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Career Try It!

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Take a tour of the dental clinic at Hudson Valley Community College, meet with the clinic director to learn about the program, and try your hand at some practice skills!

Register **<u>HERE</u>**

Don't miss out! Register for Career Try It: Dental Hygiene!



April 20th 10am to 12pm

Juniors Cadettes Seniors Ambassadors

Solar Eclipse Party

In honor of the total eclipse, there will be a party at Hidden Lake Camp on April 8, 2024!



We will experience 98% totality for a brief moment. Join us for hands-on activities and a special snack. Girl Scouts will receive a solar eclipse patch as part of the program fee.

Adults must accompany Girl Scouts, and family members can also register to attend. A letter from GSNENY for your school can be provided upon request.

Don't miss your chance to see the solar eclipse! The next one visible from the contiguous United States won't be until Aug. 23, 2044!

Register at: Solar Eclipse Party

Fundraising Ban Lifted



GSUSA Fundraising Ban Lifted to Support Those Impacted by the Israel-Gaza Conflict

Per the Blue Book, the governing document for Girl Scouts of the USA, members may not raise money for other organizations. That fundraising ban has been temporarily lifted to support those affected by the Israel-Gaza Conflict by National CEO Bonnie Barczykowski and National President Noorain Khan. Girl Scouts may raise funds through June 4, 2024. It is recommended that contributions be made to charities that have been identified by <u>Charity Navigator</u> or <u>CharityWatch</u>.

GSNENY troops, service units, or individual Girl Scouts interested in fundraising must first receive Council approval by and agree to comply with fundraising rules by completing the Activity Funding Request form <u>HERE</u>

Properties Online Reservation System



We will be moving to a new online reservation/payment system called Doubleknot. There will be a blackout period starting on March 15th during which we will not be accepting reservations for any new rentals. If your final payment is scheduled between March 15 and April 1, please settle the balance before March 15th. Further details on the new system will be provided soon.

Cookies!

Kookie Reward Spotlight



Weekender Tote OR Donate 'The Shoe That Grows' 550+ pkgs

Sell 550+ packages to earn either the Weekender Tote OR Donate "The Shoe That Grows". Your Girl Scout can use her Cookie Reward to give back! Over 1.5 billion people suffer from soil transmitted diseases worldwide. Without shoes, children are especially vulnerable to diseases and parasites that can cause illness and even death. The Shoe that Grows can change that. Shoes that Grow adjust five sizes, are made of long-lasting materials, and lasts for years. What an amazing impact your Girl Scout can make! becauseinternational.org

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Resilient. Ready. Strong.

4 Ways to Raise a Strong Girl in Today's World

Can she be strong and pretty at the same time? If she speaks out and stands up to bullies, can she still be seen as sweet and lovable? The answer is a resounding yes —especially because today's gender identities are more fluid than ever, and the walls of what's "for boys" versus "for girls" are coming down fast—but that might not be obvious to your girl. Here are four simple ways you can help her embrace her inherent strength today.

READ MORE

GSNENY's Mental Wellness Page <u>CLICK HERE</u>



Resilient, Ready, Strong Patch Giveaway!

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!

Life isn't always easy, but dealing with tricky emotions doesn't have to be so hard. Try activities from the Girl Scouts: Resilient. Ready. Strong. program to unlock a patch and strengthen your mental wellness. Nobody can snap their fingers and make the world all sunshine and lollipops, but you can take steps to be ready when things get tough. Go get 'em, Girl Scout!

To get your patch, complete the requirements for your Girl Scout level (you can find those <u>HERE</u>) then fill out the form <u>HERE</u> 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.

Troop Camping

- TROOP CAMPING AT HIDDEN LAKE CAMP

July 28th - 30th

A great opportunity for troops new to camping, or campers not yet confident to attend camp on their own.

Gather your Girl Scouts for a 3-day, 2-night camp adventure like no other! Explore all that camp has to offer with our camp staff guiding you through a variety of engaging activities. Troops will be assigned to units together, and communal meals will be provided in the dining hall. Each unit will have the chance to cook a meal over a fire and everyone is invited to the closing night campfire for a sing-along. The camp team will work with each troop to customize their camp experience to their Girl Scout level and interest. Come join us for an exceptional Troop Camp experience, where adventure and bonding harmonize to create unforgettable memories!

Troop Adults do not need to have completed any camping training to attend, as activities will be led by camp staff.



all levels \$195 per person

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Camp Hiring Is Open!

Summer Camp Hiring is Open! Will you join us?

Camp staff create a space for Girl Scouts to flourish, empowering them to make the world a better place. Spread the word to your connections.

See the positions available <u>HERE</u>

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 <u>HERE</u>

Girl Scout Week

Last week we celebrated Girl Scout Week 2024! We celebrated 112 years of Girl Scouting by giving back, commemorating our accomplishments, celebrating our faith, wearing our Girl Scout gear and so much more! Head over to our <u>Facebook</u> page too see all the photos from the whole week.



City of Cohoes Proclamation

Cohoes, Waterford, and Watervliet Girl Scouts visited City Hall on March 12th to celebrate the Girl Scout's 112th anniversary!! Troop Leader Jean Sheridan along with over 20 Girls Scouts were presented with a Proclamation from Mayor Keeler and the City to recognize their achievement!





	City of Cohoes Office of the Mayor
I	PROCLAMATION
Whereas,	March 10th to March 16th (Girl Scout Week) celebrates the 112 th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., founded by Juliette Gordon Low in 1912 in Savannah, Georgia; And
Whereas,	Throughout its long and distinguished history, Girl Scouting has inspired millions of girls and women with the highest ideals of character, conduct and patriotism; And
Whereas,	In the course of Girl Scouting, girls grow strong in body mind and spirit, they learn of their importance in the worl and their duty to the world around them; And
Whereas,	More than three million current Girl Scout member nationwide, nearly 7,000 girls and over 2,000 ad

volunteers in the counties of Albany, Rensselaer

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 <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.

<u>Click here</u>

to shop online!







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

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