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## The Southern Region International Fair

The International Fair is an annual event that honors the spirit of World Thinking Day (celebrated February 22nd each year), a day when Girl Scouts and Girl Guides everywhere come together to harness their collective power to change their world for the better. Juliette Gordon Low, founder of Girl Scouting in the United States, believed it was very important that Girl Scouts be aware of their membership in the worldwide movement.

At this fun, educational event, we emphasize Girl Scouting as a worldwide experience. Girl Scout teams may sign up to host an exhibit representing a country in which Girl Scouts reside. Attendees may sample different foods from around the world and learn about different cultures and customs.



When and Where:

Sunday April 28, 2024  
12:30-3:30

Hudson Valley  
Community College

Learn more [HERE](#)

# Volunteer Awards

Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to our leaders. Their hard work and unwavering dedication are truly inspiring! We would like to recognize our leaders for all the hard work that they put in throughout the year and cumulative years.

There are three types of awards available to volunteers - awards from the USA Corporation for National & Community Service (NCS), Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA), and Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York (GSNENY).

Review the awards available and select the most appropriate award. You can review them [HERE](#).

Awards can only be provided to adults who are registered Girl Scout volunteers. Each award requires a certain amount of endorsement letters. You can fill out the form [HERE](#).

Or submit your paper application to: Meena Lee, Girl Scouts NENY, 8 Mountain View Avenue, Albany, NY 12205, [mlee@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:mlee@girlscoutsneny.org)

## GSNENY Annual Meeting

We invite all Girl Scout members within the GSNENY footprint to attend the 2024 Annual Meeting of the Members in-person or on Zoom.



Saturday, March 9, 2024  
Crandall Public Library  
251 Glen St., Glens Falls, NY 12801  
or on Zoom  
Register for Zoom [HERE](#)

The Annual Meeting documents have been sent to all voting members. Any GSNENY member can email us or contact their delegate for a copy.

[Email us](#)

[Contact your delegate](#)

# Resilient. Ready. Strong.



## Girls Scouts of Northeastern New York's Commitment to Mental Wellness

### Teach Your Kids it's OK to Not Be OK (GSUSA Article)

"Never give up." "Quitters never win." "Just push through it."

So many of us were raised with these well-meaning sentiments. Often framed as messages of inspiration and resilience, they overlook the fact that sometimes the strongest and most courageous thing you can do in certain situations is step and away and take care of yourself. It's OK not to be OK.

Read More [HERE](#)



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# Summer Camp Wishlist



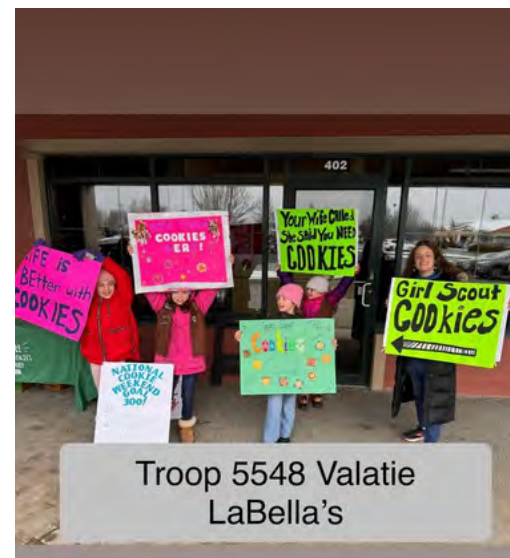
Support Camps and Properties at GSNENY by purchasing items from our Amazon wishlist! You may choose the items you'd like to give and have them shipped directly to us. Your gift supports nearly 1000 Girl Scouts who will attend camp this summer!

Access the wishlist [HERE!](#)



# National Girl Scout Cookie Weekend

We celebrated National Girl Scout Cookie Weekend last weekend and our Girl Scouts were out in force! Check out our budding entrepreneurs in action!





# Troop 3891's Galentine's Day

Troop 3891 of Broadalbin-Perth had a "Galentine's Day" celebration. They enjoyed snacks, crafted, took part in Girl Scout traditions, and had a lot of FUN together!





# Media Requests

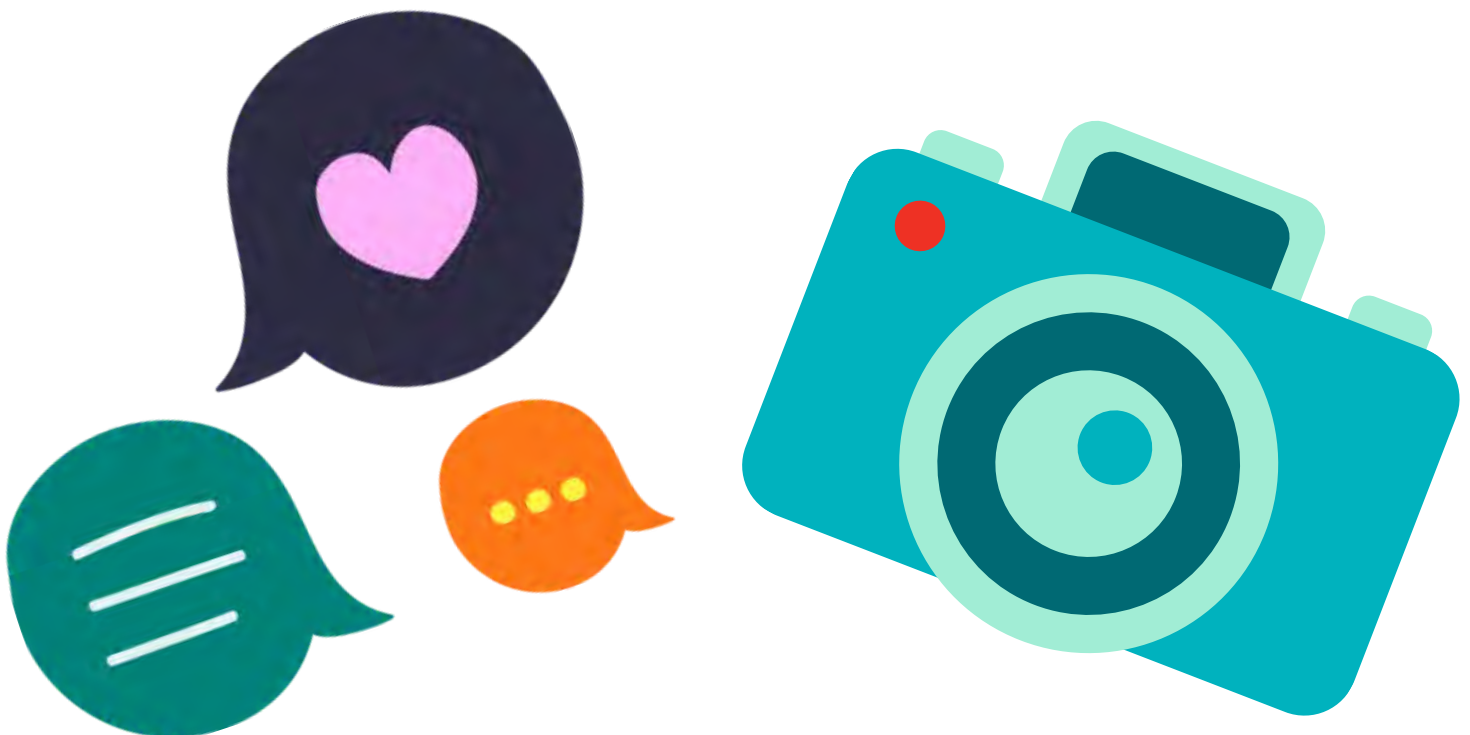


February 26th is National Write A Letter To Senior Citizens Day! Do you or your troops plan on doing anything to observe the day? Please send a message to [marketing@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:marketing@girlscoutsneny.org) if you are! (We may have a media opportunity for you!)

Also, please let us know if you are working on the Black History Month patch! Please send your photos/videos/stories to us!

To submit fill out the form [HERE](#) or email [marketing@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:marketing@girlscoutsneny.org)

\*\*\*Please remember that by sharing your media with us you are giving GSNENY permission to use the content per our [Media Release](#).\*\*\*



# Highest Awards



## Highest Award Reminder!

The Highest Award year ends soon! Anyone wanting to be honored at this year's Silver and Gold Ceremony in May needs to turn in their final report for approval by February 29th! If you turn in after February 29th you will be honored at the ceremony in 2025. Email Tess at [highestawards@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:highestawards@girlscoutsneny.org) with any questions!

# Girl Scout Night with the Albany FireWolves



Get ready to Howl as the Albany FireWolves take on the Vancouver Warriors at MVP Arena in Albany. Cheer the team on with your family and other Girl Scouts as they honor and celebrate the Creator's game during their Indigenous Celebration night.

Adults must attend with their Girl Scout. All Girl Scouts along with their families will receive an exclusive discounted Girl Scout Night ticket. Tickets can be purchased [HERE](#).

# World Thinking Day



Girl Scouts, take the lead, incredible things start to unfold! Consistent efforts in making positive change contributes to a world that's kinder, more joyful, and safer for all. Together, we hold the ability to create an impact. Access the activity guides for free [HERE](#).

# GSNENY Programs

## Last Chance to Register !

Don't miss out on these  
great programs!

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March 7th - Engine Nation (S) -  
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[SIGN UP HERE!](#)

March 7th - Silver & Gold  
Workshop (C/S/A) - virtual

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)

March 9th - Girl Scout Cyber  
Security Day (all ages) -

UAlbany  
[SIGN UP HERE!](#)

March 9th - Girl Scout Pottery  
Paint Party (all ages) - Albany

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)

March 9th- Junior Art & Design  
Badge (J) - Albany

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)





# Cookies!



## Back to Basics!

We know that online orders are a quick and easy way to get those cookie sales, but some people still look for that face to face contact with the Girl Scouts. They love to hear about their goals and what they're going to do with the proceeds. Consider door to door sales with a cookie card or doing a 'walk about' during booth season. Fill up a wagon and go door to door! Don't forget safety first, though! Girl Scouts should always have an adult with them and should never enter anyone's home!



## Cookie Reward Spotlight!

Sell 160+ packages to earn the colorful, collapsible cup! Great for camping and troop meetings to eliminate the waste of disposable cups. Don't forget, all rewards are cumulative!



## *GSNENY Service Center Hours*

**9 am – 3 pm Monday – Friday**

Appointments are strongly recommended, to ensure the person you wish to see will be available at the location you intend to see them.

Appointments are required any time after 3 pm Monday through Friday.

Email [customercare@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto: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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character, who make the  
world a better place.**

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