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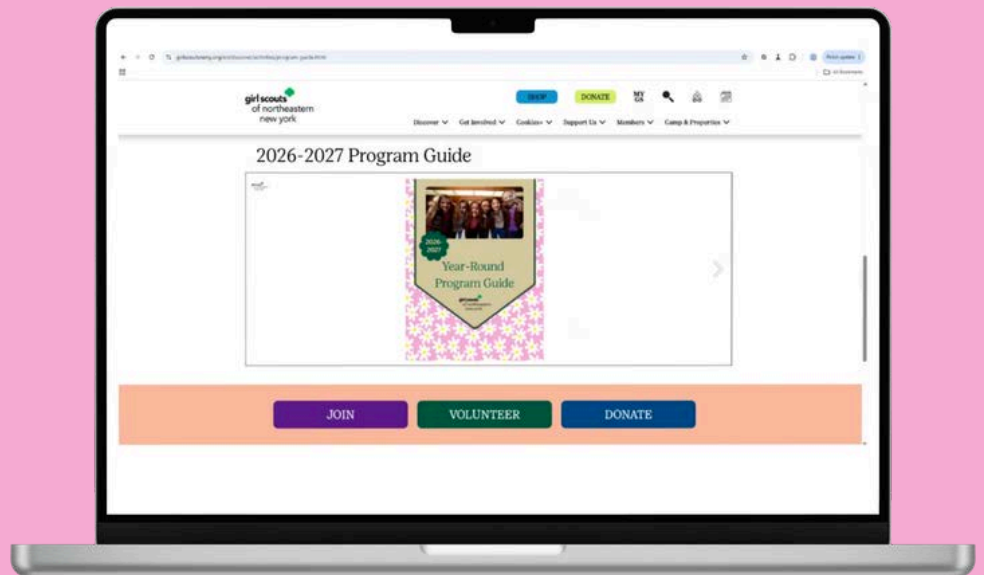
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2026-2027 Program Guide Update

In a previous edition of GS Express, we shared that the Program Guide for the 2026-2027 year would be released on August 5th. The release has been postponed until Tuesday, August 11th. We have a year of exciting adventures planned for our Girl Scouts, and we can't wait to share what's in store!

Thank you for understanding, and keep an eye out for the announcement on Tuesday!

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Growing Futures Garden Party



Join your Girl Scout sisters for a festive summer gathering celebrating community and connection! Spend the evening catching up with fellow alums and volunteers, making new memories, and enjoying meaningful conversation together. Our special host will share thoughtful insights on ways women can plan for the future while supporting the causes they care about—reflecting on the core Girl Scout value of using our resources wisely. Whether you are reconnecting with old friends, or making new ones, Growing Futures is a chance to celebrate the lasting bonds of the GSNENY community!

Tuesday, August 18th

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

797 Route 9W Glenmont NY 12077

Signature Cocktail - Hors d'oeuvres - Beer/Wine/Soda

[Reserve
your
ticket here!](#)

Festive attire is encouraged; Girl Scout-green is always welcome! This is an 18+ event.

Thank you to Girl Scout alum Kathleen Godfrey!

We are Girl Scout-grateful for Kathleen Godfrey, a champion of the Girl Scout mission and movement, for generously underwriting this event and for her enduring support of Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York!

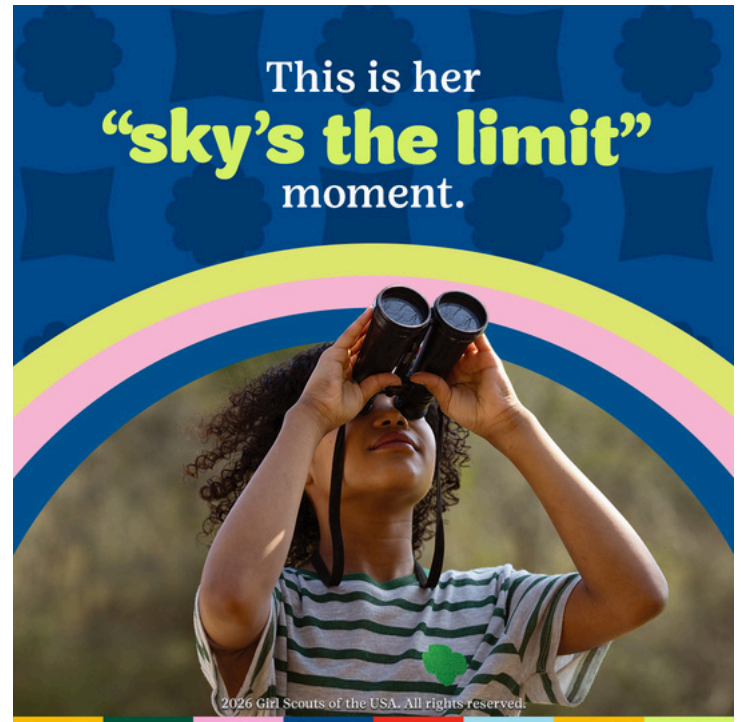


Renew Your Membership!

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.

[Register Here](#)

Girl Scouts Made History in Washington, D.C.!

Girl Scouts from across the country — including delegates and members from our own GSNENY community — gathered in Washington, D.C. this July for the 58th National Council Session and the Girl Scouts Unite celebration. During NCS (July 20–22), girl and adult delegates came together to debate, vote, and elect national leaders for the next triennium — democracy in action, with our girls' voices helping shape the future of the Movement.

Then the energy kept going at Girl Scouts Unite (July 23–25), where more than 10,000 Girl Scouts, families, volunteers, and alums celebrated all the ways Girls Make History. Attendees soaked up inspiring speakers and performances, explored 100+ hands-on booths in the Hall of Experiences, and cheered on our newest bridging and Gold Award Girl Scouts — all in the nation's capital during its 250th anniversary. What a weekend to remember! ❤️

Already dreaming of the next one? The next National Council Session and convention heads to Indianapolis in 2029 — troops, it's never too early to start saving and planning now! When Girl Scouts unite, anything is possible.



Cookie Queens

 A New Documentary About Girl Scout Cookie Season!

Get ready — a heartwarming new documentary called *Cookie Queens* hits theaters this Friday, August 7 (with advance screenings on Aug 6)! 

The film follows four spirited young Girl Scouts through a whole cookie season as they dream big, set goals, and discover just how much they're capable of. It premiered at Sundance and won an audience award at SXSW — and it's a joyful celebration of everything that makes cookie season special.

We love seeing Girl Scouts in the spotlight! Just so our members know: while GSNENY and Girl Scouts of the USA weren't involved in making the film, we couldn't resist sharing something that shines a light on the girls and the program we're so proud of. 

 Watch the trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=caO4d7jkvz8>

We also know that pressure and stress can be a part of cookie season, and the film touches on that too. If someone asks a girl about the movie, we've put together a few friendly talking points to help her share what her Girl Scout experience means to her — [CLICK HERE](#)

GSUSA CEO response to New York Times

This weekend, a New York Times essay celebrated one girl's journey to Eagle Scout — and GSUSA CEO Bonnie Barczykowski responded by lifting up what Girl Scouting has always been: a space designed especially for girls to build courage, confidence, and character. 

Girl Scouts have been outdoors since 1912 — camping, hiking, canoeing, and doing hard things together long before the world thought girls should. More than a century later, they're still on the trail, on the water, in robotics labs, and everywhere in between. Because girls have never fit into one box, and neither has Girl Scouting.

Juliette Gordon Low made a promise 114 years ago that every girl deserves adventure, friendship, and the confidence to know she belongs. With 50 million alums leading in every field imaginable, we're proud to still be holding up that promise today.

Read Bonnie's full message [HERE](#)

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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