

The Trefoil Times

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Dreaming of Summer Camp!

Registration is now LIVE for Girl Scout Camp! Warmer days are just around the corner, and we are getting ready to give you the best summer of your life! From rock climbing to kayaking and exploring the great outdoors, Girl Scout camp is full of excitement, challenges and lifelong memories and friendships. Whether you are mastering a skill or learning a new one, we have something just for you. Sign up today!



Sneak peek of everything inside this edition

Upcoming programs you won't want to miss!

Pro-tips for the best Cookie Season EVER!

Troop & volunteer shout outs

National Council Session

Important dates to remember

And more!

Experience the fun of summer at Camp Open House!

Discover the magic of camp at this free event. You will have the opportunity to take a tour of the property, try out some of our favorite camp activities, meet our summer camp team, ask questions, and make a s'more over the campfire. We can't wait to see you there!

Overnight Camp

Saturday, April 25th, 2026
Camp Linden, Camp Merrie Woode, Camp O'the Hills
1:00-4:00 PM

Day Camp

Tuesday, May 5th, 2026
Kalamazoo Day Camp
Thursday, May 7th, 2026
Ann Arbor Day Camp
5:30-7:00 PM

Pre-registration for these events is not required, but those who pre-register will receive a fun patch.



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It's Cookie Booth Season!



Cookie Booth Pro-Tips

- **Lead with a smile & a greeting.** A cheerful "Hi! Would you like to support Girl Scouts today?" goes a long way.
- **Know your cookies.** Be ready to share favorites, prices, and allergy-friendly options like gluten-free or vegan cookies.
- **Share your goal.** Tell customers what you're earning toward; people love supporting a purpose.
- **Work as a team.** Take turns talking, handling money, and restocking so everyone gets a chance to shine.
- **Keep it neat & eye-catching.** A clean booth with clear signs helps customers decide fast.
- **Always say thank you!** Whether they buy or not, kindness leaves a lasting impression.
- **Be brave & be yourself.** Confidence grows every time you speak up. This is your moment!

Gear up for Cookies with our Cookie Booth Kits!

Before you head out to your Cookie Booths, visit one of our Retail Shops to get everything you need!

\$48

- Cookie pennant banner
- 4 handheld signs
- Six foot tablecloth

\$40

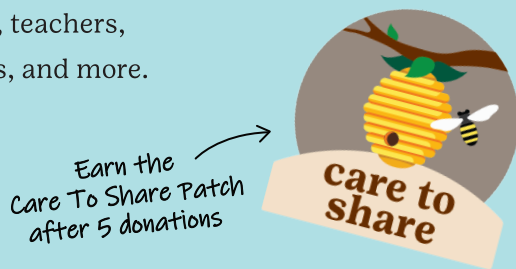
- Cookie pennant banner
- 4 handheld signs
- Cookie belt bag
- Cookie table runner



Hometown Heroes

The Hometown Heroes program gives Girl Scouts the ability to give back and learn about the people who make a difference in their community.

Girl Scouts have donated to firefighters, police officers, nurses, doctors, paramedics, military, teachers, Veterans, and more.



Volunteer Shout-out: Latoyia McCall

Latoyia is a troop leader for Troop 80477, and she leads first through fourth grade girls in Kalamazoo!



Latoyia is very in touch with what younger girls enjoy, and she is always willing to try something new. She loves bringing people together, and she is part of Moms on a Mission, a group of local Kalamazoo Girl Scout caregivers. Latoyia found her “why” when she became a troop leader, and she continues to serve the girls not only in her troop, but in the entire county.

Volunteers, we love you!



Girl Scout Week 2026

Celebrate 114 years of making the world a better place all week long!

March 8



Girl Scout Sunday

Start the week by giving back! If you attend a place of worship, don't forget to show your Girl Scout pride while you're there this week.

March 9



Make New Friends Monday

Welcome new connections by inviting a new friend to play, collaborating with another troop on an activity, or hosting a community event focused on making new friends.

March 10

Traditions Tuesday

Explore a Girl Scout tradition and share its meaning with others.



March 11



Outdoor Adventures

On Wednesdays we sign up for summer camp! Register on your own, with a friend, or with your troop for incredible summer programs at our beautiful GSHOM camps.

March 12



Girl Scout Birthday Party/ Girl Scout Swag Day

Rock your Girl Scout uniform or favorite swag at school, then party with us at your local GSHOM Regional Center for our Girl Scout Birthday bash (don't forget to register by March 6th)!



March 13

Future Leader Friday

Discover a career that interests you, support a woman-owned local business, or learn about the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards.



March 14

Sisterhood Saturday

Celebrate sisterhood with your Girl Scout friends while showcasing the valuable skills you've learned through participation in a Girl Scout Cookie Booth.

Upcoming Programs

March

Mar 7 EmpowHER Hockey Night with the K-Wings Game & Pre-Game Programming
Kalamazoo  fdbjcsa

Mar 8 Mission: Leadership Conference
Ann Arbor  csa+Adults

Mar 12 Girl Scouts 114th Birthday Bash
All Regional Centers fdbjcsa

Mar 14 Democracy Workshop with the League of Women Voters Kalamazoo
Kalamazoo jc

Mar 14 Book Artist Badge Day with Kalamazoo Book Arts
Kalamazoo csa

Mar 14 Daisy Days at Camp Linden
Camp Linden  d+Adults

Mar 15 Welcome to Cadettes
Ann Arbor jc+Adults

Mar 21 CSI: Crack the Case
Camp O'the Hills  fdbjcsa

Mar 24 Scent Scientists w/ the Kalamazoo Candle Company
kalamazoo jcsa

April

Apr 4 LiFT: Linking Families and Teens
Ann Arbor sa+Adults

Apr 11 Raise Your Flag
Lansing dbjcsa

Apr 11 Robostangs Junior Workshop & Cadette Workshop
Ann Arbor jc

Apr 18 Service to Girl Scouting
Camp O'the Hills csa

Apr 26 Badgefest! Code for Good
Plymouth  bjcsa

Apr 26 Badgefest! Cybersecurity
Plymouth bjcsa

May

May 2 Wildflower Walks w/ the Ann Arbor Parks Department
Ann Arbor dbjc

May 9 Trail Adventure at Chippewa Nature Center
Midland dbj

May 16 Trucks Are For Girls
Ann Arbor  jcsa

May 16-17 Flower Power Lock-In
Camp O'the Hills  bjcsa

May 30-31 Trail Adventure Camp: High Adventure Weekend
Camp O'the Hills jcsa+Adults

This is just a taste of all our program offerings. Scan for more!



May 30-31 Bavarian Inn's Girl Scout Water Smart Weekend
Frankenmuth

**Water Safety Program is only jcsa*

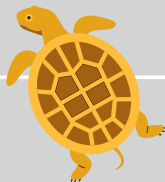
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June

Jun 6 Troop & Family Adventure Day
Camp O'the Hills

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Jun 12-14 Save the Turtles Session A
Camp O'the Hills



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Jun 19-21 Save the Turtles Session B
Camp O'the Hills

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Jun 26-28 Jamboree
Camp Linden

dbjcsa+Adults

Jun 26-28 Troop Adventure Camp Classic Camp Sampler
Camp O'the Hills

bjcsa+Adults

July

Jul 10-11 Troop Adventure Camp Exploring Camp
Camp O'the Hills

bjcsa+Adults

Jul 14 & 15 Alma Day Camp
Barbara Osterman Cabin

bjcsa+Adults

Jul 18 Discover Camp Days
Camp Merrie Woode

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Jul 18 Tubing the Looking Glass River
Camp Wacousta



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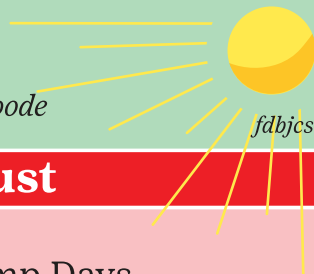
Jul 19 Tubing the Looking Glass River
Camp Wacousta

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Jul 19 Great Lakes Loons Girl Scout Family Night
Midland

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Jul 25 Discover Camp Days
Camp Merrie Woode



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August

Aug 1 Discover Camp Days
Camp Merrie Woode

fdbjcsa

Aug 1 Troop Adventure Camp Classic Camp Sampler
Camp O'the Hills

bjcsa+Adults

Aug 14-16 Troop Adventure Camp Paddle Sports Weekend
Camp O'the Hills

bjcsa+Adults

Aug 14-16 Me & My Gal: Wilderness Warriors
Camp Linden

dbjcsa+Adults

Aug 19 Camp Your Way!
Camp Linden

bjcsa+Adults

Aug 20 Camp Your Way!
Camp Linden



bjcsa+Adults

Camp Craft

March 18
Saginaw

March 19
Kalamazoo

March 25
Lansing

March 26
Ann Arbor

April 2
Jackson

Magical Miniature Fairy Garden

April 9
Kalamazoo

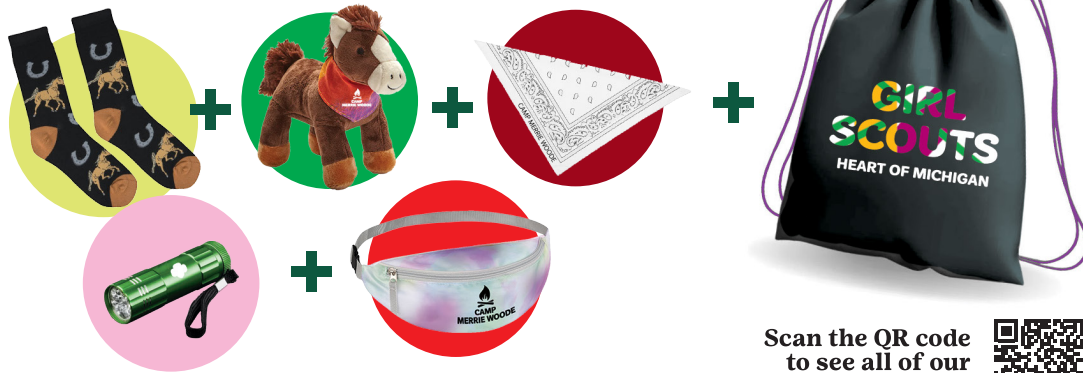
★ **April 14**
Jackson

April 16
Ann Arbor

★ **April 21**
Lansing

April 23
Saginaw

Surprise your camper with a Camper Care Kit



There are a limited amount of Care Kits available for purchase, so order soon while supplies last!

**Designs and colors may differ.*

Scan the QR code to see all of our Camper Care Kits, or to create your own!



Leadership Initiatives
Summer Internship Programs

Discover Exclusive Summer Internship Opportunities

Join Us For A Webinar:



Wednesday, February 4th
6:00 p.m. EST



Thursday, February 26th
7:00 p.m. EST



Jumpstart a Career in Law, Medicine, Business, Tech, or National Security!

- Learn about 2026 summer internship opportunities and discover the benefits of real-world experience, college prep support, and personalized mentorship.
- Our internships are one-of-a-kind and our interns have been accepted into the world's top colleges.
- Girl Scouts Michigan scouts are eligible for exclusive \$1,000 scholarships, and additional financial aid is available for students in need.

Scan the QR code to RSVP or visit www.LIGSMI.org

Our mission in motion!

See what our
Girl Scouts
are up to!



Troop 50386 made Corn Holes
for Camp O'The Hills!



Service Unit 804 Troops created
Birthday Cake Kits to donate
to local food pantries



Troop 40833 learned
at the Leslie Science Center



Troops 80172 & 80436 explored Duncan Aviation
and learned about careers in the aviation industry



Maisie from Troop 30391
recorded for a radio station!

Want a chance to be featured?
Send your photos to marketing@gshom.org!



National Council Session

The National Council Session is the business meeting where delegates from every council across the nation and from USA Girl Scouts Overseas meet to discuss, debate, and vote on issues important to the Girl Scout Movement and elect national leaders for the next triennium.

The 58th National Council Session (NCS) will take place at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC, from July 20-22, 2026. It's democracy in action, as girl delegates vote alongside adult delegates and have a direct voice in shaping the future of Girl Scouts.



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more



Adult Awards Ceremony

Sunday, May 3rd

Join us as we celebrate the outstanding volunteers of Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan and our incredible community partners!

Learn more



Girl Recognition Ceremony

Sunday, May 17th

Girl Scouts make the world a better place and seeing that impact can start right in your own community with the Gold, Silver, and Bronze Awards.

Learn more





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Pay it forward!

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Sister to Sister Fund.



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Not quite ready for an overnight camping experience?

We have something just for you! Located right at
our Kalamazoo and Ann Arbor Regional Centers, Day
Camp is the perfect way to start your summer
traditions with exciting themes each week to choose
from, making new friends and visiting Camp
Merrie Woode and Camp Linden
for a fun adventure.



Learn
more



Dates to Remember



March

Women's History Month

March 9-15

Girl Scout Week

March 12

Girl Scouts Birthday

May 3

Adult Awards
Ceremony

May 17

Girl Recognition
Ceremony

May 25

Memorial Day
Regional Centers closed

June 19

Juneteenth
Regional Centers closed

July 4

Independence Day
Regional Centers closed



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