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RENEW EVENTS TRAINING



Member News

March 2024

Message from Vikki

[Happy Girl Scout birthday!](#) One hundred and twelve years ago, Juliette Gordon Low registered the first 18 members in Savannah, Georgia, on March 12th, and Girl Scouts was officially born. What a legacy she has in our council and throughout the GS movement.

It's Girl Scout Week 2024. Join the fun-filled activities and show your Girl Scout spirit every day. There are themes for each day of Girl Scout week, which can be found [here](#). This week is also an opportunity to celebrate faith, and one way to honor the Girl Scout sisterhood is with your mosque, synagogue, temple, or church. The OC Catholic did a feature on three of our Catholic Gold Award Girl Scouts: Gabrielle

DeCuir, Therese Tran, and Kathleen Hue. Check out their writeups [here](#). And, for those who are interested, we invite you and your families to take part in a Roman Catholic Diocesan Girl Scout Mass taking place this Saturday, March 16th, at Christ Cathedral in Garden Grove.

As we all know, it's nearing the end of our iconic Cookie Program, and almost 8,000 Girl Scouts are Girl Bosses, selling cookies and reaching their goals. They're flexing their entrepreneurial skills and earning some incredible prizes and experiences that are exclusive to Girl Scouts of Orange County. Just a reminder, Cookie Season ends this Sunday, March 17th.

Speaking of incredible experiences, we'll be recognizing 3 of our top cookie sellers at [Girl Scout Night](#) at Angels Stadium on Saturday, April 6th. Get ready for a special evening, including a troop banner parade, Gold Award Girl Scout recognition, and, of course, baseball!

I couldn't be prouder of all our Girl Scouts.

Yours in Girl Scouting,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vikki Shepp', written in a cursive style.

Vikki Shepp, EdD
CEO, Girl Scouts of Orange County

News From the Council

O.C. Girl Scout Week | March 10-16th, 2024

<p>3/10 "STEM Sundae" Girl Scout Sunday</p> 	 <p>3/11 Make New Friends Monday</p>	<p>3/12 Girl Scout 112th Birthday & Take Action Tuesday</p> 	 <p>3/13 We Love Girl Scouts Wednesday</p>
 <p>3/14 Throwback Thursday</p>	<p>3/15 Green Out for Girl Scouts & Girl Scout Jummah</p> 	 <p>3/16 Civics Saturday & Girl Scout Shabbat</p>	<p>Don't Forget To Tag Us @girlscoutsoc</p> 

It's Officially OC Girl Scout Week – March 10-16th, 2024

Celebrate your Girl Scout pride with fun activities during Girl Scout Week 2024! You, family and friends, and troops and service units can join in the fun all week! Learn more about [Girl Scout Week](#) and share your Girl Scout spirit! Tag @girlscoutsoc and use hashtags #GirlScoutsOC and #GirlScoutWeek

[LEARN MORE](#)

Save the Date! Spring Renewal – Begins April 1st!

Behind every Girl Scout is a volunteer like you who helps her feel comfortable being her most authentic self, and we couldn't be more thankful. Whether it's taking girls on a new hike, getting a little messy with an art project, or just sharing a joke, you always know how to make their days brighter. Keep the fun going!

Start talking about Spring Renewal with your troop families now so all your Girl Scouts can Renew starting April 1st and earn exclusive renewal incentives:



Every girl, Troop Leader, and SU Leads (who aren't already Troop Leaders!) who renews by April 15th will receive a free GSOC T-shirt. Please note: Design may vary from image shown.

Girls who renew by April 30th will receive free entry for our 2025 Fall Kickoff event!

Girls who renew by May 31st will receive a sticker sheet.



Girls, Troop Leaders, and SU Leads (who aren't -Girls, Troop Leaders, and SU Leads (who aren't already a Troop Leaders) and Lifetime Members with a volunteer role who renew by June 13th will receive the GSOC exclusive membership patch.

Have questions about renewal? Pop into our first Virtual Renewal Office Hours on Tuesday, March 26th at 6 PM. RSVP and learn more at www.girlscoutsoc.org/renew. Let's ensure every girl experiences the full benefits of renewal!

Coming soon! Girl Scout Picture Days - April 29 - Anaheim & April 30 - Yorba Linda
Join the fun and treasure the memories for years to come! Make an appointment to capture the growth and accomplishments in your Girl Scout's life with beautiful keepsakes from [Live Shoot-1 Professional Photography](#). Learn more and make an appointment [here](#). We look forward to seeing your smiles!

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month!
April is Volunteer Appreciation Month and it's no secret that Girl Scouts

would not be possible without our amazing volunteers. Join us in celebrating all our wonderful adult volunteers during the month of April and as we give a special shout out to Girl Scout Leaders on Leader Appreciation Day, April 22. Click [here](#) to learn how you can show the Girl Scout volunteers that support you and your girl how much you appreciate them!

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.

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

[LEARN MORE](#)

Girl Awards Update Submission Deadline – March 29, 2024 (with references due by 4/5/24)

GSOC is accepting submissions for Girl Awards from Girl Scout Ambassador Grads in 12th grade! Grads are eligible for the Juliette Low Spirit of Girl Scouting Award and Outstanding Senior Girl Scout Recognition which will be awarded at GSOC's [Green & Gold Celebration](#) recognizing Grads & Gold Award Girl Scouts on June 9, 2024. Interested Girl Scouts submit their Girl Scout story, photo, video, and three references to be considered for GSOC Girl Awards. See the [Girl Awards](#) page for additional information.

Check Out New and Updated Scholarships

SoCalGas Scholarship Program – Deadline is March 19, 2024

The SoCalGas Scholarship Program encourages students to pursue higher education and supports their academic endeavors. Up to \$315,000 will be awarded to high school seniors attending four-year

university, community college or trade school. [Learn more.](#)

Taco Bell Ambition Accelerator – Applications Will be Accepted Until March 14, 2024

Taco Bell Foundation’s Ambition Accelerator aims to fuel the next generation’s bold ambitions for creating change. Youth ages 16-26 with an idea to impact your community for the better or an already established social impact initiative can apply and win total cash prizes up to \$25,000. Applications will be accepted until March 14 (US) and March 15 (India), 2024! [Learn more.](#)

[MORE SCHOLARSHIPS](#)

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](#)

News From GSUSA

Calling all Gold Award Girl Scouts:



Get ready to apply
for a **\$5,000**
scholarship!

Now that you've earned the Gold Award—the highest award in Girl Scouting—did you know that you can apply for a \$5,000 scholarship? The GSUSA Gold Award Scholarship will be awarded to one remarkable Girl Scout per council who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership and sustainable impact while addressing a national or global issue—and you could be the one!

Apply between March 15 - April 17, 2024

[LEARN MORE](#)

Girl Scout Program Opportunities

aMUSE Journey Series for Juniors - Sundays: 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, & 5/5

Workshops4Girls invites Girl Scout Juniors, grades 4-5 to this 4-day virtual aMUSE Journey workshop series. Participants will grow confidence as they explore future roles for themselves, interview inspirational women, learn to stand up for what they believe in, and create a Take-Action Project presentation that takes a stand against stereotypes. Learn more and register [here](#) by 4/3/24.

MEdia Journey Series for Cadettes - Sundays: 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, & 5/5

Workshops4Girls invites Girl Scout Cadettes, grades 6-8, to this 4-day virtual MEdia Journey workshop series. Participants will look for the ME in media and learn how they can shape media messages for themselves, their community, and the world and develop a plan for a Take Action Project. Girl Scouts will also be equipped with knowledge, skills, and resources to prepare them to create a strong Silver Award Take Action Project. Completing a Cadette Journey is a prerequisite for the Silver Award. Learn more and register [here](#) by 4/3/24.

Girl Scout Week Sing Along – March 15

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Crash Course Camping – March 16

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Girls Empowerment Movement GEMfest – March 16

Level: **Cadette**

[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](#)

Girl Scout Iftar – March 17

Level: **All & Adults**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Junior Coding with Dreams For Schools – March 19

Level: **Junior**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Manners & Tea Party – March 23

Level: **Junior**, **Volunteers**

[Learn more & Register](#)

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

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Jewelry Workshop – March 26

Level: **Junior**, **Cadette**, **Senior**, **Ambassador**, **Volunteers**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Year of Service: Little Free Library – March 28

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

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[Submission Form](#)

GS Lounge – April 1

Level: **Senior**, **Ambassadors**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Tidepool Exploration with OC Habitats – April 4 & April 6

Level: **Junior**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Horizon Junior Jam – April 5 - 7

Level: **Junior**

[Learn more & Register](#)

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

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Daisy Shapes in Nature Badge – April 7

Level: **Daisy**, & **Adult**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Silk Jewelry – April 7

Level: **Brownie**, **Junior**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Arts Patrol Meeting – April 9

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

San Francisco Travel Patrol – April 12 - 14

Level: **Junior**, **Cadette**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Trefoil Trot – April 14

Level: **Daisy**, **Brownie**, **Junior**, **Cadette**, **Senior**, **Ambassador**, **Adult**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Junior Mechanical Engineering Workshop with Dreams for Schools –
April 16

Level: **Junior**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Cookie Decorating (D,B) – April 21

Level: **Daisy**, **Brownie**, **Adult**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Cookie Decorating (J,C,S,A) – April 21

Level: **Junior**, **Cadette**, **Senior**, **Ambassador**, **Adult**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Year of Service: Block The Blaze – April 25

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Girl Scout Bridging at Disneyland Resort® – April 27

Level: **All Bridging Level**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Art of Feelings – April 28

Level: **Brownie**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Frozen Jr - Theatre Workshop & Show – May 4

Level: **All**

[Learn more & Register](#)

American Martial Arts Academy: Focus & Bully Prevention Workshop –
May 11

Level: **Daisy, Brownie, Junior**

[Learn more & Register](#)

New Date! Destination Dash – May 15

Level: **Adults and All Girl Scout Levels**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Hawaiian Tapa – May 18

Level: **Junior, Cadette**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Gold Award Project Proposal Support Meetings – May 19 - October 6

Level: **Senior, Ambassadors**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Adult & Me Art of Feelings – May 19

Level: **Daisy**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Dreams To Reality - Career Exploration & Inspiration Event – June 1

Level: **Cadette, Senior, Ambassador**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Save the Date! Green & Gold Celebration – June 9

Level: **Senior, Ambassador**

[Learn more & Register](#)

Presidential Inauguration Travel Patrol – January 17 - 21, 2025

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

[Learn more & Register](#)

Savannah, GA Travel Patrol for World Thinking Day – February 21 - 25, 2025

Level: [7th Grade Cadette](#), [Senior](#), [Ambassador](#)

[Learn more & Register](#)

EVENT CALENDAR

Entrepreneurship – Girl Scout Product Program

Encourage Girls to Check Goal Progress

Remind girls to check their progress toward their goal. If a girl is just a few packages away from a great [cookie reward](#) she can still achieve it!

Stellar Skills Contest

Calling all Orange County Girl Scouts who have standout cookie business skills! We want first-time sellers and veteran cookie pros alike to enter the Stellar Skills contest. [Nominate a Stellar Seller today.](#)

Show Your Gratitude to your Troop Cookie Coordinator

Our cookie volunteers do an awesome job and deserve recognition for their efforts! Empower your Girl Scout to exemplify the Girl Scout Law “a Girl Scout is considerate and caring” by making a [thank you card](#) combined with flowers, a photo or gift card for her Troop Cookie Coordinator!

Cookie Dough, OC Bucks & Juliette Dollars Expire April 30th

Please remind girls not to forget to redeem their Cookie Dough, OC Bucks and Juliette Dollars before they expire on April 30th. Girls can use their certificates to pay for Council Service Fee, Service Unit & [Council Events](#) or at the Girl Scout Shop. See our [Cookie Dough FAQs](#) for more information.

Find Exclusive Golden Tickets as we Clear Our Cupboards

This is our last week of the 2024 Cookie Program, and we want to go out on a high note! Help us empty the cupboards by placing a planned order and picking it up from your desired cupboard for a chance to find a “Golden Ticket”. Each cupboard has hidden “Golden Tickets” in several of their cookie cases. Find one of these Golden Tickets in your cookie order and your troop will win a prize! Your troop could win a prize such as Troop Cookie Dough, a Troop Banner, a Girl Scout branded canopy, a Visit from CEO, Vikki Shepp Ed. D. to your Troop Meeting, and more.

Guidelines to participate:

- The troops must place a planned order with their desired cupboard to be picked up now through March 17th.
- 25% of any consignment orders must be sold to qualify for prize.

To redeem the Golden Ticket, Email customer care@girlscoutsoc.org with your ticket number and the subject line: “Golden Ticket” to find out what you’ve won!

Camping & Outdoor Adventures

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](#)

Save the Date! Catalina Island Weekend Camp – September 13 - 15
More information and registration coming soon

Camping Skillz Events – March

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

Location: O’Neill Regional Park

Learn outdoor camping skills!

YES! You can bring SWAPS to pass around.

Register today!

[Daisy/Brownie Skillz Event](#) – March 24

[Junior/Cadette Skillz Event](#) – March 22 - 24

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.

Session 1: July 1 - 5, 2024

[Artrageous](#)

[Axes Knives and Arrows](#)

[Brownie Blast; Fairies and Friend](#)

[Camper Explorer](#)

[Camper Sampler](#)

[LEAP I](#)

[Swim Paddle Play](#)

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

GAM 2024 – May 3 - 5, 2024

Level: **Senior**, **Ambassador**

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.

REGISTER TODAY

Calling All Cadettes, Seniors, & Ambassadors!

Girl Scout Mariners are looking for you.

Level: **Cadette**, **Senior**, **Ambassador**

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](#).

GSOC Shop



New Spring Apparel Has Arrived!



New Spring Apparel Has Arrived!
Shop in-store to see more new items!

New Shop Retail Hours
Effective Beginning Sunday, March 17, 2024
Sunday - Monday: Closed
Tuesday - Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday: 10:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Shop in-store for an opportunity to receive 10% off your next purchase. Please ask our retail team for more information.

If you have any questions, please email us at shops@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

[Analytics for All!](#): Thursday, March 14, 5:00 - 6:00 PM

[Brownie Essentials Training](#): Thursday, March 14, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Travel Training](#): Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 - 9:30 PM

[Girl Scout Essentials for New Leaders](#): Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Junior Essentials](#): Wednesday, March 20, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Planning Large Events](#): Wednesday, March 20, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Accessibility Training](#): Thursday, March 21, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

[Cadette Essentials](#): Thursday, March 28, 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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