

2024

PROGRAM GUIDE



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Our Mission

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

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.

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.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement

One girl can make a difference; together we can change the world. Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts is committed to building a robust organizational culture where diversity, equity, and inclusion are at its core. We denounce racism, violence, injustice, and inequity. We strive to ensure that ALL who engage in this community are valued and recognized, and that they find a true sense of belonging.

Join us in creating welcoming spaces that seek to empower and engage youth and adult members to be authentic partners in this endeavor.

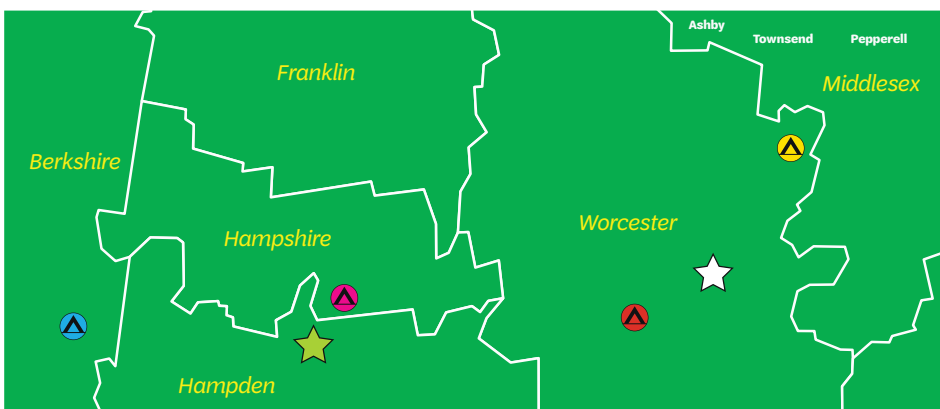
Our Locations



Holyoke Leadership Center
301 Kelly Way
Holyoke, MA 01040

Worcester Leadership Center
115 Century Drive
Worcester, MA 01606

Need Assistance?

508-365-0115, 413-584-2602 and info@gscwm.org



-  Holyoke Leadership Center
-  Worcester Leadership Center

Girl Scout Camps

-  Camp Green Eyrie: Harvard
-  Camp Laurel Wood: Spencer
-  Camp Lewis Perkins: South Hadley
-  Camp Bonnie Brae: East Otis

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With 2024 right around the corner, we are excited to introduce you to all that we have planned for the upcoming year. As always we begin the year with our Girl Scout Cookie Program®, where Girl Scouts in our community are part of the largest girl-led entrepreneurial program in the world, working on their business skills, financial literacy, and cookie badges all in support of activities they choose as well as supporting other girls in their community.

Continuing on in the new year, we are thrilled to be unveiling our MakerZones in both our Holyoke and Worcester Leadership Centers. Take a look at our TinkerFest program for Brownies as well as our Desert Survival Challenge for Juniors as examples of innovative and fun programs in our new MakerZones. Throughout the year we continue to offer community partner programs, STEM focused programs, travel opportunities, the latest GSUSA badges, and Highest Awards programs. And no year would be complete without including our outdoor activities at one of our four camp properties, culminating in our amazing summer camp day and overnight programs. From challenge courses, to archery to hatchet throwing to water activities, girls have the opportunity to try new things in a supportive environment while making lifelong friendships. So come join us as we continue to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Sara P. Rowan".

Sara Rowan
Senior Director, Girl Experience

LEGO® DROP-IN

FUN FACTS

- 1** The word LEGO comes from the two Danish words “leg godt”, meaning “play well”.
- 2** There are over 400 billion LEGO pieces on Earth. If you divide all LEGO pieces by Earth’s population, each person would own more than 80 bricks! If stacked together, these elements could form 10 towers reaching all the way to the Moon!
- 3** Due to a generous donation of LEGOs from previously used pieces in holiday window displays, GSCWM received 350 boxes with approximately 6,600 LEGO pieces per box! That’s enough LEGOs to supply all four of our camps and both of our Leadership Centers!
- 4** You can combine a set of 6 2x4 LEGOs in 915 million ways! That’s a ton of different combinations for how you can use and mix up LEGOs. Imagine what you can do with GSCWM’s 2,310,000 pieces!
- 5** YOU can reserve one of our Leadership Centers for plenty of LEGO fun at no charge, and play well to your heart’s content!



From one-minute challenges to LEGO games, to badge work, to full structure builds, to team-building exercises, to open-ended fun, your troop can use our space to let your imagination run wild! Our large conference rooms offer plenty of creative space for your troop to enjoy our never-ending supply of LEGOs for your never-ending fun! Along with the LEGO bricks, our Leadership Centers also have LEGO Challenge cards and building ideas for your use.

To reserve a LEGO Drop-In at either the Worcester or Holyoke Leadership Center, contact info@gscwm.org for availability. Bring your own imagination and build something fun!

Our Program Team has put together some really great program opportunities using the LEGOs throughout the year, like LEGO Stop Motion Movie Making, Intro to LEGO Robotics, and MakerZone programs. More information on these can be found throughout the Program Guide.

TD Bank Financial Literacy Program

Open to Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors throughout GSCWM.

TD Charitable Foundation is dedicated to providing girls with resources and knowledge about setting goals and becoming financially responsible when earning and managing money. Through their generous funding, GSCWM members (Daisies through Ambassadors) who earn any Financial Literacy, Cookie Business, or Entrepreneurship Badges will receive ONE award free of charge.

Financial Literacy, Cookie Business Badges, and Entrepreneurship Badges



- After you have completed a badge, visit our survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FinancialLiteracy2024>. There you will find surveys specific to the badge that your troop completed.
- Upon completion of the survey, you will receive a certificate within 6 weeks which may be redeemed at our council shops for your free award.
- Each girl member may receive only one free badge through this grant funding.
- All rewards must be earned by June 1, 2024 and claimed by July 1, 2024.
- We are limited to only 1500 badges and are on a first-come, first served basis and we will close the survey when we have hit our limit.



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Questions?

Email program@gscwm.org



Charitable Foundation

Rube Goldberg Machine Cookie Dip Challenge

Calling all engineers, challenge seekers, and builders-
and anyone else who just wants to have fun!!

CHALLENGE:

Show off YOUR creativity, ingenuity, and engineering skills and build a Rube Goldberg machine that will dip your favorite Girl Scout cookie into a glass of milk! What's a Rube Goldberg machine? It's a contraption that uses chain reaction to carry out a simple task. Think Mouse Trap the game, and the breakfast machine in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang!

You'll learn about simple machines, basic energy transfer, and the engineering design process as you create your contraption out of everyday objects found in your home or meeting space. No need to pack all of that up! You and your Team will submit a video of your contraption dipping your cookie to the council.

Participate in the council-wide challenge alone, or with your team of up to five!

ONE TEAM FROM EACH LEVEL WILL WIN

LEVELS ARE:

Daisies | Tags

Brownies | Samoas

Juniors | Thin Mints

Cadettes | Do-Si-Dos

Senior & Ambassadors | Trefoils

IMPORTANT DATES:

Attending an informational session is not required to participate in the challenge but it will answer all of your questions:

Monday, January 22, 2024, 6:00-6:30 PM

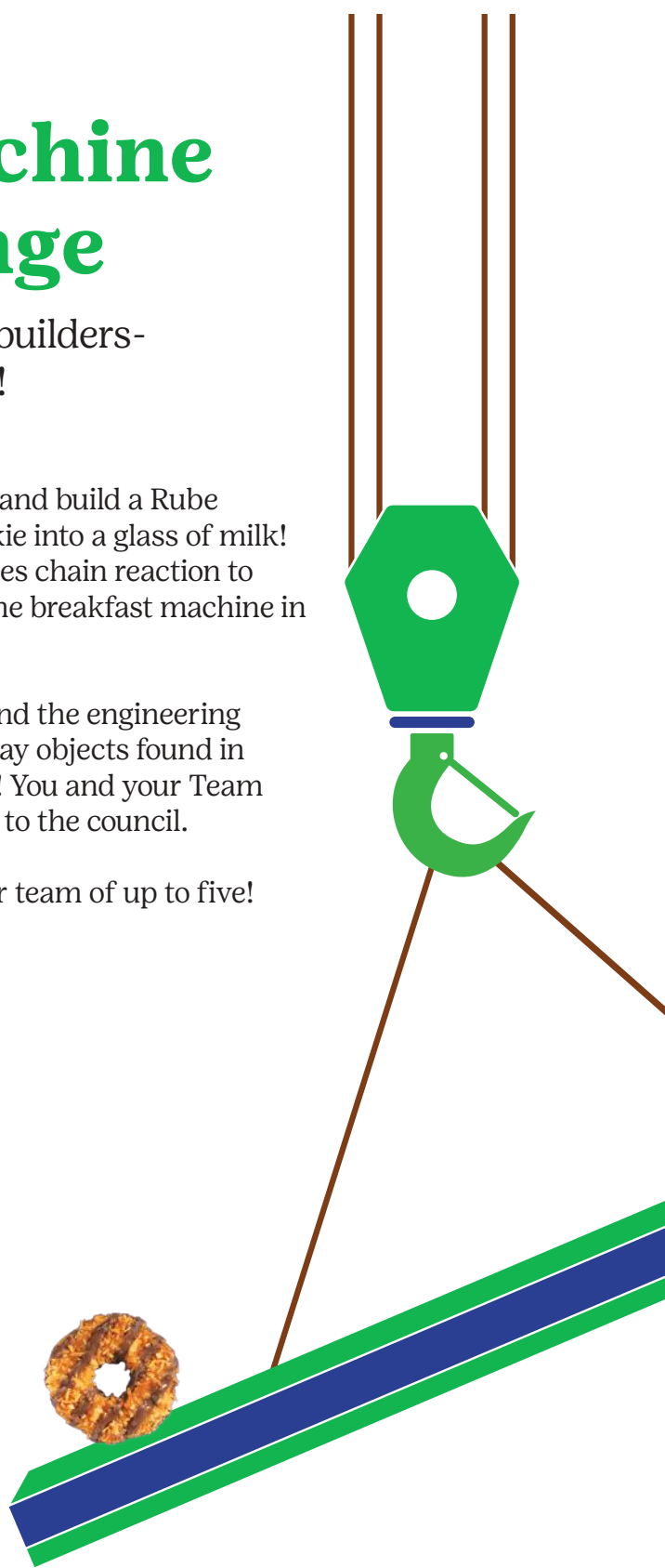
Teams must register to participate in the Challenge January 1-January 30

Deadline to submit your Team's video to TBreen@gscwm.org is February 23, 2024

Winner announced at our Rube Challenge Reveal: Tuesday, March 12, 2024



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PROGRAMS & EVENTS

***BE SURE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE OFTEN FOR ANY UPDATES, ADDITIONS, OR CANCELLATIONS OF PROGRAMS. THE WEBSITE WILL ALWAYS HAVE THE MOST UPDATED INFORMATION AVAILABLE.**

C STRIVE FOR SILVER ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, January 5, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout is no easy feat, and this workshop will certainly get you started on your way! At the end of this orientation, you'll know the national steps necessary to complete the Girl Scout Silver Award, understand the pros and cons of an individual vs. team project, understand the difference between Take Action and community service, and the importance of the community impact of the project. Troop leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to join us. We will have plenty of opportunities to answer your questions, learn some helpful tips, and find out what it takes to become a Silver Award Girl Scout! It is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Strive for Silver Orientation within one year of beginning the Silver Award process and submitting a Silver Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by December 21.

C MAKERZONE: MYSTERY MAKER CHALLENGE, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, January 6, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/girl-only event

What will you invent or create? It's a mystery to us-and to YOU! Groups will be given a mystery challenge and will work together to use their imaginations to solve the challenge at hand. Maybe you'll build on an existing invention, or invent something brand new. Innovate, create, and test! We'll come together to share our inventions and ideas before taking on another mystery challenge. Find out what YOUR magic can create! Open to individual girls only. Register through GSCWM by December 21.

C TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, January 8, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the 10 signs of what unhealthy and healthy relationships look like with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, practice consent, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is a survivor of an unhealthy relationship, and how to navigate a breakup. This program teaches you the importance of creating healthy relationships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy relationship. This program will meet some of the requirements for your Finding Common Ground Badge and Resilient. Ready. Strong. Patch (not included). Register for Cyber Safety immediately following and get the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 2.

S-A GO FOR GOLD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, January 8, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Are you ready to make a lasting change on an issue you care about? The Girl Scout Gold Award is the most prestigious award in the world for girls. This orientation is for any girl who wants to earn her award or is interested in learning more about it. Orientations provide valuable information about the award process, deadlines, national requirements, and the benefits for going for the Gold. Attending an orientation can be the most beneficial thing you do before beginning to work on the award. Leaders, advisors, and parents are encouraged to attend to learn how to best support girls working on their awards. Are YOU ready to take the lead? All materials are provided electronically the week of the Zoom call. As of 10/1/2022, it is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Go for Gold Orientation within one year of beginning the Gold Award process and submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 4.

JANUARY

C CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, January 8, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the importance of staying safe online with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. This presentation includes topics such as defining bullying and the various forms of harassment, including cyberbullying. Learn about current issues encountered when using social media and the legal ramifications of harassment. Internet safety tips are provided, along with addressing how your personal use of social media can affect your future opportunities and personal relationships. We'll provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as how to identify who is your trusted adult. You'll work toward earning your CyberSecurity: Safeguards 2 Badge (not included). Register for the Teen Life: Building Healthy Relationships program right before this one to make the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 2.

C-A COOKIE DROP VOLUNTEERS, LOCATIONS VARY (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, January 13, 2024

Time: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM

Place: Varies

Cost: No charge to attend

Are you looking for community service hours, either for school, sports, toward the President's Volunteer Service Award, or to earn the Service to Girl Scouting Bar? We have just the opportunity for you! Our annual Cookie Drop is where we get those highly anticipated cookies into the vehicles of our helpful volunteers all in one day, across our council! We have volunteer opportunities in Worcester, the West Springfield area, and the Springfield area; hours vary by location. You don't have to be a Girl Scout to join us—we love school groups, sports teams, other organizations, and families. This year's Cookie Program theme is Own Your Magic—help us help girls find and fund their Girl Scout magic! If you have questions, please contact Tammy at TBreen@gscwm.org. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 4.

S-A GO FOR GOLD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Saturday, January 20, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Zoom

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S-A TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, January 22, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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JANUARY

D-A RUBE GOLDBERG MACHINE COOKIE DIP CHALLENGE INFO SESSION, ZOOM (GR K-12)

Date: Monday, January 22, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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S-A CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, January 22, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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C DOLLAR \$CHOLAR, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$5 per girl/girl-only event

Work on your Budgeting and Financing My Dream Badges with the Women's Initiative of the United Way of Central MA (badges not included). Through engaging activities, games, and role plays, you'll learn about the concepts of budgeting, credit, saving, and effective decision-making. Learn how to budget for the lifestyle you imagine for yourself, understand your own money personality, ask questions of the mentors about their career paths and financial backgrounds, and practice managing income and expenses. Open to troops and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by January 12.



JANUARY

J-C HOUR OF CODE: MINECRAFT: A HERO'S JOURNEY, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-8)

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2024

Time: 10:30 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

Help Steve or Alex journey through Minecraft to collect items they might need on their journey! This session introduces the core CS concepts of coding and programming (using blocks), as well as simple debugging techniques and how functions can be helpful. Open to troops and individual girl scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by January 18.

ADULT

BLENDED ARC FIRST AID/CPR/AED TRAINING, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (ADULT)

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: Adult only/\$65 per adult

At the completion of this course, you will be certified for two years in Adult and Child First Aid, CPR, and AED through the Red Cross. This training is blended, with both online and in-person instruction. After the registration deadline (approximately one week prior to the in-person skills test date), you will receive an email with detailed information on completing the online portion of this class. All online coursework must be completed before the in-person component (it will take 2-4 hours to complete the online portion). If you do not receive a link for the online portion 5 days prior to the in-person section, please email astevens@gscwm.org. Upon completion of the online segment, you will receive a Red Cross certificate via email detailing the completion of the online portion. Please save this certificate and present it to your instructor when you check into the in-person segment. Without this certificate, you will be unable to participate in the in-person skills test. This is a scenario-based class, and there will be a lot of hands-on practice of skills. Participants need to be physically able to kneel for up to five minutes. Comfortable and non-restrictive clothing is recommended. *Please note that this course is limited to 10 participants! Open to adults only. Register through GSCWM by January 18.

J BRONZE PATROL, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Bronze Award? Bronze Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Bronze Award Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Bronze Patrols do not meet the requirement of taking a Bronze Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 30.

C SILVER PATROL, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Silver Award? Silver Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Strive for Silver Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Silver Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Strive for Silver Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 30.

S-A GOLD PATROL, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Gold Award? Gold Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Go for Gold Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail and even meet members of the Gold Award Committee! Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Go for Gold Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 31.

FEBRUARY

D-A MAPLE SUGARING WITH MRS. G, CAMP LAUREL WOOD (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, February 3, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: \$25 per girl/\$25 per adult

Come learn how to identify maple trees, tap a tree to collect syrup, and make a batch of syrup on the stove! We'll have the opportunity to taste raw sap and press our own waffles to taste syrup on! The workshop includes an interactive visual presentation for tree identification and the sugaring process, batch of syrup made, tree tapping, "What is Sap?" - a Kinesthetic learning lesson, hearing the Iroquois Sugaring Legend, Sugaring History, and nutrition facts. Rachel Goclawski, Forager, Certified educator, State-Certified in Mushrooming, is a Programmer for The Museum of Natural History, Sudbury Valley Trustees, New England Botanic Garden and other organizations. She is a contributing writer for The Cook's Cook: Now, Forager Magazine and has been featured in The Boston Globe, WBZ, Edible Worcester and Baystate Parent magazines, local television talk shows, documentary films and print. Rachel comes from a long line of foragers, including her great-grandfather, Arthur W. Fairbanks, a founder of the Boston Mycological Club in the 1800's. Visit her Facebook, Instagram or YouTube for Forage to Table tips, recipe ideas and videos: all called, "Cooking With Mrs G." Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by January 18.

B MY BEST SELF, ZOOM (GR 2-3)

Date: Sunday, February 4, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$12 per girl/girl-only event

My best self is healthy and happy. Join us as we explore yoga to help us stress less. We only get one body, so it's important to take care of it! Learn to pay attention to what your body needs and how to ask for health help if you need it. We will focus on getting to know your body, eating and playing in a healthy way, finding out how your body works, knowing what to do if something bugs you, and you'll even meet a certified yoga instructor. A yoga mat is recommended, but not required. This program does require some physical activity, participate at your own comfort level. This live course is roughly 60 minutes and will cover all badge requirements (badge not included). Not able to join us on this date? This program is offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/brownies-my-best-self/> by January 18.

S-A GO FOR GOLD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, February 5, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Are you ready to make a lasting change on an issue you care about? The Girl Scout Gold Award is the most prestigious award in the world for girls. This orientation is for any girl who wants to earn her award or is interested in learning more about it. Orientations provide valuable information about the award process, deadlines, national requirements, and the benefits for going for the Gold. Attending an orientation can be the most beneficial thing you do before beginning to work on the award. Leaders, advisors, and parents are encouraged to attend to learn how to best support girls working on their awards. Are YOU ready to take the lead? All materials are provided electronically the week of the Zoom call. As of 10/1/2022, it is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Go for Gold Orientation within one year of beginning the Gold Award process and submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 25.

J STAY FIT, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Monday, February 5, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$12 per girl/girl-only event

Yoga is a great way to increase your coordination, self-awareness, confidence, and self-esteem while you stretch and strengthen your body. By using yoga, you can learn to relax, concentrate, and be gentle in a fun and creative environment. We'll focus on learning beginner yoga poses, ways to stress less, and how to include the whole family in your fun fitness journey while earning your Stay Fit Badge (badge not included). A yoga mat is recommended, but not required. This course does require some physical activity, participate at your comfort level. This program is roughly 60 minutes and will cover all badge requirements. Not able to join us for this live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/juniors-stay-fit> by January 19.

FEBRUARY

C SCIENCE OF HAPPINESS, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, February 7, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$12 per girl/girl-only event

Did you know there is a proven science on how you can increase self-happiness? Test ways to be more joyful and experiment with different techniques to increase your happiness while earning your Science of Happiness Badge (not included). Find out how scientists measure happiness and put their results into action. You'll know how to use the science of happiness to make your world the happiest place it can be! Join us as we explore yoga to help us stress less. A yoga mat is recommended, but not required. This program does require some physical activity, participate at your comfort level. The program is roughly 60 minutes and will cover all badge requirements. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/cadettes-science-of-happiness/> by January 21.

D-A MAPLE SUGARING WITH MRS. G, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, February 11, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$25 per girl/\$25 per adult

Come learn how to identify maple trees, tap a tree to collect syrup, and make a batch of syrup on the stove! We'll have the opportunity to taste raw sap and press our own waffles to taste syrup on! The workshop includes an interactive visual presentation for tree identification and the sugaring process, batch of syrup made, tree tapping, "What is Sap?" - a Kinesthetic learning lesson, hearing the Iroquois Sugaring Legend, Sugaring History, and nutrition facts. Rachel Goclowski, Forager, Certified educator, State-Certified in Mushrooming, is a Programmer for The Museum of Natural History, Sudbury Valley Trustees, New England Botanic Garden and other organizations. She is a contributing writer for The Cook's Cook: Now, Forager Magazine and has been featured in The Boston Globe, WBZ, Edible Worcester and Baystate Parent magazines, local television talk shows, documentary films and print. Rachel comes from a long line of foragers, including her great-grandfather, Arthur W. Fairbanks, a founder of the Boston Mycological Club in the 1800's. Visit her Facebook, Instagram or YouTube for Forage to Table tips, recipe ideas and videos: all called, "Cooking With Mrs G." Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by January 25.

C TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, February 12, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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C CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, February 12, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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FEBRUARY

S-A TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, February 15, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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C STRIVE FOR SILVER ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout is no easy feat, and this workshop will certainly get you started on your way! At the end of this orientation, you'll know the national steps necessary to complete the Girl Scout Silver Award, understand the pros and cons of an individual vs. team project, understand the difference between Take Action and community service, and the importance of the community impact of the project. Troop leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to join us. We will have plenty of opportunities to answer your questions, learn some helpful tips, and find out what it takes to become a Silver Award Girl Scout! It is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Strive for Silver Orientation within one year of beginning the Silver Award process and submitting a Silver Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 8.

S-A VOLUNTEER-IN-TRAINING, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/girl-only event

Discover and develop your talents in mentoring and leading younger girls-while you lead them to discovering THEIR own magic! Volunteers-in-Training (VIT) are girls who have completed 9th grade and would like to mentor a Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie, Junior, or Cadette group outside of the camp experience. The skills learned are also applicable to everyday life and will help you become confident, effective leaders in everything you do. Becoming a Volunteer-in-Training is also a great résumé boost and sets you up for success when going for your Gold! You'll leave this VIT program with the tools of the trade to complete earning the pin and leading the way! Open to individual girls only. Register through GSCWM by February 8.

FEBRUARY

C STRIVE FOR SILVER ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, February 22, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout is no easy feat, and this workshop will certainly get you started on your way! At the end of this orientation, you'll know the national steps necessary to complete the Girl Scout Silver Award, understand the pros and cons of an individual vs. team project, understand the difference between Take Action and community service, and the importance of the community impact of the project. Troop leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to join us. We will have plenty of opportunities to answer your questions, learn some helpful tips, and find out what it takes to become a Silver Award Girl Scout! It is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Strive for Silver Orientation within one year of beginning the Silver Award process and submitting a Silver Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 8.

C UMASS ENGINEERING THINK LIKE A PROGRAMMER DAY, UMASS AMHERST (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, February 24, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-3:00 PM

Place: UMass Amherst College of Engineering

Cost: \$12 per girl/no charge for adults

The student chapter of the Society of Women Engineers, along with the DEI Office team, will help you complete your Think Like a Programmer Journey. You will not complete your Take Action Project but we'll provide space and support to help you brainstorm what you might do. Troop leaders and parents may choose to stay with the program or settle into a common area and check-in as you wish. Lunch and badges are included in this program for the girls. This is a very popular program with limited space, don't wait to register. There may be financial accommodations available from UMass, contact TBreen@gscwm.org to request information. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by February 8.

J BRONZE PATROL, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Bronze Award? Bronze Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Bronze Award Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Bronze Patrols do not meet the requirement of taking a Bronze Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 22.

C SILVER PATROL, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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S-A GOLD PATROL, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Gold Award? Gold Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Go for Gold Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail and even meet members of the Gold Award Committee! Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Go for Gold Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 22.

FEBRUARY-MARCH

C TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, March 1, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the 10 signs of what unhealthy and healthy relationships look like with a member of The Office of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, practice consent, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is a survivor of an unhealthy relationship, and how to navigate a breakup. This program teaches you the importance of creating healthy relationships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy relationship. This program will meet some of the requirements for your Finding Common Ground Badge and Resilient. Ready. Strong. Patch (not included). Register for CyberSecurity immediately following and get the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 16.

C CYBERSECURITY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, March 1, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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B-C AVIATION ADVENTURES GIRL SCOUT WORKSHOP, NEW ENGLAND AIR MUSEUM (GR 2-8)

Date: Saturday, March 2, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Place: New England Air Museum

Cost: \$40 per girl/\$10 per adult

Enjoy a day of learning about the history, science, and technology of flight along with stories of pioneering women in aviation through the museum's collection of historic aircraft and hands-on activities. Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy it at the museum. This program will fulfill all requirements of the Brownie Fling Flyer Design Challenge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Visit www.neam.org for registration and additional information by February 17.

D-C BLAST OFF WITH THE WORCESTER RAILERS, DCU CENTER, WORCESTER (GR K-8)

Date: Sunday, March 3, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM-5:30 PM

Place: DCU Center

*Cost: \$27 per girl/\$20 per adult**

Blast Off with GSCWM and the Worcester Railers as we take over the DCU Center for a one-of-a-kind space badge-in-a-day extravaganza! Participate in SPACE THEMED games, activities, challenges, and MUCH MORE with all participating Girl Scouts earning their space-themed badge! You'll leave with information on how to complete your Take Action Project at home and your badge. Each level of Girl Scouts will first visit their own activities to complete requirements of their level badge, and then take to the concourse for additional activities. You can test your slap shot with the Railers' Shoot Out and take a selfie with Trax the mascot. And of course, the fun doesn't stop there! Watch the Railers warm up and take to the ice to take on the Trois-Rivieres Lions at 3:05. The Blast Off badge-in-a-day program includes all badge activities and supplies, your Space level badge, a Worcester Railers patch and hat, a food voucher, and a ticket to the game. High Five Tunnel, Zamboni rides, Bench Warm Ups, and other opportunities are available for early registrations and for large group sales! See the link for more information-these opportunities will go fast! *Game-only tickets for friends and family are also available and include a ticket to the game, a Railers' hat, and a food voucher so invite everyone to join you at 3:05 for the game! Are you an older girl looking for community service and leadership opportunities? You can join the staff of GSCWM running activity stations and pay only the game-only ticket price if you'd like to stay for the game. Contact TBreen@gscwm.org to discuss your volunteer options. Open to troops, families, and girls with an adult. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.railershc.com/girlscouts by February 20.

Election Connection Patch Program

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massachusetts



With special thanks, this free patch program is funded in part by the League of Women Voters of Amherst and is available for Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts throughout Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts.

The Election Connection Patch Program is designed to engage and empower Girl Scouts to understand the voting process in a patriotic - not political - manner, to eagerly anticipate their right to vote, and to encourage and enable everyone to exercise their right to vote.

- Activities for Girl Scouts in all grade levels with each level completing a specific number of activities.
- Activities focus on general election issues and provide age appropriate, non-partisan interpretation of the election process and encourage Girl Scouts to become informed citizens and be the change they want to see in their communities and country now and in the future.
- Materials support members in learning about their federal, state, and local government.
- All details of our 2023-2024 Election Connection FREE Patch Program are available here:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ElectionConnection2023-24>
- Upon completion of the patch program, fill out the brief survey to receive the free patch. Include link to survey
- Upon completion of the survey you will receive a certificate within 4 weeks which may be redeemed at the Holyoke or Worcester store located at each Girl Scout Leadership Center for your free patch.
- Each girl member may receive one free patch through this grant funded program.



Election Connection is a nonpolitical and nonpartisan program designed to increase civic participation. As a tax-exempt, § 501(c)(3) organization, Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts cannot take sides in elections or support or oppose any political candidates. Material will not be used to target a particular political party or individuals on any one side of an issue. The focus is on encouraging everyone, regardless of political party, affiliation, or beliefs, to participate in the democratic process.

MARCH

ADULT CAMP FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ORIENTATION, ZOOM (ADULTS)

Date: Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: Adults no charge

Camp fosters lifelong learning, an appreciation for the outdoors, and helps build the next generation of girl leaders - we don't want financial need to be a barrier to your Girl Scout attending camp. This optional orientation is open to parents/guardians who are interested in learning more about GSCWM Camp Financial Assistance. We'll review the application process step-by-step, go over timelines, processes and paperwork, and have plenty of time for questions. Join us to learn more about how you can provide an invaluable summer experience for your girl. Open to registered adult members. Register through GSCWM by March 1.

J PLAYING THE PAST JUNIOR BADGE BUILDER, SALISBURY MANSION (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Playing the Past allows you to dream up a character of a girl or woman who lived in the past. What better place to do that than a 1772 historic house that is restored to the 1830s? Learn about life in the 1800s at the Salisbury Mansion and then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge. Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. Badges are not included. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, email info@worcesterhistory.net or call 508-753-8278 by February 29.

S-A GO FOR GOLD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Are you ready to make a lasting change on an issue you care about? The Girl Scout Gold Award is the most prestigious award in the world for girls. This orientation is for any girl who wants to earn her award or is interested in learning more about it. Orientations provide valuable information about the award process, deadlines, national requirements, and the benefits for going for the Gold. Attending an orientation can be the most beneficial thing you do before beginning to work on the award. Leaders, advisors, and parents are encouraged to attend to learn how to best support girls working on their awards. Are YOU ready to take the lead? All materials are provided electronically the week of the Zoom call. As of 10/1/2022, it is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Go for Gold Orientation within one year of beginning the Gold Award process and submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 29.

C TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, March 11, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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MARCH

C CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, March 11, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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D-A RUBE GOLDBERG MACHINE COOKIE DIP CHALLENGE (GR K-12)

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

*Cost: \$15 per team**

The Cookie Dip Challenge is on! Show off your creativity, ingenuity, and engineering skills and build a Rube Goldberg machine that will dip your favorite Girl Scout cookie into a glass of milk! What's a Rube Goldberg machine? It's a contraption that uses chain reaction to carry out a simple task. Think Mouse Trap the game, or the breakfast machine in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. You'll learn about simple machines, basic energy transfer, and the engineering design process as you create your contraption out of everyday objects found in your home or meeting space. Participate in the council-wide challenge alone, or with your team of up to five. One team from each level Daisies through Ambassadors will be chosen and will receive medals, and their photos displayed in our Leadership Centers for a year! Teams must register individually to participate in the Challenge by January 30. All video submissions will be due at the end of National Engineering Week, February 23. Winners will be announced at this council-wide Zoom Celebration! Register through GSCWM by January 31.

S-A TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2024

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MARCH

ADULT BRONZE AWARD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (ADULTS)

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: Adult-only event/\$5 per adult

This orientation is open to troop volunteers and parents who are interested in learning more about the Girl Scout Bronze Award and how to guide their girls to earning it. We'll review the national requirements step-by-step, go over timelines, processes, and paperwork, as well as have plenty of time for questions. Arm yourself with the tools and knowledge you'll need to lead your Juniors to a successful Girl Scout Bronze Award experience. Bronze Award Orientations are required to be taken by at least one adult working with a team of Juniors on their Bronze Awards within one year of beginning the award. Open to adults only. Register through GSCWM by February 29.

D-B MAKERZONE: TINKERFEST, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Do you love to build, play, and create? Test your tinker's mind as we earn one of the NEW Maker Badges crafting and tinkering to make useful objects, solving problems, disassembling items, and using different media and tools. Let your curiosity and creativity lead the way and find out if YOUR magic is your imagination at TinkerFest! Badges are included. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by February 29.

C-A CSA BLENDED ARC FIRST AID/CPR/AED TRAINING, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM- 12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$65 per girl/girl-only event

This course is aimed at training our Girl Scout Cadettes through Ambassadors in Adult and Child First Aid, CPR, and AED through the Red Cross. The certification will be valid for 2 years. This training is blended, with both online and in-person instruction. After the registration deadline (approximately one week prior to the in-person skills test date), you will receive an email with detailed information on completing the online portion of this class. All online coursework must be completed before the in-person component (it will take 2-4 hours to complete the online portion). If you do not receive a link for the online portion 5 days prior to the in-person section, please email astevens@gscwm.org. Upon completion of the online segment, you will receive a Red Cross certificate via email detailing the completion of the online portion. Please save this certificate and present it to your instructor when you check into the in-person segment. Without this certificate, you will be unable to participate in the in-person skills test. This is a scenario-based class, and there will be a lot of hands-on practice of skills. Participants need to be physically able to kneel for up to five minutes. Comfortable and non-restrictive clothing is recommended. A CORI'd adult is needed for ratio purposes. If you are interested, please email Alysha Stevens at astevens@gscwm.org. *Please note that this course is limited to 10 participants! Open to girls only. Register through GSCWM by March 7.



MARCH

C STAYING FIT WITH AERIAL YOGA, EARTH & AERIAL YOGA (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Time: 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Place: Earth & Aerial Yoga

Cost: \$45 per person

Fly high in this exclusive Girl Scout event! You will build awareness, flexibility, strength, and mobility, all while reducing stress and tension, and learning about practical ways you can maintain your health and wellbeing. This Girl Scout event will consist of two sections. First, you will join in a healthy living discussion, followed by a guided meditation practice. Then, you will flow through a series of guided aerial yoga poses and transitions, characterized by mindful movement. This event is open exclusively to Girl Scout troops that belong to Central and Western Massachusetts. Participants can earn a custom fun patch. Troop leaders and parents are welcome to join in on the fun! The cost includes the use of studio silk and fun patch. There is a maximum of 14 participants for this program. We also offer an abbreviated version of this program as a one hour Schedule Your Own. Please call 978-257-0075 or email info@earthandaerialyoga.com to schedule. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register at <https://share.fitdegree.com/?share=653a920b304ec> by March 7.

S HOUR OF CODE: INTRO TO APP LAB, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-2:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn how to create your own app in JavaScript using blocks or text. You'll make a simple app with buttons, images, sounds, and multiple screens that you can share with your friends or publish to a public gallery. If you've already done some coding with blocks, take your skills to the next level. This assumes that you have some knowledge of block coding. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 7.

J BRONZE AWARD WORKSHOP, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Imagine what YOU can accomplish when you team up with others and use your special skills and interests to make a difference in the world! The Girl Scout Bronze Award adventure is big - it's the highest honor a Junior Girl Scout can achieve! We're here to help you learn all about the steps, some tips and tricks, and even get you started on your way. Taking this workshop is not required for girls, but it is a great way to take that first step and arm yourself with all you need to know! At least one adult working with Juniors on a Bronze Award is required to take a Bronze Award Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by March 7.

J BRONZE AWARD WORKSHOP, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Thursday, March 21, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

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MARCH

J PLAYING THE PAST JUNIOR BADGE BUILDER, SALISBURY MANSION (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Playing the Past allows you to dream up a character of a girl or woman who lived in the past. What better place to do that than a 1772 historic house that is restored to the 1830s? Learn about life in the 1800s at the Salisbury Mansion and then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge. Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. Badges are not included. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, email info@worcesterhistory.net or call 508-753-8278 by March 7.

D DAISY ROLLER COASTER DESIGN CHALLENGE, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (K-1)

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge

Roller coasters are machines that move people very fast in surprising directions. It's all about the thrill of speed, turns, climbs, and drops. Some people love to ride on them and others do not, but we can all agree that building one will be fun! Come learn how roller coasters work and understand motion and speed with the National Association of Women in Construction and take home your Mechanical Engineering Roller Coaster Design Challenge Badge! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 7.

D DAISY ROLLER COASTER DESIGN CHALLENGE, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (K-1)

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge

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B BROWNIE FLING FLYER DESIGN CHALLENGE BADGE, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 2-3)

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge

For thousands of years, people have been wondering how birds and insects fly. While building your Fling Flyer, you'll learn all about what keeps birds, planes, and people in the air with the National Association of Women in Construction and take home your Mechanical Engineering Fling Flyer Design Challenge Badge! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 7.

B BROWNIE FLING FLYER DESIGN CHALLENGE BADGE, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 2-3)

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge

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MARCH

J JUNIOR CRANE DESIGN CHALLENGE, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge

People have used cranes to build very tall buildings and move heavy objects for thousands of years. As the size and shape of the buildings we construct change, so has the crane's design. Learn about simple machines and how they work together, and then build your own heavy-lifting crane with the National Association of Women in Construction and take home your Mechanical Engineering Crane Design Challenge Badge! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 7.

J JUNIOR CRANE DESIGN CHALLENGE, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge

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ADULT BRONZE AWARD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (ADULTS)

Date: Thursday, March 28, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: Adult-only event/\$5 per adult

This orientation is open to troop volunteers and parents who are interested in learning more about the Girl Scout Bronze Award and how to guide their girls to earning it. We'll review the national requirements step-by-step, go over timelines, processes, and paperwork, as well as have plenty of time for questions. Arm yourself with the tools and knowledge you'll need to lead your Juniors to a successful Girl Scout Bronze Award experience. Bronze Award Orientations are required to be taken by at least one adult working with a team of Juniors on their Bronze Awards within one year of beginning the award. Open to adult only. Register through GSCWM by March 14.

J BRONZE PATROL, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Friday, March 29, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Bronze Award? Bronze Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Bronze Award Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Bronze Patrols do not meet the requirement of taking a Bronze Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by March 22.

C SILVER PATROL, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, March 29, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Silver Award? Silver Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Strive for Silver Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Silver Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Strive for Silver Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by March 22.

MARCH-APRIL

S-A GOLD PATROL, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Friday, March 29, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Gold Award? Gold Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Go for Gold Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail and even meet members of the Gold Award Committee! Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Go for Gold Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by March 22.

D- A VIRTUAL CAMP OPEN HOUSE (GR K-12)

Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

We believe that camp has positive impacts on our girls, and we also believe that there is something about being in the outdoors where you make new friends, try new things, and laugh until you cry that speaks to The POWER of CAMP. Come explore camp virtually with your family during our open house session- this is a great way to see what camp looks like before the summer begins! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 29.

ADULT AXE YARD CERTIFICATION, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (ADULTS)

Date: Saturday, April 6, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: Adult-only event/\$30 per adult

Become a GSCWM facilitator for our axe yard at Camp Bonnie Brae and Camp Green Eyrie. Learn how to safely use a hatchet and saw and facilitate an ax yard program for your girls. Come and build up your outdoor resume to provide more opportunities for your girls. Ax yard programs are for Cadettes and up only. Please note that this program is weather dependent and may be canceled in the event of rain or snow. Open to registered adult members. Register through GSCWM by March 23.

B SCRAPPY CIRCUITS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 2-3)

Date: Saturday, April 6, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

Brownies will learn about simple circuits by building their own circuit kits out of recycled household materials! We will begin working towards one of the new Brownie Maker badges - Craft & Tinker! (badge not included). Open to troops and individual girl scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 28.

ADULT HATCHET THROWING CERTIFICATION, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (ADULT)

Date: Saturday, April 6, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: Adult-only event/\$30 per adult

Become a GSCWM facilitator for our hatchet-throwing range at Camp Bonnie Brae and Camp Green Eyrie. Learn how to safely throw a hatchet and facilitate a hatchet-throwing program for your girls. Come and build up your outdoor resume to provide more opportunities for your girls. Hatchet-throwing programs are for Cadettes and up only. Please note that this program is weather dependent and may be canceled in the event of rain or snow. Open to registered adult members. Register through GSCWM by March 23.

J SCRAPPY CIRCUITS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, April 6, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

Makers are problem solvers and innovators. We can take one thing and change its function to suit our needs. Juniors will use recycled and upcycled materials to learn how circuits work and how they can see use their resources wisely. We will begin working towards one of the new Junior Maker badges - Craft & Tinker! (badge not included). Open to troops and individual girl scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 28.

APRIL

C TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, April 8, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the 10 signs of what unhealthy and healthy relationships look like with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, practice consent, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is a survivor of an unhealthy relationship, and how to navigate a breakup. This program teaches you the importance of creating healthy relationships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy relationship. This program will meet some of the requirements for your Finding Common Ground Badge and Resilient. Ready. Strong. Patch (not included). Register for Cyber Safety immediately following and get the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by March 28.

C CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, April 8, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the importance of staying safe online with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. This presentation includes topics such as defining bullying and the various forms of harassment, including cyberbullying. Learn about current issues encountered when using social media and the legal ramifications of harassment. Internet safety tips are provided, along with addressing how your personal use of social media can affect your future opportunities and personal relationships. We'll provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as how to identify who is your trusted adult. You'll work toward earning your CyberSecurity: Safeguards 2 Badge (not included). Register for the Teen Life: Building Healthy Relationships program right before this one to make the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by March 28.

S OUTDOOR ART EXPERT, ZOOM (GR 9-10)

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$12 per girl/girl-only event

Being outside in nature is a great way to spark your creativity. Some of our greatest works of art are inspired by nature. The Outdoor Art Expert Badge (not included) takes you out exploring great works of art. Learn to become a nature photographer and create your very own artwork. During this live Zoom, you will meet Girl Scouts around the world and participate in a fun photography lesson, meet a professional photographer, and get to ask questions. After the Zoom, you will complete the remaining steps virtually and at your own pace with video instruction. You will need an empty water/soda bottle with the bottom cut off and a device/camera. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by April 8.

J DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHER BADGE, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$15 per girl/girl-only event

Explore your creativity and learn a new skill to capture a lifetime of memories in this fun, engaging, photography course that meets all of the Digital Photographer Badge requirements (badge not included) that gives you a great foundation to build upon. Explore outside and find the perfect light by completing photo challenges. During this live Zoom, you will meet Girl Scouts around the world and participate in a fun photography lesson, meet a professional photographer, and get to ask questions. After the Zoom, you will complete the remaining steps virtually and at your own pace with video instruction. You will need an empty water/soda bottle with the bottom cut off and a device/camera. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by April 8.

APRIL

C OUTDOOR ART APPRENTICE, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

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B OUTDOOR ART CREATOR, ZOOM (GR 2-3)

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$12 per girl/girl-only event

Being outside in nature is a great way to spark your creativity. Some of our greatest works of art are inspired by nature. The Outdoor Art Creator Badge (not included) takes you out exploring great works of art. Learn to become a nature photographer and create your very own artwork. During this live Zoom, you will meet Girl Scouts around the world and participate in a fun photography lesson, meet a professional photographer, and get to ask questions. After the Zoom, you will complete the remaining steps virtually and at your own pace with video instruction. You will need an empty water/soda bottle with the bottom cut off and a device/camera. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by April 8.

J OUTDOOR ART EXPLORER, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$12 per girl/girl-only event

Being outside in nature is a great way to spark your creativity. Some of our greatest works of art are inspired by nature. The Outdoor Art Explorer Badge (not included) takes you out exploring great works of art. Learn to become a nature photographer and create your very own artwork. During this live Zoom, you will meet Girl Scouts around the world and participate in a fun photography lesson, meet a professional photographer, and get to ask questions. After the Zoom, you will complete the remaining steps virtually and at your own pace with video instruction. You will need an empty water/soda bottle with the bottom cut off and a device/camera. Not able to join us for this live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by April 8.

A PHOTOGRAPHER BADGE, ZOOM (GR 11-23)

Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$15 per girl/girl-only event

Explore your creativity and learn a new skill to capture a lifetime of memories in this fun, engaging, photography course that meets all of the Photographer Badge requirements (badge not included) that gives you a great foundation to build upon. Explore outside and find the perfect light by completing photo challenges. During this live Zoom, you will meet Girl Scouts around the world and participate in a fun photography lesson, meet a professional photographer, and get to ask questions. After the Zoom, you will complete the remaining steps virtually and at your own pace with video instruction. You will need an empty water/soda bottle with the bottom cut off and a device/camera. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by April 8.

APRIL

J PLAYING THE PAST JUNIOR BADGE BUILDER, SALISBURY MANSION (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, April 13, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Playing the Past allows you to dream up a character of a girl or woman who lived in the past. What better place to do that than a 1772 historic house that is restored to the 1830s? Learn about life in the 1800s at the Salisbury Mansion and then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge. Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. Badges are not included. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, email info@worchesterhistory.net or call 508-753-8278 by March 28.

D-B MAKERZONE: UNMAKE IT, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, April 13, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge

The power of destruction at your finger tips! Makers usually use their imagination and creativity to make new things but in this MakerZone space, you get to unmake things! Learn how to use some basic tools, how things look on their insides, and how to take them apart. Do you really want to challenge yourself? Put it back together again! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by March 28.

D-A GIRL SCOUT DAY AT FENWAY PARK, BOSTON (GR K-12)

Date: Sunday, April 14, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM-4:30 PM

Place: Fenway Park

Cost: \$35 per person

Join Girl Scouts from all over to watch the Boston Red Sox take on the Los Angeles Angels! Price of ticket includes entry to the pregame parade and a custom Girl Scout fun patch. Bring your friends and family and enjoy a day of fun at Fenway Park! For questions, contact Adam at APolsky@redsox.com. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Watch for registration to open in January! Tickets will sell fast!

J MATH IN NATURE BUNDLE, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Sunday, April 14, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$20 per girl/girl-only event

After a year of learning inside, it's time to get outdoors! The new Math in Nature Badges build on one another as Girl Scouts learn about shapes, numbers, and design in nature. You'll plan a hiking adventure, create trail maps, and design a bird feeder-all while learning math concepts and how they apply outside. You'll earn all three badges in this bundle package (badges not included). Most of this program is self-paced, but Vine Images is offering an introductory live Zoom that will focus on one craft project and a group discussion on nature. This program is roughly 3 hours and will cover all badge requirements. This program does require some craft supplies. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/math-in-nature/> by April 11.

B MATH IN NATURE BUNDLE, ZOOM (GR 2-3)

Date: Sunday, April 14, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$20 per girl/girl-only event

After a year of learning inside, it's time to get outdoors! The new Math in Nature Badges build on one another as Girl Scouts learn about shapes, numbers, and design in nature. You'll plan a hiking adventure, create trail maps, and design a bird feeder-all while learning math concepts and how they apply outside. You'll earn all three badges in this bundle package (badges not included). Most of this program is self-paced, but Vine Images is offering an introductory live Zoom that will focus on one craft project and a group discussion on nature. This program is roughly 3 hours and will cover all badge requirements. This program does require some craft supplies. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/math-in-nature/> by April 11.



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APRIL

D MATH IN NATURE BUNDLE, ZOOM (GR K-1)

Date: Sunday, April 14, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$15 per girl/girl-only event

After a year of learning inside, it's time to get outdoors! The new Math in Nature Badges build on one another as Girl Scouts learn about shapes, numbers, and design in nature. You'll plan a hiking adventure, create trail maps, and design a bird feeder-all while learning math concepts and how they apply outside. You'll earn all three badges in this bundle package (badges not included). Most of this program is self-paced, but Vine Images is offering an introductory live Zoom that will focus on one craft project and a group discussion on nature. This program is roughly 3 hours and will cover all badge requirements. This program does require some craft supplies. Not able to join us for the live Zoom? This program is offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/math-in-nature/> by April 11.

S-A CAR CARE ESSENTIALS, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, April 15, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

As you begin to drive, it is important to learn what makes your car run and continue to run safely. Learn essential skills like checking and changing your oil, changing windshield wipers and tires, and when to seek additional help from a mechanic. No need to have a license or learner's permit. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

ADULT CAMP FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ORIENTATION, ZOOM (ADULTS)

Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: Adult-only event/adults no charge

Camp fosters lifelong learning, an appreciation for the outdoors, and helps build the next generation of girl leaders - we don't want financial need to be a barrier to your Girl Scout attending camp. This optional orientation is open to parents/guardians who are interested in learning more about GSCWM Camp Financial Assistance. We'll review the application process step-by-step, go over timelines, processes and paperwork, and have plenty of time for questions. Join us to learn more about how you can provide an invaluable summer experience for your girl. Open to registered adult members. Register through GSCWM by April 12.

C PROGRAM AIDE CORE TRAINING, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$20 per girl/girl-only event

Learn valuable skills about being a mentor and sharing your skills, passions, and experiences with younger Girl Scouts while leading them to finding THEIR own magic! Program Aides have the unique opportunity to serve as champions for the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. Core PA Training involves learning to work with children and adapting activities for different needs and situations. You will be putting your new skills to the test with some hands-on activities that will prepare you for real-life situations working with younger girls in troops, day camp, and council and service unit events. You will leave this training with plenty of tips and tricks in your bag to get you started on your journey to completing the PA Award by working with younger girls. Additional award requirements: Following the core training, you must complete at least six activities with younger Girl Scouts. No worries-you'll be ready to go! Open to individual girls only. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

B-J HOUR OF CODE: SCIGIRLS CODE QUEST, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 2-5)

Date: Wednesday, April 17, 2023

Time: 10:30 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

In this online coding adventure, Brownies take Subby the submarine through underwater challenges, using code to find various items and collect scientific data on the ocean floor. This adventure is from PBS and CodeGirls and uses block coding! Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 11.

J-C HOUR OF CODE: STAR WARS: BUILDING A GALAXY WITH CODE, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-8)

Date: Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-2:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

Help Rey program BB8 to save the galaxy. Girl Scouts have the opportunity to either code with blocks or JavaScript. If Girl Scouts want to code with JavaScript, they need to be able to type on a keyboard. Learning JavaScript can be fun and provide an additional challenge. JavaScript is also great for those Girl Scouts who have already learned some coding. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 11.



C STRIVE FOR SILVER ORIENTATION, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout is no easy feat, and this workshop will certainly get you started on your way! At the end of this orientation, you'll know the national steps necessary to complete the Girl Scout Silver Award, understand the pros and cons of an individual vs. team project, understand the difference between Take Action and community service, and the importance of the community impact of the project. Troop leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to join us. We will have plenty of opportunities to answer your questions, learn some helpful tips, and find out what it takes to become a Silver Award Girl Scout! It is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Strive for Silver Orientation within one year of beginning the Silver Award process and submitting a Silver Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

C PROGRAM AIDE CORE TRAINING, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$20 per girl/girl-only event

Learn valuable skills about being a mentor and sharing your skills, passions, and experiences with younger Girl Scouts while leading them to find THEIR own magic! Program Aides have the unique opportunity to serve as champions for the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. Core PA Training involves learning to work with children and adapting activities for different needs and situations. You will be putting your new skills to the test with some hands-on activities that will prepare you for real-life situations working with younger girls in troops, day camp, and council and service unit events. You will leave this training with plenty of tips and tricks in your bag to get you started on your journey to completing the PA Award by working with younger girls. Additional award requirements: Following the core training, you must complete at least six activities with younger Girl Scouts. No worries-you'll be ready to go! Open to individual girls only. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

D-B SLINGSHOTS, CAMP LAUREL WOOD (GR K-3)

Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

For Girl Scouts, slingshots serve as a progression step for target range activities (like archery!) by teaching girls about range rules and commands, as well as helping them to build aim, target skills, and hand-eye coordination! Safety will be emphasized, and bullseyes are encouraged! Registration is limited to 10 Girl Scouts total so reserve your spot today! Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

D ANIMAL OBSERVER, CAMP LAUREL WOOD (GR K-1)

Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

We will be animal observers by finding animal tracks outside and playing an animal observation game! We'll finish the program by focusing on one of the animals we saw in camp! Daisies will complete their Animal Observer badge (not included). Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 4.



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Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout is no easy feat, and this workshop will certainly get you started on your way! At the end of this orientation, you'll know the national steps necessary to complete the Girl Scout Silver Award, understand the pros and cons of an individual vs. team project, understand the difference between Take Action and community service, and the importance of the community impact of the project. Troop leaders and parents are strongly encouraged to join us. We will have plenty of opportunities to answer your questions, learn some helpful tips, and find out what it takes to become a Silver Award Girl Scout! It is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Strive for Silver Orientation within one year of beginning the Silver Award process and submitting a Silver Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

B-A SPRING FORAGING WITH MRS. G, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR 2-12)

Date: Friday, April 19, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-3:30 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$15 per girl/\$15 per adult

In spring, we can find many edible and useful herbs and flowers, nutritious buds, stalks, roots and greens growing all around us. Come on a walk/hike to learn about these seasonal treasures, as well as plants, trees, and mushrooms that can be foraged at other times of the year- so you can look for them when it's the best time to forage them. Rachel will teach you how to identify the plants safely, methods of preparation and preservation, and all about their nutritional and medicinal value. Bring a camera and/or notebook so you can document our finds, collection bags (plastic), and a knife or shears. Wear comfortable walking shoes or boots as the terrain may be uneven or muddy. Insect spray and sunscreen are recommended. Rachel Goclawski, Forager, Certified educator, State-Certified in Mushrooming, is a Programmer for The Museum of Natural History, Sudbury Valley Trustees, New England Botanic Garden and other organizations. She is a contributing writer for The Cook's Cook: Now, Forager Magazine and has been featured in The Boston Globe, WBZ, Edible Worcester and Baystate Parent magazines, local television talk shows, documentary films and print. Rachel comes from a long line of foragers, including her great-grandfather, Arthur W. Fairbanks, a founder of the Boston Mycological Club in the 1800's. Visit her Facebook, Instagram or YouTube for Forage to Table tips, recipe ideas and videos: all called, "Cooking With Mrs G" Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

APRIL

D-C*MYSTIC AQUARIUM OVERNIGHT, MYSTIC, CT; (GR K-6*)

Date: Fri-Sat, April 19-20, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:30 AM

Place: Mystic Aquarium

Cost: \$115 per person

Imagine exploring Mystic Aquarium after hours when all the visitors have left for the evening. Our overnight experiences are the perfect way for you to see what happens when the lights go out and the animals settle in for the night. Greeted by your Aquarium hosts, your night will include educational programming geared for youth ages 5-12*, exploration time in the Aquarium's main gallery, and an evening snack before you tuck into your sleeping bags and sleep in front of the indoor exhibits. In the morning, you will enjoy a continental breakfast and tour the exhibits to visit beluga whales, penguins, seals, and sea lions. All overnight attendees will also receive a patch and free admission to the Aquarium for the following morning. Please remember to eat dinner prior to arriving, dinner is not provided. An evening snack and a continental breakfast are included. Limited space, register early! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register at <https://www.mysticaquarium.org/learn/children-and-families/overnight-programs/> by April 1.

C-A HATCHET-THROWING, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn how to properly throw a hatchet at our new hatchet throwing range at Camp Green Eyrie. Learn about the hatchet, how to safely and successfully throw it, and see if you can get a bullseye. Come and enjoy this new GSCWM older girl activity. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 11.

J MAKERZONE: TINKERFEST, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Do you love to build, play, and create? Test your tinker's mind as we earn one of the NEW Maker Badges crafting and tinkering to make useful objects, solving problems, disassembling items, and using different media and tools. Let your curiosity and creativity lead the way and find if your own magic is your imagination at TinkerFest! Badges are included. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 5.

C-A HATCHET THROWING, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn how to properly throw a hatchet at our new hatchet throwing range at Camp Bonnie Brae. Learn about the hatchet, how to safely and successfully throw it, and see if you can get a bullseye. Come and enjoy this new GSCWM older girl activity. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 6.

D-A CAMP OPEN HOUSE, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: No charge to attend

We believe that camp has positive impacts on our girls, and we also believe that there is something about being in the outdoors where you make new friends, try new things, and laugh until you cry that speaks to The POWER of CAMP. Come explore camp with your family during our open house session, learn a few camp songs and have s'mores. Members of our camp team are available to answer any questions. This is a great way to see what camp looks like before the summer begins! While registration is not required to attend, it does allow us to be prepared. RSVP to camp@gscwm.org Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 13.

APRIL

S-A, ADULTS USA ARCHERY LEVEL 1 INSTRUCTOR, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR 11-12; ADULT)

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$65 per girl/\$65 per adult

As an Archery Level 1 certified instructor you will be able to assist in archery programs with other instructors. This course consists of two parts. The first part is an online course that is approximately 4 hours long and can be completed at your own pace. After the online course is completed, you will participate in an in-person practical, hands-on experience. Upon completion of the online course and the in-person practical, you will be certified as a USA Archery level 1 instructor for 3 years. If you have any questions, please email astevens@gscwm.org. *Please note that this course is weather dependent and may need to be rescheduled due to rain, snow, or poor-range conditions. Open to individual Girl Scouts with adults and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 11.

D-B GIRLS CAN BE ENGINEERS, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$28 per girl/no charge for adults

Career Day is here but Hannah doesn't know what she wants to be when she grows up! The author of Girls Can Be Engineers, Jamila H. Lindo, will join us virtually to read her book to us, as we discover together just what Hannah decides to be! You'll have plenty of time to ask the author your questions before we say goodbye and do some of our own engineering challenges in our MakerZone. Girls Can Be Engineers is a beautifully illustrated children's book created to encourage girls to explore Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) and you'll go home with your own copy of the book! This program has limited space so register early! You never know where you're going to find YOUR magic-let's see where Hannah finds hers! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 4.

D-B GIRLS CAN BE ENGINEERS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$28 per girl/no charge for adults

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S-A TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, April 22, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the 10 signs of what unhealthy and healthy relationships look like with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, practice consent, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is a survivor of an unhealthy relationship, and how to navigate a breakup. This program teaches you the importance of creating healthy relationships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy relationship. This program will go toward the requirements of the Senior Mission: Sisterhood Journey and the Ambassador Your Voice, Your World Journey, and the Resilient. Ready. Strong. Patch (not included). Register for Cyber Safety immediately following and get the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 11.

S-A CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, April 22, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the importance of staying safe online with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. This presentation includes topics such as defining bullying and the various forms of harassment, including cyberbullying. Learn about current issues encountered when using social media and the legal ramifications of harassment. Internet safety tips are provided, along with addressing how your personal use of social media can affect your future opportunities and personal relationships. We'll provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as how to identify who is your trusted adult. You'll work toward earning your CyberSecurity: Safeguards 2 and Digital Leadership Badge (not included). Register for the Teen Life: Building Healthy Relationships program right before this one to make the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 11.

J PLAYING THE PAST JUNIOR BADGE BUILDER, SALISBURY MANSION (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Playing the Past allows you to dream up a character of a girl or woman who lived in the past. What better place to do that than a 1772 historic house that is restored to the 1830s? Learn about life in the 1800s at the Salisbury Mansion and then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge. Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. Badges are not included. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, email info@worcesterhistory.net or call 508-753-8278 by April 11.

J UMASS AMHERST COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING MECHANICAL ENGINEERING GS DAY (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-3:00 PM

Place: UMass Amherst College of Engineering

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

The student chapter of the Society of Women Engineers, along with the DEI team, will help you earn both the Balloon Car and Paddle Boat Mechanical Engineering Badges! Lunch and badges are included in this program for the girls. This is a very popular program and will fill fast. Financial accommodations may be available through UMass, contact TBreen@gscwm.org to request more information. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 11.

C-A ARCHERY BASICS FOR CADETTES, SENIORS, AND AMBASSADORS (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Calling all Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors! Practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows, including the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form, and special target challenges! Closed toed shoes required (no Crocs). Register through GSCWM by April 19. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 19.



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D-A CAMP OPEN HOUSE, CAMP LAUREL WOOD (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: No charge to attend

We believe that camp has positive impacts on our girls, and we also believe that there is something about being in the outdoors where you make new friends, try new things, and laugh until you cry that speaks to The POWER of CAMP. Come explore camp with your family during our open house session, learn a few camp songs and have s'mores. Members of our camp team are available to answer any questions. This is a great way to see what camp looks like before the summer begins! While registration is not required to attend, it does allow us to be prepared. RSVP to camp@gscwm.org. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 20.

B ARCHERY BASICS FOR BROWNIES, CAMP LAUREL WOOD (GR 2-3)

Date: Sunday, April 28, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Brownies, come learn archery basics and take your first shot! Learn the correct stance and form to successfully shoot your arrows and hit your target. Closed toed shoes required (no Crocs). Register through GSCWM by April 19. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 19.

J ARCHERY BASICS FOR JUNIORS, CAMP LAUREL WOOD (GR 4-5)

Date: Sunday, April 28, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Juniors, come practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows, including the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form, and the shot cycle! Closed toed shoes required (no Crocs). Register through GSCWM by April 19. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 19.

J BRONZE PATROL, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Bronze Award? Bronze Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Bronze Award Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Bronze Patrols do not meet the requirement of taking a Bronze Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 23.

C SILVER PATROL, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Silver Award? Silver Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Strive for Silver Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Silver Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Strive for Silver Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 23.

S-A GOLD PATROL, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Gold Award? Gold Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Go for Gold Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail and even meet members of the Gold Award Committee! Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Go for Gold Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 23.

APRIL-MAY

J-C HOUR OF CODE: MINECRAFT: A HERO'S JOURNEY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-8)

Date: Thursday, May 2, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

Help Steve or Alex journey through Minecraft to collect items they might need on their journey! This session introduces the core CS concepts of coding and programming (using blocks), as well as simple debugging techniques and how functions can be helpful. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 25.

B-C AVIATION ADVENTURES GIRL SCOUT WORKSHOP, NEW ENGLAND AIR MUSEUM (GR 2-8)

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Place: New England Air Museum

Cost: \$40 per girl/\$10 per adult

Enjoy a day of learning about the history, science, and technology of flight along with stories of pioneering women in aviation through the museum's collection of historic aircraft and hands-on activities. Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy it at the museum. This program will fulfill all requirements of the Brownie Fling Flyer Design Challenge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Visit www.neam.org for registration and additional information by April 19.

J GO FOR GOLD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Are you ready to make a lasting change on an issue you care about? The Girl Scout Gold Award is the most prestigious award in the world for girls. This orientation is for any girl who wants to earn her award or is interested in learning more about it. Orientations provide valuable information about the award process, deadlines, national requirements, and the benefits for going for the Gold. Attending an orientation can be the most beneficial thing you do before beginning to work on the award. Leaders, advisors, and parents are encouraged to attend to learn how to best support girls working on their awards. Are YOU ready to take the lead? All materials are provided electronically the week of the Zoom call. As of 10/1/2022, it is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Go for Gold Orientation within one year of beginning the Gold Award process and submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by April 25.

J MAKERZONE: DESERT SURVIVAL CHALLENGE, HOLYOKE LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

You and your puppy Pickles are stranded in the desert- whatever are you going to do? Between being thirsty, the sandstorms, scorpions and the snakes, you have to use your innovative mind and imagination to find a way to get home soon- Pickles is counting on you! Makers know how to solve problems- and so will you in our hands-on MakerZone Desert Survival Challenge. You'll work on some of the requirements of the NEW Maker Create and Innovate Badge (not included) and find out if YOUR magic is your imagination! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 19.

D-A CAMP OPEN HOUSE, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: No charge to attend/no charge for adults

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S-A GOLD AWARD TEA, LEICESTER SENIOR CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Leicester Senior Center

Cost: No charge to attend

Celebrating our Gold Award Honorees, the Girl Scout Alumni Troop hosts a yearly Gold Award Tea to celebrate their achievements! Put this date on your calendars and watch for your invitation. Open to Gold Award Girl Scouts and their guest. Watch for invitation and registration information in March!

S-A GO FOR GOLD ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, May 6, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

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J PLAYING THE PAST JUNIOR BADGE BUILDER, SALISBURY MANSION (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Playing the Past allows you to dream up a character of a girl or woman who lived in the past. What better place to do that than a 1772 historic house that is restored to the 1830s? Learn about life in the 1800s at the Salisbury Mansion and then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge. Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. Badges are not included. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, email info@worchesterhistory.net or call 508-753-8278 by April 28.



J MAKERZONE: TINKER TIME, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

When you craft you make something with skill, care, imagination-and maybe even just a little bit of magic! You'll craft with recycled materials and turn your ideas into an object, then tinker to make changes to improve it in our MakerZone. Makers are problem solvers-what problem will you solve while you earn your NEW Maker Craft and Tinker Badge (included)? Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by April 26.

D-B SLINGSHOTS, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

For Girl Scouts, slingshots serve as a progression step for target range activities (like archery!) by teaching girls about range rules and commands, as well as helping them to build aim, target skills, and hand-eye coordination! Safety will be emphasized, and bullseyes are encouraged! Registration is limited to 10 Girl Scouts total so reserve your spot today! Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by May 2.

D ANIMAL OBSERVER, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (GR K-1)

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: \$10 per girl/no charge for adults

We will be animal observers by finding animal tracks outside and playing an animal observation game! We'll finish the program by focusing on one of the animals we saw in camp! Daisies will complete their Animal Observer badge (not included). Open to troops and individual girl scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by May 2.

D-A CAMP OPEN HOUSE, CAMP LEWIS PERKINS (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Lewis Perkins

Cost: No charge to attend

We believe that camp has positive impacts on our girls, and we also believe that there is something about being in the outdoors where you make new friends, try new things, and laugh until you cry that speaks to The POWER of CAMP. Come explore camp with your family during our open house session, learn a few camp songs and have s'mores. Members of our camp team are available to answer any questions. This is a great way to see what camp looks like before the summer begins! While registration is not required to attend, it does allow us to be prepared. RSVP to camp@gscwm.org Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by May 4.

C TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, May 13, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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C CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, May 13, 2024

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Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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S-A TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

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C STRIVE FOR SILVER ORIENTATION, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Zoom

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C-A HATCHET THROWING, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn how to properly throw a hatchet at our new hatchet throwing range at Camp Bonnie Brae. Learn about the hatchet, how to safely and successfully throw it, and see if you can get a bullseye. Come and enjoy this new GSCWM older girl activity. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by May 4.

D-B SLINGSHOTS, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

For Girl Scouts, slingshots serve as a progression step for target range activities (like archery!) by teaching girls about range rules and commands, as well as helping them to build aim, target skills, and hand-eye coordination! Safety will be emphasized, and bullseyes are encouraged! Registration is limited to 10 Girl Scouts total so reserve your spot today! Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by May 9.

ADULT AXE YARD & HATCHET-THROWING CERTIFICATION, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (ADULT)

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: Adult Only/\$45 per adult

Become a GSCWM facilitator for our axe yards and hatchet-throwing ranges at Camp Bonnie Brae and Camp Green Eyrie. You will learn how to safely use a saw and axe as well as facilitate an axe yard program for GSCWM Girl Scouts. You will also learn how to safely throw a hatchet and facilitate a hatchet-throwing program for your girls. Axe Yard and hatchet-throwing programs are for Cadettes and up only. Please note that this program is weather dependent and may be canceled in the event of rain or snow. Open to adult only. Register through GSCWM by May 9.

D-A NIGHT WITH THE WOOSOX, POLAR PARK, WORCESTER (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024

Time: 3:00 PM-7:30 AM

Place: Polar Park

*Cost: \$30-\$38 per person**

Enjoy an unforgettable experience at Polar Park as you spend a night with the WooSox! Enjoy a WooSox game, take part in a pre-game parade, a welcome message to your troop on the video board, and a host of other in-game opportunities (based on availability). Each ticket includes \$12 of Ballpark credit for concessions or the Team Store, access to the postgame "Sunset Catch on the Field", and the option to camp in the outfield overnight and sleep under the stars. Breakfast will be provided in the morning from 6:30am-7:30am. For more information, contact Joe Foley at 508-204-5384 or jfoley@woosox.com. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Registration will open in January at <https://fevo-enterprise.com/Girlscouts433>.

J PLAYING THE PAST JUNIOR BADGE BUILDER, SALISBURY MANSION (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, May 25, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Playing the Past allows you to dream up a character of a girl or woman who lived in the past. What better place to do that than a 1772 historic house that is restored to the 1830s? Learn about life in the 1800s at the Salisbury Mansion and then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge. Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. Badges are not included. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, email info@worchesterhistory.net or call 508-753-8278 by May 9.



2024 Girl Scouts of Central & Western Massachusetts Sleepover

NIGHT WITH THE *Woosox*TM

ENJOY AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE AT POLAR PARK! YOU'LL RECEIVE A BLOCK OF TICKETS TOGETHER, A WELCOME MESSAGE ON OUR VIDEO BOARD, AND A HOST OF OTHER IN-GAME OPPORTUNITIES (BASED ON AVAILABILITY).

GAME DATE: Saturday
May 18th, 2024

GAME TIME: 4:05 pm
Parade – 3:15pm

TICKET PRICE: Berm - \$30
Reserved - \$38

Each Ticket Includes: \$12 of Ballpark Credit (For Concessions or Team Store), access for pregame parade & postgame "Sunset Catch on the Field," and the option to camp in the outfield overnight and watch a movie under the stars! *Breakfast provided in the morning from 6:30am-7:30am*

CONTACT:

For more information, please contact Joe Foley (508-204-5384 | jfoley@woosox.com), and be on the lookout for registration to open beginning in January of 2024!!

MAY-JUNE

J BRONZE PATROL, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Friday, May 31, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Bronze Award? Bronze Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Bronze Award Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Bronze Patrols do not meet the requirement of taking a Bronze Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by May 24.

C-A THE 3RD ANNUAL CSA ROUNDUP, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR 6-12)

Date: Fri-Sun, May 31-June 2, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-11:00 AM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$30 per girl/\$15 per adult

Join us at the 3rd Annual CSA Roundup* to meet Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors from throughout the Council. Activities include kayaking, archery, hatchet throwing, gourmet campfire cooking, orienteering and more. There will also be time for adults to gather and share ideas. Troops are responsible for their own meals and for having a trained adult. Register by April 22nd for early access to activity sign-up. Please limit adult registration to the number required by Safety Activity Checkpoints. *This event is named after the national events that happened for high school aged Girl Scouts in the late 1950s and early 1960s. Open to troops and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by May 9.

C SILVER PATROL, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, May 31, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Silver Award? Silver Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Strive for Silver Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Silver Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Strive for Silver Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by May 24.

S-A GOLD PATROL, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

Date: Friday, May 31, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Gold Award? Gold Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Go for Gold Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail and even meet members of the Gold Award Committee! Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Go for Gold Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by May 24.

D-A TROOP CAMPING WEEKEND, CAMP LAUREL WOOD (GR K-12)

Date: Sat-Sun, June 1-2 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

Cost: \$60 per girl/\$20 per adult

Enjoy the camp experience with your troop in this two-day, one-night event! You'll get to try all the summer camp activities Camp Laurel Wood has to offer—arts & crafts, boating, swimming, the challenge course, and field games. In the evening, join together to sing camp songs around the fire before making s'mores. Troops will be provided a schedule for the weekend. Troops will stay together in platform tents in one of Camp Laurel Wood's units. Open to troops. Register through GSCWM by May 17.



C TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, June 3, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the 10 signs of what unhealthy and healthy relationships look like with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, practice consent, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is a survivor of an unhealthy relationship, and how to navigate a breakup. This program teaches you the importance of creating healthy relationships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy relationship. This program will meet some of the requirements for your Finding Common Ground Badge and Resilient. Ready. Strong. Patch (not included). Register for Cyber Safety immediately following and get the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by May 23.

C CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, June 3, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the importance of staying safe online with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. This presentation includes topics such as defining bullying and the various forms of harassment, including cyberbullying. Learn about current issues encountered when using social media and the legal ramifications of harassment. Internet safety tips are provided, along with addressing how your personal use of social media can affect your future opportunities and personal relationships. We'll provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as how to identify who is your trusted adult. You'll work toward earning your CyberSecurity: Safeguards 2 Badge (not included). Register for the Teen Life: Building Healthy Relationships program right before this one to make the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by May 23.

S-A TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the 10 signs of what unhealthy and healthy relationships look like with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, practice consent, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is a survivor of an unhealthy relationship, and how to navigate a breakup. This program teaches you the importance of creating healthy relationships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy relationship. This program will go toward the requirements of the Senior Mission: Sisterhood Journey and the Ambassador Your Voice, Your World Journey, and the Resilient. Ready. Strong. Patch (not included). Register for Cyber Safety immediately following and get the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by May 23.

S-A CYBER SAFETY, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 9-12)

Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$4 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the importance of staying safe online with a member of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s office. This presentation includes topics such as defining bullying and the various forms of harassment, including cyberbullying. Learn about current issues encountered when using social media and the legal ramifications of harassment. Internet safety tips are provided, along with addressing how your personal use of social media can affect your future opportunities and personal relationships. We'll provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as how to identify who is your trusted adult. You'll work toward earning your CyberSecurity: Safeguards 2 and Digital Leadership Badge (not included). Register for the Teen Life: Building Healthy Relationships program right before this one to make the most out of your night! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by May 23.

C-A HATCHET-THROWING, CAMP GREEN EYRIE (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, June 8, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn how to properly throw a hatchet at our new hatchet throwing range at Camp Green Eyrie. Learn about the hatchet, how to safely and successfully throw it, and see if you can get a bullseye. Come and enjoy this new GSCWM older girl activity. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by May 30.

K-A GIRL SCOUT OVERNIGHT, NEW ENGLAND AIR MUSEUM (K-12)

Date: Fri, June 14-Sat, June 15, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-9:00 AM

Place: New England Air Museum

Cost: \$70 per girl/\$70 per adult

Spend a night at the New England Air Museum! NEAM Girl Scout Overnights include a buffet dinner, hot breakfast, and late-night snack, as well as a museum patch and exclusive overnight activities including open cockpit experiences in real aircraft, hands-on programs, flight simulators, a film screening, and more. Participants also receive a full day's admission to the museum the day their overnight ends, as well as half-price admission for immediate family members who join them at the museum that day. Girl Scout overnights are capped at 150 participants and reservations are taken from troops on a first-come, first-served basis. A \$35 per person non-refundable deposit is required to reserve spots, with final payments due two weeks prior. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Visit www.neam.org for registration and additional information. Registration closes 30 days prior to the overnight, or when the overnight sells out.

C-A HATCHET THROWING, CAMP BONNIE BRAE (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, June 15, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

Cost: \$20 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn how to properly throw a hatchet at our new hatchet throwing range at Camp Bonnie Brae. Learn about the hatchet, how to safely and successfully throw it, and see if you can get a bullseye. Come and enjoy this new GSCWM older girl activity. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by May 29.

J BRONZE PATROL, ZOOM (GR 4-5)

Date: Friday, June 28, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Bronze Award? Bronze Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Bronze Award Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Bronze Patrols do not meet the requirement of taking a Bronze Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by June 21.

C SILVER PATROL, ZOOM (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, June 28, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Silver Award? Silver Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Strive for Silver Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail! Silver Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Strive for Silver Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and adults. Register through GSCWM by June 21.

S-A GOLD PATROL, ZOOM (GR 9-12)

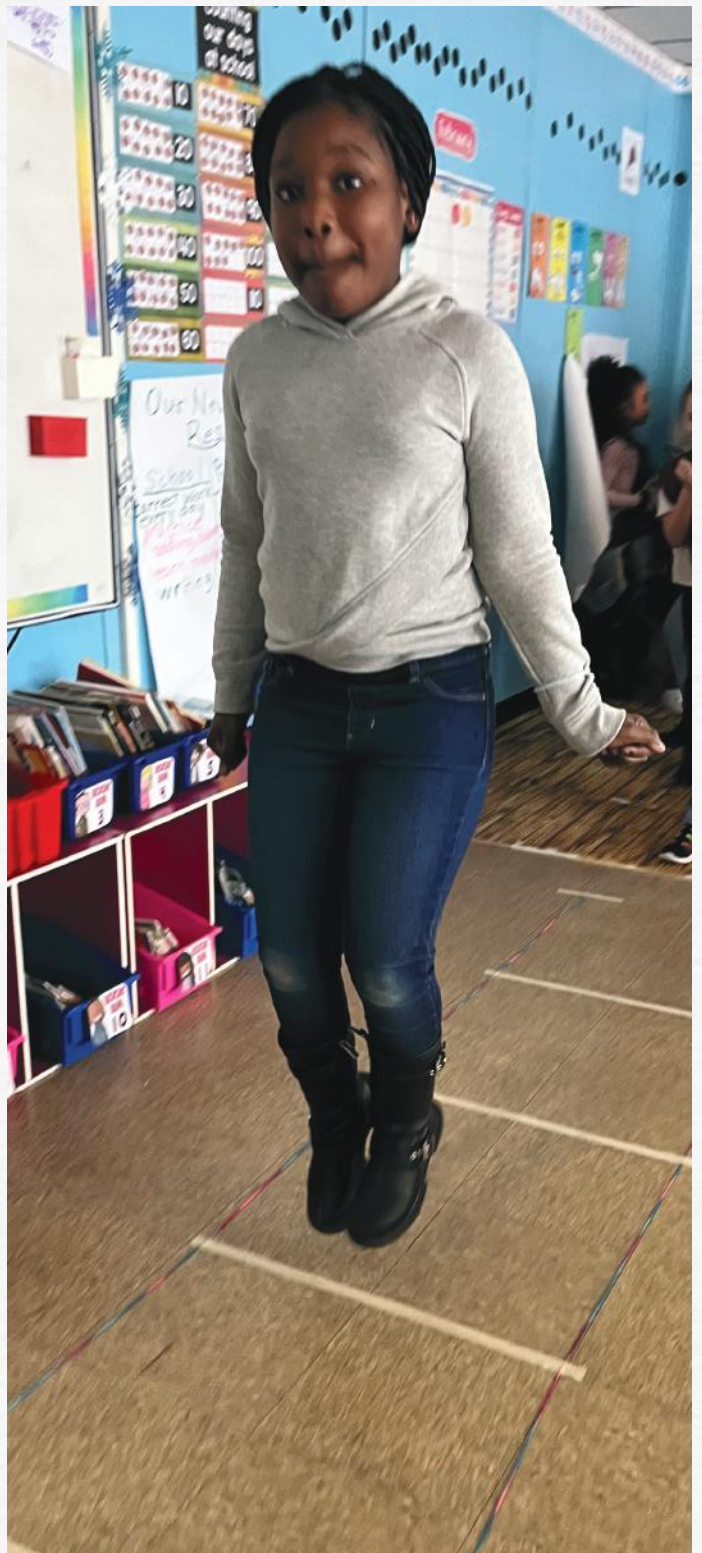
Date: Friday, June 28, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Do you have questions about the Girl Scout Gold Award? Gold Patrols are informal calls where girls and adults can ask questions, get help with a challenge, run your project ideas by the council, do some brainstorming, and get general assistance. Just starting out and need more than that? Be sure to register for a Go for Gold Orientation where we go over all of the steps in detail and even meet members of the Gold Award Committee! Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of needing to take a Go for Gold Orientation.



SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

Schedule Your Own programs are terrific resources for Girl Scout troops as well as families, offering a wide array of opportunities for girls. The following Community Partners offer girl programming that can be scheduled to meet the needs, individual interests, and availability of your troop or group. Contact the following Community Partners directly with your questions and to schedule.

- Remember to follow all current safety standards as outlined in Safety Activity Checkpoints found on [gscwm.org](https://www.gscwm.org)
- Submit the “Activity and Travel Form” (also found at [gscwm.org](https://www.gscwm.org)) before your activity
- Find additional program resources for troops and families at [gscwm.org/SYOfree.html](https://www.gscwm.org/SYOfree.html)
- Don’t forget to thank our Community Partners for supporting Girl Scouts!

D-A AMAZING WOMAN OF THE MONTH (GR K-12)

Place: Virtual

Cost: \$10 per girl/\$10 per adult

On the first of each month, the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore debut a new program about a different woman who is an icon in her field. You’ll receive program plans that are self-guided that you can complete at your own pace at home or during a Girl Scout meeting. You are also invited to attend an optional Zoom meeting where you can learn a little more about the woman and do an activity just for fun! Can’t attend? That’s okay! You will receive a link to the recorded Zoom session to watch when you can! Girl Scouts from all 50 states and 5 countries participate in this program. All registrants receive a customized patch and program plans. Register for one month, or as many as you want. Some of our past women have been Jane Goodall, Sally Ride, Frida Kahlo, Grace Hopper, and Amelia Earhart. Find inspiration for becoming an amazing woman yourself! Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. Register monthly at <https://www.jerseyshoregirlscouts.org/en/events/amazing-woman-of-the-month.html>.



J-A AMERICAN RED CROSS CLASSES, IN PERSON & VIRTUAL (GR 6-12)

Place: American Red Cross

Cost: See website for pricing

Did you know the American Red Cross offers all types of training that you can take? From Babysitting to Child and Baby First Aid, to Lifeguard training and Swimming and Water Safety, they offer it all! There are options for virtual trainings you can take right from home. Open to troops and individual girls only. Visit our website for a complete listing of virtual and in-person trainings available at <https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class>.

D ART AND NATURE (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free*

Join us as we explore the different ways the natural world inspires us to imagine and create while working on your Outdoor Art Maker Badge (not included). Observe colorful flowers in the garden, listen to wildlife at the pond, practice painting a watercolor landscape, and explore the sights and sounds of the great outdoors. See other program options at [nebg.org/scout-programs](https://www.nebg.org/scout-programs). *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

B ART AND NATURE (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/*see description*

Join us as we explore the different ways the natural world inspires us to imagine and create while working on your Outdoor Art Creator Badge (not included). Create leaf and bark rubbings, have a nature dance party, illustrate flowers in the garden, and explore the sights and sounds of the great outdoors while collecting natural materials to create a trailside fairy house. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

J ART IN NATURE (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Join us as we explore the different ways the natural world inspires us to imagine and create while working on your Outdoor Art Explorer Badge (not included). Explore animal adaptations, compose a nature symphony, create your own wearable nature impressions, and more as we embark on this artistic journey. Girl Scouts are encouraged to bring a camera or smartphone to complete the full requirements for this badge. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

C ART IN NATURE (GR 6-8)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Join us as we explore the different ways the natural world inspires us to imagine and create while working on your Outdoor Art Apprentice Badge (not included). Write a nature haiku, learn nature photography tips and tricks to practice capturing textures and patterns in the natural world, and try an art project powered by the sun or wind. Girl Scouts are required to bring a camera or smartphone to complete the requirements for this badge. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

D-A BADGE BLAST WPI APO (GR K-12)

Place: Virtual: Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Alpha Phi Omega

Cost: No charge to attend

When their popular in-person Badge Blast day of programming wasn't possible, the WPI APO students did more than just pivot! The members, along with outside organizations, have created short STEM related videos to help girls work on their badges at home or during their troops meetings. From learning how to make alien friends as part of the Space Science Explorer Badge, to designing robotics games, to even exploring different STEM majors to help earn the College Knowledge Badge, you will find short videos to assist you. Make sure to visit their channel often-videos are being uploaded on a regular basis! The WPI APO students will be back to delivering Badge Blast Days in person when they can but until they do, visit their YouTube channel created just for you! Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Visit our WPI APO YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIXbLrHZcoLXJF6hilerXjA> often-videos are added regularly!

D-A BERKSHIRE MUSEUM, VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: Berkshire Museum

Cost: See our website

There's a lot to do and see at the Berkshire Museum! Whether you want to visit us in-person or schedule a virtual educator-led or self-guided program, you'll find it all here! From Aquarium Exploration to Forensic Investigation, to Poetry of Art to Rock On, from Amazing Reptiles to Mammal Adaptations, we can adjust a program to your grade level and interests. Special pricing available to Girl Scout troops of 10 or more. Open to troops only. Visit our website at <https://berkshireremuseum.org> to schedule your visit today.

J BOTANIC ILLUSTRATION (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Learn the basics of illustration while working on your Drawing Badge (not included). Draw a botanical still life, experiment with crosshatching and smudging, create a drawing from a bug's-eye view, imagine your own botanically inspired cartoon character, and learn the basics of compiling your own art portfolio. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A BRAVE BRIGHT THEATER KIDS, VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: Brave Bright Theater Kids

Cost: \$10 per girl/girl-only event

Discover individuality and confidence through interactive drama and movement-based group activities including improv, singing, dancing, yoga, teamwork, and more! Open to troops only. Email bbtheaterkids@gmail.com to schedule your troop's customized class.

B BUDDING ENTREPRENEUR, VIRTUAL (GR 2-3)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Budding Entrepreneur VIRTUAL workshop, you will come up with an idea that makes life better, share your idea with others to get feedback, improve your idea, share how your idea works, and pitch your idea to an audience to earn the requirements of the Budding Entrepreneur Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B BUDGET BUILDER, VIRTUAL (GR 2-3)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Budget Builder VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out how much things cost and how money is used, learn the difference between wants and needs, plan a budget for a fun adventure, find out how to be thrifty, and make a budget for a character you create to earn the requirements of the Budget Builder Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

J BUDGET MAKER, VIRTUAL (GR 4-5)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Budget Maker VIRTUAL workshop, you will investigate why you want what you want, practice spend-save-share, learn how to decide what to buy, find out how financial services help people save, and build a spend-save-share plan to earn the requirements of the Budget Maker Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C BUDGET MANAGER, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Budget Manager VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out how your budget reflects your values, learn how to track your spending, find ways to earn money for you or your troop, explore how to make money decisions, and set a goal for how you'll give back while you earn the Budget Manager Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

S BUSINESS ETIQUETTE, VIRTUAL (GR 9-10)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Business Etiquette VIRTUAL workshop, you will communicate with style and confidence, ace an interview, try your hand at negotiating, explore how to act on the job, and network with flair while earning your Business Etiquette Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C BUSINESS PLAN, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Business Plan VIRTUAL workshop, your group will create innovative business ideas, determine essential entrepreneurial traits, form a 90-day business plan, and develop your own logo and mission statement while earning your Business Plan Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

S BUSINESS STARTUP, VIRTUAL (GR 9-10)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Business Startup VIRTUAL workshop, you will write a mission statement and business goals, increase your customer base, make a risk management plan, and gather expert feedback on your plan while earning your Business Startup Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

S BUYING POWER, VIRTUAL (GR 9-10)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Buying Power VIRTUAL workshop, you will compare costs and options, conduct consumer research, calculate the long-term costs, investigate ways to find better deals, and create a savings plan for a big purchase you'd like to make while earning your Buying Power Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-A CABOT PATCH PROGRAMS, ZOOM (GR K-12)

Place: Cabot Creamery Co-operative

Cost: No charge

Cabot Creamery is proud to offer eight free patch programs to use at home or in your troop. The program and the patch is free! Patches include topics like Pollinators, Farm Love, and Sustainability. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Visit cabotcheese.coop/scout-patch/programs/ for more information.

B-A CHARACTER DOES MATTER, VIRTUAL (GR 2-12)

Place: Travis Manion Foundation

Cost: No charge to attend

Our Character Does Matter program can be individualized and flexed to a particular troop's needs and grades. Join us for a virtual program, including guided talks about character strengths like gratitude, kindness, teamwork, and perseverance. We'll have leadership lessons, panels, and Q&A as well. For our younger girls, we'll facilitate story readings to teach about character strengths through read-along videos of children's stories. Open to troops only. Contact Rebecca at rebecca.forbes@travismanion.org to set up your presentation.

D-A CLAYTIME, IN PERSON OR VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: Claytime

Cost: Varies by program

Pottery painting (including Girl Scout shapes) clay building, board art, and canvas-painting fun geared to the ages in your troop. We offer many ways to participate in programming and to earn badges: In studio or To Go Kits that you can take home with step-by-step instructions, and Zoom workshops that you can pick up the supplies for. During all of our events, whether in person or virtual, a Claytime staff will be on hand to lead your troop through the activity. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, call our studio at 508-798-9950 or email at claytimeinfo@gmail.com.

A COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE, VIRTUAL (GR 11-12)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the College Knowledge VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore your options, start the admissions process, make a financial plan, get set for success, and build healthy habits while earning your College Knowledge Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C COMPARISON SHOPPER, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Comparison Shopping VIRTUAL workshop, you will learn to comparison shop, find out how to use online reviews, check out the fine print, investigate how to avoid online fraud, and know how to manage your online shopping while earning your Comparison Shopper Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

J COOKIE CEO, VIRTUAL (GR 4-5)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Cookie CEO VIRTUAL workshop, you will set a group goal, explore how a small business works, create a cookie sale job list, learn to make a good impression, and track your sales while earning your Cookie CEO Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D COUNT IT UP, VIRTUAL (GR K-1)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Count It Up VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out what cookies cost, learn about different kinds of cookies, and set a sales goal while earning your Count It Up Leaf (Leaf not included)! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

J CUSTOMER INSIGHTS, VIRTUAL (GR 4-5)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Customer Insights Badge VIRTUAL workshop, you will ask an expert what customers want, do some research at the grocery store, find out who buys cookies and why, learn from people who don't buy, and listen for clues and ask great questions while earning your Customer Insights Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C-A CYBERSECURITY SAFEGUARDS 2 BADGE, VIRTUAL (GR 6-12)

Place: Virtual

Cost: No charge to attend

Learn the importance of staying safe online with The Office of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr. office. You'll learn about bullying, cyberbullying, creating safe passwords, and what information can be shared safely online, and what needs to be kept private. You'll learn to be careful about whom to trust, and we'll talk about and test your knowledge of online safety rules. You'll work toward earning your CyberSecurity: Safeguards 2 Badge (not included). Reach out to Hope at hope.rudzinski@state.ma.us to schedule.

D ECO HEROES (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Learn to become a nature hero while working on your Eco Friend Badge (not included). Learn the leave no trace principles and how to protect plants and animals on your next outdoor adventure. Embark on a miniature hike and explore ways to reduce waste to help the plants and animals in our neighborhoods. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

B ECO HEROES (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Learn how to become a nature hero while working on your Eco Friend Badge (not included). Learn the leave no trace principles and how to protect plants and animals on your next outdoor adventure. Embark on a hike to search for animal homes, practice making observations and looking closely, and learn how to protect your favorite outdoor spaces. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

C ECO HEROES (GR 6-8)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Learn how to become a nature hero while working on your Eco Trekker Badge (not included). Learn the leave no trace principles and how to protect plants and animals on your next outdoor adventure. Hike our trails, learn about invasive species, and explore native species that need a helping hand. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

C ENTREPRENEUR, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Entrepreneur VIRTUAL workshop, you will brainstorm business ideas, improve upon those ideas, get into the financial side of things, imagine creating a business, and practice sharing your business ideas while earning your Entrepreneur Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming. sophie.kee@gmail.com at least 48 hours before your program.

D FANTASTIC FLOWERS (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Explore our gardens and grounds and learn about the world of gardening while working towards your Flower Garden Journey Award (not included). Visit different garden spaces, learn about insects that help plants grow, and pot up your own flower seeds to create a miniature windowsill garden to grow and care for at home. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

A FINANCIAL PLANNER, VIRTUAL (GR 11-12)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Financial Planner VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore real-life expenses, learn the ins and outs of credit cards, investigate loans, find out how to establish good credit, and make your commitment to financial responsibility while earning your Financial Planner Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C FINANCING MY DREAMS, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Financing My Dreams VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore dream jobs, price out buying your dream home, research dream vacations, make a dream giving goal, and add up your dreams while earning your Financing My Dreams Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

S FINANCING MY FUTURE, VIRTUAL (GR 9-10)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Financing My Future VIRTUAL workshop, you will declare your dreams, decide what you need and what you want, go comparison shopping, explore your financial aid options, and build a blueprint for your future while earning your Financing My Future Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

J FLOWER POWER (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$20 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Get up close and personal with some of your favorite plants while working on your Flowers Badge (not included). Dissect a flower and tour the gardens to search for different plant species and their pollinators. Get creative by making an upcycled flower press and practicing the art of floral arrangement. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. This is a two-hour program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

B GARDEN SENSES (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Explore and investigate the gardens and trails while working on your Senses Badge (not included). Search for different textures in nature, smell nectar rich flowers, listen to the calls of resident wildlife, and more on this sensory adventure. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

J GEMS AND JEWELRY (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$20 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Get creative and make your own unique jewelry pieces while working on your Jeweler Badge (not included). Become familiar with a jeweler's tools, wrap a caged stone necklace, design your own unique totem using materials from nature, and make a bracelet to give to a friend or relative. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. This is a two-hour program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

B GIRL SCOUTS MAGIC WORKSHOP, VIRTUAL (GR 2-3)

Place: Urban Wizards Academy

Cost: \$19 per girl/girl-only event

Empowering Brownies through magic! This awesome and interactive 60-minute Zoom workshop highlights the power of using words like: "Hello, Please, Thank You, I'm Sorry, I Forgive You, I Understand, Great Job and I Can". Not only are the girls encouraged to participate virtually in class, but they're given a top-secret file folder that goes over everything they've learned during the performance, a cool magic trick & an awesome fun patch that does a magic trick and so much more! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Contact urbanwizardsac@gmail.com with questions and register your troop online at UrbanWizardsac.com today!

J GO GARDENING! (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Explore our gardens and conservatories and learn about garden design while working on your Gardener Badge (not included). Explore the basics of garden design, learn how to pick the right plants for where you live, pot up your own seeds to start a container garden at home, and take home seeds to set up your own growing experiments. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

A GOOD CREDIT, VIRTUAL (GR 11-12)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Good Credit VIRTUAL workshop, you will get the scoop on credit scores, find out how bank loans work, learn the ins and outs of credit cards, gather real-life borrowing stories, and write your own credit commitment while earning your Good Credit Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B-J GOOD SKIN KNOWLEDGE, VIRTUAL OR IN-PERSON (GR 2-5)

Place: UMass Medical School Dermatology Interest Group

Cost: No charge to attend

Know the skin you're in! Join us as we learn more about skin health through hands-on crafts. Learn about the layers of your skin, what pimples actually are, and what to do when you touch poison ivy through painting, making bracelets, and other activities! We'll talk about how to take care of your hair, skin, and nails, and build healthy habits. Work on your My Best Self and STEM Career Exploration Badges by level (badges not included). For more information, contact umassdermgsk@gmail.com or visit <https://umassdig.wixsite.com/goodskin>. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register for your program at <https://forms.gle/tjk8Fy79XKiQwPDU6> or email umassdermgsk@gmail.com at least 48 hours before your program.

C-S GOOD SKIN KNOWLEDGE, VIRTUAL OR IN-PERSON (GR 6-8)

Place: UMass Medical School Dermatology Interest Group

Cost: No charge to attend

Know the skin you're in! Join us as we learn more about skin health through hands-on activities. Learn about the layers of your skin, what pimples actually are, what happens when you get a bug bite! We'll talk about how to take care of your hair, skin, and nails, and we'll explore how social media can change the way we think about our body. Work on your My Best Self and STEM Career Exploration Badges by level (badges not included). For more information, contact umassdermgsk@gmail.com or visit <https://umassdig.wixsite.com/goodskin>. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register for your program at <https://forms.gle/tjk8Fy79XKiQwPDU6> or email umassdermgsk@gmail.com at least 48 hours before your program.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

J HABITREK (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Explore four different habitats and learn how living things meet their needs for survival while working on your Animal Habitats Badge (not included). Embark on an adventure to find out what lives in our gardens and trails, build your own trailside animal shelter, and learn about endangered habitats by getting up close and personal with our favorite conservatory plants.

*Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

D-A HANNAFORD'S HEALTHY SHOPPER PATCH (K-12)

Place: Hannaford, Lunenburg

Cost: No charge to attend

Learn all about how food ends up on store shelves and the role Hannaford team members play in helping shoppers make healthy choices. Learn about the importance of eating a variety of foods from all food groups and how to build a healthy meal. Learn how the Hannaford Guiding Stars Program can help shoppers make healthy choices in the store, how to create a healthy snack, and why a healthy lifestyle is important. You can even have the Hannaford registered dietitian help you in making these choices! This free, in-store activity is approximately 45 minutes to an hour in length and ties into so many of the healthy living badge requirements. You will receive the Hannaford Healthy Shopper Patch. Not local to the Lunenburg Hannaford location? Check with your local store to see if they offer this program as well. Open to troops only. Reach out with any questions and to register to Brittany at brittany.wujek@hannaford.com 4-6 weeks prior to when you would like to visit.

B-A HORSE PROGRAMS (GR 2-12)

Place: Whip-O-Will Stables

Cost: Cost varies

We can customize a program for your troop to obtain a badge or skills involving horses. Contact us today! Open to troops only. Visit our website at www.whipowillstables.weebly.com or email at rideatwowstables@gmail.com to arrange your program.

D-A HORSEMANSHIP 101, CAMP MARSHALL (GR K-12)

Place: Camp Marshall-Worcester County 4-H

Cost: \$30 per girl/no charge for adults

Learn the ins and outs of horses and what it would be like to have a horse of your own. Climb in the saddle for a quick intro to riding after your hands-on learning! Payment for all participating Girl Scouts must be submitted with registration to save the date. This program is offered on Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Visit our website at campmarshall.net at least six weeks prior to when you would like to arrange your program. Hope at hope.rudzinski@state.ma.us to schedule.

B INCREDIBLE INSECTS (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Explore the incredible world of insects as you work on your Bugs Badge (not included). Take to the trails and search for some of your favorite six-legged friends, learn to use simple tools to catch and release insects, learn about insects homes, and take-home materials to try an insect inspired craft. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Not offered November through March. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

D-A INTERSKATE 91 FIELD TRIPS (GR K-12)

Place: Interskate 91

*Cost: Flat rate of \$699.00**

Interskate 91 is your party connection! Schedule a field trip for up to 50 skaters, including admission and skate rental. No outside food or beverages; lunch and snack options are available. Free admission and skate rental for adult chaperones. Note: extra attractions and add-on options are available, like laser tag, game tokens, skatemates, and bubble soccer; ask for pricing. *Tiered pricing per person for groups of 50 or more. Open to troops only. Contact Toni at 413-543-3991, ext. 109, or toni@interskate91.com to arrange your field trip today.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A INTERSKATE 91 STEM FIELD TRIPS (GR K-12)

Place: Interskate 91

Cost: \$13 per girl*

Interskate 91 is your party connection! Schedule a STEM field trip today! *There is a minimum of 50 skaters required. The price per student includes admission, skate rental, two hours of skating, and a one-hour STEM lesson/activity. Prepared home lunch is permitted; concessions will be open and food packages will be available. Open to troops only. Contact Toni at 413-543-3991, ext. 109, or toni@interskate91.com to arrange your field trip today.

B INVENTOR, VIRTUAL (GR 2-3)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Inventor VIRTUAL workshop, you will warm up your inventor's mind, find lots of ways to solve a problem, make a needs list, solve your problem, and share your invention while earning your Inventor Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C LEADERSHIP IN ACTION (LIA) TRAINING (GR 6-8)

Place: Worcester or Holyoke Leadership Centers

Cost: \$10 per girl/girl-only event

Start your journey to becoming a role model for younger girls. The Leadership in Action (LiA) Training will help you navigate the requirements for earning your LiA Award, help you develop program ideas, and teach you the characteristics of younger Girl Scouts and tips for working with them. The LiA award requires you to work with Brownie Girl Scouts on journey activities and this training will help you navigate through the requirements for each LiA Award and the journey that goes with it. Earning your LiA Award is a prerequisite to earning your Program Aid Award. This is a Schedule Your Own program for troops of 10 girls or more. Open to troops only. To arrange your training, contact Tbreen@gscwm.org at least one month prior.

D MAKING CHOICES, VIRTUAL (GR K-1)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Making Choices VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out the differences between needs and wants, try setting a goal to save for what you want, and help others with what they need and want while earning your Making Choices Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-J MANDALA-OUTDOOR ART CREATOR BADGE (GR K-5)

Place: Bala Bends

Cost: \$15 per girl/\$20 per adult*

Let nature inspire you to create your own art. Take a mindful walk in nature focusing on the sights and sounds around you. On this walk you'll collect items to use to make your own mandala (feathers, flowers, pebbles, grass, etc.). A mandala is a special circle made with different colors, shapes, and patterns that has different meaning for all of us. Quiet your mind and let your creativity flow! You'll receive your Outdoor Art Creator Badge. I'll come to you! *No charge for non-participating adults. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Contact Krissy to schedule your program at krsrand7@gmail.com or 617-899-2661.

C MARKETING, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Marketing VIRTUAL workshop, you will discuss brand identity among major corporations like Apple, Tesla, and Nike, analyze case studies and learn SWOT analysis, and create a marketing campaign unique to your Girl Scout mission while earning your Marketing Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A MOHAWK TRAIL STATE FOREST, CHARLEMONT (GR K-12)

Place: Mohawk Trail State Forest

Cost: Varies

Looking for a day trip adventure? Mohawk Trail State Forest has the tallest trees, the oldest forests, and some of the most rugged terrain in Massachusetts. I'm the new Park Interpreter, and I cordially invite you to use our unique and beautiful property, whether joining up with our regularly scheduled hikes and programming, or organizing a special visit to earn your woodsiest badges. We've had the Girl Scouts visit many times in previous years, particularly for State Park Day, and I'm excited to revive the tradition. Interested in learning and playing in the mountains? Contact me and we'll do what we can to make your visit memorable. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Contact Christiandrake@mass.gov.

D MONEY COUNTS, VIRTUAL (GR K-1)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Money Counts VIRTUAL workshop, you will understand different kinds of coins, know more about paper money, and find out the cost of fun while earning your Money Counts Leaf (not included)! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D MONEY EXPLORER, VIRTUAL (GR K-1)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Money Explorer VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore how to earn an income, investigate jobs and income, find out about income tax, see the difference between saving and investing, and protect money and information while earning your Money Explorer Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B MONEY MANAGER, VIRTUAL (GR 2-3)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Money Manager VIRTUAL workshop, you will define money management, discuss key tips in saving money and spending wisely, create your own plan to save money, design a grocery spending plan, and learn the basics to budgeting while earning your Money Manager Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B MY COOKIE CUSTOMER, VIRTUAL (GR 2-3)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Cookie Customers VIRTUAL workshop, you will learn about Girl Scout Cookies, decide how to use your cookie money, find customers, handle money and make change, and connect with customers while earning your My Cookie Customer Badge (not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C MY DREAM BUDGET, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Dream Budget VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore your earning power, analyze where you'll live, imagine your day-to-day life, and make a plan to give back while earning your My Dream Budget Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

A MY FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE, VIRTUAL (GR 11-12)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Financial Independence VIRTUAL workshop, you will plan for where you'll live, plan for expense spending, explore how to build wealth, find out about investment protection, and plan for sharing with others while earning your My Financial Independence Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

S MY FINANCIAL POWER, VIRTUAL (GR 9-10)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Financial Power VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out about income power, focus on making informed money decisions, find out about inflation, explore investing, and see how giving back impacts a community while earning your My Financial Power Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D MY MONEY CHOICES, VIRTUAL (GR K-1)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Money Choices VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out what you need and want, set a goal and save for what you need and want, and explore how to make choices with money while earning your My Money Choices Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C MY MONEY HABITS, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Money Habits VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore ways to exchange money, find out what influences spending, manage your spending habits, learn investing basics, and investigate how to be a safe and savvy shopper while earning your My Money Habits Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

J MY MONEY PLAN, VIRTUAL (GR 4-5)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Money Plan VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore how to earn an income, investigate jobs and income, find out about income tax, see the difference between saving and investing, and protect money and information while earning your My Money Plan Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B MY OWN BUDGET, VIRTUAL (GR 2-3)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the My Own Budget VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out how people spend money, learn how to save, find out what it means to share, explore your wants and needs, make a budget, and set goals while earning your My Own Budget Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-A NASA'S FIRST WOMAN GRAPHIC NOVEL SERIES, VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: NASA, Virtual

Cost: No charge

Fictional astronaut Callie Rodriguez continues exploring space as the first woman to walk on the Moon in a new issue of the First Woman graphic novel series. Now available digitally in English and Spanish, First Woman: Expanding Our Universe follows Callie and her crewmates as they work together to explore the unknown, make scientific discoveries, and accomplish their mission objectives. Through the First Woman series, NASA is inspiring the next generation of explorers – the Artemis Generation – as it works to land the first woman and first person of color on the Moon under the Artemis program. The website and immersive app allow audiences to explore a new virtual 3D environment, technologies, and objects related to lunar exploration. Fans also can explore updated First Woman content, including videos, interactive games, and other materials related to ongoing and future NASA missions. Whether you are working on your Space badges, STEM Career badges, or just want to learn more about space-this is a great opportunity to do that from home! Open to troops and individual girls. Visit nasa.gov/calliefirst.

C NETIQUETTE, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Netiquette VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore "oops!" and "wow!" moments, dig into stories of "ouch" -- and repair some hurt if necessary, look at e-mail, commenting, or blogging, decide what makes a great social media profile, and spread better practices while earning your Netiquette Badge (not included)! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

A ON MY OWN, VIRTUAL (GR 11-12)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the On My Own VIRTUAL workshop, you will plan for where you'll live, plan for your daily needs, plan for having fun, plan for the unexpected, and plan for sharing with others while earning your On My Own Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B*-A ON THE ROAD: TRAVEL WRITING FOR KIDS, LOCATIONS VARY (GR 3-12)

Place: Travelnitch

Cost: \$35 per person

Book a date, gather your friends and join us On the Road. This creative writing workshop gives young writers an opportunity to learn through experience. Explore the art of travel writing and see what it takes to live and work around the world! We'll help you choose your destination and (weather depending) your group will embark on an outdoor adventure. Together we'll capture photos and use all our senses to really savor the experience. You'll then craft a travel story of your very own, turning observations into words that inspire. Whether you're an aspiring writer or someone fascinated by life on the go, this is the perfect opportunity to hone a new skill. Our class can be customized for kids in grades 3*-12. We even offer a special Travelnitch fun patch for our Girl Scout friends! A minimum of 4 participants is required for this class. Total duration is 2 hours. Open to troops only. Contact info@travelnitch.org for more information and to book your date.

D-A OPERATION VALENTINE (GR K-12)

Place: Virtual

Cost: No charge to attend

Our Rett Angels love personal, funny and colorful cards. Volunteers will receive the names and addresses of their Valentine buddies who live throughout New England and will be asked to mail their card in time to be received for Valentine's Day. Most of our angels are nonverbal and require round the clock care. Some do use communication systems to speak. Individuals with Rett are often very visual and enjoy the fun of receiving and, with assistance, opening their cards. Help make some smiles and deliver Valentine's Day happiness. To learn more about Rett Syndrome Angels, please visit our website at www.rsangels.org. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. If you have questions or would like more information, contact Irene at irene@rsangels.org.

A P&L, VIRTUAL (GR 11-12)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the P&L VIRTUAL workshop, you will find out more about business ethics, create your own Cookie Promise, pass your customer list on, teach younger Girl Scouts about the business ethics of the cookie sale, and leave a legacy while earning your P&L Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B PLANTS AND PAINT (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Learn the basics of watercolor painting while working on your Painting Badge (not included). Use our gardens and grounds as inspiration as you paint an outdoor landscape, practice conveying a feeling or mood, try painting with natural materials, and begin a mural depicting your favorite Girl Scout adventure. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

J PLAYING THE PAST JUNIOR BADGE BUILDER (GR 4-5)

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$15 per girl/no charge for adults

Playing the Past allows you to dream up a character of a girl or woman who lived in the past. What better place to do that than a 1772 historic house that is restored to the 1830s? Learn about life in the 1800s at the Salisbury Mansion and then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge. Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. Badges are not included. Open to troops only. To schedule a date, email info@worcesterhistory.net or call 508-753-8278 one month prior to the desired program date.

D-B* PREPARE WITH PEDRO, VIRTUAL (GR K-2*)

Place: American Red Cross

Cost: See our website/girl-only event

Prepare with Pedro is a preparedness education program for children in Kindergarten through second grade. This program teaches children how to BE PREPARED and TAKE ACTION for either home fires or local hazards. We'll read a story featuring a penguin named Pedro to learn a coping skill and receive a digital storybook to share what you've learned. Open to troops only. Visit our website at <https://www.redcross.org/local/massachusetts/about-us/our-work/virtual-emergency-preparedness-programs.html> for complete information and register.

J PRODUCT DESIGNER, VIRTUAL (GR 4-5)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Product Designer VIRTUAL workshop, you will observe what makes a great product, be an innovation detective, find out what works and what doesn't, and innovate and find solutions while earning your Product Designer Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-B ROCK FOSSIL DINOSAUR SHOP, SOUTH DEERFIELD (GR K-12)

Place: Rock Fossil Dinosaur Shop

Cost: Email or call for pricing

Travel back in time to visit the dinosaurs that lived in Massachusetts and learn all about them. Become a geologist and go panning for gemstones, fossils, and crystals, or take a trip into the mineshaft. Excavate a pit or two and look for buried treasure. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Contact us at 413-665-ROCK to schedule your program and visit!

D-A SALISBURY MANSION (GR K-12)

Place: Salisbury Mansion

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

Come inside Worcester's only Historic House Museum and see what it was like to live in the 1830s. At the Mansion, you can learn how people prepared food, worked, and spent their free time. Open to troops and girls with an adult. For more information contact info@worcesterhistory.net or visit www.worcesterhistory.org/mansion.html.

J-A SAMUEL SLATER EXPERIENCE (GR 4-12)

Place: Samuel Slater Experience

Cost: See website

The Samuel Slater Experience is not a museum in the traditional sense, with visitors simply looking at artifacts and static displays. Rather, the Samuel Slater story is told with high-tech media: interactive displays, video, audio, motion, wind, and scents, to create an immersive experience to fully engage visitors. The focus is the American Industrial Revolution and the economic impact it had on New England villages. A visit to the Samuel Slater Experience is designed to be educational and entertaining. Experience history in a new, immersive way as you climb aboard the ship that carried Samuel Slater to America and ride a trolley through downtown Webster a century later. This is a great opportunity for Juniors who are earning their Playing the Past Badges. Open to troops, families, and girls with an adult. Visit <https://samuel Slater Experience>. org to request a field trip or contact Reanna at rkuzdzal@samuel Slater Experience.org to discuss your program options.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

S SAVVY SAVER, VIRTUAL (GR 9-10)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Savvy Saver VIRTUAL workshop, you will learn the ins and outs of income, make a list of budgeting tips, find out how to plan for a big expense, compare ways to borrow money, and create a budget for a big expense while earning your Savvy Saver Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C SCREEN WRITER, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Screenwriter VIRTUAL workshop, you will decide what makes a good script good, come up with an idea for a story, get to know your characters, build the plot, write a script —and share it while earning your Screen Writer Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B-A SEASONAL FORAGING AND MUSHROOMING, LOCATIONS VARY (GR 2-12)

Place: Cooking with Mrs. G

*Cost: \$250 group rate**

Let's find wild food and herbs, mushrooms, and even edible trees! Learn how to identify them safely, prepare them as food or first aid, preserve them to use later, and more! Every season there's a different bunch of wild things to harvest so let's see what treasures we can find! *The group rate is for up to 30 girls and adults. Open to troops, families, and girls with an adult. Contact Mrs. G to schedule your date, time, and location!

D-A SKYPE A SCIENTIST, VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: Skype a Scientist

Cost: No charge

Working on a badge and want to find a REAL scientist to talk to? We can help you find a scientist matched to your interests and even to the badge you're working on! We have a database of thousands of scientists and we can connect you with scientists all over the world. Get to know a real scientist and get the answers to your questions straight from the source! This non-profit is run by a former Girl Scout whose goal is to make science feel approachable, accessible, and less intimidating. Open to troops, girl with an adult, and individual girls. Visit SkypeAScientist.com to invite a scientist to YOUR troop!

S SOCIAL INNOVATOR, VIRTUAL (GR 9-10)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Social Innovator VIRTUAL workshop, you will explore the big picture, make connections, build empathy for people affected by the issue you've identified, develop a solution from a specific point of view, and practice pitching ideas and getting feedback while earning your Social Innovator Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B-J SPREAD KINDNESS (GR 2-5)

Place: Bala Bends

*Cost: \$20 per girl/\$20 per adult**

One kind word or message from a friend, teacher, family member, even a stranger can change your day! In this workshop, you'll make kindness rocks and let your creativity flow as you paint rocks and write positive messages or affirmations, or your favorite quote. Once the rocks are completed, you can "plant" them in a somewhere in your community. I'll come to you! *No charge for non-participating adults. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Contact Krissy to schedule your program at krsrand7@gmail.com or 617-899-2661.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

C STAYING FIT WITH AERIAL YOGA (GR 6-8)

Place: Earth & Aerial Yoga

*Cost: \$35 per girl/\$35 per adult**

Fly high in this exclusive Girl Scout event! You'll build awareness, flexibility, strength, and mobility, all while reducing stress and tension, and learning about practical ways you can maintain your health and wellbeing. Join in a healthy living discussion, followed by a guided meditation practice. Then, you'll flow through a series of guided aerial yoga poses and transitions, characterized by mindful movement. This event is open exclusively to Girl Scout troops that belong to Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts. Participants can earn a fun patch (custom patch provided). Troop leaders and parents are welcome to join in on the fun. *If the adults are not participating, there is no fee. The cost includes the use of studio silk. There is a maximum of 14 participants. This is an abbreviated version of this program as a Schedule Your Own program, call 978-257-0075 or email info@earthandaerialyoga.com. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To schedule your own program date, email info@earthandaerialyoga.com.

D-A SUSTAINABILITY HUB (GR K-12)

Place: National Grid Sustainability Hub

Cost: No charge to attend

We offer free in-person tours of our Sustainability Hub, as well as customizable in-person and virtual programs on topics from climate change to food supply, to renewable energy sources and sustainable waste management, to living more sustainably. Our presentations can be tailored to your troop's interests and badge work. We're always eager to collaborate to make our presentations fit the unique needs of your troop. In addition, our Community Room space is available to reserve free for meetings and other events. The Sustainability Hub is designed to look like a sustainable home. The space includes energy efficient appliances, as well as energy efficiency displays. Open to troops only. To schedule your in-person tour or customized virtual program, visit <https://www.nationalgridus.com/worcester-sustainability-hub/Services/> today.

D TALK IT UP, VIRTUAL (GR K-1)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Talk It Up VIRTUAL workshop, you will decide how to use your cookie money, talk about how to use cookie money to help others, and inspire your customers while earning your Talk It Up Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C-A TEEN LIFE: BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS (GR 6-12)

Place: Virtual

Cost: No charge to attend

Learn the 10 signs of what unhealthy and healthy relationships look like with a member of The Office of District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr. office. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, practice consent, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is a survivor of an unhealthy relationship, and how to navigate a breakup. This program teaches you the importance of creating healthy relationships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy relationship. This program will go toward the requirements of the Cadette Finding Your Ground Badge, the Senior Mission: Sisterhood Journey, and the Ambassador Your Voice, Your World Journey (not included). Reach out to Hope at hope.rudzinski@state.ma.us to schedule.

C TERRIFIC TREES (GR 6-8)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Become an arborist and learn about the amazing science of trees while working on your Trees Badge (not included). Tour our heirloom apple orchard, learn how to identify trees, try a tree craft, and explore the relationships between trees, people, and animals *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls needs to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

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B*-J THE PILLOW CASE PROJECT, VIRTUAL (GR 3-5)

Place: American Red Cross

Cost: See our website/girl-only event

The Pillowcase Project is an interactive preparedness program designed for children in grades 3 through 5. The program aims to increase awareness, and understanding of natural hazards, teaches safety and emotional coping skills, as well as the importance of personal preparedness. Through the presentation, girls learn the best ways to stay safe and how to create their own emergency supply kits by packing essential items in a pillowcase for easy transport during an emergency. Girls will receive a digital workbook and will be encouraged to decorate and personalize their pillowcases and share what they've learned with friends and family. Open to troops only. Visit our website at <https://www.redcross.org/local/massachusetts/about-us/our-work/virtual-emergency-preparedness-programs.html> for complete information and register.

D-A THE STORY BARN, VIRTUAL OR IN-PERSON (GR K-12)

Place: The Story Barn

Cost: Varies by program

The Story Barn is home to the national-award-winning Frieda B. children's book series and author Renata Bowers. We offer private events that can be customized for Girl Scout troops to meet the needs and interests of the girls, including writing workshops, badge work, storytelling, and working with a published author, live or virtually. We also offer scheduled programs throughout the year that can be found on our website at www.friedab.com/calendar. Every Story Matters is our motto. Who are you Free to B.? Open to troops only. To explore a customized event for your troop, call 860-763-0330 or email info@friedab.com today.

D-A THEATRE/IMPROVE GAMES OR THEATRE BADGE SUPPORT (K-12)

Place: Drama Out of the Box

Cost: \$8-15 per girl/no charge for adults

How about adding a little drama (the good kind!) to your next meeting?! We can play theatre/improv games, write a short play, make puppets, or even work on a Girl Scout Badge, like Playing in the Past. The choice is yours! No matter what path you choose, fun and laughs are guaranteed! Programs are scheduled on availability. Prices may vary based on distance, as we can come to you or your program can be virtual. Open to troops only. Visit our website at www.dramaoutofthebox.com or email mcfraemaenrichment@gmail.com for information and scheduling.

C THINK BIG, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Think Big VIRTUAL workshop, you will define innovation and iteration, develop entrepreneurial mindset with a personalized twist, create your own unique idea, and present a compelling business pitch to garner support while earning your Think Big Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D TOY BUSINESS DESIGNER, VIRTUAL (GR K-1)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

Cost: \$25 per girl/no charge for adults

In the Toy Business Designer VIRTUAL workshop, you will come up with an idea for a toy, make your idea even better, and pitch your idea while earning your Toy Business Designer Badge (badge not included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Please contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

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D TRAIL DETECTIVE (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Join us for a guided hike through our mile long loop trail while working on your Trail Adventure Badge (not included). Play fun trail games, use different tools to get up close and personal with resident plant and animal species, and learn how to prepare for a day of fun-filled activities in the woods. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

B TRAIL DETECTIVES (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Join us for a guided hike through our mile-long loop trail while working on your Trail Adventure Badge (not included). Play fun trail games, use different tools to get up close and personal with resident plant and animal species and learn how to prepare for a day of fun-filled activities in the woods. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

J TRAIL DETECTIVES (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$15 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Join us for a guided hike through our mile long loop trail while working on your Trail Adventure Badge (not included). Play fun trail games, start an adventure journal, practice trail safety, and learn how to prepare for a day of fun-filled activities in the woods. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls need to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@neb.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

C-A U CAN-CONFIDENCE BUILDING WORKSHOP, VIRTUAL (GR 6-12)

Place: U CAN Academy

Cost: \$15 per girl/adults no charge*

Explore your inner strength and confidence, open yourself up to new and positive perspectives while learning attainable ways to improve your mindset to be the best version of you! You will earn the Journey Bliss Badge (not included) after completing this workshop. We'll talk about five to ten year plans, actionable steps needed to achieve your goals, and ways that you can help your peers follow through on their dreams as well. You will receive your own notebook to journal your goals and aspirations as you take your "happiness journey", along with other items you will create during the workshop. We will drive out to your troop meeting location. *There is a 10 girl minimum to book this workshop. Open to troops only. To book, email Taylor at u-can-academy@outlook.com, give us a call at 617-240-0201 or connect on Instagram @u.can.academy.

D-A VIRTUAL FARM TOURS, ZOOM (GR K-12)

Place: Cabot Creamery Co-operative

Cost: No charge

Learn more about life on Cabot dairy farms and how our farmers care for their cows, their communities, and the planet. Want more? Take the fun patch Farm Love program while you're there and earn a free patch! Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Visit cabotcheese.coop/virtual-farm-tour-for-kids to take the tour today!

D-A VIRTUAL NUTRITION EVENTS (GR K-12)

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Looking to learn more about nutrition, food, and cooking? Schedule a Virtual Nutrition Event with Big Y! We offer dietician-led virtual store tours, cook-a-longs, and educational presentations based on your interests and learning needs! We can coordinate badge requirements with your leader too! Open to troops only. Email livingwell@bigy.com to sign up at least 30 days prior to book your event.

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J VISION BOARD WORKSHOP (GR 4-5)

Place: Bala Bends

Cost: \$20 per girl/\$20 per adult*

Ring in 2023 with new dreams, goals, and interests. You'll create a vision board that is unique to your personality, hobbies, interests, and dreams using a variety of materials like markers, photos, quotes, affirmations, stickers, and more. Create a vision board that will excite and spark action in achieving your goals. I'll come to you! *No charge for non-participating adults. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Contact Krissy to schedule your program at krsrand7@gmail.com or 617-899-2661.

D-A WORCESTER HISTORICAL MUSEUM (GR K-12)

Place: Worcester Historical Museum

Cost: \$5 per girl/\$5 per adult

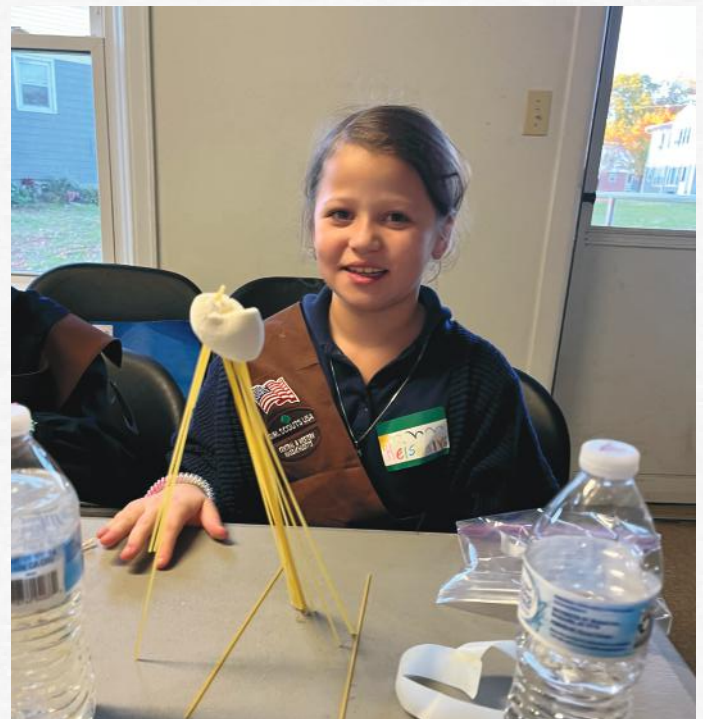
The Worcester Historical Museum is where we tell the stories of the men and women who made Worcester one of the most important cities in Massachusetts. The Worcester Historical Museum is the only institution dedicated to the collection, preservation, and interpretation of Worcester's history. Revolving exhibits focus on important parts of Worcester's history. The family gallery has hands-on exhibits so you can learn about Worcester diners, Stephen Salisbury's store in the late 1700s, and Industrial Worcester. Open to troops, families, and girls with an adult. For more information contact info@worcesterhistory.net or visit www.worcesterhistory.org.

D-J YOGA (GR K-5)

Place: Bala Bends

Cost: \$15 per girl/\$15 per adult*

Stretch your body and imagination in this playful yoga class. Traditional yoga poses will be interwoven with stories, challenges, and moments of being still. You'll learn breathing exercises and team up with friends for partner and group poses. Let's bend, stretch, and laugh together! I'll come to you. *No charge for non-participating adults. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Contact Krissy to schedule your program at krsrand7@gmail.com or 617-899-2661.



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VIRTUAL PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

We work with some pretty great Community Partners and now, many of them have gone the extra mile to offer content and programming to girls and families virtually. Use this content to supplement the badge work you are doing, to simply learn a new skill, or to go places and do things you've only dreamed of! These Community Partners are continuing to support Girl Scouts during these times; be sure to visit and thank them! You can find additional Community Partner virtual program opportunities on our website at <https://www.gscwm.org/en/events/virtual-opportunities.html>. Watch for new programs from our partners as businesses continue reopening!

What else can you find there? Everyone is working to keep girls engaged with out-of-the-box programs, virtual tours, fun activities, new patch programs, and more! Be sure to check them out often! Who knows what great opportunities exist out there just for you?

NEW PROGRAM IDEAS?

Have you or your troop been somewhere AWESOME that we don't know about? Are there programs you wish were in our Program Guide? We want to know! Send your program ideas to program@gscwm.org and we'll see what we can do! If you worked with the business or organization directly to set up your own program opportunities, send us their contact information and we'll reach out to set up opportunities for your sister Girl Scouts.

ABOUT PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

When Pre-Registration is Required

It's very important to register in advance for programs and events, unless the description tells you it's okay to drop in. We're sorry, but we can't accommodate drop-ins when advanced registration is required.

Event Staffing and Supervision

Keeping up with our girls is a big deal! For programs that GSCWM produces and runs, GSCWM staff and registered volunteers are responsible to supervise girls. For events where GSCWM links with a Program Partner who staffs and runs the event, troop leaders and/or parents/guardians are responsible for supervision of their girls. In addition, troops must make sure to meet the required girl: adult ratio. If registering as an individual, and not as a troop, an adult must participate with the girl in the event unless the event description says that's not necessary. For girl-only events, GSCWM staff members are on hand, and we're pros at making sure girls have appropriate supervision so that they can have fun and parents/caregivers can relax!

Who Needs to be a Girl Scout?

GIRLS: Naturally most of our events are for registered Girl Scout members in grades K-12, but you can almost always bring a friend.*

ADULTS: The special safety rules for adults mean that adults must be registered and have a completed CORI check with us if they are:

- Driving girls (other than their own child)
- Counted in the girl: adult ratio
- Actively participating in the event
- Attending an overnight event
- * If responsible for a Girl Scout that is not your child

You don't need to be a registered Girl Scout if you're attending only with your child and not participating in the event, but you're always welcome to join! Add the \$25 adult membership fee to the total due and you're covered for the membership year.

***Bring a Friend:** Friends who aren't current Girl Scouts just need to add the \$35 Girl Scout membership fee to the event fee, and they can join in the fun for one or all Girl Scout events for the membership year!

Permission Slips

Follow these "do's" and you'll be all set! A parent/guardian needs to provide signed, written consent for each girl participating in an activity scheduled to happen any time or any place outside of a regular troop or group meeting. Turning that in to the troop or group leader for events is a must! When your girl is attending on her own without a troop, turn in the permission slip to the event leader during check-in. Please use our form, which includes health history. Go to gscwm.org/Forms.html.

Questions?

We're here to help! Please contact GSCWM's Information & Referral Center at 508-365-0115/413-584-2602 or info@gscwm.org.

ABOUT PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Registration by Program Level

Programs and Events are designed for specific program levels. You will find a notation of those levels to the left of every event name. Program levels relate to school grades as follows:

- D (Daisies): Grades K-1
- B (Brownies): Grades 2-3
- J (Juniors): Grades 4-5
- C (Cadettes): Grades 6-8
- S (Seniors): Grades 9-10
- A (Ambassadors): Grades 11-12

Registration Information

The event description will tell you whether to register through GSCWM or through a Program Partner, and will also provide you with other important information like when and how to register. GSCWM offers the option to register either online or on paper, but if you want to know right away that you've got your spot in a GSCWM program, online registration is the way to go.

Register Online

By registering online, you can see how many spaces are available at the time you register and know immediately if you're placed. Online registration can be done by an individual or by the troop leader through the troop management screen.

1. Go to: www.gscwm.org/events.html.
2. Locate the event you'd like to attend and click "Register Now." You will be redirected to the online registration system. Follow the prompts to complete the process.
3. Payment is due in full at the time of registration. Online registration must be paid with a credit/debit card.
4. You will receive an email confirmation that your registration was received.

Paper Registration

Paper registrations are processed in the order they are received, but may take up to a week to process. Online registrations will take precedence.

1. Complete the form on page 30. List all girl and adult participants by the name used on their membership registration.
2. Mail or drop off completed form to: **GSCWM-Program Registration, 301 Kelly Way, Holyoke, MA 01040** OR **GSCWM-Program Registration, 115 Century Drive, Worcester, MA 01606**
3. Payment is due in full at the time of registration. Payment can be made via credit card, check, cash, gift card, or cookie credits.
4. You will receive an email confirmation that your registration was received.

Cancellation Policy

For programs that are run by Program Partners, refund policies vary. Check with the partner before registering, if there is a concern.

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The following policies relate to GSCWM-run events:

Minimum Attendance

Some things just aren't the same with only a few people attending so we have participation minimums. We hate to disappoint, but if it turns out that too few participants have registered by the date registration closes, we'll need to cancel the event. We'll notify all registered participants, and make sure you get a full refund for events that GSCWM cancels.

Inclement Weather

When bad weather threatens to squash too much of the fun, or we just don't think it's safe, GSCWM may decide that cancelling or re-scheduling the event is best. We'll notify all registered participants, and make sure that you get a full refund for the events that GSCWM cancels. Be sure to check your email and voice mail for messages. If conditions in your area have got you wondering if the event is still on, call 413-584-2602 or 508-365-0115. If it's after hours, we'll post a message on that line.

Cancellation by Participant

Email or write us four weeks before the event to get a refund if you're not going to attend the event you registered for. We'll refund all but a \$5 cancellation fee per person. We're sorry, but we don't offer refunds for not showing up or if you arrive late or leave the event early.



GIRL SCOUT AWARDS

Highest Awards

Bronze. Silver. Gold. These represent the highest honors a Girl Scout can earn.

All three awards give you the chance to do big things while supporting an issue you care about. You might plant a community garden at your school or inspire others to eat healthy foods for your Bronze, advocate for animal rights for your Silver, or build a career network that encourages girls to become scientists and engineers for your Gold. Whatever you choose, you'll inspire others (and yourself).

As you earn one of Girl Scouts' highest awards, you'll change your corner of the world—and beyond. The possibilities are endless!

You can find all Highest Award Guidelines, current GSCWM reports and forms, and many helpful resources at gscwm.org/awards.

Bronze Award Orientations are offered to troop leaders and parents who are interested in arming themselves with the knowledge and tools they'll need to lead their Juniors through a successful Girl Scout Bronze Award experience. **Bronze Award Orientations are required to be taken by at least one adult working with a team of Juniors on their Bronze Awards within one year of beginning the award.**

Bronze Award Workshops are offered to Juniors who are interested in learning the steps to earning their Bronze Award, equipping themselves with some tips and tricks, and even some hands-on activities to get them started on their way. Bronze Award Workshops are not required to be taken by girls but it is a great start to the Bronze journey.

Strive for Silver Orientations are for Cadettes interested in learning about the steps to becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout, the pros and cons of an individual versus a team project, understanding the difference between a Take Action Project and community service, and understanding the importance of the community impact of a project. Troop leaders, advisors, and parents are strongly encouraged to join as well. **Taking a Strive for Silver Orientation is required for all girls within one year of beginning the Silver Award process and submitting a Silver Award Proposal.**

Go for Gold Orientations provide valuable information about the national Gold Award Guidelines, the award process including paperwork, deadlines, what to expect when meeting with the Gold Award Committee (GAC), and an opportunity to get your questions answered from members of the GAC. Leaders, advisors, and parents are also encouraged to attend. **Taking a Go for Gold Orientation is required for all girls within one year of beginning the Gold Award process and submitting a Gold Award Proposal.**

You will find information about all Orientations listed throughout the Program Guide program listings.

Gold Award Committee Meetings are held over Zoom. Appointments with the GAC can be made by emailing GoldAward@gscwm.org at least one month prior to when you would like an appointment. At a **minimum**, all girls are required to meet with the GAC for their Initial Interviews and Final Reviews. The GAC has scheduled meetings August through June so be sure to plan accordingly and keep in mind they fill up quickly around deadlines.

Bronze, Silver and Gold Patrols: Have questions about the Girl Scout Highest Awards? Whether you are an adult guiding girls through the process or a girl working on award steps, if you want some help brainstorming, need someone to bounce ideas off, or just have a general question about one of the awards itself, join us for these informal chats and Q&A sessions. Patrols take place monthly from August through June on the last business day of the month. While there is no charge to join us, you'll need to register to receive the Zoom link. All Patrol dates and times are listed throughout the program listings. Patrols do NOT take the place of an orientation or meet the orientation requirement but are here to offer you more support throughout the process.

GSUSA Gold Award Scholarship: Did you know that one Gold Award Girl Scout per council receives a national scholarship? To be eligible, you need to have earned your Gold Award and have been approved by the council in the GoGold portal between April 1 and March 31. You'll find that there are other great scholarship opportunities waiting for you as well!

TRAVEL OPS

Girl Scouts love to travel—from the field trips they take as Daisies and Brownies, to the global adventures they go on as teens. If you love exploring different places and cultures, check out these travel opportunities!

Troop travel

With your troop's proceeds from the Girl Scout Fall Product and Cookie Programs, your troop may decide on local, national or international travel opportunities.

Travel opportunities are determined by your troop's Girl Scout age level and follow the Girl Scout travel progression. Below are examples of travel opportunities for each age level. Please check with council directly regarding additional travel requirements.

Daisy adventures- Local field trips await our youngest Girl Scouts!

Brownie adventures- Enjoy a day trip with your troop and begin your travel adventure!

Junior adventures- - It's time for your troop to check out a whole new host of opportunities and plan a 3-4 day regional trip! Please note that troops must have completed the pre-requisites for regional travel including local field trips, day trips, and overnights.

Cadette, Senior, & Ambassador adventures – You are eligible to participate in National Trips, International Trips, and Independent Travel opportunities. Travel will open a whole new door for your troop!

Getaways

If your troop is looking for all of the adventure of a trip but wants to have the details taken care of for you, getaways are the answer! To see all Troop Getaway opportunities visit, <http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/travel/take-a-trip/getaways/>.

GSUSA International Events

Girl Scouts go global with international events for troops hosted by global scouting organizations. To see all Troop GSUSA International Travel opportunities and to learn more about how to visit our amazing WAGGGS centers, visit <http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/travel/take-a-trip/international-events/>

Destinations

Cadettes and older, you can be whisked away on an independent, girl-led travel adventure where you will meet other remarkable go-getters, develop leadership skills, gain confidence, enjoy valuable opportunities to take action, and own your magic through travel adventures.

For a current list of destinations and applications, visit <http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/travel/take-a-trip/destinations/>.

Check out these incredible destinations hosted by our sister councils and own your magic through travel:

Winter Wonderland at Our Chalet- From sledding the Swiss Alps to campfires with new Girl Scouts friends, experience the magic of a winter wonderland at Our Chalet WAGGGS World Center in Switzerland.

The Ultimate Harry Potter Experience- Cross the bridge to Hogwarts and tour film studios with Girl Scouts of Central Texas in this ocean-spanning trek that spotlights the sorcery of Harry Potter.

Adventures in the Land of Waterfalls- Discover the natural and cultural wonders of the “Land of Waterfalls.” Western North Carolina offers an abundance of outdoor recreational activities and some of the most beautiful and beloved areas of the country.

TRAVEL OPS

GSCWM Girl Scouts Go International Travel

Girl Scouting has taught you valuable skills such as goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and challenging yourself. Now sharpen these skills as you travel the world. Be a real go-getter and start planning now for trips through Summer 2026. Check out www.gscwm.org/travel for travel information, meeting dates, and to read more about these incredible trips all over the globe!

Summer 2024: London, Paris, Barcelona & Madrid

Pose in front of Big Ben, ascend the Eiffel Tower, and learn to flamenco dance in three exciting capitals.

Summer 2025: Costa Rica- A Touch of the Tropics

With well-protected national reserves and an unparalleled diversity of wildlife, Costa Rica is the jewel of Central America.

Summer 2026: Adventure of a Lifetime in Greece

Our whirlwind 7-day tour has it all a Saronic Islands cruise with swimming, a cooking class to build your culinary skills, a pottery workshop, and so much culture and history at sites such as the Acropolis.

Summer 2026: Japan - Land of the Rising Sun

For 9 days, treat yourself to the treasures of Japan past and present, from the bustling streets of Tokyo to the ancient temples of Kyoto.

Travel with GSCWM and our International Travel Coordinator Sarah Golding to explore the many adventures that await you around the globe. From London to Costa Rica, Greece and the wonders of Japan, own your magic and set your sights on global travel for summer 2024 & beyond!

Travel Inquiries

For answers to all of your travel questions and to learn more about upcoming travel opportunities please email travel@gscwm.org.



CAMP



For more than a century, camping has been a cornerstone of the Girl Scout experience. When girls get outdoors they create memories, make new discoveries, develop lifelong friendships, and learn new skills. Girls become lifelong learners, take on new challenges, think outside the box, find creative ways to get things done, and embrace the unfamiliar. Camping is in our Girl Scout DNA!

GSCWM owns four camp properties, all of which were developed and maintained for the express purpose of Girl Scout programs in the outdoors that inspire girls to develop a love of nature and a lasting commitment to the environment. Our camps are located throughout central and western Massachusetts and each offers a unique experience.

Service Unit Encampments: Reserve up to nine months prior to your date.

Troop Camping: Reserve up to six months prior to your date.

Camp to Troop: Calling all curious campers! GSCWM's Camp to Troop program is the perfect way to give your troop a first look at all the activities summer camp has to offer. Our program staff will visit your troop meeting, where girls can discover what a day at summer camp is like, learn valuable camp skills, and explore all the exciting program offerings coming to camp this year. Email jgonzalez@gscwm.org if you would like to schedule a Camp to Troop visit, or if you have any questions.

Service Projects: Pre-arrange a project with GSCWM. Some ideas include painting, cleaning fire circles, cleaning unsightly areas, and landscaping.

Borrow Equipment: to borrow or rent equipment, complete the Loanable Resources Form found online: <https://www.gscwm.org/en/members/for-volunteers/forms-and-documents.html>

Find out more by visiting www.gscwm.org and clicking on the Camp tab. Confirm a property's availability by looking at the appropriate site calendar. If there is a site noted on a date, this signifies a reservation is in place. "Exclusive" signifies the entire camp has been reserved.

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Girl Scout Summer Camp

Girl Scout Camp is a key benefit of being a Girl Scout and provides access to our beautiful camps. Girl Scout camp is open to all girls - no prior Girl Scout experience needed to attend! Non-members have an additional \$35 fee for camp which also includes all membership benefits through Sept, 2024. In a girl-led, girl-friendly environment, girls challenge themselves to take healthy risks, surrounded by supportive friends and camp staff. When girls spend quality time outdoors and increase their exposure to nature, they thrive physically, emotionally, and intellectually. Learn more about our four beautiful camps below!

Camp Laurel Wood

Come be a part of day camp at Camp Laurel Wood, located in Spencer. Enjoy swimming and boating on Stiles Reservoir, archery and games on the A-Field, and hiking to the Wesley Center. Be sure to check out our Gaga Pit and learn new games. Through girl-led programming, girls will get a chance to experience everything camp has to offer and enjoy activities relating to each theme week. Make new friends, learn new skills, and be one with nature at camp. Camp Laurel Wood is also home to GSCWM's History Museum.

Camp Lewis Perkins

Join us at Camp Lewis Perkins, located near downtown South Hadley. At camp, girls will have the chance to explore all that the fields, woodlands and trails have to offer. Play teambuilding games in the field, create nature art under the trees, enjoy the Gaga Pit, or learn to shoot a bow and arrow at the archery range. Take a dip in the in-ground pool, build your own campfire, and spend an evening under the stars. Girls will challenge themselves to take risks, try new things, learn songs, and explore the traditions of camp in our fun-filled camp sessions.

Camp Green Eyrie

Explore everything Green Eyrie has to offer! Girls have been swimming, boat, roasting marshmallows, and making new friends at Camp Green Eyrie, located in Harvard, since 1925. Challenge yourself and your team on our ropes course, have fun in the new Gaga Pit, or take a shot at the archery range. Launch your kayak on Bare Hill Pond and learn about the mysteries of water in the Sara Hardy Science Center at Chenoweth. Sing traditional camp songs around the fire, voyage into the forests and fields, and play old and new games. Girls will forge new friendships, enjoy new adventures and have an unforgettable summer at Camp Green Eyrie.

Camp Bonnie Brae

Join us at the nation's longest continuously operating Girl Scout Camp in East Otis. After arriving at camp for one of our day camp sessions, girls will individually choose activities from spending the entire afternoon at the waterfront, to exploring their creative side in arts & crafts, to mixing it up with a trip to the archery range and badge work. Explore the traditions of friendship, girl-led programming, island swims, a game of gaga ball, and so much more. Girls who attend Camp Bonnie Brae will get a chance to join a century of tradition, girl power, and camp magic.

Questions about specific camp programs? Email camp@gscwm.org

Questions about registering or processing payments? Email info@gscwm.org

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Camp Open Houses

Camp Bonnie Brae Open House: Saturday, April 20th, 2024 at 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Camp Laurel Wood Open House: Saturday, April 27th, 2024 at 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Camp Green Eyrie Open House: Saturday, May 4th, 2024 at 1:00 PM -3:00 PM

Camp Lewis Perkins Open House: Saturday, May 11th, 2024 at 1:00 PM -3:00 PM

Virtual Camp Open Houses

Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Camp Financial Assistance

Camp fosters lifelong learning, an appreciation for the outdoors, and helps build the next generation of girl leaders - we don't want financial circumstances to be a barrier to your Girl Scout attending camp. This optional orientation is open to parents/guardians who are interested in learning more about GSCWM Camp Financial Assistance. We'll review the application process step-by-step, go over timelines, processes and paperwork, and will have plenty of time for questions. Join us to learn more about how you can provide an invaluable summer experience for your girl where she can own her magic at camp!

Join us for one of our upcoming sessions offered on our Zoom platform.

Tuesday, March 5th, 2024 6:00 PM -7:00 PM

Thursday, April 16th, 2024 6:00 PM -7:00 PM

Any questions? Please reach out to Program Manager Jessica Gonzalez at jgonzalez@gscwm.org

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Exciting New Program Offerings

Summer 2024 is quickly approaching and here at GSCWM we are readily preparing for a summer full of memories, laughter, exploration, and campfires. Our team has been hard at work creating program sessions that appeal to all girls and below we are sharing with you an exclusive sneak peak of our camp program offerings. Be on the lookout for more details coming soon in our 2024 Camp Guide and be sure to register for one of these exciting sessions when Camp registration opens in January 2024!

Day Camp – Coming Soon!

Celebrate a new theme each week at day camp! In addition to all your favorite camp activities, add a twist to the week with themed crafts and special events. Specific activities vary based on age group and camper interest. Age group availability and themes at each camp vary by week.

Stars, Stripes, and STEM: Celebrate the 4th of July week with red, white, and blue themed experiments. This week has a 3-day option to accommodate the 4th of July holiday.

Magic & Fairy Tales: Add some magic to your week! You might make your own magic wand, search camp for mythical creatures, or make imaginative snacks in the kitchen.

Superheroes: Unleash your inner superhero! You might try out superhero costumes or create your own super stories.

Creatures & Critters: From cuddly fuzzballs to creepy crawlies, this week celebrates animals! Each day focuses on a different kind of creature.

Adventure Awaits!: Lean into your adventurous side! Each day is themed around a new adventure. From daring explorers to whimsical pirates, your only limit is your imagination!

International Celebration: Inspired by the 2024 Paris games, we're going global to explore cultures from around the world. You might try a new kind of food, enjoy music and crafts from another culture, and participate in an Olympics-inspired all-camp game.

Overnight Camp –Coming Soon!

Overnight camp programs run Sunday through Friday at Camp Bonnie Brae and Camp Green Eyrie and offer a variety of exciting new adventures for both new and seasoned campers. Age group availability and themed programming at each camp vary by week.

Mermaids- Brownies

Do you like life under the sea? Come spend time at camp to explore the best of our water activities. Campers will spend extra time each day exploring swimming, boating, sand castle contests, and more! End the week with an under the sea-themed party.

Unicorn Chasers-Brownies

Lean into your mythical side! Make fairytale and unicorn-inspired crafts, get creative with edible glitter in the camp kitchen, and finish your week with a unicorn hike to look for Camp Green Eyrie's resident unicorn, Wanda.

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Icy Adventure-Juniors

Cool off at camp with frozen treats! From ice cream to popsicles and beyond, learn how to make a different frozen snack each day. After trying out recipes yourself, finish your week with a trip to Sub Zero Ice Cream where you will participate in a STEM demonstration, enjoy an icy bowl of nitrogen ice cream, and earn a fun patch!

Snow Queens- Juniors

Learn how to stay extra cool in the hot summer heat as a Snow Queen in this two night, three-day camp session. You'll try your hand at making snow, learn how to do ice painting, and sing along to some of our favorite snow queen songs. Find all the fun ways to be the queen of cool at Camp Bonnie Brae.

Totally Tubular –Cadettes

This two-week program is all about discovering happiness in nature! Relax at camp and take part in some low-key activities. Make friendship bracelets, unwind at the pond, and try yoga and meditation. Then, take a trip off camp to relax and float down a river in a tube. Campers who participate in this program must be comfortable in and around water.

Junior Lifeguards-Cadettes

Learn how to keep yourself and others safe in an open body of water by learning water rescue skills during this two-week program. Take your first steps towards becoming a lifeguard! Don't worry, there will be plenty of time to enjoy your favorite camp activities, too. Campers who participate in this program must be comfortable in and around the water and experienced swimmers.

Great Heights-Cadettes

Adventure is calling for campers who want to try the more active side of camp. Spend extra time at the challenge course, paddle across the pond to eat lunch on a nearby island, and take a trip to a nearby rock climbing gym to try top-rope climbing.

Something Fishy-Cadettes

Get your fish on during this aquatic week at camp. Go kayaking as you learn about the creatures that live in Bare Hill Pond, try catch-and-release fishing, and take a day trip to the New England Aquarium in Boston.

Expedition Aquarium-Seniors and Ambassadors

Get your fish on during this aquatic week at camp. Go kayaking as you learn about the creatures that live in Bare Hill Pond, try catch-and-release fishing, and take a day trip to the New England Aquarium in Boston.

Trail Trekkers -Seniors and Ambassadors

Take your first step towards tackling a wilderness adventure during this two week session. You'll learn how to read trail maps, pitch tents, and plan meals before heading out on multiple hikes around camp and beyond. Learn how to purify water, cook over a burner, then hit the famous Appalachian Trail for an all-day hike on your biggest adventure yet!

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Leadership Programs

Overnight camp leadership programs are available for campers who will be entering 11th-12th grade in the fall of 2024.

Counselor in Training (CIT) 1

For campers entering 11th grade, this 2 week program will focus on developing the skills you'll use as a counselor at camp. Build your teamwork muscles, shadow camp staff, and work directly with groups of younger campers. CITs have the opportunity to plan and run an all-camp activity. Campers participating in CIT I at Camp Bonnie Brae will go home during the weekend between sessions 5 and 6.

Counselor in Training (CIT) 2

Complete your CIT journey as you spend 3 weeks building on the skills you developed during your weeks as a CIT 1. Dig deeper into what it's like to be a member of the camp staff team by learning about leading specialty camp programs in addition to building your counselor skills. The CIT 2 program is open to campers who are entering 11th or 12th grade and have completed a CIT 1 program. An application and interview are required. Campers participating in CIT 2 at Camp Bonnie Brae will go home during the weekend between sessions 2 and 3, then stay on camp for the weekend between sessions 3 and 4.

Join our Camp Staff Team!

Summer 2024 is right around the corner and we need your help to hire enthusiastic, talented, and caring individuals to join our Camp Staff team. GSCWM recruits both regionally and internationally, and we carefully select staff based on maturity, program skills, experience, and their ability to serve as role models. All GSCWM camp staff must attend an intensive pre-camp training session to bond as a team and gain skills in camping, including safety, activity planning, camper care, teambuilding, and much more. Staff members who supervise specialized activities such as the pool, water sports, challenge course, archery, and other areas receive additional training and certifications. Many staff members return each year and travel from all around the world to ensure that our campers have an amazing camp experience.

To learn more about available positions at our camps and how you can join our team, visit www.gscwm.org and click on Camp and Outdoors.

PRODUCT PROGRAMS

Product Programs

Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts empowers the leaders of tomorrow by giving them the opportunity to participate in two very exciting programs that teach Girl Scouts valuable life skills. The Fall Product Program runs primarily from September to October while the Girl Scout Cookie Program runs from December to March. Both programs consist of virtual as well as in-person options that embrace the five key business and leadership skills that will last a lifetime. Girl Scout Cookie Season is upon us – it's such an exciting time of year for Girl Scouts of all ages. Participants are able to take the skills they have learned during the Fall Product Program and put them into action. To continue to help with this program, we have some tips, tricks, and themes to ensure that all Girl Scouts have a fun and successful Cookie Program season.

Digital Cookie – Online Program – Dec 13, 2023 – March 17, 2024

While Digital Cookie is a great way for relatives out of state to support their Girl Scout, did you know that you can also use it for local friends and family with the added convenience of “Girl Delivery”? This way, local customers don't pay shipping AND your Girl Scout can deliver the cookies at a time that is convenient for everyone and with contactless delivery. This is an easy way for your neighbors, friends, and community to safely support you.

Bling Your Booth Weekend – Jan 19-21, 2024

We are bringing back our opening weekend Bling Your Booth contest! Have fun creating your booth décor that will encourage customers to shop and support your Girl Scout Cookie Program. Make sure to have your troop number, your troop goal, and the price of cookies in the picture that you will submit. Get creative and crazy! All submissions will be due on Friday, January 26th. Email your photo to prodprograms@gscwm.org

Girls Have Heart Weekend – Feb 9-11, 2024

Show your support and pride for our local military troops and their families by decorating your booths and front yard cookie stands during Valentine's Day Weekend. Promoting GSCWM's Project Care and Share program is another opportunity to increase your sales and to give back to those in our community. It's also a great way for customers who are on a New Year's diet or are unable to consume cookies to be able to support your troop while supporting the military troops located in our community.

Interested in additional ideas and suggestions for your cookie season? Check out www.littlebrowniebakers.com for more tools and fun-filled activities all about cookies.



PRODUCT PROGRAMS

Cookie Program Dates:

Order Cards & Girl Delivery online orders: December 13, 2023 –March 17, 2024

Direct In Person and Booth Sales: January 19 –March 17, 2024

Girl Scouts and their troops begin the planning process for the annual Cookie Program in December. The program kickoff begins on December 13 when participants begin selling using their order cards and online. On January 19, the Direct Sale aspect of the Cookie Program begins in full swing as Girl Scouts start selling with cookies in hand! From virtual booths to drive-thru booth sales and online orders, the 5 Skills are put to work as participants and their troops set goals and determine how to achieve them.

Not in a Troop? Become a Cookie Boss!

As with many fun programs at GSCWM, Girl Scouts do not have to be a member of a troop to participate in the Fall Product and Cookie Programs. Non-troop affiliated girls/Juliette's who are on the non-troop affiliated pathway can participate in the Fall Product Program and during the Cookie Season they can become a Cookie Boss!

Cookie Bosses will sell cookies through the following platforms:

Digital Cookie: Cookie Bosses create customized websites on their own Digital Order Card Platform, for a completely contactless sale.

Order Taking: Using the paper cookie order cards, Cookie Bosses ask neighbors, friends, and family members to place orders for cookies.

Booth Sales/Direct Sales: A Cookie Boss gets cookies and sells them directly to customers, often at booths in high-traffic areas such as grocery stores, malls or at sporting events.

As part of the Cookie Boss program, participants are eligible to earn Cookie Credits if they sell 130 boxes or more. They can use their cookie credits for exciting opportunities like camping and program events sponsored by GSCWM or Service Units, GSCWM Girl Scout Travel, Girl Scout sponsored Destinations, anything sold at GSCWM stores, or any Girl Scout activity. All participants will be able to work on the 5 Skills and help fund their Girl Scout experience while learning valuable life and business skills.

In early December, an email will be sent to all non-troop affiliated girls/Juliette to welcome them to sign up for the Cookie Boss Program. Are you a new non-troop affiliated Girl Scout? If so, email Jessica, jgonzalez@gscwm.org to learn more and become a Cookie Boss!

What do the product programs fund?

The Girl Scout Fall Product and Cookie Programs are two of the few youth-oriented programs in the country providing its participants the ability to decide how to direct the proceeds generated through their business activity. Some participants are using their proceeds for travel, big trips abroad, and local programs. While others use their cookie credits to help fund their way to summer camp or earning their Highest Awards, and many give back to the community by funding their service projects. Council-wide, most of our Girl Scout troops reinvest a portion of their proceeds in service projects that address specific community needs. Many of the troops also take part in Project Care & Share programs which make donations to local food pantries and to our military troops.

All proceeds from the sale of Girl Scout Fall Product and Cookie Programs remain in central and western Massachusetts and benefit Girl Scouts in the community in which the products are sold. The local Girl Scout council uses product program revenue to supply essential services to troops and Girl Scouts, providing program resources and support, training adult volunteers, conducting events, maintaining camps, and providing financial assistance to help make Girl Scouting possible for all that want to participate.

ADDITIONAL GIRL SCOUT AWARDS AND PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for more Programs and Girl Scout Award Opportunities? Check these out:

National Leadership Awards:

As Girl Scouts, we take pride in providing service to others and doing what we can to make the world a better place. To recognize older girls (Cadettes through Ambassadors) for their dedication and commitment to both their Girl Scout community and their own communities, girls can be recognized with the following awards:

Community Service Bars are earned when girls make a difference in their community and practice the values of the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

Service to Girl Scouting Bars are earned by volunteering at least 20 hours to the Girl Scout organization, such as at a council-wide event, service unit assistant, or directly on a council special project.

Torch Awards recognize girls who act as leaders in their communities by completing a Girl Scout level Leadership Journey and serving for one full term in a leadership position at school, place of worship, library, community center, or similar organization.

President's Volunteer Service Award – GSCWM is a certifying organization and offers current Girl Scouts and adult members the opportunity to earn this award annually by recognizing volunteers who have achieved the required number of service hours over a 12-month period from September 1 through August 31. Recipients are recognized with a pin, certificate, and letter signed by the President of the United States at an award ceremony held in one of our Leadership Centers. This is the only award girls are allowed to double-dip for—using hours earned on their Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards, Service Bars, troop volunteering, etc., and applying them to the PVSA.

Find full information on the requirements of these awards and applications at <https://www.gscwm.org/en/members/for-girl-scouts/girl-leadership.html> or contact tbreen@gscwm.org. Deadline for submission of application is September 5.

My Promise, My Faith—Girl Scouts of all grade levels can earn the My Promise, My Faith pin, which helps them make the connection between the Girl Scout Promise and Law to their religion. This pin can be earned each year. Information for each Girl Scout level can be found in The Girl Scout Handbook.

Celebrating Spirituality and Faith—Everything in Girl Scouting is based on the Girl Scout Promise and Law, which includes many of the principles and values common across religions. While we are a secular organization, Girl Scouts has always encouraged girls to take spiritual journeys via their own faiths' religious recognitions.

ADDITIONAL GIRL SCOUT AWARDS AND PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

Teen Mentoring Awards-When teens guide or teach others, they act as mentors. An exciting part of a Girl Scout's development, teen mentoring is a win-win proposition!

As teen mentors, Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors gain experience by sharing skills, testing knowledge, and trying out new leadership roles. For the younger Girl Scouts being mentored, it means a chance to be with and learn from teens – some of their favorite people!

Teens who earn mentoring awards are given a special opportunity to serve as champions for the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. As they serve in their roles, Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors can help increase awareness of Girl Scouting's aim to deliver fun with purpose: enjoyable and challenging activities that grow Girl Scouts' leadership in their daily lives and in the world.

The Teen Mentoring Awards are:

Cadette

- Leader in Action (one for each Journey series)
- Program Aide

Senior

- Volunteer-in-Training
- Counselor-in-Training (earned at camp)

Ambassador

- Volunteer-in-Training
- Counselor-in-Training (earned at camp)
- Counselor-in-Training 2 (earned at camp)

The requirements for these awards can be found in The Girl Scout Handbook for the appropriate program level.

Guidance on earning the Leader in Action Award can be found in the adult guide for each Cadette journey. We also support girls by offering two LiA Award trainings a year.

Archery:

GSCWM's archery programs are in full swing! Learn the steps of the shooting cycle and shoot an arrow just like an Olympian.

GSCWM has several options for troops and members who are interested in archery! Our Archery Basics programs are suitable for Girl Scouts of all skill levels and open to troops and individuals. Interested in setting up an archery time for your whole troop? Contact info@gscwm.org to reserve the archery range at one of GSCWM camp properties and to receive a list of certified archery facilitators. The GSCWM program team will be monitoring registration numbers for our upcoming events and will add additional archery programs in the spring if the existing programs fill. Please visit the event calendar on our website- www.gscwm.org to stay up to date on new archery programming.

Girl Advisory Board

Junior through Ambassador Girl Scouts, you've already signed on to make the world a better place; now here's your chance to do it for our council! We invite you to join the GAB for a year full of empowering moments that will enhance your leadership skills while sharing valuable views with GSCWM! You'll meet throughout the year with the CEO of GSCWM and other GSCWM staff members to vocalize ideas and give recommendations. Request more information or an application form from Brandi at BBarcomb@gscwm.org and join us today!

ADDITIONAL GIRL SCOUT AWARDS AND PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

High Adventure Group

Love everything extreme? Want to try new activities and challenge yourself? Join our High Adventure Group and participate in programs like indoor rock climbing, winter snow events, and learning how to scuba dive. The High Adventure Group enjoys various trips and events throughout the year, and you can attend them all or just one. Open to all Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts.

If interested, please contact gscwmhighadventure@gmail.com and watch for High Adventure programs coming soon to our website.

The High Adventure Group is seeking other Girl Scout Leader volunteers to join our Leadership Team to share leading these events. We are also searching for additional volunteers, especially adults with backpacking and hiking experience, to help lead outdoor events and/or chaperone trips. If interested, please contact gscwmhighadventure@gmail.com.

Robotics

Own your magic and explore the world of STEM with the Girl Scout Cookie Robotics teams! FIRST LEGO League challenges young people to think like scientists and engineers. Join with other girls to learn all about robotics and explore how you can own your STEM magic when the FIRST LEGO League 2024 challenge is released. We'll get to work right away to build our LEGO models, program our robot to complete important missions, and explore the world of STEM with our brand new Spike Prime autonomous robot! Meetings are Tuesdays in Holyoke and Wednesdays in Worcester beginning September 2024–December 2024 from 6:00-7:30 PM. Please note: \$100 cost includes 18 weeks of programming, staff instruction, First Lego League team registration/ 2024 team challenge starter kit, team t-shirts, and competition fees. Have more questions about GSCWM Robotic teams? Email jgonzalez@gscwm.org.

KEEP IN TOUCH

With Girl Scouts, you're a part of a community where there are always new and fun opportunities. Stay in touch!

Our Website: gscwm.org

Visit gscwm.org often for the most current information on events and news including upcoming events and trainings, programs for girls, product program information, and store closing announcements.

Electronic Newsletters (E-News)

All members, volunteers, and families will receive our emails to the address we have on file in their MyGS profile and do not need to subscribe, unless they have previously opted out. If you've previously opted out, you can opt back in at the bottom of the "My Profile" page in MyGS. Need help? Reach out to us at info@gscwm.org.

Program Express E-News

This short and sweet e-newsletter for parents and caring adults highlights the experiences and programs that comprise the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. Program Express arrives in your inbox the third Sunday of the month, August through June.

Volunteer Express E-News

For membership news our volunteers need – what's coming up, what's happening, things to make you a more confident and efficient leader – you'll love Volunteer Express. This electronic newsletter is distributed the first Sunday of each month, August through June.

Additional E-News and Direct Mail

The Fund Development team sends out periodic Girl Scout news and updates highlighting special events and initiatives. Sign up for quarterly updates [here](#).

GSCWM Blog

We share what's on our mind and welcome guest bloggers from time to time. Find all the musings by clicking on "Blog" at the very bottom of www.gscwm.org.

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HOW DO I GET MY GIRLS FEATURED? Share with us all the super awesome things a troop, individual member, or volunteer has been up to and your story could be featured in our blog, social media, newsletters, and more! On GSCWM's homepage click on Members, For Caregivers and Families, Share Your Story.

Volunteers make our mission possible.

Stand Up for a Better Tomorrow. Be a Girl Scout Volunteer.

Girl Scouts makes sure girls see and have opportunities to reach their potential—not just to ensure they'll earn better grades, make better decisions, and lead happier lives (though we help with those things too!).

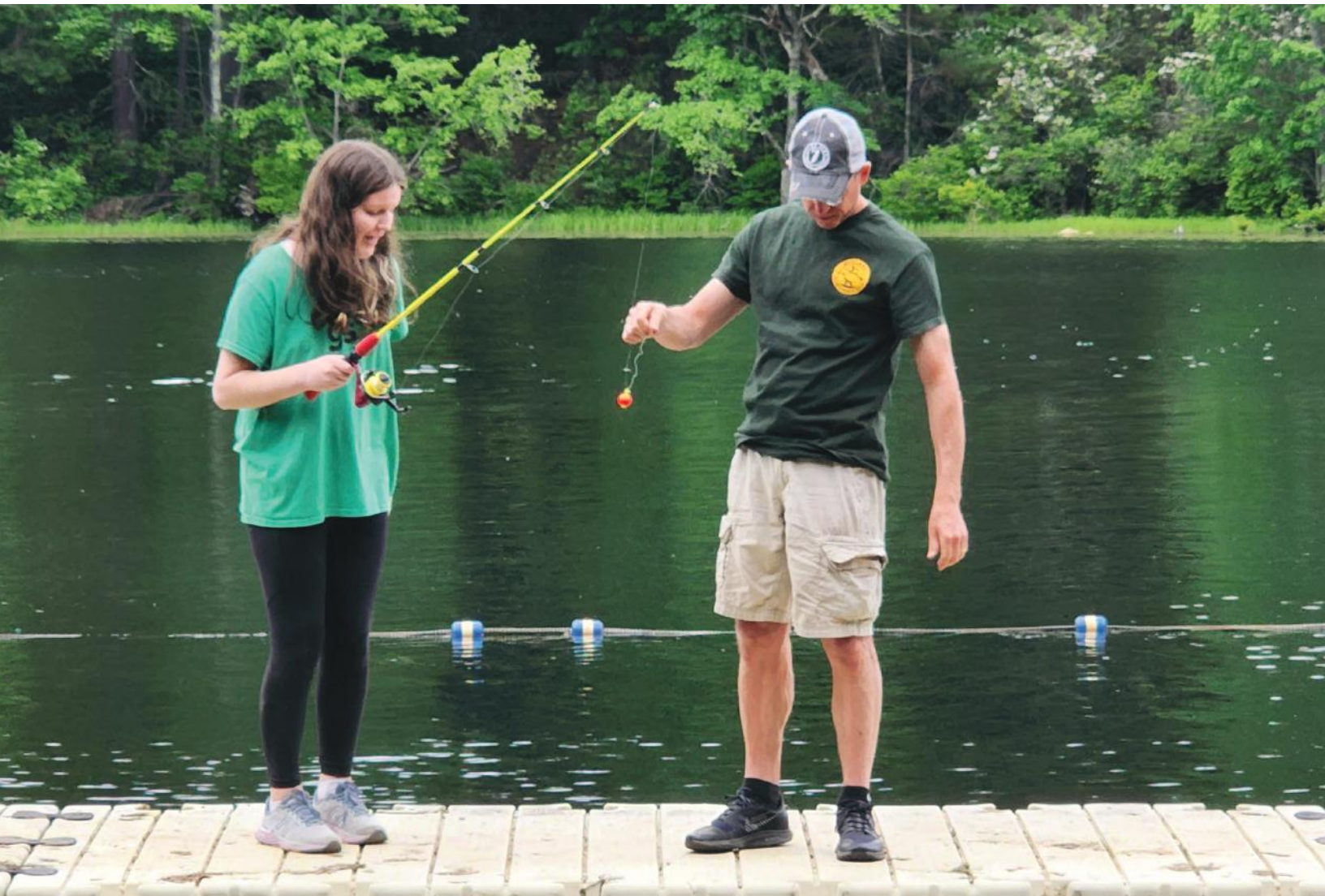
And Girl Scout volunteers are the change-makers who make it all possible. They lead the sisterhood that provides comfort and inspiration in trying moments—giving girls the tools to solve problems and bounce back when faced with life's challenges.

In short, Girl Scout volunteers transform lives.

Bonus? The benefits of volunteering with Girl Scouts go both ways. As a volunteer, you'll:

- Unleash the confidence that comes with being a role model
- Discover your leadership style as your girls discover theirs
- Network and meet new people in your community
- Build new skills and have fun as you take on exciting activities with your girls

There's nothing like helping girls find their voices and use them to change the world. Contact us today to start the conversation. Your life will never be the same.



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Girl Scouting builds girls of **courage,**
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