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RENEW EVENTS TRAINING



# Volunteer News

September 5, 2023

News from GSUSA



**NEW!** You Got This – Girl Scouts Mental Wellness Patch Program

Level: Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador

Life can be filled with all sorts of ups and downs. The good news is you never have to face challenges alone, especially when you have a welcoming community to uplift and support you along the way. When it comes to caring for your mental wellness, there are many ways to practice resilience and prioritize your well-being, whether it's taking a moment to check in with yourself, vocalizing the way you feel, or trying self-care practices like journaling.

Get started by downloading our FREE activity sheet for girls in grades 4 through 12, explore our patch program for resources to support you along your journey, and remember—you got this.

[EXPLORE ACTIVITIES](#)



**NEW!** Calling All Troop Leaders!

Planning for the new troop year? We've got you covered. From Troop Year Plans and customization services to official adult uniform apparel, it's all here.

[TROOP YEAR PLANS](#)

## News From the Council

### Renew Your Troop for the New School Year!

The new membership year officially begins October 1, so be sure to check your roster and ensure all girls and adults are properly renewed before their memberships expire.

[RENEW TODAY](#)

For renewal instructions, watch our [tutorial video](#).

For renewal assistance, reach out to [customercare@girlscoutsoc.org](mailto:customercare@girlscoutsoc.org).

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### Hello Leaders!

We are excited about the new membership year starting October 2023. We would like to remind you of a few requirements to complete by 9/30/23 to start off the New Membership Year successfully:

1. Renew your membership before September 30, 2023.
2. Complete Mandated Reporter training, upload a certificate in gsLearn, or register for training on the calendar. This is required by law to be a volunteer with Girl Scouts of Orange County.
3. Arrange for Fingerprinting. This is also a state mandated requirement to volunteer with Girl Scouts of Orange County.

[GET STARTED TODAY](#)

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### 5th Annual Girl Scouts Love State Parks – September 10

Join us this Sunday September 10, 2023, at Bolsa Chica State Beach. Sign up for the wetland tours and the lifeguard tours.

Here is the tentative schedule:

- 9:00 AM Lifeguard/ CPR, Rescue, and Aquatic Safety and Beach Clean up starts
- 10:00 AM Lifeguard/ Tools of the Trade

- 11:00 AM Lifeguard/ Relay Race
- 11:30 AM Junior Ranger Swear In
- 12:00 PM K-9 Officer Demo
- 1:00 PM Ongoing Beach Clean up/Scavenger hunt
- 2:00 PM Lifeguard/ Q & A
- 3:00 PM Beach Cleanup ends Participant raffle in front of HQ
- 3:30 PM Campfire Program

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### American Marital Arts Academy - Focus & Bully Prevention Workshop – September 9

Level: Daisy, Brownie, Junior

Date: Saturday, September 9

Time: 12:15 - 1:00 PM

Where: American Martial Arts Academy – 850 N. Rose Dr. Placentia, CA

Cost: \$5 per Girl Scout

Join us as we teach Girl Scouts FOCUS for Improved Grades. CONFIDENCE to Stand Up to Bullies & Make New Friends this School Year AND... How to use your voice!

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### Virtual GS Lounge – September 11

The Happiness Toolbox: Practical Tools for Fostering Happiness in Your Life

Level: Seniors, Ambassadors

Ages: 9th - 12th Grades

Date: Monday, September 11

Time: 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Where: Zoom link will be sent upon registration.

Cost: FREE for Girl Scouts thanks to our Friends at Bloomingdales

Girl Scouts will receive a NEW GS Lounge Patch for participating in these Sessions!

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### New! Girl Scout Performers Wanted

Level: All

Girl Scout performers wanted! Do you sing, dance, or play an instrument and like to perform? We may have opportunities for you to showcase your talents at Girl Scout events. Please submit a short video here.

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## Girl Scout Program Opportunities

### Adult Outdoor Skills Training Retreat at Camp Scherman – September 29 - October 1

When: Friday, September 29 - Sunday, October 1, 2023

Where: Camp Scherman

Cost: \$125 for in-council volunteers and \$150 for out of council volunteers.

Join us and other leaders for a weekend of adult learning and training in the great outdoors with other leaders.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER

### STEM Career Exploration Lunch and Panel Discussion – September 23

Level: Cadette, Senior, Ambassador

Membership Required

[Learn more & Register](#)

### First Tee Of OC - Free Gold Clinic – September 16

Level: Brownie, Junior

[Learn more & Register](#)

### Virtual Year of Service: Binky Patrol – September 27

Level: All

[Learn more & Register](#)

Learn to Surf – September 10 & 24, October 8

Level: Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador

September 10 - [Learn more & Register](#)

September 24 - [Learn more & Register](#)

October 8 - [Learn more & Register](#)

2023 Cadette-O-Rama: Cadettes of the High Seas – October 20 - 22

Level: Cadette

[Learn more & Register](#)

Cadette-O-Rama Lookie Loos – October 20 - 22

Level: 4th, 5th grade Juniors or 6th grade Cadettes

[Learn more & Register](#)

Cadette-O-Rama Red Hat – October 20 - 22

Level: 9th-12th grade Senior and Ambassador

[Learn more & Register](#)

**Save the Date** STEM Expo 2023 – October 21

Level: Junior, Cadette

Membership Required

[Learn more & Register](#)

EVENT CALENDAR

## Entrepreneurship – Girl Scout Product Program

### Fall Product Program

It is easier than ever to participate in the Fall Product program as it is conducted completely online! Customers will have the option to support their favorite Girl Scout by ordering nuts, chocolates, magazines, and more through direct shipping or online girl delivery options. This is a great opportunity for girls to earn patches and rewards and for troops to earn proceeds to help fund their troop activities. Find out more about the [easiest fall product program ever!](#)

## Fall Product Program Troop Bonus Rewards!

Troops have the opportunity to earn a Troop bonus rewards by participating in the 2023 Fall Product Program. [More details!](#)

## Fall Product Mailing to Troop Product Coordinators

Troops should have received their Fall Product training packets in the mail. Only one adult per troop (a troop leader or the Troop Product Coordinator) is receiving this mailing, so please pass it along to your leader if you are not the correct recipient.

If your troop did not receive the Fall Product training packet, please email [customercare@girlscoutsoc.org](mailto:customercare@girlscoutsoc.org) with “Fall Product – Troop Training Packet” in the subject line and one will be mailed to you.

## Camping & Outdoor Adventures

### 2023 Explore Camp – Adventure Begins Here

[EXPLORE CAMP](#)

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### 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](#)

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### 2023 - 2024 Weekend Camps

Registration is open now for 2023 - 2024 Camp Scherman weekend camps.

Excitement is waiting just for you.

### Upcoming Weekend Camps:

Girls Weekend – October 6 - 8

Level: All

[Learn more & Register](#)

Songs and S'Mores – October 13 - 15/

Level: All

[Learn more & Register](#)

Boo Bash – October 27 - 29

Level: All

[Learn more & Register](#)

VIEW WEEKEND CAMPS

Crash Course Camping – November 11

Presented by Troop 3204

Nervous about camping? Don't know what you don't know about camping? Here is your chance to learn. We will teach your girls and leaders everything they need to know to have a successful, enjoyable camping experience!

MORE INFORMATION

GSOC Shop

Back to Troop

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- ✓Purchase your uniform
- ✓Customize with core insignia
- ✓Pair uniform with official uniform apparel
- ✓Select your handbook



Back to Troop is an exciting time for Girl Scouts, full of fun,



friendship, and discovery.

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

## Upcoming Meetings & Trainings

[Daisy Essentials Training](#): Thursday, September 7, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Mandated Reporter Training](#): Monday, September 11, 6:30 - 7:00 PM

[Brownie Essentials Training](#): Wednesday, September 13, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Bronze Award Training](#): Monday, September 18, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Daisy Essentials Training](#): Tuesday, September 19, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

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

[New Leader Power Hour – The Volunteer Toolkit Tips & Tricks!:](#)

Wednesday, September 20, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

[Gold Award Training](#): Tuesday, September 26, 6:30 - 9:30 PM

[Cadette Essentials Training](#): Wednesday, September 27, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

[Girl Scout Essentials for New Leaders](#): Thursday, September 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](#)

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## Volunteer Opportunities

2023 Fall Kickoff Volunteer Opportunity – October 14

Level: All

Earn Community Service hours for school & Girl Scouts at the same time!

Fun for troops or parent/caregiver & daughter teams.

[Learn more & Register](#)

### Volunteer Facilitators Needed

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

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



Have a question? Don't be shy!  
[Contact us](#) for more information.

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