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# 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!

## Girl Board Member Applications

🌞 Girl Board Member Applications Now Open! 🌟

Do you know a Girl Scout who will be 16 or 17 years old by June 1, 2026 and is ready to take her leadership to the next level?

Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York is looking for two Girl Board Members to serve on our

**Board of Directors!** 

- Term of service: June 1, 2026 May 31, 2027 (with the possibility to serve a second year)
- What it means: Girl Board Members are non-voting members of the Board, helping shape council strategy and representing the girl voice.
- Why it matters: This is a prestigious leadership opportunity that builds skills for college, careers, and beyond.
- Deadline to apply: October 8, 2025 Encourage eligible girls to apply today!

**APPLY HERE!** 

### **Girl Scouts Unite**



Join us for an unforgettable experience in Washington, DC, from July 23–July 25, 2026. Bring your whole family and celebrate all the ways that Girls Make History. She'll make new friends and make her mark, while embracing all the amazing things she can do and be—with 10,000 attendees by her side!

You'll hear from inspiring speakers like Space Gal Emily Calandrelli, meet Girl Scout book authors Sayantani DasGupta and Yamile Saied Méndez, and participate in interactive workshops, all while making memories and having a blast. Don't miss the chance to let your girl feel a part of something bigger than herself.

Save 20% when you register by October 3, 2025. <u>LEARN MORE!</u>

## S'more Learning - Camping Part 6

Join us in the sixth part of the 8-part camping S'More Learning. This is part 6 - Organizing Meals and Snacks.

Watch "Organizing Meals and Snacks" - Camping Part 6: HERE



## **Troop Leader Training**



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 inperson and virtually. Additional classes available upon request.

Register **HERE** 

## Investiture and Rededication Ceremony

We will be hosting a combined Investiture and Rededication Ceremony to kick off the 2025-2026 Girl Scout Year! An Investiture Ceremony welcomes new members, while a Rededication Ceremony is a way for returning members to celebrate and renew their commitment to the Girl Scout Promise and Law.



Both ceremonies are traditions that allow members to reflect on the ideals of the Girl Scout Movement and celebrate the millions of Girl Scouts, both past and present, in their dedication to make the world a better place.

Registration is required for this event. Girl Scouts (girls and adults) with 2026 memberships will receive a patch.

Register **HERE!** 

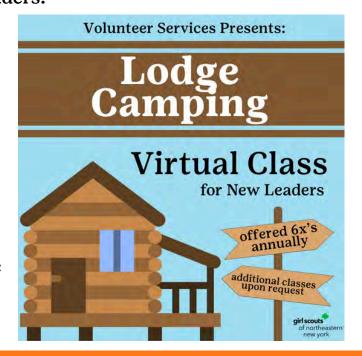
## **Lodge Camping**

Planning an overnight trip or going camping but don't know where to start? If you are planning on staying in a lodge and not using a fire, come and join us as we talk you through the experience. This training is recommended for all Daisy and Brownie Leaders.

At the end of this session, participants will be able to:

- -Identify the value of an overnight experience
- -Understand progression as related to Girl Scout experiences
- -Know how to work cooperatively with the girls to plan & carry out an overnight
- -Understand policies and safety guidelines related to Girl Scout trips
- -Understand the importance of evaluating the process & experience

**Register HERE!** 



## Flag Retirement Ceremony





GSNENY is hosting a flag retirement ceremony at Hidden Lake Camp in Lake George to commemorate Veteran's 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** 

## **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!** 

## **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

Owl For You Party (D/B/J)

Oct 18, 10:00AM - 12:00PM East Greenbush

Owl for You: Teen Leaders

Oct 18, 9:30AM - 12:30PM East Greenbush

> Fall Family Harvest Festival

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

Ghoul Scout Archery (B/J)

Oct 25, 10:00AM- 12:00PM Lake George

## **Upcoming Programs**

Rope Runners (B/J)

Oct 25, 9:00AM - 12:0 PM East Greenbush

Rope Runners(J/C)

Oct 25, 1:00- 4:00PM East Greenbush

Spooky Family STEAM
Day - All levels

Oct 26, 10:00AM - 1:00PM East Greenbush

<u>DNA Exploration -</u>

<u>Detective Badge with RPI</u> <u>Society of Women</u>

**Engineers** 

Oct 29, 6:30 - 7:30PM Trov

#### Looking Ahead

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

Sun Nov 02, 9:00AM -

12:00PM

Lake George

Space Science

**Adventures Overnight** 

Nov 08, 1:00PM -

Nov 09, 12:00PM

Lake George

<u>Highest Awards for</u>

<u>Caregivers and Girl Scout</u>

**Volunteers** 

Nov 11, 6:00 - 7:00PM Virtual

**ARC: Babysitter Training** 

Nov 22, 9:00AM - 4:00PM

East Greenbush

## Find MORE programs here! <u>Program Guide or Calendar of Events</u>

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, <a href="mailto:customercare@girlscoutsneny.org">customercare@girlscoutsneny.org</a>

Financial Assistance if 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.

#### Fall Camp Fun

Choose your adventure!

Build teamwork and confidence on the Ropes Runners low ropes course, take aim at spooky targets in Ghoul Scout Archery, or mix up some frightfully fun experiments at our Family STEAM Night. Each program includes a patch and plenty of hands-on adventure!



Archery
Low Ropes
Family STEAM Day



Questions? Message the team at <a href="mailto:customercare@girlscoutsneny.org">customercare@girlscoutsneny.org</a>

# We Missed You at Growing Futures!

Our new event for alums and volunteers was truly a highlight of the summer.

Women came together to connect, share, and enjoy a beautiful evening in
Kathleen's stunning gardens—complete with her famous Sangria. It was an
inspiring and memorable night, and we hope you'll join us next time so you don't
miss out on this incredible experience again!









## Cookie Cuisine Recap





Thank you to everyone who came out and made Cookie Cuisine a huge success!



#### 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 <u>customercare@girlscoutsneny.org</u> 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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