

S'more News

exclusively for leaders and volunteers



Pack Up. Let's Go Camping!

2022 Resident Camp is right around the corner and we cannot wait to see Girl Scouts back out at Camp Pamunkey Ridge! Check out the session highlighted below, or check out the 2022 Camp Book for more options.

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In Memory



Rosetta Gibbs was a wonderful volunteer for Girl Scouts. Her dedication to our girls will be remembered fondly. Our thoughts are with her loved ones. A Green Angel she has become.

Attention: S'more News will move to a biweekly schedule for the summer season.



Camp Chronicles

Pamunkey Games | July 31st - August 5th

On your marks, 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 during the Pamunkey Games! Relay races, swimming, bicycling, archery, team building challenges, the BRAND NEW climbing tower, and more await campers. WOW Wednesday will decide who will take home the gold medal of Camp Pamunkey!

This session will be fun no doubt, but if competition is not your style we still have the session for you. Check out the [2022 Camp Book](#) for all that camp has to offer.



Early Bird registration

We encourage all members renew between now and June 3rd, 2022 for the membership year that starts Oct. 1, 2022.

Bonus Events: Only members who renew by May 13th can attend an exclusive virtual event with Kristen Bell (details below).

June 18th Day at Camp: Troops with 100% plus two adult renewals can attend a fun complimentary event at Camp. Troops will experience all the great things Camp Pamunkey Ridge has to offer. You will get to try archery, ax throwing, canoeing, check out the new climbing tower, plus a scavenger hunt and water fun. Lunch will be provided by Council.

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 Early Bird Incentive graphic above to learn more about the great benefits of renewing your membership as an Early Bird.

Kristen Bell and Girl Scouts: Paint Your World Purple



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Join or renew
for a fun
virtual event!



Training Opportunities

**Level 1 Archery
Training | Saturday,
June 25th | 9:00a.m.-
3:00p.m.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge
| \$40**

Archery is a Girl Scout staple and a confidence boosting experience for girls. By taking the Level 1 Archery Training is for instructors and those interested in becoming an instructor. In this training you will become certified to bring this experience to girls in your troop, service unit, and special events! Adult instructors are required for Girl Scout archery activities, but girls 16 or older



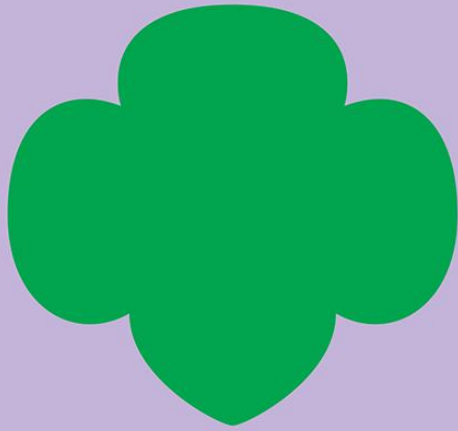
are invited to become certified instructors as well.

Certification for GSCV's archery program is provided through USA Archery. USA Archery offers Level I Instructor courses in a blended learning format. Volunteers will need to complete the knowledge portion of the course online prior to completing the in-person skills session at Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp.

USA Archery Level I Instructor certification is a required course for volunteers who wish to teach beginning archery skills to Brownies through Ambassadors. In Level 1, participants learn about range safety, range setup, the steps of shooting, equipment, and equipment repair. Girls 16 years of age and older are welcome to participate. This USA Archery certification is valid for three years and

renewable online through USA Archery.

Registration for USA Archery Level I begins by first registering [here](#) and you will receive the information to complete the required online course then attend the in-person course on Saturday, June 25th.



Teach your troop that health applies to physical AND mental well-being. Sign up for our *Resilient. Ready. Strong.* training in **gsLearn** to help you tackle tough subjects that might come up as you discuss mental wellness with girls and the fun, grade-level appropriate activities in this program. You are vital in helping them develop their own healthy coping mechanisms. **Log in to myGs>gsLearn** to complete this training today—you'll walk away with a few helpful stress-busting techniques yourself!

Partner Program Opportunity

The Valentine - Richmond Monument Avenue Revisited

Saturday, May 21st | 10:00-12:00pm
\$25 for Girl Scouts & \$15 for adults

Girl Scouts will enjoy a guided walk through the infamous sites that helped spark a national discussion on the role of monuments in today's culture. Girl Scouts will get to discover Monument Avenue by both investigating its origins and understanding its effects on Richmonders over time. After viewing and listening to archival sources, Girl Scouts will dialogue about why Monument Avenue was created,



who built it, and how it has changed physically and culturally. Go home with your very own Valentine patch. Registration deadline is May 15th for this event.

Register here!



Girl Scout Night at the Fred Nats

The Fredericksburg Nationals are hosting their first Girl Scout Night on Wednesday, May 25th! 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.**



Maymont - Richmond | May 28th | 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Animal Habitats

Ready to earn your Animal Habitats Badge? Join the team at Maymont to find out more about where animals live, how they play, and how humans can help them! Together we will learn about animals.

\$30 for Girl Scouts

\$10 for adults

Register here!

Cookie Rewards

Here is what you need to know:

- Rewards up to the t-shirt at the 400 level will be delivered to your local Service Unit Product Program Manager. Normally it takes several weeks to deliver, so expect them late in May. Once the SUPPM has the rewards, they will contact troop leaders to arrange a pick-up or delivery time.
- Pathway Passes will be mailed to girls' homes. If you have moved in the last year, please check your account in MyGS to make sure your mailing address is correct. Pathway Passes expire on Friday, September 30th, 2022. Passes can be used to renew a girl's membership, in the GSCV Retail Shop and towards events and camp.
- Girls who earned tickets and acorn bucks to the Cookie Boss event (500 packages) at the Night at the Diamond will receive an electronic invitation with information on how to RSVP.
- Girls who earned an invitation to the Stellar Seller Event (750 Packages) will receive an electronic invitation with information on how to RSVP.
- Girls who earned a camp session (1,000 packages) will receive an electronic invitation with instructions on how to register for camp.
- Girls who earned rewards at the 1,250 level and above will pick up their rewards at the Stellar Seller Event on Sunday, June 5th. They will receive an electronic invitation with instructions on how to RSVP.
- Girls who earned the American Girl Doll (1,250 packages) will receive an electronic communication allowing the girl to select one of four doll choices. Girls who do not respond will receive the American Girl Doll of the Year.
- Girls who earned the private watch party at the movies (3,000 packages) will receive an email to arrange the best location for their party.
- The volunteer tote for the troops that earned them (PGA of 200+) will be distributed with the other rewards through local Service Unit Product Program Manager.
- The Fall Product/Cookie Crossover patch earned by girls who sent 15 emails during the Fall Product Program and sold at least 275 packages of cookies will be mailed directly to the girls' homes. You should expect this patch in June.



Save the Dates:



Stellar Seller

The Cookie Stellar Seller event will be held at Camp Pamunkey Ridge on Sunday, June 5th. This event will recognize all girls selling 750 or more cookie packages.

The Cookie Boss - Night at The Diamond

The Night at The Diamond with the Flying Squirrels will be held Friday, June 10th. Two tickets will be available to all girls who sell 500 or more packages of cookies.

Additional tickets will be for sale on the Flying Squirrels website and all Girl Scout families are welcome to attend.

If you did not quite get to the 500 level, you can join your sister Girl Scouts for the game on Friday, June 10th. All Girl Scouts and their chaperones will be invited to participate in a pre-game parade; arrive by 5:40 p.m. to line up for the parade. Visit the **Flying Squirrels** website or contact Garrett Erwin at **garrett.erwin@squirrelsbaseball.com** to order your tickets today. Tickets include a commemorative patch (while supplies last) and participation in the parade.

Retail Shop Update

That's a wrap on a
great troop year.

Get ready to bridge to the next
adventure.

Bridging season is upon us. Make sure your Girl Scouts are ready to leap into their next adventure. Head to the Retail Shop for everything you need.




Welcome,
Girl Scout Junior!
Inspiring adventures
lie ahead!

Name _____

Girl Scout Volunteer Signature _____

Date _____

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Summer Hours Begin - Friday, May 6th

The Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia Office and Retail Shop will be transitioning to Summer Hours on Friday, May 6th.

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.-5:30 p.m.
 Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
 Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
 Sunday: CLOSED

In observance of Memorial Day, the Retail Shop will be closed on Saturday, May 28th and the GSCV Office and Retail Shop will be closed Monday, May 30th.

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Girls and volunteers can text NEXT to 59618 to join!