



girl scouts
of southern illinois

Council Connections

August 1, 2022

Recording in Process

WELCOME
Service Unit Managers

Agenda

1. Girl Scout Promise
2. Community Engagement Updates
3. Finance Team Information
4. Product Program
5. Program Engagement News
6. Volunteer Resources Updates

Community Engagement



All Fun. No Filter.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

MY23 Membership Goals and Update

Traditional Troop Girls = 5200; Adults – 2800

- Girls = 2,522 girls or 49% to MY23 goal
- Adults = 1,906 adults or 68% to MY23 goal

Spring Renewal Incentives

- T-Shirts and Patches distributed September/October meetings.
- Drawings will take place later this month.

Kudos to the following Service Units:

Renewed 50% of members 4/15 – SU Party in a Box

*SU 12 Clay County, SU 51 North Franklin, SU 54 Perry County, SU 63 Richland County,
SU 87 West Frankfort, SU 531 Edgar/Clark, SU 544 Crawford/Jasper*



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Spring Renewal Incentives

Kudos to the following Service Units:

Renewed 65% of members 4/30 – SU Dinner

SU 12 Clay County, SU 51 North Franklin, SU 54 Perry County, SU 60 South Randolph, SU 110 Highland, SU 211 Waterloo, SU 531 Edgar/Clark, SU 544 Crawford/Jasper

Kudos to the following Service Units:

Renewed 75% of members (6/15) and 75% of Troop Financials (6/22) – Retail Shop Gift Card

SU 51 North Franklin, SU 54 Perry County, SU 110 Highland, SU 210 New Athens/Marissa/St. Libory/Freeburg, SU 211 Waterloo



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Council Wide Registration Day – August 27th

Active Troops -- Troop Key Roles – Keeping Info Updated/Accurate
Troop Leader, Troop Co-Leader, Troop Treasurer, Troop Product Program-
Cookies, (NCM)

United Way Black-Out Dates – Troop Money Earning Suspended
September 6 (Labor Day) – October 31 (Effingham Area – December 1)



GOVERNANCE

Fall Town Hall Meeting

Monday, September 19 - 6:30 PM

Open to all volunteers. No pre-registration required. Send any questions to be addressed at this meeting to Ashley Green-Bryant, agreen-bryant@gssofsi.org

Topic: GSofSI Town Hall Meeting w/Council Leadership

Time: Sep 19, 2022 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83683924913?pwd=SnFqZTJTV1VQL0o1bXJFcjV0NERZdz09>

Meeting ID: 836 8392 4913

Passcode: 391781

2022-2023 Delegate Determination – send updates to Customer Care

- Voting Selection takes place during August/September SU Meetings



GS FINANCE



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Girl Scout Experience Fund (GSEF) - still available.

- SUs and troops must be in good standing to apply/receive these funds.
- Please review GSEF policy prior to applying for these funds.

Liscio reports (due in June) - reports are subject to audits.

- (Service Unit Treasurers) contact the accounting team (via Customer Care, customercare@gsofsi.org) to report any “red flags” on financial reports.



PRODUCT PROGRAM

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Fall Product Program (NCM) – Important Dates

9/1 – Training available on gsLearn

9/13 – M2 Troop and Service Unit access

9/24 – Program begins, online and in-person with girl M2 access

10/23 – Program ends – magazines, direct ship and girl delivery

11/3 – ACH sweep for amount due to council

11/9 -11/11 - - Service Unit Product Delivery





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Older Girl Advisory Board

- Applications now open – Cadettes-Ambassadors
- Deadline: 9/26/22
- Application link: <https://gsofsi.jotform.com/221854345416052>
- Reference form link: <https://gsofsi.jotform.com/221854867249065>

Travel with GSofSI

- **Space Camp** - - NEW Openings
- 10/7 – 10/9 - - Openings for five (5) Juniors-Cadettes and three (3) adults
- Deadline: 8/22/22

- **National Convention and Disney – July 2023**
- 2023 Phenom by Girl Scouts only - - July 20-22, 2023
- 2023 Phenon by Girl Scouts and 3-Days @ Disney – July 20-26, 2023
- Registration links will be available this week
- Juniors - Adults



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NEW Program Offerings

- **August 22 -- First Robotics Informational Meeting – Virtual**

- **September 10 -- Dr. Sandra Magnus Day**
Bus transportation from Effingham and Carbondale area
Deadline: 8/29/22

- **September 10 – 11 -- Girl Scouts Love State Parks**
Sessions at Giant City State Park and Cache River State Park
Purchase GS Love State Parks 2022 patches from GSUSA
Purchase Cache River and Giant City State Park Patches from our retail shop
Deadline: 8/29/22

- **September 17, 24 and October 1 – Discover Forensics at SIUE**
Daisies – Juniors
Deadline: 8/15/22



VOLUNTEER RESOURCES

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Adult Training

CPR/AED/First Aid:

Wednesday, August 24th- Camp Torqua in Edwardsville, IL

Thursday, September 15th-GS Office in Glen Carbon, IL

Saturday, October 8th-Girl Scout Cabin in Marion, IL

Thursday, October 25th-Girl Scout Little House in Mt. Vernon, IL

Camping Out Training

Saturday, September 10th-Red Hills State Park in Sumner, IL

Saturday, September 17th-Girl Scout Cabin in Marion, IL

Saturday, October 8th-Girl Scout Cabin in Marion, IL

Saturday, November 12th-Camp Torqua, Edwardsville, IL

Canoe Training

Sunday, August 28, 2022- Little Grassy Marina, Makanda, IL

Archery

Saturday, November 12th-Camp Torqua Edwardsville, IL



VOLUNTEER RESOURCES

CPR/AED/First Aid Training Clarification:

A “First-Aider” is a registered adult volunteer who has taken Girl Scout approved First-aid and CPR training that includes specific instructions for **child** CPR, as well as AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training. It is recommended that each troop have at least one adult volunteer serve as the “First-Aider” for the troop. Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois highly recommends a troop have more than one person trained.

Approved Providers:

American Red Cross

American Heart Association

American Safety and Health Institute

Emergency First Responder

EMS Safety Service

Medic First Aid

National Safety Council

Stonehearth Open Learning Opportunity

American Trauma Event Management

Courses that are fully online are not accepted. Course certifications need to be earned through in-person training or blended learning (online & in-person) programs.

More information can be found on our website under the Volunteer tab and selecting the CPR Training drop down on the Adult Training page. <https://www.gssofsi.org/en/for-volunteers/adult-training.html>

VOLUNTEER RESOURCES

Save the Date: Annual Meeting followed by Volunteer Conference, Saturday, April 15, 2023, Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville, IL

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gsLearn:

Training Release

Adult Awards-Deadline closes on November 1st

Save the Date: Recognition of Excellence will be held on Sunday, May 21, 2023, at the Doubletree Hotel in Mt. Vernon, IL

Redeeming Early Bird Incentives

Volunteers should register as normal and GSofSI will reimburse through ACH. To request reimbursement, the Troop Treasurer or Service Unit Treasurer needs to complete a form after the registration is completed. Form will be available by 8/29/22.

QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!

Next Meeting: August 29, 2022

