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# **Girl Scout Day at the Capitol**

*Girl Scout Day at the Capitol* May 14, 2024 9:30am - 3:30pm

Meet with Senate & Assembly members. Workshop on how a bill becomes a law in NYS. Tour the Capitol, discover its secrets and unique architecture. Take a commemorative photo on the Senate floor. Receive a GS Day at the Capitol patch and much more!

#### Register <u>HERE</u>

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### **Great Escape Girl Scout Day**







BUY TODAY! • PURCHASE DEADLINE 5/24/2024! • SPACE IS LIMITED!

For more information and to purchase, visit: www.sixflags.com/greatescape/events/girl-scout-day

## **Cookies!**



It's finally Cookie Booth Season! Here are some tips to help make your Cookie Booths a success.

- Make it FUN! Decorate your booth, borrow cookie costumes, sing camp songs, you name it!
- Let customers know what your troop is doing with the proceeds. Customers love to know where their money is going, make signs telling them!
- Make a "thermometer" showing your troop goal and how close your are.
- Play a game of Cookie Booth Bingo! Some examples for spots

One Box Donated 5 Boxes of the Same Cookie

Buy 1 of Each Flavor

Sell to a Store Employee

Sell to a Former Girl Scout

We've heard some troops even let their Girl Scouts pie the leaders in the face if they fill the board!

Whatever you decide to do, just make it fun and engage your customers...they won't be able to say no!



## **Resilient. Ready. Strong.**

### Support Her as She Stands Up for Change (Even If You Don't Agree)

Across the country, young people standing up for their beliefs are making headlines, sparking national conversations, and in some cases even getting laws changed to reflect what they think is right. If your girl is involved in these movements or has been vocal about some other issue, you might worry about her being seen as "disruptive" or too "opinionated," but it's important to recognize that it takes courage and character to speak out against the status quo—even if you don't agree with her views....<u>READ MORE</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.



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



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## **Daisy Day Camp**

# DAISY DAY CAMP

Special Camp Opportunities for our youngest Girl Scouts

#### Camp Is Sho Da East Greenbush

Plushie Pals July 8th - 12th Use your Cookie Dough and S'mores Club to pay for camp!

C.A.M.P. Creative Adventures & Magical Possibilities July 15th - 19th July 29th - August 2nd

> Color Wars August 12th - 16th

Hidden Lake Camp Lake George

July 15th - 19th Forest Fairies

### Learn more about Summer Camp HERE

Girl Scouts who were five years old as of December 1, 2023 can attend Day Camp



Financial Aid is available. <u>Apply Here</u>

# **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>

# Liz Black on the GSUSA NCS Advisory Team!

### Liz Black has been selected to serve on the GSUSA National Council Session Advisory Team!



2026 Girl Scout Convention See you in Washington, DC

The National Council Session (NCS) is our movement's largest, triennial governance meeting. More than 1,000 elected Council National Delegates convene to debate and vote on issues important to the movement.

The 57th National Council Session happens in July 2026 in Washington DCheld on the year of our nation's 250th Anniversary, in our nation's capital. This Advisory Team will give guidance to GSUSA in the planning of the event.

Liz is the Executive Assistant and Governance Liaison for GSNENY, since April 2021. Her duties included being the national delegate liaison for our Council for the 2023 National Convention, including the 56th National Council Session.

Liz was selected out of nearly 100 applicants.

"I believe her efforts this past year, to engage her fellow delegate liaisons, create dedicated time and space for girl delegates to build relationships, her sharing knowledge and creating helpful materials for others in her role around the country was acknowledged by her selection. GSUSA is fortunate to have Liz on this team." said Brenda Episcopo, CEO of GSNENY

### **Highest Awards**



Congratulations to Ava Howland for becoming a Bronze Award Girl Scout! Ava improved her community by increasing access to period products. She made 100 Empower Her Care kits that she gave to school nurses in Schenectady and Niskayuna School Districts!

On March 10th, Zoryana, Zenia, and Carlie from Troop 2423 hosted a wreath laying ceremony as part of their Silver Award. March 10th is the birthday of Ukranian poet Taras Shevchenko. The Girl Scouts laid a wreath at a monument for the poet in Troy and received a proclamation from Troy Mayor, Carmella Mantello, and City Council Member Thomas Casey for their work restoring the monument and park.



# **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.

## **Three Generations of Girl Scouting!**



The Riviera Family of Amsterdam. Three generations, representing a combined total of 137 years of Girl Scouting traditions and still going strong!

### **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>

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