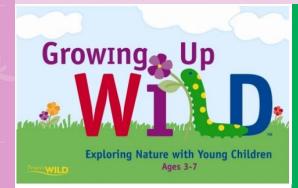


# S'm re News

exclusively for leaders and volunteers



### **Growing Up Wild**

Daisy and Brownie troop leaders have a chance to attend training to gain resources to lead Girl Scouts in outdoor adventures. Registration is not open much longer, make sure you secure your spot! Trouble viewing? Click here.

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### **Early Bird registration**

We're hoping all members renew between now and June 3rd, 2022 for the membership year that starts Oct. 1, 2022. Special bonus: Only members who renew by May 13th can attend an exclusive virtual event with Kristen Bell (details below). Renew your Girl Scout membership at www.comgirlscouts.org

#### 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:**

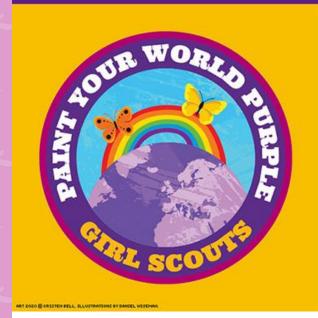
- Paint Your World Purple featuring Kristen Bell
- Must renew by May 13th
- Event Date: May 19th at 6:00 p.m. or 9:30 p.m.
- Members-only virtual event



Click the 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





Join or renew for a fun virtual event!



# 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 Girls 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.

## **Growing Up WILD**

# Training for Daisy and Brownie Leaders

Girl Scouts has emphasized the importance of getting outdoors for the past 110 years. Learning about the environment and having fun outdoors helps Girl Scouts build courage, confidence and character to make the world a better place.

Growing Up WILD builds on Girl Scout Daisy's and Brownie's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife. Through a wide range of activities and experiences, explore differences between living and non-living objects, basic needs and characteristics of plants and animals. Leaders will receive a troop copy of the Growing Up WILD guide along with other resources to help conduct the activities

with their troop. The 27



**Growing Up WILD** activities supports many of the Daisy and Brownie badges, including the Outdoor Art, Math in Nature, Camping and more.

Date: Saturday, May 14th, 2022 Time: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Location: Fort Clifford, 100 Brockwell Lane, Colonial Heights, VA

Registration is open now and closes Wednesday, May 11th.

Register here now!

## **Partner Program Opportunity**

Fredericksburg Food Bank Open House Peanut Butter Drive & Donation Drop-Off Saturday, May 21st | 9:00-12:00pm | \$10

Every year the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank serves over 31,000 people across the Central Rappahannock River Region. This drive will help ensure that our community has access to this excellent source of protein that also tastes good! Make a difference and help collect peanut butter for your neighbors facing hunger. When you arrive to drop off your peanut butter, you will get an inside look at how a food bank works. Take an exclusive tour of the facility and follow



your peanut butter from reception to distribution! Receive a patch!



### **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!** 

## **Retail Shop Updates**

# Graduation Regalia



Is your Girl Scout graduating this year? Cap off her Girl Scout experience with the graduation regalia to match. Shop the cords, stole, charms, and patches that will distinguish her achievements on graduation day. Celebrate her achievement in Girl Scout style!

## 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 effect Monday, June 13th through Saturday, September 3, 2022:

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

Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Closed Saturday and Sunday

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!