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## Volunteer Services

### Leadership Essentials Training:

For those of you who have not yet taken Leadership Essentials, you will be glad to know that there is now an on-line Leadership Essentials that you can take. The web site that you need to go to is <http://training.girlscouts.org>. If you have not yet done your On-Line Orientation you may also go to this same web site to do that. Just click on either On-Line Orientation (the password for this is “discover”) or click on **Leadership Essentials**, depending on which one you need to take.

We really hope that this makes things easier for those of you who can not get to a class in person. I will still be doing Leadership Essentials in person along with Intro into Troop so if you would like the dates and locations for those classes, please contact me.

If you have not taken these trainings yet and you are a new Leader or Co-Leader or you have moved up from a troop helper to one of these positions you need to take these classes. Please contact me at [tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org) if you have any questions.

Please remember that I am always willing to come to your area to do trainings if you have enough people interested.

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## Membership Services

### Membership Numbers Update:

As of 1-29-2010, **we have 1081 girls & 229 adults**. We are currently over our 2010 goal of 1000 girls by 81 and we are under our 2010 goal of 275 adults by 46. Needless to say we are doing great with the girl total, but we still need to work on our adults. If you know anybody who you think would make a great volunteer, please let Kelly or Tina know so that we can contact them.

### Council Delegates:

At our Area Meetings we had 11 people sign up to be Council Delegates to represent our region at the Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland Annual Meeting on April 17, 2010 in Wichita at Starwood's. We still need more people to sign up because we need 20 Delegates and 5 alternates. Any Girl Scout over the age of 14 can be a delegate, so if you would like to nominate someone or even volunteer yourself, please contact Kelly or Tina at the office or you can email one of us.

### **Wear Your Uniform to School/Work Day:**

Attention all Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland Members:

Aren't you PROUD to be a Girl Scout!? Help us promote our organization to the public on "Wear Your Uniform To School or Work Day" – March 12, 2010. This promotion is an *old way turned new* for Girl Scout members of GSKH. By wearing your uniform to school and/or work that day, you'll be letting your peers and co-workers see the honor you have in being a Girl Scout. Take advantage of that chance to share a bit about our program and the fun, friendship and fascinating opportunities you've had in Girl Scouts. Maybe we can encourage others to join us!

Here's how it will work:

1. Girl Scout leaders pump this promo up to their girl members, volunteers and parents!
2. Girl members are asked to wear their UNIFORM to school that day.
3. Adult members can either wear either a uniform or a Girl Scout pin to work.
4. Everyone is on their honor and troop leaders will compile a list of the girls/adults within their own troops that were PROUD on March 12. (If the leader wants to visit the school to count girls that is up to her/him)
5. There will be "Proud Girl Scout 2010" patch available for purchase for those who participate in the promotion.
6. Patches will be \$1.25 each and must be ordered and paid for by March 31. Order forms will be available from your Membership Services Manager, at each regional office or via the GSKH website at [www.kansasgirlscouts.org](http://www.kansasgirlscouts.org)

### **Bilingual Volunteers:**

We are trying to find ways to reach out to the ever increasing Hispanic population. We need your help! If you are a bilingual volunteer we would like to hear from you. We are hoping to put together a task force to reach out to the many girls and adults that are in our region. If you would like to help with this please contact Kelly at [kcombs@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:kcombs@kansasgirlscouts.org).

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## **Program Services**

### **Subject: Silver and Gold Award, Older Girl Congress Meeting and Overnight event in Garden City.**

ATTN: Leaders of our Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts. **Leaders please get this information to your parents who do not have email as soon as possible.**

It has come to our attention that the Girl Scout information mailed to all Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts for the events scheduled on Feb. 6-7 was not received until January 25<sup>th</sup>. To allow all the girls the opportunity to attend the Congress Meeting and event and, if needed, take Silver or Gold training, **we are rescheduling these activities for March 27<sup>th</sup>**. **New deadline to register is March 10.**

Also... any Girl Scouts who are 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade who would like to help with younger girl camps, SU and

Council events are required to take Basic Program Aide and Troop Aide training. This training will be held in Garden City on March 20<sup>th</sup> at the Garden City Girl Scout Center, 114 Grant Ave., Garden City, KS. Price is \$15 and will include lunch. Time is from 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. You can sign up for this through [www.kansasgirlscouts.org](http://www.kansasgirlscouts.org). **The deadline for registration is March 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**If you have any questions, please email Virginia Jacobs at [vjacobs@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:vjacobs@kansasgirlscouts.org) or call 888-811-8832.**

### **I can do it Myself:**

Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am to noon in Dodge City at the Senior Center. Age level for this event is Brownies. To get further information go to [www.kansasgirlscouts.org](http://www.kansasgirlscouts.org) and look at the Spring Road map on page 13 or contact Tina at [tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org). The registration deadline is February 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Design on a Dime:**

Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to 5pm in Dodge City at the Senior Center. Age level for this event is Junior & Cadette's. To get further information go to [www.kansasgirlscouts.org](http://www.kansasgirlscouts.org) and look at the Spring Roadmap on page 15 or contact Tina at [tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org). The registration deadline is February 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fancy Nancy Daisies:**

Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 1:30pm in Garden City at the Sunnyland Bed & Breakfast Ball Room. Age level for this event is Daisy's. To get further information go to [www.kansasgirlscouts.org](http://www.kansasgirlscouts.org) and look at the Spring Roadmap on page 18 or contact Tina at [tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org). The registration deadline is February 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Quest 2010:**

**What is Quest;** It is a weekend for Girl Scouts to work on their Religious Medals. **When;** February 12, 13, & 14<sup>th</sup>. **Where;** Dodge City Community College. **Time;** Check in is from 6pm to 6:45pm at the PE building on the 12<sup>th</sup> and ends around Noon on the 14<sup>th</sup>. **Who can attend;** Girl Scouts 5<sup>th</sup> grade and older. **Cost;** Early bird is \$40 and after February 8<sup>th</sup> is \$45. **For more information on this, please contact Brenda Jensen at 620-225-0336 or 620-408-8445 or email her at [jensenbk@hotmail.com](mailto:jensenbk@hotmail.com).**

### **Council Community Service Project:**

If your troop is interested in participating in the Council wide Community Service Project, remember the deadline to register is March 12<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please contact Tina at [tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org). I will be happy to assist you on this.

### **Summer Road Map Correction:**

In the summer road map the Girl Scout Spirit of Nebraska's toll free number is incorrect. The correct number is 877-447-5558.

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## **Product Sales**

### **Cookie Kick-Off Event:**

The 2010 Tumbleweed Regional Cookie Kick off was a huge success! There were 185 registered

Girl Scouts in attendance. Thanks to all that volunteered to help with the activities. We would not have been able to do it without you. If you have not yet received your Cookie Kick-Off patches yet please contact Nalin. If you have any thoughts on this years kick off or any ideas for next years please contact Nalin at [nrees@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:nrees@kansasgirlscouts.org).

**2010 Cookie Sales Important Dates:**

February 1 – Initial orders due to Troop Cookie Managers

February 3 – Troops Input Initial Cookie Orders into SNAP by Midnight

February 8-20 – Cookies delivered to Service Unit

February 18-March 7 – Cookie Cupboards are open and booth sales

March 7 – Cookie Sales End

March 8-14 – Cookie Recognition orders entered into SNAP by Troops

March 9 – Deadline for girls to turn in money to Troop Cookie Manager

March 10-14 – Troop Cookie Managers audit with Service Unit Managers or Nalin

March 16 – GSKH begins Debit of Troop bank accounts of the amount due to GSKH. (THIS WILL NOT BE DONE UNTIL NALIN HAS RECIEVED COPIES OF BANK DEPOSIT SLIPS)

**Troop Leaders:** If you have not already done so, please make sure you fill out the ACH Debit Form and attach a voided check from your troop bank account and send it to Nalin. Also, double check to make sure that all of your girls are registered if they are selling cookies.

**Treat the Troops:**

When: Saturday, February 27, 2010 from 9am to 1pm

Where: Garden City Girl Scout Office, 114 Grant Ave.

What: Purchase Girl Scout Cookies to donate to McConnell AFB and Kansas National Guard to support the troops and their families. Write a card to send with the cookies to the deployed troops. Girl Scout Shop and Cookie Cupboard will be open. For more information, please contact Nalin at the Garden City Office.

**Cookie Delivery dates to Service Units and Cookie Cupboard:**

**February 17, 18, and 19** – All Service Units (Except Dodge City & Garden City) will have their cookies delivered.

**February 20<sup>th</sup>** – Dodge City & Garden City will have theirs delivered along with their Cookie Cupboards.

Garden City leaders will need to arrive at the National Guard Armory between 11:30 and noon to sort your troop's cookie orders.

Dodge City we will need volunteers to arrive at the National Guard Armory at 2pm to help sort cookies by troop.

Dodge City leaders will need to arrive at the National Guard Armory no later than 3:00pm to sort your troop's cookie orders.

Please contact Nalin at 620-276-7061 or [nrees@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:nrees@kansasgirlscouts.org) if you would like to help.

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**New in the Council Shop**

**The Shop will be open on February 27, 2010 from 9am to 1pm.**

**The Shop hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.**

**Shop News:**

We have new clearance items in the shop. Everything from shirts to cookie items. Why not come in and check it out?

We can have your order mailed within two business days if your items are in stock. Items not in stock may take from 14-20 business days, for you to get your order, depending on the time of year. Some seasons are busier than others.

Please contact the council shop to order at (620) 276-7061; or fax (620) 276-7143, or email orders to [nrees@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:nrees@kansasgirlscouts.org) or [rodriguez@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:rodriguez@kansasgirlscouts.org)

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## News to Use & Ideas to Motivate

**Window Contest:**

We have April & May that are still available for your troop to sign up for. If you would like to sign up for either one of these months, please contact Rachel at [rodriguez@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:rodriguez@kansasgirlscouts.org).

**Community Service Projects:**

We have had some great ideas for community service projects from everybody. Thank you to all of those who filled out the tracking report. If you have not filled out the report it is not too late to do so. Please just fill it out and send it to me here at the office.

Starting next month I will feature one or two of these ideas for all to see.

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

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What would you like to see in future e-newsletters? Please share your thoughts and suggestions. Send an e-mail Tina Kendall at [tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org](mailto:tkendall@kansasgirlscouts.org).

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