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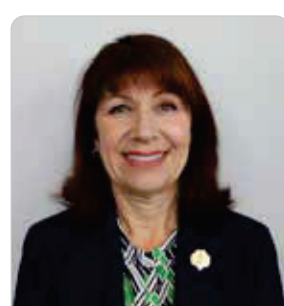
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Ready? Set! GIRL!

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



Dear GSGLA Girl Scouts & families,

As a lifelong Angeleno, I find winter to be a particularly special time in Greater Los Angeles. While so many of our fellow Girl Scouts across the country are planning indoor activities to avoid the cold and snow, we get to offer Camp Kick-Offs and Adventure Days. How lucky are we to be able to work toward high-adventure badges and learn about the plant and animal species in our environment, year-round?

Girl Scout STEAM programs are proven to increase girls' confidence in their math and science skills, and boost their leadership abilities. GSGLA has a slew of STEAM activities to choose from this winter, including engineering events at UCLA catered to both younger and older girls.

Last, but certainly not least—cookie season begins January 26! Read on to see how the young entrepreneurs in our council are using their cookie proceeds to make a difference locally.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

Theresa Edy-Kiene

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Chief Executive Officer

YES, I AM a humanitarian.

“My customers have told me how much they appreciated knowing that the cookies served a purpose.”

—Sydney E., Senior

“Our leaders encouraged us to donate a certain amount of our cookie money to a charity. While the leaders came up with this idea, my troop came to see that we were doing a good thing. When we were younger, we liked to donate to charities that benefited animals—Guide Dogs of America, a shelter that took in stray cats, and the Humane Society. As we got older, our focus switched to helping causes that benefited women and children. When I deliver the cookies, I add a thank-you note saying which charity they helped by buying cookies from me, and my customers have told me how much they appreciated knowing that the cookies served a purpose.”



📷 WHAT'S YOUR #YESIAM STORY? SHARE IT WITH US ON INSTAGRAM @GIRLSCOUTSLA!

YES, I AM making a difference.

“I feel good helping people.”

— Elly A., Cadette



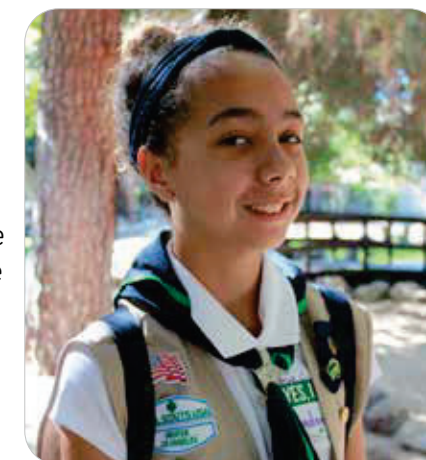
“Our troop uses our cookie earnings to do community service. Every year our service unit (Magnolia-644) hosts Thanksgiving and Easter opportunities for us to give back and support others. I feel good helping people because I might be giving them something they need. Selling Girl Scout Cookies teaches us to work for our money. My advice to other girls is to tell your customers about the ways you're using your earnings to help the community. Go door-to-door and do as many booths as possible! Also, take a few boxes when going out just in case you run into people who want some.”

YES, I AM A CHANGEMAKER.

“Speaking up for what's right helps all girls realize what we are capable of.”

— Josie C., Cadette

“My troop decided to speak up for what's right and advocate on behalf of other kids who don't have as much support. My rainbow troop sets aside part of our product sales earnings to help several organizations, including Homes for Hope. We like to do community projects that address multiple causes. We spent our weekends in November collecting toys for kids in foster care in front of stores. Then, we hosted a holiday party for foster children. My advice is to always strive to make a difference in your community. There are so many ways you can help.”



January 2020

Jan. 04 **LA CLIPPERS GIRL SCOUT FAMILY DAY**
Staple Center | \$33-\$86
Kick off the new year at a pro basketball game, and see the new look of the LA Clippers. Registration closes Dec. 13.

Jan. 11 **PROGRAM AIDE CHAMPIONS: ENGINEERING**
Woodland Hills Service Center | \$15/girl
Exclusive PA opportunity: Be a champion for younger girls in STEAM, and gain program planning skills by learning how to host badge-earning engineering events. This program includes a new patch opportunity.

Jan. 11 **SNACK SMART**
El Ranchito | \$35
Learn how to easily create small dishes and snacks with minimal help from an adult, and how to identify healthy vs. unhealthy foods.

Jan. 25 **PROGRAM AIDE CORE TRAINING:**
Arcadia Service Center | \$20/girl, \$20/adult
Take a morning tour of the interactive museum. In the afternoon, participate in a speed-mentoring session with women in the music industry.

February 2020

Feb. 01 **THINK LIKE A PROGRAMMER**
Arcadia Service Center | \$20
Dive into the world of code by learning how programmers use a special language to communicate with computers, and earn your Think Like a Programmer award.

Feb. 01 **GOLD AWARD BOOTCAMP**
Johnstone Program Center | \$20
Want to earn your Gold Award but have no idea where to start? Attend this bootcamp and walk out the door with a great project idea.

Feb. 08 **ARCHERY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**
La Casita | \$15 GSGLA members, \$45 non-member
Discover the fun of archery, and participate in team-building and leadership games.

Feb. 15 **LA CASITA ADVENTURE DAY**
La Casita | \$35
Test your limits by trying new activities and learning new skills, including high ropes, archery, and exploring the local trails.

Feb. 22 **ENGINEER WEEK: GIRL SCOUTS DAY AT UCLA**
UCLA | \$15/girl, \$10/adult
Members of the American Society of Civil Engineers lead hands-on activities for girls to earn the Think Like an Engineer award. An adult session covers college info and next steps for a Take Action project.

Feb. 22 **WOW! THAT'S ENGINEERING**
UCLA | \$15/girl, \$10/adult
Members of the Society of Women Engineers at UCLA lead hands-on activities for girls to earn the Think Like an Engineer award. An adult session covers college info and next steps for a Take Action project.

All Ages | Adults

SUMMER CAMP KICK-OFFS

Girls and their families are welcome to join us for this free event with a campfire and songs to prepare for the upcoming summer camp season!

La Casita | Feb. 16

Mariposa | Feb. 22

El Ranchito | Feb. 28

Marine Landing | Feb. 29



April...

Apr. 04 **PROGRAM AIDE CHAMPIONSHIPS: ROBOTICS**
Inglewood Service Center | \$15/girl
Exclusive PA opportunity: Be a champion for younger girls in STEAM, and gain program planning skills by learning how to host badge-earning robotics events. This program includes a new patch opportunity.

March 2020

Mar. 07 **CYBERSECURITY SUPERHEROES**
Cal State Dominguez Hills | \$15/girl
Learn how to protect yourself online in this hands-on program. Earn the Cybersecurity Basics badge, the first in a series of three.

Mar. 07 **LA KINGS GIRL SCOUTS FAMILY DAY**
Staples Center | \$40-\$80
Bring the family for an LA Kings hockey game.



Mar. 28 **ENGINEER FACTORY: SHELTER FOR MY BUDDY**
Upland Service Center | \$20
Build, test, experiment, and solve problems like an engineer. Learn about the engineer design process while building a structure that will keep your stuffed buddy dry.

Mar. 28 **ENGINEER FACTORY: RUBE GOLDBERG MACHINE**
Upland Service Center | \$25
Take your STEAM skills to the next level as you construct a Rube Goldberg Machine—an intricate contraption used to complete a simple task.

Ongoing

DREAMWORKS: SPIRIT RIDING PATCH PROGRAM

Girl Scouts are all about best friends and adventure, just like the bold and gutsy girl, Lucky, in DreamWorks Spirit Riding Free on Netflix. Through this special patch program, Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors can experience how DreamWorks producers and animators brought Lucky and her wild horse, Spirit, to life on screen! Girls earn a special edition patch once they learn how to draw and tell a story about their own character. Learn more and earn your patch at girlscoutsla.org/Spirit.



GS LEVEL KEY

- D** DAISY
- B** BROWNIE
- J** JUNIOR
- C** CADETTE
- S** SENIOR
- A** AMBASSADOR
- FF** FAMILY FRIENDLY

Be sure to check girlscoutsla.org for more awesome events!

VOLUNTEER/TROOP LEADER ORIENTATIONS

Arcadia & Upland Service Centers

Jan. 11, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Jan. 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Feb. 1, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Feb. 7, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Feb. 26, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
March 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
March 25, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Downtown LA (Headquarters)

Jan. 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Jan. 28, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Feb. 5, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Feb. 11, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
March 11, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
March 16, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Inglewood Service Center

Jan. 4, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Jan. 22, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Feb. 1, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Feb. 27, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
March 7, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
March 25, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Long Beach Service Center

Jan. 15, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Jan. 30, 6-8 p.m.
Feb. 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Long Beach (cont'd)

Feb. 25, 6-8 p.m.
March 11, 6-8 p.m.
March 24, 6-8 p.m.
March 30, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Palmdale Service Center

Jan. 21, 6-8 p.m.
Feb. 20, 6-8 p.m.
March 18, 6-8 p.m.

Santa Clarita Service Center

Jan. 21, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Feb. 4, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 6:30-8:30 p.m.
March 3, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 6:30-8:30 p.m.
April 7, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Upland Service Center

Jan. 14, 5-8:30 p.m.
Jan. 18, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Feb. 11, 5-8:30 p.m.
Feb. 25, 5-8:30 p.m.
March 7, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
March 24, 5-8:30 p.m.

Woodland Hills Service Center

Jan. 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Feb. 20, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
March 26, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

ADULT TRAININGS



CAMPING & OUTDOOR SKILLS

JAN. 18

CAMPING SKILLS

Anderson Scout House, Redondo Beach | \$25

For leaders and co-leaders who want to take their troop camping the Girl Scout way.

Prerequisite: Indoor & Overnight Camping Skills

JAN. 25-26

INDOOR OVERNIGHT & CAMPING SKILLS

Mariposa Program Center | \$25

Get trained on the basics of leading troop indoor overnight adventures as well as camping trips. Two classes in one!

MAR. 07&14

WILDERNESS & REMOTE FIRST AID (WRFA) TRAINING

Arcadia Service Center | \$95

American Red Cross training for certification in emergency response for large events, wilderness and remote areas. **Prerequisite:** CPR/AED & First Aid Level I current certification

MAR. 14-15

INDOOR OVERNIGHT & CAMPING SKILLS

La Casita Program Center | \$25

Get trained on the basics of leading troop indoor overnight adventures as well as camping trips. Two classes in one!



FREE LIVE TRAINING WEBINARS

Ready to help girls succeed while gaining new skills yourself? Visit girlscoutsla.org/Events to view and register for all trainings.

JAN. 15

INDOOR OVERNIGHT

FEB. 03

Learn the basics of what you need to know for overnight adventures indoors.

MAR. 24

JAN. 14

INTERNATIONAL TROOP TRAVEL

MAR. 02

Learn the requirements to take your girls on an exciting international trip along with tips on travel, transportation, forms, & permissions needed.

JAN. 28

SPECIAL EVENTS AND MONEY EARNING (SEME)

Learn the requirements for running a special or money-earning event for your troop or service unit.

FEB. 11

DOMESTIC TROOP TRAVEL

Learn the basics of domestic and extended travel along with tips on travel, transportation, forms, & permissions needed.

Jan. 20

Save the Date

EARLY REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER CAMP OPENS

Check out our summer camp listings at girlscoutsla.org/Summertime, and register early to secure your spot at day or overnight camp.

Apr. 25

ANNUAL MEETING & VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Palms Pacific Resort, City of Industry

GSGLA's yearly meeting includes the board chair's report, the CEO's state of the council address, council updates, important votes, and networking. Afterwards, the Volunteer Recognition Ceremony celebrates members who give of their time and talent to motivate and mentor girls. The event includes lunch, exhibitors, and applauding the honorees who have earned a national Girl Scout award.