

Think Summer!

Dear Girl Scout Family,

Winter is almost here, but at Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore we're already thinking about summer.

We know that many of you are making plans for summer child care and activities. We understand the challenges that you face, and we invite you to explore the great summer adventures we've planned at Camp Amity Acres and Camp Sacajawea. For your convenience, [registration is now open online](#).

The theme for the 2021 camp season is "Get Out and Explore: Jump into Outdoor Adventure." It reflects the need for children to spend time connecting with nature, trying new skills, and fostering friendship in a fun and safe environment.

Giving girls an opportunity to spend time together in the great outdoors has never been more important to their development and well-being considering all the changes they are experiencing because of the coronavirus pandemic.

I am proud to note that last summer we welcomed 271 campers over a 6-week period and were 100% COVID-free. We are well-positioned to once again offer a variety of safe, enriching outdoor summer camp experiences for girls 3 to 15 and their sibling brothers.

There's nothing like Girl Scout camp. See for yourself. Take a virtual trek through [Camp Amity Acres](#) or [Camp Sacajawea](#), register for an upcoming socially distanced [walking tour](#) or drop by an [open house](#) to experience the beautiful wooded settings.

For past campers, we're hosting a reunion in January and we look forward to catching up!

Get out and explore!

Regards,

Eileen M. Higgins
Chief Executive Officer
Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore

P.S. Summer camp makes a great holiday gift.

GIRL Thoughts

Our December theme is "Spirit of the Season", a time of celebration and giving. This week, we asked girls, "How does your troop give back during the holidays?"

Lia, Troop 645

One of my favorite troop activities during the holidays is when we sing at our local town hall and in nursing homes. I really enjoy making others smile with our music. Unfortunately, I

Mina, Troop 61327

Each year during the holidays, my troop takes part in the Blessing Bag Brigade. This year, we had to take special precautions including wearing masks, sanitizing items and social

Mary, Troops 61020

This holiday season, my troop is helping our community by bringing holiday cheer to patients and staff at Memorial Sloan Kettering. In the past, we have gone to carol at their Holmdel

don't think we will be allowed to do that this year. Instead, our troop wrote cards and gave cookies to frontline workers and nursing home residents. We also donated money and groceries to those in need. A few weeks ago, our troop had a Zoom pajama party and plans to donate to the Pajama Program. We hope to do more to help people in our community!

distancing. During the event, everyone gets a bag to pack with supplies such as snacks, water bottles and toiletries. This year we put together almost 300 bags to be handed out at a food bank in Keyport. In the past, we have also gone caroling; this is something I really enjoy!

location, but instead our troop and other local troops will be recording carols and sending them to people who need a little extra cheer. We also collected items for the Blessing Bag Brigade and made bags to deliver to a soup kitchen in Keyport. I think it is important for us to give at the holidays because we get so much cheer and other people deserve it too.

Discover How You Can Earn Our Go-Getter Monthly Theme Patch



Nominations are now open for the 2021 Council & Regional Awards

o Volunteers make Girl Scouting happen! Their dedication inspires all of us. Every spring, to show our appreciation, Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore hosts Council and Regional Award Recognitions honoring our incredible volunteers. These recognitions are a small thank you for everything our volunteers do to support girls and our council. We take pride in recognizing special individuals for their years of membership, volunteer service and exceptional contributions to the Girl Scout mission.

Nominations are now open! Submit your nominations today!

2021 Council Award nominations are being accepted now through **Monday, February 1.**
2021 Regional Award nominations being accepted now through **Monday, March 1.**

[Submit You Council Award Nominations Today!](#)

[Submit You Regional Award Nominations Today!](#)



Share the Joy of Exploration and Discovery

Share Girl Scouts with the ones you love

This holiday season, **give an experience that will last a lifetime!** Give the gift of inspiration! When you give a week at Girl Scout Camp or an annual Girl Scout membership you'll be giving a gift that will last into the new year and beyond.

Get Out and Explore

This winter, we all need something to look forward to. As a gift this holiday season, **give the gift of Girl Scout Camp** to a girl in your life. She'll be able to circle a date for adventure on her calendar and you will feel at ease, knowing she will be well-cared for, happy, learning and exploring in the great outdoors.

Discover Without Limits

The Girl Scout program doesn't limit girls to only a handful of activities, instead it broadens their horizons to show that the activities they can complete are limitless. In 2020, Girl Scouts in Monmouth and Ocean counties have explored the stars during night walks. They've met the hunters of the night sky, learning about birds that soar through

Our camps give girls the space to discover a strong sense of self, gain practical life skills, become resourceful problem solvers, and cultivate healthy relationships. Camp Amity Acres and Camp Sacajawea open for summer on Monday, June 21. **Make your reservations now.**

[Explore Girl Scout Camp!](#)

the air. They've cracked the code, gaining skills in cybersecurity and computer programming. And, they've enjoyed earning new Civics Badges and discovering the legacy of Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

This holiday season, **give the gift of Girl Scouts.** Whether she has specific interests or wants to learn it all, Girl Scouts will provide her with the framework to create her own adventure.

[Open Her World To Even More](#)



Upcoming Camper Reunions

It's time to reunite with some of your camp friends and favorite counselors! Get a sneak peek at what's in store for 2021! We'll indulge in the magic of summer— reunite with friends, complete a craft, whip up a camp snack, and roast marshmallows around the fire! Our camp teams will be there to answer all of your 2021 summer questions and help you register for the season.

Join us at Camp Amity Acres, **Saturday, January 9**, and at Camp Sacajawea, **Saturday, January 16**.

Camper reunion events are for returning campers only. **When you attend one of our reunions and register for camp within 48 hours, you will receive a \$25 discount on any five-day Basic Camp week.**

[Camper Reunion: Camp Amity Acres](#)

[Camper Reunion: Camp Sacajawea](#)



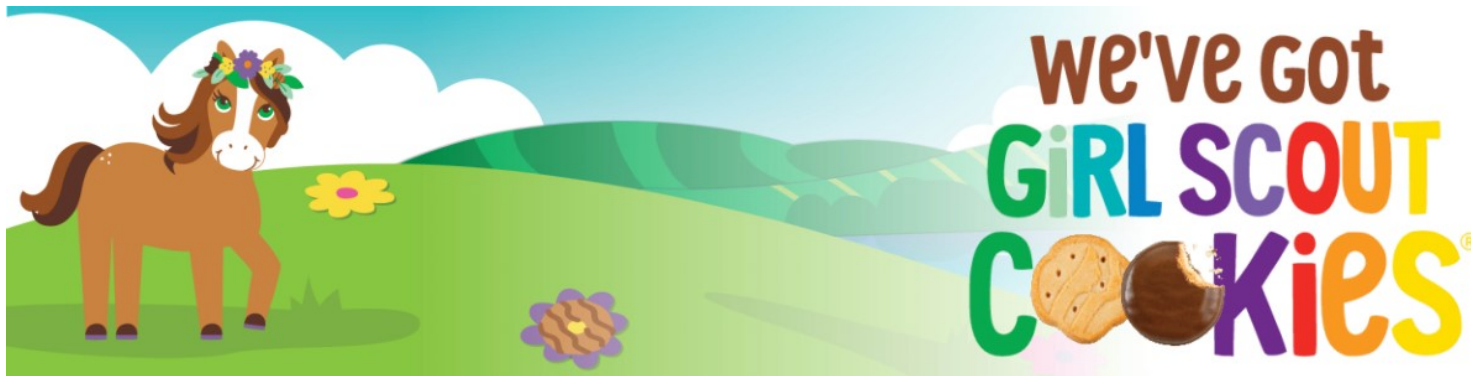
Stand Up for Human Rights A patch program for Seniors & Ambassadors

Human rights are relevant to all of us, every single day. As Girl Scouts Seniors and Ambassadors, we invite you to be a champion of human rights.

Learn about International Human Rights Day, December 10, and the women who helped shape the human rights movement with a NEW self-guided patch program, **December 10 - January 27**. This patch program, designed specifically for older girls, explores the universal values of human rights with a Take Action project.

Then, join your Girl Scout sisters, **Sunday, January 31**, for an optional Zoom discussion.

[Register Now!](#)

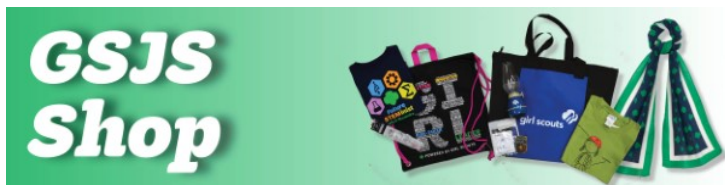


"At The Starting Gate" Cookie Rally 🍪

Saddle up! Girl Scout Cookie season begins Friday, January 8!
Gallop into cookie season with our new cookie program mascot, the Little Horse!

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is so much more than selling cookies; this experience helps girls build five skills that will last a lifetime: goal setting, decision-making, money management, people skills, and business ethics. Zoom in **Tuesday, January 5**, for our annual cookie rally. Daisies, Brownies and Juniors will enjoy activities to get them excited about the upcoming cookie season while brainstorming ways to reach their goals!

[Register Now!](#)



Give the Gift of Girl Scout Swag!

Looking for the perfect gift this holiday season? Look no further than our council shop! From beautiful scarves to holiday ornaments and gift bundles for every level; we've got you covered!

Click below to email Monica Bason-Lynch, Retail Associate, and place shop orders for pick up; items not available in our shop can be ordered.

Make sure you're following our shop [Instagram](#) for great gift ideas and bundle details!

[Email Us Your Shop Order Today](#)

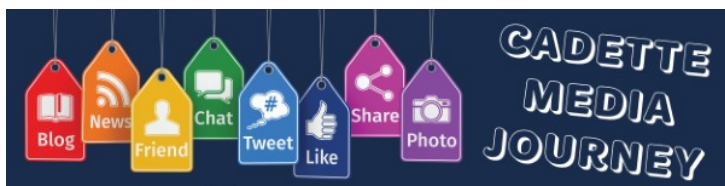


Media GIRLz

We're looking for girls interested in helping us promote all things Girl Scouts! As a member of our Media GIRLz team, when we need promotional pictures or videos of girls in action, you'll be at the top of our list!

This program is open to girl members only. Girls selected for our Media GIRLz team will be members for the 2020-21 Girl Scout year. A full Girl Scout uniform is required.

[Submit Your Application Today!](#)



Media Journey in a Day

Stories say so much about us—they are a way to express our interests, hopes and dreams. Cadettes, join us for a virtual journey, **Saturday, January 9**, and tell us your story! Our journey will be broken into two Zoom sessions, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Discover the range of creative approaches highlighted in the It's Your Story—Tell It! Leadership Journey. Discover the power of media messaging, from your favorite books to TV shows, movies, music and online content. Learn to tell you stories in a positive, powerful way!

Looking to earn your Silver Award? This journey fulfills "Go on a Cadette Journey" Silver Award requirement!



Make An Impact that Lasts a Lifetime

Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors, are you ready to start working toward your Silver or Gold Award? Join us virtually for one of our January workshops. Attendance is required before beginning your project.

Girls are also encouraged to attend one of our Idea Shares. Girls will have the opportunity to talk to committee members and receive valuable feedback on their project ideas before submitting their project proposals.

Parents and Troop Leaders of Junior Girl Scouts are invited to attend a workshop to guide their girls as they earn their Bronze Awards.

[Register Now!](#)[Bronze Award Workshop 1/6](#)[Idea Share 1/7](#)[Silver Award Workshop 1/19](#)[GoGold Workshop 1/27](#)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

[Visit Our Online Activities Calendar](#)

Badge Boxes & Girl Scout Journeys

- [Media Journey in a Day](#)
 - Sat Jan 9, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. (C)
- [Think Like a Programmer Junior Journey Jumpstart](#)
 - Sat Jan 23, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. (J)
- [3 Cheers for Animals Journey Series \(D\)](#)
 - Sun Jan 24, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
 - Mon Jan 25, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
 - Tue Jan 26, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
- [Wonders of Water Journey Series \(B\)](#)
 - Sat Feb 20, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. & 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.
 - Sun Feb 21, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
- [Girl Scout Badge Boxes](#)
 - Daisies, Brownies, Juniors & Cadettes

Daisy, Brownie & Junior

- [Juliette Meeting](#)
 - Sat Dec 19, 10:00 - 11:20 a.m. (All levels)
- [Self-Guided Go-Getter Monthly Theme Patch Series - December](#)
 - Now - Thu Dec 31 (All levels)
- [At The Starting Gate Cookie Rally](#)
 - Tue Jan 5, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (DBJ)
- [Camper Reunion: Camp Amity Acres](#)
 - Sat Jan 9, 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (All levels)
- [Travel Information Session](#)
 - Tue Jan 12, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (JCSA)
- [Archery I for Juniors](#)
 - Thu Jan 14, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. (J)
- [Camper Reunion: Camp Sacajawea](#)
 - Sat Jan 16, 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (All levels)
- [Brownie Inventor](#)
 - Tue Jan 19, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (B)
- [Archery Introduction for Brownies](#)
 - Thu Jan 28, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. (B)
- [Canoe Team Interest Night](#)
 - Thu Jan 28, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (JSCA)
- [Automotive Design Badge](#)
 - Fri Jan 29, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (DB)
- [Self-Guided Go-Getter Monthly Theme Patch Series - January](#)
 - Now - Sat Jan 31 (All levels)
- [Ring the Bell - Black History Month Kickoff Celebration](#)
 - Tue Feb 2, 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. (All levels)
- [I Heart My Daisy Robot](#)
 - Sat Feb 6, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. (D)
- [New STEM Career Exploration](#)

Cadette, Senior & Ambassador

- [Use Your Voice for Animals](#)
 - Wed Dec 16, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (SA)
- [Juliette Meeting](#)
 - Sat Dec 19, 10:00 - 11:20 a.m. (All levels)
- [Self-Guided Go-Getter Monthly Theme Patch Series - December](#)
 - Now - Thu Dec 31 (All levels)
- [Archery Badge](#)
 - Thu Jan 7, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. (C)
- [Idea Share with the Silver/Gold Committee](#)
 - Thu Jan 7, 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. (CSA)
- [Camper Reunion: Camp Amity Acres](#)
 - Sat Jan 9, 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (All levels)
- [Travel Information Session](#)
 - Tue Jan 12, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (JCSA)
- [Digital Movie Maker](#)
 - Thu Jan 14, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (C)
- [Camper Reunion: Camp Sacajawea](#)
 - Sat Jan 16, 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (All levels)
- [Silver Award Workshop](#)
 - Tue Jan 19, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (C)
- [Older Girl Recruitment Team](#)
 - Fri Jan 22, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (CSA)
- [GoGold Workshop](#)
 - Wed Jan 27, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (SA)
- [Canoe Team Interest Night](#)
 - Thu Jan 28, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (JSCA)
- [Older Girl Expo](#)
 - Thu Jan 28, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. (CSA)
- [Self-Guided Go-Getter Monthly Theme Patch Series - January](#)
 - Now - Sat Jan 31 (All levels)

Volunteer & Parent Opportunities

- [Parent/Leader Bronze Award Workshop](#)
 - Wed Jan 6, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- [VTK for Individually Registered Members](#)
 - Sun Jan 24, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- [VTK Beyond the Basics](#)
 - Mon Jan 25, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.
- [Virtual Summer Camp Parent Info Session](#)
 - Wed Jan 27, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- [Sing-A-Long for Adults](#)
 - Fri Feb 12 - Sun Feb 14
- [Parent/Leader Bronze Award Workshop](#)
 - Wed Feb 17, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- [Virtual Summer Camp Parent Info Session](#)
 - Tue Feb 23, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

- Wed Feb 10, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (BJ)
 - [Sing-A-Long for Girls](#)
 - Sat Feb 13, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. (All levels)
 - [Social Butterfly Via Social Distancing](#)
 - Tue Feb 16, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. (J)
 - [World Thinking Day Celebration](#)
 - Fri Feb 19, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (All levels)
 - [Archery Tournament - Brownies](#)
 - Sat Feb 20, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (B)
 - [Archery Tournament - Juniors](#)
 - Sat Feb 20, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. (J)
 - [Noodlehead](#)
 - Sun Feb 21, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. (JCSA)
 - [The Great Winter New Jersey Camp-In Camp-Out](#)
 - Fri Feb 26 - Sun Feb 28 (All levels)
 - [Juliette Meeting](#)
 - Sat Feb 27, 10:00 - 11:20 a.m. (All levels)
 - [Self-Guided Go-Getter Monthly Theme Patch Series - February](#)
 - Now - Sun Feb 28 (All levels)
- [Idea Share with the Silver/Gold Committee](#)
 - Mon Feb 1, 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. (CSA)
 - [Ring the Bell - Black History Month Kickoff Celebration](#)
 - Tue Feb 2, 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. (All levels)
 - [Older Girl Recruitment Team](#)
 - Fri Feb 12, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (CSA)
 - [Sing-A-Long for Girls](#)
 - Sat Feb 13, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. (All levels)
 - [App Development](#)
 - Tue Feb 16, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (CSA)
 - [Leaders in Action - Wonders of Water \(C\)](#)
 - Wed Feb 17, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
 - Sat Feb 20, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. & 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.
 - Sun Feb 21, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
 - [Owl Prowl](#)
 - Fri Feb 19, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
 - [World Thinking Day Celebration](#)
 - Fri Feb 19, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. (All levels)
 - [Archery Tournament - Cadettes, Seniors & Ambassadors](#)
 - Sat Feb 20, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. (CSA)
 - [Noodlehead](#)
 - Sun Feb 21, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. (JCSA)
 - [Silver Award Workshop](#)
 - Thu Feb 25, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. (C)
 - [The Great Winter New Jersey Camp-In Camp-Out](#)
 - Fri Feb 26 - Sun Feb 28 (All levels)
 - [Juliette Meeting](#)
 - Sat Feb 27, 10:00 - 11:20 a.m. (All levels)
 - [Self-Guided Go-Getter Monthly Theme Patch Series - February](#)
 - Now - Sun Feb 28 (All levels)

Visit Our Online Activities Calendar



Have a question? Don't be shy!
Contact us for more information.

Our address is 242 Adelpia Rd, Farmingdale, NJ 07727

© 2020 Girl Scouts of the United States of America. All Rights Reserved.