

# Fall Adventure Guide

*September 2025 - January 2026*



**girl scouts**  
of central illinois



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# Welcome to the Fall Adventure Guide!



Get ready to embark on a journey filled with excitement and discovery. From outdoor excursions to badge workshops, our program guide has it all! We encourage you to dive headfirst into the myriad of activities we have planned and make the most out of every moment. This guide is not just a list of events; it's a gateway to new friendships and unforgettable memories!

## Ready, set, register!

Registration for programs opens on August 6, 2025 at 8am.



### How to Register for Programs

- Read through new programs starting on page 6.
- Go to [GetYourGirlPower.org](https://www.getyourgirlpower.org)
- Hover over the Discover tab, then click Event Search or Event Calendar.
- Click on the program you're interested in from the listing or calendar view.
- Find the "Register Now" button on the program description page.

It's that easy!

### Questions? We're here to help.

Our Customer Care team is available to answer your questions and help meet your needs. Contact us via email at [customercare@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:customercare@girlscouts-gsci.org) or call **888-623-1237**.



# Important Program Info

## Registrations

- Program registration opens on Wednesday, August 6 at 8am at [GetYourGirlPower.org](https://www.getyourgirlpower.org).
- **Program registration closes on the specified deadline or when maximum numbers have been reached.** A late fee of 25% of the program fee will be assessed if your late registration is accepted after the closing date. Free events will incur a \$3 late fee. Late registration may not be accepted if an event is full or other circumstances prevent additional registrations.
- All registrations must be made online to guarantee your spot in the program.
- Confirmations will be emailed 1 week prior to each session. We must have a valid email address for confirmations!
- To be added to the wait list for a full program, please call Customer Care at 888-623-1237.
- Cookie Dough or Nutty Bucks may be used for payment. Registration will not be complete and spots will not be held until Customer Care is contacted to complete payment.

## Cancellations & Refunds

- If the event or session does not meet the minimum registration by the deadline date, GSCI reserves the right to cancel the event with refunds to the payee of the event in the same form as payment. If payment was Cookie Dough/Nutty Bucks, refunds will be given in the form of program credit to be used within 60 days of issued program credit.
- In the case of extreme weather, an event may be cancelled or rescheduled. If the event is cancelled, refunds will be given to the payee of the event in the same form as payment. No refunds will be given for any registrant who arrives late, leaves early, attends only part of the event or chooses not to attend the event.
- The leader or parent/caregiver must cancel the event registration 6 weeks prior to the event date in order to receive a refund. The refund will be refunded with the same payment type.
- A refund may be possible if there is a documented medical/emergency situation, and a request form is submitted within one week after the event date.
- Members who register as non-members will not be able to request a refund for the difference in pricing. If members have issues registering, please contact Customer Care to ensure you are registering correctly.














## General

- **Troops are responsible for collecting permission slips and meeting girl-to-adult ratios, unless program is noted as a drop off event.**
- **Girls registering individually must attend with an adult unless program is noted as a drop off event.**
- If you are attending a family event and a sibling or friend will be participating in the event, please register that additional child.
- If the family event is overnight, males can only sleep in quarters with other males or with their family.
- Tagalongs (unregistered siblings or friends) are not allowed at programs or events unless otherwise stated or prior permission is given by the staff member facilitating the program. Many programs have capacity numbers due to space or restriction from community partners or it may be deemed unsafe or distracting to have younger children present. If tagalongs attend, facilitators have the right to ask that they leave. No refunds will be issued if this causes the Girl Scout to be unable to stay due to no longer having their adult present to meet ratio.



# Program Directory

Let the adventure begin! Browse our program listings (pages 6-25) for a list of scheduled programs and countless other opportunities for your girl to participate in Girl Scouts (pages 26-34).

Program Levels	Badge Symbols	Program Pillar
 Girl Scout Daisies (grades K-1)	<p>You can earn or work toward badges at many of our programs. Look for the icons throughout the guide to find which programs will help you earn a badge.</p>	 Life Skills
 Girl Scout Brownies (grades 2-3)		 STEM
 Girl Scout Juniors (grades 4-5)	 <p>You'll earn a badge and either take it home with you or be able to buy it at a Trefoil Boutique after the program.</p>	 Outdoors
 Girl Scout Cadettes (grades 6-8)		 Entrepreneurship
 Girl Scout Seniors (grades 9-10)	 <p>You'll work toward earning a badge by completing one or more steps, and then finish necessary steps on your own.</p>	 Girl Scout Traditions
 Girl Scout Ambassadors (grades 11-12)		

# Momentous Events

## Big Tap Campout: Go Wild at Camp

Tapawingo! **D B J C S A** 

Sept. 27-28, 10:00am-9:00am  
Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

*Fun for the  
whole family!*

Go wild at Camp Tapawingo! Monkey around all day and experience everything camp has to offer. Let your arrows fly like a bird at the archery range, go boating like a fish out of water, create a colorful tie-dyed work of art, and participate in other animal-themed activities. Stay the night and participate in classic camp activities like cooking dinner over the campfire, making s'mores, and singing camp songs. For an added fee, register for additional activities like the Rock Wall, Zip Line, and Horseback Riding. Bring your own sack lunch or add-on a provided lunch for an additional fee. This is NOT a drop off event!

*Please note: Those wanting to do the climbing wall, zip line, or ride horses must pre-register online and pay an additional fee per activity. Space is very limited, so register early! Fun patch included. Opportunity to work toward badges depends on activities selected. Participants can pay \$16 for a lunch add-on or bring a sack lunch. Adult volunteers needed.*

\$30/person (platform tent/rustic cabin) • 20/100 people  
\$25/person (bring your own tent) • 15/150 people  
\$20/person (Saturday only) • 15/200 people

Zip Line Sessions **J C S A**

Session 1: 10:30am-12:00pm

Session 2: 12:00pm- 1:30pm

Session 3: 2:30-4:00pm

Session 4: 4:00-5:30pm

\$12/Girl Scout • \$15/Non-Member

Min/Max: 1/15 Youth

*Register to  
Build-A-Bear at  
this event!*

Rock Wall Sessions **B J C S A**

Session 1: 11:00am-12:00pm

Session 2: 12:00-1:00pm

Session 3: 2:00-3:00pm

Session 4: 3:00-4:00pm

\$12/Girl Scout • \$15/Non-Member

Min/Max: 1/15 Youth

Horse Riding Sessions

Session 1: 10:00-11:15am **B**

Session 2: 11:45am-1:00pm **J**

Session 3: 2:00-3:15pm **J C**

Session 4: 3:45-5:00pm **J C S A**

*Must have previous experience. Not a trail ride.*

\$20/Girl Scout • \$23/Non-Member

Min/Max: 5/10 Youth

Register by September 14

**Big Tap  
Campout  
Patch!**



## Widji Haunted Trails **D B J C S A**

Oct. 11, 5:30-8:30pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

Get into the spooky spirit the Girl Scout camp way! Join us for a family friendly evening at Camp Widjiwagan. Channel your inner mad scientist with spooky experiments while you wait for your turn on the haunted trail. Roast a perfect s'more around the campfire and go on a hayride with your best buds.

*Bring your flashlight and your family for this not-so-scary evening at camp. Check out "Haunted Helpers" on page 11 to find out how you can help set up this spooky event!*

\$8/Girl Scout • \$13/Non-Member • \$8/Adult

Min/Max: 50/250 Youth • 25/150 Adult

Register by September 27



*Bring your friends  
and family!*



## Palette of Possibilities **D B J C S**

Nov. 8, 10:00am-3:00pm

Bloomington, TBA

Explore new possibilities at our brand-new Art and Design Exploration Day! Girl Scouts will rotate through stations and workshops to learn about different art styles, techniques, and mediums. We're excited to be able to feature dance, music, painting, pottery, and more! The fun doesn't stop there though- Girl Scouts of all ages (volunteers included!) are invited to take part in our Art Show!

*Registration deadline for those participating in the Art Show portion is October 19.*

\$25/Girl Scout • \$28/Non-Member • \$5/Adult

Min/Max: 65/500 Youth • 35/500 Adult

Register by October 26



## Museum Takeover **DBJ**

*A family event!*

Dec. 13, 5:00-8:00pm

Children's Museum of Illinois, Decatur

Girl Scout Museum Takeover is back! Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors will dive into hands-on fun, complete a badge, and explore the museum with their troop or family. We're also calling on our Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors to step up as volunteers and help lead the adventure! Earn service hours, grow your leadership skills, and be the reason younger Girl Scouts have an unforgettable experience.

*To volunteer, email Nichelle King at [nking@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:nking@girlscouts-gsci.org). Registration includes fun patch. Daisies will complete all steps for their Rollercoaster Design Challenge Badge, Brownies will complete all steps for their Racecar Design Challenge Badge, and Juniors will complete all steps for their Crane Design Challenge Badge.*

\$10/Girl Scout • \$13/Non-Member • \$5/Adult

Min/Max: 100/250 Youth • 50/150 Adult

Register by November 30

*Register to  
Build-A-Bear at  
this event!*



## Cookie Rally - Kick Off Cookie Season with a Bang! **DBJCSA**

Jan. 10, 2026, 1:00-4:00pm

Interstate Center, Bloomington

*Fun for the  
whole family!*

Ready to kick off cookie season with a bang? Come join us for an exciting cookie rally! This is your chance to get a sneak peek at the upcoming cookie season, meet fellow Girl Scouts, and pick up some handy tips for selling those delicious cookies. We'll have fun games, challenges, and a few surprises to get you pumped and prepared for the big season ahead. Plus, you'll get to taste some of the cookies before anyone else! Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity to get a jumpstart on the fun!

*Cookie badge opportunities will be Cookie Goal Setter and My First Cookie Business for Daisies, My Cookie Customers for Brownies, My Cookie Team for Juniors, and Cookie Market Researcher for Cadettes. Adult and teen volunteers needed.*

\$15/Girl Scout • \$18/Non-Member • \$7/Adult

Min/Max: 400/700 Youth • 1/700 Adult

Register by January 1

*Register to  
Build-A-Bear at  
this event!*





# Equestrian

## Junior Horseback Riding Badge **J S**

Sept. 6, 12:00-4:00pm

or

Nov. 15, 9:00am-1:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Spend time in the barn and arena learning, riding, and earning your Jr. Horseback Riding Badge. First meet some of our wonderful horses and ponies! Then discover the basics of horseback riding. You'll learn about safety and how to take care of a horse. Finally tack up your horse and go for a ride in our indoor riding arena!

*Prerequisite: Read through the Junior Horseback Badge Requirements pamphlet. Not recommended for first time riders.*

\$60/Girl Scout • \$63/Non-Member

Min/Max: 6/12 Youth

Register by August 31 for Sept. 6 program

Register by November 9 for Nov. 15 program



## Pony Tails I **D B J**

Sept. 13

or

Nov. 1

Session 1: 9:30-10:45am

Session 2: 11:30am-12:45pm

Session 3: 2:00-3:15pm

Session 4: 4:00-5:15pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Here is your introduction to the wonderful world of horses and ponies! Learn with your friends how to groom a pony/horse and then head out to the arena to take a turn riding. While in the arena you will learn how to sit properly in the saddle, as well as how to steer and stop your new equine friend.

\$35/Girl Scout • \$38/Non-Member

Min/Max: 3/6 Youth

Register by September 7 for Sept. 13 sessions

Register by October 26 for Nov. 1 sessions



## Pony Tails II **D B J**

Sept. 20

or

Nov. 8

Session 1: 9:30-11:00am

Session 2: 12:15-1:45pm

Session 3: 2:30-4:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora



Let's get reintroduced to a few of the Tapawingo herd members. Learn with your friends how to handle a pony/horse from the ground. While in the arena touch up on your steering and stopping skills with some arena exercises. Maybe even learn to trot!

*Prerequisite: Completion of Pony Tails I or equivalent experience.*

\$40/Girl Scout • \$43/Non-Member

Min/Max: 4/8 Youth

Register by September 14 for Sept. 20 sessions

Register by October 26 for Nov. 1 sessions

## Loyal, Brave, and True

Oct. 4, 1:00-5:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora **J C**

How will you choose to bring yourself honor and glory during your afternoon at Camp Tapawingo? Will it be mounting your trusty steed to protect the people from the Hun Army, trying your hand at archery to prepare for the battle, or maybe even saving the Imperial City by zip lining down the wire from the top of the tower like Mulan did while escaping Shan Yu? You might even be able to spot Mushu on the way down! Your fate rests in your hands, are you up for the challenge?

*Please note: Participants will be split into groups of 10 due to the group size limitation for riding horses. Snack and fun patch included. Adults can participate in Archery if they would like. However, no adults will be able to participate with the horses and zip lining. For zip lining the participant height restriction is 4'6"-6'2" tall and the max weight of a participant for both zip lining and Horses is 250lbs.*

\$50/Girl Scout • \$53/Non-Member • \$5/Adult

Min/Max: 15/30 Youth • 10/20 Adult

Register by September 21



## Trail Rides

Oct. 11

Session 1: 8:30-11:30am **C S A**

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Help get your very own horse ready for your trail adventure! Before hitting the trails, spend a little bit of time bonding with your horse as you groom and tack them up. After that we will go over trail safety and then head out on one of the longest trail rides that Camp Tapawingo has to offer while enjoying the beautiful nature that surrounds us. Come join us for this relaxing trail ride individually or with your troop! *Prerequisite: Riders must be 250 lbs or less. Not for first time riders! Trail riding experience preferred.*

\$55/Girl Scout • \$58/Non-Member

Min/Max: 3/6 Youth

Oct. 11

Session 2: 1:00-2:30pm **J C S A**

Session 3: 3:15-4:45pm **J C S A**

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Ready to head out of the arena and on to the trail? Come join us for a relaxing trail ride individually or with your troop! Go over trail safety, get paired up with a horse or pony companion and then explore through the woods on horseback while experiencing some of the amazing nature that Camp Tapawingo has to offer!

*Prerequisite: Riders must be 250 lbs or less. Not for first time riders! Trail riding experience preferred.*

\$45/Girl Scout • \$48/Non-Member

Min/Max: 3/6 Youth

Register by October 5



## Back in the Saddle

Oct. 18

Session 1: 10:00am-12:00pm **B J**

Session 2: 1:30-3:30pm **J C S A**

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Saddle up! Build on skills that you might have learned in some of our other equestrian programs. Spend the majority of your time in the saddle working on your riding skills with your favorite horses and ponies while navigating through an obstacle course! For an extra challenge, a bit of trotting may be added in also.

*Prerequisite: Completion of previous equestrian programming recommended. Not for first time riders!*

\$45/Girl Scout • \$48/Non-Member

Min/Max: 5/10 Youth

Register by October 12

## Adopt A Horse



**Want to symbolically adopt a member of our equestrian herd?** You can adopt your favorite horse at Camp Tapawingo through our Adopt a Horse program!

Your symbolic adoption helps to support expert animal care along with covering ongoing costs that are associated with operating an equestrian program, such as hay/grain, veterinary, dental, and farrier care, helmets and boots, tack and grooming supplies, and stable maintenance.

To meet our adoptable herd members and find out how you can get involved, visit [bit.ly/AdoptaHorse](http://bit.ly/AdoptaHorse).

## Let the Mounted Games Begin

Oct. 25

Session 1: 9:30-11:00am **B J**

Session 2: 12:15-1:45pm **J C S A**

Session 3: 2:30-4:00pm **J C S A**

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Are you “game” for some fun ways to test your horseback riding skills?! Playing games on horseback can improve all aspects of riding by reinforcing techniques that you may have already learned. Challenge your abilities through fun mounted exercises and games. Find out how well you can truly control your horse!

*Prerequisite: Completion of Back in the Saddle or equivalent experience. Not for first time riders!*

\$40/Girl Scout • \$43/Non-Member

Min/Max: 4/8 Youth

Register by October 19

# September

**Join Us!**  
September  
27-28

## Big Tap 2025 Campout

Learn more about Big Tap  
Campout on page 6 or  
scan the QR Code below!



### Juniors Only Climbing Adventure

Sept. 6

Session 1: 10:00am-12:00pm

Session 2: 1:30-3:30pm

East Bay Camp and Retreat, Hudson

Climb on to new heights with this unique climbing program. Recreational Tree Climbing utilizes ropes and harnesses (like a professional arborist wears!) for a climbing experience like no other. Not a fan of heights? No worries- with this style of climbing, you can choose to get a few feet off the ground and spend your time swinging instead.

*Participants will complete all steps for their Snow or Climbing Adventure badge.*

\$10/Girl Scout • \$10/Non-Member • \$10/Adult

Min/Max: 3/12 Youth • 0/12 Adult

Register by August 31

### Take to the Trails

Sept. 6, 2:00-4:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Take to the trails of Camp Tapawingo enjoying the beautiful scenery as you hike around. While you're there stop by the Archery Range to take aim. Wrap up your trip to camp with creating a colorful trail mix.

*Brownies will work on earning the Hiker badge, Juniors will work on earning Eco Camper badge, Cadettes will work on earning the Cadette Archery badge. Fun patch included.*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 15/30 Youth • 5/15 Adult

Register by August 31

### Down on the Farm Tour

Sept. 7, 2:00-4:00pm

The Table Farm and Workshop, Bloomington

Discover what it's like to run a modern farm! This interactive farm tour will cover topics like ecosystems, regenerative farming practices, water cycles, and rotational grazing. Girl Scouts will also get to meet some friendly pigs who live at the farm and will get to sample some veggies (dependent on harvest).

*Fun patch included.*

\$2/Girl Scout • \$5/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/25 Youth • 1/25 Adult

Register by August 31

### Daisy Moves

Sept. 9, 6:00-7:00pm

Champaign Service Center, Champaign

Join us for a fun workshop where Daisies will explore the joy of moving and celebrating their bodies! Through different activities, they'll discover how movement—whether big or small—helps us feel strong, confident, and connected. It's all about appreciating what our bodies can do and having fun while we do it!

*Daisies will complete all the steps for their BRAND-NEW Fun with Movement badge.*

\$0/Girl Scout • \$3/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/30 Youth • 1/30 Adult

Register by August 31

*Event is  
free for  
Girl Scouts!*



## Brownie Time

Sept. 10, 6:00-7:00pm

Champaign Service Center, Champaign

Join us for a workshop where Brownies will learn how to take care of themselves and feel their best! Through fun activities, they'll discover how to fuel their bodies with healthy foods, enjoy stretching and big movements, and use positive body language to boost their confidence. It's all about celebrating 'me time' and recognizing how our bodies help us explore, grow, and have fun!

*Brownies will complete all of the steps for their BRAND NEW Me Time badge.*

\$0/Girl Scout • \$3/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/30 Youth • 1/30 Adult

Register by August 31



Event is  
free for  
Girl Scouts!

## Uniquely You

Sept. 11, 6:00-7:30pm

Champaign Service Center, Champaign

Join us for a workshop where Juniors and Cadettes will celebrate their unique selves and learn to embrace authenticity! Together, we'll explore what makes each of us special—both inside and out—and practice affirming our worth with confidence. Through fun activities like experimenting with personal style, creative self-expression, and celebrating differences, you'll discover how to look beyond societal expectations and truly appreciate who you are. It's all about owning your glow and feeling empowered to shine in your own unique way!

*Juniors will complete all the steps for their BRAND NEW Uniquely Us badge. Cadettes will complete most steps for their BRAND NEW Outside the Mirror badge.*

\$0/Girl Scout • \$3/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/30 Youth • 1/30 Adult

Register by August 31

Event is  
free for  
Girl Scouts!

Looking for an equestrian  
program? Check  
out pages 8-9!



## Haunted Helpers

Sept. 12, 6:00-8:00pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

Get in on the Haunted Trails action! Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors are invited to help make the magic happen at Widjiwagan's Haunted Trails. Haunted Helpers are needed to be trail guides, hold a (kid-friendly) scare station along the trail, lead a booth activity and more. Hours spent helping at the event and meeting with the Program Specialist can count towards your Service to Girl Scouting Award. Become what goes in the night with your best ghoulish friends!

*Pizza party included in our preparation session.*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 Youth • 3/25 Adult

Register by September 7

## Girl Scouts

### Love State Parks

Sept. 13, 10:00am-2:00pm

Sangchris Lake State Park, Rochester

Show our state parks some love with conservation, adventure, and exploration at Sangchris State Park. Local natural areas are an important part of our eco-systems. Join us for archery, a trash collection challenge, fishing, conservation activities, and more. This is an event is perfect for your whole troop and whole family!

*Girl Scouts Love State Parks patch included. Please bring a sack lunch.*

\$10/Girl Scout • \$13/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/100 Youth • 5/50 Adult

Register by September 7

Sept. 13, 10:00am-2:00pm

Moraine View State Park, LeRoy

Explore Moraine View State Park for the day and discover new ways to help the nature around you. Learn how to protect nature, build a safe campfire, and take a conservation hike. Daisies through Juniors will have the opportunity to complete all steps of their Environmental Stewardship badges.

*Girl Scouts Love State Parks patch included. Please bring a sack lunch.*

\$15/Girl Scout • \$18/Non-Member • \$5/Adult

Min/Max: 10/100 Youth • 5/50 Adult

Register by September 7

Girl Scouts  
love this  
event!

## Girl Scout Sampler

Sept. 20, 9:00am-1:00pm  
Peoria Service Center, Peoria

Sept. 20, 9:00am-1:00pm  
Champaign Service Center, Champaign

Sept. 20, 9:00am-1:00pm  
Springfield Service Center, Springfield

Sept. 20, 9:00am-1:00pm  
Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington

Sept. 20, 9:00am-12:00pm  
Bob Mays Park, Quincy

Sept. 20, 9:30am-1:00pm  
Decatur Public Library, Decatur

Get a jumpstart on the new Girl Scout year by having the opportunity to complete all steps to 4 badges, one from each pillar of Girl Scouting: STEM, Outdoors, Life Skills, and Entrepreneurship. This open house style event is designed for kindergarten through third grade members and non-members.

*Badgework may vary by location. Juniors and older are encouraged to volunteer. For badgework and volunteer info, please contact:*

*Peoria - [tkaufmann@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:tkaufmann@girlscouts-gsci.org)*

*Champaign - [kparker@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:kparker@girlscouts-gsci.org)*

*Springfield - [asmith@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:asmith@girlscouts-gsci.org)*

*Bloomington - [mkanderson@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:mkanderson@girlscouts-gsci.org)*

*Quincy - [pmuroya@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:pmuroya@girlscouts-gsci.org)*

*Decatur - [nking@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:nking@girlscouts-gsci.org)*

\$0/Girl Scout • \$0/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/100 Youth • 5/50 Adult

Register by September 14

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October

# WIDJI HAUNTED TRAILS



Learn more about  
Widji Haunted  
Trails on page 6 or  
scan the QR Code!



Join Us!  
October 11

## Loyal, Brave, and True

Oct. 4, 1:00-5:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

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\$50/Girl Scout • \$53/Non-Member • \$5/Adult

Min/Max: 15/30 Youth • 10/20 Adult

Register by September 21

## Flower Power Petal Party

Oct. 4, 2:00-4:30pm

Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington

Jump start your Girl Scout year and earn 3 Daisy Petals! We'll make new friends, discover what it means to be a Girl Scout, and have fun!

*During our time, we'll complete the steps for the Use Resources Wisely, Make the World a Better Place, and Be a Sister to Every Girl Scout petals (dark green, light pink, and light purple).*

\$3/Girl Scout • \$6/Non-Member • \$0/Adult



Min/Max: 5/20 Youth • 2/30 Adult

Register by October 1

## Pumpkin Spice Girls

Oct. 4

Session 1: 12:00-1:15pm  

Session 2: 1:45-3:00pm  

Decatur Public Library, Decatur

STEM, spice, and everything nice! Join us at the library for Pumpkin Spice Girls, a cozy fall science event where hands-on fun meets brainy brilliance. Younger Girl Scouts (Daisies & Brownies) will dive into playful sensory STEM with bubbling lava lamps and scent mixing. Older girls (Juniors & Cadettes) will explore how smell connects to memory while creating their own signature scents in the Spice Lab—then light things up with our Lava Lamp Latte experiment.

\$7/Girl Scout • \$10/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/30 Youth • 3/6 Adult

Register by September 20

## Pumpkin Madness

Oct. 5, 1:00-4:00pm

Terripin Farm Stand, Quincy

Have fun with your troop welcoming fall at a pumpkin patch! You will have the chance to paint your own pumpkin, take a hayrack ride, try your hand at a pumpkin sling shot, meet some new animal friends, and much more! Then, bounce the day away in one of the bounce houses or jumping into the corn pit. This is a great chance to spend some time outdoors and bond with new troop members.

\$9/Girl Scout • \$12/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 20/100 Youth • 10/100 Adult

Register by September 21

## Good Neighbor, Great Friends

Oct. 9, 5:30-7:00pm

Champaign County Museum, Champaign

Join us at the Champaign County History Museum for a fun and educational evening where Daisies will earn their Good Neighbor badge! Explore local history, learn about the community, and discover ways to be a positive and helpful neighbor. It's a great opportunity to connect with your surroundings and make a difference in your own neighborhood!

\$3/Girl Scout • \$6/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/25 Youth • 1/25 Adult

Register by September 28

## Roar & Snore

Oct. 10, 5:30pm-Oct. 11, 9:00am

Scovill Zoo, Decatur

Get ready for a roaring good time! As the sun sets, a new world comes alive. Juniors will explore the zoo after dark, meet some incredible animal ambassadors, and discover what makes a habitat a true home. Chat with animal experts, enjoy a tasty snack, and fall asleep to the sounds of the wild. We'll wrap up our adventure with a light breakfast to fuel the journey home!

*Juniors will earn their Animal Habitats Badge. Due to capacity limitations we ask that only 1 adult per troop register/attend this event to allow for more girl registration. Juniors will earn and receive their Animal Habitats badge.*

\$48/Girl Scout • \$51/Non-Member • \$46/Adult

Min/Max: 5/22 Youth • 3/8 Adult

Register by September 28



## Seed Science

Oct. 11, 10:00-11:00am

Lakeview Nature Center, Macomb

Learn all about native plants and how important they are to our prairies. You will also learn all about seed science and how to identify a few key plants in the area. Then, you will be able to collect some of the seeds to create your own prairie seed mix to bring home.

\$12/Girl Scout • \$15/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 7/12 Youth • 7/12 Adult

Register by September 28

## CPR/First Aid Training

Oct. 12, 2:00-4:00pm

Peoria Service Center, Peoria

Learn how to be prepared in an emergency situation and receive your First Aid/CPR certification! This program is open to Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors, and adult volunteers. Two to three weeks after this course, you will be able to access your certification card online.

\$5/Girl Scout • \$5/Non-Member • \$5/Adult

Min/Max: 5/15 Youth • 5/15 Adult

Register by October 5

## Program Aide Training

Oct. 17, 6:00pm-Oct. 18, 4:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

What is a Program Aide? Come find out at this campout! Learn about the differences between Girl Scout age levels, different ways to lead in a group setting, and help plan out and host an activity for Fall Family Fest the next day.

*Participants will complete most of the steps for their Program Aide Pin. Information on how to complete the final step will be given to each participant. A late-night snack, breakfast, and lunch will be provided, please bring or eat dinner before arriving.*


\$35/Girl Scout • \$38/Non-Member • \$0/Adult


Min/Max: 5/20 Youth • 0/0 Adult

Register by October 5

## Hike It Out

Oct. 18

Session 1: 10:00-11:30am 

Session 2: 11:00am-12:30pm 

Homer Lake Forest Preserve, Homer

Set off on an exciting hike through local landscapes and meet the fascinating creatures that call it home. With a knowledgeable guide, you'll discover the world of birds, squirrels, deer, and more, learning about their important roles in nature's balance. Along the way, you'll gain valuable tips on how to protect wildlife, respect their space, and follow Leave No Trace principles. This journey will help you develop a deeper respect for the critters around you and inspire you to become a responsible environmental steward.

*Daisies will complete their Eco Learner badge, and Brownies will complete their Eco Friend badge.*

\$3/Girl Scout • \$6/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 15/30 Youth • 1/30 Adult

Register by October 5



## Boulder with your Besties

Oct. 18, 11:00am-12:45pm

The Proving Ground, Bloomington

Earn one of your first climbing badges- by bouldering! Bouldering is a special kind of rock climbing that doesn't go very high or use ropes! Girl Scouts will climb low to the ground with huge crash pads to catch them as they learn about climbing, try out moving their bodies to maneuver the rock wall, and have tons of fun along the way!


\$35/Girl Scout • \$38/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 6/15 Youth • 0/15 Adult


Register by October 5

## Nature Made Me Do It

Oct. 18

Session 1: 12:30-1:15pm 

Session 2: 1:30-2:15pm 

Session 3: 2:30-3:15pm 

Decatur Public Library, Decatur

In this nature-inspired art workshop, girls will create self-portraits using leaves, twigs, and other natural materials—discovering how they're not just surrounded by nature, they're part of it. Girl Scouts will celebrate creativity, identity, and the wild beauty within.

*Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors will earn their Outdoor Art badge.*

\$4/Girl Scout • \$7/Non-Member

Min/Max: 10/35 Youth

Register by October 4

## Fall Family Fest

Oct. 18, 1:00-4:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

*Fun for the whole family!*

Grab your family and head out to Camp Tapawingo to enjoy some fun fall favorites! Discover what camp has to offer in the fall by taking aim at the Archery Range or paddle around Lake Nib. Enjoy making a sweet campfire treat while waiting to go on a hayrack ride around camp. Be sure to save time to make some festive fall crafts and stop by the bounce house. There will be many fall activities... you might not have enough time to do it all!

*Please notes: A few of the activities offered at this event are not age appropriate for children under 5. Although there will be several fun things they can still enjoy with the family. Children in K-1st grade will have age appropriate alternative to archery.*

\$7/Participants 5 years and up

*Free for children under 5 years old.*

Min/Max: 50/100 • 1/30 children under 5

Register by October 5

## Yum Factory

Oct. 18

Session 1: 1:00-2:00pm

Session 2: 2:30-3:30pm

The Yum Factory, Quincy

Get ready to learn some fun new skills, just in time for the holidays! Girls will learn the skills it takes to decorate cookies and cupcakes. They will have plenty of time to hone their new skills practicing different techniques. Then, they will each get to try out their new skills on four baked items from the Yum Factory to bring home or eat there on the spot! This is the perfect class for the girl that loves to give baked gifts for the holidays.

\$20/Girl Scout • \$23/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 15/20 Youth • 5/15 Adult

Register by October 5

## Junior Budget Maker

Oct. 18, 2:00-5:00pm

Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington

Learn to build your own budget! Girl Scouts will explore the basics of mindful saving and spending, craft their own budget-focused piggy bank, and learn about how to make decisions about purchases as a group.

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/20 Youth • 0/20 Adult

Register by October 5

## Take Aim: Scout

Oct. 19

Session 1: 1:00-3:00pm

Session 2: 3:30-5:30pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Begin the journey to the bullseye. Learn the basics of archery, find your aim, and celebrate your new skills with a balloon pop.

*Fun patch included. Cadettes will complete all steps to their Archery badge.*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 6/21 Youth • 0/10 Adult

Register by October 12

Looking for an equestrian program? Check out pages 8-9!



## Celebrate Champaign

Oct. 23, 5:30-7:00pm

Champaign County Museum, Champaign

Come to the Champaign County History Museum for an evening of exploration and community spirit as Brownies earn their Celebrating Community badge! Learn about the history of our area, meet local leaders, and discover how you can help make your community a better place. It's a perfect way to celebrate the power of community and how we all contribute to it!

\$3/Girl Scout • \$6/Non-Member • \$0/Adult


Min/Max: 10/25 Youth • 1/25 Adult

Register by October 12

## Becoming Digital Defenders

Oct. 25

Session 1: 10:00am-12:00pm 

Session 2: 1:30-4:30pm 

Peoria Service Center, Peoria

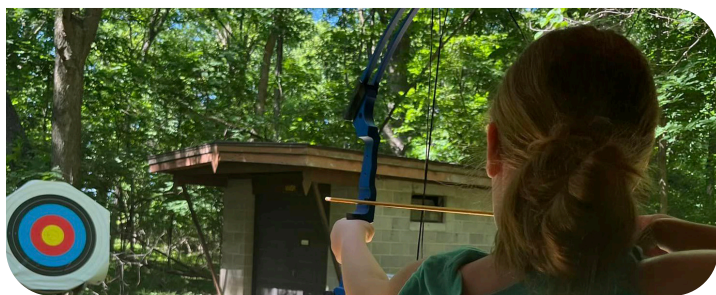
Cybersecurity keeps the world safe by protecting data stored on computers all around the world. Learn more about the basics of cybersecurity, what privacy means, and how to protect yourself online with help from a local sheriff's deputy.

*All levels will complete all three Cybersecurity badges.*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/30 Youth • 3/10 Adult

Register by October 19



## Medieval Times Trip

Oct. 25, 3:30-11:30pm

Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington

Hear ye! Hear ye! The Queen has invited Girl Scouts and their families to a Royal Feast. All who accept this invitation will travel back in time with friends new and old to attend an exciting tournament complete with gallant knights and majestic horses.

*Four course dinner, transportation, and fun patch included.*

\$75/Girl Scout • \$78/Non-Member • \$100/Adult

Min/Max: 20/35 Youth • 15/20 Adult

Register by October 5

## Take Aim: Archer

Oct. 26

Session 1: 1:00-3:00pm

Session 2: 3:30-5:30pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Hone your skills and sharpen your aim with Archer. Rack up points in a friendly competition with your friends.

First place wins an extra special prize!

*Take Aim: Scout recommended before this program, but not required. Cadettes will complete all steps to their Archery badge*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 6/21 Youth • 0/10 Adult

Register by October 19

## Founder's Day Storytime

Oct. 27, 5:30-6:30pm

Bloomington Public Library, Bloomington

Celebrate Founder's Day with a fun Girl Scouts Only storytime focused on Juliette Gordon Low. After the story, complete a special library scavenger hunt!

*Fun Patch Included.*

\$2/Girl Scout • \$5/Non-Member • \$0/Adult


Min/Max: 5/30 Youth • 1/30 Adult


Register by October 19



## Space Science Adventure

Oct. 29

Session 1: 6:00-7:30pm 

Session 2: 6:00-7:30pm 

Staerkel Planetarium, Champaign

Embark on an out-of-this-world adventure at Staerkel Planetarium, where you'll dive deep into the mysteries of the cosmos while working toward earning your Space Science badge! Don't forget to pack your trusty pencil or pen and a flashlight with red plastic or cellophane cover for this stellar journey. Girls will have the opportunity to complete their Space Science badges for their respective levels, exploring the wonders of the final frontier and unlocking the secrets of the universe.

\$10/Girl Scout • \$13/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 15/50 Youth • 1/50 Adult

Register by October 19



# November

Learn more about  
Palette of Possibilities on  
page 6 or scan  
the QR Code!

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November 8



## Palette of Possibilities

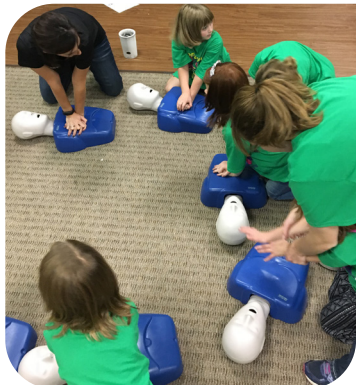
### Safe Sitter Essentials with CPR

Nov. 1, 10:30am-5:00pm  
Peoria Service Center, Peoria

Be prepared for your holiday sitting gig! This program is designed to prepare Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors to be safe when they're home alone, watching younger siblings, or babysitting. The class is filled with fun games and role-playing exercises, making it both engaging and educational. Girl Scouts will learn how to prevent unsafe situations and what to do in emergencies like power outages or severe weather, behavior management tips and how to stay in control while supervising younger children, ages and stages of child development, how to assess and respond to injuries and illnesses, job screening, setting fees, and professional communication with employers—all practiced through role plays, plus hands-on diapering practice, choking rescue, and CPR skills.

*Cadettes will complete all steps for their Babysitting badge. Please bring snacks and a sack lunch, a fridge is provided to keep food cold. Fee includes training, workbook, certification card, notebook, and fun patch.*

\$48/Girl Scout • \$51/Non-Member • \$0/Adult  
Min/Max: 6/12 Youth • 0/0 Adult  
Register by October 19



### Word Weavers

Nov. 1, 9:30-11:30am  
Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington


Discover all you can create with writing! Led by award winning and best-selling author, Julie Navickas, we'll develop characters, create new worlds, and learn about becoming an author.


*Fun patch included.*

\$7/Girl Scout • \$10/Non-Member • \$0/Adult  
Min/Max: 7/20 Youth • 0/20 Adult  
Register by October 26

### Pickleball Pals

Nov. 1

Session 1: 1:00-2:00pm 

Session 2: 2:30-4:00pm 

Evergreen Racquet Club, Bloomington

Learn to play Pickleball or work to improve your game!

This beginner class will cover the basics and get girls started with the fastest growing sport in the US! Paddles will be available to borrow, or bring your own!

*Fun patch included.*

\$15/Girl Scout • \$18/Non-Member • \$0/Adult  
Min/Max: 12/16 Youth • 0/16 Adult  
Register by October 26



## Take Aim: Huntress

Nov. 2

Session 1: 1:00-3:00pm

Session 2: 3:30-5:30pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Show off your archery mastery! Compete with your friends in a friendly game of archery tic-tac-toe. Earn the ultimate bragging rights when you split an arrow at the conclusion of the fall Huntress session.

*Take Aim: Archer recommended before this program, but not required. Cadettes will complete all steps to their Archery badge*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 6/21 Youth • 0/10 Adult

Register by October 19

## Procast Pros

Nov. 9, 1:00-4:30pm

Bloomington Public Library, Bloomington

Learn about the art and science of podcasting! Girl Scouts will learn about responsible journalism, how to write things in a way that people want to listen, and how to use technology to make their voice heard all around the world. We're very excited to have communications professor, Dr. Duncan, from Eureka College teaching this program! Dr. Duncan's work focuses on journalism, writing and producing for media, media history, and environmental studies and his documentaries have been presented at conferences and festivals all around the country and internationally!

\$45/Girl Scout • \$48/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 6/12 Youth • 0/0 Adult

Register by October 26

## Automotive Engineering

Nov. 15

Session 1: 10:00am-12:00pm

Session 2: 1:30-3:30pm

Peoria Service Center, Peoria

Discover how to design, engineer, and manufacture vehicles. You'll explore how a car goes from just an idea to a real vehicle driving down the street, learn how engineers plan, build, test, and improve vehicles, and even design and attempt to build your own prototype. All levels will complete all steps for their Automotive Engineering badges.

\$15/Girl Scout • \$18/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/40 Youth • 5/15 Adult


Register by November 9




## Theater Antics

Nov. 15

Session 1: 11:00am-12:00pm 

Session 2: 12:15-1:15pm 

Session 3: 1:30-2:30pm 

Session 4: 2:45-3:45pm 

Quincy Community Theater, Quincy

If you are interested in the theater, this event is for you! Have fun earning badges and learning all about the theater during this event. The Quincy Community Theater will give us a quick tour of behind the scenes and look at different aspects of the theater.

*Daisies will earn a fun patch. The Brownies will earn their Senses badge, Juniors will earn their Playing the Past badge, while Cadettes will earn their Public Speaking badge.*

\$6/Girl Scout • \$9/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 20/30 Youth • 10/20 Adult

Register by November 2

## Camp Calm

Nov. 15, 1:00-4:30pm

Decatur Public Library, Decatur

It's time to reset! In this calming, feel-good workshop, Juniors will explore breathwork, gentle movement, and mindfulness tools to help them feel strong, focused, and relaxed. Girls will walk away with new ways to handle life's ups and downs with grace — and a deeper connection to their inner strength.

\$10/Girl Scout • \$13/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/30 Youth

Register by November 2



## Car Care 101 **C S A**

Nov. 16, 1:00-4:00pm

Peoria Service Center, Peoria

Get a handle on basic car maintenance and gain knowledge about an exciting step toward independence.

*Seniors will complete all steps for their Car Care badge.*

*Cadettes and Ambassadors will receive a fun patch.*

\$10/Girl Scout • \$13/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/25 Youth • 0/15 Adult

Register by November 9



## Kiwanis Grand Prix **D B J C S A**

Nov. 22, 1:00-2:30pm

Champaign Service Center, Champaign

Gear up for an exhilarating car-building and racing escapade! Before the big day, grab your car-building kit and guidelines to fashion your very own one-of-a-kind race car. Collaborate with your troop to construct your cars or get crafty at home. Then, when the event rolls around, we'll put your custom-built cars to the test on our specially designed track. Root for your fellow Girl Scouts as they vie for speed and flair, and discover who takes the podium!

*Cost does not include car kit but can be added on to registration or purchased elsewhere.*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 15/30 Youth • 1/30 Adult

Register by November 2

## Camp Kiwanis

### Winter Gathering **D B J C S A**

Nov. 23, 10:00am-2:00pm

Camp Kiwanis, Mahomet

Grab your warmest jacket and join us for one last day of camp magic before winter settles in! Past, current, and future Camp Kiwanis campers are invited to gather for a cozy day filled with crafts, campfires, and archery.

Reconnect with old camp friends, make new ones, and create a special bracelet to remember each other until next summer. It's the perfect way to keep the camp spirit alive during the colder months!

*5th grade and up? Come early to help set up and try out being a Day Camp Assistant for the day! The Day Camp Assistant program will last from 8:30am-2:30pm and cost \$4 for members and \$7 for non-members.*

\$7/Girl Scout • \$10/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/30 Youth • 1/30 Adult

Register by November 9



# December

## MUSEUM TAKEOVER

Learn more about the Museum Takeover on page 7 or scan the QR Code!



Join Us!  
December 13

### Winter Swim

Dec. 6, 1:00-3:30pm

Rushville Fitness and Community Center, Rushville

Have a little fun swimming with your troop at this indoor pool. We will do some swimming, and make a fun SWAP to remember this even by.

*Attending adults will not swim. A fun patch will be included.*

\$12/Girl Scout • \$15/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 30/50 Youth • 15/40 Adult

Register by December 3

### Mistletoe Magic

Dec. 7, 2:00-3:00pm

Frericks Gardens, Quincy

Get ready for the holiday parties by making this live ornament with Mistletoe and other seasonal greens. Girls will learn all about evergreens as they put together a fun Mistletoe arrangement to hang at their home or gift to a friend.

\$12/Girl Scout • \$15/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 15/35 Youth • 8/25 Adult

Register by November 23

### Girl Scout Night with the Bloomington Bison

Dec. 6, 7:00-9:30pm

Grossinger Motors Arena, Bloomington

Girl Scouts and their families and friends are invited to a night of hockey with Illinois' newest team, the Bloomington Bison! Help give back to our community by participating in their Teddy Bear Toss. Girl Scouts are encouraged to bring a new stuffed animal that will then be donated to those in need.

*Bloomington Bison fun patch included for all Girl Scout youth. For tickets you must reach out to the Bloomington Bison directly. Troops wishing to be seated together are strongly encouraged to place one bulk order. For discounted tickets please call Savanna Sykes at 309-965-4377 or email at [ssykes@bloomingtonbisonhockey.com](mailto:ssykes@bloomingtonbisonhockey.com).*

\$20/Girl Scout • \$20/Non-Member • \$20/Adult

Min/Max: 50/400 Youth • 20/300 Adult

Register by December 1

### Great Girl Scout Bingo Night

Dec. 7, 2:00-4:30pm

Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington

Have fun with friends at this Girl Scout Only Bingo night! Each participant will leave with at least 1 prize. *Snacks and fun patch included.*

\$5/Girl Scout • \$8/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 Youth • 1/50 Adult

Register by November 30



January

# Cookie Rally 2026

*Join Us!*  
January 10

Learn more about  
Cookie Rally  
on page 7 or scan  
the QR Code!



## Cookie Bootcamp

Jan. 18, 2026, 9:00am-12:00pm

Tangerine Bowl, Quincy

Spend time bowling with friends and troop members. Then, get ready to do some badgework! We are going to learn all about cookies, and earn the badges that go along with them. We will have some fun games and activities to do that will align with our new cookie mascot.

\$10/Girl Scout • \$13/Non-Member • \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 50/100 Youth • 30/75 Adult

Register by January 13



# Travel

## Medieval Times Trip

Oct. 25, 3:30-11:30pm

Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington


Hear ye! Hear ye! The Queen has invited Girl Scouts and their families to a Royal Feast. All who accept this invitation will travel back in time with friends new and old to attend an exciting tournament complete with gallant knights and majestic horses. *Four course dinner, transportation, and fun patch included.*

\$75/Girl Scout • \$78/Non-Member • \$100/Adult

Min/Max: 20/35 Youth • 15/20 Adult

Register by October 5

## Savannah Trip 2026

June 18-22, 2026 

Join us as we visit Juliette Gordon Low's hometown! Five days exploring, a river cruise, get hands-on learning about ocean science, visit the Girl Scout Headquarters, and much more. Register today at [bit.ly/4jsC8lr](https://bit.ly/4jsC8lr). Check out the trip itinerary at [tinyurl.com/3vrncu59](https://tinyurl.com/3vrncu59)!

*Cost includes: Meals (except one lunch and snacks when at the airports), tickets to museums, boats, and activities, rooming/hotel accommodations, flights and busses, tipping (for meals and tour guides), badges, patches, and pins (one patch and one badge from Tybee Island, one patch and one pin from the Birthplace, and one patch from the First Headquarters) and a t-shirt. Girl Scouts entering sixth grade or higher in the fall of 2026 are old enough for this trip.*

## Europe: London, Paris and the Alps 2027

June 8-17, 2027 

Experience the unique culture and history of five European countries. In the bustling cities of London and Paris, take in iconic monuments and landmarks at every turn, lay eyes on some of the most famous art in the world at the Louvre, and even make a special visit to the Pax Lodge, a WAGGGS World Centre, to participate in unique Girl Scout programming. Then, head into the scenic countryside of Burgundy and the beautiful landscapes of Lucerne and the Swiss Alps. The tour will end in Germany, where Bavarian castles dot the landscape and give the countryside a storybook setting for an experience that feels like a fairy tale. For more details and to register for the trip, visit [www.eftours.com](https://www.eftours.com) and enter tour number 2755031JR.

*Girl Scouts entering sixth grade or higher in the fall of 2027 will be old enough for this trip. Attend an All-Trips Info Meeting to learn how to plan ahead with Travel Dough!*

## D-Pass Grant

GSCI is excited to participate in GSUSA's D-Pass program! This grant helps support girl travel on GSUSA Girl Scout Destinations trips with a focus on girls in need. It is designed to assist Girl Scouts who would otherwise not be able to take advantage of travel, as well as ensure a diverse representation in Destinations. Visit the travel section of our website to learn more about the application process.

## Girl Scout Destinations

Girl Scout Destinations are the ultimate adventure for individual girls ages 11 and older! Explore national parks or tour international treasures! Focus on culture, careers, STEM, the outdoors, and more! With different trips every year, there's something amazing for everyone. Pack your bags full of life-changing experiences and make friends from all over the country as you travel with Girl Scouts from different councils. Attend the experience of a lifetime!

### Steps to Get Started

1. Visit [girlscouts.org/destinations](https://girlscouts.org/destinations) to search for trips by location or activity.
2. Contact the Destination host with specific questions for the trip.
3. Apply! You may choose to apply to up to four Destinations.

*First round applications are due late fall and second round applications are due in the winter.*



# Highest Awards

Bronze. Silver. Gold. These represent the highest honors Girl Scouts can earn as Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors. All three awards give girls the chance to do big things while working on an issue that's captured their interest in a big way. Whether they want to plant a community garden at school and inspire others to eat healthy for the Bronze, advocate for animal rights for the Silver, or build a career network that encourages girls to become scientists and engineers for the Gold, they'll inspire others (and themselves).

The first step for a girl interested in earning her highest award is participating in an Award Chat. Award Chats will discuss the guidelines for earning the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards. The chats will be hosted as a go-to meeting, which will consist of a PowerPoint training that outlines the guidelines, paperwork, and deadlines. It will also include a question-and-answer opportunity, so troop leaders, parents and girls will feel more confident in their journey towards these awards. These virtual chats will be 30-minutes long. **Please note: Attending an awards chat or scheduling a 1:1 chat is required for all Girl Scouts to earn their Silver or their Gold Award. Register for all Highest Award Chats two days before it occurs at the latest.**

## Let's Talk Highest Awards!



### Bronze Award Chat

**B J**

Tuesday, August 19, 6:00-6:30pm  
Tuesday, September 16, 6:00-6:30pm  
Tuesday, October 7, 6:00-6:30pm  
Wednesday, November 12, 6:00-6:30pm  
Thursday, December 4, 6:00-6:30pm  
Monday, January 6, 6:00-6:30pm



### Silver Award Chat

**J C**

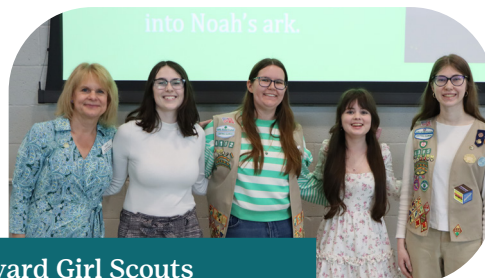
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Tuesday, September 16, 6:30-7:00pm  
Tuesday, October 7, 6:30-7:00pm  
Wednesday, November 12, 6:30-7:00pm  
Thursday, December 4, 6:30-7:00pm  
Monday, January 6, 6:30-7:00pm



### Gold Award Chat

**C S A**

Tuesday, August 19, 7:00-7:30pm  
Tuesday, September 16, 7:00-7:30pm  
Tuesday, October 7, 7:00-7:30pm  
Wednesday, November 12, 7:00-7:30pm  
Thursday, December 4, 7:00-7:30pm  
Monday, January 6, 7:00-7:30pm



All Highest Award Girl Scouts  
are invited to our Awards Ceremony,  
which takes place in the Spring!

### Basic Highest Award FAQ Session

**B J C S A**

Monday, August 4, 6:30-7:00pm  
Tuesday, October 21, 6:30-7:00pm

What are the Highest Awards? How are they earned? Join this Zoom meeting to find out more about the Highest Awards and the changes that are coming from GSUSA. This is for troop leaders, parents, and Girl Scouts.

### Honor Troop Chat

**D B J C S A**

Tuesday, September 9, 6:30-7:00pm  
Tuesday, November 4, 6:30-7:00pm

Is your troop truly outstanding? The Honor Troop Award is offered by Girl Scouts of Central Illinois as a way to recognize excellent Girl Scout Troops. Does your troop have dedicated volunteer leadership, active troop participation in council-sponsored activities, and have you had a well-rounded program year? Attend this chat to learn more about the updated requirements, view the paperwork, and know the due dates for the 25-26 year.

# Adult Training

## Boating Training

*Registration is open now!*

Aug. 9, 9:00am-3:00pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

Have you ever thought about becoming an Outdoor Adventure Facilitator for Girl Scouts? Join our amazing group of volunteer facilitators who help provide fun outdoor adventure amenities and experiences to Girl Scouts at GSCI camp properties. This blended course will focus on information and skills to prevent, recognize, and respond to small craft emergencies on flat water, such as lakes and ponds. It will also prepare you for non-swimming rescues for water emergencies, execute self-rescue skills, and how to teach basic flat-water paddling strokes. This training is valid for 2 years and can be renewed by retaking the blended program.

*Prerequisite: Completing the pre-course work, that will be sent via email to registrants prior to the training, before the day of the training. Additionally, all participants must be able to swim 50 yards with/without wearing a life jacket and tread water for one minute. Participants must be able to paddle a canoe forward, backward, and in a circle to pass course.*

\$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/10 Adult

Register by November 5

## Basic Outdoor Training

Sept. 6, 9:00am-3:00pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

or

Oct. 4, 9am-3pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

or

Oct. 18, 9am-3pm

Camp Kiwanis, Mahomet

or

Oct. 18, 9am-3pm

Echo Bluff Park, Spring Valley

Taking your Girl Scouts camping? Join us for a fun day at our Basic Outdoor Training. You will learn about site information, resources, campfire-building techniques, camping, menu planning, outdoor cooking, recipes, and camp activities.

*This is an adult-only training and is required for leaders to complete before taking their troop camping.*

\$15/adult

Min/Max: 5/15 adults

Register by August 22 for Sept. 6 training

Register by September 19 for Oct. 4 training

Register by October 3 for Oct. 18 trainings

## Out of the Cabins, Into the Tents

Sept. 6, 4:00-8:00pm (*Overnight option available*)

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

or

Oct. 4, 4:00-8:00pm

Camp Tapawingo, Metamora

Do you want to go tent camping? Do you know how to set up a tent? Do you know how to choose and set up a campsite? Are you familiar with the equipment needed? Learn all of this and more! Saturday dinner will be provided. This is an adult-only event and is not required training.

*Prerequisite: Basic Outdoor Training. For those who choose the overnight option, tents will be provided. You will need to bring your sleeping items (sleeping bag/blankets, cot/sleeping pad/air mattress). Saturday snack will be provided. This is an adult-only event and is not a required training.*

\$10/adult • \$10/overnight (Widjiwagan Only)

Min/Max: 5/15 adults

Register by August 22 for Sept. 6 training

Register by September 19 for Oct. 4 training

## Advanced Outdoor Cooking

Sept. 7, 9:00am-1:00pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

Learn about several different methods of outdoor cooking. You will cook several meal items using a Dutch oven, foil cooking, a reflector oven, and a box oven. In this training, you will get recipes to go along with these different cooking methods.

*Prerequisite: Basic Outdoor Training*

\$15/adult

Min/Max: 4/10 adults

Register by August 22





## Archery Training

Sept. 13, 9:00am-12:00pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

Have you ever thought about becoming an Outdoor Adventure Facilitator for Girl Scouts? Join our amazing group of volunteer facilitators who help provide fun outdoor adventure amenities and experiences to Girl Scouts at GSCI camp properties. A few things to know before becoming a facilitator for Archery:

- By attending the training, you are agreeing to facilitate at least 4 programs each year.
- Most of the outdoor adventure request are on the weekends.
- Facilitating outdoor programs can be physically taxing, requiring extended standing, sitting, reaching, bending, stooping, as well as adequate hearing, vision, and communication abilities to safely monitor all participants. Any concerns regarding the physical requirements should be discussed with council staff prior to the start of training.
- Facilitators receive a stipend for facilitating, \$15 per 2 hour session.
- Facilitators are able to facilitate Archery for free to their own troops. However, they still would need to fill out a request form each time to make sure it is available.

\$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/10 Adult

Register by September 7

## CPR/First Aid Training

Oct. 12, 2:00-4:00pm

Peoria Service Center, Peoria

Learn how to be prepared in an emergency situation and receive your First Aid/CPR certification! This program is open to Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors, and adult volunteers. Two to three weeks after this course, you will be able to access your certification card online.

\$5/Adult

Min/Max: 5/15 Adult

Register by October 5

## Service Unit Team Training

Nov. 1, 9:00am-12:00pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

If you have considered joining the SU Coordinator team this training is for you! We will gather for a time of leadership focusing on the roles and opportunities SU Teams are creating for their areas.

\$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/15 Adult

Register by October 17

## Challenge Course Training

Nov. 8, 8:00am- Nov. 9, 6:00pm

Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield

Have you ever thought about becoming an Outdoor Adventure Facilitator for Girl Scouts? Join our amazing group of volunteer facilitators who help provide fun outdoor adventure amenities and experiences to Girl Scouts at GSCI camp properties. A few things to know before becoming a facilitator for Challenge Course activities:

- By attending the training, you are agreeing to facilitate at least 4 programs each year.
- Lodging can be provided if needed during the two days of the training.
- Most of the outdoor adventure requests are on weekends.
- Challenge Course Facilitators must be able to stand for extended period of time, lift 50 or more pounds for short durations, climb a few feet up the climbing wall, complete the challenge course in a reasonable amount of time if doing the full course, be able to see and hear well enough to monitor participants who may be 50 or more feet away, communicate clearly with other facilitators and participants, climb multiple flights of stairs, balance on the course, and be reasonably comfortable with heights (if doing high course).
- The weight and height minimums and maximums for a facilitator are being between 4'8 and 6'3 tall and 250lbs or below. Those under 5'0 may find some parts of the high ropes course and zip line particularly challenging. Those not meeting height/weight requirements may become a ground- only facilitator. Any concerns in regards to the physical requirements or conditions that may affect your ability to participate or require accommodations should be discussed with council staff prior to the start of training.
- Facilitators receive a stipend of \$10/hour for facilitating challenge course activities. The time of the challenge course activities can range from 2-3 hours and at times you may facilitate multiple activities in one day.
- Please note this training will not include the low ropes/team building activities, meaning that you will not be certified to facilitate the Low Ropes/Teams Course.

\$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/10 Adult

Register by November 5

## Flag Ceremony Training for Troops

Dec. 6, 9:00am-1:00pm

Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington  
*or*

December 6, 9:00am-1:00pm

Springfield Service Center, Springfield

Bring your troop and learn several different types of Flag ceremonies. Learn how to present and display the colors in a formal flag ceremony. Learn about other non-formal types of flag ceremonies. Flag etiquette will also be covered.

\$0/Girl Scout • \$0/adult

Min/Max: 5/20 youth • 2/10 adults

Register by November 11

# Monthly Patch Program

## GSCI Monthly Patch Program: Holidays

Celebrate all your favorite holidays with GSCI! Each month, we'll discover a fun holiday and learn about their cultural roots through various activities and projects. Patches are \$3.00 each and registration opens the first of the month and closes the fifteenth of the following month. (Ex: December monthly patch registration is open December 1-January 15). Go ALL IN and register for all of the monthly patches for only \$30! Each patch is custom designed and will be mailed out roughly 8-10 weeks after registration closes.

Go to [bit.ly/GSCIPatchProgram](https://bit.ly/GSCIPatchProgram) to register and check out the steps for each patch!

### September 2025: Labor Day

Learn about Labor Day- what it's all about, who made it possible, and how you can celebrate this holiday!

### October 2025: Founder's Day

Celebrate Juliette Gordon Low's Birthday! This month our holiday festivities focus on Girl Scouting, Halloween, and history!

### November 2025: Veteran's Day

Veteran's Day is a day of remembering and honoring those who have served our country. Explore this holiday with fun activities to earn your Nov Monthly Patch.

### December 2025: Winter Solstice

Discover the longest night of the year! This month features cozy, wintery, crafty activities to do with or without your troop.

### January 2026: New Year's Day

New Year New You? This month we'll focus on growth and all things new.

### February 2026: Groundhog Day

Learn about critters, predicting the weather, and superstitions this month as we explore an uniquely American holiday- Groundhog Day!

### March 2026: Pi Day

3.14159265359... it's time to celebrate Pi Day! This month activities will focus on math, pie, and the math of pie!

### April 2026: Earth Day

Earth isn't just a planet, it's our home! Learn about our ecosystems, our animal neighbors, our waters, and what you can do to help it all stay beautiful and healthy for generations.

### May 2026: May Day

April showers brought May Flowers- now it's time to celebrate May Day! This holiday celebrates the springtime, spreads cheer in your neighborhood, and includes fun flower crafting.

### June 2026: Pollinator Month

June is National Pollinators Month! Learn about who pollinators are, what they do, and how we can help them! This is a great way to kick off your summer!

### July 2026: 4th of July

Celebrate 250 years of our Constitution this Independence Day with fun games, crafts, and activities.

### August 2026: Gotcha Day

Celebrate rescue pets! Whether you have a furry friend or not, you're sure to have lots of fun with this month's nature activities, crafts, games, and community service ideas.

Girl Scouts have many opportunities to take on new adventures while earning patches! Check out the patch programs available to troops and Girl Scouts interested in additional activities at [bit.ly/GSCIPatchProgram](https://bit.ly/GSCIPatchProgram)!

### Backyard Challenge

Earn your Backyard Challenge patch and rockers (Spring/Summer/Fall/Winter) by completing seasonal activities - like fort building, learning about springtime flowers, playing with a pet outside, and so much more!

*Backyard Challenge Patch (\$2) and seasonal rockers (\$1 each) can be purchased at any GSCI Trefoil Boutique.*

### Girl Scout Ranger Patch

In partnership with the National Park Service, Girl Scouts are invited to participate in a variety educational or service projects at national park sites, or design their own experience or project to align with Journey work, badge activities, or a Take Action or Highest Award project. *Free patch is available through the National Park Service.*

### Resilient. Ready. Strong.

You already know Girl Scouts is fun. Guess what? It's also a great way to build your inner strength so that you're ready for anything! Choose from a list of skills that help boost resilience, give them a try, and see which activities make you feel happier or calmer to earn the patch! *Patch (\$2) can be purchased online or at any GSCI Trefoil Boutique.*

### FARE Food Allergy Awareness

GSCI has partnered with Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) to give Girl Scouts the opportunity to learn about life with food allergies. Learn the basics of food allergies and complete activities to earn the patch! *Free patch is available to order on the online activity form.*

### Mental Wellness Patch

When it comes to caring for your mental wellness, the Girl Scouts Mental Wellness patch program reminds you that you're never alone in facing challenges and further invites you to dive into and understand your emotions. *Patches for Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors (\$2) can be purchased online or at any GSCI Trefoil Boutique.*



# Community Service

## GSCI Community Service Patch Program

Celebrate the power of giving back with GSCI's Community Service Challenge. As Girl Scouts, helping others and making a positive difference in our communities is one of the most important things we can do. From giving back during the holidays, to helping our furry friends, to even just making someone's day a little brighter, you are sure to make the world a better place by completing this challenge. This year, we have a super cute patch that has 4 special clip on patches representing each part of this challenge. We give you 3-5 options for service projects but you can also come up with your own ideas based on the theme. Community Service patch order registration closes the last day of every other month. Each patch is custom designed and will be available or mailed out roughly 8-10 weeks after each registration deadline. The cost of these patches is \$3 each. Patches and clip-on patches are custom designed and will be mailed out roughly 8-10 weeks after registration closes. **Go to [bit.ly/GSCIPatchProgram](https://bit.ly/GSCIPatchProgram) to register and check out the steps for each patch!**

### Patch 1: Good Neighbor | Register by November 30, 2025

Girl Scouts are Good Neighbors! Help families in your community by: volunteering at a local food pantry, serve a free holiday meal, collect winter clothing, and more!

### Patch 3: Sister to All | Register by March 31

Help the elders in your community by: organizing a fun activity for a local senior living community, "adopting" an older neighbor and help with their household tasks, delivering Meals on Wheels (with adult help), and more!

### Patch 2: Animal Aid | Register by January 31

Girl Scouts are Animal Aids! Help those with fur, feathers, and scales by: volunteering at an animal shelter, fostering a pet, collecting materials for shelters, and more!

### Patch 4: Eco-Friend | Register by May 31

Girl Scouts are Eco-Friends! Help care for nature in your community by: cleaning up a park or trail, planting a tree (or two!), educating others on how easy it is to recycle and compost waste, and more!

## National Service Projects

Girl Scouts are invited to participate in national service projects through GSUSA!

### Honoring our Everyday Changemakers

Small acts of kindness and gratitude can have an incredible impact on your community! Girl Scouts can pay it forward by recognizing the people in their communities who have supported them in finding their unique paths.

### Fighting Hunger

More than 50 million adults, kids, and families in the U.S. are experiencing food insecurity. Girl Scouts can make a big difference in their communities—and for children around the world—by supporting hunger relief efforts.

### Promote the Vote

What do you want the future to look like? Who will lead us as we work to bring it to life? That's up to you—but only if you vote! You might not be old enough to vote—yet—but you're never too young to learn about this process and to get your friends, family, and community involved.

### Citizen Science

How can you play a part in solving some of the biggest problems facing our planet? Enter citizen science, where volunteers help scientists collect data for their studies and experiments. Anyone can be a citizen scientist—all you need is curiosity and a willingness to help!

### Letter Writing

The idea is simple: Girl Scouts write letters to people in nursing homes, senior residences, and assisted living facilities, including the dedicated staff and caregivers. This long-distance hug is a way to share your good thoughts with these vulnerable and loved community members.

Learn more about these national service projects and steps to complete them at [GirlScouts.org](https://GirlScouts.org) (Discover tab - Activity Zone - National Service Projects)

# Fall Product Program

The Girl Scout Fall Product Program generates immeasurable benefits for Girl Scouts, our council and communities throughout central Illinois. Participating in the Fall Product Program helps girls build skills that are very important to, not only the Girl Scout Mission, but also to their future lives. Girl Scouts who participate in the Fall Product Program develop 5 essential life skills:

1. Goal Setting

2. Decision Making

3. Money Management

4. People Skills

5. Business Ethics



**BRAVE.  
FIERCE.  
FUN!**

## Important Dates:

Sept. 9: Fall Product Troop Volunteer Training (virtual)

Sept. 24: Troop volunteer early access to M2 website

Oct. 1: Fall Product Program Launches

Nov. 1: Fall Product Program Ends

November 19-21: Fall Product SU Delivery Week

The Girl Scout Fall Product program is a friends & family sale meant to help troops jumpstart funding their activities and service projects. Troops earn a minimum of 15% in proceeds from the total sales of nuts & chocolates, magazines, & other online items. Girls can earn exciting rewards including Nutty Bucks & Travel Dough. Nutty Bucks can be used to buy a new uniform or supplies, attend camps or events, or spend in any Trefoil Boutique or Camp Trading Post. Travel Dough can be used towards a Girl Scout's travel experience.



# What Girl Scouts is About

What do Girl Scouts do? Anything they set their minds to!

She's doing more than navigating a rocky trail; she's learning to problem solve and take a closer look at the world around her.

She's not just selling a box of Thin Mints; she's gaining the confidence to pitch the first investor in her small business.

The giggles she shares with her troop members? She's building a support squad that will help her soar above peer pressure and tough times in school.

Everything Girl Scouts do builds their curiosity, kindness, and can-do spirit. And as they earn badges, help their community, and deepen their friendships, they'll also have a blast along the way. It's what Girl Scouting is all about.

## Our Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

## Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:  
To serve God and my country,  
To help people at all times,  
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

## Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be  
honest and fair,  
friendly and helpful,  
considerate and caring,  
courageous and strong, and  
responsible for what I say and do,  
and to  
respect myself and others,  
respect authority,  
use resources wisely,  
make the world a better place,  
and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

## Girl Scout Program Levels



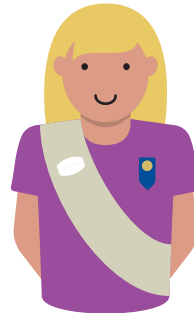
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Grades 2-3



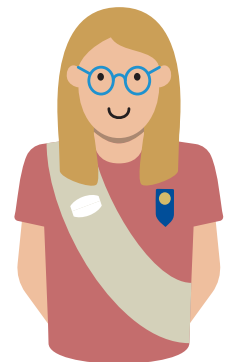
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Seniors  
Grades 9-10



Ambassadors  
Grades 11-12

# Our Council

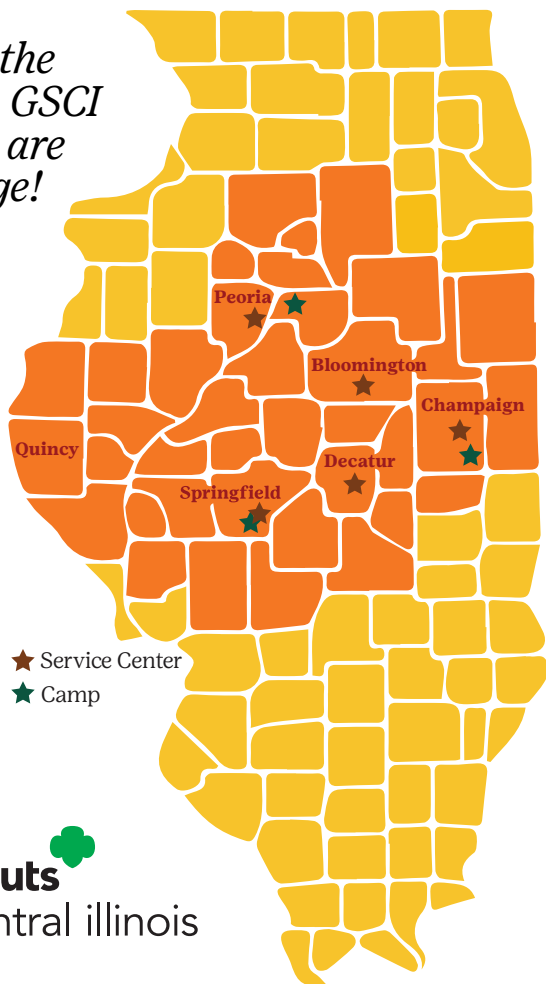
## About GSCI

Girl Scouts of Central Illinois serves 13,000 girls and 4,000 adult members annually in 38 counties throughout central Illinois: Adams, Brown, Bureau, Cass, Champaign, Christian, DeWitt, Douglas, Ford, Fulton, Greene, Hancock, Iroquois, LaSalle, Livingston, Logan, Macon, Macoupin, Marshall, Mason, McDonough, McLean, Menard, Montgomery, Morgan, Moultrie, Peoria, Piatt, Pike, Putnam, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott, Shelby, Stark, Tazewell, Vermilion and Woodford.

## Contact Us

GetYourGirlPower.org  
888-623-1237  
customercare@girlscouts-gsci.org

*All of the  
counties GSCI  
serves are  
orange!*



**girl scouts**  
of central illinois

## Service Centers

**Springfield Service Center - Headquarters**  
3020 Baker Dr.  
Springfield, IL 62703

**Bloomington Service Center**  
3 Westport Ct.  
Bloomington, IL 61704

**Champaign Service Center**  
1808E Round Barn Rd.  
Champaign, IL 61821

**Decatur Urban Program Center\***  
1170 E. Pershing Rd.  
Decatur, IL 62526

**Peoria Service Center**  
1103 W. Lake Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61614

**Service Center Operating Hours**  
Monday - Thursday: 8am-5pm  
Friday 8am-12:30pm  
\*Decatur Urban Program Center is open  
M/W 8am-5pm and Tu/Th/F by appointment.

## Camps

**Camp Kiwanis**  
301 Sugar Ln.  
Mahomet, IL 61853

**Camp Tapawingo**  
1450 Hickory Point Rd.  
Metamora, IL 61548

**Camp Widjiwagan**  
71 Wienold Ln.  
Springfield, IL 62711



# Trefoil Boutiques

Trefoil Boutiques are your go-to location for Girl Scout uniforms, supplies, gifts and more!

## Boutique Locations & Hours

**Bloomington Trefoil Boutique**  
3 Westport Ct., Bloomington

**Champaign Trefoil Boutique**  
1808E Round Barn Rd., Champaign

**Peoria Trefoil Boutique**  
1103 W. Lake Ave., Peoria

**Springfield Trefoil Boutique**  
3020 Baker Dr., Springfield

### Hours

All Trefoil Boutiques are open  
Monday-Thursday 9:30am-5:00pm (closed 1:00-2:00pm) and Friday 9:30am-12:30pm.

Trefoil Boutiques have select Saturday hours:

September 6 | 9:30am-1:00pm  
Extended hours for Cookie Dough purchases

September 20 | 9:30am-1:00pm  
Last day to use Cookie Dough!

November 1 | 9:30am-1:00pm

## Loyalty Card

Present your loyalty card at any of our Girl Scout Boutiques and receive a punch for every \$20 spent. After 10 punches, receive 15% off a future purchase!



## Gift Cards

Always the perfect gift for your favorite Girl Scout, troop leader, volunteer or parent! Grab yours today!

Gift Cards can be used in Girl Scout Trefoil Boutiques, redeemed for program fees, camp registration fees and at the camp trading post. Cannot be used on membership fee or redeemable through the online boutique.

For questions or to purchase over the phone, call 217-693-4720 or email [customercare@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:customercare@girlscouts-gsci.org).



## Just Joined? Get Started with your Girl Scout Daisy Kit!

Each kit includes Daisy Uniform (vest or tunic), American Flag, Council ID, Troop Numbers, Insignia Tag, Membership Pin, WAGGS Pin, Daisy Handbook and FREE Drawstring Bag and Say Yes to the Vest Fun Patch! Each uniform will arrive assembled. Contact Customer Care at [customercare@girlscouts-gsci.org](mailto:customercare@girlscouts-gsci.org) or stop by any Trefoil Boutique to order your Daisy Kit today!

# Build-A-Bear



We can bear-ly contain our excitement! Our new Champaign Trefoil Boutique is home to a Build-A-Bear Workshop! Choose your very own furry friend, bring it to life with the help of Girl Scout staff, and experience the iconic Build-A-Bear™ Heart Ceremony, customized just for Girl Scouts! Afterward, have fun dressing your new friend in vests with matching troop numbers, outfits, cookie-themed merchandise, accessories, sounds, and more!

Plan your next party at Build-A-Bear!  
Build-A-Bear parties are perfect for:

- Troop Parties
- Bridging Ceremonies
- Service Unit Events
- Birthday Parties
- Camp & School Outings
- Team Building Outings
- Bridal Showers
- A Special Day, or any day!

**Cookie  
Dough and Nutty  
Bucks can be  
used at GSCI's  
Build-A-Bear.**

## Build-A Bear Hours

### *Walk-In Hours*

Tuesday: 3:00-7:00pm  
Wednesday: 2:00-5:00pm  
Thursday: 3:00-7:00pm  
Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm  
1st & 3rd Saturday: 10:00am-3:00pm

### *Party Hours*

Friday: 4:00-7:00pm  
2nd & 4th Saturday:  
12:30-2:30pm & 3-5pm

*Hours and availability are subject to change.*

## Build-A Bear Location

1808E Round Barn Rd.,  
Champaign, IL 61821

*Learn more about Build-A-Bear and  
booking a Build-A-Bear party at  
[bit.ly/GSCIBuildABear](http://bit.ly/GSCIBuildABear)!*

Make sure to check out Build-A-Bear  
at Big Tap Campout, Museum  
Takeover, and Cookie Rally!





# Our Camps

## Looking for an escape to the great outdoors?

You've come to the right place. Sleep under the stars in a tent or have a slumber party in a cabin. Come for summer camp or over the weekend with your troop. Whether you're looking to spend some time on the water or take a trail ride on horseback, a variety of day and overnight experiences await you. We are proud to offer such beautiful, natural places for girls and adults to discover and try new things.



### **Camp Kiwanis**

301 Sugar Lane, Mahomet

This 55-acre wooded site sits adjacent to Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve near Champaign and is bordered by the Sangamon River. It is perfect for first-time campers as it includes two winterized lodges and a large dining hall with covered outdoor patio for warmer months.

**Outdoor Adventures**  
Archery

**Social Media**  
 gscikiwanis  
 @GSCIkiwanis



### **Camp Tapawingo**

1450 Hickory Point Road, Metamora

Explore the forested, rolling hills of this 640-acre camp, located in Metamora. Ideal for outdoor adventures, this unique property features a state-of-the-art equestrian center and challenge course, a beautiful bi-level meeting and event facility for large groups, and a variety of overnight accommodations for all seasons.

**Outdoor Adventures**  
Horseback Riding, Archery,  
Boating, Challenge Courses

**Social Media**  
 camptapawingo-gsci  
 @CampTapawingogsci



### **Camp Widjiwagan**

71 Wienold Lane, Springfield

Located on Lake Springfield, this 67-acre wooded haven is the perfect setting for camping, events and trainings. Complete with a beautiful new meeting and event facility and challenge course, it includes a variety of sleeping options for all seasons, including unique Conestoga wagons and lakeside primitive camping.

**Outdoor Adventures**  
Archery, Boating,  
Challenge Courses

**Social Media**  
 campwidjiwagan-gsci  
 @CampWidjiwaganGSCI

## Consider one of our camps for a special event!

When our camps aren't filled with Girl Scouts, they can be the perfect location for your next meeting, retreat, fundraiser, family reunion or party!  
Interested in booking a non-Girl Scout event? Call 888-623-1237.

# Troop Camping

It is no secret that Girl Scout founder Juliette Gordon Low loved nature and the great outdoors. And over the past 100 years, many Girl Scouts say camping trips are one of the best things about their Girl Scout experience. Studies show that girls today are not spending nearly enough time outdoors. Technology and structured activities leave less time for girls to get outside and enjoy nature. But troops can still get outdoors at our Girl Scout camps.

Learn about our camps, costs, and amenities at [GetYourGirlPower.org](http://GetYourGirlPower.org). Book your camp site sooner rather than later! Sites reservations open 6 months in advance. When booking your site, be sure to request any outdoor adventures on the Outdoor Adventures Form in the forms section of our website. Adventures are facilitated by volunteers so the sooner we know a date, the better.

## Outdoor Adventures

### Challenge Course

Challenge Course activities are designed to help girls push their limits while discovering and developing their individual and group strengths. Activities may include a combination of outdoor climbing wall, team building activities, team building course, zip line or high ropes course.

### Archery

Archery is a fun, challenging new skill to introduce girls to. Archery involves shooting an arrow at a target. Our facilitators will help you safely learn the skills and take aim!

### Boating

Being safe and knowing how to get around water is a life skill all should develop! We'll help you learn to be safe, have fun and learn new skills with a variety of boating activities.

### Horseback Riding

Horseback riding is a unique, challenging, and fun activity. Our facilitators will help you learn to safely control your horse's movement in our indoor riding arena or out on the trail. Gain a general knowledge of horses and the care that they require through various equestrian activities.

	Age Level	Location	Girl Scout Price/Person	Nonprofit Price/Person	Non-Girl Scout Price/Person	Group Size	Participant Restrictions
Low Teams Course	J C S A	Tapawingo	\$15	\$20	\$25	8-14	
High Ropes Course	C S A	Tapawingo, Widjiwagan	\$20/40	\$25/50	\$30/60	5-14	Must be between 4'10 and 6'2. Maximum weight is 250 lbs.
Indoor Rock Climbing Wall	B J C S A	Decatur Urban Program Center	\$6	\$6	\$6	5-15	Must be between 3'6 and 6'2. Maximum weight is 250 lbs.
Outdoor Rock Climbing Wall	B J C S A	Tapawingo, Widjiwagan	\$10	\$12	\$15	5-14	Must be between 3'6 and 6'2. Maximum weight is 250 lbs.
Horseback Riding	D B J C S A	Tapawingo	\$40-65	\$45-70	\$50-75	3-12	Maximum weight is 250 lbs. Arena riding is kindergarten and up. Trail rides are 4th grade and up.
Archery and Slingshots	D B J C S A	Kiwanis, Tapawingo, Widjiwagan	\$10	\$12	\$15	8-10	2nd grade and up can do archery and K-1st can participate in slingshots.
Zip Lining	J C S A	Tapawingo Widjiwagan	\$15	\$20	\$25	5-14	Must be between 4'8 and 6'2. Maximum weight is 250 lbs.
Canoeing	D B J C S A	Kiwanis, Tapawingo, Widjiwagan	\$10	\$12	\$15	8-20	K-3rd grade must have an adult in the boat.



# Important Dates

## 2025

**Sept. 13:** Girl Scouts Love State Parks

**Sept. 20:** Cookie Dough expires

**Oct. 1 - Nov. 1:** Fall Product Program

**Oct. 31:** Founder's Day

## 2026

**Jan. 10:** Cookie Rally

**Feb. 4:** Summer Camp registration opens

**Feb. 22:** World Thinking Day

**March 8-14:** Girl Scout Week

**April 1-30:** Volunteer Appreciation Month

**April 21:** Annual Meeting










































































































































**Mid-April:** Early Renewal for 2025-2026 membership

**May 1:** Girl Scout Day at the Capitol

**August 11:** Girl Scout Day at the Fair

# Program Directory

Date	Program	Location	Pg.	D B J C S A	Badge
Sept. 6	Juniors Only Climbing Adventure	Easy Bay Camp and Retreat, Hudson	10		
Sept. 6	Junior Horseback Riding Badge	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	8		
Sept. 6	Take to the Trails	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	10		
Sept. 7	Down on the Farm Tour	The Table Farm and Workshop, Bloomington	10		
Sept. 9	Daisy Moves	Champaign Service Center, Champaign	10		
Sept. 10	Brownie Time	Champaign Service Center, Champaign	11		
Sept. 11	Uniquely You	Champaign Service Center, Champaign	11		
Sept. 12	Haunted Helpers	Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield	11		
Sept. 13	Pony Tails I	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	8		
Sept. 13	Girl Scouts Love State Parks	Moraine View State Park, LeRoy/ Sangchris Lake State Park, Rochester	11		
Sept. 20	Girl Scout Sampler	Multiple Locations	12		
Sept. 20	Pony Tails II	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	8		
Sept. 27-28	Big Tap Campout	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	6		
Oct. 4	Loyal, Brave, and True	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	8, 13		
Oct. 4	Flower Power Petal Party	Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington	13		
Oct. 4	Pumpkin Spice Girls	Decatur Public Library, Decatur	13		
Oct. 5	Pumpkin Madness	Terripin Farm Stand, Quincy	13		
Oct. 9	Good Neighbors, Great Friends	Champaign County Museum, Champaign	14		
Oct. 10-11	Roar & Snore	Scovill Zoo, Decatur	14		
Oct. 11	Trail Rides	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	9		
Oct. 11	Seed Science	Lakeview Nature Center, Macomb	14		
Oct. 11	Widji Haunted Trails	Camp Widjiwagan, Springfield	6		
Oct. 12	CPR/First Aid Training	Peoria Service Center, Peoria	14, 25		
Oct. 17	Program Aide Training	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	14		
Oct. 18	Back in the Saddle	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	9		
Oct. 18	Hike It Out	Homer Lake Forest Preserve, Homer	14		
Oct. 18	Boulder with your Besties	The Proving Ground, Bloomington	15		
Oct. 18	Nature Made Me Do It	Decatur Public Library, Decatur	15		
Oct. 18	Fall Family Fest	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	15		
Oct. 18	Yum Factory	The Yum Factory, Quincy	15		
Oct. 18	Junior Budget Maker	Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington	15		
Oct. 19	Take Aim: Scout	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	15		

Oct. 23	Celebrate Champaign	Champaign County Museum, Champaign	16	 
Oct. 25	Let the Mounted Games Begin	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	9	    
Oct. 25	Becoming Digital Defenders	Peoria Service Center, Peoria	16	    
Oct. 25	Medieval Times Trip	Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington	16, 22	     
Oct. 26	Take Aim: Archer	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	16	     
Oct. 27	Founder's Day Storytime	Bloomington Public Library, Bloomington	16	   
Oct. 29	Space Science Adventure	Staerkel Planetarium, Champaign	16	      
Nov. 1	Pony Tails I	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	8	  
Nov. 1	Safe Sitter Essentials with CPR	Peoria Service Center, Peoria	17	   
Nov. 1	Word Weavers	Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington	17	
Nov. 1	Pickleball Pals	Evergreen Raquet Club, Bloomington	17	     
Nov. 2	Take Aim: Huntress	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	18	     
Nov. 8	Pony Tails II	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	8	  
Nov. 8	Palette of Possibilities	Bloomington	6	    
Nov. 9	Procast Pros	Bloomington Public Library, Bloomington	18	  
Nov. 15	Junior Horseback Riding Badge	Camp Tapawingo, Metamora	8	 
Nov. 15	Automotive Engineering	Peoria Service Center, Peoria	18	   
Nov. 15	Theater Antics	Quincy Community Theater, Quincy	18	    
Nov. 15	Camp Calm	Decatur Public Library, Decatur	19	
Nov. 16	Car Care 101	Peoria Service Center, Peoria	19	   
Nov. 22	Kiwanis Grand Prix	Champaign Service Center, Champaign	19	     
Nov. 23	Camp Kiwanis Winter Gathering	Camp Kiwanis, Mahomet	19	     
Dec. 6	Winter Swim	Rushville Fitness and Community Center, Rushville	20	     
Dec. 6	Girl Scout Night with the Bloomington Bison	Grossinger Motors Arena, Bloomington	20	     
Dec. 7	Great Girl Scout Bingo Night	Bloomington Service Center, Bloomington	20	     
Dec. 7	Mistletoe Magic	Frericks Garden, Quincy	20	      
Dec. 13	Museum Takeover	Children's Museum of Illinois, Decatur	7	   
Jan. 10	Cookie Rally	Interstate Center, Bloomington	7	      
Jan. 18	Cookie Bootcamp	Tangerine Bowl, Quincy	21	      

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