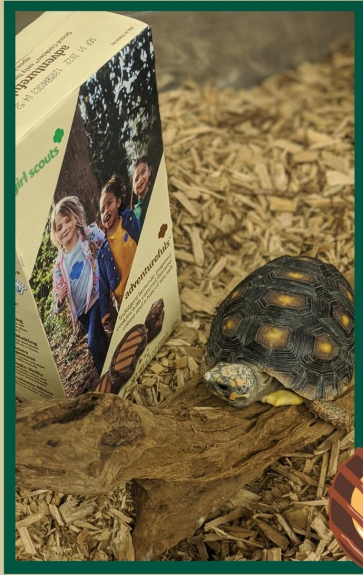


The latest and greatest from Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan!



**Visit our Regional Centers
to learn all about our
red-footed tortoises
& help us name them!**

Have you heard about our newest Girl Scout members?! Red-footed tortoises have officially joined our Girl Scout family at each of our Regional Centers. The tortoises are currently nameless, and we are hosting a competition to select their names! Stop by your local Regional Center to meet the turtles, and your girl can submit name ideas. The name of each turtle will be announced in the coming months, so come and meet them!



Happy Holidays from Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan!

We are so grateful to have you as part of our Girl Scout family, and we wish you the happiest holiday season! Please note: We will be closed from December 20 through December 31, and will reopen on Monday, January 3.

Product Program Updates



Treats & Reads - Ann Arbor, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing

Girl Scout Troops are in full Nut Hut mode! Sales through Nut Huts can still count towards girl rewards, now through December 14, 2021. A complete cupboard flyer will be available to troops.

A second ACH payment for Treats & Reads is set for December 21, 2021. This will include any additional Booth/Goal Getter sales and credits for online sales.

Treats & Reads Penguin Sleeping Bag Drawing

Congratulations to ALL of our Girl Scouts who entered the drawing for one of the Penguin Sleeping Bags! Qualifications included sending 18 emails, creating their personalized message, and designing their avatar. Sleeping bags will be shipped with your rewards!

- Penelope B. from Troop 30293
- Nicole B. from Troop 30283
- Addison K. from Troop 40527
- Lucy D. from Troop 40554
- Sienna B. from Troop 60093
- Sydney B. from Troop 60200
- Addison B. from Troop 80225
- Jocelyn B. from Troop 80954

Saginaw Treats & Reads Program will begin December 1! Girl Scouts will receive their launch email from M2 Media very soon. The change to the start of the

program is due to M2's availability of the software.

Cookie Program - Ann Arbor, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing

Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing, and Ann Arbor Girl Scout Troops! Join us as we climb with courage to a new Girl Scout Cookie program year! During this annual Product Program training, you will learn the ins and outs of this year's newest cookie line-up, eBudde software, booths, upcoming events, and opportunity for Q & A. Registration is available on our [website](#).

Cookie Program - Saginaw

Continue to climb to your Girl Scout goals with the [Goal Getter order form](#). All additional orders after a troop places their initial order will be placed as a pending order through their local cookie cupboard.

Booth season is in full swing. Be sure to place your troop's pending order no later than 11:00 PM on Sunday nights to ensure your local cupboard has your order in. All orders placed through the Cookie Cupboard must be returned no later than the following Monday. Be sure to review your Troop Manager Guide for more information. Watch out for an email from eBudde and your SUPM for our Cupboard Flyer of eight amazing Cookie Cupboard locations.

Bling Your Booth! We want to see your troop's creativity from walk-ups and drive-through booths. We will select one weekly winner for each round. Submit your blinged out booth to the [Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan Facebook page](#) to be entered! Congratulations to Troop 50134 for winning round one!

Early Sales ACH Payment Due: Troops that participated in the first three weeks of booths will be notified of a payment due to GSHOM via ACH.

Digital Cookie: The Digital Order Cookie Program (DOC) will begin on December 1. Troops will receive an email from DOC two weeks prior. Families can expect their launch emails one week prior to launch. Any family who does not receive their launch email can contact the Help Desk for assistance by emailing helpdesk@gshom.org or calling 1-800-497-2688.

Join the Club!

We are excited to share with you our Product Program Club Events! Any girl who sells 600+ and/or 1,000+ boxes of cookies or \$600+ and/or \$1,000+ in sales for Treats & Reads will be invited to participate in these fun, exclusive events! New

this year, your girl can also join our Hometown Heroes Club when you secure 125+ sales of Hometown Heroes donations!

- 600+ Club: Zehnder's Splash Village (June 13, 2022)
- 1,000+ Club: Michigan's Adventure (July 18, 2022)
- 125+ Hometown Heroes Club: TBD



Upcoming Programs!

The Source program book should have hit your mailbox already, or one will be coming your way during our next mailing in January, and it's also up on our [website](#)! Check out our [website calendar](#) for all the amazing programs coming up soon. Girls can attend individually or with their troop.

Some highlights:

- Digital Cookie Kick Off
- Frankenmuth Historical Museum All Access Tour
- We Can Build a Car!
- Cooking Simply with Local Food at Growing Hope
- Cirque Dreams Holiday
- Saginaw Spirit Game
- Detroit Lions Game

[Check out our website for registration details! »](#)

Outdoor Programming Updates



We are gearing up for winter! We cannot wait to break out the snowshoes, go sledding, and enjoy the best winter hikes. If you haven't seen our camps covered in snow, you won't want to miss it! You don't have to wait until next summer to come back to camp! We have troop overnights, day trips, and planned programs year-round. Check out our [website](#) for more information!

Upcoming Camp Programs:

- Winter Wonderland at Camp Linden (Saturday, January 8)
- Winter Wonderland at Camp Merrie Woode (Saturday, January 15)
- Galentine's Day at Camp Linden (Saturday, February 5)
- Galentine's Day Women's Retreat at Camp Merrie Woode (Friday, February 11 - Sunday, February 13)

We have some weekends available for day and overnight troops at Camp Linden and Camp Merrie Woode! Join us for outdoor adventures all year long. If you're interested in reserving space at camp, email reservations@gshom.org to get your adventure started!

Camp Merrie Woode:

- December 3 - 5
- December 10 - 12

Camp Linden:

- December 10 - 12 (Day and Overnight Trips)
- December 17-19 (Overnight Trips)
- January 7-9 (Day and Overnight Trips)
- January 15 (Day Trips)
- January 16 (Day Trips)
- January 21-23 (Day and Overnight Trips)
- January 28-30 (Day and Overnight Trips)
- February 6 (Day Trips)



Retail Updates

All Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan Regional Centers and Shops are open! Kalamazoo and Ann Arbor are open Monday through Friday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Jackson, Lansing, and Saginaw are open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and by appointment only on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

- Merry Girl Scout Sale! From December 4 through December 10, you'll get 10% off your entire purchase, no exclusions!
- Regional Centers and Retail Shops will be closed from December 20 through December 31. We will reopen on Monday, January 3.
- The Lansing and Ann Arbor Retail shops will be open from 10 AM - 1 PM on Saturday, December 4.

Curbside pick-up and Zoom shopping are still available. Please call the Help Desk (1-800-497-2688) or email helpdesk@gshom.org to set up your order and schedule your pick-up.

Follow us on Facebook for updates! »

Trainer Apprentice - For 7th Grade Cadettes and Older!

Is your girl interested in how our leaders learn everything Girl Scouts? Part of their vast knowledge comes from our Trainers - volunteers who teach classes and advocate for the education of other volunteers in Girl Scouts Heart of

Michigan. Girls in seventh grade and up can join us February 5 - 6 at Camp Merrie Woode for a fun weekend where they will explore techniques used by trainers. Girls will work with a mentor, discuss learning styles, and practice teaching a topic.

Register today! »

Adult Awards Nominations



It's the season of gratitude - Say thank you to a special Girl Scout volunteer in your life by nominating them for an Adult Award! Do you know a Girl Scout volunteer who has made a big difference in your life or your girl's life? Nominating someone for an award is an easy, meaningful way to say, "thank you." Nominations are due January 15, 2022.

Remember, thanking a volunteer in your life is not reserved for only one day per year. We would like to share the many other ways that our volunteers are showing gratitude to one another, and we will share them here each month. One fun idea is featured in the photo you see here! Please send your thoughts and ideas to education@gshom.org so you can inspire others.

Check out the nomination packets here!

Sister to Sister Fund Updates - October 2021 Donors

Thank you to all of our Girl Scout sisters who have already contributed to the Sister to Sister Fund! By donating to this fund, you can personally help another Girl Scout sister in Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan. If you haven't had a chance yet, you can **support a Girl Scout today!**

Ann Arbor Region Donors: Meadow Family, Mudge Family, Martinez Family, Gad Family, Visser Family, Tedla Family, Michalak Family, Vella Family, Strohacker Family, Nair Family.

Jackson Region Donors: Baird Family.

Kalamazoo Region Donors: Burley Family, Balgoyen Family.

Lansing Region Donors: Luo Family, Demello Family.

Saginaw Region Donors: Henton Family.

Give to a Girl Scout sister today! »



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