

Program Guide: Fall 2023

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Registering for an Event:

You can register for an event via the Event List or the Event Calendar. This will show you all upcoming events in our council, including virtual events.

1. Select the event you want to register for and click on the name. You can see additional information or a short description of the event.
2. Select "Register Now."
3. Follow the on-screen directions to register. If the event is in gsEvents, you will log in with your email address and MyGS password.

Please note that once your information details are submitted, you nor Customer Care can change this. Please ensure you have all this information before you register.

Registering your troop for an event:









1. Follow the instructions above to find the event you want to register for.
2. Select the number of girl and adult spots needed for everyone you are trying to register.
3. Click "Log In" or "Add Events" if you are already logged in.
4. Under Assign attendees, select "My troop member" and choose the first attendee from the dropdown list. Note: If you are registering members from both your household and your troop, you MUST select "My troop member" and register ALL participants from your troop list rather than your household list.
5. You will enter information and select a payment method for each registrant. Select credit card for adults and girls.
6. Click "Submit Member Details"
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8. Enter payment information and click "Submit Payment."

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Registration & Refund Policy

- ▶ Registration fees are non-refundable unless Girl Scouts of Suffolk County cancels the program.
- ▶ Refunds are not available for no-shows, late arrivals, or early departures.
- ▶ If you need to request a refund due to a medical reason, please email programs@gssc.us with medical documentation within 2 weeks of program date to qualify.
- ▶ Certain programs required safety-wise coverage and/or a deadline to register by. Please check individual events for details.

Girl Scout Level Icons

 Daisy	 Senior
 Brownie	 Ambassador
 Junior	 Volunteer
 Cadette	 All Girl Scouts

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Your Year of

Discovery

Dear Girl Scout Families,

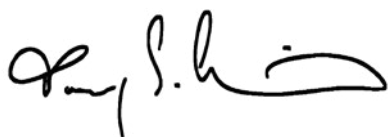
Welcome to a new Girl Scout year! Whether you are just starting your adventure or returning for even more fun, we are excited to share our latest batch of programs designed to make the most of your year with us.

Your favorite council programs like Ghou Scout Haunted Trail and Hall of Trees are back, plus we're adding more excitement to the lineup with new programs for Girl Scouts of all levels. Unlock your creativity with our new Maker series, explore outdoor journeys, or take aim with our archery series. It's all part of our fun-filled program calendar that brings fantastic new adventures, new friends, and new experiences directly to Girl Scouts in Suffolk County.

We're also introducing new resources for our amazing volunteers, including a Troop Showcase dedicated to journeys and take-action projects and a Troop Leader Expo where new and returning leaders can meet council staff and mentors to learn new skills and get the answers they need to succeed.

Are you ready for a year of discovery? Whether you attend our programs as a troop or on your own, it's a great time to try something new. Start planning your path to discovering new interests and leveling up skills with Girl Scout Programs at GSSC!

Yours in Girl Scouting,



Tammy Severino
President & CEO



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Keep an eye out for the official launch of our NEW Partner Patch Programs!

These custom-designed Partner Patches help Girl Scouts develop new skills through unique, real-world learning experiences created in partnership with local businesses.

These Partner Patch Programs can be completed individually or as a troop. Additionally, this program will help Girl Scouts meet new people to connect with, learn new skills by working directly with our partners, and possibly take a tour of these businesses!



View available patch programs at www.gssc.us/patch-programs

For more info on becoming a partner, contact Julianne, at jmerz@gssc.us or call (631)-543-6622 x217.





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Programs By Date

Girl Scouts Love State Parks gs

Explore Your Parks & Lead The Way! Dive into a fun-filled adventure with friends and give back to the parks you love this Summer, at Girl Scout Love State Parks weekend this September. Join us for one of our events below or head to a state park on your own and unlock your next patch.

- ▶ Sunken Meadow State Park
 - Friday, September 8
 - 4:30 - 6:00 PM (4 Sessions Available)
- ▶ Heckscher State Park
 - Saturday, September 9
 - 10:00 - 11:30 AM (4 Sessions Available)
- ▶ Hallock State Park
 - Saturday, September 9
 - 5:00 - 5:30 PM
- ▶ More information at www.gssc.us/state-parks

aMUSE Journey j

The aMUSE Journey is all about stories. Its about having fun trying on roles, being a leader who stretches herself to play new parts. Juniors will turn acting into action by inspiring others toward their best roles ever! Inspiring others for the better? That's the story of Girl Scouts! Girls are responsible for completing a take action project on their own. Girls earn the Amuse Journey Award.

This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.

- ▶ Tuesday, September 19, 5:00 - 8:00 PM
- ▶ Main Office, Commack
- ▶ Cost: \$50 per Girl Scout
- ▶ Registration closes 9/16.

Outdoor Journey for Cadettes c

Girls will deepen their outdoor skills in this three part journey which consists of three badges—Night Owl, Trailblazing, and Primitive Camper. They will work together to earn the three badges and then work as a group or individually to complete a Take Action Project to finish their journey. **This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs**

- ▶ Wednesday, Sept. 20, 27, & Oct. 4, 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$35 per Girl Scout
- ▶ Registration closes 9/12.



Brownie Journey: Wonders of Water b

The Wonders of Water is a 2-part Journey focusing on the planet, specifically relating to water. During the Journey, girls embark on a four part story. Girls will learn about the water cycle, explore the importance of wetlands, learn about different creatures in the ocean, and understand the power of water. Girls will receive the Journey Book and Award. **This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Thursdays, September 21 & 28, 5:30 - 7:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$50 per Girl Scout
- ▶ Registration closes 9/19.

Become a Troop Product Sales Manager v

Interested in helping your troop with our Cookie campaign? Join us for an information session on roles and responsibilities of this volunteer position.

- ▶ Thursday, September 21, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- ▶ Virtual Workshop
- ▶ Cost: FREE

First Year Leader Store Tour v

New Leaders will get a special tour of the Girl Scout Shop and learn about buying uniforms, badges, & more. Gather info on programs, trainings, etc! Leaders can drop in anytime within the hour.

- ▶ Thursday, September 28, 5:00 - 6:00 PM
- ▶ Main Office, Commack
- ▶ Cost: FREE

Munchies & More Meet-up v

Learn all about our Fall Product Program where girls sell nuts, chocolates, and more to kick off troop fundraising while earning entrepreneurship and life skills badges.

- ▶ Thursday, September 28, 6:00 - 8:00 PM
- ▶ Main Office, Commack
- ▶ Cost: FREE

Create & Innovate d b

When makers create and innovate, they make the world better. They can help people, animals, and even the planet! Girls will explore innovation, make something for someone else, create for good, get down to business and share their creations. Girls earn the Create & Innovate Badge. **This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Saturday, September 30, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout
- ▶ Registration closes 9/27.

Archery Basics b j

Archery is an exciting sport that takes strength, focus, good form, and practice. You will learn about the equipment, posture and get hands on experience on a range. When you've earned this patch/badge you will know how to take aim outdoors with your archery skills. Girls get an Archery Fun Patch. **Brownies must be in 3rd grade to participate. This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Saturday, September 30, 2:00 - 3:30 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout
- ▶ Registration closes 9/27.





GSSC's Pumpkin Carving Contest gs

October 16 - 19, 2023

Get ready to get spooky for our first ever Pumpkin Carving Contest!

Enter with your troop or on your own to submit your most creative and ghoulish pumpkin creation! Entries will be displayed at our *Ghoul Scout Haunted Trail event*. **Limited to 1 entry per Girl Scout/Troop. Winner will be announced October 21.**

- ▶ Winner will receive a \$25 GSSC program gift card and Halloween gift basket
- ▶ Buy your Pumpkin Carving Fun Patch at our shop (Online or In-Store) View hours: gssc.us/gsshoppe.
- ▶ Register online to enter contest



Ghoul Scout Haunted Trail gs

October 20 OR 21, 2023

Celebrate Halloween with a spooky walk through our haunted trail created by older Girl Scouts and Trick-or-Treating! Our storytellers will share a scary tale while guiding you through our wooded campgrounds. Will the stories be true? Come and find out if you dare...Open to family and friends.

- ▶ Between 6:00 - 9:00 PM
Limited to 40 people per 15-min slot.
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport
- ▶ **Regular Ticket:** \$15 per person.
Includes admission and glow-in-the-dark Haunted Trail event patch. (\$25 at the door)
- ▶ **Deluxe Ticket:** \$20 per person. *Includes regular ticket items PLUS a trick-or-treat tote bag!*
- ▶ Registration closes 10/18.





Girl Scout Spooktacular **d** **b**

Saturday, October 21 , 2023

Join us at the Juliette Low Friendship Center for a Halloween celebration! Girls will enjoy crafts, games and activities led by older girl scouts. Girls will also enjoy trick or treating, a fashion show, and some festive music, this event is going to be Spooktacular! Girls get a trick or treat bag and Girl Scout Spooktacular Patch.

- ▶ Between 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport
- ▶ Cost: \$20 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 10/19.



GSSC's Gingerbread Village **gs**

November 1 - 13, 2023

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Gather your troop and all the candy decorations you can find to join the Girl Scouts of Suffolk County's Holiday Gingerbread Village Display! Gingerbread Creations will be displayed with our Hall of Trees in Juliette Low Friendship Center.

- ▶ Submissions will be accepted between November 1 - 13.
- ▶ First come, first served. Limited spots available.
- ▶ Schedule your drop-off time when you register.





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Programs By Date

Animal Observer Badge d

You can learn a lot by watching animals. For instance, you might spot horses and cows sleeping...while standing up! Or maybe you could see an owl turning its head backward. If you look really closely, you might see that bats have teeny-tiny belly buttons. What else can you learn by watching? Let's find out! We'll look for birds with binoculars, study insects with magnifying glasses, & play a camouflage game! Girls earn the Animal Observer badge. **This is drop-off event. Please bring a water bottle & dress for the weather/ outdoors. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Tuesday, October 3, 5:30 - 7:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 10/1.

Become a Troop Product Sales Manager v

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- ▶ Thursday, October 5, 12:00 - 1:00 PM
- ▶ Virtual Workshop
- ▶ Cost: FREE

Archery Basics b j

Archery is an exciting sport that takes strength, focus, good form, and practice. You will learn about the equipment, posture and get hands on experience on a range. When you've earned this patch/badge you will know how to take aim outdoors with your archery skills. Girls get an Archery Fun Patch. **Brownies must be in 3rd grade to participate. This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Saturday, October 7, 12:00 - 1:30 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout
- ▶ Registration closes 10/4.

Full Program Details @ www.gssc.us/calendar



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- ▶ Saturday, October 7, 2:00 - 3:30 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout
- ▶ Registration closes 10/4.

Outdoor Journey for Seniors s

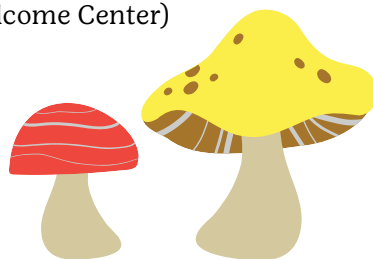
Girls will deepen their outdoor skills in this three part journey which consists of three badges— Adventurer, Senior First Aid, and Adventure Camper. They will work together to earn the three badges and then work as a group or individually to complete a Take Action Project to finish their journey. **This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Wednesdays, October 11, 18, & 25, 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$35 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 10/2.

Mycology for Girl Scouts: A Fun-Guide to Mushrooms j c s a

Fall is a great time to go on a mushroom hunt! Join us for a walk around Camp Edey to look for Long Island's native species of mushroom and make your own field guide to take home. Girls get a Mushroom Fun Patch. **This is drop-off event. Please dress for the weather/outdoors. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Thursday, October 12, 5:15 - 6:15 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 10/10.



Craft & Tinker d b

Do you like making things with clay? Building with wood? Jewelry-making? That means you're a maker! You can craft to solve problems and tinker with your creations to make them even better. Learn the basics, craft with purpose, and tinker with your craft. Girls earn the Craft and Tinker Badge. **This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Friday, October 13, 5:30 - 7:00 PM
- ▶ Main Office, Commack
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 10/10.

Outdoor Journey for Ambassadors

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Girls will deepen their outdoor skills in this journey which consists of three badges—Outdoor Art Master, Water, and Survival Camper. They will work together to earn the three badges and then work as a group or individually to complete a Take Action Project to finish their journey. **This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Thursdays, Oct. 19, 26 & Nov. 2, 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (Welcome Center)
- ▶ Cost: \$35 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 10/17.





Troop Leader Expo

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Saturday, November 4, 2023

New and returning leaders can walk through our expo and learn about resources and programs available in the coming year from council staff, fellow leaders, and community vendors.

- ▶ 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (JLFC)
- ▶ Cost: FREE
- ▶ More info to come!



Hall of Trees

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November 14 or 15, 2023

Bring in and decorate a tree for transitional housing shelters, adult homes, and veterans' homes in time for the holidays! You can use homemade decorations or store bought. (No glass decorations/ornaments). Your artificial tree should be at least 6 ft tall with a tree stand (tree skirts are appreciated.) Please mark with Troop & SU #. Trees should be purchased using Troop or SU funds. **We will be accepting 70 trees. First come, first served. Troops can attend with only required adult coverage. No tagalongs.**

- ▶ 5:00-9:00 PM
Each session is 30-minutes long
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (JLFC)





Holiday Ornaments for the Outdoors

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Thursday, November 30, 2023

Decorate your outdoor trees with some festive DIY ornaments! We will make hanging bird feeders and holiday décor with items from nature. Girls get a Ornament Making Fun patch. **This is a drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ 6:00 - 7:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (JLFC)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 11/28.



Cookies & Cocoa With Santa!

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Saturday, December 2, 2023

Oh the weather outside is frightful, but the Hot Cocoa? Well that's delightful! Join us for a sweet treat & cocoa with Santa! Enjoy the twinkling lights from our Hall of Tree, get into the spirit with holiday music, and take pics with Santa at our Winter Wonderland Station. Girls get a Holiday Fun Patch. **This is NOT drop-off event. Proper safety-coverage required. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ 5:00 - 8:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (JLFC)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 11/30.





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First Year Leader Circle: Getting Started & Fall Activities v

First Year Leaders will get support on navigating the VTK, running meetings, and learn about badges and fun patches.

- ▶ Thursday, October 19
- ▶ Session 1: 12:00-1:00 PM OR Session 2: 7:00-8:00 PM
- ▶ Virtual Workshop
- ▶ Cost: FREE

Use Your Voice: Debate & Public Speaking for Beginners c s a

Girls will learn the basics of how to speak confidently in front of others, how to build a winning argument no matter the topic, and how to think on their feet to effectively (and respectfully) verbally spar with opponents. Girls will earn a Public Speaking Fun Patch. **This is drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Tuesday, October 24, 7:00 - 9:00 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (JLFC)
- ▶ Cost: FREE
- ▶ Registration closes 10/20.

Harvest Delights j

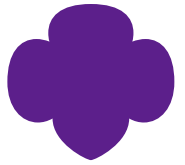
It's the season of giving! Join us at the Juliette Low Friendship Center to enjoy a fun filled program of cooking some seasonal dishes and learn how to give back to those around you. Girls get a Harvest Fun Patch. **This is drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**

- ▶ Thursday, November 9, 6:00 - 7:30 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (JLFC)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 11/5.

Troop Showcase: Journeys & Take Action Projects v

Hear from other troop leaders how to guide your troop through journey awards and Take Action projects.

- ▶ Thursday, November 9, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- ▶ Virtual Workshop
- ▶ Cost: FREE



Community Service Project: Pumpkin Dog Biscuits C S A

Come earn an hour of community service at Camp Edey! We will be baking pumpkin dog biscuits to donate to our local animal shelter. While they bake, we'll make toys and pillows too! Girls get a Service to Animals Fun Patch and an official Community Service Letter. **Please email aadair@gssc.us if you have any airborne food allergies. This is drop-off event. No Tagalongs.**



- ▶ Thursday, November 16, 4:30 - 5:30 PM
- ▶ Camp Edey, Bayport (JLFC)
- ▶ Cost: \$15 per Girl Scout.
- ▶ Registration closes 11/14.

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- ▶ Thursday, November 16, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- ▶ Virtual Workshop
- ▶ Cost: FREE



Cookie Campaign for New Leaders V

Learn all about our signature Cookie Program, how girls can earn badges through selling, and how to gain parent/caregiver support and volunteers for your troop!

- ▶ Wednesday, December 6, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
- ▶ Virtual Workshop
- ▶ Cost: FREE



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- ▶ Friday, December 8, 12:00 - 1:00 PM
- ▶ Virtual Workshop
- ▶ Cost: FREE

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Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:

To serve God* and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

*Members may substitute for the word God
in accordance with their own spiritual beliefs.

Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be

honest and fair,
friendly and helpful,
considerate and caring,
courageous and strong, and
responsible for what I say and do,
and to

respect myself and others,
respect authority,
use resources wisely,
make the world a better place, and
be a sister to every Girl Scout.