

May
2022



Bryan / College Station Service Unit News

Area 3, Service Unit 700, Council Code 578

Upcoming Events

All event registrations are accessed by clicking on the event name.

- 5/9/22
[Virtual Camp Cooking May Outdoors Challenge \(All Levels\)](#)
- 5/9/22
[Virtual SteMondays - Science of Happiness \(C\)](#)
- 5/11/22
[Virtual Microsoft: Smithsonian Air and Space Museum \(J,C,S, A\)](#)
- 5/15/22
[Girl Scout Shooting Sports Day - Round Rock \(B,J,C,S,A\)](#)
- 5/16/22
[Virtual Enviromental Stewardship May Outdoor Challenge \(All Levels\)](#)
- 5/19/22
[Virtual Paint Your World Purple National Event \(All Levels\)](#)

Check out more [HERE!](#)



Serving the girls of
Brazos County.

Helping to build girls
of courage,
confidence, and
character.

May's Service Unit Meeting

May 3rd , 7:00-7:30 pm at the Bryan Scout House, there will be a Jumpstart Training for new leaders, followed by the monthly service unit meeting, 7:30-8:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend!



Save the Date:

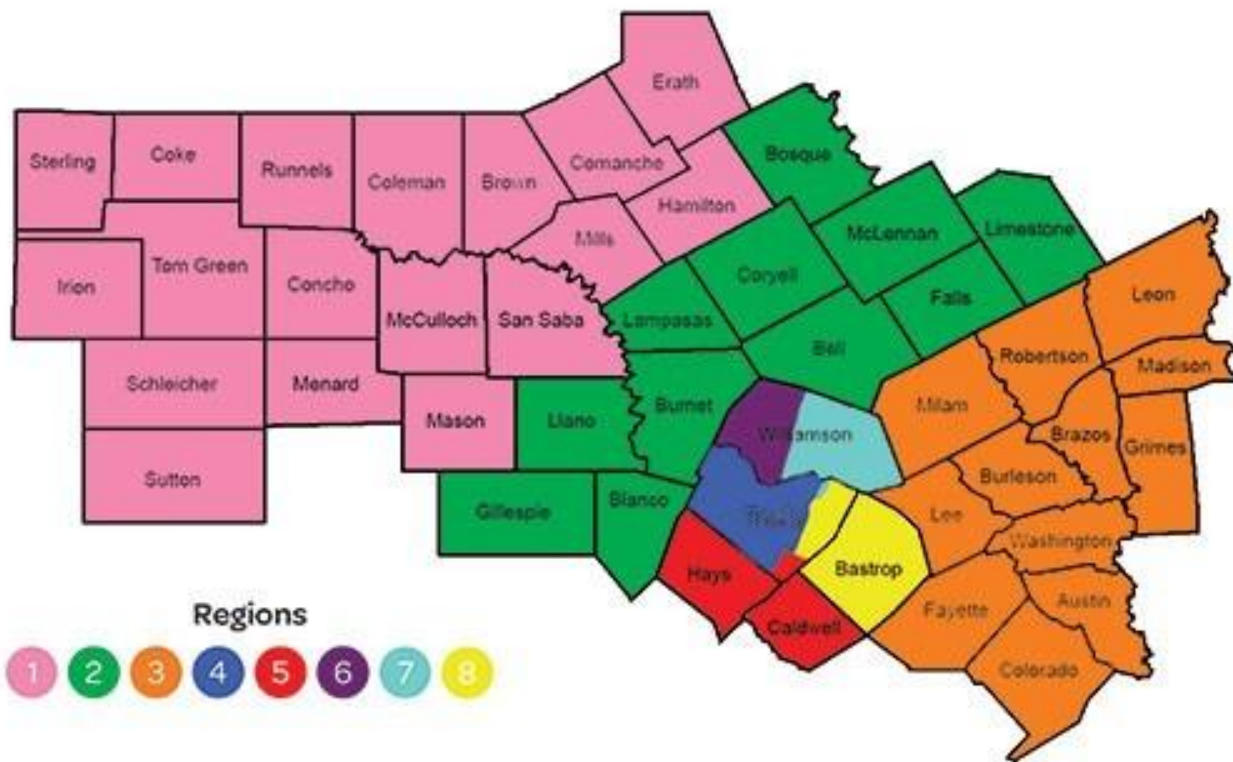
- May 01: Troop camping reservations open
- May 02: Service Unit and Troop Financial Reports due
- May 14: [Let's Go! 2 Fire, Food, & Fun](#)—Austin
- May 14: [Let's Go! 3 Outdoor Skills](#)—Austin
- May 15: [Let's Go! 2 & 3 Outdoor Skills](#)—Camp Texlake
- May 16: [Super Award](#) applications due
- May 18: [CPR/First Aid](#)—Austin
- May 21: [CPR/First Aid](#)—San Angelo
- May 23: [CPR/First Aid](#)—Killeen
- May 31: [Virtual Girl Scout Information Night](#)
- June 11: [CPR/First Aid](#)—San Angelo
- June 18: [CPR/First Aid](#)—Austin
- June 30: [Spring Renewal](#) ends
- July 09: [2022 Volunteer Enrichment Conference](#)

Super Award Applications Due 5/16

The Super Awards recognize the hard work and achievements of girls, troop, and service unit leadership with an additional **cookie bonus** for troops and service units (added to the regular cookie bonus deposit) and eligibility for an exclusive pin which can be purchased through the GSCTX Shop. Find out more at the links below:

- [Super Troop](#)
- [Super Girl Scout](#)
- [Super Service Unit](#)





Delegates Needed!

We want your input! At Girl Scouts of Central Texas, it's important that our volunteers are heard and are a part of the policy-making process that governs our council. Please email [Christine](#) if you are interested in becoming a delegate for our area!

- Each service unit will elect one delegate with an additional delegate per 500 girls registered in the area served by the service unit at the end of the membership year.
- Eight Regional Chairs will participate in the corporate governance. Appointed by the Board Chair, Regional Chairs will help improve communication with the Governance Committee Chair and hence the Board, and among delegates.
- National Council Delegates must be at least 14 years old and have served at least one term as a Service Unit Delegate or served on the Council's Board of Directors.

Council Delegates	Regional Chairs	National Council Delegates
<i>One-year term</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Position Description and Application • Election Standard Operating Procedures • 2021-2022 Roster • Council Delegate Training 	<i>Two-year term</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Position Description • Application • Service Units and Regions Cross-Reference List • 2020-2021 Roster 	<i>Three-year term</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Position Description • Application • 2020-2022 Roster • National Council Delegate Training

Volunteer Appreciation & Awards Ceremony

After a long day working and playing at camp, a celebration in honor of our volunteers and higher award earning Girl Scouts was held at Jane Pulley's Ceremonial Circle (4/23). Kathy Beifuss built us a beautiful ceremonial fire, lit by Day Camp Aide, Flurry. We marveled at the beautiful craftsmanship of the Day Camp T-Shirt banners, quilted by the wonderful Kay Simmons and Kathy Beifuss and shared dessert together. Please take a look at the [Awards Booklet](#) detailing the Gold and Silver projects completed by Girl Scouts who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership through Take Action projects that have sustainable impacts in their communities and beyond. Thank you, Girl Scouts!



REMINDER

General registration for Howdy Day Camp closed on 4/30. However, we could use a few extra volunteers. Contact [Michelle](#) if you are interested!

Volunteers need to:

- [Register as a volunteer with Girl Scouts.](#)
- [Complete a background check](#)
- [Complete Youth Protection Training \(YPT\)](#)
- [Complete and return a Health Form \(shot records not needed for adults\)](#)
- [Attend a Howdy Day Camp Training session](#)



Upcoming Events cont.

All event information is accessed by clicking on the event name.

- **5/21/22**
[Virtual Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Celebration \(All Levels\)](#)
- **5/21/22**
[Virtual GS Resilient, Ready, Strong \(D,B,J\)](#)
- **5/21/22**
[Spring Aides Skill Day](#)
- **5/21/22**
[Virtual GS Resilient, Ready, Strong \(C,S,A\)](#)
- **5/22/22**
[Hawaiian Hula - Austin \(D,B,J,C\)](#)
- **5/23/22**
[Virtual SteMondays Brownie Home Scientist](#)
- **5/23/22**
[Virtual Sunshine and Summer Time May Outdoor Challenge \(All Levels\)](#)
- **6/27/22**
[Journey In A Day: Think Like A Citizen Scientist \(B/J\) - Bryan](#)

Girl Scouts About Town



(Left) The special interest group, InTents, went rock climbing at Lake Mineral Wells State Park with Rock About Climbing Adventures!

(Below) Troop 33002 planned an amazing overnight trip to Galveston! They enjoyed exploring all Galveston has to offer, including the Moody Gardens!



(Above) Flashback to New Troop 33017 making memories with their fearless leader, Ms. Kristy, and completing their first Friendship Circle!



(Right) Jessica Stubblefield hosted a fun Skills Day event for C,S,A girls!

A Good Turn

Alicia, a member of Troop 9145, donated Girl Scout cookies for the Community Cafe' and Phoebe's Home residents in April. Alicia (pictured with Twin City Mission CEO, Dorothy Nevill) works hard and plays hard. In fact, this year she sold 3,112 boxes of cookies! Can't wait to see your next adventure, Alicia!



Check out more [HERE!](#)

Visit the service unit online at: <http://www.bcsgirlscouts.org/>

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Council Guidelines and Resources

Service Unit Meetings

Service Unit meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month, 7:30pm, at the Scout House; 2512 Rountree Drive, Bryan, TX 77801.

Volunteer Support Specialist, Emily Dawson

Virtual Office Hours will be offered on **Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11am-12pm**

(<https://zoom.us/j/98958482316> Passcode: 840883), **4:30pm-5:30pm** (<https://zoom.us/j/94345960768> Passcode: 217944)

Monthly Patch Program

Earn a new patch each month that's made just for Girl Scouts in Central Texas! The May featured patch will be "Wetlands"! Check out the [monthly patch program](#) page to find the program curriculum and how to order patches.

gsLearn

Check out the newest, up-to-date training courses available on our online learning platform, [gsLearn](#). Self-assign any course using the search titles under the Content Library. If you are unable to find the in-person training that you need in our area on the [GSCTX Event Calendar](#), please use the [Training on Demand](#) form to request training. Once your request is submitted they will work with our Service Unit and the Volunteer Facilitators to schedule the requested training.

Volunteer Essentials

Have questions? Check out the [Volunteer Essentials](#). This guide is designed to support busy troop volunteers on the go. You can easily find what you need to get started on your Girl Scout journey and search for answers throughout the troop year. Also, All volunteers should review the *Safety Activity Checkpoints* manual when planning activities with girls in order to manage safety and risk in Girl Scout-sanctioned activities. You can find it here: <http://www.gsctx.org/SAC>

Guide for Individually Registered Girl Scouts.

[Do it yourself](#). A great Girl Scout recruitment or retention resource which showcases the many opportunities available for Girl Scouts who choose to participate as individually registered members. Also check out [Girl Scouts At Home](#) for more ways to stay engaged!

In "Tents"

Do you have a girl in 6th- 12th grade that is interested in outdoor and high adventure activities? BCS In"tents" may be the group for her. This girl led/driven outdoor interest group meets once a month at Camp Howdy. It can be a great supplement to a girls existing troop. Please contact bcsintents@gmail.com for more information.

Camp Howdy Volunteers

Sometimes it takes a village and the same is true for Camp Howdy. We need volunteers to continue to care for and improve our beloved camp. The Camp Howdy site team is always on the look out for handy volunteers who love nature, building things, and supporting Girl Scouts. Work days are typically the third Saturday of every month. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Steve Gossett at gossett@suddenlink.net.

In-person Gatherings Guidelines

Last Updated: 4/6/2022

Groups may gather in-person with the following guidelines:

- **Groups Size** - No specific group size limit.
- **Masks** -Refer to CDC guidance for [county community level](#).
- **Physical Distancing** - Keep three to six feet of distance between members of different households.
- **Pre-screening** - Pre-screening forms are not required for volunteer-led activities. *If you are not feeling well, stay home.*
- APPROVED Girl Scout troop/group overnight travel is permitted. Volunteers are required to submit the [online Activity and Travel Application](#) for all overnight trips and day trips over 100 miles at least two weeks in advance.
- Troop camping guidelines are [HERE!](#)
- In-person meeting & events guidelines are [HERE!](#)
- Virtual meeting resources are [HERE!](#)

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