Celebrating Independence Day

Dear Girl Scout Family,

Girl Scouts has a long history of showing support for our country starting with our founder Juliette Gordon Low. Also known as “Daisy,” she was a patriot with a deep commitment to community service.

Today, Girl Scouts continue to uphold Juliette’s tradition of patriotism by sending tasty Girl Scout Cookies to lift the spirits of our active military troops, participating in Fourth of July, Memorial Day and Veterans Day parades and activities, and always giving back to our communities to make them stronger.

Last week, our Council delivered 2,000 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies to disabled veterans as part of our Cookie Relief initiative. The “boxes of love” donated by Investors Bank brought so much joy to the Brick Chapter of the American Veterans Department of New Jersey and will be shared with veterans across New Jersey.

As we celebrate Independence Day with our families, let’s remember the women, men and families of our Armed Forces and the sacrifices they have made for the freedom we enjoy.

Happy Independence Day Everyone!

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

Let’s celebrate the 4th of July Girl Scout style! We want to know, how do you show your patriotism?
Patriotism means to me that you love your country. It's why we say the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of every Girl Scout meeting. It's why we marched in the Veterans Day parade and made posters for our Veterans. It's why we participated in the Virtual Middletown Memorial Day Parade waving our flags. It's why we wear red, white and blue during special holidays.

Being a Girl Scout shows my patriotism. On my sash I wear the U.S. flag, meetings start with the Pledge of Allegiance and Girl Scout Promise saying we will "serve God and my country" which shows patriotism. I participate in parades, I carry our flag wearing my uniform, and I do things to help others. We learn about scouts in other countries and that makes me love my country most. Juliette Gordon Low said that it is important for girls to have a role and to help the community. We put others first and serve the community and that is patriotism!

As a Girl Scout I show patriotism by participating in the Memorial Day Parade every year. This year since the parade was during quarantine, me and my friend Mary marched in a line for a virtual parade. Also, I made cards for the military who have retired from war and made signs to thank a soldier returning home. Recently, at my Girl Scout Virtual Camp Out, I discovered that even when Girl Scouts were just forming that the Girl Scouts helped during World War I. This shows Girl Scouts were patriotic even over 100 years ago! In conclusion, all Girl Scouts should show patriotism!

There Will Be Girl Scout Camp This Summer

Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore is offering three summer experiences this year – Camp Amity Acres and Camp Sacajawea, plus a virtual camp, #ThinkOutside Camp@Home. All camps open Monday, July 13, giving girls a chance to reengage at a time when connection is more important than ever.

Camp Amity Acres and Camp Sacajawea
- after months separated by technology, girls benefit from reconnection outdoors

#ThinkOutside Camp@Home
- a weekly home program for girls
- focus on social and emotional well-being
strengthen emotional well-being with the comforting and familiar camp environment

connect with nature and build skills

foster friendship in a fun and safe environment

reduce anxiety through meditation, chair yoga and more

earn badges during daily, themed activities

create friendships during interactive free time

discover relevant books and share the experience to help girls avoid the summer (and COVID) slide

All activities will comply with local, state and federal guidelines.

Get out and get colorful with your family at our first ever Drive-By Tie-Dye!

Let’s get colorful! Join us for our first ever Drive-By Tie-Dye event! We have two dates to choose from with 15 registrations scheduled every half hour; join us Saturday, July 25, at the Program Activity Center or Sunday, July 26, at the Ocean Service Center.

When you register you will receive a Drive-By Tie-Dye Prep Pack that includes a T-shirt, a Drive-By Tie-Dye Fun Patch, rubber bands, gloves (for day of) and care instructions. Select contactless pickup or we can mail your prep pack straight to your home (additional fee applies).

Make sure to register by Thursday, July 9, to guarantee your shirt size.

Girl Scout Cookie Drive-Thrus Ready For Business

Craving Girl Scout Cookies? Know people who missed out on purchasing their cookies this spring? Cookie Drive Thrus will be open for business in Toms River and Farmingdale throughout July. Customers will order and pay in advance online and their cookies will be ready for pickup at the drive through.

Toms River

- Wednesday, July 8
- Wednesday, July 15
- Wednesday, July 22
- Wednesday, July 29

Farmingdale

- Thursday, July 9
- Tuesday, July 14
- Tuesday, July 21
- Thursday, July 30

10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. @ Both Locations

Register for the Drive-By Tie-Dye

Reserve Your Girl Scout Cookies Now
New to Girl Scouts? Earn your very first badge with our Badge Boxes

Being a Girl Scout opens up a world of amazing, one-of-a-kind opportunities. Girls can earn their very first badge with our EXCLUSIVE Badge Boxes!

Our Badge Boxes are designed to make Girl Scouting at home fun and easy. This curated box includes almost everything you need to complete six activities from the comfort of your own home. Every kit includes easy to follow instructions, PLUS a badge to display on the front of your brand new uniform!

Daisy Badge Boxes
- Daisy Space Science Explorer
- Daisy Outdoor Art Maker

Brownie Badge Boxes
- Brownie Bugs
- Brownie Household Elf - Limited number of boxes available

Junior Badge Box
- Junior Outdoor Art Explorer

Cadette Badge Box
- Cadette Trees

Purchase Your Badge Box Today!

It's a new world with a new way to celebrate!

Join us for an Outdoor Cocktail Celebration at Eagle Oaks Country Club, Thursday, July 30, as we celebrate our 2020 Women of Distinction and Community Partners!

Celebrate our honorees and enjoy an evening out while following CDC approved guidelines. As you go, you'll receive a multi-course gourmet meal with a bottle of wine and a tasty Girl Scout dessert, packed neatly to-go. You'll be able to view our program, raffle and auction online.

Investors Savings Cookie Donation

With the help of our friends at Investor's Bank, we were able to surpass our goal of donating 100,000 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies to essential workers, volunteers, food banks and others in need of comfort during this challenging time. Their donation of 10,000 boxes of cookies was shared among six local organizations, including disabled US veterans, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), Lunch Break, HomeFront, Ocean Mental Health Services, and Community Medical Center's Toms River Campus.

Read More
- Monmouth Journal
- RedBankGreen.com
- Wall Patch

Purchase Event Tickets Today!

Donate a Box of Love Today!

Rainbow Detective

Let's celebrate one of nature’s greatest creations - the rainbow! We'll discover why the colors blend together using science! Daisies, Brownies and Juniors, join us Saturday, July 18. Kits include all needed supplies, PLUS a rainbow patch!

Think Like a Programmer

Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors, let's learn to code! Complete your Programmer Journey online, at your own pace, with CodeCampKidz! Pick your project and work step-by-step; no previous experience is required. You will receive a certificate of completion when the Journey is complete and can purchase your Journey Badge at GSFun.org/Shop.

Register Now!
Camp Song Contest

Your opportunity to treat us to an original fireside song has been EXTENDED!! Submit your original song now through Friday, July 31. All participants will receive our digital songbook and a commemorative patch. Our Grand Prize Winner will have their choice of a CAMP SWAG BAG or a S’MORE’S KIT!

Last Chance!

This is your LAST CHANCE to purchase our Girl Power Can’t Be Quarantined Patch Duo. Orders for this duo must be placed by Friday, July 24, and will be mailed out 3-4 weeks after your order has been received. This council-exclusive patch duo will be retired as of July 24!

Submit Your Camp Song

Purchase Your “Girl Power Can’t Be Quarantined” Patch Duo

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Girl Scout Journeys

- Think Like a Mechanical Engineer
  - July 20, 22 & 24 (B)
- Think Like An Engineer
  - July 13, 15 & 17 (J)
- Think Like A Programmer
  - Ongoing; register at any time (JCSA)

Daisy, Brownie & Junior

- Rainbow Detective
  - July 18 (DBJ)
- Your Voice Matters - Census 2020
  - All levels

Cadette, Senior & Ambassador

- Girl Scouts at the Ready
  - Now through August 30 (CSA)
- CollegeLab
  - Seniors & Ambassadors

Volunteers Opportunities

- Mental Health First Aid
  - October 10, Volunteers

Check Out the Complete Online Activities Calendar

Girl Scouts in Action
Girl Scout Brownies earned their Fling Flyer Badge while engineering their own airplanes.

Molly, a Girl Scout Cadette, helped deliver graduation signs to graduating Ambassadors.

Girls from Troop 1947 enjoyed a virtual “Heart in the Sand” paint class with the Pinot’s Gallery in Manalapan.

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