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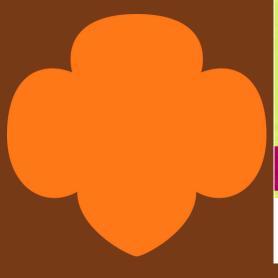
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New Leader Training

Check out the events calendar for dates and locations and register <u>HERE</u> for FREE

GSNENY Trainings New Leader Training

Four classes offered monthly*

- · Virtual via zoom
- in-person at the Albany Service Center
- in-person at the Queensbury Service Center
- in-person at the Plattsburg Service Center

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 any and all volunteers are welcome. Leaders can take this training as often as they choose and it does not expire.

Questions: customercare@girlscoutsneny.org girl scouts of northeastern new york

*More Training dates available as needed.

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Fundraising Ban Lifted— Hurricane Helene

Per Blue Book requirements, our National CEO Bonnie Barczykowski and National President Noorain Khan have approved a three-month lift of our GSUSA's ban on Girl Scouts fundraising. Girl Scouts may raise funds through December 30, 2024 to benefit those impacted by Hurrican Helene. We recommend that contributions be made to charities that have been identified by

Charity Navigator or Charity Watch.

Hannaford Bloomin' 4 Good



The Hannaford location in
Plattsburgh, NY has selected Girl
Scouts of Northeastern New York
for their Bloomin' 4 Good
program for the month of
November!

\$1 of each specially marked Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet purchase will go to council.

Hannaford can be found at: 7 Pyramid Drive, Plattsburgh NY

National Camp T-Shirt Day

November 15th is National Camp T-Shirt Day! Send us photos in your camp t-shirts and we'll share on our social media pages. Send your photos to marketing@girlscoutsneny.org

Take The Alumni Survey



If you were ever involved in Girl Scouts we'd love if you could fill out our survey!

Fill out the survey <u>HERE</u>

By filling out our survey, you have the opportunity to share your unique Girl Scout story and reflect on the moments that have stayed with you through the years. Your feedback will not only help us understand the impact of Girl Scouts on individuals but also inspire the next generation of young girls who are embarking on their own Girl Scout journey.

Girl Scouting isn't something you do—it's a piece of who you are. Your experiences, skills, and memories are all part of what makes you the incredible person you are today. Your memories of camping trips, earning badges, volunteering in your community, and making lifelong friendships are all testaments to the positive impact of Girl Scouting.

Thank you for being a part of the Girl Scout sisterhood and for contributing to the legacy of courage, confidence, and character that defines the Girl Scout experience. Your voice matters, and your story is a valuable piece of the rich tapestry of Girl Scouting history.

Upcoming Girl Scout Programs

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

Join us for some festive fun!

Nutcracker! Magical
Christmas Ballet All
Levels
12/3/2024 7:00pm 10:00pm
Palace Theatre, Albany



Outdoor Skills Spectacular:
Gobble Quest Geocache B/J
11/16/2024 10:00am 12:00pm
Lake George

Advanced Outdoor Skills:
Turkey Trek Geocache
C/S/A
11/16/2024 1:30pm 3:30pm

<u>Lake George</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, customercare@girlscoutsneny.org

Find MORE programs here!

<u>Program Guide</u> or <u>Calendar of Events</u>



There are several GSUSA Destinations trips; both Domestic and International, that Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors can apply for and attend.

The deadline for Early Bird registration is November 15th.

Visit the GSUSA Destinations site by clicking here.

Girl Scout Program Spotlight

Each month in Girl Scout Membership Year 2025, the Girl Scout Experience team will highlight a few Girl Scout programs or celebrations we think will be of interest to members. We'll share information, and activity ideas to help volunteers and Girl Scouts plan at the troop level.

Take a Hike Day: Sunday, November 17th

Join Council Staff on one of these hikes or plan your own!

<u>9am - 12:30pm</u> <u>@ Hidden Lake Camp C/S/A</u>

<u>1pm - 3:00pm</u> <u>@ Hidden Lake Camp D/B/</u> Click <u>HERE</u> for FREE activities!

<u>1pm - 3pm</u> <u>@ Bennett Hill</u> <u>All Levels</u>



Share photos and stories from your hike <u>HERE!</u>

<u>2pm - 4pm</u> <u>@ Five Rivers Environmental Center</u> <u>All Levels</u>



Questions? Message the team at customercare@girlscoutsneny.org



Let us know how your troop is celebrating and participating by sending a message to marketing@girlscoutsneny.org



Resilient. Ready. Strong.

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

Quick Tips on Raising Thankful Kids

Being grateful goes way beyond polite manners—a study published in the Journal of School Psychology showed school-age children who count their blessings are happier in school, more optimistic, and feel more satisfied with their lives in general. So often, kids focus on the concrete —what don't have, and what they want. But always wanting more, different, or better creates anxiety and stress. Recognizing what we do have, instead of focusing on what we don't, brings peace and calm.



When you express gratitude for the awesome people and things in your life, you're helping your daughter to value similar aspects of hers. It's not just about tangibles. It's those more meaningful gifts like a loving family, good friends, food on the table, and good health that matter. Many girls aren't aware that others don't have those things. Follow these tips to spark the conversation

GSNENY's Mental Wellness Page CLICK HERE

Upcoming Trainings for Volunteers, Caregivers and older Girl Scouts

Talk Saves Lives is a mental health education program of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention that provides participants with a clear understanding and the most up-to-date research on suicide prevention, and what they can do in their communities to save lives. Participants will learn common risk factors and warning signs associated with suicide, and how to keep themselves and others safe.

FREE for Seniors, Ambassadors and Adults via Zoom
December 4th
6:00pm - 7:00 pm
Register Now



Please join us in thanking our Mental Wellness partners.







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

Troop 2841 - Democracy for Daisies badge

Troop 2841, led by Stevee Kaye Aldershoff, earned their Democracy for Daisies badge over the last several weeks. Their activities included a mock election and a trip to visit Judge Francine Vero at Saratoga City Court, where they toured the court and learned about the justice system.







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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Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

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