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Fall Product Program rewards deadline



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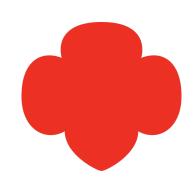
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GSCV Office & Shop will have a delayed opening tomorrow, November 10, 2022. GSCV Office will be open 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and GSCV Shop will be open 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Program Event and Activity Guide

Girl Scout Program Age levels welcome to register for each program activity are indicated by a letter with each offering below.

- D Girl Scout Daisy (K-1)
- B Girl Scout Brownie (2-3)
- J Girl Scout Junior (4-5)
- C Girl Scout Cadette (6-8)
- S Girl Scout Senior (9-10)
- A Girl Scout Ambassador (11-12)



Run! Don't walk & register today!



December is just around the corner, and we have exciting Girl Scout program activities for you! As always, registration closes two weeks before the event so don't delay!

12/3 - The Valentine: Figures of Freedom (B, J, C, S, A)

12/7 - Real Life Academy: What To Do If You Get Pulled Over (C, S, A)

12/8 - Financial Literacy with Virginia Credit Union (VACU) for Girl Scout Brownies (B)

12/8 - Financial Literacy with Virginia Credit Union (VACU) for Girl Scout Juniors (J)

12/10 - CodeVA (B, J, C)

12/11 - Cookie Rally at Kings Dominion (all Girl Scouts and their families)

12/11 - Richmond Ballet-Nutcracker (all Girl Scouts and their families)

Financial Literacy with VACU Thursday, December 8, 2022 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Girl Scout Brownies spend the evening learning the difference between needs, like food and clothing, and wants, like video games and movie tickets. Girls will earn their Money Manager Badge.

Financial Literacy with VACU Thursday, December 8, 2022 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Girl Scout Juniors will explore the difference between needs and wants and how to budget for both. Earn your Savvy Shopper Badge with this interactive program.



Richmond Ballet-Nutcracker: Sunday, December 11, 2022 5:30 p.m.

Watch toy dolls come to life in this holiday classic. Girl Scouts and their families will enjoy a special postshow question & answer session with Company Dancers in the Carpenter Theatre at Dominion Energy Center.

Girl Scout Troop Leaders and families can order tickets as a group or on an individual basis through the link above or by calling the Richmond Ballet Box Office at 804.344.0906 x224.



Hairspray: Thursday, January 26, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Can a girl with big dreams (and even bigger hair) change the world? HAIRSPRAY, Broadway's Tony Award-winning musical comedy, follows 16-year-old Tracy Turnblad in 1960's Baltimore as she sets out to dance her way onto TV's most popular show.

Girl Scouts can use this <u>link</u> to purchase group tickets online for 8 or fewer attendees.

Girl Scouts should contact the Broadway in Richmond office for assistance with a group purchase of 9+: groups@broadwayinrichmond.com or 804-592-3401.

Treat Yourself Fall Product Program



Fall Product Program Rewards

The rewards for the Fall Product Program will be submitted at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 11th. **Please review your troop rewards in the M2 site to ensure everything is correct prior to 4:00 p.m. Friday.** To do this, click on **Rewards** from your troop dashboard. Then as you click on each girl's name you will see the rewards she has currently earned. If your troop ordered extras or



picked up second chance orders, you will want to make sure it's transferred to girls, so they get the proper credit.

To transfer second chance orders to girls in your troop follow the steps below. Log into www.gsnutsandmags.com/GSCV

- · Under your troop dashboard look for the section titled **Product Management**
- Click on Manage Extra Product
- · Click on Move Product
- · Select Product will be moved to **Girl Scout**
- · Type in the **troop number** (even if it's your troop)
- · Choose the girl to move the product to
- · Select the items to move
- · Click on Move Product

ACH for Fall Product Program

ACH for Fall Product will be here soon. If your troop has a balance for the Fall Product Program, we will draft that balance from your troop account on November 11th.

Not sure if your troop has a balance? Login to www.gsnutsandmags.com/GSCV

- 1. Look for Financials and Reporting on your troop dashboard
- 2. Click on Banking and Payments for a full breakdown of your troop sales and the balance due.

Keep in mind if you are picking up 2nd chance orders or have additional online and magazine sales, this amount may change. So, check back on November 10th.

Important Dates

November 10th

Last date for magazines and nuts online purchase

November 11th

ACH Draft Rewards submitted by troops by 4:00 p.m.

Training Opportunities

Growing Up Wild: training for Daisy & Brownie Leaders

Ready to explore nature with your troop? What can be explored just outside your troop's meeting



place?

See the outdoors a whole new way from nature's experts that are Growing Up Wild!

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 support many of the Daisy and Brownie badges, including the Outdoor Art, Math in Nature, Camping and more.

Date: Saturday, February 4th, 2023

Time: 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Location: Ebenezer United Methodist Church

161 Embrey Mill Rd. Stafford, VA 22554

Cost: \$10

Registration is open now and closes Friday, January 27th, 2023

Cookie Program



Cookie Training and Packet Pick-Up

In Girl Scouts, girls engage in activities that spark curiosity, confidence, and innovation. The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the foundation of entrepreneurial experience in Girl Scouts and is an important (and exciting!) part of being a Girl Scout.

Research shows that girls are interested in becoming entrepreneurs, developing financially stable futures, and using their skills to make a meaningful impact on the world. As cookie entrepreneurs, they sharpen their business savvy and work as a team to accomplish common goals and solve problems, while building the confidence they need to shine as girls, as young women, and as future leaders. And did we mention fun? They have lots of that along the way, too. Every year, Girl Scouts all over the country use their cookie earnings to have amazing experiences in their communities and beyond.

We ask leaders to participate in cookie training to best prepare to support girls in the world's largest girl-led entrepreneurial program!

New Leader training - New Leaders and Troop Cookie Managers with less than 2 years of experience are asked to attend the new leader training. This training will cover the basic operations of the Cookie Program as well

as tips for a smooth and successful experience for your girls. Both virtual and in-person new leader trainings will be offered. Link to the virtual trainings is below. No registration is required.

Experienced Leader training - Leaders and Troop Cookie Managers with 2+ years of experience are asked to attend the experienced leader training but are welcome to attend the new leader training if they prefer. This training will offer a fast-paced refresher of the overall Cookie Program and highlight new information. Both virtual and in-person experienced leader training will be offered. Link to the virtual trainings is below. No registration is required.

Cookie Packet Pick up — This is the opportunity to "pick-up" materials and Cookie Program resources. If you choose to attend an in-person training, you will pick up your materials at training. If you attend virtual training, you will be able to pick-up your materials quickly at one of the designated cookie packet pick-up locations. Seven-variety sample packages of cookies will be available for \$10 (at packet pick-up) and all troops will receive a complimentary package of the Trefoil Cookie (formerly known as Shortbread). Please be aware the new Raspberry Rally cookie will not be available in the sample pack; this cookie will only be available online.

Saturday, December 3rd 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Experienced leader training virtual https://zoom.us/j/97133601026
Passcode: 593898



Saturday, December 3rd 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

New leader training GSCV office 4900 Augusta Ave, Suite 200 Richmond, VA 23230

In-person location

Saturday, December 3rd 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Experienced leader training GSCV office 4900 Augusta Ave, Suite 200 Richmond, VA 23230

In-person location

Saturday, December 3rd | 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Cookie packet pick-up GSCV office lobby | 4900 Augusta Ave | Richmond VA 23230

Monday - Thursday, December 5th-8th | 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cookie packet pick-up GSCV office lobby | 4900 Augusta Ave | Richmond VA 23230

Monday, December 5th 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Combined In-person
New & Experienced location
leader training
Ebenezer United Methodist Church
161 Embry Mill Rd.
Stafford VA, 22554

Monday, December 5th | 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Cookie packet pick-up Ebenezer United Methodist Church | 161 Embry Mill Rd. | Stafford VA, 22554

Tuesday, December 6th 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Experienced leader training virtual https://zoom.us/j/96628203950
Passcode: 791499



Tuesday, December 6th 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

New leader training virtual https://zoom.us/j/96628203950 Passcode: 791499



Wednesday, December 7th 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Experienced leader training virtual https://zoom.us/j/98698336075
Passcode: 795218



Wednesday, December 7th 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

New leader training virtual https://zoom.us/j/98698336075 Passcode: 795218

Second ACH draft (balance due) and Reward orders due



Saturday, December 10th | 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Cookie packet pick-up Ron Rosner YMCA parking lot 5700 Smith Station Rd., Fredericksburg, VA 22407

2023 Important Cookie Dates

Tuesday, April 4th

As you plan your troop 2022/2023 membership year, these are the most important cookie dates to assist in your planning.

Sunday, January 1st	Girls can begin taking orders and selling online
Wednesday, January 25th	Deadline for Troop Leaders to input girl orders in Smart Cookies
February 15th-22nd	Traditional deliveries (rural communities)
Thursday, February 16th	Cookie Drive Thru in Fredericksburg
Friday, February 17th	Cookie Drive Thru in Richmond
Saturday, February 18th	Cookie Drive Thru in Chesterfield
Tuesday, February 21st	Cookie Cupboards open
Wednesday, March 15th	First ACH draft (50% of initial order)
Friday, March 31st	Final day of cupboard operation, last day of program

in Smart Cookies by Troop Leaders

Girl Scouts and My Little Pony Make Your Mark Challenge and Fun Patch



NEW! Make Your Mark activity book is available

Girls will have the option of completing one or both of the **Girl Scouts and My Little Pony** challenges to unlock the limitededition fun patches. The ageappropriate, activities are for girls in grades K–3 (i.e., Daisies and Brownies). The My Little Pony fun patches will be available for purchase at our retail shop and **online** (\$1.50 retail).

Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia

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office hours: Monday - Friday | 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

shop hours: Monday - Friday | 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Saturday | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sunday | closed

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Girls and volunteers can text NEXT to 59618 to join!