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JGL Happy Hour



Open to any adult who would like to attend. Come mingle with current and former Girl Scouts, learn about the organization and celebrate our founder's birthday. GSNENY staff will be hosting events at three (3) locations this year!

Pre-register to receive a patch to wear proudly on your uniform! Food and drink available for purchase. This is an adult event, alcohol will be present.

Register [HERE!](#)

Flag Retirement Ceremony

Flag Collection FOR RETIREMENT

Volunteer Services will be hosting a Flag Retirement Ceremony on Veteran's Day.

If you have an American Flag that requires retirement, please bring to any GSNENY Service Center by October 30th.

Veteran's Day

Flag Retirement CEREMONY

Come and participate in this unique and solemn ceremony.

- honor this symbol of freedom
- learn some history of the flag
- thank those who served
- make a memory with other Girl Scouts

6-7pm november 11
hidden lake camp

GSNENY is hosting a Flag Retirement Ceremony at Hidden Lake Camp in Lake George to commemorate Veterans Day and remember all those who have sacrificed for our country. Fun Patch available for each registered participant. Families are welcome to attend. If you have an American Flag that requires retirement, please bring to any GSNENY Service Center by October 30th.

Register for the ceremony [HERE](#)

Troop Leader Training

Volunteer Services Presents

Troop Leader Training

Required Training
classes available monthly*

*More dates available upon request.

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This free training provides a general overview of Girl Scouting, covering specific policies, standards, and guidelines GSNENY holds to each troop. This training is required for all new Troop Leaders, but all volunteers are encouraged to attend and are always welcome. We recommend all leaders take training every 3 years to ensure they receive the latest information and access to the newest resources! Multiple trainings are offered monthly, both in-person and virtually. Additional classes available upon request.

Register [HERE](#)

Represent Your Service Unit!



It's your time to make a difference!

Between 10/1/25 and 11/30/25, Service Units are voting on delegates and alternates to represent the members of the Service Unit.

Contact your Service Unit Manager for more information.

Are you interested in participating in the governance of our Council?

Service Units can hold their elections between 10/1 and 11/30 to elect delegate(s) and alternate(s) to represent your Service Unit. This is a great opportunity for girls and adult volunteers to represent the other members in their Service Unit on policy-related topics. Contact your Service Unit Manager for details!

National Board Recruitment Update

The Girl Scouts of the USA's (GSUSA's) National Board Development Committee (NBDC) is seeking a highly qualified pool of candidates for the National Board of Directors and National Board Development Committee for the 2026-2029 triennium. The NBDC sets recruitment priorities based on the opportunities and challenges facing GSUSA over the next triennium, focusing on those skills and experience our board will need to serve the Movement.

Candidates of various skills, perspectives, and experiences are needed to assemble a National Board that can effectively lead the Movement. The NBDC is looking for volunteer leaders who bring:

- high-level experience in business, government, academia, nonprofits, and/or philanthropy
- Experience overseeing organizations that are as large and complex as GSUSA
 - Prior Board service, with strong understanding of governance
- A deep commitment to the Girl Scout Movement that includes the perspectives of families who are already within our Movement, and those who are yet to join us.

Contact [Liz Black](#) for a copy of the position description or for more information.

S'more Learning - Camping Part 7

Join us in the sixth part of the 8-part camping S'More Learning. This is part 7 - Planning Camping Activities.

Watch “Planning Camping Activities” - Camping Part 7: [HERE](#)



Upcoming Girl Scout Programs

Have more fun learning, doing, and growing with these events, activities, and opportunities designed just for Girl Scouts, like you!

Last Chance

Fall Family Harvest Festival

Oct 24, 4:00 - 8:00PM
East Greenbush

OSS: Fire Building & Outdoor Cooking (B/J)

Sun Nov 02, 9:00AM - 12:00PM
Lake George

Bronze Award Workshop

Nov 03, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Virtual

Space Science Adventures Overnight

Nov 08, 1:00PM -
Nov 09, 12:00PM
Lake George

Upcoming Programs

Engine Nation

Nov 14, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Albany

G. S. Engineering Day with RPI Society of Women Engineers

Nov 15, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Troy

Advanced Outdoor Skills: Knives, Knots & Navigation

Nov 15, 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Lake George

Take a Hike Day - Nov. 16 Pebbles Island State Park

Moreau State Park
Hidden Lake Camp

Looking Ahead

Bronze Award Workshop

Dec 01, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Virtual

Holiday Cookie Decorating

Dec 04, 6:30 PM- 8:00 PM
Albany

Model Car Design with RPI Society of Women Engineers

Dec 05, 6:30 PM- 7:30 PM
Troy

Gingerbread Houses

Dec 06, 10:00 AM- 11:30 AM
Plattsburgh

Weird Science

Dec 07, 2:30 PM- 4:30 PM
Plattsburgh

Find MORE programs here!

[Program Guide](#) or [Calendar of Events](#)

Did you know? You can use your Cookie Dough or S'mores Club to pay for camps and programs! Contact Customer Care to check or apply your balance, or with any other questions 518.489.8110, customercare@girlscoutsneny.org

Financial Assistance is available for year-round programs in our Council.

To learn more or apply, click [HERE](#)

Girl Scout Program Spotlight



FALL FAMILY HARVEST FESTIVAL

Join us for the Fall Family Harvest Festival at Camp Is-Sho-Da!
This seasonal celebration brings families together for crafts, games, a bonfire, and festive fall activities. Pack a picnic dinner and make memories under the autumn sky.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JULIETTE GORDON LOW

RECEIVE A SPECIAL FUN PATCH AT OUR FALL FAMILY HARVEST FESTIVAL WHEN YOU MAKE A BIRTHDAY PARTY DONATION. WE ARE COLLECTING ITEMS TO MAKE BIRTHDAY BAGS FOR THE LOCAL FOOD PANTRY. PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
CAKE MIX, FROSTING, CANDLES, PARTY PLATES, NAPKINS, AND DECORATIONS.



Questions? Message the team at customer care@girlscoutsneny.org



Resilient. Ready. Strong.

GSNENY's Commitment to Mental Health for all our members.

The Simple Secret to Her Best Halloween Yet

Your daughter's imagination might just be the most valuable thing she has. It helps her think big, aim higher, and achieve beyond her wildest dreams. It helps her see the possibility in every situation. And you, as her parent, have an amazing opportunity to help her develop her imagination and creativity right around the corner: Halloween.



This annual celebration of ghosts, ghouls, and goblins is ideal for tapping into and encouraging your daughter's natural creativity. "Not many parents realize this, but Halloween is more than just fun. It's a valuable time of year for your girl's development," says Girl Scouts' Developmental Psychologist, Dr. Andrea Bastiani Archibald. "It's a time when she can actually 'be' whatever she wants and try out new roles, however briefly—whether that's a favorite animal, a professional like a firefighter or an astronaut, a historic figure, a character she loves, or even a totally make-believe creature she thought up herself." Follow these tips to help your girl get the most out of this spookiest of seasons and have a blast this Halloween! [LEARN MORE](#)

GSNENY's Mental Wellness Page [CLICK HERE](#)



Resilient, Ready, Strong Patch Giveaway!

Thanks to GSUSA and a generous donor, GSNENY is excited to offer the Resilient Ready Strong patch to Girl Scouts in our Council who complete the requirements for FREE!

To get your patch, complete the requirements for your Girl Scout level (you can find those [HERE](#)) then fill out the form [HERE](#) to claim your patch.

Patches can be picked up at the GSNENY service center of your choice. Available while supplies last. Patch recipients must be current GSNENY members.

Please join us in thanking our Mental Wellness partners.



Contact the NAMI-NYS Helpline: (518) 245 – 9160 (M-F 8-3) or visit naminy.org

Women In Leadership Event

Last week we got to celebrate our CEO, Brenda Episcopo! She was one of Albany Business Review's 2025 Women Who Mean Business. This well-deserved recognition is a testament to her leadership, dedication, and the positive impact she's made in our community.



Give to Girl Scouts!

“The work of today is the history of tomorrow, and we are it’s makers”
- Juliette Gordon Low



Help secure the future of Girl Scouts
and fulfill the dream that Daisy had by
making a gift to Girl Scouts

[Click here to give to Girl Scouts](#)



GSNENY Service Center Hours

9 am – 3 pm, Monday – Friday

All in person meetings should be made by appointment to ensure the person you wish to see will be available at the location you intend to see them.

Appointments are required any time outside of normal business hours.

Email customercare@girlscoutsneny.org to set up appointments with the staff member you need to meet with if you are not sure how to contact that person directly.



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