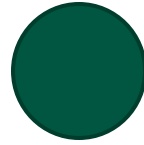




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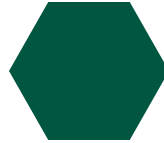
November 2024 Agenda



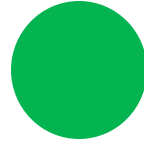
Winter Program Offerings



Daisy's Circle



Cookie Program Training



Troop Growth Incentive



Cookie Merchandise



Training Opportunities



Girl Program

Upcoming Events

- Meet the Panda: an Activity Guide on Dec. 1 - Sign up on UltraCamp no later than November 30th to receive the Digital Guide and meet the 2025 Cookie Mascot - The Giant Panda, the guide has cute and educational videos, games, cookie planning projects and crafts.
- Day Trip to Snow Creek - Sign-up on UltraCamp by December 2nd to receive the link for the planning meeting on December 3rd. Girls interested will go to Snow Creek in Weston, MO on January 25th.
- Festival of Giving Patch registration- Complete the Jotform no later than December 2nd to receive your special, one-of-a-kind Festival of Giving Patch! <https://form.jotform.com/242815746117055>
- I.C.E.: "I Crave Excitement!" winter program - a day filled with ice cream, icicles, arts and crafts and wonderful winter goodies! Hays - January 25th or Starwoods - February 1st.

Outside the Guide (OTG) Opportunities

- Program Staff offer OTG opportunities throughout Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland in Service Units 70-86.
- You choose the topic and date, we do the planning and implementation!
- We hope that providing these opportunities across Kansas will show troop leaders and SU volunteers how easy it is to create fun and exciting opportunities for all of our Girl Scouts, no matter the location.
- 2024/2025 Topic Options: Creation Station, Bigfoot's Playground, In-SPA-ration, Lab Rats, Adventure
- You can find more details on OTG opportunities in your Spark magazine or on our website: <https://www.kansasgirlscouts.org/en/events-and-activities/activity-guides.html>

Highest Awards Deadlines

- Current 8th graders who are working on earning their Silver Award must propose and be approved by March 1, 2025.
- Current 12th graders who are working on earning their Gold Award must propose and be approved by March 1, 2025.
- If a girl or troop is seeking funding for their Bronze, Silver or Gold award the next funding application deadline is December 15, 2024.



Fund Development



Daisy's Circle

Celebrate a century with 100 new members!

Centennial Celebration!

100 New Daisy's Circle Members

**Embracing our past, celebrating the present and building a future
for the next generation of girl leaders!**

Individuals, businesses and troops are invited to help Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland continue to empower leadership skills in young girls by becoming a member of the Daisy's Circle.

We are seeking 100 new Daisy's Circle members to give in celebration of our council centennial. It's easy, quick and your consistent **monthly gift** will provide girls with opportunities to develop self-esteem, enduring friendships and life-changing leadership skills.

Join Daisy's Circle today by completing your secure donation on our GSKH website.
<https://www.kansasgirlscouts.org/en/support-us/donate-locally/Daisy-Circle.html>.

If you have any questions or need help, please contact Kelly at kpeters@gskh.org



Product Program



2025 Cookie Program Basic Training

Are you new to the role of Troop Cookie Manager?

Plan to attend one of the mandatory, in-person only, trainings for the 2025 Cookie Program season to be held in three different locations.

- All on a Saturday
- 10AM to 4PM.
- Lunch provided.
- Must register to attend in UltraCamp
- PRIOR to attending Basic Training, you must complete the Product Program Learning Path in gsLearn.



goal setting



decision-making



money management



people skills



business ethics

December 14, 2024 (Deadline: DEC 12)
Lindsborg, KS

Bethany College
335 E Swenson St
Lindsborg, KS 67456
*Nelson Science Center – Lecture Hall Rm 108

January 4, 2025 (Deadline: JAN 2)
Wichita, KS

Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland
360 Lexington Rd
Wichita, KS 67601
*Training Room

January 11, 2025 (Deadline: JAN 9)
Great Bend, KS

Barton Community College
245 NE 30 Rd
Great Bend, KS 67530
*Fine Arts Bldg – Seminar Room F-30



Recruitment



WILL YOUR TROOP GET TO CELEBRATE?!

Earn the **TROOP GROWTH INCENTIVE** by adding NEW GIRLS to your TROOP by December 15!!

An email went to all troop leaders on Nov. 11 with details regarding this promotion! It included how many girls each troop needs to recruit in order to meet this goal! Email came from mlegleiter@gskh.org

What is the incentive??



\$5 SHOP CREDITS

The troop will receive a digital gift certificate equal to \$5 per girl (current plus new members) to spend in the GSKH council shop! Ex. 5 current + 2 new = 7 which is \$35 in shop credit! Not applicable on girlscoutshop.com purchases.



WEEKEND STAY AT STARWOODS GIRL SCOUT CENTER

Three lucky troops who meet or exceed their troop goal will win a gift certificate for a troop weekend stay at Starwoods.

Membership Goals by Service Unit

How Can We Grow??

- Make sure all the girls attending troop meetings are indeed registered members.
- Encourage troops to host "add-a-friend" meetings to boost membership.
- BE VISIBLE in your communities – wear uniforms, walk in parades, do service projects. Not just at cookie time!
- Wear your Girl Scout t-shirts proudly and talk about the fun you and your daughter/girls are having.
- Reach out to your Troop Engagement Specialist and plan a fun recruitment event!

SU	MY25 Girl Goal	Girls Year-to-Date	Number to Goal	Percent to Goal
70	173	140	33	81%
71	142	113	29	80%
72	101	76	25	75%
73	180	137	43	76%
74	224	189	35	84%
75	84	76	8	90%
76	133	104	29	78%
77	133	109	24	82%
78	167	99	68	59%
79	295	280	15	95%
80	111	108	3	97%
81	302	211	91	70%

SU	MY25 Girl Goal	Girls Year-to-Date	Number to Goal	Percent to Goal
82	85	69	16	81%
83	234	246	-12	105%
84	119	116	3	97%
85	81	69	12	85%
86	251	261	-10	104%
87	753	660	93	88%
88	73	65	8	89%
89	161	126	35	78%
90	135	112	23	83%
91	192	140	52	73%
92	163	124	39	76%



Council Shop

"I AM" Girl Scout Pin Collection

These vibrant pins are more than just an accessory—they're a celebration of who you are and what you love. Explore the collection and choose pins that speak to who you are or as a gift for a special Girl Scout.

Affirmations



Self



Interests



Wear these pins on the front of your Girl Scout uniform above earned award and badges or on your favorite jacket, cap, backpack, or shirt.



To shop the full collection visit girlscoutshop.com or scan the QR code:



Girl Scout Holiday Gifts

Introducing the NEW "I AM" Girl Scout Pin Collection

Available in the Wichita and Hays council shops or online at www.girlscoutshop.com

Prices range from \$6-\$8

Girl Scout Holiday Gifts

Girls and Adult Pajama Sets

Girls XS-XL \$32

Adult XS-5X \$38

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NEW Cookie Gear – Available in Council Shops NOW!!



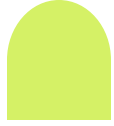


Volunteer Training



Safety Activity Checkpoints: Updates

- Clarification that youth-to-adult ratio applies to all youth present at Girl Scout activities
- New waterfront requirement for watchers

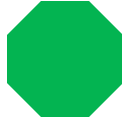


Youth Mental Health First Aid

Upcoming courses:

January 4: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
virtual

March 8, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., virtual



First Aid / CPR / AED

Upcoming courses:

January 14, 6-8 p.m., Wichita

February 11, 6-8 p.m., Wichita

March 11, 6-8 p.m., Salina

March 22, 1-3 p.m., Garden City



Ignite: Leadership Retreat

Register Now!

June 6-8, Starwoods

- camp activities
- workshops
- specialty training



Other

SERVICE UNIT MEETINGS

Have you attended your SU Meeting recently?

DID YOU KNOW?

Your SU is a place for support.

Your SU plans local events.

Your SU provides fun for adults.

Your SU meeting topics include ideas for troop meetings, field trips, craft projects and more.

Your SU needs your participation in events such as Cookie Kickoff, GS Week activities, parades, SU hosted events.

Your SU volunteers are eager for your input.

IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHEN YOUR SU MEETS NEXT, SEND EMAIL TO INFO@GSKH.ORG AND WE'LL CONNECT YOU!

Community Service Reminder

Girl Scouts cannot, in their capacity as Girl Scouts, raise funds for another organization. In other words, the Girl Scout brand cannot be used to raise funds for anything other than Girl Scouts. It's a fine line between community service and fundraising but when money benefits the other organization it's a violation of our 501c3. Examples include: volunteering at a fundraising event (meal, craft show, 5k race); bell ringer for Salvation Army. Organizations see Girl Scouts as a source of free labor, so we get a lot of requests for 'service' that are not really in the best interest of Girl Scouts. Always evaluate if there is a fundraising violation. But also go a step further to evaluate if the request adds VALUE to our Girl Scout experience... Reading or playing games with the elderly - YES. Bussing tables at an event - NO. Don't be afraid to say no to these requests when they don't align with Girl Scout's mission or provide value to our members. And, as always, if you are unsure, reach out to your Troop Engagement staff. Also, remember that the Money Earning Project Application must be filled out if you plan to do any type of fundraiser BEFORE the fundraiser begins.

2025 National Advisory Board

GSUSA has 11 seats available on the national Girl Scout Advisory Board. Members of this board serve a 2-year term and contribute to key projects with staff at GSUSA.

Current Girl Scouts interested in taking on a leadership role and are in grades 6th- 10th may apply. Applications are due to GSKH by January 15th. We will select up to 2 nominees to submit to GSUSA. GSUSA will select members and notify them in early April 2025.

Those selected will have a role at the 2026 convention with travel expenses covered by GSUSA. Only girls who are not already National Delegates can apply.

Apply here:

<https://form.jotform.com/243254719360154>





College Scholarships Available

Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland has a scholarship offering for Girl Scouts who have completed the Girl Scout Gold Award and will graduate in May 2025.

Also, there is a Sandy Remsberg Education Scholarship that is awarded to up to three graduating Girl Scouts.

Application deadline for these is January 21, 2025.

In addition, you will find information regarding a GSUSA National Gold Award scholarship and a scholarship hosted by the VFW.

Check out our website to learn more about all of these offerings: <https://www.kansasgirlscouts.org/en/members/for-girl-scouts/Scholarships.html>

Thank You!

Our next edition of
The Scoop
Will be held on
Monday, January 27 at 8 p.m.

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

