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2021**



# **Bryan / College Station Service Unit News**

**Area 3, Service Unit 700, Council Code 578**

## **Message from the SUDs**

Are you ready to rock your Girl Scout pride? The Girl Scout shop has a variety of items geared towards our fearless leaders! A personal favorite is the leader vest and tabby. The vest gives off the “official” vibe while also giving you a great place to put your own patches and awards!

Girl Scout’s doesn’t just focus on our girls. As a troop leader, I’m learning new things, expanding my resume, and really rockin’ my personal growth, too. Check out the official volunteer gear [HERE!](#)

Happy Girl Scouting!



**Serving the girls of  
Brazos County.**

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

## **Cookie Booth Manager Needed!**

GSCTX announced the 2022 Girl Scout Cookie Program dates! Go Day is January 19 and the sale ends on February 27. However, we need your help to make cookies happen! B/CS needs a Cookie Booth Manager for 2022. This position is responsible for ensuring equitable distribution of booths to all Girl Scouts and Girl Scout Troops during the Cookie Program within our designated geographical area. In partnership with the service unit team, the Service Unit Cookie Booth Manager provides support to volunteers and aids in meeting Service Unit specific goals and making a difference in the lives of Girl Scouts in their community. Please email [Gs.bcs.suds@gmail.com](mailto:Gs.bcs.suds@gmail.com) if you are interested or have any questions.

## **Fall Product Program**

- Oct. 14: Paper Nut & Candy Sale ends
- Oct 15: Paper Nut & Candy orders due
- Oct. 15 - Nov. 8: Online Nut & Candy/Mags sale continues
- Nov: Troop Fall Product Coordinator distributes product
- Nov 9: Submit Girl Scout rewards
- Nov 29: All money due to troop



**For more info:**

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

## **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. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Steve Gossett, [gossett@suddenlink.net](mailto:gossett@suddenlink.net).

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# Upcoming Events

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

- 10/9/21  
[Samsung STEM Challenge \(J/C/V\)](#)
- 10/9/21  
[Girl Scouts Change the World](#)
- 10/11/21  
[Dive With Me \(J/C/S/A\)](#)
- 10/11/21  
[Virtual My First Brownie Badge: Inventor](#)
- 10/16/21  
[Pumpkin Patch - Temple \(All Levels\)](#)
- 10/23/21  
[Virtual Taste of Broadway \(All Levels\)](#)
- 10/24/21  
[Try It Out Girl Scouts at Camp! \(All Levels\)](#)
- 10/24/21  
[Virtual Expect Respect: Teen Healthy Relationships \(C/S/A\)](#)
- 10/29/21  
[Virtual Mystery Experience: Halloween at Pandora's Manor \(D/B\)](#)

Check out more [HERE!](#)



## Important Updates

Policies regarding participation in troop travel and events will change beginning 10/1/21. To remain in compliance with the insurance provider and to continue to ensure a safe experience for our members, any adult attending a troop or service unit event will be required to have a current year membership and completed criminal background check (CBC). Additionally any member who will be transporting girls at any time will be required to complete a [Volunteer Driver Form](#). This form will need to be filled out annually. For questions, please contact [customer care](#).

## Volunteer Training Events!

- 10/20 - [CPR/First Aid](#)
- 10/23 - [Let's Go! 3 Outdoor Skills \(Round Rock\)](#)

## NEW! Everyday Apparel for Every Girl

**Now available!** The new Daisy, Brownie, and Junior Uniform and Official Apparel Collection for girls in grades K-5.

This collection pairs nostalgic styles with eco-conscious materials for a modern take on Girl Scout fashion. It features comfortable apparel and matching accessories created for each grade level, from adventure-ready activewear to complete looks for special events. Inspired by classic Girl Scout designs from the '90s and made for today's girls, this color-coordinated collection makes it fun and easy to mix, match, and create a wardrobe that's the perfect fit for your girl.



### Carnival of the Ghoul Scouts

**Date:** Oct 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

**Location:** Camp Howdy

Troops are invited to host tables for our SU Halloween carnival and can food drive. Entrance fee for guests will be canned goods, to benefit the Brazos Valley Food Pantry. If your troop is interested in hosting a table, fill out [this google form](#). Email [Gs.bcs.suds@gmail.com](mailto:Gs.bcs.suds@gmail.com) with any questions.

### Skills Day

**Date:** Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

**Location:** Camp Howdy

Calling all Howdy Day Camp Aides and volunteers! Jessica Stubblefield will be hosting a skills day to practice all of your important Aide skills. Cost is TBD, but should be no more than \$10. Contact Jessica with any questions. [toad12788@gmail.com](mailto:toad12788@gmail.com), 979-402-4842

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# Council Guidelines and Resources

## [Monthly Patch Program \(October 2021\)](#)

GSCTX offers a Monthly Patch Program! Each month a new patch program will be offered. This month council is offering the "Healthy Relationships" (Domestic Violence Awareness Month) patch. Check out the patch requirements for this month by going to GSCTX "[COUNCIL PATCH PROGRAM](#)" page. Then scroll down to the "Monthly Patch Program" section. There you will find links to the current monthly patches in the drop down section at the bottom and the requirements to complete.

## [GSCTX policies and standards are updated](#)

Check out our newly updated [policies and standards](#) available on the GSCTX website.

## [Super Awards Criteria now available online](#)

Become a Super Girl Scout, Troop, or Service Unit! This year Super Troops can earn up to \$0.07 and Super Service Units can earn up to \$0.03 per box of cookies sold! Visit the [Super Awards](#) page for award requirements

## [gsLearn—Newly added content](#)

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.

## [gsEvents is live!](#)

Ready to use gsEvents? Watch this short [gsEvents Registration Demo](#) for the steps on how to use our newest online registration platform for council events.

## [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 [bcshintents@gmail.com](mailto:bcshintents@gmail.com) for more information.

## [Form a Cookie Box Creation team. \(C/S/A only\)](#)

Ready to compete in the inaugural Girl Scouts of Central Texas Cookie Box Creations? Download the [participant handbook](#) for upcoming deadlines, box order forms, judging criteria, and more. [Register](#) your team of eight to 12 girls by October 24, 2021.

## [Area 3 Girl Talk Coaching \(October 13, 6-6:45pm\)](#)

Via Zoom (Have fun and learn how Ginny and Emily do Girl Talks at schools and in the community) Come along on a journey with us and let us share our Girl Scout Story with you. Bring your prop so you can share your Girl Scout story with us. (Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/98424637647> Meeting ID: 984 2463 7647 Passcode: 336084 Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/aeFOBMdzG> Join by Skype for Business <https://zoom.us/skype/98424637647>

## In-person Gatherings Guidelines

Last Updated: 9/22/2021

**Groups may gather in-person with the following guidelines:**

- Small groups recommended. Indoor meeting space must accommodate group size. Groups over 30 must seek pre-approval via the online [ATA](#).
- **Outdoors:** Masks are optional. **Indoors:** Masks are highly recommended per CDC guidance.
- Keep three to six feet of distance between members of different households.
- Attendees should complete a pre-screening form before each in-person activity and stay home when not feeling well.

Given the recent increase in COVID-19 cases and the highly transmissible Delta variant, GSCTX recommends following CDC and local guidelines to help prevent the spread of the disease. CDC guidelines suggest mask-wearing for all indoor, in-person activities. Social distancing is encouraged. Leaders should gauge participant comfort level when planning events and activities. For detailed info, click [here!](#)

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