in, when they competed, and the awards they won. (J/C/S/A)
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KICKERS

JULY 15

VS. CHARLOTTE INDEPENDENCE


girl scouts
of the commonwealth
of virginia

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 THESE 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

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

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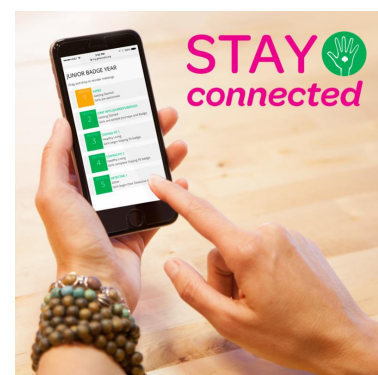
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Volunteer Toolkit (VTK)

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
at Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp

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

- Learn about The Birthplaces, 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!



TREK Weekend 2023 September 29-30, 2023

**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

Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge Patch

Unlock your love for the outdoors
and unlock a fresh patch!



Get out and get exploring by taking the Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge!

To complete the Love the Outdoors Challenge, you can choose from 50 fun outdoor activities to keep you entertained and exploring new experiences this summer.

The Love the Outdoors Activity sheet is available in **English** and **Spanish**. Patch \$1.50.

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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