

S'more News

exclusively for leaders and volunteers

Summer hours have begun!

Friday, May 17, 2024 - Saturday, August 31, 2024

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Shop Hours

Monday - Thursday: 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: CLOSED

The GSCV Office & Shop will be closed on Wednesday, June 19th in observance of the Juneteenth holiday.



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May 29th, 2024 Edition

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Join Us for Girl Scout Camp

Choose Your Own Adventure Week!



Choose your own adventure week will be twice the fun with two paths to choose from each week. Select the theme that most interests you and get ready for fun!

Camp-tastic: For campers craving a more rustic experience or who want to hone their outdoor skills, come enjoy a week of outdoor fun! Campers at this session will learn outdoor survival skills and put those skills to the test. Try your hand at outdoor cooking, camp out under the stars in a tent or hammock and go home knowing how to light a campfire! The Wow of the Week will feature the ultimate camp out with a menu decided by you and your fellow campers. Come see for yourself why they call it the great outdoors!

Game On: This option is perfect for girls whose favorite part of camp is playing games with their friends. Spend the week exploring all sorts of games – board games and card games, as well as camp classics on the field. Learn about what goes into the creation of favorite games, and then try your hand at creating your own! For the WOW of the week, games go BIG with life-size versions of some of your favorites. Between it all, enjoy all the classic camp fun on the lake, in the pool, and all around. Go home with an abundance of new games to enjoy with your friends and family!

Choose Your Adventure Here!

NEW! For Cadettes & Ambassadors

CADETTES: Get excited! This year, you can now participate in axe-throwing and the high ropes course on the epic Adventure Tower!

AMBASSADORS: We're thrilled to offer Lifeguard Training! So many have expressed interest in lifeguarding as a summer job, so why not use your Girl Scout Camp experience to become well-equipped?

We'll be providing sign ups to get Lifeguard Certification Courses during your resident camp session for girls aged 16 and older.

PRESS PLAY: Hear What Girl Scouts Have to Say About Their Girl Scout Camp Experience



[Visit our Facebook Page](#)

Retail Shop



Do you have someone in your life who is Man Enough to Be a Girl Scout? Stop

into the Augusta Avenue Shop and get him a shirt or lanyard, just in time for Father's Day!

2024 Cookie Program

Let's Stir Up Some PANDAmonium!



The Cookie Rewards voting for 2025 season is LIVE!

[Vote Now!](#)

2024 Cookie Rewards

The axolotl-themed rewards from ABC Bakers have been delivered to your local Service Unit Product Program Manager. They will contact you to let you know the distribution process.

Other cookie rewards at the 750 level and above will be distributed at the Stellar Seller Event or mailed to the girls directly.

Pathway Passes have all been mailed directly to girls' homes. Please remind the girls in your troop to use them by September 30th.

If anyone needs clarification on rewards earned, we recommend using the reports in Smart Cookies. Using the **current reports**, click on **Rewards** then **Recognition Order Summary by Troop** or **Recognition Order Summary by Girl**.

Program Events & Activities



2024 events are open for registration.
Sign up now!

**Program Events & Activities for all
Program Age Levels**

Daisy (D) grades K-1

Brownie (B) grades 2-3

Junior (J) grades 4-5

Cadette (C) grades 6-8

Senior (S) grades 9-10

Ambassador (A) grades 11-12

Virginia Museum of History & Culture I-Spy: Virginia's Hidden History



Learn about the important role women played in the Revolutionary War and the Civil War. Girl Scouts will learn about Virginia spies, write in code, practice different methods of writing in invisible ink, and take part in games to hone their spy skills at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture.

Badge earned: Detective Badge

Cost: Girl/Adult, \$10/\$10

Location: Central region/ Richmond metro/ Virginia Museum of History and Culture

Virginia's Hidden History

428 N. Arthur Ashe Boulevard, Richmond 23220

Saturday, June 8

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Juniors

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM Cadette

Registration for Juniors

Registration for Cadettes

Celebrate Juneteenth with your Troop



What is Juneteenth?

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which declared a formal end to slavery in the United States. However, change was not instant after the proclamation. Nearly two and a half years later, on June 19th, 1865, the enslaved African Americans of Galveston, Texas got the news by way of the Union army troops that freedom had come at last.

The next year, the people of Galveston commemorated that day as Juneteenth, a celebration of freedom. Since then, it's been observed in communities and states as a holiday, but officially recognized as a federal holiday in 2021.

Why is the holiday called Juneteenth? The name blends the month and the day this news reached the people of Galveston: "June" plus "nineteenth" is Juneteenth. It's also often called Emancipation Day or Freedom Day.

How can you celebrate Juneteenth with your Girl Scout Troop?

- **Make a Juneteenth feast.** Food is an important part of African American history and culture and has served as a way to unify and connect communities and families for generations. Make foods or snacks using Juneteenth colors: red, black, and green. Enjoy them together.
- **Read books about Black History.** Visit your local library as a troop and read books that celebrate the achievements of Black Americans in our country.
- **Attend a Juneteenth event.** Juneteenth was declared a national holiday in 2021, but Juneteenth celebrations have been a tradition in cities around the country for decades. Visit a Juneteenth event or parade as a troop and celebrate Freedom Day with your community!

**JUNETEENTH FUN PATCH COMING SOON TO THE
AUGUSTA AVENUE SHOP!**

June is LGBTQ+ Pride Month

Celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month by having fun learning about all the communities it represents while earning a new patch!



The Girl Scout LGBTQ+ Pride Month Celebration Fun Patch is designed for Girl Scouts of all levels and their leaders to honor LGBTQ+ history, to celebrate the diverse cultures and identities of LGBTQ+ people, and to acknowledge the many contributions of the LGBTQ+ community has made and continues to make across our nation.

Girls and leaders have plenty of activities to choose from to earn this fun patch, and we encourage girls of all identities to participate.

Get the Patch!

Facebook Update!



Your Year of

Adventure

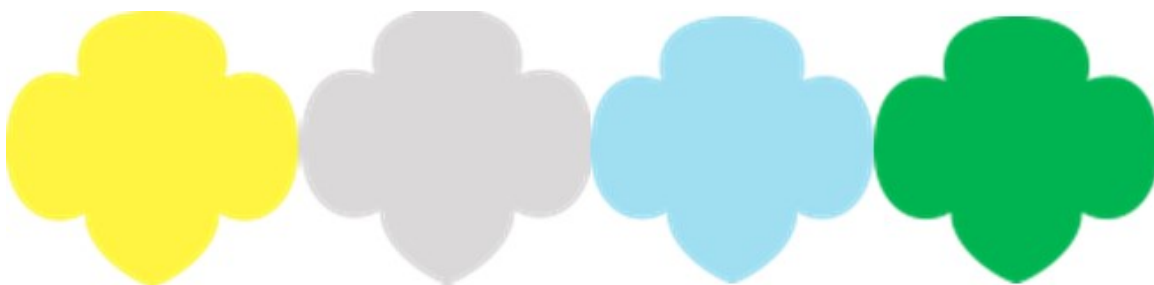


Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of VA

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...And just like that, we're back! We're thrilled to welcome you back to our ORIGINAL Facebook page, Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of VA.

Training Opportunities



September 27-28, 2024
Pamunkey Ridge

T.R.E.K. Weekend

Open 24/7
on-demand



Questions about training? Need assistance registering for a training course?
Contact the GSCV help desk: gshelper@comgirlscouts.org

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Girls and volunteers can text NEXT to 59618 to join!

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