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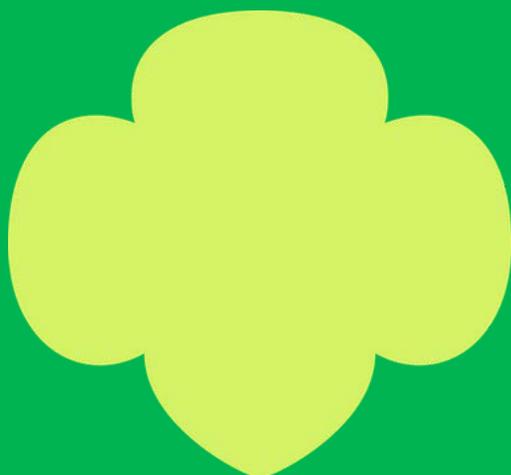
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## Girl Scout Week

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| <br><b>It's Girl Scout Week!</b>  | <b>MARCH 8</b><br><b>Spirit Sunday</b><br>Do something kind in the spirit of Girl Scouts. | <b>MARCH 9</b><br><b>Affirmation Monday</b><br>Share a positive message with a friend.                         |
| <b>MARCH 10</b><br><b>Troop Tuesday</b><br>Appreciate your awesome troop besties.           | <b>MARCH 11</b><br><b>Wisdom Wednesday</b><br>Share a Girl Scout pro tip or life hack.    | <b>MARCH 12</b><br><b>National Girl Scout Day</b><br>Post a photo in your Girl Scout gear and tag @girlscouts! |
| <b>MARCH 13</b><br><b>Flashback Friday</b><br>Look back and share your Girl Scout memories. | <b>MARCH 14</b><br><b>Service Saturday</b><br>Serve your community as a sisterhood.       |  |

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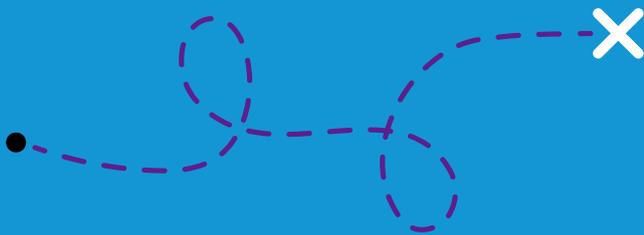
**Girl Scout Week 2026 is just around the corner, taking place from March 8th to 14th, 2026. This is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the incredible impact of Girl Scouts and our core values: leadership, kindness, community, and courage.**

**Looking for inspiration? Check out the [GSNENY Girl Scout Week toolkit](#) for resources and activity ideas.**

# Girl Scout Program Spotlight

## THE GREAT CAMP TREASURE QUEST

Grab a metal detector and get ready to dig into discovery! Whether you're new to treasure hunting or ready for a bigger challenge, you'll learn how to use the equipment and search Camp Is-Sho-Da for buried coins, jewels, and surprise treasures. Adventure, excitement, and hidden discoveries await—patch included!



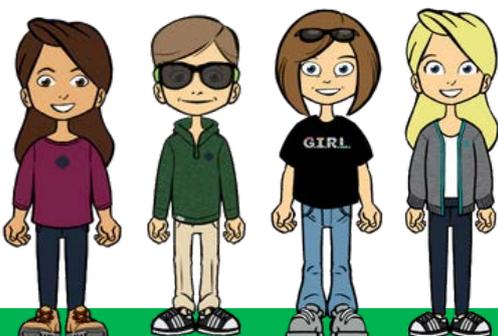
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## GIRL SCOUT NIGHT WITH THE ADIRONDACK THUNDER!

Join us for an action-packed evening as the Thunder take on the Reading Royals at Harding Mazzotti Arena! Experience fast-paced hockey in a fun, family-friendly atmosphere—and cheer loud as Girl Scouts receive special on-ice recognition during intermission. Don't miss this exciting night of team spirit and sisterhood! Patch included.



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MORE INFORMATION](#)



Questions? Message the team at  
[customercare@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:customercare@girlscoutsneny.org)

# 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

### Engine Nation

Mar 20, 7:00 - 9:00 PM  
Albany

### Treasure Hunt

Mar 21, 10:00 - 12:00 PM  
East Greenbush

### Buried Treasure

Mar 21, 1:00 - 3:00 PM  
East Greenbush

### Girl Scout Night with the Adirondack Thunder

Mar 21, 6:00 - 10:00 PM  
Glens Falls

### True North Award

Mar 28, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
Albany

## Upcoming Programs

### 3 Cheers for the Animals

Journey-in-a-Day  
Apr 08, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
East Greenbush

### Advanced Outdoor Skills: Knots & Shelter Building

Apr 09, 3:00 - 5:30 PM  
Lake George

### Howling at You: Teen Leaders

Apr 11, 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
East Greenbush

### Family Picnic

### Pandemonium

Apr 18, 12:00 - 4:00 PM  
Galway

## Looking Ahead

### Family Earth Day Celebration

Apr 26, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
East Greenbush

### Maid Marion's Archers

May 02, 1:00 - 3:00 PM  
Lake George

### Rope Runners - Low Ropes

May 10, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Lake George

### Spring Sisterhood

### SHE-nanigans

May 30, 4:00 PM -  
May 31, 1:00 PM

### Outdoor Education

### Weekend: Girl Edition -

Jun 06, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Lake Goerge

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, [customer care@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:customer care@girlscoutsneny.org)

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

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

# Troop Leader Training

This free training provides a general overview of Girl Scouting covering specific policies, standards and guidelines GSNE NY holds to each troop.

This training is required for all new Troop Leaders, but all volunteers are encouraged to attend and always welcome. We recommend all Leaders take training every 3 years to ensure they receive all the most current information and access to the newest resources! Multiple Trainings offered monthly both in-person and virtually.

Additional classes available upon request.

Register [HERE](#)



# Adult Recognition Award Nominations



Adult Recognition Award nominations are now open! Take the time to nominate your troop leaders, troop volunteers, members of your troop, service unit team members, or anyone who has made your daughter's troop a great experience! Girls can nominate too.

Nominate [HERE](#)

# Renewals

Renewals Start April 1st!

All rewards are Council wide eligibility, not divided by region.

Experience rewards must be used by 4/1/27.

To be eligible for the troop renewal incentive, troop must contain two registered adults (with background checks) plus 5 registered girls, exceptions can be made for Senior/Ambassador Troops for girl numbers.

GSNENY Council will count memberships on April 1, this is the number used to calculate percentage for renew on July 1. Percentages calculated include renewing members and new members after April 1.

Troops & SU's must have submitted their 2024-2025 Finance report prior to 4/1/26 to be eligible, exceptions made for new troops.



## 2027 Renewal Rewards

Girls who renew for MY 27 are eligible for renewal awards

First 100 Girls to Renew will receive this special edition Early Bird 2027 Patch!\*



Girls Renewed by 11pm April 13th will receive this limited-edition custom patch.\*



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| <b>First Troop*</b><br>renew 100% of their membership<br>Experience of your choosing.<br>maximum value \$200! | <b>First 5 Troops*</b><br>renew 100% of their membership<br>Gift Card for a Pizza Party<br>5 awarded, \$20 value each |
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## 2027 Service Unit Rewards

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| <b>GOLD</b><br><b>Renew 100%</b><br>Adult and Girl Memberships<br>Design Next Year's Renewal Patch<br>Certificate of accomplishment<br>GS Express recognition<br>Social Media Spotlight | <b>SILVER</b><br><b>Renew 80%</b><br>80% Adult Memberships &<br>80% Girl Memberships<br>Certificate of accomplishment<br>GS Express recognition<br>Social Media Spotlight |
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# Annual Meeting of the Members



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**Sunday, March 15, 2026**

Begins at 1 p.m.

Held in person at La Salle Institute, 174 Williams Rd, Troy, NY

All registered members of Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York are welcome to attend the Annual Meeting of the Members.

The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to vote for the Slate of Officers and Adult and Girl Members-at-Large for the Board of Directors, and the Slate for the Nominating and Board Development Committee Members. The State of the Council, including the Treasurer's Report, will also be highlighted.



**Free to attend and open to all registered members**

# Resilient. Ready. Strong.

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

Free patch!



For Daisies through Ambassadors  
20 different activities to choose from!



Create a “happy box” filled with five things that make you smile, such as photos, art supplies, books, or favorite toys. Open the box when you’re worried, upset, or just need a little cheering up.

[Find out how to do this here](#)

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

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.

## *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 [customer care@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:customer care@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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