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For all 2025 Fall Product Program resources visit: <a href="https://www.girlscoutshs.org/fallproduct">www.girlscoutshs.org/fallproduct</a>

For all program and event registrations, www.girlscoutshs.org/calendar



## This Month's Top Volunteer News & Information

#### **On-Time Membership Renewal**

Troop Leaders should review their roster in the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) to get an up-to-date list of all members who are renewed for 2025-2026. We encourage leaders to use the VTK roster as opposed to the one found under the "Troop" tab in MyGS. The VTK is meant to show a current list of members, whereas MyGS is used to manage memberships and contact information for members of your troop. MyGS will continue to show non-renewed and inactive girls for another full year after their membership with the troop has lapsed. The cleanest, most current roster will always be found in the VTK.

The membership year runs from October 1 - September 30, annually. Any girl or adult who has not renewed their membership by the end of September will no longer be an active member, should not participate in any Girl Scout activities - including the Fall Product and Cookie Programs.

If you need assistance renewing yourself, your family, or your troop, please contact a member of our Customer Care team at <a href="mailto:info@girlscoutshs.org">info@girlscoutshs.org</a> or 1-800-624-4185.

If you know a volunteer
we need to feature
in the Volunteer
Spotlight segment in an
upcoming issue,
email us at
news@girlscoutshs.org
to get them on the list!



## September 2025 Volunteer Spotlight Sarah Dockstader SU 175 ~ Collierville/South Fayette

After a brief stint in Girl Scouts as a child in New Mexico, it wasn't until Sarah Dockstader married into a dedicated scouting family that her

journey truly began. Her husband, an Eagle Scout from a family of lifelong Girl Scouts and leaders, was the one who said, "Our daughter needs to be in Girl Scouts."

And so, in 2011, while raising three young children in Texas, Sarah found herself walking her daughter into that first Brownie meeting.

What began with volunteering as a cookie mom quickly grew into troop leadership and service unit support. Over the past 15 years, Sarah has worn several leader hats—from assistant leader to multilevel troop leader. Cookies, she says, are "my thing." She's been a cookie mom, a service unit cookie manager, and even managed cookies for multiple troops at the same time.

But beyond the logistics and spreadsheets, Sarah sees Girl Scouts as a gateway to something much more meaningful: opportunity. "I think the greatest thing about Girl Scouts is the big picture," she says. "It was created to give girls a chance to do things they weren't normally allowed to do—and I still see it that way."

From empowering girls to handle tools, conquer

the outdoors, or speak confidently with adults at cookie booths, Sarah is passionate about ensuring that every girl has a chance to step outside her comfort zone—and shine. She fondly recalls her daughter, once shy, now confident in adult conversations thanks to years of cookie booth experiences.

Over the years, Sarah has guided girls through higher awards, troop travel to Savannah and whitewater rafting on the Ocoee River. Even though her youngest is now in 10th grade, Sarah continues to serve—organizing, advising, managing cookies, and celebrating every badge and milestone with creativity and heart—even presenting patches cleverly as snow globes, potted plants, and other fun keepsakes.

She's the proud recipient of the Honor Pin, Rookie of the Year, and religious recognitions from her church like the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Anne Awards—each a testament to her commitment to faith, leadership, and service.

Her advice to new leaders? "Be part of the bigger picture." Don't just lead a troop—connect with your service unit, attend council events, and show girls that they're part of something greater than themselves.

"Girl Scouts was here long before me, and it will go on long after I'm gone. I just feel lucky to have been a part of it."

#### A BIG THANK YOU

to everyone who attended their recent local Volunteer Leadership Summit! If you attended and did not have the opportunity to fill out the post-event survey, please send your comments and suggestions to info@girlscoutshs.org.

We would love to hear from you!



Wear Your "Girl Scout Gear" to School Day - Fall 2025 Tuesday, October 21, 2025







Join Girl Scouts across our council in showing your Girl Scout pride and wear your Girl Scout "gear to school on Tuesday, October 21, 2025!

Wear Your Girl Scout Uniform (or other Girl Scout-themed apparel) to school on this day and receive a FREE fun patch!

Girl Scout-themed apparel will be accepted, however, this is a GREAT day to wear your full Girl Scout uniform to proudly show all your badges and awards, and share all the fun you're having in Girl Scouts with your school friends!

More info - including specific entry instructions - will be coming to your email inbox soon. STAY TUNED!

We can't wait to see your smiling faces all dressed up in your Girl Scout Best!

#### GEAR UP FOR GIRL SCOUTS TODAY!

Shop online anytime at www.girlscoutshs.org/shop or visit your local GSHS Trefoil Trunk Location!



All Trefoil Trunk shop locations will be CLOSED FOR INVENTORY September 29 – October 3. Shops will reopen on Monday, October 6th.

#### STAY "IN-THE-KNOW" WITH GSHS!

In our ongoing efforts to enhance communications with members and volunteers, Girl Scouts Heart of the South offers automated text messaging!

Click the button and fill out the linked form to opt-in to this additional communications platform!

**GSHS TEXT** MESSAGING SERVICE **OPT-IN FORM** 



Guest Speaker - Oxford, MS Mayor Robyn Tannehill

For more than a decade, the Women of Distinction luncheon benefitting Girl Scouts Heart of the South has served to recognize and link together groups of purpose-driven women in business, government and philanthropy throughout our council region who, like Girl Scouts, are dedicated to service and leadership.

Women are nominated for their leadership, community contributions and professional accomplishments. Nominees are positive role models whose accomplishments inspire girls to achieve their own goals and dreams.

Since 2011, Girl Scouts Heart of the South has been pleased to present the Women of Distinction luncheon event in the Lafayette-Oxford-University area, and more than 100 women have been honored.

#### 2025 Women of Distinction Luncheon

Benefitting Girl Scouts Heart of the South

Tuesday, September 23, 2025 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM St. Peter's Episcopal Church Oxford, Mississippi 38655

Tickets: \$50 each

Join us as we celebrate inspiring female leaders who are making amazing things happen in the Lafayette-Oxford-University area!

#### The 2025 Women of Distinction Nominees

**Marilyn Barnes**, AVID Director and Gifted Coordinator, Oxford School District

**Reatha Clark**, Consultant, Healthcare Consulting and Executive Coaching; Girl Scout Volunteer

Mary Martha Crowe, Assistant Director of Career and Technical Education, Oxford School District & Alderman At-Large, City of Oxford

**Diana Richardson**, Senior Principal Technical Product Management, Cotality

Sarah Siebert, Teacher, UM Willie Price Lab School

**Erin Smith**, Executive Director, CASA of North Mississippi

**CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS!** 



# Trefoils & TRAILBLAZERS

celebrating leaders who light the way

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 ◆ 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Memphis Botanic Garden ◆ Tickets: \$125 each

Join us in celebrating trailblazing leaders—past, present, and future—who are making a difference and inspiring the next generation of changemakers.

Through this luncheon, we'll highlight the transformative impact Girl Scouting has on girls' lives and recognize those who illuminate the path for them to lead with courage, confidence, and character.

#### Join us for an afternoon sure to inspire and ignite!

And don't miss our exciting silent auction full of fun and unique items for yourself or someone who inspires you.

#### CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS AND SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION.

Erika J. Kendrick is a bestselling author, award-winning national speaker, mental fitness expert, and Girl Scout Gold Award recipient. After beating her "mental monsters" and slaying her "brain pain," Erika founded Mental Fitness for Life to empower others to truly thrive – not just struggle to survive. Through open conversations about her lived experiences with depression and sharing strategies to meet challenges head-on, Erika has inspired people of all ages to prioritize their mental wellness and create a life filled with purpose, resilience, and joy. As a Girl Scout Alumna and a trailblazer, Erika will illustrate the power of connection, hope and community and empower you to create safe spaces to have life-saving conversations.



Pinson Mounds State Archaeological Park

460 Ozier Rd, Pinson, TN 38366

Girl Scouts Love State Parks Hike & Scavenger Hunt September 13th & September 14th

Pinson Mounds invites Girl Scouts of all ages, friends, and family to explore the natural wonders of the park through a self-guided hike & scavenger hunt!

Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the September 13th event. Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the September 14th event.

#### Reelfoot Lake State Park

2595 TN-21 E, Tiptonville, TN 38079

Birding on the Boardwalk Saturday, September 13th ~ 9:00-10:00 AM

Meet Interpretive Ranger Madlyn on the Boardwalk at Reelfoot Lake to learn more about native Tennessee birds! We will discuss bird identification using physical features, flight patterns, behavior, and bird calls. We will also hike along the boardwalk to practice our birding skills by observing wildlife. As a bonus, you get a great view of Reelfoot Lake! Binoculars, bug spray, and water are recommended.

Registration: Call park office at 731-253-9652

Registration Deadline: August 31st

Cost: \$2 per person.

#### Pickwick Landing State Park

116 State Park Lane, Counce, TN 38326

#### Girl Scouts Love State Parks at Pickwick Landing September 13-14, 2025

Celebrate Girl Scouts Love State Parks with a fun-filled weekend at Pickwick Landing, including self-guided activities, volunteer opportunities, and more! Join a Park Ranger or TN Naturalist for a scheduled program or craft your own adventure! Materials for self-guided activities will be available at the Park Office each day between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM. All programs are free unless otherwise noted. Click <a href="HERE">HERE</a> to register for any of the individual programs listed at right:

Self-Guided Activities & Volunteer Opportunities

Pick Up America Challenge - Help us

#PickUpAmerica and keep our park and beaches clean and beautiful! Trash grabbers, trash bags, and disposable gloves will be available at the Park Office. For some added fun and friendly competition, we'll be hosting trash weigh-ins at 4:30 PM at the Park Office each day. The Girl Scout or troop with the most trash each day will be awarded a prize!

The Great Pickwick Privet Pull - Help us remove this invasive species from around the park. Loppers, gardening shears, and gardening gloves will be available at the Park Office. Please return any tools you borrow to the Park Office no later than 4:30 PM.

**GSLSP Bioblitz** - Become a citizen scientist and explore the natural world around you by simply scanning all the flora and fauna (i.e. plants and animals!) that you see during your time at Pickwick Landing State Park. This activity requires a phone and an iNaturalist account. Join the Bioblitz at <a href="https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/gslsp-bioblitz">https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/gslsp-bioblitz</a>. Additional instructions will be available at the Park Office.

Explore the park and learn about the natural and cultural resources we preserve and protect at Pickwick Landing by completing a park scavenger hunt or playing nature BINGO! Materials for these self-guided activities will be available at the Park Office.

Saturday Scheduled Programs

10:00 AM - Creek Exploration (No Creek Required)

1:00 PM - Raptor Feeding

2:00 PM - Cloud Painting (\$5/person)

4:30 PM - Pick Up America Weigh-in

7:00 PM - Night Vision Exploration Hike

Sunday Scheduled Programs

10:00 AM - Nature Journaling Hike

1:00 PM - Raptor Feeding

2:00 PM - Brownie Sun Prints (\$5/person)

3:00 PM - Scales and Tails

4:30 PM - Pick Up America Weigh-in

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Additional information: If families or troops would like to make this an overnight trip, campsites, cabins, and Lodge rooms are available. Click <u>HERE</u> for additional details and to make reservations, or call the Park Office at 731-689-3129 for campground reservations, or Pickwick Landing Lodge at 731-689-3135 for cabin or Lodge reservations.

#### GSHS MY25-MY26 PROGRAM CALENDAR

A full, current listing of all upcoming council programs and events is provided in each issue of Heartstrings. Our supplemental, programs and events-focused "Program Possibilities" e-newsletter is emailed to all members on the 15th of each month. Be on the lookout for additional, program-specific communications, too! More exciting programs and events are being added all the time! For the latest information, visit the GSHS Events Calendar on our website at www.girlscoutshs.org.

#### **SEPTEMBER 2025**



#### C.A.M.P. Skills Training Overnight - Fall 2025

7:00 PM - Friday, September 5 -5:00 PM Saturday, September 6, 2025 \$35 per registered GSHS volunteer For Volunteers GSHS Jackson Leadership Center Jackson, TN



#### **Girl Scout Gold Award Training**

Sunday, September 7, 2025, 2:00-4:00 PM REGISTER Thursday, September 11, 2025, 6:00-8:00 PM REGISTER

\$5 per GSHS girl member
FREE for GSHS registered adult volunteers
Age Level: Seniors & Ambassadors, Volunteers • Online via ZOOM



# Girl Scouts are all about making the world a better place, and this year, you'll have a special opportunity to do just that. Vitalant's Mobile Blood Drive will be on-site at Totally Trefoil, making it easy for you to roll up your sleeve and give the gift of life. Click HERE for more info about this life-saving opportunity!



#### Join us for TOTALLY TREFOIL 2025!

September 13, 2025 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Landers Center 4560 Venture Drive, Southaven, MS

This exciting, annual, all-ages event is totally FREE for EVERYONE! Bring a friend! Girl Scouts and Non-Girl Scouts are ALL welcome!

The event style is come and go, with tons of activities happening throughout the day! Girl Scouts Heart of the South is partnering with many local organizations to bring this event to the community to show girls all about the exciting things Girl Scouts has to offer, as well as meeting new faces from across our 59 counties!

Vendors from across our council will be on hand to have fun with you and show off all the amazing things girls can do! See page 8 for more info!

Click **HERE** to register today!



#### Girl Scouts Love State Parks Weekend 2025

Saturday, September 13 -Sunday, September 14, 2025 For more information on local events, see page 5.

Click <u>HERE</u> to download GSUSA's GS Love State Parks Passport Activity Sheet!

Click <u>HERE</u> for more info from GSUSA and to order your GS Love State Parks Patch!

#### OCTOBER 2025

#### **Girl Scout Gold Award Training**



Saturday, October 4, 2025, 10:00AM -12:00 NOON <u>REGISTER</u> OR Tuesday, October 21, 2025, 6:00-8:00 PM <u>REGISTER</u>

\$5 per GSHS girl member
FREE for GSHS registered adult volunteers
Age Level: Seniors & Ambassadors, Volunteers • Online via ZOOM



#### Travel Talk: Girl Scout Travel 101 O&A

Saturday, October 2, 2025 6:00 - 7:30 PM Online on ZOOM

\$20 per GSHS registered girl member ◆ \$2 per adult Age Level: Juniors - Ambassadors, Adults Chester Anderson Fire Training Academy Memphis, TN

For more information and to register, click HERE.

Registration ENDS at 5:30 PM, Thursday, October 2, 2025. MIN/MAX: 5/100





#### Love Blooms Here Mother-Daughter Event

Saturday, October 4, 2025 10:00 AM - 12:00 NOON \$20 per GSHS registered girl member Age Level: Daisies & Brownies + One Female Caregiver GSHS Leadership Center Jackson, TN

For more information and to register, click HERE.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Monday, September 15, 2025. MINIMUM: 30 MAX # GIRLS: 45 MAX # ADULTS: 45

#### **HERo Day 2025**

Saturday, October 18, 2025 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

\$20 per GSHS registered girl member ◆ \$2 per adult Age Level: Juniors - Ambassadors, Adults Chester Anderson Fire Training Academy ~ Memphis, TN For more information and to register, click HERE.

> Registration ENDS at Midnight, Friday, September 5, 2025. MINIMUM: 75 MAX # GIRLS: 115 MAX # ADULTS: 50



#### USA Archery Level 1 Instructor

(practical course)

Age Level: Ambassadors & Volunteers

Sunday, October 19, 2025 1:00 - 6:00 PM Camp Fisherville Collierville, TN

#### USA Archery Level 1 Instructor (practical course)

Saturday, October 19, 2026 1:00 - 6:00 PM \$5 per GSHS registered attendee Age Level: Ambassadors, Adults Camp Fisherville Collierville, TN

For more information and to register, click **HERE**.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Saturday, October 4, 2025. MINIMUM: 5 MAX # GIRLS: 5 MAX # ADULTS: 10



#### **Day With Your Favorite Guy**

Saturday, October 25 , 2025 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM \$19 per attendee Age Level: All Ages + 1 Adult Male Caregiver Camp Fisherville Collierville, TN

For more information and to register, click HERE.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Friday, October 17, 2025. MINIMUM: 25 MAX # GIRLS: 75 MAX # ADULTS: 75

..and check out page 15 for a fun, new activity coming to your local Trefoil Trunk! It's making its debut at this year's TOTALLY TREFOIL!!!



#### **Fall Fest**

Saturday, October 25, 2025
2:00 - 5:00 PM
5:00 PM Oct. 25 - 10:00 AM Oct. 26
(OPTIONAL ADD-ON OVERNIGHT EVENT)
\$25 per attendee (day event)
\$15 per attendee (add-on overnight event)
All Ages, Adults, Volunteers
Camp Tik-A-Witha
Van Vleet, MS

For more information and to register for one or both events, click **HERE**.

Registration ENDS at Midnight Tuesday, October 7, 2025. DAY EVENT: MINIMUM: 40 MAX # GIRLS: 70 MAX # ADULTS: 70

**OVERNIGHT EVENT: MINIMUM: 10** 

#### COMING TO TOTALLY TREFOIL 2025

Auto Zone 18 Wheeler **Auto Zone Photo Booth** AutoZone Cars **Baptist Ambulance Baptist Memorial** Healthcare Cari's Closet Church Health Clinique-Dillard's Wolfchase Delta Arts DHL Dixon **Ducks Unlimited** First Horizon **Hutchison School** Kona Ice Memphis Botanic Garden

**Memphis Grizzlies** Metal Museum Mississippi Museum of Natural Science Mississippi State Parks Mobile Planeterium Pink Tool Project Playhouse on the Sqaure Shell on Wheels Tennessee State Parks The Nature Conservancy The Well Church Health **Univerisity Of Memphis Athletics** U of M Water on Wheels Trailer

...and MORE!!!

#### **NOVEMBER 2025**



#### **Girl Scout Gold Award Training**

Thursday, November 6, 2025, 6:00-8:00 PM <u>REGISTER</u> OR Sunday, November 16, 2025, 2:00-4:00 PM <u>REGISTER</u>

\$5 per GSHS girl member FREE for GSHS registered adult volunteers Age Level: Seniors & Ambassadors, Volunteers ◆ Online via ZOOM



#### **Powderpuff Derby**

Saturday, November 8, 2025 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM \$15 per GSHS registered girl member All Ages, Volunteers Northside Church ◆ Jackson, TN For more information and to register, click HERE.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Friday, September 5, 2025.

MINIMUM: 40 MAX # GIRLS: 100 MAX # ADULTS: 5



#### Memphis Botanic Garden Girl ScOUTing Events

Fall Colors
Sunday, November 9, 2025
2:00 - 4:00 PM
\$8 per GSHS girl member
\$12 per accompanying adult
Age Level: Daisies - Cadettes
Memphis Botanic Garden
750 Cherry Road
Memphis, TN

For more information and to register click HERE.



#### **Breathe by the Trees - Overnight Journey**

5:00 PM Friday, November 21, -3:00 PM Saturday, November 22, 2025 \$35 per GSHS registered girl member Age Level: Cadettes

Camp Fisherville • Collierville, TN

For more information and to register, click **HERE**.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Friday, November 7, 2025. MIN/MAX: 10/18



#### C.A.M.P. Skills Training Overnight - Fall 2025

6:00 PM - Friday, November 21 -7:00 PM Saturday, November 22, 2025 \$35 per registered GSHS volunteer For Volunteers Camp Tik-A-Witha Van Vleet, MS

For more information and to register, click **HERE**.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Wednesday, November 5, 2025. MIN/MAX: 5/13



# KNOTS LASHING Age Levels: Cadettes-Ambassadors, Volunteers Sunday, November 23, 2025 1:00 - 5:00 PM Camp Tik-A-Witha Van Vleet, MS

#### **Compass and Orienteering**

Sunday, November 23, 2025 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM \$15 per registered GSHS member Age Level: Cadettes - Ambassadors, Volunteers Camp Tik-A-Witha Van Vleet, MS

For more information and to register, click **HERE**.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Wednesday, November 5, 2025. MIN/MAX: 5/20

#### **Knots and Lashing**

Sunday, November 23, 2025 1:00 - 5:00 PM \$15 per registered GSHS member Age Level: Cadettes - Ambassadors, Volunteers Camp Tik-A-Witha Van Vleet, MS

For more information and to register, click HERE.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Wednesday, November 5, 2025. MIN/MAX: 5/20

#### **DECEMBER 2025 and BEYOND**



#### **Girl Scout Gold Award Training**

Tuesday, December 9, 2025, 6:00-8:00 PM <u>REGISTER</u> OR Saturday, December 13, 2025, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM <u>REGISTER</u>

\$5 per GSHS girl member
FREE for GSHS registered adult volunteers
Age Level: Seniors & Ambassadors, Volunteers ◆ Online via ZOOM



#### The GumDROP: Extreme Gingerbread House Decorating Contest 2025

Saturday, December 6, 2025 9:00 - 11:00 AM \$15 per GSHS registered girl member Age Level: Daisies & Brownies, Adults Camp Tik-A-Witha • Van Vleet, MS

For more information and to register, click HERE.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Friday, November 21, 2025. MINIMUM: 15 MAX # GIRLS: 45 MAX # ADULTS: 5



#### Masterpieces & Memories: A Girl Scout Art Day

Saturday, December 6, 2025 Times Vary by Age Level Event \$20 per GSHS registered girl member Age Level: Daisies-Ambassadors, Volunteers GSHS Leadership Center • Jackson, TN

Daisies: 9:00-10:30 AM <u>REGISTER</u>
Brownies & Juniors: 10:45 AM-12:15 PM <u>REGISTER</u>
Cadettes-Ambassadors: 1:30-3:30 PM <u>REGISTER</u>

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Monday, November 17, 2025. MIN/MAX: 20/25



#### C.A.M.P. Skills Training Overnight - Winter 2026

8:30 AM - Saturday, January 24 -2:00 PM Sunday, January 25, 2026 \$35 per registered GSHS volunteer For Volunteers Camp Fisherville ~ Collierville, TN

For more information and to register, click **HERE**.

Registration ENDS at Midnight, Wednesday, January 7, 2026. MIN/MAX: 5/18



#### C.A.M.P. Skills Training Overnight - Spring 2026

7:00 PM - Friday, March 20 -5:00 PM Saturday, March 21, 2026 \$35 per registered GSHS volunteer For Volunteers GSHS Jackson Leadership Center Jackson, TN

For more information and to register, click HERE.

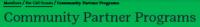
Registration ENDS at Midnight, Wednesday, March 4, 2026. MIN/MAX: 5/18

#### Memphis Botanic Garden Girl ScOUTing Events

Tropical Treasures
Sunday, April 26, 2026
2:00 - 4:00 PM
\$8 per GSHS girl member
\$12 per accompanying adult
Age Level: Daisies - Cadettes
Memphis Botanic Garden
750 Cherry Road
Memphis, TN

For more information and to register click HERE.







Community Partners offer program opportunities to troops throughout our council. Click <u>HERE</u> to browse the list of Community Partner businesses and organizations that your troop can contact and connect with!

We are grateful to our Community Partners for opening their doors and programs so Girl Scouts can discover new opportunities and connect the possibilities in their local region.



#### Are you ready for the ultimate adventure?

Girl Scout Destinations are the ultimate adventure for individual Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts. Push past your comfort zone by applying for a trip on your own, and make friends from all over the country as you travel with new Girl Scout friends. There's a unique, life-changing experience for everyone.

Click <u>HERE</u> to search for your next adventure today!



#### Welcome to our Annual Fall Product Program!

This short, fun, and engaging program is a great way for girls to learn important life skills, and to earn money for their Girl Scout activities early in the troop year. The nuts and candy are delicious and designed specifically for the Girl Scouts, and the Magazines and More program is a great opportunity to renew existing subscriptions or suggest friends and family try out new magazines they've been considering while supporting Girl Scouts. Customers can also choose from an amazing array of Tervis Tumblers, NEW Cheerful Candles, items for their favorite pup from BarkBox and a wonderful assortment of personalized products as well!

One of the most important elements of the program is the opportunity for girls to set and achieve goals

while earning money for troop activities. Like the iconic Girl Scout Cookie Program, the Fall Product Program teaches important life skills including goal setting, decision-making, money management, people skills, and business ethics.

Thank you for supporting your girl and Girl Scouts by participating in the Fall Product Program! Every dollar raised stays right here in your local council to provide quality council events, provide training for volunteers, maintain our camp properties and provide service to our members.

For more info, click **HERE** to view or download

the 2025 Fall **Program Family** Guide.

MERCHANDISE NEW FOR 2025! W See page 14 for a fun, printable Fall Product Program fridge calendar and checklist you can print out and use to help keep you motivated and achieve those goals! You can also click to download this great resource

BARKBOX TERVIS° TUMBLERS

HERE. Click **HERE** for an awesome, customizable door hanger that you can print off, fill in, cut out and take with you as you set off

Click **HERE** (or on the image) to view our amazing array of merchandise - and check out all the fantastic NEW ITEMS on offer this year!

in your neighborhood!

#### **Girl Scout Cookie Crossover** Personalized Patch



- Send 20+ emails during the Fall Product Program.
- Create your avatar.
- Use the "Share My Site" function in the M2 system to ask friends & family for support during the 2025 Fall Product Program.
- Sell 325 packages of cookies during the 2026 Girl Scout Cookie Program.

#### **PASSPORT BUCKS**

#### A GREAT WAY TO PAY FOR YOUR GIRL SCOUT EXPERIENCE!

Passport Bucks are a great way to finance your Girl Scout adventures. Participate in the Fall Product Program and select Passport Bucks to pay for Council events and trips, next year's membership, Girl Scout gear in our store, or even summer camp! Then participate in the Girl Scout Cookie Program starting in January to keep earning more Passport Bucks to help pay for your adventures!

Girls can use Passport Bucks to help fund their trip to the 2026 Girl Scout Convention in Washington DC! Join GSHS - and 10,000+ Girl Scouts as we celebrate the spirit, individuality, and self-confidence that make Girl Scouts shine! More information about this exciting council trip coming soon! In the meantime, visit https://bit.ly/gshs\_NCS2026 for details from GSUSA.

#### **Submit Required Forms**

Troops are encouraged to begin submitting the following required forms for the upcoming 2025 Fall Product Program to info@girlscoutshs.org.

**Troop Product Program Manager Agreement & Policies** Troop ACH Authorization & Bank Information Form

Troops that have not submitted the required Product Program forms to the council will have orders (not paid for online) REMOVED from the council online ordering systems (M2OS/eBudde) prior to council submitting orders to vendors.

Once the troop submits the required forms, they can then pick up product from an office or cupboard prior to program deadlines and troop/girls will receive proper credit.

#### **Product Program Required Forms:**

#### **Fall Product:**

- Troop Product Program Manager Agreement & Policies (linked above)
- Troop ACH Authorization & Bank Info (linked above)

#### **Cookies:**

- Troop Product Program Manager Agreement & Policies (linked above) If the same volunteer is responsible and submitted for Fall *Product with Cookies marked, it is not necessary to submit again.*
- Troop ACH Authorization & Bank Info (linked above) If submitted for Fall Product and there are no bank changes, it is not necessary to submit again.
- MY25 Financial Report & Bank Statements If not submitted through VTK before Sept. 30, submit through a Wufoo form link.

FRIDAY, AUG. 29 SU & TROOP ACCESS TO M20S

SATURDAY, SEPT. 6 GIRLS BEGIN TAKING ORDERS IN PERSON AND ONLINE

THURSDAY, OCT. 9 GIRLS SUBMIT NUT/CANDY ORDERS TO TROOP OR THROUGH M20S

SATURDAY, OCT. 11 TROOP SUBMITS NUT/CANDY ORDERS IN M20S SUNDAY, OCT. 12 LAST DAY FOR ONLINE GIRL DELIVERED ORDERS SUNDAY, OCT. 12 SU FINALIZES NUT/CANDY ORDERS IN M20S

THURS.-SAT., OCT. 30-NOV. 1 SU NUT/CANDY DELIVERY

MONDAY, NOV. 3 ADDITIONAL PRODUCT AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP AT COUNCIL

SATURDAY, NOV. 8 **DIGITAL DAY** 

SUNDAY, NOV. 16 FINAL DAY FOR ONLINE PROGRAM GIRLS SUBMIT PAYMENTS TO TROOP SUNDAY, NOV. 16

MONDAY, NOV. 17 FINAL DAY FOR GIRLS TO SELECT REWARDS IN M20S

TROOP FINALIZES REWARDS IN M20S MONDAY, NOV. 17

TROOP ACH SHORTAGE & OUTSTANDING BALANCE FORMS DUE WEDNESDAY, NOV. 19 MONDAY, NOV. 24

ACH PAYMENT FROM TROOP BANK ACCOUNTS

Click **HERE** for a downloadable, printable version of our full 2025 **Troop Fall Product** Program Calendar.

Click **HERE** for a downloadable, printable version of our full 2025 Service Unit Fall Product Program Calendar.

FOR MORE INFO AND RESOURCES, CLICK TO VISIT OUR **GSHS VOLUNTEER** FALL PRODUCTS RESOURCE PAGE





## 2025 FALL PRODUCT

#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 6

Girls begin taking orders in person and online.

#### THURSDAY, OCT. 9

Girls submit orders to Troop Fall Product Manager or online.

- Nut & Candy Orders
- Reward Choices (selected on Girl Order Summary or online).
- Girls can continue taking online orders.

#### SUNDAY, OCT. 12

Last day for online Girl Delivered orders.

#### THURS.-SAT., OCT. 30-NOV. 1

Service Unit Nut & Candy Delivery.

- Your troop will notify you when to pick up your products.
- Upon pickup, girls immediately begin delivering product and collecting money.

#### MONDAY. NOV. 3

Additional product available for pickup at the council.

#### **SATURDAY, NOV. 8** - Digital Day

- Send 20 emails through the M2 Online System to be entered to win a 20 oz. tumbler. Of those qualifying, ten (10) girls will be drawn to win.
- Sell \$20 in online sales and be entered to win \$50 in Passport Bucks. Of those qualifying, one (1) girl will be drawn to win.

#### SUNDAY, NOV. 16- Final day for online program.

Girls submit full payment to Troop Fall Product Manager.

#### SUCCESS CHECKLIST

#### TURN IN CAREGIVER PAPERWORK

Complete the Caregiver Responsibility and Permission Form and return to your troop leader.

Whether it be a reward, Passport Bucks, or enough to fund your community service project, you'll stay motivated with

#### CREATE AN M2 ONLINE SYSTEM ACCOUNT

www.gsnutsandmags.com/gshs

enjoy the opportunity of participating totally online with no money to collect or items to deliver!

#### SEND OUT AT LEAST 20+ EMAILS

Make a list of family and friends that you can ask to support you by purchasing nuts, candy and magazines.

#### SHARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Ask your adult to share on their social media accounts to



**MEET OUR 2025 MASCOT** 

#### THE GRIZZLY BEAR



- Life Span: 20-25 years.
- Claw Length: Up to 4 inches.
- Weight: 400-800 pounds.
- Grizzly bears live in forests, mountains, and near rivers where they can catch salmon.
- Grizzlies are strong swimmers and cross large rivers.
- Before hibernation, grizzlies eat up to 20,000 calories a day.
- Grizzly cubs remain with their mothers for 2-3 years to learn survival skills.

View all rewards online at bit.ly/gshs\_MY26FPRewards. All rewards are cumulative!



POM POM KEYCHAIN \$125 Combined Sales

**FLOWER HAIR CLIPS (2PCS.)** \$225 Combined Sales



SMALL PLUSH GRIZZLY BEAR OR PATCH POUCH

(assorted color pouches) \$325 Combined Sales



BRAVE. FIERCE. **FUN. T-SHIRT** 

\$425 Combined Sales



**GRIZZLY BEAR** OR FRIENDSHIP BRACELET KIT

OR \$10 PASSPORT BUCKS \$750 Combined Sales



MOON LAMP OR \$50 PASSPORT BUCKS \$1,250 Combined Sales



OR \$5 PASSPORT BUCKS \$525 Combined Sales



**BELT BAG** OR \$10 PASSPORT BUCKS

(assorted color belt bags) \$875 Combined Sales



TRAVEL DUFFLE OR \$75 PASSPORT BUCKS

\$1,500 Combined Sales



Sell \$20 in online sales and be entered to win \$50 in Passport Bucks. Of those qualifying, one (1) girl will be drawn to win.





\$1,000 Combined Sales



**JOURNAL & PEN** 

COMBO OR \$5

PASSPORT BUCKS

(assorted color pens, not shown to size)

BFF BANDANA \$250 Online Sales





BRAVE. FIERCE. FUN. PATCH



**DIGITAL DAY DRAWING - NOVEMBER 8** 

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#### Stop the Pressing! Let US do the Work!

Girl Scouts
Heart of the
South's heat
press services
are available
year-round
at both our
Memphis and

Tupelo Trefoil Trunk locations! Need your badges and fun patches secured? We can do that, too!

Please see <u>THIS FORM</u> for more information about our heat press service including pricing information.

Completion of <u>THIS FORM</u> is required in order to purchase heat press services. You will submit your completed form to the council staff member helping you at your time of purchase.



#### How to Spend Your Passport Bucks in the Trefoil Trunk Shop Locations

Purchasing items at your local Trefoil Trunk using Passport Bucks is easy! Just tell the GSHS staff member helping you at the register that you would like to apply your available Passport Bucks to your purchase, and they will process your purchase accordingly.

As a reminder, council staff have access to your Passport Bucks balance. These balances are non-transferable.

Passport Bucks earned during the 2024 Fall Product and 2025 Cookie Programs EXPIRE on September 5, 2025.

### JOIN THE CRAZE! COME MAKE A HAT AT TOTALLY TREFOIL!!!









#### THAT'S RIGHT!

The Trefoil Trunk is getting a HAT BAR, and it's making its debut at TOTALLY TREFOIL!

COME FOR THE FUN - LEAVE WITH A SUPER-CUTE, CUSTOMIZED HAT!

DON'T MISS OUT! (YOU KNOW YOU WANT ONE!!!)