

**January  
2024**



# Bryan / College Station Service Unit News

Area 3, Service Unit 700, Council Code 578



## Cookie Program Important Dates

- Now: [Troop Cookie Coordinator agreement available online](#)
- Nov 10: [Caregiver Permission form due](#)
- Nov 10: ACH form due for new troops
- Dec 1: Initial Orders due in Smart Cookie
- Jan 13: Cookie Delivery
- Jan 17: Cookie Sales Start
- Jan 20: Cookie Booths start
- Feb 2: 1<sup>st</sup> ACH (50% of initial order)
- Feb 16: 2<sup>nd</sup> ACH (remaining balance of initial order)
- Feb 25: Cookie Sales End
- March 1: Reward Orders Due
- March 8: Final ACH

[Find out more about Cookie Program!](#)

**[Service Unit Adult Recognition Award nominations are open. Click to nominate a volunteer!](#)**

Serving the girls of Brazos County.

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

## Howdy Day Camp 2024 Myths & Legends

**June 3 – 7 8am – 2pm**

REGISTRATION OPENS  
MARCH 2024



**Save the Date  
World Thinking Day  
2024 Event**

**Feb 24 2024**

## SASQUATCH

**April 5 - 7**  
Bluebonnet Shores  
Girl Scout Camp



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

# Troops Out and About



Troop 33009 donated toys to Radio MASH!



InTENTs went rock climbing and camping.



Troop 33003 performed at Christmas in the Park!



Troop 979 had a float in the CS Christmas parade!



Girls learned about cookies and had fun at the recent BCS Cookie Rally!



GLE girls having fun singing karaoke!

## Special Interest Troops

Do you have a girl in 6th-12th grade that is interested in outdoor and high adventure activities? B/CS In"tents" may be the group for her. This girl led/driven outdoor interest group meets once a month. It can be a great supplement to a girls existing troop.

**Next Meeting:**  
**Sunday, Feb 4<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm**  
**at Kung Fu Tea in College Station**

Please contact  
[bcsintents@gmail.com](mailto:bcsintents@gmail.com)  
 for more information.

Do you have a girl in 6th-12th grade that is interested in planning and hosting events? B/CS Girl Led Event Committee (GLE) may be the group for her. Meetings and events held at the Bryan Scout House.

**Upcoming Meetings:**  
**1-28-24 6pm-8pm**

**Upcoming Events:**  
**12-16-23**  
**CSA Karaoke – Bring a Friend Event**

**1-6-24**  
**CSA Movie Night – Double Feature**

Please contact  
[gs.bcs.suds@gmail.com](mailto:gs.bcs.suds@gmail.com)  
 for more information.



## Upcoming Events - Jan

All event information is accessed by clicking on the event name

- 1/14/24 [Virtual Take the Lead Part 1 \(CSA\)](#)

Check out more [HERE!](#)



## Summer Camp 2024

Registration for Summer Camp 2024 opens in January.

[Learn more about GSCTX Summer Camps here](#)

### [Girl Scout Tree Promise](#)

Take part in this National Service Project and earn the Girl Scout Tree Promise Badge.

[Check out other Girl Scout National Service Projects here](#)



## Upcoming Events - Feb

All event information is accessed by clicking on the event name

- 2/3/24 [Girl Scout Day at the Harlem Globetrotters \(NRG Stadium\)](#)
- 2/6/24 [Virtual Space Jam – Hour of Code \(JC\)](#)
- 2/10/24 [Girl Scout Leadership Institute \(SA\) \(Houston\)](#)
- 2/13/24 [Virtual Space Jam – Hour of Code \(SA\)](#)
- 2/16/24 [Twilight Girl Scouts: Keep Calm and Carry On \(B/J\)](#)
- 2/19/24 [Dive with Me \(JCSA\)](#)
- 2/23/24 [Cirque du Soleil: Crystal \(all\)](#)
- 2/24/24 [STEM Girl Day at UT Austin](#)

## It's Cookie Season – a great time to complete accompanying badges!

	Cookie Business			Financial Literacy		Cookie Entrepreneur Family	Entrepreneur	
Daisy	My First Cookie Business	Cookie Goal Setter	Money Explorer	My Money Choices	Year 1 and 2 Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pins		Toy Business Designer	
Brownie	My Cookie Customers	Cookie Decision Maker	Budget Builder	My Own Budget	Year 1 and 2 Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pins		Budding Entrepreneur	
Junior	My Cookie Team	Cookie Collaborator	Budget Maker	My Money Plan	Year 1 and 2 Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pins		Business Jumpstart	
Cadette	My Cookie Venture	Cookie Market Researcher	Cookie Innovator	Budget Manager	My Money Habits	My Dream Budget	Year 1, 2, and 3 Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pins	Business Creator
Senior	My Cookie Network	Cookie Boss	Savvy Saver	My Financial Power		Year 1 and 2 Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pins		Business Startup
Ambassador	My Cookie Business Resume	Cookie Influencer	Financial Planner	My Financial Independence		Year 1 and 2 Cookie Entrepreneur Family Pins		Entrepreneur Accelerator

Check out these early March events!

- 3-1-24 [Mariners All Level Sailing Weekend](#)
- 3/2/24 [BCS STEMfest 2024](#)

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

Check out more [HERE!](#)

## Upcoming Volunteer Training

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

Stay tuned for  
Adult Volunteer  
Howdy Day Camp  
training dates!

## Specialty Committees

### Camp Howdy Committee

Interested in helping make decisions about Camp Howdy? Girl and adult volunteers are needed for the Camp Howdy Committee.

### Scout House Committee

Interested in helping make decisions about the Scout House? Girl and adult volunteers are needed for the Scout House Committee.

# Council Guidelines and Resources

## Service Unit Meetings

Service Unit meetings are generally 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 at least one representative, but everyone is invited to join us!

## GSCTX Shop

Council Staff have generously offered to routinely pick up orders and drop them at the Scout House. Make arrangements with [Emily](#) and then make a [special order](#) by contacting the shop at [austinshop@gsctx.org](mailto:austinshop@gsctx.org).

## Monthly Patch Program

Earn a new patch each month that's made just for Girl Scouts in Central Texas! The January featured patch is "H-E-B Health & Wellness" 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.

## Brand & Communication Resources

Creating a flyer or poster for your next event? Designing a t-shirt for your girls? Click the link above for ready-to-use materials and resources that you can use to make your designs look fantastic and Girl Scout-approved!

## 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>

## Troop Leader Blueprint

New troop year? Bring it on! Keep your troop going strong with these specially adapted badges, Journeys, and activities for virtual and safe in-person meetings, as well as current COVID-19 guidelines and resources. We're here to support you as you help your troop thrive.

## 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](mailto: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.

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### Open Positions:

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

**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.

## Girl Scouts of Central Texas Staff:

### Area 3 Service Center:

2512 Rountree Dr  
Bryan, TX 77801

Open by appointment only.  
Call 512-490-2382 to schedule.

### Help Desk:

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