



## Last call for all September 30th deadlines

- On-time Membership renewal
- Pathway Pass usage
- TREK Event registration

**Just 48 hours remaining**

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## Time to RENEW your Membership

The start of the new Girl Scout year is just around the corner, and we don't want you to miss a minute of fun!

**On-time registration is now open through September 30th.** [Click here](#) to renew your Troop or individual Girl or Adult membership now. If you've seen our latest Program Event and Activity Guide, you know that we have an amazing Girl Scout year ahead of us.

Remember, to participate in our events and activities, you must be a registered Girl Scout. Renew your membership now so that you can sign up for the best community activities our council has to offer. With any questions, call or email the help desk at 804-746-0590 or [gshelper@comgirlscouts.org](mailto:gshelper@comgirlscouts.org)

Keep the fun going



## Ready. Set. Rally!

Inviting new girls into Girl Scout troops is just as important to us as making sure you, our current members, feel engaged and supported in the Girl Scout experience. Do you have a friend, neighbor, or family member who would love to be a Girl Scout? Bring them to one of our six recruitment rallies this fall!

Our first fun-filled recruitment will be held at Harry G. Daniel Park at Ironbridge, Shelter 3, [6600 Whitepine Rd, Richmond, VA 23237](#) on Friday, September 30th from 5pm-6:30pm. Save the date, bring a friend, and see you there! Can't make it to the recruitment on the 30th? Don't worry, we have more planned. See the full schedule below, and contact the help desk with any questions about registration at 804-746-0590 or



Save the dates below, bring a friend, and join us for a fun-filled day of all things Girl Scouts.

**Harry G. Daniel Park at Ironbridge**

Friday, Sept 30<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

**Children's Museum**

Saturday, Oct 8<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**John Lee Pratt Park**

Saturday, Oct 8<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Gillfield Baptist Church**

Saturday, Oct 29<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

**GSCV Office Parking Lot**

Saturday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Rockwood Park**

Saturday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Pathway Passes**

Pathway Passes earned in the 2022 Cookie Program will expire on Friday, September 30th. Come to the Girl Scout retail shop to use your passes or call our help desk to redeem for your membership registration.



OGAG



Ready to speak your mind and share your voice to make Girl Scouting the best experience ever? Want to meet other older Girl Scouts from our council? Do you have ideas about events you would like to see council or your communities offer for older girls? If so, then Older Girl Advisory Group (OGAG) is for you!

The OGAG is looking for its very first members for the 2022-23 membership year! Don't

miss out on this opportunity to give your ideas about events you would like to see and trips you would love to plan. This is a great opportunity to utilize your leadership skills and boost your resume!

If interested, fill out the application our [website](#) by **October 15<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions, contact Naudy Solano-Daye at [nsolano-daye@comgirlscouts.org](mailto:nsolano-daye@comgirlscouts.org)

## The Program Event and Activity Guide



Registration for all events & activities happening the first week of October are open now for registration on [MyEvents](#) and there are still spots left!

- 10/8 - CodeVA
- 10/8 - Junior Climbing to New Heights
- 10/8 - Cadette Climbing to New Heights
- 10/8 - Sister Saturday: Coffee at Riverside Park

## Treat Yourself Fall Product Program

### Coconut the Monk Seal is looking for her forever home.

Any girl participating in the Fall Product Program with \$50 in magazine sales will be entered into a drawing to bring this huggable 3-foot girl home. You don't need to do anything to enter, simply ask your family and friends if they would like to purchase or renew a magazine subscription in the M2 system and sell \$50 worth. The winner will be announced at the completion of the Fall Product Program in November.



### It's not too late to participate

If your troop hasn't gotten started on the Fall Product Program yet, you still have time. Hardcopy orders are due in the system by October 6th, but troops can still participate through the online option until November 10th. Log on at [www.gsnutsandmags.com/GSCV](http://www.gsnutsandmags.com/GSCV)

Contact our helpdesk at [gshleper@comgirlscouts.org](mailto:gshleper@comgirlscouts.org) if you need help getting started.

Don't forget, parents can enter their Girl Scout's order from their nut order card to the M2 System up until October 5th. On October 6th, only Troop Leaders can enter those orders in the system. Orders need to be placed in the

system by midnight October 6th.

Products available through the Nut and Candy Program include some great holiday gifts. Be sure to check out the holiday tin filled with delicious chocolate covered pretzels and the Girl Scout collectable tin filled with Mint Treasures.



GO BRIGHT  
Ahead



## Important Dates

**October 5th**

Date orders should be in the system for girl delivery

**October 21st**

Fredericksburg Nut Drive Thru & Delivery

**October 22nd**

Richmond & Chesterfield Nut Drive Thru & Delivery

**October 21-24th**

Rural deliveries

**October 26th**

Second chance orders pick up - Fredericksburg

**October 28th**

Second chance orders pick up - Richmond & Dunmar

**November 10th**

Last date for magazines and nuts online purchase

**November 11th**

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Rewards submitted by troops

## Training Opportunities



### **Inhale Confidence, Exhale Doubt GSCV Mental Health and Wellness Training**

GSCV is committed to providing ongoing support to our dedicated leaders. In response to the many requests we've received from leaders, we have created live virtual training sessions with a mental health expert. The training will be offered on two different dates and times to meet the specific needs of leaders with younger and older girls.

Tuesday October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m. for the Daisy-Junior session

Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m. for the Cadette-Ambassador session

[Please use this link to register for either session.](#)

## Beginning Camping

Let's get your troop outside! The Beginning Camping course is designed for leaders who have little camping experience and want to take their troop camping. Upon completion of this course, you will be certified to take your Girl Scout Troop on a camping trip in the backyard, in a permanent structure such as a cabin at a state park, or Girl Scout Camp. The course follows progression in the outdoors and is specifically designed for Daisy, Brownie, and Junior Leaders. We can't wait to see you at training! This course takes place in a single day with a required prep video to watch prior to training. You will be sent the video after registration is completed and processed.



**Beginning Camping Training:** November 5th | 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. | Camp Pamunkey Ridge

[Register here!](#)

## TREK Event- last 2 days to register!



### Explore Camp, experience Outdoor Cooking and more!

TREK Weekend will be held October 14-16th at Camp Pamunkey Ridge. Join us for a weekend or the day. Camping, outdoor cooking workshops, networking, exploring Camp Pamunkey Ridge and so much more. Making memories and new friends is

not just for the girls. Do not miss out on this weekend of fun, **register today!** Registration closes September 30th.

**Weekend Pricing:** Full weekend - \$40 | Saturday only - \$30

## Cookie Program

### 2023 Important Cookie Dates

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 Through in Fredericksburg

**Friday, February 17th**

Cookie Drive Through in Richmond

**Saturday, February 18th**

Cookie Drive Through 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

**Tuesday, April 4th**

Second ACH draft (balance due) and Reward orders due in Smart Cookies by Troop Leaders



## **My Girl Scout Kit**

My Girl Scout Kit is great for new and bridging Girl Scouts! Select from the Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting, insignia, uniform items, badge requirements, journey books, and much more.

Purchase \$60 or more from one grade level and receive a FREE drawstring bag!

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Girls and volunteers can text NEXT to 59618 to join!