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## Troop Finance Reports

All troops are required to submit an annual Troop Financial Report using the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) by July 20th of each year.



It requires a submission of the June bank statement. The troop funds belong to all the Girl Scouts in the troop. As stewards of these funds, accountability is a mandatory function of those volunteers responsible for the troop. Any troop member, parent, service unit team member or council staff can ask to review the troop financials at any point and ask questions.

Full reporting instructions can be found [HERE](#).

# S'mores Learning: Troop Finances

Check out our S'mores Learning on Troop Finances! Learn about how to manage your money and troop finances, how to earn money, and much more!  
Watch the video below!



## 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 Plattsburgh Service Center

\*more date available upon request

Register [HERE](#)

# Encampment Director Training

In this training, you will learn how to coordinate a multi-level troop overnight camping trip or Service Unit encampment. We will share things you should plan for and how to plan this type of event. This class is offered 6 times per year.

During this class you will:

- Discuss the value of the outdoor experience
  - Review progression as related to Girl Scout experiences
- Discuss how to create a team to plan & carry out the overnight
- Review policies and safety guidelines related to an encampment
- Discuss the importance of evaluating the process & experience

Register [HERE](#)



## Growing Futures Event

*Join your Girl Scout sisters for a festive summer gathering filled with meaningful connection and an exclusive opportunity to learn about ways to use our resources wisely—a core Girl Scout value. Our special host, who has spent 30 years helping women plan for their futures, will share valuable insights on charitable giving that can also provide significant tax advantages.*

Thursday, August 28

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

797 Route 9W, Glenmont NY 12077

Hors d'oeuvres   Beer/Wine/Soda   Signature Cocktail

**Seating is limited!**

[Click here to reserve your spot now!](#)

Or contact Fund Development  
at (518) 489-8110 or

[Give2GirlScouts@girlscoutsneny.org](mailto:Give2GirlScouts@girlscoutsneny.org)



*GSNENY is grateful to Girl Scout alum Kathleen Godfrey for generously underwriting this event.*



# Property Rental Featured Building

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## Weld House

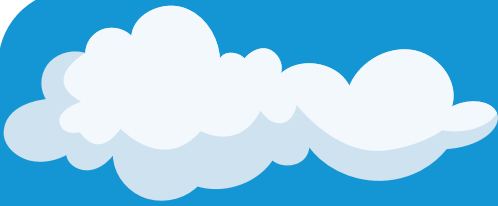
Space is still available to rent in Weld House at Lake Clear Camp!



The graphic features a light blue background with two large purple stars on either side of the central photo. At the bottom left is a wooden signpost with a yellow flower and the text 'CAMP GIRL SCOUTS'. At the bottom center is an illustration of a campfire. At the bottom right is the 'girl scouts of northeastern new york' logo.

Considering a trip to Upstate NY this summer? Join us at Weld House at our Lake Clear Camp! Nestled in Lake Clear, just 20 miles from the bustling Lake Placid, Weld House was once the original camp owner's home. This delightful two-story retreat accommodates 8 guests comfortably. Upstairs, you'll find 2 bedrooms, each with 2 beds, and another cozy bedroom with 2 beds downstairs. Relax in the living room, savor meals in the dining area, or whip up something quick in the small kitchen equipped with a mini fridge and microwave. Unwind on the screened-in back porch overlooking the camp's serene lower grounds. Please note, Weld is available as a standalone rental during summer camp and doesn't include access to other camp facilities. Reserve your spot [HERE](#)

# Troop Camping



Hidden Lake Camp

July 27th – 29th



Lake Clear Camp

August 17th – 19th



All the fun with none of the planning!  
A great opportunity for troops new to camping!

Gather your troop 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 Scouts' levels and interests including swimming, boating, arts & crafts, rope course, archery, nature activities and more. Come join us for an exceptional Troop Camp experience, where adventure and bonding harmonize to create unforgettable memories!



all levels

**\$195** per person  
includes all meals  
and activities

Click [HERE](#) for a full listing of GSNENY Camps.

Troops must register with sufficient number of adults to meet ratio for the number of campers registered. All adults in attendance must be registered members with current background checks. Adults do not need to have completed any camping training to attend, as activities will be led by camp staff.

# Upcoming Girl Scout Programs

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

## Summer She & Me



For Daisies, Brownies and Juniors with their special adults.

Saturday,  
August 23rd & 24th  
Hidden Lake Camp

As summer is ending, take this last chance to camp at Hidden Lake! Each Girl Scout and their "She" will spend the night in a unit at camp. Dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday is provided. Between meals, we will play games, make crafts, and explore all that Hidden Lake has to offer!

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](mailto: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.

## 7 Ways Summer Camp Brings Out Her Best

Summer is when some of the most fun childhood memories are made, but did you know that it's also an awesome opportunity for your girl to grow, learn, and become her best self? The truth is, sending your girl off to camp is one of the best gifts you can give her. The fun, outdoor adventure, and friends will enrich her life and—perhaps without her even noticing—give her the courage, people skills, and leadership chops to succeed at whatever she sets her mind to. Here are seven amazing benefits your girl will get from her summer camp experience.

[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](http://naminys.org)

## *GSNENY Summer Service Center Hours* *July 7th - September 1st*

**9 am – 3 pm, Monday – Thursday**

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](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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courage, confidence, and  
character, who make the  
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