

**November
2022**



Bryan / College Station Service Unit News

Area 3, Service Unit 700, Council Code 578

Take Action – With GSCTX

2023 Cookie Captains

Encourage your Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts to earn their Service to Girl Scouting bar this cookie season by mentoring Daisies through the Cookie Captain program. To participate, C/S/A Girl Scouts should attend this virtual training by November 1, 2022.

[Sign up for Cookie Captain Program](#)

Vote for Volunteer Enrichment Conference Training Sessions

Please complete the VEC survey by November 13, 2022, to cast your vote for the sessions you like best.

[VEC Training Survey](#)

Service Unit Programming Survey

Help the GSCTX Girl Experience team plan for this membership year! We would love service unit leaders to take this short survey so we can better support service unit programming needs.

[Programming Survey](#)

Time to use your Program Credits!



Set to expire after
December 10, 2022

Serving the girls of
Brazos County.

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

Save the Date(s):



November 5: Fall Product Pick Up @ Scout House

November 12: [Service Unit Campout](#) (B/CS)

November 12: [Intents Outdoor Art Event](#) (B/CS)

November 13: [VEC Training Survey](#) ends

November 15: [Girl Campaign](#) registration deadline

November 16: [Welcome to Cookies](#) new caregivers

November 30: [Service Unit Programming Survey](#)

December 4: [GSCTX Level 1 Canoe Training \(Adult\)](#)

December 8: [B/CS Christmas Parade SU Float](#)

December 10: Last day to use [Program Credits](#)

Program Credit Set to Expire Soon!

Program Credits earned during the 2022 Girl Scout Cookie Program will expire December 10, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. We encourage you to plan ahead on how you would like to spend or roll over the credits.

Program Credit Spending Options

- **Girl Scout (Austin) Shop:** Find new Girl Scout outfits, gear, and program materials at our store in the [Kodosky Service Center](#).
- **Online Shop:** Online orders from the Girl Scout Shop [using Program Credits](#) must be purchased through the GSCTX retail team by November 19, 2022.
- **Programs & Events:** Register for one of our upcoming council [events](#). Just select program credits as your payment method at checkout or complete the [Program Credit Request form](#).
- **Travel:** Apply your Program Credits to approved service unit or troop travel, your GSUSA Destination trip, or a GSCTX council trip using the [Program Credit Request form](#). An approved Activity and Travel Application must be on file for the trip.
- **Carryover:** Convert your 2022 Program Credits to [carryover credits](#) and save for future camps, travel, or a lifetime membership. (Requires a minimum of \$100 in Program Credits.)

To check your Program Credit balance, please contact products@gscctx.org.

Upcoming Events

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

- **Aug – Dec 22**
[Think Like a Programmer Online Journey \(C,S,A\) - Virtual](#)
- **11/3/22**
[Virtual Travel Committee Open House \(V\)](#)
- **11/3/22**
[Meet The Author At Texas Book Festival \(All Levels\) - Austin](#)
- **11/5/22**
[Star Of The Republic Museum, Texas Pioneer Patch \(All Levels\) - Washington](#)
- **11/5/22**
[Badge Day At The Science Mill \(All Levels\) - Johnson City](#)
- **11/9/22**
[Virtual Microsoft: Hour Of Code Minecraft AI \(B,J,C,S,A\)](#)
- **11/11/22**
[My First Campout \(D,B\) - Textlake](#)
- **11/11/22**
[Virtual Take the Lead - Part 1 \(C,S,A\)](#)
- **11/12/22**
[GSCTX Presents Curiosity Cube - Session 1 \(D,B,J,C\) - Austin](#)

GO BRIGHT Ahead



Fall Product Important Dates:

- **Oct. 15 - Nov. 7:** Online Nut & Candy/Mags sale continues
- **Nov 5:** Troop Fall Product Coordinator distributes product
- **Nov 8:** Submit Girl Scout rewards
- **Nov 17-24:** All money due to troop

Find more on Fall Products at the link below:

<https://www.gsctx.org/en/cookies/fall-products.html>

The Girl Led Events Group

This is a special interest troop that will focus on mentoring and serving younger girls. The CSA (Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors) Girl Scouts will plan and host events for the younger girls (Daisies, Brownies, Juniors). If your CSA Girl Scout is interested in joining the fun, contact Jessica at toad12788@gmail.com for more details!

Event Calendar

11/13 - Meeting @ Scout House
11/19 - DBJ Flag Ceremony Event
11/20 - Thanksgiving Potluck for CSA
12/11 - Christmas Wrapping Fundraiser
12/11 - Christmas Party for Events CSA
12/18 - Christmas Party for SU DBJ Event
1/8 - Meeting @ Scout House
1/14 - CSA Board Game Night
1/22 - Meeting @ Scout House
2/12 - Meeting @ Scout House
2/14 - Valentines Tea Party
2/26 - Meeting @ Scout House
3/4 - Cake Decorating for CSA
3/26 - Meeting @ Scout House
4/23 - Meeting @ Scout House
5/7 - Mother's Day Kit, DIY

Service Unit Camp Out Camp Howdy

November 12 - 13



Come learn about Girl Scout traditions and have a belated birthday party for Juliette Gordon Low! Girls will earn parts of their Girl Scout Way merit badge (all levels)! To Celebrate World Kindness Day - girls will have a chance to help create a service unit level kindness wall hanging.

Check in will start on Saturday @ 8:30am. Event will begin at 9am. There will be troop free time between 1pm and 3pm so troops can attend Intents Outdoor Art Workshop for DBJ troops also at Camp Howdy.

RSVP on the [SU Camp sign up](#).

Where: Camp Howdy

When November 12 at 1pm- 3pm

Register by November 1st at <https://forms.gle/rD1UkvYpDPA8euMn8>

Cost : \$10 per scout

GIRL SCOUT OUTDOOR ART BADGE



The Outdoor Art Badge will be hosted by the Intents at Camp Howdy from 1pm-3pm on November 12 for Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors
Outdoor Art Badges - Daisy, Brownie, Junior

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

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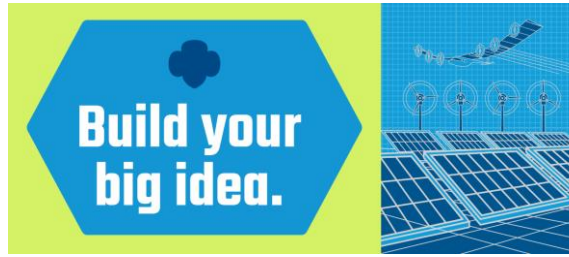
Check out more [HERE!](#)

Upcoming Events cont.

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- 11/12/22 [Zip Lost Pines - Zipline Tour \(J,C,S,A\) - Ceder Creek](#)
- 11/14/22 [Virtual Adulting 101: Advocacy and Democracy \(C,S,A\)](#)
- 11/17/22 [Silver Award Workshop \(C\) - Austin](#)
- 11/20/22 [International Girls Day with Kappa Delta - B/CS](#)
- 11/30/22 [Virtual Microsoft Hour of Code: Minecraft: A Tale of Two Villages \(B,J,C,S,A\)](#)
- 12/1/22 [Fellow Passenger: A Christmas Carol \(All Levels\) - B/CS](#)
- 12/3/22 [Virtual The Ayes Have It \(C,S,A\)](#)
- 12/7/22 [Virtual Microsoft: Beginners Guide to Arcade Games \(J,C,S,A\)](#)
- 12/9/22 [Twilight Girl Scouts: Money Manager Badge \(D,B,J\) - B/CS](#)

Check out more [HERE!](#)



Cookie Box Creations

Design and create a unique structure using Girl Scout Cookie boxes. Build a team of other passionate Girl Scouts who are ready to think outside of the box. Using STEM concepts, you're challenged to develop critical thinking, cooperation, and team building skills to plan, design, and create your structure around one central theme.

The 2023 Cookie Box Creations theme is sustainable energy. Teams will be asked to select a type of sustainable energy to represent in their cookie box structure. Structures will be displayed in February at Barton Creek Square mall in Austin.

Register by November 7th. Sign up [HERE!](#)



Bryan/College Station Service Unit Float at the BCS Christmas Parade

December 4, 2022 @ 2pm

Girl Scouts of Central Texas Bryan/College Station Service Unit will be hosting a float in the BCS Christmas parade.

Calling all Girl Scouts that would like to participate! If your troop or girls/parents would like to participate - please sign up at link below. This is NOT a drop off event.

Line up for the parade will be earlier than 2pm, but we will know the exact time in November.

The parade will be on Sunday December 4, 2022 @ 2pm.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/.../5080549AFAF2EA0FB6...>

Carnival of the Ghoul Scouts



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Council Guidelines and Resources

Service Unit Meetings

Service Unit meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Scout House (2512 Rountree Dr, Bryan, TX 77801). Every troop should send a representative, but everyone is invited to join us!

Volunteer Support Specialist, Emily Dawson

Virtual office hours are back! Wednesday, 11:45-12:30. Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/98251823146> Meeting ID: 982 5182 3146 Passcode: 688616

Monthly Patch Program

Earn a new patch each month that's made just for Girl Scouts in Central Texas! The September featured patch will be "Creature Crawl"! 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. 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!

InTents

Do you have a girl in 6th-12th grade that is interested in outdoor and high adventure activities? B/CS Intents 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

Camp Howdy is a great resource for our Girl Scouts! Camp Howdy work days are typically the third Saturday of the month. If you would like to volunteer to help maintain camp, contact Steve Gossett at gossett@suddenlink.net. If you are coming out to camp at any time, please email Steve with your name, vehicle description and plate number. Thank you.

In-person Gatherings Guidelines

Last Updated:
10/13/2022

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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Service Unit Important Names and Contact Information

Girl Scouts of Central Texas Staff:

Area 3 Service Center:

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Suite 10
Bryan TX 77802

Open by appointment only.
Call 512-490-2382 to
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Help Desk:

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(Vacant)

**Volunteer Support
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**Program Specialist (Part-
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Open Positions:

Cookie Captain Coordinator – Organize and facilitate Cookie Captain and Daisy Troop pairing

Webpage Editor – Edit and update the <http://www.bcsgirlscouts.org/> webpage using Wordpress

Troop School Organizer – Help foster school relationships and assist Recruiter in your community school

New Leader Consultant – Support new leaders

Volunteer Recognitions Committee Chair – Help identify volunteers for recognitions at Service Unit and Council levels.

SU Events Committee Chair – Help organize and execute Service Unit events

Community Service Committee Chair – Help identify, organize, and execute Service Unit community Service opportunities

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