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Council Office Hours

Beginning this year, our council is moving to a more consistent, year-round office schedule. This change helps us better serve you by making it easier to plan ahead.

Our Council Service Centers are open for in-person visits Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

A quick note about Fridays:

- Now through Labor Day (summer hours): Offices are closed on Fridays—both in person and virtually.
- After Labor Day: Offices are closed to in-person visits on Fridays, but staff will be available virtually every Friday, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., to answer your emails, take your calls, and help with any concerns.

We're sharing this early so you can plan ahead. As always, we're here to support you and your Girl Scouts.



Growing Futures Garden Party Wrap-Up

Tuesday night (August 18th), Girl Scout sisters, alums, and volunteers came together for Growing Futures — a festive summer celebration of community and the lasting bonds of the GSNENY family. Guests spent the evening reconnecting with old friends, making new ones, and sharing meaningful conversation.

Host and Girl Scout alum Kathleen Godfrey offered thoughtful insights on how women can plan for the future while supporting the causes they care about — a reflection of the Girl Scout value of using our resources wisely.

We were especially honored to welcome Congressman Paul Tonko, who stopped by to join the celebration. And a heartfelt thank-you to Kathleen and her team at Godfrey Financial Associates, whose generosity made the evening possible. ❤️



You're Invited to Cookie Cuisine

Join us Thursday, September 24 for an unforgettable evening of community, craft beer, and creative small plates — all made by local chefs and inspired by our most iconic Girl Scout cookies! 🎉

This 21+ fundraiser supports the Girl Scout Leadership Experience right here in our council. Come taste, sip, and vote for your favorite small bite while supporting local vendors.



The details:

- 📍 Thursday, September 24 · 6–8 p.m.
- 📍 Valcour Brewing Company
49 Ohio Ave.
Plattsburgh, NY 12903
- 📍 21+ only

Pick your ticket:

- \$50 Supporter — 1 signature drink, cookie-inspired small plates, unlimited iced tea (cash bar available)
- \$75 Champion — everything above plus a vintage Cookie Cuisine champagne flute (limited availability!)



Get your tickets now!

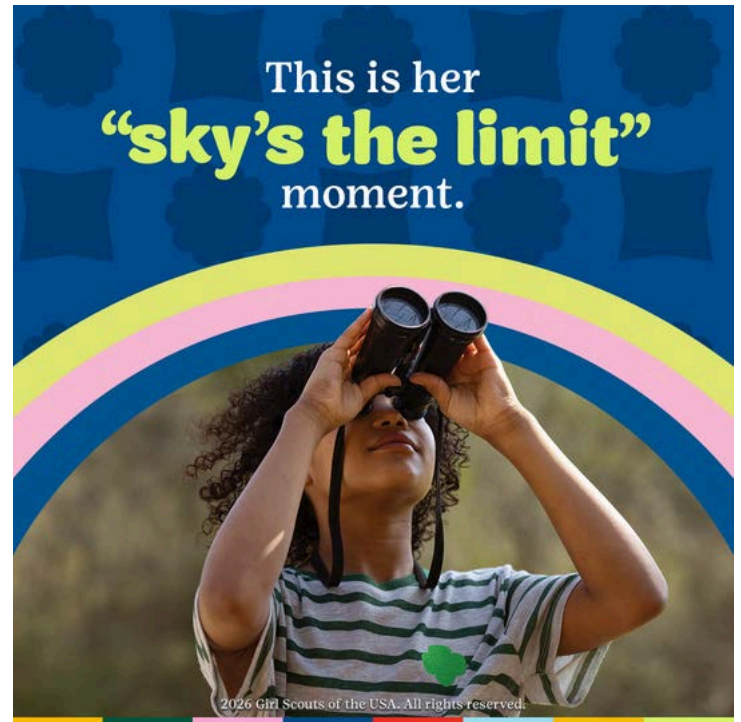
Know a restaurant in the North Country who might want to join in? We still have spaces open for more restaurants to participate. Spread the word and help us bring even more delicious cookie-inspired creations to the table! Have them reach out to Madeline at MDelorenzo@girlscoutsneny.org to claim a spot.

Renew Your Membership!

More badges. More friends. More adventures. Don't miss out — renew your membership and keep discovering what's within you!

Renewing your daughter's membership?
Renew your volunteer membership too!
Not a volunteer yet? [Sign up now](#) and join her Girl Scout journey — watch her and her friends discover what's within.

[Renew today](#)



Troop Leader Training

This free in-person training (Albany Service Center) provides a general overview of Girl Scouting, covering specific policies, standards, and guidelines that 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 all the most current information and access to the newest resources!

Multiple trainings are offered monthly, both in-person and virtually. Additional classes available upon request.

[Register Here](#)

Sisterhood Splash



Come and enjoy:

- 💧 Activity Stations
- 🌊 Splash Pad Play Zone (Supervised Free Play)
- 🧴 Slime Lab (Staff-Led)
- 🫧 Bubble Bar & DIY Wands
- 🗺️ Letterboxing Adventure: Girl Scout Law Quest
- 🎨 Water-Themed Craft

Girl Scout summer fun continues. You are invited to our Sisterhood Splash Event on August 21, 2026.

This is a 3-hour open house-style program for Daisy and Brownie Girl Scouts.

It's also an opportunity to earn a patch!

Bring a friend who hasn't joined Girl Scouts and earn a patch when they sign up.

What to expect:

Girls and their families are invited to explore Girl Scouts through hands-on, water-themed activities! This program is designed as a self-guided experience with friendly staff and volunteers leading stations, so participants can rotate freely and engage at their own comfort level.

This is not a drop-off event - an adult must stay with their kids.

The adventure awaits.

No registration required! Just come join the fun!

Woodswoman Ceremony 2026

Join us in congratulating the Woodswoman class of 2026!

Last Wednesday, we were joined by the family and loved ones of our 20 Woodswomen, as well as Camp Is-Sho-Da and council staff, to recognize this year's class. The evening was full of food and fun, and culminated in a ceremony where camp director Hawkeye and assistant director Waffles presented each of the campers with their certificates.

The Woodswoman recognition is the culmination of 6 years of work by these campers. Every year, campers complete requirements in six different categories: outdoor living skills, nature & science, waterfront, sportsmanship, and creative arts & crafts. Altogether, these skills ensure campers pursuing the recognition are well-rounded Woodswomen!

Awesome work to all 20 campers on this recognition; your hard work has paid off!



Girl Scouts Love State Parks

It's almost time for Girl Scouts Love State Parks!

Save the date for Girl Scouts Love State Parks. This year, you have more opportunities to celebrate than ever before, because we're celebrating it over two weekends instead of one! State Parks will be holding programs for Girl Scouts during the weekends of September 12-13 and September 19-20.

That means your Girl Scouts have two chances to earn their Girl Scouts Love State Parks patch!

Keep an eye out for a schedule of park programs in the upcoming weeks. We'll share more information about which parks will be celebrating and what your Girl Scout can expect. Click below to learn more and order your patch.

[PROGRAM WEBPAGE](#)



Troop 3874 Camps Out at Hidden Lake!

Juniors, Cadettes, and Seniors from Troop 3874 had a wonderful time at Hidden Lake Camp for their third annual camping bash! The troop loved the upgrades to Winter Lodge and all the hard work happening around camp. In true Girl Scout spirit, the girls even built tic-tac-toe boards for other campers to enjoy. ♥ They're already counting down the days until next summer — and yes, the cookie rewards made an appearance, from tumblers to a whole lot of cookie Croc charms being rocked all trip long! 🍪✨

Thank you, Troop 3874, for sharing your adventure with us!



A Sweet Surprise for Service Unit 155!

When Service Unit 155 Managers Pecia Galliard and Christina Angell couldn't make it to the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, the girls of Troop 5558 decided to bring the celebration to them! They hosted their own ceremony and presented Pecia and Christina with Leader of Excellence awards — a heartfelt thank-you for everything they do. 🏆

The celebration continued with ice cream and games, making it a day to remember. Thank you, Pecia and Christina, for all you give to our Girl Scouts! 🍦 ✨



For more information, contact customercare@girlscoutsneny.org

GSNENY Service Center Summer Hours

July 6th - September 4th

9 am – 3 pm, Monday – Thursday

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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