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For Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland

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Volunteer Services

Leadership Essentials Training:

October 3, 2009 in Dodge City from 9am to 1pm at the Longbranch Hut. The address is 1109 Longbranch.

October 8, 2009 in Ulysses from 6pm to 10pm. Location to be announced.

October 19, 2009 in Liberal from 6pm to 9pm. Location to be announced.

October 24, 2009 in Garden City from 9am-12pm at the Girl Scout Office. The address is 114 Grant Ave.

Remember if you are a new Leader, Co-Leader or you have not taken this training yet you must do so A.S.A.P. You need to register for this training on Ultra Camp or call or e-mail Tina and she can register you.

If you have any questions about these classes or any other training please e-mail Tina at tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org. Also if you would like to see a Leadership Essentials training class in your area please let me know.

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Membership Services

Area Meeting Dates:

Area meeting dates have been set so mark your calendars.

Nov. 30th in Dodge City, Dec. 3rd in Liberal, Dec. 5th in Garden City, Dec. 8th in Ulysses and April 24, 2010 in Garden City.

Sign Up For Scouting:

Sign Up for Scouting – It was a huge success all the way around. We signed up more than 300 girls and adults in our area just that evening. We would like to say a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped in each service unit. We really appreciated your assistance to help make it go much smoother than it has in the past. Does anyone have any comments or suggestions on how we can make it better next year?

Bank Authorization Forms:

Just a reminder to get your Bank Authorization Forms completed and submitted to your banks. If you have time, please send Kelly a copy of them so she can keep a copy in the troop files as verification that it has been done. If you need help with this process, please call her. Please remember to start watching your bank statements for the bank charge backs so the troops don't lose money and can get their reimbursement forms in on time.

Membership Update:

Membership Registration Update: We ended our 2009 year on September 30th with 952 girls and 302 adults (which includes lifetime members) for a total of 1,254. Our goal was 850 girls and 260 adults. We ended the 2008 year with only 730 girls. Officially we started the 2010 registration year today – we currently have 849 girls and 246 adults registered (which includes lifetime members). Our goals for 2010 year are: 1,000 girls and 275 adults.

Town Meetings:

Town Meeting dates, agendas and minutes – Please remember to keep Kelly in the loop when having your monthly Town meetings. You can drop her an email or give her a quick call to touch base. As registrations slow down she will begin touching base with each service unit on a monthly basis via phone, email, etc. She does keep copies of agendas, minutes, etc. in the files and does follow-up from those.

Help:

We are still in need of leaders in many of the communities – recruit outside the box at every opportunity! If you know of someone that might be a great asset to Girl Scouts, please pass their name on to Tina and Kelly!

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Program Services

Silver & Gold Award Orientation & Older Congress Meeting:

Thank you to all of you who attended the meetings. For those of you who were unable to attend we are going to try and set up another round of them so that we can be sure to give everybody a fair chance to earn their awards. In the mean time if you are going **to earn your Silver Award you must first complete a Cadette level Journey book before you can start on your Silver.** If you are going **to earn your Gold Award and you have earned your Silver you must complete a Senior level or an Ambassador level Journey book before you can start on your Gold.** **If you have not earned your Silver you must complete 2 Journeys before you can start on your Gold.**

If you have any questions please call or e-mail Tina at 620-276-7061 or tkendall@kansascoutsgirls.org.

Mother/Daughter Special Day Out on October 17th:

Whether you have a great mother-daughter relationship or a mother-daughter relationship that can be improved, you probably know this type of bonding can start at any age. No relationship is quite as primal as the one between a mother and her daughter. It's the original relationship, and it's also a relationship that has been sentimentalized but not honored.

This camp's goal is to strengthen that bond helping mother-daughters thrive and to honor that relationship. The three hour camp is "girl time" for mothers and daughters. We will have a SPA like afternoon. As we massage and stretch we'll work to understand, survive, and navigate the mother-daughter relationship. Special "Girl Time" can create opportunities for bonding. You'll create together a special mother-daughter bracelet*. There will be plenty of takeaways like: How to create special times together, Tips on communicating, Understanding the mother/daughter relationship, a survival guide for mothers and daughters and much more. It's the best 10 dollars you ever spent. Come and enjoy an afternoon of bonding with your daughter.

You will need to bring or wear the following: T-shirt and shorts, flip flops, bathrobe is optional, pillows, a blanket or sleeping bag, towel, your favorite body lotion, foot scrub, and nail polish (if you don't we'll have ours!) and an open mind.

Please get the following information to your girls and their mothers. This is the one program that we would like to see go through this fall. We think that the girls and moms would just love it. Please have your moms call the office or go on-line to www.kansascoutsgirls.org to register. The deadline for this is October 7th.

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Product Sales Information

Fall Product (FOS):

We hope your girls have been selling lots of fall product. Remember the last day that they can sell is October 4th. Orders must be input into the Trophy Nut Website by October 7th at midnight. **It is important to remember that if you have not sent in your troop finance summary your troop should not be selling Fall Product. You are locked out of Trophy Nut and will not be able to input your order.** If you have any questions on this please call Nalin at the office.

It is also important to remember that the girls must be registered to be able to sell.

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New in the Council Shop

Shop Hours:

The new business hours are 8am to 5pm although if you need to come in after those hours please call and we will be happy to be here for you.

The shop will be open On Saturday October 3rd from 9am to 1pm.

If you have any questions or orders please e-mail them to nrees@kansasgirlscouts.org or rodriguez@kansasgirlscouts.org.

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News to Use & Ideas to Motivate

Happy Birthday to Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland!! We are going into our 3rd year. Thank you to all who have helped make this transition a smooth one.

We hope that this year will be a great one and we all look forward to working with each and every one of you.

If you have any ideas that you would like to see in this section please feel free to contact me at tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org.

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