

2024-2025 PROGRAM GUIDE



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massachusetts

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.

ANTI-RACISM COMMITMENT

Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts accepts the ethical responsibility to engage in social justice and anti-racist action. We aspire to be an organization that recognizes and works to understand historical and contemporary experiences with power, privilege, and oppression.

We will do our part to dismantle systemic, institutional, cultural, and individual racism. We recognize that this is far from easy or fast work, but we are Girl Scouts - we believe in courage justice, and fairness - so we are in it for the long haul. We take action when we see a need and we live by the Girl Scout Law, which demands we seek racial equity for everyone.

We promise to learn to operate both internally and externally in ways that affirm and support our members, staff, and community partners who identify as Black, Indigenous, and/or People of Color.

We are asking for all Girl Scouts, alums, supporters, families, staff, and our suppliers and service providers - to commit to taking action with empathy to make the world a more just and equitable place.

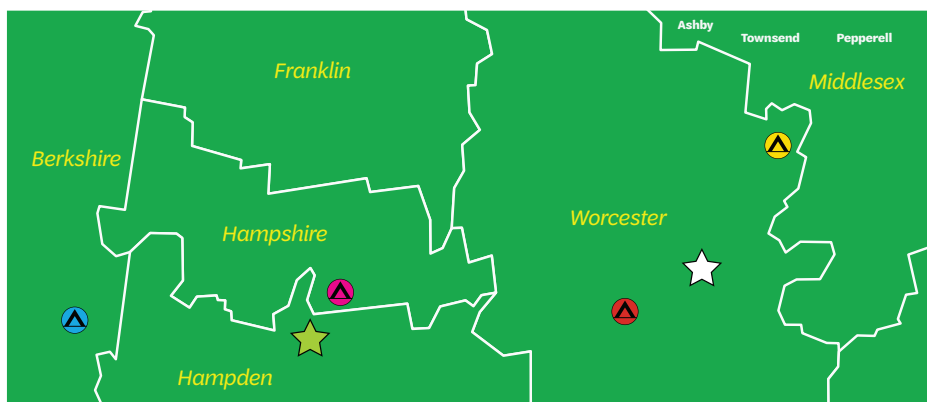
Our Locations

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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Welcome!

We are so happy to welcome you to the new Girl Scout year, and with it fun and exciting programs for all! We are bringing back Girl Scout favorite programs and introducing new ones. As always, it is the feedback from girls, their families, our volunteers, as well as research from GSUSA that help to shape our program offerings. STEM, Outdoor, Leadership and Entrepreneurial Programs continue to lead the way. From favorites such as our Geek is Glam STEM day at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and our Thunderbirds Cookie Rally, to programs in our new MakerZones at our Holyoke and Worcester Leadership Centers, to classics such as archery and outdoor basics at our camps, there is something for all Girl Scouts.

In addition to programs at our four camps and our two Leadership Centers, we are grateful to our community partners who continue to offer programs across a wide range of activities. From meeting an astronomer at the EcoTarium and planetarium shows at the Springfield Museum, to many hands-on programs at Historic Deerfield and outdoor badge work with New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill, you'll be sure to find and embrace many possibilities for a great year. We are also very excited about our growing international travel program, with upcoming trips to Puerto Rico, Costa Rica, Japan and Greece. For girls interested in leadership programs, we have our higher awards programs as well as troop and camp opportunities. And as always, I would be remiss not to mention our iconic Fall Product and Cookie Programs, based on financial literacy and entrepreneurial skills. Join us for a memorable experience as we continue to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

Yours in Girl Scouting,



Sara Rowan, Senior Director, Girl Experience.

What's New? Get Ready! New Program Content from GSUSA Coming in August in Time for Back to Troop 2024-2025

New Badge Designs



Discontinued Badge Designs



First Aid badges:

Updated and expanded badges for Girl Scout Brownie through Ambassador levels, and updated badge booklets now include Volunteer Guide!

Brownie First Aid:

In this updated badge, Brownies learn when and how to call 911 in an emergency, make a first aid kit and learn how to treat minor injuries such as cuts, scrapes, and bruises, and how to avoid common outdoor hazards like sunburn and poison ivy or oak.

Junior First Aid:

In this updated badge, Girl Scout Juniors learn the first steps to take in any health emergency and action steps they can take to help treat a mild illness or common health condition. They also talk to first responders, make a first aid kit, and learn how to safely care for someone who is sick.

Cadette First Aid:

In this updated badge, Girl Scout Cadettes find out how to use everything in a first aid kit then move on to learn practical skills for preventing and helping in serious health emergencies they may encounter in their everyday lives, including choking, seizures, musculoskeletal injuries, and heat and cold-related health conditions.

Senior First Aid:

In this updated badge, Girl Scout Seniors take a step up in their skills by learning to cope with some critical health emergencies, including head, neck, and spinal injuries; alcohol poisoning or drug overdoses; and life-threatening bleeding. They learn to improvise makeshift splints for outdoor injuries, and they get a chance to share their first aid knowledge with others.

Ambassador First Aid:

In this updated badge, on-the-go Girl Scout Ambassadors take their first aid skills into the wild. They learn about professionals who save lives in the wilderness and then put some of these ideas into practice by making an emergency plan for a trip, learning how to summon aid in remote locations, and finding out what to do until help arrives. They expand their awareness by exploring stories of real-life emergencies and how they were handled.

BILINGUAL EXPERIENCE PROGRAM RESOURCES:

Bilingual Troop Year Plans for first and second-year Daisies and Brownies, which include the Daisy Handbook, 12 Daisy badges, and 11 Brownie badges, along with three Cookie Program resources, are now available to begin a foundational bilingual experience. These resources allow bilingual families to drive their own Girl Scout experience with less direct supervision from council staff, creating a more equitable and inclusive experience.

GLOBAL AWARDS— WORLD THINKING DAY



2025 World Thinking Day Award:

On February 22 of each year, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world celebrate World Thinking Day by doing the same activities around a shared theme. The World Thinking Day 2025 theme is “Our Story: Reflecting the symbolism and values of our Movement.” This year, Girl Scouts reflect on our history of building confidence through advocacy and action. Girl Scouts find out how they can build the confidence to speak up for themselves, others, or a cause they care about. Although World Thinking Day is February 22, Girl Scouts can earn this award at any point during the membership year. It is recommended, however, that it is completed during the January/February/March timeframe.

GLOBAL AWARDS— GLOBAL ACTION AWARD



2024 Global Action Award:

Every year, the Girl Scout Global Action Award addresses the United Nations Global Goals for Sustainable Development. In 2024, the award continues to focus on Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production. Girl Scouts will challenge themselves, one another, and their communities to be thoughtful about how they consume things and deal with waste. They will also learn how to advocate to businesses and governments about production and manufacturing practices, sustainability, distribution, imports and exports, and protection of land for materials.

OUTDOOR PROGRAMMING



Girl Scout Tree Promise:

Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) and General Motors have partnered to update the Girl Scout Tree Promise program. This program guides Girl Scouts across the country and around the world to plant, protect, and honor trees to help mitigate climate change impacts, provide and improve habitats for wildlife, address issues of tree equity and shade within urban communities, clean our water sources, remove asthma-causing air pollution, and more.



Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors:

You don't need to travel far to enjoy the outdoors and reap its many benefits! Spending at least 120 minutes (about 2 hours) a week in nature is associated with improved mood, focus, and confidence—whether you spend that time becoming a rock star at rock climbing or making a splash in the puddles around your neighborhood. The free activity sheet for the Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge has 50+ fun activities for Girl Scouts to try out and enjoy.



Girl Scouts Love State Parks:

Girl Scouts love the outdoors, especially our state parks! Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) and the National Association of State Park Directors (NASPD) have partnered for another year of the Girl Scouts Love State Parks program. Girl Scout councils across the country collaborate with their local state parks to plan a weekend full of fun activities within the parks. This event showcases state parks' unique and beautiful resources and Girl Scouts' passion for exploring the great outdoors.

Girl Scouts Love State Parks runs September 14–15, 2024. Events can happen on either or both dates. Some parks may even start early with Friday night activities.

Girl Scouts Love State Parks is offered in partnership with the National Association of State Park Directors and is made possible by THOR Industries.

Where can I find Girl Scouts' outdoor programming?

The program materials for these three programs can be found on their respective GSUSA landing pages:

- girlscouts.org/treepromise
- girlscouts.org/lovetheoutdoors
- girlscouts.org/lovestateparks

TROOP YEAR PLANS

What are the Troop Year Plans?

Troop Year Plans are a turnkey resource for troop leaders, providing a fully planned year of Girl Scout programming for each level and year of Girl Scouts. The Troop Year Plans create a consistent national experience across councils and highlight many of our most popular programs. They lay out a well-balanced path that gives Girl Scouts a wide variety of programs to experience throughout their year including participation in the Girl Scout Cookie Program. Troop Year Plans are also available for multi-level troops.



Where can I find the Troop Year Plans?

Troop Year Plans are available via the Troop Year Planner section on [girlscouts.org](https://www.girlscouts.org).



PROGRAMS & EVENTS

AUGUST

***BE SURE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE (WWW.GSCWM.ORG) OFTEN FOR ANY UPDATES, ADDITIONS, OR CANCELLATIONS OF PROGRAMS. THE WEBSITE WILL ALWAYS HAVE THE MOST UPDATED INFORMATION AVAILABLE. PROGRAMS MAY NEED TO BE UPDATED OR CANCELED TO MEET CHANGING STATE AND FEDERAL GUIDELINES.**

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

Date: Saturday, August 3, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

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 Scout who wants to earn their award or is interested in learning more about it. Orientations provide valuable information about the award process, deadlines, national requirements, and the benefits of going for 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 Girl Scouts working on their awards. It is a requirement for Girl Scouts to have taken a Go for Gold Orientation within one year prior to submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Are YOU ready to take the lead? Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by July 25.

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

Date: Saturday, August 24, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Zoom

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

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C-A GSCWM'S HIGH ADVENTURE LOBSTER CRUISE!

Date: Sunday, August 25, 2024

Time: 3:30 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Plymouth Cruises Lobster Tales

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

Join GSCWM's High Adventure Group for some hands-on fun! This Lobstering Eco Tour will immerse you in the vibrant culture of New England. Join this lively cruise and dive headfirst into the world of lobster harvesting, right from the heart of the sea. As a brave crew of volunteers lends a claw to haul in those lobster traps, all passengers will have a front-row seat to witness the mesmerizing marine life of Plymouth Harbor. Prepare yourself to see (and hold) all kinds of animals, from lively crabs and curious snails to the occasional fishy friend. But fear not, fellow ocean enthusiasts! We're committed to safeguarding the future of our magnificent marine world. Every incredible creature you encounter is given a one-way ticket back to their salty sanctuary. We believe in cherishing and preserving the wonders of our watery wonderland for generations to come. Questions? Contact gscwmhighadventure@gmail.com directly. For individual Girl Scouts and girls with an adult. Register at <https://bit.ly/gscwmhighadventure> by August 10.

J BRONZE PATROL (GR 4-5)

Date: Friday, August 30, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Curious 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by August 24.

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER

C SILVER PATROL (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, August 30, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

Curious 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 a Strive for Silver Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by August 24.

S-A GOLD PATROL (GR 9-12)

Date: Friday, August 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 meet members of the Gold Award Committee. Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of a Go for Gold Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. through GSCWM by Aug. 24.

B-A STARS OVER SPRINGFIELD (GR 2-12)

Date: Friday, September 6, 2024

Time: 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Place: Springfield Science Museums

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

STARS Over Springfield is a fun, interactive astronomy night! It includes hands-on activities, a short talk and demonstration, planetarium show, and weather-permitting, a chance to look through the rooftop telescope. You can apply what you learn toward earning your Space Science Badge (not included). This program is presented in partnership with the Springfield STARS Club. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Register at springfieldmuseums.org by September 4.

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

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Lewis Perkins

Cost: \$10 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 then work on projects that lead to the Playing the Past Badge (badge not included). Handouts covering the requirements provided. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, email info@worchesterhistory.net or call 413-813-7735 by September 1.

C-A NEW!!! GSCWM FALL ARCHERY CLUB FOR CADETTEES, SENIORS, AND AMBASSADORS (GR 6-12)

Dates: Tuesdays, September 10, 2024 through October 29, 2024 (8 sessions)

Time: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie, Harvard

Cost: \$80 per girl/no charge for adults

Calling all Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors! Join us for 8 consecutive weeks of archery club! [This is a progression series.] Week 1, practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows, including the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form. All participants must attend week 1 and participate in the range safety class. Weeks 2-7, focus on skills to improve consistency and accuracy, including weekly special target challenges! Week 8, show off your skills with a friendly club competition!

Register by August 30, 2024. [max. 12 girl spots]

Closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs) and hair must be pulled back.

Volunteer support makes this new opportunity possible! If you'd like to talk about joining our volunteer team, reach out to program@gscwm.org



SEPTEMBER

J-C COOKIE ROBOTICS (GR 4-8)

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2024-Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: \$125 per girl/girl only event

Program a robot, complete challenges, and solve real-world problems! Join with other Girl Scouts to learn all about robotics when the FIRST LEGO League 2024 challenge is released. We'll get to work right away to program our robot and help create a solution for a real life challenge facing our communities. Meet every Wednesday from September 11-December 11 from 6:00-7:30 PM. Cost includes: 13 weeks of programming, staff instruction, snacks, First Lego League team registration/2024 team challenge starter kit, team t-shirt, competition fees, and the following badges for each age level: Designing Robots, Programming Robots, and Showcasing Robots (badges included). Open to individual Girl Scouts only. Register through GSCWM by September 4.

A MEET AN ASTRONOMER AT THE ECOTARIUM (GR 11-12)

Date: Saturday, September 14, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:45 PM

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: \$7 per girl/\$7 per adult

Join a local astronomy expert at the EcoTarium and dive into the latest discoveries in the grandest science of them all! Hear from a Worcester-area researcher in the Alden Planetarium discussing their work - everything from Martian water to astrophotography, and from community science to space telescopes. Learn more about our cosmic hometown! Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. To register in advance and to see a list of upcoming speakers, visit <https://ecotarium.org/speaker-series-astrophysics/>. Tickets are also sold the day of the event in-person.

C-A CSA PADDLING ON BARE HILL POND (GR 6-12)

Date: Sunday, September 15, 2024

Time: 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Join us for an afternoon to explore the three paddling sports - canoe, kayak, and standup paddleboards - we offer at Camp Green Eyrie. Learn paddling safety and different paddling techniques then explore Bare Hill Pond on your chosen paddle boat! Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 5.



C*-A NEW!! GSCWM OUT-DOOR SKILLS CLUB (GR 7-12)

BEGINS on September 15, 2024

Interested in honing your camping skills and meeting like-minded Girl Scouts across our council? We're excited to offer the GSCWM Outdoor Skills Club. We have monthly meetings and 3 camping trips planned at 3 of our 4 GSCWM camps! We'll cap off the year with an outdoor adventure trip in June 2025. You'll have fun, learn new skills, and earn a special patch to showcase your mastery of essential outdoor skills. As you advance in your skills, you can take on a leadership role within the club.

Monthly skill-building sessions are 9/15; 10/13; 11/17; 12/1; 1/19; 2/9; 3/16; 4/13; 5/18 from 2-4 PM. They will be a mixture of virtual sessions and in-person sessions at Camp Laurel Wood and Camp Green Eyrie. While we would love to have you join us for every camping trip we have planned, we know life gets in the way. We welcome you to join as many camping trips as your schedule can accommodate.

*This program is available for grades 7-12 only.

GSCWM Fee: \$100 per girl - covers meetings, supplies, and patches. There is an additional fee for the camping trips to cover food and additional outdoor adventure activities. Volunteer support makes this new club possible! Interested in joining our volunteer team? Email program@gscwm.org

J ENTREPRENEUR'S FOOD TRUCK DESIGN (GR 4-5)

Date: Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

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

Girl Scout Juniors are invited to design a food truck! You'll create unique food vehicle designs and earn the Junior Art and Design Badge (badge not included) in this virtual workshop. You'll first determine a unique type of food truck, consider who your customers will be, then design the perfect vehicle for your concept. Open to troops, individual Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.com/shop/product/food-truck-drawing> by September 16.

SEPTEMBER

D-B SLINGSHOTS (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, September 21, 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 is 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 September 12.

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

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024

Time: 10:30 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 (badge not included). Handouts covering the requirements provided. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, email info@worcesterhistory.net or call 413-813-7735 by September 14.

D-J ONE FISH, TWO FISH, RED FISH, BLUE FISH (GR K-5)

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024

Time: 1:00-3:30 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

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

Girl Scouts will learn the basics of fishing including knot tying, tackle, casting, and fish identification. And, of course, fishing! Bring your own gear if you have it and if you don't, we will have equipment available. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with adults. Register through GSCWM by September 12.

D-B OUTDOOR BASICS FOR DAISIES & BROWNIES (GR K-3)

Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Lewis Perkins

Cost: \$10 girl/no charge for adult

Gear up for camping fun by learning and practicing fire-building skills, basic knife safety, and knots. Work in small groups to see which team's fire can burn through a string first, then celebrate by making a s'more over your campfire! Wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes (no Crocs), and make sure long hair is pulled back. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 8.

C-A CSA Paddling on Stiles Reservoir (Gr 6-12)

Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024

Time: 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

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

Join us for an afternoon where you will explore the paddling sports we have to offer at Camp Laurel Wood. We will learn paddling safety and different paddling techniques. We will then go explore Stiles Reservoir on your chosen paddle boat! Open to troops and individual girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 12.

J-C OUTDOOR BASICS FOR JUNIORS & CADETTE (GR 4-8)

Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Lewis Perkins

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

Gear up for camping fun by learning and practicing fire-building skills, basic knife safety, and knots. Work in small groups to see which team's fire can burn through a string first, then celebrate by making a s'more over your campfire! Wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes (no Crocs), and make sure long hair is pulled back. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 8.

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

Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024

Time: 1:35 PM-4:35 PM

Place: Fenway Park

Cost: \$35 per person

Bring your family and friends for a day of fun at Fenway Park as the Boston Red Sox take on the Minnesota Twins! Price of ticket includes entry to the pregame parade and a custom Girl Scout patch for 2024! Contact apolsky@redsox.com with any questions. Root, root, root for the home team! Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families and friends. Orders can be placed at <https://fevo-enterprise.com/GSCWM2024> by September 8.

SEPTEMBER

B FLING FLYER COMBO (GR 2-3)

Date: Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Battleship Cove

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

Learn about aerodynamics and how the science of flight has changed over the last 150 years. Make your own fling flyer and determine if your invention can soar through the skies. Create your own catapult and learn about mechanical engineering. Trial, error, and rebuilding are the key lessons to problem solving and crafting solutions! Both the Craft and Tinker Badge, and the Mechanical Engineering: Fling Flyer Badge, are included. Does not include touring of the ship as this is an afterhours workshop. This is not a drop off event. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register at <https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/battleshipcove/items/482261/availability/1438715351/book/?full-items=yes> by September 11.

C-A FLOWER ARRANGEMENT, ON-DEMAND EVENT (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2024

Time: 12:00 AM-11:59 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

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

Discover how to gather flowers from the outdoors and use them to design beautiful floral arrangements. By completing this virtual workshop, you can earn the following badges: Cadette Outdoor Art Apprentice, Senior Outdoor Art Expert, and Ambassador Outdoor Art Master (badges not included). This is an on-demand, virtual workshop and available to you all day! Open to troops, individual Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.com/shop/product/floral-arrangement-with-syd-nichole> by September 26.

C NATURE JOURNALING- NATURALIST PROGRAM SERIES (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2024

Time: 12:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: No charge to attend

Join us as we track the seasons, observe animals, and make new friends in nature! We are learning about nature via journaling. All art skills and levels welcome. This is a program series and meets on the following dates: 9/28, 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9 and ends on 11/16. When you register, you are registering for the entire series of programming. Open to individual Girl Scouts. Register at naturalistprogram@ecotarium.org by September 14.

B-A NAUTICAL GIRL'S NIGHT OVERNIGHT (GR 2-12)

Date: Sat-Sun, September 28-29, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-9:00 AM

Place: Battleship Cove

Cost: \$75 per girl/\$75 per adult

A visit to Battleship Cove is always special and spending a Girl Scout overnight on board one of the mightiest defenders of freedom is truly an unforgettable experience. You'll be sleeping in authentic sailors' racks, giving you a firsthand feel of what it was like to be a sailor in World War II. Dinner and breakfast is served "chow style" in the original Officers' Wardroom on board USS Massachusetts. You'll partake in a number of activities such as the new "Kilroy IS Here" scavenger hunt, listen to a story teller, see feature films, play the game Battleship aboard a battleship, have a set of your own dog tags made, and much more on this Girl Scout adventure! If this date doesn't work for your troop, other Nautical Adventures are offered for troops and even families. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register at <https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/battleshipcove/items/447201/availability/1420919464/book/?full-items=yes> by September 14.

J ARCHERY FOR JUNIORS (GR 4-5)

Date: Sunday, September 29, 2024

Time: 12:00 PM-1:30 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Girl Scout Juniors, come practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows while learning the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form, and the shot cycle! This session is appropriate for beginners and for Girl Scouts with some experience. Closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 15.

C CADETTE CAMP COMICS (GR 6-8)

Date: Sunday, September 29, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Get inspired by the Camp Green Eyrie landscape and become a comic artist for the day! Dive into the world of comics and create your very own comic or short graphic novel inspired by the natural world. Girl Scouts will earn their Comic Artist badge (included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 15.

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

D SLINGSHOTS FOR DAISIES (GR K-1)

Date: Sunday, September 29, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Daisies, start learning about target sports with slingshots at camp! Slingshots are the first step for Daisies in the Girl Scouts' target sports progression. You will learn the correct stance and practice your aim at the targets. This session is appropriate for beginners and for Girl Scouts with some experience. Sturdy, closed-toed shoes required (no Crocs). Registration is limited to 10 Girl Scouts total so reserve your spot today! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 15.

J BRONZE PATROL (GR 4-5)

Date: Monday, September 30, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by September 19.

C SILVER PATROL (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, September 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 Strive for Silver Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by September 19.

S-A GOLD PATROL (GR 9-12)

Date: Monday, September 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 meet members of the Gold Award Committee. Gold Patrols do not meet the requirement of a Go for Gold Orientation. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by September 19.

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

Date: Tuesday, October 1, 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 Scout who wants to earn their 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 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 Girl Scouts working on their awards. It is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Go for Gold Orientation within one year prior to submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Are YOU ready to take the lead? Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by September 12.

B-A STARS OVER SPRINGFIELD (GR 2-12)

Date: Friday, October 4, 2024

Time: 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Place: Springfield Science Museums

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

STARS Over Springfield is a fun, interactive astronomy night! Each program includes hands-on activities, a short talk and demonstration, planetarium show, and weather-permitting, a chance to look through the rooftop telescope. Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. Register at springfieldmuseums.org by October 2.

OCTOBER

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

Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Place: Zoom

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

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B LETTERBOXING 101 (GR 2-3)

Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Explore Camp Green Eyrie with a treasure hunt by creating and learning about codebreaking, treasure maps, and stamps. Girl Scout Brownies will work toward their Letterboxer Badge in this outdoor program. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with adults. Register through GSCWM by September 26.

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

Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024

Time: 10:30 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 then work on projects that will lead to the Playing the Past Badge (badge not included). Handouts covering the requirements are provided. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, email info@worcesterhistory.net or call 413-813-7735 by September 28.

C-A THE ART OF CHEESEMAKING (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

Cost: \$40 per girl/\$40 per adult if participating*

Older Girl Scouts, explore the art of cheesemaking by making two types of cheese from scratch. Participants make farmers cheese and mozzarella to take home and enjoy! This program fulfills one step in your respective meal badge. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 26.



D SLINGSHOTS FOR DAISIES (GR K-1)

Date: Sunday, October 6, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

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

Daisies, start learning about target sports with slingshots at camp! Slingshots are the first step for Daisies in the Girl Scouts target sports progression. Learn correct stance and practice your aim at the targets. This session is appropriate for beginners and for Girl Scouts with some experience. Sturdy, closed-toed shoes required (no Crocs). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 22.

B ARCHERY FOR BROWNIES (GR 2-3)

Date: Sunday, October 6, 2024

Time: 12:00 PM-1:30 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

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 shoot your arrows and hit your target. This session is appropriate for beginners and Girl Scouts with some experience. Sturdy, closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 22.

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J ARCHERY FOR JUNIORS (GR 4-5)

Date: Sunday, October 6, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM-3:30 PM

Place: Camp Bonnie Brae

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

Juniors, come practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows, learn the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form, and the shot cycle! This session is appropriate for beginners and for Girl Scouts with some experience. Closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 22.

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

Date: Monday, October 7, 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 Scout 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 Gold. Attending an orientation can be the most beneficial thing you do before beginning to work on the award. Leaders, advisors, and care-givers are encouraged to attend to learn how to best support girls working on their awards. It is a requirement for all girls to take a Go for Gold Orientation within one year prior to submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Are YOU ready to take the lead? Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by September 26.

D-A GIRLS' NIGHT OUT-STARS AND SPACE (GR K-12)

Date: Fri-Sat, October 11-12, 2024

Time: 5:15 PM-9:45 AM

Place: EcoTarium

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

Zip around the solar system in the planetarium, explore Mars, and land your own spacecraft on the red planet! Observe the constellations and, weather permitting, take a look through a telescope! Enjoy a Night Journey with other troops from your council. This date doesn't work for you? Schedule your own Night Journey at any time during their Night Journey season. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, call 508-929-2700 or email reservations@ecotarium.org by October 4.

J ARCHERY FOR JUNIORS (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Place: Camp Lewis Perkins

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

Juniors, come practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows, learn the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form, and the shot cycle! This session is appropriate for beginners and for Girl Scouts with some experience. Closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by September 29.

D-B SLINGSHOTS (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, October 12, 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 October 3.

S-A WHERE THE WILD THINGS ART (GR 9-12)

Date: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Time: 12:00 PM-2:00PM

Place: Camp Lewis Perkins

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

Come explore art in the outdoors, capture your surroundings through digital media, and design with nature all while earning your Outdoor Art Expert/Master badge (included)! Let your creative side shine with the sun at beautiful Camp Lewis Perkins and discover your inner outdoor artist. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Girl Scouts are encouraged to bring a camera or smartphone to complete the full requirements for this badge. Register through GSCWM by September 29.

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D-J ONE FISH, TWO FISH, RED FISH, BLUE FISH (GR K-5)

Date: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Time: 1:00-3:30 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Girls will learn the basics of fishing including knot tying, tackle, casting, and fish identification. And, of course, we will be fishing! You can bring your own gear or, if you don't have anything, equipment is available. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with adults. Register through GSCWM by October 3.

A MEET AN ASTRONOMER AT THE ECOTARIUM (GR 11-12)

Date: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:45 PM

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: \$7 per girl/\$7 per adult

Join a local astronomy expert at the EcoTarium and dive into the latest discoveries in the grandest science of them all! Hear from a Worcester-area researcher in the Alden Planetarium discussing their work - everything from Martian water to astrophotography, and from community science to space telescopes. Learn more about our cosmic hometown! Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. To register in advance and to see a list of upcoming speakers, visit <https://ecotarium.org/speaker-series-astronautics/>. Tickets are also sold the day of the event in-person.



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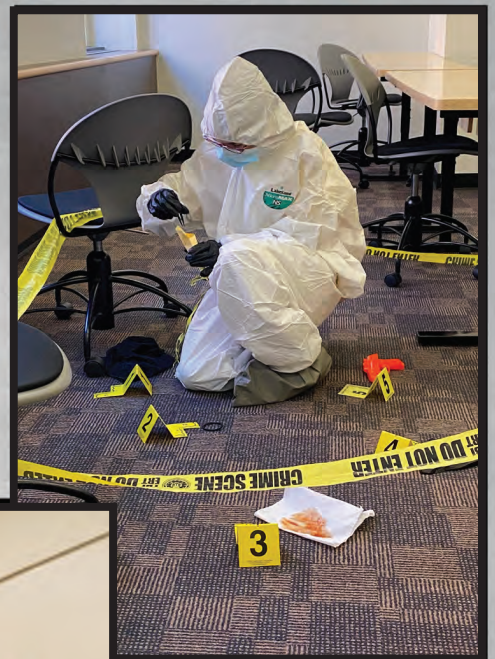
Sunday October 13, 2024
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

\$55 per girl Includes lunch, snacks, a shirt, backpack and exclusive GiG patch! Registration opens August 7.

For Girls in Grades 4-8
Financial assistance is available

10th Annual **GEEK** is **Glam** STEM EXPO

Have you ever wondered, "How does that work" or thought, "I could build that!" Explore, experience and experiment, not for a grade, but for fun! Experience hands-on opportunities in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). Discover how you can make a difference in the world.



Interactive Workshops

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*Additional workshops are added on a need-be basis within the first couple of weeks of registration; workshop selections cannot be changed.



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Date: Sunday, October 13, 2024

Time: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Place: Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Cost: \$55 per girl/girl-only event

This is definitely an experience you won't want to miss. It's our 10th Geek IS Glam STEM Expo! Explore and experiment, not for a grade but for fun! Embrace YOUR possibility! Become a real innovator exploring opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). Empower yourself to change, create, collaborate and contribute; and discover how YOU can make a real difference in the world. Hands-on exhibits, crazy inventions, interactive workshops, and demonstrations are all part of this fun-packed day! Snacks, a college dining hall lunch experience, t-shirt, backpack, and patch are all included. Don't wait to register, this event WILL fill fast and so will the most popular workshops. So, what's YOUR gig? *Adult volunteers are needed to help make this day a success. All adult volunteers must be registered, CORI'd, and understand they will not be with their girls. Please take a moment to sign up to be a volunteer at <https://forms.office.com/r/szP3e2ypeg>. The first 35 volunteers will also receive a GIG t-shirt.

J SPOOKY DETECTIVE (GR 4-5)

Date: Sunday, October 13, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

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

Girl Scout Juniors, let's work together to solve a spooky mystery! During this live virtual workshop, Girl Scouts will team up with Ms. Hannah to solve a suspicious event. You'll review fingerprint evidence, crack a code, and solve the case! But... BEWARE OF PLOT TWISTS! You'll earn your Detective Badge (badge is not included). Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.come/shop/product/spooky-detective-workshop-j> by October 11.

S*-A VOLUNTEER-IN-TRAINING, WORCESTER LEADERSHIP CENTER (GR 10*-12)

Date: Monday, October 14, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Discover and develop your talents in mentoring and leading younger girls! 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 a confident, effective leader 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! Open to individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 3.



C FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 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 an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and lastly you will be given various self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Journey: aMaze! (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 3.

C HAZING (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

This presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Good Sportsmanship Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 3.

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J DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHER (GR 4-5)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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) and 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 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 the live zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by October 13.

C OUTDOOR ART APPRENTICE (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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 Apprentice 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 the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by October 13.

B OUTDOOR ART CREATOR (GR 2-3)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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 the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by October 13.

S OUTDOOR ART EXPERT (GR 9-10)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

Cost: \$10 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 the live Zoom? This program is also offered on-demand, with a self-paced recording. Open to troops and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/digital-photography-classes/> by October 13.

J OUTDOOR ART EXPLORER (GR 4-5)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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

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A PHOTOGRAPHER (GR 11-12)

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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

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C STRIVE FOR SILVER (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, October 16, 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 orientation 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 volunteers 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by October 10.

C STRIVE FOR SILVER (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, October 17, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Zoom

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

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B ARCHERY FOR BROWNIES (GR 2-3)

Date: Saturday, October 19, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

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

Girl Scout Brownies, come learn archery basics and take your first shot! Learn the correct stance and form to shoot your arrows and hit your target. This session is appropriate for beginners and for girls with some experience. Sturdy, closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs). Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 5.

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

Date: Saturday, October 19, 2024

Time: 10:30 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 (badge not included). Handouts covering the requirements will be provided. If your troop cannot make this date, contact us and we can set up an alternate date. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, email info@worchesterhistory.net or call 413-813-7735 by October 12.



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J ARCHERY FOR JUNIORS (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, October 19, 2024

Time: 12:00 PM-1:30 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

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

Girl Scout Juniors, come practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows, learning the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form, and the shot cycle! This session is appropriate for beginners and for Girl Scouts with some experience. Closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs). Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 5.

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

Date: Saturday, October 19, 2024

Time: 3:00 PM-4:30 PM

Place: Earth & Aerial Yoga

Cost: \$45 per girl/\$45 per adult

This is an exclusive Girl Scout event! Build awareness, flexibility, strength, and mobility, all while reducing stress and tension, and learning about practical ways to 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 exclusively offered to Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts. Come earn a custom fun patch! Troop leaders and parents are welcome to join in on the fun. There is a maximum of 14 participants. Cost includes the use of studio silk. 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 another date. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register at <https://share.fitdegree.com/?share=65b3ed3688f8d> by October 12.

D-B OUTDOOR BASICS FOR DAISIES & BROWNIES (GR K-3)

Date: Sunday, October 20, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Get ready for outdoor adventures! Learn basic knife safety, simple knots, and several fire-building techniques. Once you have your fire going, roast a marshmallow and make a s'more. Wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes (no Crocs) and make sure long hair is pulled back. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 6.



J-C OUTDOOR BASICS FOR JUNIORS & CADETTES (GR 4-8)

Date: Sunday, October 20, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie

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

Gear up for camping fun by learning and practicing firebuilding skills, basic knife safety, and knots. Work in small groups to see which team's fire can burn through a string first, then celebrate by making a s'more over your campfire. Wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes (no Crocs), and make sure long hair is pulled back. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 6.

D-A GIRL SCOUTS ROLLER SKATING PARTY (GR K-12)

Date: Sunday, October 20, 2024

Time: 4:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: InterSkate 91 South

Cost: \$7 per girl/free admission and skate rental for adults*

Join the fun as we celebrate Juliette Gordon Low's birthday! There'll be face painting, colored hair spray, party games, and of course, roller skating! *Skate rental additional, if needed. Get 10 game tokens, PlayQuest, and a drink for an additional \$6. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register at 413-543-3991 x109, or email info@interskate91.com. Advance registration is not required, but encouraged.

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J-C FIRST NATIONAL GIRL SCOUT BANK SERIES (GR 4-8)

Date: Sun, Oct 20-Nov 10, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

Cost: \$50 per girl/girl-only event

Junior and Cadette Girl Scouts are invited to serve on the Board of Directors of First National Girl Scout Bank. Working together virtually, you'll create a virtual community and work together to run the bank. As members of the Directorate, you will also learn how to run a business successfully over this four-week badge series. Juniors will earn the My Money Plan and Digital Leadership Badges (not included). Cadettes will earn the My Money Habits and Digital Leadership Badges (not included). You need to attend all four workshops to meet the requirements on October 20, October 27, November 3, and November 10.

Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.com/shop/product/first-national-girl-scout-bank-j-c> by October 18.

and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Senior First Aid (grades 9-10) and Coaching (grades 11-12) Badges (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 10.



S-A FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 9-12)

Date: Tuesday, October 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 an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and lastly you will be given various self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Mission: Sisterhood! Journey (grades 9-10), and Your Voice, Your World (grades 11-12) Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 10.

J PADDLE BOAT COMBO (GR 4-5)

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Battleship Cove

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

Join us at Battleship Cove as we paddle our way to perfection. Take a journey back in time to the days of the Old Fall River Line as we talk about the luxury passenger lines that carried people to and from Boston before there were any cars. You'll create your own paddle boat to test and modify. Like the competition to build the fastest paddleboat one hundred years ago, you will be racing your boats. Both the Craft and Tinker Badge, and the Mechanical Engineering: Paddle Boat Badge, are included. This does not include touring of the ship as this is an afterhours workshop. This is not a drop off event. Badges are included! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register at <https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/battleshipcove/items/482261/availability/1438715352/book/?full-items=yes> by October 9.

S-A HAZING (GR 9-12)

Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

This presentation includes defining hazing and covers the various forms of hazing. You'll learn about the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target

OCTOBER

D-A HALLOWEEN CANDLELIGHT TOUR AT SALISBURY MANSION (GR K-12)

Date: Thursday, October 24, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

Join us in celebrating Halloween by candlelight in Worcester's only Historic House Museum. Come see what it was like to live in a house two hundred years ago when nights were lit only by candle light. After a tour of the Mansion, we will finish with a reading of Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, call 413-813-7735 or email info@worcesterhistory.org by October 17.

ADULTS BRONZE AWARD ORIENTATION (ADULTS)

Date: Thursday, October 24, 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 Girl Scouts 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 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. Register through GSCWM by October 17.

D-A HALLOWEEN CANDLELIGHT TOUR AT SALISBURY MANSION (GR K-12)

Date: Friday, October 25, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

Join us in celebrating Halloween by candlelight in Worcester's only Historic House Museum. Come see what it was like to live in a house two hundred years ago when nights were lit only by candle light. After of a tour of the Mansion, we will finish with a reading of Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, call 413-813-7735 or email info@worcesterhistory.org by October 18.

B BROWNIE BADGE BONANZA (GR 2-3)

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Place: Camp Laurel Wood

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

Spend the day at Camp Laurel Wood and learn how math isn't just an "indoor activity." Math is all around us! You will earn all 3 of your math-in-nature badges! (badges included). We will break in the middle of the day for lunch (not provided). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 16.

B-C AVIATION ADVENTURES GIRL SCOUT WORKSHOP (GR 2-8)

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Place: New England Air Museum

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

Spend the day learning all 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 the museum! This program fulfills all of the requirements of the Brownie Fling Flyer Design Badge and some of the STEM Career Badge requirements (badges not included). Workshops fill quickly! Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Visit www.neam.org for registration and additional information by October 5.

C MAKERZONE: MYSTERY MAKER CHALLENGE (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Holyoke 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. Open to individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 10.

OCTOBER

D-B MAKERZONE: TINKERFEST (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM-3:30 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Do you love to build, play, and create? Test your tinkerer'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 at TinkerFest! Badges are included. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 10.

D-A HALLOWEEN CANDLELIGHT TOUR AT SALISBURY MANSION (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

Join us in celebrating Halloween by candlelight in Worcester's only Historic House Museum. Come and see what it was like to live in a house two hundred years ago when nights were lit only by candle light. After of a tour of the Mansion, we will finish with a reading of Legend of Sleepy Hollow. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, call 413813-7735 or email info@worcesterhistory.org by October 19.

J BRONZE PATROL (GR 4-5)

Date: Wednesday, October 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by October 24.

C SILVER PATROL (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, October 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by October 24.

S-A GOLD PATROL (GR 9-12)

Date: Wednesday, October 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 Girl Scouts 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 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by October 24..



NOVEMBER

B-A STARS OVER SPRINGFIELD (GR 2-12)

Date: Friday, November 1, 2024

Time: 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Place: Springfield Science Museums

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

STARS Over Springfield is a fun, interactive astronomy night! Each program includes hands-on activities, a short talk and demonstration, planetarium show, and weather-permitting, a chance to look through the rooftop telescope. Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. Register at springfieldmuseums.org by October 30.

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

Date: Fri-Sat, Nov 1-2, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:30 AM

Place: Mystic Aquarium

Cost: \$115 per girl/\$115 per adult

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 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 receive a patch and free admission to the Aquarium for the following morning. Eat dinner prior to arriving, dinner is not provided. Limited space, register early! Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register at <https://www.mysticaaquarium.org/learn/children-and-families/overnight-programs/> by October 18.

D-B TEDDY BEAR CLINIC (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, November 2, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Did you know even the youngest Girl Scouts can learn to perform first aid? During this program, we will build simple first aid kits and learn how to perform basic first aid on our cuddly friends. An American Red Cross First Aid trainer will help us learn how to take care of our friends safely! Open to troops and individual girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 24.

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

Date: Saturday, November 2, 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 Scout who wants to earn their 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. It is a requirement for all girls to have taken a Go for Gold Orientation within one year prior to submitting a Gold Award Proposal. Are YOU ready to take the lead? Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by October 24

J CRAFT & TINKER WITH FABRIC (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, November 2, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Sew what? A pillow, scrunchy, or keychain... that's what! Learn about the different tools used for sewing, the different uses of materials, and choose one of these projects to learn to sew your very own masterpiece while working on some of the requirements for the NEW Craft and Tinker Maker Badge. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 24.

B-A GIRL SCOUT GLOW IN THE PARK NIGHT CLIMB (GR 2-12)

Date: Saturday, November 2, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-11:00 PM

Place: Boundless Adventures

Cost: \$55 per girl/\$55 per adult**

Spend an evening in the treetops with your Girl Scout troop, family, friends, and fellow Girl Scout enthusiasts! Current Girl Scouts receive a special Girl Scout fun patch as part of the event. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Sign up at <https://boundlessadventures.net/ma-park/night-climbing/>. There is no deadline to register but tickets purchased the same day are \$61 per person.

NOVEMBER

B BROWNIES...START YOUR ENGINES! (GR 2-3)

Date: Sunday, November 3, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Have a need for speed? Design and build your very own race car! Learn about the design of fast cars and racetracks, the concept of “fair tests” and recording results. Put your knowledge to the test with a racecar race! Girls will earn their Mechanical Engineering: Race Car Design Challenge Badge (included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 20.

D-B FURRY FRIENDS (GR K-3)

Date: Sunday, November 3, 2024

Time: 3:30 PM-4:30 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

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

Daisy and Brownie Girls Scouts (and their furry friends) join us on Zoom for this badge event. Girl Scouts and their pets will explore the connection between humans and animals. The group will learn about animal habitats and how animals help people! Girl Scouts will also be asked to show off their pet and talk about how to care for pets. Daisies will earn their Animal Observer Badge (not included) and Brownies will earn their Pets Badge (not included). Open to troops, individual girls with an adult, and families. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.com/shop/product/furry-friends-workshop-2> by November 1.



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:

Daises | 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, November 4, 2024, 6:00-6:30 PM

Thursday, November 14, 2024, 6:00-6:30 PM

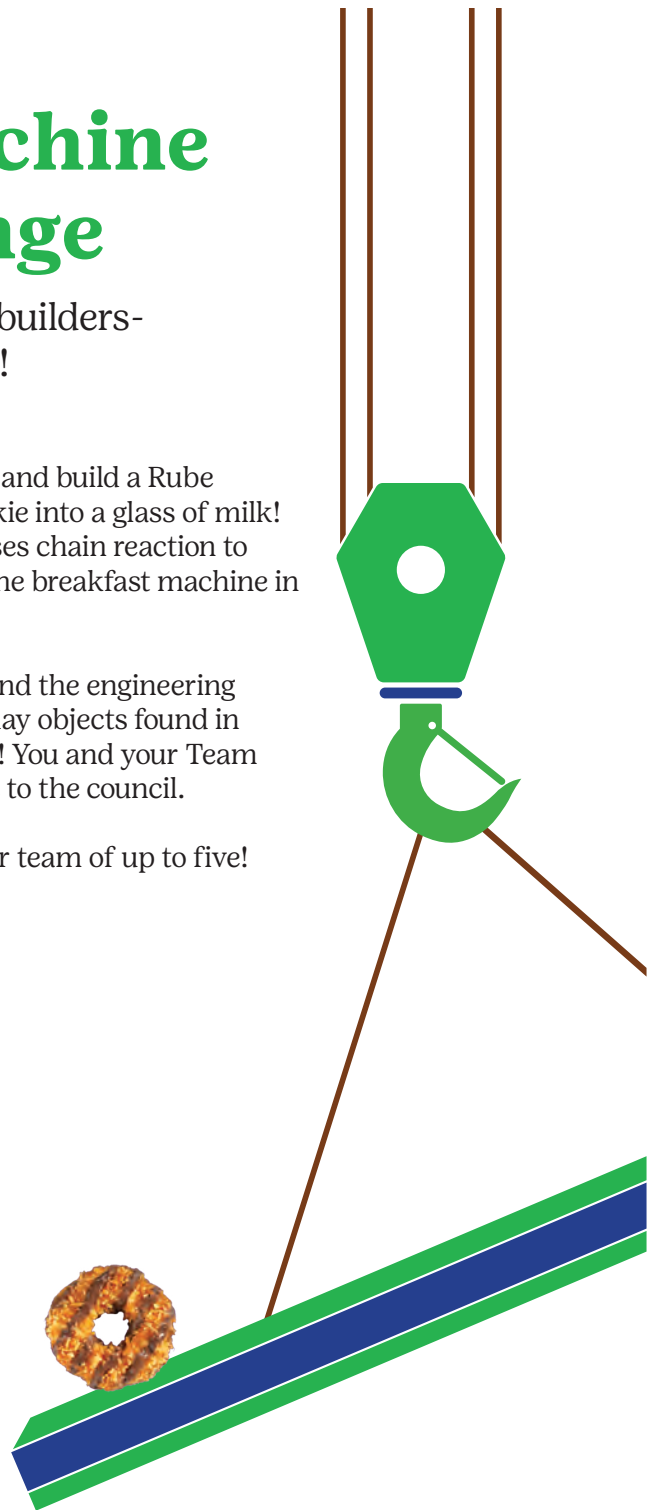
Wednesday, December 11, 2024, 6:00-6:30 PM

Tuesday, January 21, 2025, 6:00-6:30 PM

Teams must register to participate
in the Challenge by February 1, 2025

**Deadline to submit your Team's video to
TBreen@gscwm.org is February 21, 2025**

Winner announced at our Rube
Challenge Reveal: Wednesday, March 12, 2025



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NOVEMBER

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

Date: Monday, November 4, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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 reactions 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. 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! Attending an information session is not required to participate, but will answer all of your questions. Teams must register to participate in the Rube Goldberg Machine Cookie Dip Challenge by February 1 to participate in the challenge. All video submissions will be due at the end of National Engineering Week, February 21. Winners will be announced at a council-wide Zoom Celebration on the Girl Scout Birthday, March 12. We'll even share last year's winning team videos with you! Open to troops, individual girls, and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 28.

J BRONZE AWARD WORKSHOP (GR 4-5)

Date: Wednesday, November 6, 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 Girl Scout Junior 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 and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 1.

C STRIVE FOR SILVER (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, November 7, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout is no easy feat, and this orientation 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 volunteers and parents are strongly encouraged to join. You will have plenty of opportunity to ask your questions, learn 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by October 31.



C STRIVE FOR SILVER (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, November 9, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Becoming a Silver Award Girl Scout is no easy feat, and this orientation 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 volunteers and parents are strongly encouraged to join. You will have plenty of opportunity to ask your questions, learn 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by October 31.

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J BRONZE AWARD WORKSHOP (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, November 9, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Holyoke 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 Girl Scout Junior 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 and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 1.

A MEET AN ASTRONOMER AT THE ECOTARIUM (GR 11-12)

Date: Saturday, November 9, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:45 PM

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: \$7 per girl/\$7 per adult

Join a local astronomy expert at the EcoTarium and dive into the latest discoveries in the grandest science of them all! Hear from a Worcester-area researcher in the Alden Planetarium discussing their work - everything from Martian water to astrophotography, and from community science to space telescopes. Learn more about our cosmic hometown! Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. To register in advance and to see a list of upcoming speakers, visit <https://ecotarium.org/speaker-series-astronautics/>. Tickets are also sold the day of the event in-person.

C LEADER IN ACTION AWARD (LIA) TRAINING (GR 6-8)

Date: Saturday, November 9, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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 Girl Scout Brownies on their journey activities; 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. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by November 1.

C MAKERZONE: MYSTERY MAKER CHALLENGE (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, November 11, 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. Open to individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by November 1.

C LEADER IN ACTION AWARD (LIA) TRAINING (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, November 11, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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 Girl Scout Brownies on their Journey activities; 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. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by November 1.



NOVEMBER

C FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 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 an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and lastly you will be given various self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friendships, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Journey: aMaze! (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by October 31.

C HAZING (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

This presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Good Sportsmanship Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 31.

D COURAGEOUS AND STRONG (GR K-1)

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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

When you've earned your Tula Petal (not included), you'll know how to be courageous and strong, just like Tula the Tulip. During this virtual course we'll focus on fun yoga poses and dances that make us courageous and strong. You'll make your own superhero cuffs and wear them during our yoga class! Open to troops and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/daisy-courageousandstrong/> by November 10.

B MY BEST SELF (GR 2-3)

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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

My best self is healthy and happy! Join our certified yoga instructor 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. In this virtual workshop we'll focus on getting to know your body, eating and playing in a healthy way, you'll find out how your body works, and learn what to do if something bugs you. You will earn your My Best Self Badge (not included). Open to troops and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/brownies-my-best-self/> by November 10.

C SCIENCE OF HAPPINESS (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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 during this virtual workshop. Find out how scientists measure happiness and put their results into action. When you have finished earning your Science of Happiness Badge (not included), 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. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/cadettes-science-of-happiness/> by November 10.

J STAY FIT (GR 4-5)

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc., Virtual

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

Kid's yoga classes are a wonderful way to increase your coordination, self-awareness, confidence, and self-esteem while you stretch and strengthen your body. By using yoga, you'll learn to relax, concentrate, and be gentle in a fun and creative environment. In this virtual workshop, we'll learn beginner yoga poses, ways to stress less, and how to include the whole family in your fitness journey. You'll even earn your Stay Fit Badge (not included)! Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/juniors-stay-fit/> by November 10.

NOVEMBER

S-A FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, November 14, 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 an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and you will be given various self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Mission: Sisterhood! Journey (grades 9-10), and Your Voice, Your World (grades 11-12) Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 31.

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

Date: Thursday, November 14, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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. 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 to receive medals, and their photos displayed in our Leadership Centers for a year! Attending an information session is not required to participate but will answer all of your questions. Teams must register to participate in the Rube Goldberg Machine Cookie Dip Challenge by February 1 to participate in the challenge. All video submissions will be due at the end of National Engineering Week, February 21. Winners will be announced at a council-wide Zoom Celebration on the Girl Scout Birthday, March 12. We'll even share last year's winning team videos with you! Open to troops, individual girls, and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 7.

S-A HAZING (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, November 14, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

This presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn about the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Senior First Aid (grades 9-10) and Coaching (grades 11-12) Badges (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual Girl Scouts. Register through GSCWM by October 31.

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

Date: Saturday, November 16, 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 Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by October 31.

D-B TEDDY BEAR CLINIC (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, November 16, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Did you know even the youngest Girl Scouts can learn to perform first aid? During this program, we will build simple first aid kits and learn how to perform basic first aid on our cuddly friends. An American Red Cross First Aid trainer will help us learn how to take care of our friends safely! Open to troops and individual girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 7.

NOVEMBER

J CRAFT & TINKER WITH FABRIC (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, November 16, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Sew what? A pillow, scrunchy, or keychain... that's what! Learn about the different tools used for sewing, the different uses of materials, and choose one of these projects to learn to sew your very own masterpiece while working on some of the requirements for the NEW Craft and Tinker Maker Badge. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 7.



B-J GLITTER CALMING JAR (GR 2-5)

Date: Sunday, November 17, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

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

Create glitter calming jars with Ms. Hannah during this live virtual workshop. You'll learn how to relax during times of stress, discover helpful tips to deal with anxiety, and create a product to solve a problem. Glitter calming jars are a solution Girl Scouts can turn to when feeling stressed, tired, or sad. You'll earn your Create and Innovate Badge (not included). Open to troops, individual girls with an adult, and families. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.com/shop/product/glittercalming-jar-b> by November 15.

C CADETTE SPACE SCIENCE RESEARCHER (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Battleship Cove

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

Join us at Battleship Cove as we study one of the fastest things in the universe, light. Light travels for millions of miles, which we use to trace shapes in the night sky, or it can melt our ice cream. You'll learn that there is more to light than meets the eye and gain a deeper understanding of the light we use every

day. Additionally, you will learn how your eyes work in low light and how to protect our skies from light pollution. The Space Science Researcher Badge is included. This does not include touring of the ship as this is an afterhours workshop. This is not a drop off event. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register at <https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/battleshipcove/items/482261/availability/1438715353/book/?full-items=yes> by November 6.

ADULTS BRONZE AWARD ORIENTATION (ADULTS)

Date: Wednesday, November 20, 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 Girl Scouts to earning it. We'll review the national requirements step-by-step, go over timelines, processes, and paperwork, and have plenty of time for questions. Arm yourself with the tools and knowledge you'll need to lead Girl Scout 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. Register through GSCWM by November 14.

J DETECTIVE SAMOA (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, November 23, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Learn to make and decode clues, find fingerprints, and solve riddles! You will put your skills to the test with an "Escape from the MakerZone" escape room and earn your detective badge (included)! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 9.



NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

D TOY DESIGN LAB (GR K-1)

Date: Sunday, November 24, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Design a whole new, never-before-seen toy! Whether it is a funky design for a stuffed animal, an out-of-this-world instrument, or a mechanical toy with moving parts, bring your imagination to the page. Share your idea with a partner and learn about giving and receiving constructive feedback, improve your design, and then pitch your idea to the whole group! Girl Scouts will earn their Toy Business Designer Badge (included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 10.

J BRONZE PATROL (GR 4-5)

Date: Tuesday, November 26, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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? 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by November 21.

C SILVER PATROL (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, November 26, 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 Girl Scouts 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, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by November 21.



S-A GOLD PATROL (GR 9-12)

Date: Tuesday, November 26, 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 Girl Scouts 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 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, Girl Scouts with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by November 21.

B-A STARS OVER SPRINGFIELD (GR 2-12)

Date: Friday, December 6, 2024

Time: 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Place: Springfield Science Museums

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

STARS Over Springfield is a fun, interactive astronomy night! Each program includes hands-on activities, a short talk and demonstration, planetarium show, and weather-permitting, a chance to look through the rooftop telescope. Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. Register at springfieldmuseums.org by December 4.

D-A A CHRISTMAS CAROL TOUR (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

See the Salisbury Mansion during their Home for the Holidays season! Each room is decorated with festive Christmas décor, which allows you to imagine what Christmastime might have looked like in 19th-century New England. After your tour, you will read Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, call 413-813-7735 or email info@worchesterhistory.org by December 1.

DECEMBER

D-A PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD CELEBRATION (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

Cost: No charge to attend

GSCWM proudly honors our President's Volunteer Service Award recipients with a council celebration! PVSA recipients will be contacted directly with details, but anyone can help us recognize these outstanding Girl Scouts and adults. WANTED: a local Girl Scout troop to facilitate the celebration's opening and closing flag ceremony.

Find further information about the PVSA and how YOU can earn this prestigious award on our website at <https://www.gscwm.org/en/about-girl-scouts/our-program/leadershipawards.html>. Open to troops, girls with an adult, individual girls, and adults. RSVP by emailing Tammy at Tbreen@gscwm.org by November 30.

D-B MAKERZONE: GINGERBREAD STEM CHALLENGE (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM-3:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Help our Gingerbread Girl Scout get back home safe and sound! Makers have the power to help others-and Gingerbread Girl Scouts needs YOU to help her get across the dangerous river! Hands-on fun in our MakerZone will help you earn your NEW Maker Create and Innovate Badge (included). Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 21.

D-A COOKIE RALLY WITH THE SPRINGFIELD THUNDERBIRDS (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Mass Mutual Center

Cost: TBD/TBD

It's Girl Scout Cookie time and you're invited to participate in the ultimate Cookie Rally! This activity-packed party combines learning and fun to kick off cookie season the right way. Following the Cookie Rally, join Boomer and the Springfield Thunderbirds for an action-packed hockey game, followed by a post-game skate (bring your own skates) during which Girl Scouts and their families can spend time together

skating or sitting back and relaxing in the stands while enjoying a movie on the jumbotron! We've pulled out all the stops to put together a magical celebration that helps Girl Scouts build skills, set goals, and drive sales. Package options available include: Game Only Ticket (pricing is being finalized (see website for updates). Doors open at 6:00 PM for Game Only tickets; Cookie Kickoff Ticket- which includes Cookie Rally, Cookie Kickoff Patch, game ticket, food voucher to be used during the game, exclusive T-birds Girl Scout Patch, and a post-game skate/movie on the jumbotron. Doors open at 3:30pm for Cookie Kickoff Tickets.

Register with the Springfield Thunderbirds by calling Lauren Blanchard 413-739-GOAL. Open to troops, families, and girls with an adult. Register directly with the Springfield Thunderbirds by December 1.

C FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, December 9, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Learn 10 signs of what an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and you'll be given self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Journey: aMaze! (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by December 3.

C HAZING (GR 6-8)

Date: Monday, December 9, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

This presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Good Sportsmanship Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by December 3.

DECEMBER

B BUDDING ENTREPRENEUR (GR 2-3)

Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc. , Virtual

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

Everyone has million-dollar ideas, but people rarely act on them. Sometimes, all you need is an out-of-the-world thought, some great marketing skills, and someone to believe in you to bring that idea to life. We will learn how to bring a business concept to reality and the one thing every successful entrepreneur has in common. Join Pam, founder of Vine Images, INC., as she walks you through real-life experiences and techniques used to become an entrepreneur. Submit your business pitch to Vine Images for review after your course. We will create a Boutique Store that sells bath bombs, creating your very own brand, and learning how to pitch your idea. A list of what you'll need is in the link. This program requires you to complete Step 1 before Zoom, and Step 3 after our Zoom. We'll cover all the Budding Entrepreneur Badge requirements in this roughly 60-minute live program (badges are not included). Does this date not work for you? This program is also offered on-demand, in a self-paced recording. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/entrepreneurship/> by December 8.

C BUSINESS CREATOR (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc. , Virtual

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

Everyone has million-dollar ideas, but people rarely act on those thoughts. Sometimes, all you need is an out-of-the-world thought, some great marketing skills, and someone to believe in you to bring that idea to life. We will learn how to bring a business concept to reality and the one thing every successful entrepreneur has in common. Join Pam, founder of Vine Images, INC., as she walks you through real-life experiences and techniques used to become an entrepreneur. Submit your business pitch to Vine Images for review after your course. We will create a Boutique Store that sells bath bombs, creating your very own brand, and learning how to pitch your idea. A list of what you'll need is in the link. This program requires you to complete Step 1 before Zoom, and Step 3 after our Zoom. We'll cover all the Business Creator Badge requirements in this roughly 60-minute live program (badges are not included). Does this date not work for you? This program is also offered on-demand, in a self-paced recording. Open to troops and individual Girl Scouts. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/entrepreneurship/> by December 8.

J BUSINESS JUMPSTART (GR 4-5)

Business Jumpstart (Gr 4-5)

Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Vine Images, Inc. , Virtual

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

Everyone has million-dollar ideas, but people rarely act them. Sometimes, all you need is an out-of-the-world thought, some great marketing skills, and someone to believe in you to bring that idea to life. We will learn how to bring a business concept to reality and the one thing every successful entrepreneur has in common. Join Pam, founder of Vine Images, INC., as she walks you through real-life experiences and techniques used to become an entrepreneur. Submit your business pitch to Vine Images for review after your course. We will create a Boutique Store that sells bath bombs, creating your very own brand, and learning how to pitch your idea. A list of what you'll need is in the link. This program requires you to complete Step 1 before Zoom, and Step 3 after our Zoom. We'll cover all the Business Jumpstart Badge requirements in this roughly 60-minute live program (badges are not included). Does this date not work for you? This program is also offered on-demand, in a self-paced recording. Open to troops and individual girls. Register at <https://www.vineimages.org/product/entrepreneurship/> by December 8.



DECEMBER

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

Date: Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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. 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 to receive medals, and their photos displayed in our Leadership Centers for a year! Attending an information session is not required to participate but will answer all of your questions. Teams must register to participate in the Rube Goldberg Machine Cookie Dip Challenge by February 1 to participate in the challenge. All video submissions will be due at the end of National Engineering Week, February 21. Winners will be announced at a council-wide Zoom Celebration on the Girl Scout Birthday, March 12. We'll even share last year's winning team videos with you! Open to troops, individual girls, and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by December 4.

S-A FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, December 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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S-A HAZING (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, December 12, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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This presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn about the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Senior First Aid (grades 9-10) and Coaching (grades 11-12) Badges (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by December 5.

D-B MAKERZONE: GINGERBREAD STEM CHALLENGE (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

Help our Gingerbread Girl Scout get back home safe and sound! Makers have the power to help others - and Gingerbread Girl Scout needs YOU to help her get across the dangerous river! Hands-on fun in our MakerZone will help you earn your NEW Maker Create and Innovate Badge (included). Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by November 21.

D-A A CHRISTMAS CAROL TOUR (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

See the Salisbury Mansion during their Home for the Holidays season! Each room is decorated with festive Christmas décor, which allows you to imagine what Christmastime might have looked like in 19th-century New England. After your tour, you will read Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, call 413-813-7735 or email info@worcesterhistory.org by December 7.

DECEMBER

J MAKERZONE: DESERT SURVIVAL CHALLENGE (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM-3:30 PM

Place: Holyoke Leadership Center

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

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). Open to individual girls. Register through GSCWM by November 21.

A MEET AN ASTRONOMER AT THE ECOTARIUM (GR 11-12)

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:45 PM

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: \$7 per girl/\$7 per adult

Join a local astronomy expert at the EcoTarium and dive into the latest discoveries in the grandest science of them all! Hear from a Worcester-area researcher in the Alden Planetarium discussing their work - everything from Martian water to astrophotography, and from community science to space telescopes. Learn more about our cosmic hometown! Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. To register in advance and to see a list of upcoming speakers, visit <https://ecotarium.org/speaker-series-astrophysics/>. Tickets are also sold the day of the event in-person.

J BRONZE PATROL (GR 4-5)

Date: Friday, December 20, 2024

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by December 12.

C SILVER PATROL (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, December 20, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by December 12.

S-A GOLD PATROL (GR 9-12)

Date: Friday, December 20, 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 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, Girl Scouts with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by December 12.

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Date: Saturday, December 21, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

See the Salisbury Mansion during their Home for the Holidays season! Each room is decorated with festive Christmas décor, which allows you to imagine what Christmastime might have looked like in 19th-century New England. After your tour, you will read Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, call 413-813-7735 or email info@worchesterhistory.org by December 14.

DECEMBER-JANUARY

J-C MONEYVILLE HOLI-DAY CAMP (GR 4-8)

Date: Friday, December 27, 2024

Time: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

Cost: \$100 per girl/no charge for non-participating adults

Join our Moneyville team for three workshops, each lasting one hour and earn three badges. Events include: Healthy Habits for 2025, Vision Board Design, and New Years Eve Mask Creation. Supplies will be mailed prior to the event. Girl Scout Juniors will earn the My Money Plan, Staying Fit, and Art and Design Badges (included). Cadettes will earn Eating for You, My Money Habits, and Science of Happiness Badges (included). This is a virtual event. Open to troops, individual girls with an adult, and families. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.com/shop/product/moneyville-holi-day-camp> by December 10.

D-A A CHRISTMAS CAROL TOUR (GR K-12)

Date: Saturday, December 28, 2024

Time: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

See the Salisbury Mansion during their Home for the Holidays season! Each room is decorated with festive Christmas décor, which allows you to imagine what Christmastime might have looked like in 19th-century New England. After your tour, you will read Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol. Open to troops and Girl Scouts with an adult. To register, call 413-813-7735 or email info@worchesterhistory.org by December 21.

C STRIVE FOR SILVER (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, January 3, 2025

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 orientation 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 volunteers and parents are strongly encouraged to join us. You will have plenty of opportunity to ask 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, Girl Scouts with an adult, individual Girl Scouts, and adults. Register through GSCWM by December 23.

B-A STARS OVER SPRINGFIELD (GR 2-12)

Date: Friday, January 3, 2025

Time: 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Place: Springfield Science Museums

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

STARS Over Springfield is a fun, interactive astronomy night! Each program includes hands-on activities, a short talk and demonstration, planetarium show, and weather-permitting, a chance to look through the rooftop telescope. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Register at springfieldmuseums.org by January 1.

J MAKERZONE: DESERT SURVIVAL CHALLENGE (GR 4-5)

Date: Saturday, January 4, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

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). Open to individual girls. Register through GSCWM by December 19.



D-B MAKERZONE: TINKERFEST (GR K-3)

Date: Saturday, January 4, 2025

Time: 1:30 PM-3:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Do you love to build, play, and create? Test your tinkerer'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 at TinkerFest! Badges are included. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCCWM by December 19. Do you love to build, play, and create? Test your tinkerer'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 at TinkerFest! Badges are included. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCCWM by December 19.

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

Date: Monday, January 6, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

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

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ADULTS BRONZE AWARD ORIENTATION (ADULTS)

Date: Tuesday, January 7, 2025

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 Girl Scouts 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 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. Register through GSCWM by January 2.

C-A COOKIE DROP- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (GR 6-12)

Date: Saturday, January 11, 2025

Time: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM

Place: Locations Vary

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 Leominster area, 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. If you have questions, please contact Tammy at TBreen@gscwm.org. Open to troops, individual girls, girls with an adult, and families. Please let us know you'll be joining us at <https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/3FuaL6iHZsfY00> by January 4.

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

Date: Saturday, January 11, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Zoom

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

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S-A* DESIGN A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY-NATURALIST PROGRAM SERIES (GR 9-11*)

Date: Saturday, January 11, 2025

Time: 12:00 PM-4:00 PM

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: No charge to attend

How do we balance human need and enjoyment with the health of its ecosystems? You decide! Concepts explored include the urban ecology, design choice, possibility, and imagination. This is a series and meets on: 1/11, 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 3/1, 3/15, and ends on 3/22. When you register for this series, you are registering for the entire series of programming. Open to individual Girl Scouts. Register at [naturalistprogram@ecotarium.org](https://ecotarium.org) by December 28.

A MEET AN ASTRONOMER AT THE ECOTARIUM (GR 11-12)

Date: Saturday, January 11, 2025

Time: 5:00 PM-5:45 PM

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: \$7 per girl/\$7 per adult

Join a local astronomy expert at the EcoTarium and dive into the latest discoveries in the grandest science of them all! Hear from a Worcester-area researcher in the Alden Planetarium discussing their work - everything from Martian water to astrophotography, and from community science to space telescopes. Learn more about our cosmic hometown! Open to troops, Girl Scouts with an adult, and families. To register in advance and to see a list of upcoming speakers, visit <https://ecotarium.org/speaker-series-astrophysics/>. Tickets are also sold the day of the event in-person.

C FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Learn 10 signs of what an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and lastly you will be given various self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Journey: aMaze! (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by January 2.

C HAZING (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

This presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Good Sportsmanship Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by January 2.

C SHORT STORY CHARACTER BOARDS-COMIC AND CHARACTER ILLUSTRATIONS (GR 6-8)

Date: Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Time: 5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Place: VicTreeFi's Moneyville, Virtual

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

Cadette Girl Scouts, earn the Comic Artist Badge (badge not included) with us virtually! Girl Scout artists will create a short story in comic style. You'll create three to four image windows using the elements of character, imagery, and text. Open to troops, individual girls with an adult, and families. Register at <https://gsmoneyville.com/shop/product/comic-and-character-illustrations> by January 13.



JANUARY

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

Date: Tuesday, January 21, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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. 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! Attending an information session is not required to participate but will answer all of your questions. Teams must register to participate in the Rube Goldberg Machine Cookie Dip Challenge by February 1 to participate in the challenge. All video submissions will be due at the end of National Engineering Week, February 21. Winners will be announced at a council-wide Zoom Celebration on the Girl Scout Birthday, March 12. We'll even share last year's winning team videos with you! Open to troops, individual girls, and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWM by January 14.

S-A FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, January 23, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

Learn 10 signs of what an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and lastly you will be given self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Mission: Sisterhood! Journey (grades 9-10), and Your Voice, Your World (grades 11-12) Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by January 9.

S-A HAZING (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, January 23, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM-7:30 PM

Place: Worcester Leadership Center

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

This presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn about the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Senior First Aid (grades 9-10) and Coaching (grades 11-12) Badges (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. Register through GSCWM by January 9.

J BRONZE PATROL (GR 4-5)

Date: Thursday, January 30, 2025

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, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 23.

C SILVER PATROL (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, January 30, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by January 23.

JANUARY-FEBRUARY

S-A GOLD PATROL (GR 9-12)

Date: Thursday, January 30, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM-6:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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

Date: Monday, February 3, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Place: Zoom

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ADULTS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ORIENTATION (ADULTS)

Date: Tuesday, February 5, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: Adult only event/no charge to attend

Camp fosters lifelong learning, and appreciation for the outdoors, and helps build the next generation of 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 February 1.

B-A STARS OVER SPRINGFIELD (GR 2-12)

Date: Friday, February 7, 2025

Time: 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Place: Springfield Science Museums

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

STARS Over Springfield is a fun, interactive astronomy night! Each program includes hands-on activities, a short talk and demonstration, planetarium show, and weather-permitting, a chance to look through the rooftop telescope. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Register at springfieldmuseums.org by February 5.

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

Date: Saturday, February 8, 2025

Time: 10:30 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 (badge not included). Handouts covering the requirements provided. If your troop cannot make this date, contact them to set up an alternate date. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, email info@worchesterhistory.net or call 413-813-7735 by February 1.



FEBRUARY

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D-A GIRLS' NIGHT OUT- CRIMES, CODES, AND CLUES (GR K-12)

Date: Sat-Sun, February 8-9, 2025

Time: 5:15 PM-9:45 AM

Place: EcoTarium

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

Crimes, Codes, and Clues is a night of plot twists and intrigue! Solve an animal-centered mystery using logic, fingerprints, DNA, and codes. Enjoy a Night Journey with other troops from your council. This date doesn't work for you? Schedule your own Night Journey at any time during our Night Journey season. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, call 508-929-2700 or email reservations@ecotarium.org by February 1.

J JUNIOR DETECTIVE AND PLAYING THE PAST COMBO (GR 4-5)

Date: Monday, February 17, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM-4:30 PM

Place: Battleship Cove

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

Join us at Battleship Cove as we combine the past and sleuthing into one workshop! Girl Scouts will learn about the fundamentals of becoming a detective and solve the "crime" that has taken place on the Battleship. But before you can solve the mystery, you must become one with the time period and transform yourselves into detectives from the 1940s! Both the Playing the Past Badge, and the Detective Badge, are included. This does not include touring of the ship as this is an after-hours workshop. This is not a drop-off event. Badges are included! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register at <https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/battleshipcove/items/482261/availability/1438715430/book/?full-items=yes> by February 3.

C STRIVE FOR SILVER (GR 6-8)

Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2025

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 orientation 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 volunteers 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, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 6.



S*-A VOLUNTEER-IN-TRAINING (GR 10-12)

Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2025

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! 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! Open to individual girls. Register through GSCWM by February 6.

FEBRUARY

C STRIVE FOR SILVER (GR 6-8)

Date: Thursday, February 20, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM-2:30 PM

Place: Zoom

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

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

Date: Saturday, February 22, 2025

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 they 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 Tammy at tbreen@gscwm.org to request information. Open to troops and girls with an adult. Register through GSCWSM by February 6.



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Date: Saturday, February 22, 2025

Time: 10:30 AM-12:00 PM

Place: Salisbury Mansion

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

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J BRONZE PATROL (GR 4-5)

Date: Friday, February 28, 2025

Time: 5:00 PM-5:30 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 20.

C SILVER PATROL (GR 6-8)

Date: Friday, February 28, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM-6:00 PM

Place: Zoom

Cost: No charge to attend

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FEBRUARY

S-A GOLD PATROL (GR 9-12)

Date: Friday, February 28, 2025

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 Girl Scouts 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, individual girls, and adults. Register through GSCWM by February 20.



TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Spring 2025- Explore Puerto Rico

Summer 2025 -Costa Rica-Land of the Tropics

Summer 2026 -Japan- Land of the Rising Sun &

Greece-Adventure of a Lifetime

Summer 2027 -Capitals of the British Isles

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

Schedule Your Own programs are terrific resources for Girl Scout troops and Juliettes, as well as families, offering a wide array of opportunities to help you Embrace Possibility, all on YOUR own schedule! The following Community Partners offer programming that can be scheduled to meet the needs, individual interests, and availability of you or the troop. 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
- Submit the “Activity and Travel Form” (also found at gscwm.org) before your activity
- Find additional program resources for troops and families at gscwm.org/SYOfree.html
- Don’t forget to thank our Community Partners for supporting Girl Scouts!

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

Place: Jersey Shore Girl Scouts

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

On the first of each month, 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 the past women are 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>.



D-J ART AND DESIGN (GR K-5)

Place: Historic Deerfield

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

Get inspired by different kinds of art on a visit to Historic Deerfield while working on part of your Art and Design badges! Explore how elements of design are used in art through Historic Deerfield's collection, learn about different materials and styles, and make an art project together! Activities in this program can be adapted for different badge levels (badge not included). Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.historic-deerfield.org/programs/girl-scout-badge-days> or email mbodansky@historic-deerfield for more information and to schedule your group.

B ART AND NATURE (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 per girl/1 adult/5 girls free**

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 needed 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 ART AND NATURE (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 per girl/1 adult/5 girls free**

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 neb.org/scout-programs. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls needed 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: \$16 per girl/1 adult/5 girls free

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 needed 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: \$16 per girl/1 adult/5 girls free**

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 needed 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, VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: 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 WPIAPO students did more than just pivot! The members, along with outside organizations, created short STEM related videos to help Girl Scouts work on their badges at home or during their troop meetings. From learning how to make alien friends as part of the Space Science Explorer Badge, to designing robotics games, to 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 uploaded on a regular basis! Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIXbLrHZcoLXJF6hilerXjA> -videos are added regularly!

C-A BE RED CROSS READY, ON YOUR OWN (GR 6-12)

Place: Red Cross

Cost: No charge to attend

The Red Cross is an organization that helps people during emergencies. But you may not know that it's also part of their mission to help you help yourself! Becoming "Red Cross Ready" for an emergency means following simple steps in advance to ensure you can weather a crisis safely and comfortably. Being prepared may not prevent a disaster, but it will give you confidence to meet the challenge. It's as easy as 1-2-3! Getting prepared may sound difficult or time consuming but - with a little help from the Red Cross - it's actually very doable. Find all the information and resources you'll need to make a Survival Kit, to Make a Plan, Be Informed, learn Hands-Only CPR, and more! Do this all on your own time, or together with your troop. Open to troops, individual girls, girls with an adult, and families. Visit <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies.html> for information and resources.

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 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, they 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.



SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

C BOOK ARTS (GR 6-8)

Place: Historic Deerfield

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

Explore how books are made by visiting a printing press and taking a closer look into books at Historic Deerfield! Learn about bookmaking techniques and decorations as you work on your Book Artist Badge. Get creative in making and decorating your own book and bring it with you to write in at home. Badges are not included. Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.historic-deerfield.org/programs/girl-scout-badge-days> or email mbodansky@historic-deerfield for more information and to schedule your group.



J BOTANIC ILLUSTRATION (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 per girl/1 adult/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 needed 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 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. 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.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A BUILD YOUR OWN SCIENCE MUSEUM FIELD TRIP (GR K-12)

Place: Springfield Museums

Cost: \$16.60 per girl/\$25 per adult**

Orbit the moon in the planetarium or get up close to a ball python! Let us know what badge you're working on and our friendly staff will help customize a program just for your troop. Visit the science exhibits and learn more about your world and beyond. Topics include space and astronomy, animals, environmentalism, dinosaurs, and more! *Groups of 10 or more the cost is \$10 per girl and \$15 per adult. Open to troops. For customized experiences email jpowers@springfieldmuseums.org at least two weeks in advance. After-hours programs may be available for an additional fee.

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. 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-A CABOT PATCH PROGRAMS, VIRTUAL (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

Our Character Does Matter program can be individualized and flexed to a particular troop's needs and grades. Join them for a virtual program, including guided talks about character strengths like gratitude, kindness, teamwork, and perseverance. They'll have leadership lessons, panels, and Q&A as well. For younger girls, they'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.



SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

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

Place: Claytime

Cost: Price varies by activity

Pottery painting (including licensed Girl Scout shapes) clay building, glass fusing, and canvas painting fun geared to your troop! They offer many ways to participate in programming and to earn badges: In-studio events, off site, 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 events, whether in person or virtually, a Claytime staff will be on hand to lead your troop through the activity. Projects can be geared to meet badge requirements. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To register, call the 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. 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.

J COOKIE CEO, VIRTUAL (GR 4-5)

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! Open to troops and girls with an adult. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming. out to Hope at hope.rudzinski@state.ma.us to schedule.

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! 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B ECO HEROES (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 per girl/1 adult/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 needed 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: \$16 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 their 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 needed 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 ECO HEROES (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 needed 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 ECOTARIUM TRAVELING PROGRAMS, YOUR LOCATION (GR K-12)

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: \$300 for one 45-minute session plus \$1 per mile travel fee

Can't make it to the EcoTarium? No problem! We'll bring animals, engineering, and other exciting experiences to you. Programs are available for large or small groups, from assemblies to workshops. Go beyond the science you know from school by getting up close and making discoveries yourselves. Visit their website for a complete list of available programs and recommended age ranges for each at: <https://ecotarium.org/school-and-group-programs/>. Open to troops only. Contact reservations@ecotarium.org or call (508)929-2703.

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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-A ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERIENCES AND OUTDOOR EDUCATION (GR K-12)

Place: Mount Grace

If you are interested in exploring the outdoors, Mount Grace can offer nature-focused programming that can also help you earn your Girl Scout badges and Journeys. Options include hiking, outdoor skills (fire starting, shelter building, campfire cooking, edible plants, compass use, etc.), nature art and nature journaling, letterboxing and geocaching, canoeing and kayaking with Adventure East,

and activities focused on specific topics like trees, tracking, animal habitats, pond life, and more. Open to troops and girls with an adult.

Contact May Grzybowski at grzybowski@mountgrace.org today!

D FANTASTIC FLOWERS (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 per girl/1 adult per 5 girls free**

Explore the 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 needed 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 FINANCIAL PLANNER, VIRTUAL (GR 11-12)

Place: SPARK Business Academy

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

In the Financial Planner VIRTUAL workshop, 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. 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, 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

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, 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. 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/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 needed 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. 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!

C FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: Zoom

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

Learn the 10 signs of what an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. Learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and you will be given various self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This virtual presentation will meet some of the requirements toward your Journey: aMaze! (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. To schedule a virtual presentation, please contact Hope at hope.rudzinski@mass.gov at least one month prior.

S-A FRIENDSHIP & BOUNDARIES, VIRTUAL (GR 9-12)

Place: Zoom

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

Learn the 10 signs of what an unhealthy and healthy friendship looks like. You'll learn how to resolve escalated conflict, communicate boundaries, how to help a friend who is in an unhealthy friendship, identify who your trusted adult is, how to navigate an unhealthy friendship that ends, and lastly you will be given various self-care tips. This program teaches the importance of creating healthy relationships with friends, as well as teaching tips to help you know if you or anyone you know is in an unhealthy friendship. This in-person program will meet some of the requirements toward your Mission: Sisterhood! Journey (grades 9-10), and Your Voice, Your World (grades 11-12) Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. To schedule a virtual presentation, please contact Hope at hope.rudzinski@mass.gov at least one month prior.

B*-A FUSED GLASS WORKSHOP (GR 2*-12)

Place: Worcester Center for Crafts

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

Layer pieces of flat glass and heat them in a kiln until they melt together in one piece, a process that is also known as fusing. Create your own colorful fused glass sun catchers. There will be plenty of design templates and ideas, or bring your own! Your work will be available for pick-up a few days later after firing. Please wear natural fibers (cotton, linen, wool, etc.) and closed-toe shoes. A minimum of 6 participants are needed to book a program. *Program is suitable for ages 8 and up. You can apply what you learn and do toward your level's new Maker Badges (not included). Open to troops, individual girls with an adult, and families. Email tsakai@worcester.edu to schedule your workshop 4-6 weeks in advance of your desired date.

D-A GALAXIES ON THE GO, YOUR LOCATION (GR K-12)

Place: Springfield Museums

*Cost: Pricing begins at \$150 per group**

Our knowledgeable planetarium instructor will arrive at your location and set up an inflatable dome, and then you're on your way across the Milky Way! This is an indoor-only program that requires a large space. You can work on your level astronomy badges (not included). *Cost may increase depending on group size. Open to troops and service units. To schedule your Galaxies on the Go program, contact kkopchynski@springfieldmuseums.org

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

B GARDEN SENSES (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 needed 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 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 needed 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.

D-A GIRL SCOUT RANGER PROGRAM, LOCATIONS VARY

Place: National Parks

Cost: No charge to attend

The National Park Service and Girl Scouts of the United States of America have partnered to create the Girl Scout Ranger Program. Girl Scouts are invited to participate in a variety of existing, organized educational or service projects at national park sites, or design their own experience or project to align with Journey work, badge activities, or a Take Action or Highest Award project. Girls can participate in the Girl Scout Ranger Program through a troop, event, travel, or camp experience. Upon completion of the program, Girl Scouts will be awarded a certificate and/or patch. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. Visit: <https://bit.ly/3Wi8SmM> for more information.

D-A GIRL SCOUTS IN THE PLANETARIUM (GR K-12)

Place: Springfield Museums

*Cost: \$250 per group**

You can book your troop or service unit for an evening program in the updated planetarium! Fly through our universe to learn more about our night sky or book a sing-along under the stars! Each program is fully customizable for your group. *Pricing based on group size of up to 76 people. Open to troops and service units. Please contact jpowers@springfieldmuseums.org no less than two weeks in advance; scheduling based on availability.

B GIRL SCOUTS MAGIC WORKSHOP, VIRTUAL (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: \$16 per girl/1 adult/5 girls free**

Explore the 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 needed 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

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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

B-J GOOD SKIN KNOWLEDGE, VIRTUAL OR UMASS MEDICAL SCHOOL CAMPUS (GR 2-5)

Place: UMass Medical School Dermatology Interest Group or Virtual

Cost: No charge

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-A GOOD SKIN KNOWLEDGE, VIRTUAL OR UMASS MEDICAL SCHOOL CAMPUS (GR 6-8)

Place: UMass Medical School Dermatology Interest Group or Virtual

Cost: No charge

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.

D-A GROUP PROGRAMS AT THE ECOTARIUM (GR K-12)

Place: EcoTarium

Cost: \$8 plus museum admission per girl/adults museum admission only

Add a special bonus to your troop's EcoTarium visit with a group program. Between personalized planetarium trips, animal encounters, and other electrifying experiments, your troop will blow past what you've learned in school with science that you can see and feel for yourselves! Open to troops only. Visit their website at <https://ecotarium.org/school-and-group-programs/> for a complete list of available programs and recommended age ranges for each. sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

J HABITREK (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 favorite conservatory plants. *Additional chaperones pay the group admission rate; a minimum of 8 girls needed 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 in Lunenburg

Cost: No charge

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. Open to troops only. Reach out to Brittany with any questions and to register at brittany.wujek@hannaford.com 4-6 weeks prior to when you would like to visit.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

C HAZING, VIRTUAL (GR 6-8)

Place: Zoom

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

This virtual presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This virtual program will meet some of the requirements toward your Good Sportsmanship Badge (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls. To schedule a virtual presentation, please contact Hope at hope.rudzinski@mass.gov at least one month prior.

S-A HAZING, VIRTUAL (GR 9-12)

Place: Zoom

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

This virtual presentation includes defining hazing and covering the various forms of hazing. You'll learn about the current statistics of hazing, how to report and identify who your trusted adult would be, and how to recognize the signs. District Attorney Early's Office will also provide tips on how to recognize and resolve these situations as both the target and as a bystander, as well as learning the Anti-Hazing Law. This virtual program will meet some of the requirements toward your Senior First Aid (grades 9-10) and Coaching (grades 11-12) Badges (not included). Open to troops, girls with an adult, and individual girls.

To schedule a virtual presentation, please contact Hope at hope.rudzinski@mass.gov at least one month prior.

A HEALING PEOPLE, CHANGING LIVES FUN PATCH, ON YOUR OWN (GR 11-12)

Place: On Your Own

*Cost: \$3.50 per girl**

Through service, Girl Scouts aim to help people at all times. So why not find a career that combines your love of service with something else you enjoy? Whether interested in working with athletes, children, actors on Broadway, the elderly, in pelvic health or in the hospital, the opportunities are endless in the career of Physical Therapy! Become familiar with the profession of Physical Therapy and discover what it takes to become a Physical Therapist or Physical Therapy Assistant. When you order this patch, a free copy of the Fun Patch Program Guide will be sent to your email with the steps on how you and your troop can earn this fun patch! Explore the Magic of Motion is a Lifetime Girl Scout owned business! Open to troops, individual girls, and girls with an adult. Visit <https://www.magicofmotion.org/girlscouts> for more information.

S HEALING THROUGH MOTION FUN PATCH, ON YOUR OWN (GR 9-10)

Place: On Your Own

*Cost: \$3.50 per girl**

Imagine a world where you could not do anything by yourself. Things like walking, dancing at a party with friends or even going to the kitchen would be hard! Physical Therapy is a profession that improves a person's ability to move on their own. Learn how Physical Therapy helps treat various medical conditions that may affect you or your friends and family. Discover how some skills therapists learn can be used in your life. Take what you've learned and find a way to promote good health through physical activity to people in your community. When you order this patch, a free copy of the Fun Patch Program Guide will be sent to your email with the steps on how you and your troop can earn this fun patch! Explore the Magic of Motion is a Lifetime Girl Scout owned business! Open to troops, individual girls, and girls with an adult. Visit <https://www.magicofmotion.org/girlscouts> for more information.

B-J* HEALTHY TEAMS FUN PATCH, ON YOUR OWN (GR 3-5)

Place: On Your Own

*Cost: \$3.50 per girl**

Healthy teams communicate well, compromise, support one another and respect differences. Since life is full of teams, it is important to learn the skills necessary to work well as a team member. Learn teamwork skills while becoming familiar with the teams in your body and healthcare groups that take care of you! When you order this patch, a free copy of the Fun Patch Program Guide will be sent to your email with the steps on how you and your troop can earn this fun patch! Explore the Magic of Motion is a Lifetime Girl Scout owned business! Learn more about her at [magicofmotion.org](https://www.magicofmotion.org). *This program is geared for grades 3-5. Open to troops, individual girls, and girls with an adult. Visit <https://www.magicofmotion.org/girlscouts> for more information.

J-S HEARTH COOKING (GR 4-10)

Place: Historic Deerfield

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

See how cooking was done in an historic kitchen at Historic Deerfield! Using a historic recipe, make some delicious food with an experienced cook on an open hearth. After cooking, learn about the ingredients, where they come from, and how recipes like the one you'll use have changed over time. A copy of the recipe will be included to make and taste later! This program covers parts of the New Cuisines, Locavore, and Simple Meals Badges (not included). Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.historic-deerfield.org/programs/girl-scout-badge-days> or email mbodansky@historic-deerfield for more information and to schedule your group.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A HIKE AT CUTTHROAT BROOK TREE FARM (GR K-12)

Place: Cutthroat Brook Tree Farm, Athol

Our trails are made with kids in mind, from short .5-mile trails to 5 plus mile trails. Our trails have gnome fixtures, an educational trail loop, and storybrook trails during the summer. On the property, you can hike for 1-3 hours, exploring the forest and brook. You can picnic and play games in the fields, or do crafting and nature journaling outside. You can even include a trip over to Harvard Forest's Fisher Museum, which is only a 4-minute drive. Visit <https://www.mountgrace.org/visit/conserved/cutthroat-brook-tree-farm> for more information.

B-A HORSE PROGRAMS (GR 2-12)

Place: Whip-O-Will Stables

Cost: Cost varies by program

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.

B INCREDIBLE INSECTS (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 needed 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.

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. 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 Girl Scout Brownies 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-A LEGO DROP-IN (GR K-12)

Place: Holyoke and Worcester Leadership Centers

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

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 MakerZone spaces offer plenty of creative space for your troop to enjoy our never-ending supply of LEGOs for your never-ending fun! Along with LEGO builds, our Leadership Centers also have LEGO Challenge cards and building ideas for your use. Open to troops only. To reserve a LEGO Drop-In for your troop, contact info@gscwm.org for availability.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

C MAGIC OF MOTION FUN PATCH, ON YOUR OWN (GR 6-8)

Place: On Your Own

*Cost: \$3.50 per girl**

Being physically active isn't just for athletes, it's for everyone! Exercise is important to your body's health. Like any machine if you don't use it, the parts get rusty. Choosing to exercise will help you sleep better, stress less and keep your body healthy and strong. Find out how activity helps your body and learn how to incorporate exercise in your life. When you order this patch, a free copy of the Fun Patch Program Guide will be sent to your email with the steps on how you and your troop can earn this fun patch! Explore the Magic of Motion is a Lifetime Girl Scout owned business! Open to troops, individual girls, and girls with an adult. Visit <https://www.magicofmotion.org/girlscouts> for more information.



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, YOUR LOCATION (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 krstrand7@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.

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

Place: Mohawk Trail State Forest

Cost: Varies by program

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 Park Interpreter, and I cordially invite you to use our unique and beautiful property, whether joining up with one of our regularly scheduled hikes and programming, or organizing a special visit to earn your woodsiest badges. We've had Girl Scouts visit many times, particularly for State Park Day, and I'm excited to revive that 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming. 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. 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

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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. 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. 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. 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

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. 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. 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. 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

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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. 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

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, girls with an adult, 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-A NIGHT JOURNEY (GR K-12)

Place: EcoTarium

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

Explore the EcoTarium after hours. Our Night Journeys are a perfect way for troops and families to see what happens when the lights go out and the exhibits and animals settle in for the night. You'll experience one of four themes designed to encourage science learning and instill an appreciation for the natural world. If your group does not meet the 35 guest minimum, you are encouraged to join other groups on a date that already has participants. Register at least one month before the date of the Night Journey. Open to troops, girls with an adult, and families. To register, call 508-929-2700 or email reservations@ecotarium.org.

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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D-A OPERATION VALENTINE, VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: Rett Syndrome Angels

Cost: No charge

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 the 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.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

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. 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: \$16 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 needed to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

J PLAYING THE PAST (GR 4-5)

Place: Historic Deerfield

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

Visit Historic Deerfield for your Playing the Past Badge, and explore the lives of girls who lived at Deerfield in the 1700s. As part of earning the badge you can wear old fashioned clothes, write with a quill pen in a one-room schoolhouse, visit our historic kitchen, and more! Badges are not included in the program. Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.historic-deerfield.org/programs/girl-scout-badge-days> or email mbodansky@historic-deerfield.org for more information and to schedule your group.

B PLAYING WITH POTTERY (GR 2-3)

Place: Historic Deerfield

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

Visit Historic Deerfield to learn all about clay and make your own piece of pottery to take home! Explore examples of pottery in our collection and learn about the materials, tools, and methods used by potters in the past and today. Then, try your hand at making a clay pot and think of how to decorate it. Use what you learn to put toward earning one of the new Maker Badges (not included). Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.historic-deerfield.org/programs/girl-scout-badge-days> or email mbodansky@historic-deerfield.org for more information and to schedule your group.

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

Place: Your Location

Cost: No charge to attend

Follow a fun penguin named Pedro and his friends as they prepare for, and take actions to help them during emergencies and hazards. You'll learn how to stay safe during emergencies, ways to prevent and stay safe during a home fire, and gain confidence in your ability to be prepared with hands-on activities. You'll even receive a fun emergency preparedness item to take home. *Program is geared for grades K-2. Open to troops and families. To learn more about the program or to schedule a presentation, please contact Luca at luca.calvani@redcross.org.

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 (GR K-3)

Place: Rock Fossil Dinosaur Shop

Cost: 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 and families. Contact us at 413-665-ROCK to schedule your program and visit!

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

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 about how people prepared food, worked, and how they spent their free time. Open to troops and girls with an adult. For more information, contact info@worcesterhistory.org or visit <http://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.

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. 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. 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 at goclawski@msn.com or 781-249-9587 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 scientists 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

B-J SPREAD KINDNESS, YOUR LOCATION (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.

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

Place: Earth & Aerial Yoga

Cost: \$45 per girl/\$45 per adult

Build awareness, flexibility, strength, and mobility, all while reducing stress and tension, and learning about practical ways you can maintain your health and wellbeing. Flow through a series of guided aerial yoga poses and transitions, characterized by mindful movement. Come earn a custom fun patch! Troop leaders and parents are welcome to join in on the fun. There is a maximum of 14 participants. Cost includes the use of studio silk. Call 978-257-0075 or email info@earthandaerialyoga.com to schedule your own program. Open to troops and girls with an adult. To schedule your own program, call 978-257-0075 or email info@earthandaerialyoga.com.

D-A TAILORED WORKSHOPS AT THE STORY BARN (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 and storytelling workshops, working with a published author, process art in nature, other badge work and even leader/volunteer retreats. Events offered live on our seven-acre property or virtually via Zoom. 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 and girls with an adult. To explore a customized event for your troop, call 860-763-0330 or email info@friedab.com 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

C TERRIFIC TREES (GR 6-8)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 needed to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

S TEXTILE ARTIST (GR 9-10)

Place: Historic Deerfield

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

Dive into textile arts on a visit to Historic Deerfield and experience difference steps of creating cloth and making your own sewing project. While you're here see examples in at the museum, learn to use a loom, and make your own sewing kit to take home. Badges are not included in program. Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.historic-deerfield.org/programs/girl-scout-badge-days> or email mbodansky@historic-deerfield.org for more information and to schedule your group.

B-J* THE PILLOWCASE PROJECT, YOUR LOCATION (GR 3-5)

Place: Red Cross

Cost: No charge to attend

Learn how to stay safe during emergencies, ways to prevent and stay safe during a home fire, how to manage stress during an emergency, and gain confidence in your ability to be prepared for emergencies through hands-on activities. You'll use your knowledge to act as advocates for emergency preparedness and discuss the role science plays in emergency preparedness. You'll go home with a fun emergency preparedness item too! *This program is geared for grades 3-5. Open to troops and families. To learn more about the program or to schedule a presentation, please contact Luca at luca.calvani@redcross.org.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A THEATRE AND IMPROV BADGE WORK, YOUR LOCATION OR VIRTUAL (GR K-12)

Place: Drama Out of the Box

Cost: Pricing varies

Drama Out of the Box offers both in-person and virtual workshops, with special pricing for Girl Scouts! I come to you, so no travel forms required. Plan a fun drama, improv, or mindfulness experience tailored specifically to the needs of your troop. We can also work on a badge, like Playing in the Past, or create an end of year troop skit. Fun and laughs guaranteed. Unleash your inner artist and create outside the box! Open to troops only. Contact Drama Out of the Box to set up a visit at mcdramaenrichment@gmail.com or www.dramaoutofthebox.com.

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. 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. Contact Sophie Kee at sophie.kee@sparkbusinessacademy.com to schedule programming.

D TRAIL DETECTIVES (GR K-1)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 needed to run the program. Open to troops

only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

B TRAIL DETECTIVES (GR 2-3)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 needed to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.org at least two weeks prior to desired date.

J TRAIL DETECTIVES (GR 4-5)

Place: New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill

*Cost: \$16 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 needed to run the program. Open to troops only. To schedule your program, email youtheducation@nebg.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.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A VIRTUAL FARM TOURS, VIRTUAL (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.

J VISION BOARD WORKSHOP, YOUR LOCATION (GR 4-5)

Place: Bala Bends

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

Ring in the new year 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, markers, photos, quotes, affirmations, stickers, etc. 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 VOLUNTEER AT MOUNT GRACE! (GR K-12)

Place: Mount Grace

Are you working on your Girl Scout Community Service Bar or the President's Volunteer Service Award? Maybe you love the outdoors and would like to work on your Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award in it! There are many opportunities for you to help your local Land Trust! You can help us keep our trails clear so everyone can enjoy them. You can remove invasive plants to help our native plants flourish. You can become a citizen scientist and join us for birding or observing plants and animals. You can help keep our kiosks and benches looking good. Or you can talk with us to find another way you can match your passions with our needs. Contact May

Grzybowski at grzybowski@mountgrace.org today!

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

Place: Worcester Art Museum

Cost: Prices vary on activity

We welcome all K-12 Girl Scout visitors! We invite you to book your guided visit led by museum docents or a self-guided visit, which allows you to lead your own group through the Museum. Combine your tour with an Art Studio Workshop or an Arms and Armor Presentation-or both! Programs are conducted for groups of 10 or more Girl Scouts. Reservations must be made at least three weeks in advance for guided tours, demos, and art workshops. We can help with many of your badges! Call our Group Tour Coordinator at 508-793-4338 for more information. Open to troops only. To schedule programs visit <https://www.worcesterart.org/visit/group-visits/camp-youth/> or book your guided tour at group tours@worcesterart.org.

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

Place: Worcester Historical Mansion

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

Interact, explore and discover history in a creative and imaginative new way! Open to troops and girls with an adult. For more information, contact info@worcesterhistory.net or visit www.worcesterhistory.org.

D-A WORCESTER SUSTAINABILITY COMMUNITY ROOM (GR K-12)

Place: Worcester Sustainability Hub

Cost: No charge to attend

Our community room offers a meeting place for local organizations to utilize. It's also a space we use for interactive learning on our in-person tours. In the community room we have a flat screen TV and audio bar for presentations, a conference phone, and a phone charging station along with tables and seating. Book a tour and book the room after to complete your badge requirements. Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.nationalgridus.com/worcester-sustainability-hub/> to reserve the community room.

SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

D-A WORCESTER SUSTAINABILITY HUB TOURS (GR K-12)

Place: Worcester Sustainability Hub

Cost: No charge to attend

Our in-person tour takes groups through a 45 minute to 1 hour walk through of our Sustainability Hub. The Hub is laid out like a house, showcasing how consumers can reduce their energy use through smart grid technologies, smart meters, and Energy Star certified appliances. During the tour, groups will learn how these technologies work, hear a little background information about electricity, and discover other easy tips to reduce energy usage and live a more sustainable lifestyle. We also discuss renewable energy, such as the solar panels we installed on the Hub's roof, and the benefits of electric vehicles. Each tour concludes with a Q&A session where we answer any questions our guests have about sustainability, energy, or any of the other material covered on the tour. Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.nationalgridus.com/worcester-sustainability-hub/> to book your program, reserve the community room, or take a tour.

D-A WORCESTER SUSTAINABILITY HUB VIRTUAL PRESENTATIONS (GR K-12)

Place: Worcester Sustainability Hub

Cost: No charge to attend

Our virtual presentations can be tailored to your group's interests and therefore vary quite a bit. We've given presentations focusing on everything from climate change to food systems. Generally, we give a bit of background about what we typically do at the Hub before discussing many of the same topics covered in our in-person tours such as renewable energy, ways to reduce your energy usage, and electric vehicles. If this service is of interest, we would love to hear from you. We're always eager to collaborate to make our virtual presentations fit the unique needs of each group we work with and can tailor a badge program. Open to troops only. Visit <https://www.nationalgridus.com/worcester-sustainability-hub/> to book your program, reserve the community room, or take a tour.

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 krstrand7@gmail.com or 617-899-2661.2661.



SCHEDULE YOUR OWN

Gage Museum at Camp Laurel Wood

The Gage Museum exists to preserve memorabilia related to Girl Scouting so that it may be available for present and future users. Our Legacy Council information is also included.

With these materials, we offer exhibits and historical program activities to help foster a sense of belonging to the Girl Scout organization from the present day to its founding in 1912.

Browse the exhibits and displays of unique Girl Scout memorabilia and archival library at the Gage Center at Camp Laurel Wood. Get a sense of how Girl Scouts has changed in the century since its founding. Guided tours and vintage uniform try-on sessions are available by advance reservation. There is no charge for museum tours, and they can be tailored to your group's interest or badge work. If you are interested, please email: info@gscwm.org to schedule your visit.

The museum has a large collection of research materials including books, clippings, and photos as well as other Girl Scout memorabilia. Some items may be available for use in the museum, and some are available for loan. Copies of some materials may be made for use with your troop or in a display for your town.

Museum tours are **FREE** of charge and may take between one-two hours. Reservations are required. You may purchase Museum Patches by preorder for a nominal fee when your tour is booked.

Historic uniforms may be rented for activities such as parades, fashion shows, theater productions, or World Thinking Day. Three weeks' notice required. For rental uniform information contact: info@gscwm.org.

Volunteers operate our museum! We encourage you to consider being part of our team. Troops are invited to contact us about making a display and individual adults of every age are needed and appreciated. Can you assist with typing, record keeping or putting a display in place? Perhaps you'd like to help lead tours of our collection? Short-term and continuing helpers are needed! To volunteer or learn more, contact: info@gscwm.org.

Virtual Program Opportunities

We work with great Community Partners, many of which have gone the extra mile by offering virtual content and programming to girls and families. Use this content to supplement the badge work you are doing, learn a new skill, or to go places and do things you've only dreamed of. The possibilities are endless! You can find additional Community Partner virtual program opportunities on our website at <https://www.gscwm.org/en/events/virtual-opportunities.html>.

What else can you find there? Our Community Partners are 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 let's work together! If you worked with a 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. Let's Embrace Possibility together!

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 Girl Scouts is a big deal! For programs that GSCWM produces and runs, GSCWM staff and registered volunteers are responsible for supervising girls. For events where GSCWM collaborates 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 to 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: 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 and verified CORI check submitted at least two weeks prior to the event, program, or meeting on file with us if they are:

- Driving girls (other than their own child)
- Counted in the girl to adult ratio
- Actively participating in the event
- Attending an overnight event
- Responsible for a Girl Scout that is not their 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 become a member! 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 staff at 508-365-0115 or 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 Community 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.

Go to: www.gscwm.org/events.html.

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.

Payment is due in full at the time of registration. Online registration must be paid with a credit/debit card.

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.

Complete the form on the following page. List all girl and adult participants by the name used on their membership registration. 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

Payment is due in full at the time of registration. Payment can be made via credit card, check, cash, gift card, or cookie credits. You will receive an email confirmation that your registration was processed.

Cancellation Policy

For programs that are run by Community Partners, refund policies vary. Check with the partner before registering if you would like information about their refund policy.

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.

Program & Event Registration Form

Event Name: _____ Event Date: _____

Event Location: _____

Primary Contact Person (first and last name - must be an adult):

Full Name: _____ Troop/Group # (if applicable): _____

Address (street, city, state, zip): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Names of ALL Attendees

First & Last Name (no nicknames)	Grade/Adult	Registered Girl Scout?*
_____	_____	Yes No
_____	_____	Yes No
_____	_____	Yes No
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_____	_____	Yes No

Payment Information

Total # of Girls Attending _____

Cost per girl x \$ _____

Total girl cost = \$ _____

Total # of Adults Attending _____

Cost per adult x \$ _____

Total adult cost = \$ _____

Total # of New G.S. Members Attending _____

Cost per new member x \$35/girl or \$25/adult

Total new member fees = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE = \$ _____

Payment Type ☐ Cash

☐ Check/Money Order ☐ Credit/Debit Card

☐ Cookie Credits ☐ GSCWM Gift Card

Card #: _____

Name on card: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Amount to Charge/Deduct: _____

* If not registered, you must add \$35/girl or \$25/adult to cover the annual Girl Scout membership dues (see previous page).

Release/Acknowledgement Statements

Please check each box below and initial at the bottom, indicating you agree to the following:

- ☐ To the best of my knowledge, all girls and adults participating in this event are registered Girl Scout members (if required), or I have included \$35/girl or \$25/adult to cover the GSUSA membership dues for each non-member.
- ☐ All girls must arrive at the event with a signed permission slip, health history and emergency contact information. If attending as a troop/group, the leader may hold these. If attending individually, the girl must hand these forms to the event staff upon arrival.
- ☐ GSCWM is not responsible for damage or loss of any personal property.
- ☐ When participating in Girl Scout activities, registrants may be photographed for print, videotaped or electronically imaged. Images may be used in promotional materials, news releases and other published formats by either the local Girl Scout council or Girl Scouts of the USA. Images will be the sole property of either the Girl Scout council or Girl Scouts of the USA.

The following individual(s) may not be photographed/recorded: _____

Please initial to signify your agreement to the statements above: _____ (initials)



GIRL SCOUT AWARDS

HIGHEST AWARDS

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

All three of the highest 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 Embrace Possibility and inspire others (and yourself).

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

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 Girl Scout 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 Girl Scout Juniors who are interested in learning the steps to earn 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 is a great start to the Bronze Award journey.

Strive for Silver Orientations are for Girl Scout 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 by 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 by 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 and at <https://www.gscwm.org/en/members/for-girl-scouts/highest-awards.html>

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 or by submitting your Gold Award Proposal on GoGold. 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 Scout working on award steps, if you want some help brainstorming, need someone to bounce ideas off of, 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 July 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! Visit <https://www.girlscouts.org/en/scholarships.html> to learn about these great opportunities.

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 communities at large, 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 Girl Scouts 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.

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Find out more information on the Volunteer Toolkit or by visiting our website at: <https://www.gscwm.org/en/about-girl-scouts/our-program/leadershipawards.html>.

President's Volunteer Service Award – GSCWM is a certifying organization that offers current girl and adult members the opportunity to earn this award annually by recognizing girl and adult 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 or medal, certificate, and letter signed by the President of the United States at an award ceremony held in one of our Leadership Centers. Exclusively for this award, Girl Scouts can apply volunteer service hours earned on their Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award to the total hours for the PVSA.

Find full information on the requirements of these awards and applications at [gscwm.org/leadershipawards](https://www.gscwm.org/leadershipawards) or contact tbreen@gscwm.org. Deadline for submission of application is September 5.

We are proud to honor our recipients at a council celebration on Saturday, December 7, 2024 at 11:00 am.

Religious Awards

My Promise, My Faith

Girls of all grade levels can earn the My Promise, My Faith pin, which helps girls 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

Girl Scouts is founded 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.

Teen Mentoring Awards

When girls guide or teach others, they act as mentors. As 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 girls 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 girls' 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.

PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES



ARCHERY

GSCWM welcomes new and experienced archers to our four camps as we set our sights on the target ahead! Girl Scouts will learn the importance of range safety, explore the steps of the shooting cycle, and practice their aim until they hit their perfect bullseye. Archery programs are based on Girl Scout age levels and experience to ensure a safe program for all participants. Look for our exciting archery program offerings across all four camps in the program guide and sign up for your chance to Embrace Possibility by securing a bullseye and supporting your fellow Girl Scouts.

Special shout out to our Daisy friends! Would you love to try your hand at Archery but you haven't bridged to Brownies yet? We have the perfect activity for you to try. Join us for one of our Slingshot programs at Camp Bonnie Brae and Camp Green Eyrie where you will explore the steps of the shooting cycle & perfect your aim, all while utilizing a safe new tool approved for Daisy Girl Scouts – Slingshots! This is an excellent gateway program for Girl Scout Daisies and creates a smooth progression to future Archery programming as they grow.

Calling local Troops! Would you love to host an archery session for your Troop but the scheduled sessions don't align with your schedule? Our customer care team has a list of GSCWM volunteer facilitators who can assist you in hosting a session for your Troop. These facilitators are certified, professional, and kind enough to lend their services to GSCWM Girl Scouts –please reach out to info@gscwm.org to receive the facilitator list which contains instructor names, contact information, pricing, and location availability!

Election Connection Patch Program

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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 for the 2024-2025 Election Connection FREE Patch Program are available at:
<https://www.gscwm.org/en/discover/activities/SYO-Free-Activities.html>
- 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.

GSCWM FALL ARCHERY CLUB



Fall Archery Club for Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors (Gr 6-12)

Dates: Tuesdays, September 10, 2024 through October 29, 2024 (8 sessions)

Time: 4:00 PM- 5:30 PM

Place: Camp Green Eyrie, Harvard

Cost: \$80 per Girl Scout/no charge for adults

Calling all Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors! Join us for 8 consecutive weeks of archery club! This is a progression series. Week 1, practice archery basics to successfully shoot your arrows, while learning the parts of bows and arrows, proper stance and form. All participants must attend week 1 and participate in the range safety class. Weeks 2-7, focus on skills to improve consistency and accuracy, including weekly special target challenges. Week 8, show off your skills with a friendly club competition! Register by August 30, 2024. Limited to 12 girls.

Closed-toed shoes are required (no Crocs) and hair must be pulled back.

Volunteer support makes this new club possible! If you are interested in joining our volunteer team, let us know! If you have any questions, please email program@gscwm.org

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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/FinancialLiteracy2025>. 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, 2025 and claimed by July 1, 2025
- 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.



Questions?

Email program@gscwm.org

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GSCWM GIRL ADVISORY BOARD

You've signed on to make the world a better place, now here's your chance to do the same for your sister Girl Scouts and Girl Scout council! On the Girl Advisory Board (GAB), your input will help shape the leadership experience for you and your sister Girl Scouts, all while increasing your leadership skills and knowledge.

WHO IS THE GAB?

The Girl Scouts of Central and Western Massachusetts' Girl Advisory Board (GAB) is a dedicated group of Junior-Ambassador Girl Scouts from across our council area who work as a team to provide ideas, guidance, and youth-driven recommendations on projects and initiatives aligned to the council strategy.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT TO DO?

You'll provide critical insight into programs and activities offered; trainings, social trends, and how to attract and retain members, and ideas about how to increase awareness of the Girl Scout Movement. The GAB exists to ensure that the voices of Girl Scouts are heard.

GAB members will be offered opportunities to represent the council at various activities and events throughout the year and around the council area. The GAB prepares a report for the GSCWM Board of Directors of its activities annually and selects several GAB members to present the report, share the team's ideas, and respond to questions from the Board. All GAB members are invited to observe a BoD meeting to gain an understanding of the governance process preparing you to maybe earn a seat on the Board of Directors in the future.

WHAT IS MY COMMITMENT?

Joining the Girl Advisory Board is a one year commitment where you will have the opportunity to learn more about public speaking, board relations, and marketing and fundraising. Participating will give you the opportunity to earn hours for things like Community Service Bars, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, and the President's Volunteer Service Award. Being part of the Girl Advisory Board is a great addition to your college applications. You can also get a personal recommendation letter from our CEO.



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WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE GROUP MEET?

There are seven scheduled meetings in the year plus the Annual Meeting in the spring. All members are requested to attend all seven plus the Annual Meeting. Additional opportunities will be offered outside the scheduled meeting times. Dates and times will be given in advance. The first and last meetings are in-person and the rest on Zoom. Here's an overview:

October	In person orientation
November	Zoom Meeting/Training
December	Zoom Meeting/Training
February	Zoom Meeting/Training
March	Zoom Meeting/Training
April	Zoom Meeting/Training
May	In person wrap up & Annual Meeting

HOW DO I APPLY?

Request more information and an application form from Brandi at BBarcomb@gscwm.org.

GSCWM OUTDOOR SKILLS CLUB



GSCWM Outdoor Skills Club for Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors (Gr 7-12)

September 15, 2024 to June 2025

Are you interested in honing your camping and outdoor skills and meeting like-minded girls across our council? We're excited to offer the GSCWM Outdoor Skills Club! We'll cap off the year with an outdoor adventure trip in June 2025! Have fun, learn new skills, and earn a special patch to showcase your mastery of essential outdoor skills. As you advance in your skills, you can take on a leadership role within the club.

Monthly meetings and skill-building sessions take place from 2 - 4 PM and are a mixture of virtual and in-person sessions at Camps Laurel Wood and Green Eyrie on the following dates: Sept. 15; Oct. 13; Nov. 17; Dec. 1; Jan. 19; Feb. 9; Mar. 16; Apr. 13; May 18.

While we'd love to have you join us for every camping trip we have planned, we know life gets in the way. We welcome you to join us for as many camping trips as your schedule can accommodate.

**This program is available for grades 7-12 only.*

GSCWM Fee: \$100 per girl – covers meetings, supplies, and patches.

There is an additional fee for the camping trips to cover food and additional outdoor adventure activities.

Volunteer support makes this new club possible! If you are interested in joining our volunteer team, let us know! If you have any questions, please email program@gscwm.org

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HIGH ADVENTURE GROUP

Love everything extreme? Want to try new activities, challenge yourself, make additional friends, and Embrace Possibility?

Join our High Adventure Group and participate in programs like indoor rock climbing, winter snow events, orienteering, white water rafting, high ropes, and learning to cook outdoors. The High Adventure Group enjoys various trips and events throughout the year, and registered Girl Scouts can attend them all or just one based on your interest.

The High Adventure Group is open to all Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors. Individual Girl Scout-Juliettes- in the council are encouraged to join our group. Girl Scouts in troops do not have to attend as a troop unit.

Are you a fifth grade bridging Junior who wants to challenge yourself? Join us in the spring for the annual indoor rock-climbing event where you can participate with us!

If interested, please contact gscwmhighadventure@gmail.com for an invitation to join our group website app (Band) to receive up-to-date information as this is our primary method of communication. We encourage parents, troop leaders and Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts themselves to join our group app.

Here's a taste of some of the activities being planned:

- **A Lobster Cruise out of Plymouth in August**
- **Purgatory Chasm with a Cookout in early September**
- **Orienteering in October**
- **Outdoor cooking in November**
- **Winter Fun at Camp Bonnie Brae in January**
- **Indoor rock climbing in March**

The High Adventure Group is seeking other Girl Scout Leader Volunteers to join our Leadership Team to share leading these events or with behind-the-scenes tasks. 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.



♣ GSCWM MakerZone Drop-In Activities

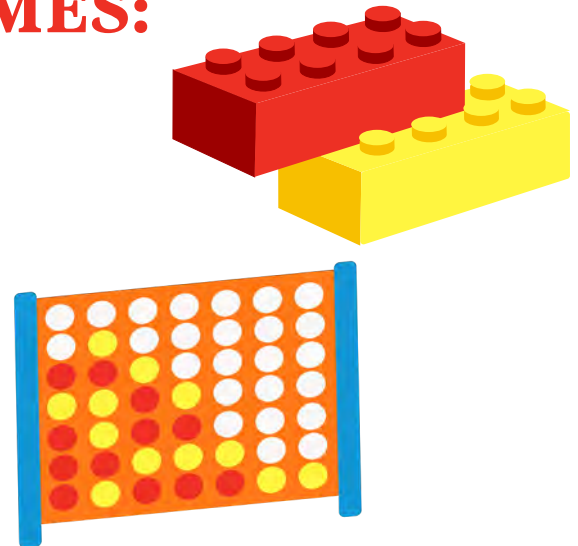
MAKERZONE DROP-IN ACTIVITIES

At the Girl Scout Leadership Centers' MakerZones, Girl Scouts of all ages can delve into the world of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) through hands-on activities. Explore circuitry and electronics as you sculpt a work of art and then make it light up; build with wood and other materials at the Work Bench; make gadgets to solve household problems, and explore your own ideas in the MakerZone. Reserve the MakerZone and begin creating and innovating –either to work toward a badge or just for fun! Contact info@gscwm.org to reserve the space for the troop today! Reservations need to be made at least one month in advance.

LEGO WALL & LARGE GAMES:

\$4 per girl, D-A

We have PLENTY of LEGOs for the troop's imagination to run wild using our LEGO wall or table! We also have LEGO Challenges, LEGO games, and LEGO activities available for your use. Large games available are: Connect 4, Chess, Checkers, Pick-Up Sticks, Jenga, Tic-Tac-Toe, Spike Ball, Coney Island Bean Bag Toss, and Yahtzee. Make your event complete and use our SmartBoard to play your favorite music or movie while the troop is having fun. Plan out the troop's activities or just host a game night – the space is all yours!



WOODWORKING & TOOL CENTER:

Porcupine Pal:

\$5 per girl, D-B

This is a beginner-level activity Girl Scouts will love! Introduce girls to different hand tools and what they are used for right off of our workbench. Use our hard hats, aprons, safety glasses, and safety gloves to teach them about keeping each other safe. You'll really get them excited when they get to use basic tools to make their very own porcupine pal to take home!

UnMake-It:

\$5 per girl, D*-A

That's right, you'll be taking things apart! Girls are curious about how things work and how they are put together, why not let THEM find out? We'll provide all the tools, safety equipment, and supplies they'll need to deconstruct small machines, appliances, laptops, and whatever else we have in our donation pile! Start by teaching them about the different tools on our workbench and what they are used for and let them go. Do you know what is even more fun? Trying to put things back together! *With enough helpful adults, this activity can be done with Daisies.

String Art:

\$5 per girl, B-A

How often do girls get to hold real tools, learn how to use them, and work on a real tool bench? Start your activity off by introducing the different tools from our workbench and what they are used for. You'll have everything you need for the troop to create their very own piece of string art to take home. Don't forget to take great photos of the troop wearing our hard hats, safety aprons, safety glasses, and gloves!



♣ GSCWM MakerZone Drop-In Activities

MAKERSPACE



Trash to Treasure:

\$5 per girl, D-A

We have all the recyclable materials you'll need to host your own open maker night or planned projects! Breathe new life into our endless supply of "trash" and upcycle it into your very own treasures. We have everything you'll need to create and innovate. Looking for ideas? We've got those too!

Scrapbooking:

\$4 per girl, D-A

Bring your own photos and memorabilia and use our supplies to create your own scrapbook page! We have scrapbooking pages, borders, stamps, ink pads, scrapbook paper, die cuts, decorative scissors, and more! We even have scrapbooking idea books to help get those creative juices flowing.

SEWING CENTER:

General Use:

\$4 per girl, J-A

We have 9 sewing machines to help you teach the troop how to sew. We have a lot of donated material available for you or you can bring your own. We have basic supplies like scissors, cutting mats, thread, and pins that you can use as well. We even have some learn-to-sew templates available to get your troop started!

Hand Sewn Pillows

\$4 per girl, D-B

Teach younger Girl Scouts how to hand sew with our precut material squares and everything they'll need to make their very own pillows!

Hair Scrunchies:

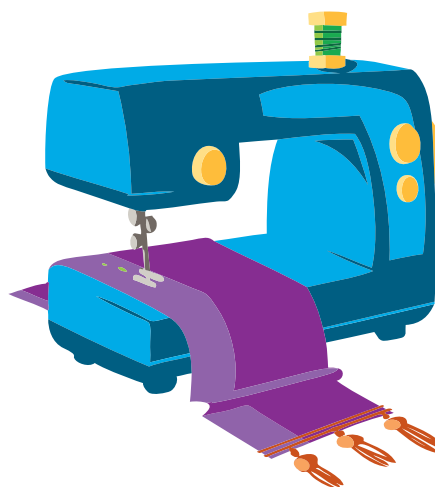
\$4 per girl, J-A

All the supplies for the troop to make their very own hair scrunchy – with or without a bow – are available. Use our sewing machines and supplies to really work on those sewing skills!

Cardstock Greeting Cards:

\$4 per girl, D-A

Make your very own designer cards with envelopes! Whether you want to make cards for a special holiday, to thank someone special, or as a community service project for a Senior Center, we've got what you need. We have cardstock, scrapbooking paper, decorative scissors, die cuts, stamps, ink pads, and more! We'll even provide some fun ideas for you to try.



Machine Sewn Pillows:

\$4 per girl, J-A

Teach Girl Scouts how to use a sewing machine with learn-to-sew paper templates before moving on to sewing their very own pillows on the sewing machines. We have precut sewing squares or donated material for them to choose from, and all the supplies they'll need to make their very own pillows. This is a great learn-to-sew project!

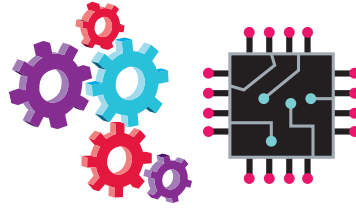
Headbands:

\$4 per girl, J-A

All the supplies for the troop to make their very own headbands are available. Use our sewing machines and supplies to really work on those sewing skills!

♣ GSCWM MakerZone Drop-In Activities

GEAR WORKS & CIRCUITRY CENTER:



Use our materials to create and experiment with a project and take it apart when you're done and restock the center or purchase a full kit you can build in our MakerZone and take home! We have all the supplies, extra required materials, and tools needed. We also supply the directions, different challenges, and handouts you'll need!

Air Racers:

\$10 per girl OR \$20 per girl for take-home kit,

B-A

Propel innovation and create your own electric fan car with this electric motor project straight from the Everglades! First, construct a frame that'll get you rolling. Then power up your motor and experiment with different propeller blade designs to really send your racer flying!

Crazy Contraptions:

\$10 per girl OR \$25 per girl for take-home kit,

B-A

Gears turn, lifting a lever, releasing a marble, igniting a chain-reaction of learning and fun as you design a Rube Goldberg-inspired Crazy Contraption! Explore simple machines like never before, easily connecting them, customizing them, and repositioning them on a base – just slide the machines in and out of position! Done with the activity? Try a new design!

Electric Racers:

\$10 per girl OR \$30 per girl for take-home kit,

J-A

Burn some rubber and engineer a battery powered car. It's simple and fun to experiment with your design, learning as you try out new race car designs. Take away a wheel, construct a slimmer frame, or build something entirely new with your parts! They are real DIY electronics and real engineering, meaning the making and excitement never end.

Grab Lab:

\$5 per girl OR \$12 per girl for take-home kit,

D-J

Have you ever seen a bird catch a worm or a chipmunk stuff their cheeks? How do they do it? Animals have evolved some pretty amazing grabbers and tools over time. Construct a simple grabber, then design and build it better to be like our feathered and furry friends.

Hazmat Challenge:

\$5 per girl (no take-home kit),

J-C

There's been a disaster! Containers holding nuclear waste were damaged in an accident and the radioactive waste must be moved from the damaged containers to new ones. Using whatever parts and materials we have, you'll need to design a solution! Great team-building activity for your troop.

Hydraulic Claw:

\$5 per girl OR \$15 per girl for take-home kit,

J-A

We've all lost more than a few quarters to the arcade claw machines. With your Hydraulic Claw, you can forget the coins and create your very own remote-controlled fluid-powered grabber.

Hydraulic Judo-Bots:

\$5 per girl/team OR \$20 per girl/team for

take-home kit, J-A

Get ready to R-R-RUMBLE!! Use the power of hydraulic cylinders to design, build, and battle a Judo-Bot. Engineer new methods to move bots up, down, and side-to-side to best tip or push opponents out of the ring. *One Judo-Bot per girl or per small teams of 2-4.

Obstacle Course:

\$5 per girl OR \$17 per girl for take-home kit,

D-J

What happens when gears are connected? Do they rotate together, at the same speed, direction, or with similar force? Truly experience gears through this activity; growing understanding through tinkering, experimentation, and even engineering amusement park rides.

♣ GSCWM MakerZone Drop-In Activities

Pick-Up Stick Electromagnetic Activity:

**\$5 per girl OR \$12 per girl for take-home kit,
J-A**

Thwack, thump, CRASH – you broke through the crust! The clock is ticking as you race with your electromagnet to gather iron and load it onto the spaceship. This is way more than just a magnet on a stick, your Pick-Up Stick was custom engineered by you with both an electromagnet and a grapple (claw) that grabs soup cans, paper clips, or even candy.

Powered Pets:

**\$5 per girl OR \$12 per girl for take-home kit,
B-C**

Wagging tails, walking legs, flapping wings... there are so many ways you can animate your very own Powered Pet! Whether you choose jumpy, abrupt air power or smooth water-power, there are endless ways to animate and evolve your pet's design. How will your pet move?

Toy Workshop Activity:

**\$5 per girl OR \$15 per girl for take-home kit,
B-C**

Use the engineering design process to create your own unique pull-toy with animated parts - they move as they roll! Watch as tails wag, heads bob, hands wave, or wrestlers 'wrassle'.

Wiggle Bots:

**\$5 per girl OR \$15 per girl for take-home kit,
D-J**

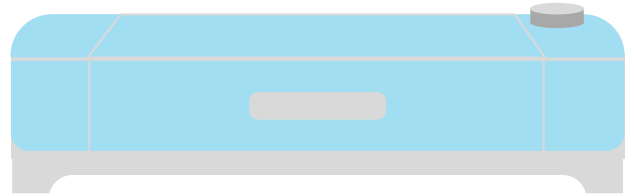
Wiggle-Bots are lively little robots brought to life by an electric motor and a kid's imagination. Their creations will shake to life! Tinker and evolve your Wiggle-Bot to race, dance, or even scribble!



Wind Turbines:

**\$10 per girl OR \$20 per girl for take-home kit,
J-A**

Design a turbine to harness the power of the wind and convert it into electricity. Start with your proto-type build, testing through inquiry and experimentation. Then, iterate new designs and additions to transform the wind turbine into your own unique design.



CRICUT CENTER:

Water Bottle Decals:

\$4 per girl, D-A

Introduce your Girl Scouts to the Cricut Design Space and how they can "code" the Cricut to cut permanent vinyl into a custom water bottle decal. We have a plethora of vinyl colors to choose from! We also have all the tools girls will need to cut, weed, and apply their decals to their water bottles! *Daisies and Brownies may need help weeding the vinyl.

Personalized Wall Decals:

\$7 per girl, D-A

Looking for a larger, personalized Cricut vinyl project? Girl Scouts can design, cut, and weed their personalized wall decals from their own 12"x12" piece of vinyl. They will create it in the Cricut Design Space, and then send it to the Cricut to cut. We have all the tools they need to finish off the design before they transfer them to contact paper to bring home! *Daisies and Brownies may need help weeding the vinyl.

Cardstock Cards:

\$4 per girl, D-A

Did you know that you don't have to use just vinyl with the Cricut? You can create custom, fancy cardstock cards in the Cricut Design Space! Design your card in Design Space, cut it with the Cricut, then color and sign it using our crayons, markers, or colored pencils! Use our cardstock in a variety of colors to make a card for someone special!

PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES



ROBOTICS

Seeking future Girl Scout scientists, programmers, innovators, and dreamers who can Embrace Possibility! FIRST LEGO League provides invaluable STEM learning opportunities and exploration for youth and encourages them to discover, dream big, and challenge themselves. During the upcoming 2024 season, youth will grow in their understanding of the basics of programming and work as a team to design and program our brand-new SPIKE Prime autonomous robot. Throughout their experience, our team will operate under the FIRST LEGO League signature set of core values, celebrating discovery, teamwork, and gracious professionalism. Oh, and of course, our Girl Scout Law.

GSCWM is excited to host one Cookie Robotics Team for our 2024 season: COOKIE Robotics Worcester. Regular meetings are Wednesday nights at our Worcester Leadership Center from 6:00-7:30 PM from September through December. Our Cookie Robotics Team will participate in a regional competition at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in December and will have the opportunity to share their solution to a real-world problem, compete against other incredible teams across MA, and strengthen their teamwork skills. Our Cookie Robotics Team is open to new and experienced programmers and coached by adult volunteers & GSCWM staff members. Join us as we make the world a better place and grow our confidence as future STEM leaders while we Embrace Possibility in the world of robotics!

To participate on a competing team, girls must be 9-14 years old on January 1, 2024.



TRAVEL OPS



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The Girl Scout mission is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place. Exploring the world through field trips as Daisies, getaways with a Troop, or on the adventure of a lifetime overseas, provides an opportunity for Girl Scouts to grow and explore in a safe, supportive environment. Check out the exciting travel opportunities below and learn more about how you can plan your next travel adventure!

Troop travel

With your troop's proceeds from the Girl Scout Fall Product and Cookie Programs, your group may decide on local, national or international travel opportunities. Explore the continental United States or seek out new opportunities abroad, the possibilities are endless.

Getaways

If your Troop is looking for a short 2-5 day experience where all of the details are planned out for you, Getaways are a fantastic place to start. These programs and events hosted by sister councils across the Girl Scout movement provide an opportunity for Girl Scouts to meet new people, explore the world around them, and experience what makes each council throughout the country so wonderfully unique. To learn more about Getaways visit <http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/travel/take-a-trip/getaways/>.

GSUSA International Events

Girl Scouts go global! Browse this travel page to find international events for troops hosted by global Girl Scouting organizations and information about how to visit our amazing WAGGGS centers. To see all Troop GSUSA International Travel opportunities visit <http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/travel/take-a-trip/international-events/>.

Destinations

Destinations are exciting, life-changing programs that open the door for older Girl Scouts to explore the world, develop new skills, build their confidence, and connect with Girl Scouts from across the country and beyond. As Cadettes through Ambassadors, you can be whisked away to the far corners of the country and the world where you will meet other remarkable go-getters, develop leadership skills, gain confidence, and enjoy valuable opportunities to take action. For a current list of destinations and applications, visit <http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/travel/take-a-trip/destinations>.

Through generous funding from GSUSA, GSCWM has been awarded D-Pass Funding for Girl Scout year 2025 to provide scholarships for Cadettes- Ambassadors embarking on Destinations. To learn more and apply for this scholarship, please email travel@gscwm.org. GSCWM is proud to be able to provide funding that helps make these exciting travel opportunities possible for our Girl Scouts. *Please note that applications will be sent to every girl who is accepted to a GSUSA Destination.

Travel Inquiries

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

TRAVEL OPS

GSCWM Girl Scouts Go Domestic & International Travel

Girl Scouting has taught you valuable skills such as goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and challenging yourself. Now, get ready to sharpen those skills as you travel the country and the world, knowing that you Embrace Possibility along with your fellow Girl Scouts! We encourage all Girl Scout Cadettes- Ambassadors to join us for one of these amazing trips whether individually or with your Troop. The impact of national & global travel is life changing and sharing it with other Girl Scouts is an experience you won't soon forget. Start planning for upcoming trips taking place through summer 2027! More information on these exciting trips can be found in the program listings of this Program Guide.

GSCWM would like to especially highlight our upcoming adventure to Puerto Rico in spring 2025! This new offering is an excellent gateway trip for Girl Scouts looking to begin their travel journey a little closer to home.

Spring 2025- Explore Puerto Rico

Summer 2025- Costa Rica-Land of the Tropics

Summer 2026 -Japan- Land of the Rising Sun & Greece- Adventure of a Lifetime

Summer 2027 -Capitals of the British Isles

The world awaits for summer 2025 and beyond! Visit www.gscwm.org/travel or email travel@gscwm.org to learn about Getaway, Troop Trek, Destinations or GSCWM Girl Scouts Go Travel programs to get all of your questions answered.

Girl Scout travelers, you have the pleasure of adventuring with our incredible GSCWM International Travel Volunteer Coordinator, Sarah Golding. Sarah is an avid traveler, mental health professional, and is committed to helping young adults as they build life skills, strengthen their confidence, and make lifelong connections with other Girl Scouts. We encourage you to join us for an upcoming travel information session to learn more about Sarah and how you can join our adventures. Look for more details coming soon!

In addition to traveling with our fearless leader Sarah, Girl Scout travelers are guided by GSCWM staff members and Girl Scout volunteers who go through a thorough application process before being invited to join our team of chaperones. We are proud to provide a safe, supportive, and Girl-led experience for all Girl Scouts traveling with us here and abroad where girls Embrace Possibility together!

Do you have a fabulous country you would love to travel to? Let us know your thoughts and suggestions as we continue to grow our travel program and provide memories that last a lifetime. If you or your Girl Scout have travel suggestions or ideas for how we can grow our program, please email us at travel@gscwm.org and share with us how you would love to Embrace Possibility.





CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

High Adventure Group-Adults Wanted! The High Adventure Group is seeking other Girl Scout Leader Volunteers to join our Leadership Team. Come help lead high adventure events or help with behind-the-scenes tasks. 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.

National Girl Scout Advisory Board to GSUSA Review Committee: The National Girl Scout Advisory Board to GSUSA is made up of Girl Scout members who will be in grades 7-11 in the fall. The board works with the Girl Scout national office on key projects and initiatives aligned to the national strategy and provides critical customer insight and innovative ideas to serve girls in the 21st Century. Girl Scouts submit applications for the national board to the council and will be reviewed by a council committee made up of volunteers-LIKE YOU-and council staff. If you are interested in being part of this review committee, please email Tammy at TBreen@gscwm.org.

Program Consultants Wanted! Do you have a career or interest you'd like to share with Girl Scouts? Maybe you:

- Code for fun
- Build battle bots in your spare time
- Love to sew
- Can find your way around with only a compass
- Hunt for geocaches on the daily
- See the world around you to create art
- Can fix a car
- Own your own business

Did you know there's a badge for that-and so much more? When troops are interested in earning badges, troop volunteers sometimes look to the professionals in order to help their troops earn these badges. GSCWM invites YOU to share your knowledge, experience, and passions with our Girl Scouts! If you want to join our Program Consultant Resource database so that our volunteers can contact you directly to work with their troops in your area of skills, please take a moment and let us know at <https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/3B153wXa97Ycxc12dec06q>

Based on the feedback from girls and our volunteers, we are looking to find volunteers interested in helping us start and/or build upon these opportunities:

- Orienteering
- Astronomy Club
- Rocketry Club
- Trailblazers
- Sailing
- GSCWM Camping Group
- Archery Club

Please email Tammy at TBreen@gscwm.org if you'd like to join us in expanding our program opportunities.

CAMP



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For more than a century, camping has been a cornerstone of the Girl Scout experience. When girls get outdoors they create memories, explore the world around them, develop new friendships, and Embrace Possibility in a safe and girl-led environment! GSCWM owns four camp properties, all of which were developed and maintained for the express purpose of hosting Girl Scout programs in the outdoors that inspire girls to develop a love for 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.

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: www.gscwm.org/forms.html.

Find out more by visiting www.gscwm.org and clicking on the Camp and Outdoors 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. To learn more and reserve your spot at one of our beautiful camp properties, please contact our Information and Referral team by emailing info@gscwm.org.

Girl Scout Summer Camp

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 September 2025.

In a girl-led environment, all girls are able to challenge themselves and take healthy risks while 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.

When Girl Scouts get outside, they:

- Discover that they can better solve problems and overcome challenges.
- Develop leadership skills, build social bonds, and are happier overall.
- Become team players and care more about protecting our environment.

For questions about specific camp programs, email camp@gscwm.org.

For questions about registering or processing payments, email info@gscwm.org.

Be on the lookout for our 2025 Summer Camp Guide coming this winter and learn how you can make camp possible for your Girl Scout!

Visit <https://www.gscwm.org/en/members/for-girl-scouts/camp-and-outdoors/summer-camp.html> to learn more about all of the exciting opportunities summer 2025 has to offer.

CAMP

OUR DAY CAMPS

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

Camp Laurel Wood Weekly session

Camp Laurel Wood offers day camp programs for campers entering 1st grade through 8th grade including waterfront swimming, canoeing, paddle boating, archery, low elements challenge course, and more! Through girl-led programming, girls will get a chance to experience everything camp has to offer and enjoy activities relating to each

Camp Lewis Perkins Weekly session

Camp Lewis Perkins offers day camp programs for campers entering 1st grade through 8th grade including pool swimming, archery, low elements challenge course, and more! Girls will challenge themselves to take risks, try new

Camp Green Eyrie Weekly session on select weeks only

Camp Green Eyrie offers day camp programs for campers entering 1st grade through 12th grade including waterfront swimming, kayaking, canoeing, corcl boating, archery, hatchet throwing, low elements challenge course, and more!

Our Overnight Camps

Overnight camp programs run Sunday through Friday at Camp Bonnie Brae and Camp Green Eyrie, providing campers with an array of Girl-Led programming focused on the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, outdoor adventuring, life skills, and STEM! Age group availability and programming themes vary by week and camper

Camp Bonnie Brae- Weekly and two - week sessions.

Join us at the nation's oldest continuously operating Girl Scout camp as we celebrate building girls of courage, confidence & character. Camp Bonnie Brae offers overnight camp programs for campers entering grades 2 through 12 where girls will choose from program themes that match their interests, explore the traditions of wish boats, girl-led programming, island swims and so much more. Girls who attend Camp Bonnie Brae will have the opportunity to

Camp Green Eyrie - Weekly and two-week sessions.

Join us as we celebrate almost a century of embracing possibility at Camp Green Eyrie, situated on 52 forested acres in Harvard, Massachusetts. Camp Green Eyrie offers overnight camp programs for campers entering grades 2 through 12 where girls will enjoy the low ropes challenge course, archery range, hatchet throwing lanes, and arts & crafts room. At the waterfront, splash around in the swimming area, jump in a kayak or canoe, and try corcl boating. Green Eyrie offers campers the opportunity to try new things, explore their interests, and grow their

Community Service Opportunity!

Interested in giving back to one of our camps? This can be done:

- Through a girl-centered community service
- As a Bronze, Silver or Gold Award
- Or as an adult or group of adults looking to lend a hand to make some

Call and ask to speak with the Facilities Manager, Carolyn Porter. Together, we can figure out what you or your group are interested in taking on. Big or small projects move us in the right direction of improving the girl experience at camp!



PRODUCT PROGRAMS



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Have you ever fully funded a week of summer camp at the age of 12? Have you and your ten best friends been able to travel to Savanna, Georgia to visit the birthplace of Juliette Gordon Low all with money you earned as a team? Or were you able to discover your passion for butterflies at your local conservatory? All of this and much more can be accomplished by Girl Scouts while they Embrace Possibility together while participating in the Girl Scout Fall Product and Cookie Programs.

The Fall Product Program enables girls to earn funds at the beginning of the Girl Scout year so they can begin planning their service projects, activities and adventures. This program is an integral part of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, where girls gain experience through the Five Skills focused on leadership and financial literacy which include: goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics.

Fall Product Program

September 20- October 20, 2024

Online Store closes November 17, 2024

The Fall Product Program gives girls and their troops exciting options to participate in and work on their Five Skills. You can participate a number of different ways including virtually and in person. Girls can use order cards for our nut & candy program, while online they will find the magazine program, tumblers, Bark Boxes and a larger selection of nuts and candy items. Participation is based on the decisions of the girls, their parents/care-givers, and their troops.

PRODUCT PROGRAMS

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is such an important (and fun!) part of the overall Girl Scout experience—tons of learning for girls and beyond delicious cookies for our awesome cookie customers! It's a win-win. As cookie entrepreneurs, girls continue to learn essential life skills. Girls Embrace Possibility while working to accomplish common goals and solve problems while building the confidence they need to shine as girls, young women, and future leaders. And did we mention fun? They have a ton of that along the way, too.

Whether they're part of a troop goal or a girl's own personal goals (such as earning a week of summer camp), all proceeds from the Girl Scout Fall Product and Cookie Programs remain in central and western Massachusetts and directly benefit girls in the community in which the products are sold.

Cookie Program

Order Cards & Online Sales: December 11, 2024 –March 16, 2025

Direct Sales: January 17 –March 16, 2025

Girls and their troops begin the planning process for the annual Cookie Program in December. The program kicks off on December 11, girls can begin selling in person using their order cards and online through their Online Store Platforms. On January 17, the Direct Sale aspect of the Cookie program begins in full swing as girls start selling with cookies in hand! From door-to-door sales to booth sales and online orders, the Five Skills are put to work as girls and their troops set goals and determine how to achieve those goals.

Not in a Troop?

Become a Cookie Boss!

As with many fun programs at GSCWM, girls do not have to be a member of a troop to participate in the Girl Scout Fall Product and Cookie Program. Girls who are on the non-troop affiliated pathway can participate through Fall Product Entrepreneurs for the Fall Product Program, and during the cookie season, they can become a Cookie Boss! For the Fall Product Program please contact prodprograms@gscwm.org if you are interested in participating. For the Cookie Program, an email will be sent to all non-troop affiliated girls in early December to welcome them to sign up for the Cookie Boss Program. You will be able to work on the Five Skills and help fund your Girl Scout experience while learning valuable life and business skills. You can always contact prodprograms@gscwm.org directly for participation guidance.

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 Girl Scouts are using their proceeds for local programs, local and national travel, and big trips abroad. Some Girl Scouts use their cookie credits to help fund their way to summer camp, to earn their higher awards, and to 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 our military personnel.

All proceeds from the sale of Girl Scout Fall Product and cookies remain in central and western Massachusetts and benefit girls in the community in which the products are sold. At GSCWM, we use product program revenue to supply essential services to troops and individual girls, provide program resources and support, train adult volunteers, conduct events, maintain camps, and provide financial assistance to help make Girl Scouting possible for all girls.

Cookie Drop: Volunteers Needed on January 11, 2025!

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 Leominster area, 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. Please let us know you'll be joining us at <https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/3FuaL6iHZsfY00> by January 4. If you have questions, please contact Tammy at TBreen@gscwm.org.

COMING IN FEBRUARY

What's coming in February?

The 2nd Edition of the Program Guide with even more great programs and opportunities for your Girl Scout year! Can't wait until February to begin planning the rest of your Girl Scout year? Visit our website at www.gscwm.org/events for additional programs already scheduled and don't forget to visit often for added programs throughout the year! Let's begin with these teasers:

Girl Scout Cookie Season is underway! Get your walking shoes on and load up your cookies! Our official start is January 17, and we cannot wait to see you all out and about.

It's our 2nd **Rube Goldberg Machine Girl Scout Cookie Dip Challenge Celebration** for all levels in March! There is still time to register your team to join us!

ARC Wilderness First Aid is taking place in March for Girl Scouts and their leaders. This is a prerequisite for the Ambassador First Aid Badge!

Daisies: **it's Game On!** Come create your very own board game, design the spinner and pieces, and test your awesome new game with friends this spring!

Hey Girl Scout Brownies, put on your dancing shoes, this spring get active and learn some fun new moves at **Movin' and Groovin'**. Warm up and get moving, learn a new dance, make up your own dance and put on a show! Come find the dancer inside of you!

Learn all about what you can do as a Girl Scout Cadette in our **Welcome to Cadettes Extravaganza!** for rising and new Cadettes at Camp Laurel Wood on May 18.



The **CSA Roundup** is moving to Camp Bonnie Brae next year-save the date for May 30 to June 1 and plan on attending!

And lastly... Coming in January it's all things **CAMP!** Camping is a great way for girls to explore their leadership potential, build important skills, and develop a deep appreciation for nature. Whether for a few days, a few weeks, or for the whole summer, Girl Scout camp gives girls an opportunity to grow, explore, and have fun under the guidance of caring, trained adults. Browse our 2025 Summer Camp Guide at www.gscwm.org/camp to learn more and start preparing for a summer full of camp magic. Day Camp and Overnight Camp information will be showcased in the next edition! Watch for **camp registration** to open in January 2025.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Keep in Touch

With Girl Scouts, you're 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

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.

Volunteer Express

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.

Program Express

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.

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Girl Scouts of Central & Western Massachusetts

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 (although 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 girls discover theirs
- Network and meet new people in your community
- Build new skills and have fun as you take on exciting activities with 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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