



Please Note: The GSOC Council and Shop will be closed on Monday, January 15, 2024 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

RENEW EVENTS TRAINING



Member News

January 2024

Message from Vikki

Happy New Year to our Girl Scout Family!

New Year's is always so exciting! My wish for you is a year filled with joy and wonderful adventures. Our GSOC calendar is packed with endless possibilities. Grab a surfboard and learn how to “Hang 10” with our [Endless Sun Surf](#) class. Join us as we partner with [OC Habitats](#) and become a steward of the environment. And don't miss the unforgettable hip-hop musical [Alice's Wonderland](#) at the South Coast Repertory.

We're already off to a great start. Hundreds of Girl Scout sisters showed up at the Cookie Rally last weekend to kick off cookie season. We're

looking forward to Mega Delivery on Saturday, January 27th! Have fun planning, learning, and selling cookies!

By the way, if you haven't experienced the magic of Camp Scherman in winter yet, you may want to add this to your bucket list. We're offering an adventure-filled [Winter Family Camp](#) in February. The crisp mountain air, the beauty of the outdoors, and the star-studded nights will take your breath away. It's a special place where memories are made.

I hope you're ready for a fantastic 2024!

Yours in Girl Scouting,



Vikki Shepp, EdD
CEO, Girl Scouts of Orange County

News From the Council

Stay in the Know on All Things GSOC!

Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#) and tag us @girlscoutsoc.

Register Today! GSOC Trefoil Trot 5K Walk – April 14, 2024

Level: **All**

We're so excited to be hosting our second annual community walk. Join us for a 5K walk with your troop, family, or friends, while enjoying the spirit of Girl Scouts and community.

Funds raised will support Girl Scouts of Orange County, ensuring that every girl can be a Girl Scout, regardless of socio-economic barriers. Together, we can champion girl ambition and build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place!

For questions please contact fund.dev@girlscoutsoc.org.

LEARN MORE

2024 GSOC Poetry Webzine – Entries Due by March 31, 2024

Level: [Daisy](#), [Brownie](#), [Junior](#), [Cadette](#), [Senior](#), [Ambassador](#)

In honor of National Poetry Month in April, GSOC invites our Girl Scouts to submit an original poem to be included in our [2nd Annual Poetry Webzine!](#) Each Girl Scout is permitted to submit one original poem which can also be illustrated.

See [Poetry Submission Guidelines](#) for details.

One original entry per Girl Scout. Parent permission required.

SUBMISSION FORM

Call for Applications: National Girl Scout Advisory Board to GSUSA

Level: [Cadette](#), [Senior](#), [Ambassador](#)

Interest Forms due annually on January 18, 2023

GSUSA is accepting nominations for up to ten members to join the National Girl Scout Advisory Board to GSUSA. Councils can submit up to two qualified nominees to work with the Girl Scout national office. Girl Scouts in grades 7-11 in fall 2024 are eligible to complete the [GSOC Interest Form](#) to be considered as a GSOC Nominee to apply for the National Girl Scout Advisory Board to GSUSA.

GSOC Board of Directors Girl Advisory Members

Level: [Senior](#), [Ambassadors](#)

Applications due annually on February 15, 2023

Girl Scouts in grades 9-11 apply to serve as a [Girl Advisory Member](#) for the GSOC Board of Directors! This is an exciting leadership opportunity for girls who are interested in planning for the future of Girl Scouting and have the time to prepare for and participate in approximately 12 meetings/events per year. Contact [Customer Care](#) to request an application.

Celebrate Girl Scouts and Faith!

Girl Scout Week is March 10-16, 2024 —Plan to celebrate faith this March!

Girl Scouts Week is a great time to celebrate Girl Scouts and faith. Visit the GSOC [Faith](#) page to get started planning now with faith leaders in your community. GSOC provides resources for girls and adults to plan, promote, and host faith events. Girl Scouts are encouraged to earn My Promise, My Faith Awards, plan events to connect with faith communities, and celebrate faith on Girl Scout Sunday, Jummah and/or Shabbat during Girl Scout Week and throughout the year! View the [Faith Program Toolkit and Girl Scout Week 2024 Faith Days flyer](#), get the [Faith Program Toolkit](#), and celebrate and connect faith and Girl Scout activities this March and anytime throughout the year!

Girl Scout Program Opportunities

Endless Sun Surf School Classes – January 17 - January 31

Level: [Junior](#), [Cadette](#), [Senior](#), [Ambassador](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

OC Habitats Senior & Ambassador Mentoring/Shadowing Program –
January 18 - February 22

Level: [Senior](#), [Ambassadors](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

[Hybrid](#) Year of Service: Nurdle Patrol Citizen Science – January 19 & 20

Level: [All](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

Gold Award Project Proposal Support Meetings – January 21 - October 24

Level: **Senior, Ambassadors**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Art of Papermaking – January 21

Level: **Brownie, Junior**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Habitat Protection Through Citizen Science – January 25 - February 8

Level: **Cadette**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Virtual on Zoom Bloom Journaling Club Sessions – January 28,
February 12, & February 26

Level: **Cadette**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Virtual Roman Catholic Info Sessions – January 31, 12:00 - 1:00 PM and
February 1, 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Two dates for Girl Scout Adults to choose from!

[Information Sessions](#)

Older Girl Scout Leadership Training Weekend – February 2 & 3

Level: **Cadette, Senior, Ambassador**

[Learn more and Register](#)

Virtual GS Lounge - Dating in Pop Culture: Presented By: HUMAN
OPTIONS – February 5

Level: **Senior, Ambassador**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Girl Scout Nights With the Anaheim Ducks – Games Nights February 9
through March 24, 2024

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Honor HERstory: Celebrate International Women's Day with Girl Scouts
At Knott's Berry Farm – March 9

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Diocesan Mass & Awards Reception – March 16

Level: [Cadette](#), [Senior](#), [Ambassador](#)

Celebrate Mass with Girl Scout sisters across Orange County! Submit the [Diocesan Mass & Awards Reception Interest Form](#) to share interest in specific roles.

[Learn more & Register](#)

Great Masters of Sculpting – March 16

Level: [Junior](#), [Cadette](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

Tidepool Exploration with OC Habitats – April 4 & April 6

Level: [Junior](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

Girl Scout Night at Angel Stadium, Baseball & GSOC Parade – April 6

Level: [All](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

San Francisco Travel Patrol – April 12 - 14

Level: [Junior](#), [Cadette](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

Girl Scout Bridging at Disneyland Resort® – April 27

Level: [All Bridging Levels](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

Destination Dash – May 15

Level: [Adults and All Girl Scout Levels](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

Presidential Inauguration Travel Patrol – January 17 - 21, 2025

Level: [Cadette](#), [Senior](#), [Ambassador](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

[EVENT CALENDAR](#)

Entrepreneurship – Girl Scout Product Program

Cookie Guide for Girls have Arrived!

Girls were mailed their own packet with all the essential tools for a successful Cookie Program experience--complete with cookie order card, money envelope, cookie guide for girls, cookie entrepreneur checklist and more! The Girl Scout Cookie Program begins on January 14 with preorders and online sales. [Contact us](#) if your Girl Scout did not receive her packet and one will be mailed to her! Be sure to include "Cookies-Girl Packet" in the subject line of the email.

New! Digital Cookie Registration Emails

Beginning January 9th, girls and their parent/guardian will receive a registration email from email@email.girlscouts.org with details about participating in the online selling of cookies including a registration link for Digital Cookies. Be sure to add email@email.girlscouts.org as a safe sender so you receive the registration.

Digital Cookie Tip Sheets and training videos are located at www.gscookiesetc.org/cookies/digital-cookie/.

Wanted: Mystery House Hosts for Cookie Program

We are looking for mystery house hosts in every city in OC--no previous experience required. [Learn more](#) about this fun opportunity to support girls during the 2024 Cookie Program and [submit your interest form](#).

Camping & Outdoor Adventures

Winter Family Camp – February 16 - 18

Level: All

Experience a whole new side of winter. Bundle up and enjoy the crisp mountain air at camp. Chill out in a canoe, take aim at our snowflake archery targets, then come inside to warm your hands with a cup of Scherman cocoa. Don't forget to practice your skit to perform by the campfire. Let the beauty of a star-studded night sky take your breath away. Bring your hats, mittens, and any other winter essentials. All weekend camps must have proper girl: adult ratios.

Attendees will stay in winterized semi-private Ranch House Cabins, with a shared restroom and sink area.

Four meals are included starting with Saturday breakfast and ending with breakfast on Sunday. Families are responsible for providing their own dinner on Friday.

[LEARN MORE & REGISTER](#)

2023 Explore Summer Camp – Adventure Begins Here

Summer is coming and Camp is waiting for you.

Camp has something for everyone. Summer Sleepaway Camp at Camp Scherman is an enriching outdoor experience for Girl Scouts in grades 2 - 12.

Sessions are starting to fill up - Don't miss out.

[EXPLORE CAMP](#)

SU Weekend Camps

Interested in hosting an all inclusive Service Unit weekend camp at Camp Scherman? Fill out the emailme form for more information.

[FILL OUT FORM](#)

2024 Weekend Camps – Registration is Open

Registration is now open for 2024 Camp Scherman weekend camps. Enjoy the magic of Camp Scherman as troop, or family. At Camp Scherman, all campers get to try their hand at favorite camp activities, which may include archery, canoeing, hiking, songs and games, and low ropes, led by trained camp staff. Excitement is waiting just for you!

[VIEW WEEKEND CAMPS](#)

GAM 2024 – May 3 - 5, 2024

From sailing and canoeing to knot tying and flag folding, this annual volunteer-led event provides Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors opportunities to have fun and build their nautical skills.

[Learn more](#)

REGISTER TODAY

Calling All Cadettes, Seniors, & Ambassadors!

Girl Scout Mariners are looking for you.

Meetings: 2nd Sunday of the month, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

To attend planning meetings, please contact gsocmariners@gmail.com.

Activities Include: All things related to water! Boating, land skills (knots, code flags, compass), marine science & conservation, field trips, overnights, and more! No troop leader involvement is required. Join on your own or with a friend! [Learn more](#).



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Shop Local

for your Girl Scout Cookie Gear!

Cookie Booth Kit

Special Package Price - \$39.99

Retail Value - ~~\$48.71~~

Item # A2024

Includes six items:

Cookie Pencil, Money Pouch, Cookie Time Rollabanner, GSOC Shopping Bags, GSOC Tablecloth, Cookie Booth Patch



2024 Cookie Fun Patches ▶

- A. Booth Sales Patch, #CB24
- B. Cookie Techie Patch, #CT24
- C. Gluten Free Patch, #GF24
- D. My First Cookie Sale Patch, #FCS24
- E. Participation Patch, #PART24
- F. Walk About Patch, #WB24

\$1.50 each



Shop Girl Scout Cookie Booth Kit & 2024 Cookie Fun Patches!
View the full selection on our GSOC Shop website.

SHOP COOKIE MERCHANDISE

Prices do not include sales tax. All sales for cookie merchandise are final, no returns or exchanges. Kits and items are available while supplies last.

Upcoming Closures
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Monday, January 15th, for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Thank you for your patience and understanding.
If you have any additional questions, please email us at
shopgs@girlscoutsoc.org or call 949-461-8802.

Your purchase supports our mission to build girls of courage,
confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Upcoming Meetings & Trainings

Brownie Essentials Training: Thursday, January 11, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Girl Scout Essentials for New Leaders: Tuesday, January 16, 10:00 AM -
12:00 PM

Daisy Essentials Training: Wednesday, January 17, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Junior Essentials Training: Thursday, January 18, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Analytics for All!: Thursday, January 18, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Cadette Essentials Training: Wednesday, January 24, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

UPCOMING TRAININGS

Jobs & Volunteer Opportunities

GSOC Job Opportunities

We are currently accepting applications for multiple positions; please
review all open job positions.

[View All Job Opportunities](#)

Volunteer Opportunity

Volunteer Facilitators Needed

We are in search of new facilitators for GSOC learning opportunities. If
interested, please fill out this [brief survey](#).

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who make the world a better place.



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