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New Leader Training



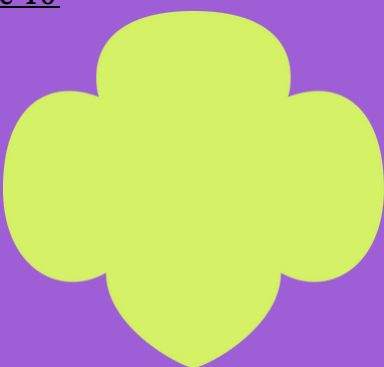
This free training provides a general overview of Girl Scouting covering specific policies, standards and guidelines GSNENY holds to each troop. This training is required for all new Troop Leaders but any and all volunteers are welcome. Leaders can take this training as often as they choose and it does not expire.

Four Classes 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

*more dates available upon request

Register [HERE](#)



Early Renewals



**2026
Renewal Rewards**

First 10 Troops
renew 100% of their membership

Ice Cream Party at one of the
Service Centers for entire troop!

Renewals Start April 1st
Council wide eligibility,
not divided by region.

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**2026
Renewal Rewards**

Troop Renewal Incentive

*Troops who reach or exceed 90% of their MY 2025 girl number
(by renewing current members or signing up new ones) by June 30th

Receive a curated GSNENY Experience Box
designed for your troop level and region

*Troop must contain two registered adults
(with background checks) plus 5 registered girls.
Exceptions may be available for Senior/Ambassador
troops regarding girl numbers.

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Early Renewal Incentives 2025-2026!

Girls and Adults who renew for
MY 26 are eligible for renewal
awards!

Renewals Start April 1st!
*Council wide eligibility, not
divided by region.

Patches and folios available for
pickup at the Volunteer
Appreciation Dinner, 4/25/25.

Parties and Experience rewards
must be used by 4/1/26.

To be eligible for the troop
renewal incentive, troop must
contain two registered adults
(with background checks) plus 5
registered girls, exceptions can
be made for Senior/Ambassador
Troops.

GSNENY Council will count
memberships on April 1, this is
the number used to calculate
percentage for renew on July 1.
Percentages calculated include
renewing members and new
members after April 1.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

In 2025 GSNENY Council is holding one dinner across our entire footprint to have everyone come together and mingle! All GSNENY Volunteers are welcome to come free of charge. If you are not a volunteer but would like to attend to support someone, the cost is \$35 for non-members, or \$25 to get a membership.

Register [HERE!](#)



Adult Outdoor Education Weekend

Join us for our Adult Outdoor Education Weekend at Hidden Lake!

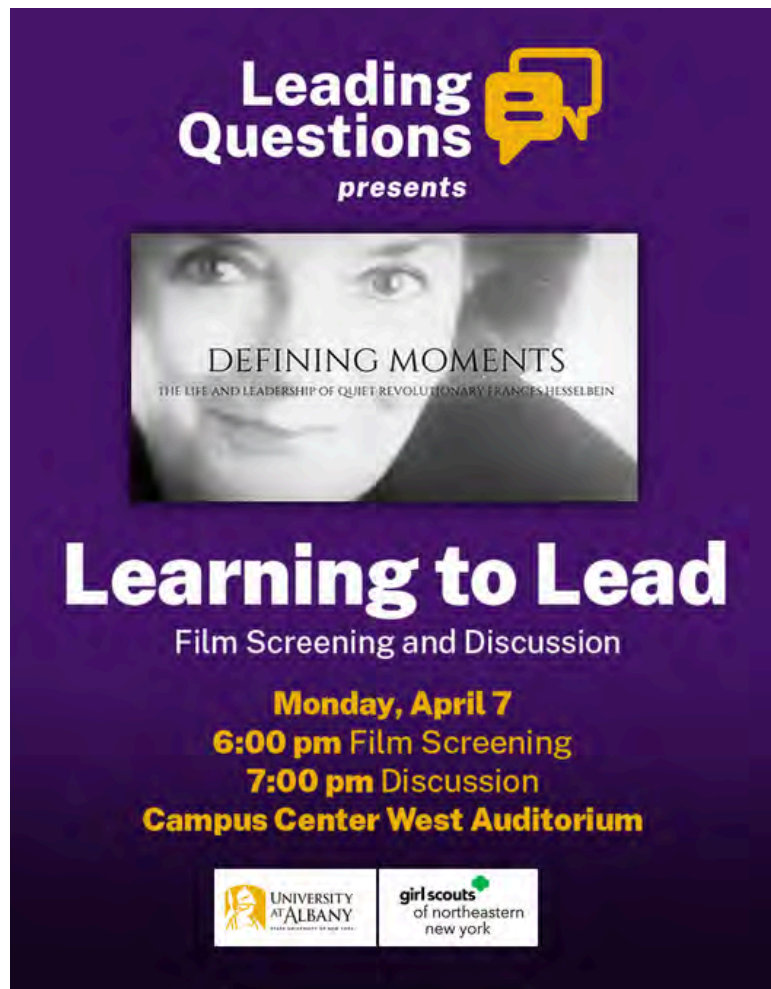
You are invited to stay at camp or just come for the day. We are hosting many classes such as Blended Outdoor Skills, Encampment Director, Fishing, Lodge Only Camping, CPR/First Aid, Self Defense, Archery, Outdoor Skills Workshops, SWAPS and much more!

Child programming will be offered through the Girl Experience team on Saturday for those who need it for an additional fee.

Register [HERE](#)



“Defining Moments” Documentary



You're Invited!

Monday, April 7, 2025, 6-8 p.m.

**Location: Campus Center West Auditorium, University at Albany Uptown
Campus, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12222**

Join Girl Scouts of Northeastern New York, and our partner, the University at Albany, for an exclusive screening of the documentary *Defining Moments: The Life and Leadership of Quiet Revolutionary Frances Hesselbein*, the extraordinary former CEO of Girl Scouts of the USA and renowned expert on leadership. Immediately following, GSNNY Board Chair Dr. Debernee Privott will moderate a panel discussion on women's leadership with four outstanding leaders, including Sarah McArthur, Executive Producer of *Defining Moments*.

This event is free and open to all. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to register.

Questions? Contact Renee Kelly, Vice President of Fund Development at rkelly@girlscoutsneny.org or (518) 489-8110.

We're Hiring!

GSNENY is now hiring for full-time and seasonal positions. Please consider sharing with your networks and help our Council support girl scouts throughout the region!



Full Time Positions

Girl Scout Experience Specialist
Membership Operations Specialist
Product Program Specialist



Seasonal Positions

Camp Is-Sho-Da

Camp Director
Aquatics Director
Unit Counselor

Hidden Lake Camp

Camp Assistant Director
Kitchen Manager
Kitchen Assistant
Unit Counselor

Lake Clear Camp

Camp Assistant Director
Kitchen Manager
Kitchen Assistant
Unit Counselor
Sailing Instructor
Lifeguard

Detailed Postings are available [HERE](#)

Upcoming Girl Scout Programs

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

Last Chance

Outdoor Skills Spectacular:

Outdoor Cooking

Apr 17, 10:00AM - 12:00PM

Lake George

Advanced Outdoor Skills:

Outdoor Cooking

Apr 17, 1:30 - 4:00 PM

Lake George

Earth Day Celebration

Apr 26, 10:00AM - 1:00 PM

Lake George

Upcoming Programs

Family Picnic

Pandemonium

Apr 27, 12:00 - 4:00 PM

Galway

Things that Fly & Glide

Apr 26, 2:00 - 5:00 PM

Lake George

Silver and Gold Workshop

Apr 29, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Virtual

Exploration Day at Hidden

Lake Camp

May 17, 9:00 - 3:00 PM

Lake George

Looking Ahead

Exploring Corning and

Watkins Glen

Jul 17, 10:00 AM -

Jul 20, 5:00 PM

Corning & Watkins Glen

Career Exploration: Law

Enforcement and Beyond

Aug 04, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Albany

Wind, Water and Sky

Aug 07, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Galway

What's in the Water

and Air

Aug 08, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Galway

Find MORE programs here!

[Program Guide](#) or [Calendar of Events](#)

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

Financial Assistance if available for year-round programs in our Council.

To learn more or apply, click [HERE](#)

Resilient. Ready. Strong.

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

In a World of Boys' Clubs, Give Her One of Her Own

Studies show that in coed learning environments, boys receive more praise than girls when they call out in class, making girls less likely to raise their hands. Furthermore, boys are allowed to problem-solve on their own during class time, which fosters independence, whereas teachers tend to step in and “help” girls, leading girls to question their own abilities. The fact is, 99 percent of



your daughter's life is experienced alongside boys, where she either has to fight for attention or dodge the unwanted kind. It can also lead your daughter to keep her head down and stop seeking attention completely. Scary, isn't it?

So, what can you do to raise a smart, confident daughter who's equipped to succeed in this world? Make sure she's getting some high-quality time surrounded by girls and girls only. [READ MORE](#)

GSNENY's Mental Wellness Page [CLICK HERE](#)

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!

To get your patch, complete the requirements for your Girl Scout level (you can find those [HERE](#)) then fill out the form [HERE](#) 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.

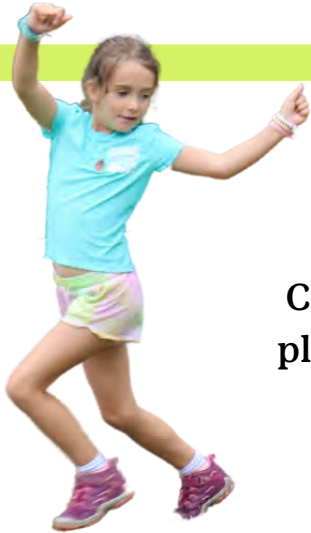
Please join us in thanking our Mental Wellness partners.



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

Summer Camp 2025

Camp Registration is OPEN! Click [HERE](#) to dive into a full list of Summer Camp 2025 Day and Overnight programs for Girl Scouts of every level and get ready for your BEST SUMMER EVER!



Summer Camp is for Juniors!

Check out these summer camp opportunities and plan your week of adventure fun, friendship and a lifetime of memories!



Camp Is-Sho-Da, East Greenbush

C.A.M.P.

Creative Adventures
& Magical Possibilities

July 7th - 11th

July 21st - 25th

August 4th - 8th

Camp Popstar

July 14th - 18th

Camp Mess

July 28th - August 1st

Hidden Lake Camp, Lake George

Storybook Mix-ups

July 6th - 11th

Myths & Legends

July 13th - 18th

C.A.M.P.

Creative Adventures
& Magical Possibilities

July 20th - 25th

Chemistry Craze

Day Camp

July 21st - 25th

Lake Clear Camp, (near Saranac Lake)

C.A.M.P.

Creative Adventures
& Magical Possibilities

August 3rd - 7th

Wilderness Wonders

August 10th - 15th

Chemistry Craze

Day Camp

August 11th - 15th



Use your Cookie Dough or S'mores Club to pay for Camp! Girl Scouts who participate in Cookie and Sweets & Treats sales can earn Cookie Dough or S'mores Club vouchers which can be used to pay for camp balances (they may not be used for the initial deposit). Set your goal now and think about all the fun the awaits you this summer! Contact Customer Care to check or redeem your balance.



For more information, contact customercare@girlscoutsneny.org

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.

April Highlights

Celebrate the planet we all call home and protect the living things we share it with

Earth Day:
April 22nd



Get your Toolkit
[HERE](#)

The Girl Scout
Tree Promise



Learn More
[HERE](#)

The Juliette Gordon Low Quarter has arrived!

Celebrate the US Mint's release of
the Juliette Gordon Low Quarter!
Did you get yours?

Click [HERE](#) for a toolkit!



Questions? Message the team at customer care@girlscoutsneny.org

Girl Scout Voices Count

We want to hear from you! Girl Scout Voices Count survey coming in April.



You spoke. We listened.

Last year, over 60,000 Girl Scouts completed our annual Girl Scout Voices Count national survey to tell us about their Girl Scout experiences. Feedback is used to make national programs more engaging, inclusive, and hands-on.

Your voice matters and makes Girl Scouting better for everyone—so we want to hear from you!

In April, we'll be conducting our Girl Scout Voices Count national survey of Girl Scouts. The feedback you provide is so important as it helps us improve Girl Scout programs and services.

The GSVC Girl Scout Survey launches on April 7! Watch your email for your invitation, plus reminders by email—and by text if you've opted in. As a thank you, everyone who completes the survey will have a chance to win 1 of 20 \$50 gift cards. We're looking forward to hearing from you!

If you have any questions, please email GSVoicesCount@girlscouts.org.

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 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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[to shop online!](#)**

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

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