



# THE SCOOP

GIRL SCOUTS OF KANSAS HEARTLAND



# October 2024 Agenda



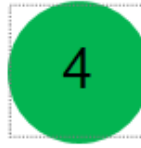
See 'n Sell



Green Saturday



Recruitment



Volunteer Support/Training



Program News



Break Out Sessions





# Fund Development



It's gonna be a great day! So many vendors that we're opening a second concourse at the arena!

Grab your family, friends, neighbors and come support Girl Scouts while enjoying the many booths filled with goodies!

Tickets are \$5 at the door. Children ages 11 & under are free.



58th Annual

SEE & SELL

HOLIDAY MARKET

*Saturday,  
November 23*

8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

TONY'S PIZZA  
EVENTS CENTER  
800 THE MIDWAY, SALINA

**GOLD SPONSOR**

 **Salina Regional  
Health Center**  
*Confidence for the Good Life*

The poster features a dark blue night sky background with white and yellow stars. In the center, there are three stylized Christmas trees made of triangles in green, yellow, and red. A red cardinal is perched on the leftmost tree. Below the trees is a red and white striped banner with the text 'SEE & SELL' in white and green, and 'HOLIDAY MARKET' in white below it. The bottom half of the poster is a solid red color. On the left, it says 'Saturday, November 23' in a white script font, followed by '8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.' in white. Below that, in yellow, is 'TONY'S PIZZA', 'EVENTS CENTER', and '800 THE MIDWAY, SALINA'. On the right, it says 'GOLD SPONSOR' in yellow, followed by the Salina Regional Health Center logo and name in white, and the tagline 'Confidence for the Good Life' in a white script font.





# Council Shop



Join the Hays and  
Wichita shops for our  
annual

## Green Saturday Sale!

Start making your lists.  
Everything in store is  
15% off. Yes,  
**EVERYTHING!**



A promotional graphic for the Green Saturday Sale. It features a light blue background with a green arched banner at the top containing the text "Green Saturday". Below this is a dark blue rectangular box with the text "15% off everything!" and the note "(Yes, uniforms too!)". The bottom section is divided into two parts: on the left, a green square with a white outline of a shopping bag containing the date "Nov. 16", set against a blue and white checkered pattern; on the right, a pink rectangular box with the text "In-store only", three dots, and "Extended shop hours: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.".

**Green Saturday**

**15% off everything!**  
*(Yes, uniforms too!)*

**Nov. 16**

In-store only  
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Extended shop hours:  
10 a.m.-1 p.m.





# Recruitment



## Service Unit Goals

IF YOU KNOW OF A COMMUNITY EVENT, FESTIVAL,  
HOLIDAY PARADE OR OTHER EVENT THAT WE  
SHOULD BE AT, SHARE THE DETAILS WITH YOUR  
TROOP ENGAGEMENT SPECIALIST!

SU	MY25 Girl Goal	Girls Year-to- Date	Number to Goal	Percent to Goal
70	173	138	35	80%
71	142	107	35	75%
72	101	68	33	67%
73	180	136	44	76%
74	224	184	40	82%
75	84	70	14	83%
76	133	99	34	74%
77	133	98	35	74%
78	167	99	68	59%
79	295	275	20	93%
80	111	102	9	92%
81	302	207	95	69%

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82	85	69	16	81%
83	234	241	-7	103%
84	119	114	5	96%
85	81	69	12	85%
86	251	241	10	96%
87	753	649	104	86%
88	73	66	7	90%
89	161	124	37	77%
90	135	111	24	82%
91	192	137	55	71%
92	163	122	41	75%



**Q: What will the price of the membership fee be for Membership Year 2025–2026 and when does registration begin?**

A: Annual membership dues for Membership Year 2025–2026 will be \$45 for girls and \$30 for adults. Current members may renew their membership for the 2025–2026 membership year beginning April 1, 2025.

In Membership Year 2026–2027, annual membership dues will be \$65 for girls and \$30 for adults.

Extended Year membership dues information will come out in the spring.

Lifetime membership is not impacted by the dues increase.

## Membership Year 2026

Annual Girl Membership: **\$45**

Annual Adult Membership: **\$30**

The new dues will be in effect on April 1, 2025 for early renewal and any new annual memberships for next year.

## Membership Year 2027

Annual Girl Membership: **\$65**

Annual Adult Membership: **\$30**

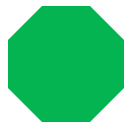
The new dues will be in effect on April 1, 2026 for early renewal and any new annual memberships for the next year.





# Product Program





It's not too late for Girl Scouts to open their online storefronts.

From the website, select the Access M2 button to begin.



# NO Cupboards. NO Re-orders.

The Fall Product Program is an order-taking program only.

Direct Ship is available until November 8. Don't delay!



For ALL online order inquiries or problems, consumers and caregivers must contact M2 Customer Support for assistance: 1-800-372-8520

Council is unable to assist with these needs.





# Girl Program



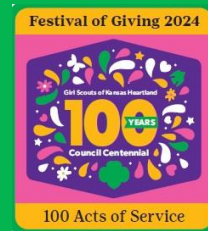
# Festival of Giving

Festival of Giving, which occurs annually, gives Girl Scouts an opportunity to make a difference in their community. More than 500 Girl Scouts participate each year in the Festival of Giving season, providing needed items for numerous social service organizations.

## Centennial Celebration: 100 Acts of Service

As part of our centennial celebration, Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland is committed to 100 acts of service across the state through Festival of Giving. We're aiming to document 100 acts of service — that's 100 ways of giving back to our communities — completed by Girl Scouts in the month of November.

Members can participate as individuals, with their families, as a troop or join forces with the troops in their service unit. Every Girl Scout youth who participates will receive a special Festival of Giving patch. You must fill out a jotform in order to get a patch -- <https://form.jotform.com/242815746117055>





# What types of service opportunities is your Service Unit offering for Festival of Giving?

- SU74-Nursing Homes
- SU76-Golden Belt Humane Society
- SU81-Agape-Food Bank
- SU85-Angels in the Attic
- SU87-New Dawn/Ember of Hope (Wichita)
- SU89-Ember of Hope (Goddard)
- SU90-City Re-Store
- SU91-Clothes for a Cause
- SU92-Sleep in Heavenly Peace

Are we missing any?

Please turn in your Jotforms ASAP so we can keep the website and Patch Jotform updated!

<https://form.jotform.com/242414240817147>



# Cookie Kick-Off Events

- Reminder to please complete your Event Application for your Cookie Kick-Off events. Applications must be turned in at least 2 weeks prior to the event for supplies to be prepared and sent to the locations.
- If you would like to have a Shop-On-the-Go please contact Ronda Purcell ASAP, her calendar is filling up quickly!! [Info@gskh.org](mailto:Info@gskh.org)

# Volunteer Event Application

- There have been some updates made to the volunteer Event Applications! We will have a break-out room a little later to discuss the changes to the form and requirements that must be fulfilled for each volunteer event!
- Remember that Program Staff is here to assist you in ensuring that your event is a success. Please contact us with questions and let us know how we can best assist you! [Info@gskh.org](mailto:Info@gskh.org)





# Volunteer Training



# Girl Scouts Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Training

This new course from GSUSA is part of the required training for new Troop Leaders at Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland. However, the course is for all Girl Scout volunteers and staff members who directly oversee or interact with Girl Scout youth members. Therefore, if you have not taken it, it is highly recommended that you do so. It can be found in your content library on gsLearn!

There are two parts to this training and it will take approximately 50 minutes to complete them both.

## *Girl Scouts of the United States of America (GSUSA)*

### *Child Abuse Prevention Policies and Procedures*

Upon Girl Scout membership, registrants agree to adhere to all abuse prevention policies and procedures as set forth by Girl Scouts of the USA and the local Girl Scout council. Policies and procedures may be amended occasionally, and the following are not inclusive of all supporting processes and training available in Girl Scouts to prevent abuse. The pertinent policies and procedures to prevent abuses in Girl Scouts include:

#### **No Tolerance for Physical or Sexual Abuse**

Physical, verbal, emotional, or sexual abuse of youth is forbidden. Sexual pressure, sexual advances, improper touching, sexual communication, including text messaging, and sexual activity of any kind with Girl Scout members is not tolerated. If you witness or experience any behavior of this nature, including between youth, notify appropriate council staff immediately. Incidences of abuse of any kind will result in immediate council intervention and law enforcement notification when necessary. Volunteers are responsible for following their council's guidelines for reporting any direct information or concern around physical, verbal, emotional, or sexual abuse with respect to members.

#### **No Tolerance for Youth Violence and Bullying**

Youth violence or bullying is not tolerated in Girl Scouts. Youth violence occurs when young people intentionally use physical force or power to threaten or harm others. Bullying is a form of youth violence. Volunteers should become familiar with the signs, risk factors, and preventive measures against this type of behavior. If you witness or experience any behavior of this nature, notify the appropriate council staff for guidance. The CDC provides excellent resources on this topic, including:

- [CDC Youth Violence](#)
- [CDC Bullying](#)
- [CDC Youth Violence Prevention](#)

#### **Child Abuse and Mandated Reporter**

All states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands have laws which identify persons who are required to report suspected child abuse to an appropriate agency. Therefore, if you witness or suspect child abuse or neglect, whether inside or outside of Girl Scouting, always notify the appropriate council staff immediately and follow your council's guidelines for reporting your concerns to the proper agency within your state. For more information, please review these available resources:

- Child Welfare Information Gateway about [Child Abuse and Neglect](#)
- How to Report [Child Abuse and Neglect](#)
- [CDC Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention](#)



These policies and procedures can be located on the national website at:

<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/footer/help/child-abuse-prevention-policies-procedures.html>

## **Adult Supervision Requirements**

Girl Scouts requires that whenever youth members meet, whether in person or virtually, there are to be *at least* two unrelated, registered, and Girl Scout–approved adults who have been background checked, and one of whom is female, supervising Girl Scout members. A registered and Girl Scout–approved adult volunteer is someone who has passed a background check and has been through the council’s volunteer onboarding and training process. The two adult volunteers must not be related to each other (for example, not a sibling, spouse, domestic partner, parent, child, or anyone who would be considered a family member) and may not live in the same residence.

This requirement applies to every Girl Scout gathering, including troop meetings (in person and virtual), day trips, camp, sleep-away travel, special events, activities, and projects. Members should be advised of this policy so that they can report to the council if there is a violation.

Troop leaders must always be adults. Youths or youth members are not permitted to substitute for adult supervision. This rule applies to every Girl Scout gathering, including troop meetings (in person and virtual), day trips, camp, sleep-away travel, events, activities, and projects. There are no exceptions to this rule.

## **Background Checks for All Adult Volunteers**

All adult volunteers in Girl Scouts must successfully pass a background check in accordance with their local Girl Scout council’s procedures.

## **Adult-to-Child Communications**

In Girl Scouts, adults are not permitted to make one-to-one contact with youth members. This also applies to social media and electronic/online communications such as e-mail, text, IM, chat, etc. Girl Scout volunteers and adults should not make private direct contact with youth members. There should always be at least one other supervising adult or parent involved when contacting troop members.

## **Child Abuse Prevention Training**

In Girl Scouts, adult volunteers will receive periodic mandatory child abuse prevention training to promote the health and safety of children, to create a safe environment for children, and to learn how to recognize, respond and report concerns of physical or sexual abuse. Volunteers are expected to receive and abide by the mandatory abuse prevention training course according to the training cadence offered by your local Girl Scout council.



USA Archery Level 1 Instructor course on November 2  
1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Starwoods Girl Scout Center  
Registration Deadline is TODAY!

Youth Mental Health Awareness Training on Nov. 9  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. virtual session  
Registration Deadline is TODAY!



Heartland Essentials on Wednesday, November 20  
6:00 – 7:30 p.m. In-Person Course at  
Wichita Girl Scout Center  
Registration Deadline is November 19

**Cookie Program Basic Trainings will be held in December and January**  
**Youth Mental Health First Aid scheduled for January 4 virtually**  
**First Aid/CPR/AED training scheduled for January 25 at Wichita**

**We can schedule a training as long as we have 4 to 5 participants interested.**  
**Looking for Outdoor Camping facilitators specifically in the south central part**  
**of the state.**





Other



# New! Girl Scout-Inspired Book Series

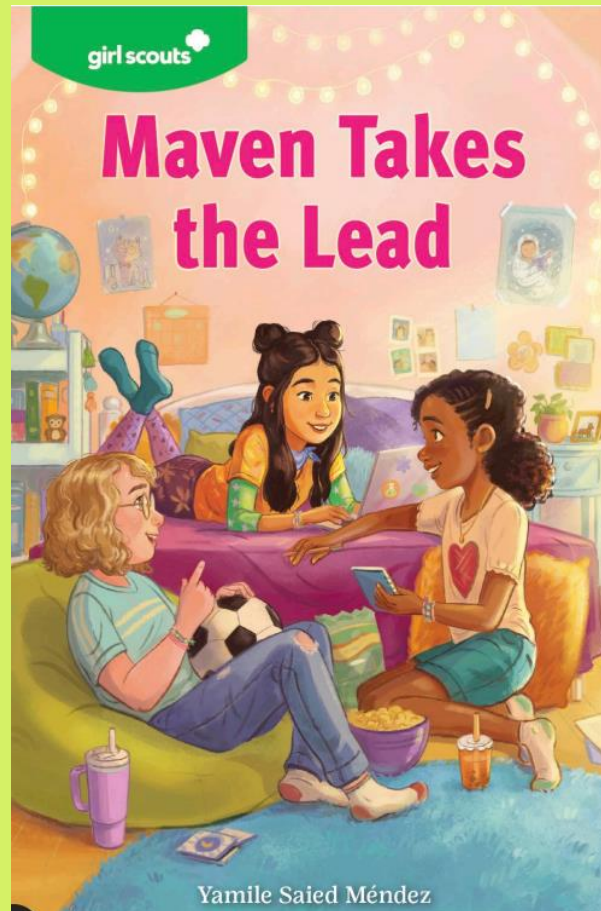
Discussion Guide and Fun Patch

- Once girls have read *Maven Takes the Lead*, they can use the discussion guide to further explore the themes of the book.
- A *Maven Takes the Lead* fun patch is also available for purchase on [girlscoutshop.com](https://girlscoutshop.com)

The next book in the series comes out Mar 18, 2025!

Go to [girlscouts.org](https://www.girlscouts.org) – search Maven for more info.

<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/support-us/donate/our-partners/harpercollins.html>







# Recognition Breakfast & Annual Meeting

**Saturday, November 2**  
**9 a.m.**

Wichita State University  
Rhatigan Student Center





# NATIONAL GIRL SCOUT ADVISORY BOARD



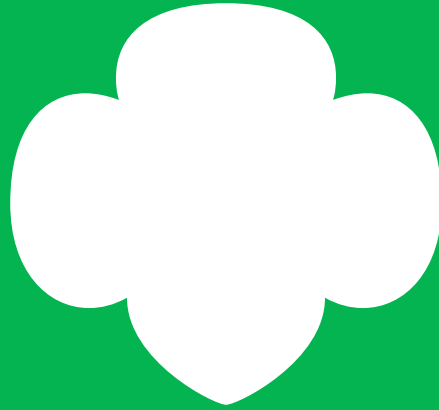
GSKH will select up to 2 applicants to nominate for this board.

Criteria and information is below:

- Current Girl Scouts in 6th – 10th grade.
- Interested in taking on a leadership role on the national level of Girl Scouts.
- Able to communicate with their peers and with adults.
- Able to work well independently and on a team.
- Committed to using technology as a platform for research and communication.
- Will serve a 2-year term: May 2025 to April 2027
- Members of the advisory board will be invited to attend the 2026 Phenom Celebration in Washington D.C. (expenses paid by GSUSA)
- Applications will be accepted **December 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025**. Selection will be made by a committee of GSUSA staff and national volunteers in April 2025. First meeting will be May 2025.



**The next Scoop edition will be  
Monday, November 25 at 8 p.m.**



**Thanks for Joining Us!**



# Program Team Supports

The GSKH Program Team supports travel and programming throughout the Kansas Heartland Council

- Volunteer Program Supports: The program team supports the applications process, registration, advertising and payments for each volunteer run event.
- To provide the best service possible, we need help from you!
- When planning your event consider timelines/deadlines for inclusion in publications, GSKH website calendar and UltraCamp.
- When you send it your application please ensure that all areas are filled in!
- Please include in your application if you would like the event to be posted ASAP!
- Rosters will be sent to the event host via Salesforce, sometimes these emails end up in your Junk mail, please check!
- If you do not receive your roster one week before your event please contact us!
- Rosters must be turned in with attendance noted upon completion of the event.
- Checks will be processed (as needed) after attendance rosters are received.
- If you have questions contact us!





Award and Badge Explorer  
<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/members/for-girl-scouts/badges-journeys-awards/badge-explorer.html>

## All Badges for All Levels Now Available!

That's right! All badges, from Daisy to Ambassador are now available in the Volunteer Toolkit. New Senior and Ambassador badges also include their printable Badge Booklet for download.

*Looking for all the new content in one place? Use the New for 2024-2025 filter when searching for meetings to find everything new in one easy place*

*Volunteer Toolkit and Year Planners also great resources*