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Your need to know information from Girl Scouts of Silver Sage, including upcoming programs, updates from departments, and more!

Council Updates

Early Bird Troop Overnight Winners

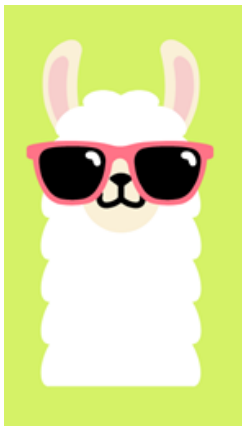


Congratulations to the following Troops that qualified for the Early Bird Troop Overnight! Get ready for your overnight and send your Troop patch ideas to customer care@girlscouts-ssc.org for a chance for your design to be chosen for next year's patch!

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Llama Build Kit Winners



Congratulations to the following girls who won Limited Edition 3D Llama Build Kits!

Keep an eye out for your kits, they're coming soon - or swing by the store to grab them!

Winners below!

Cambree C.	Josephine G.	Zoey S.	Elaina M.	Kira O.
Amelia B.	Maija R.	Bailey T.	Alexia A.	Avia R.
Holli H.	Ekko E.	Kassidy A.	Hailey J.	Kalleigh M.
Hailey P.	Chloe H.	Vivian V.	Juniper T.	Madelynn B.
Aleah A.	Abbigail S.	Olivia M.	Cassidy H.	Arcie B.
Leianna B.	Rory L.	Valeria A.	Gracie D.	Aurora G.
Kiley O.	Oakland S.	Jayde H.	Skylynn S.	Maebry B.

Albertson's Boise Open Tickets

Mark your calendars for the Albertsons Boise Open golf tournament, **August 24 -27** ! As part of the Albertsons Boise Open Tickets Support Charity Program, Girl Scouts of Silver Sage will receive **100% of ticket sale proceeds** when you purchase tickets using our [designated link](#) or select Girl Scouts of Silver Sage from the charity list. This is a great, fun way to support our

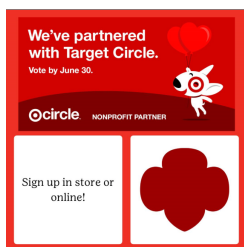


Council!

Daily tickets include admission to the golf tournament and after-golf concert, and are expected to sell out, so purchase your tickets today!

Tickets and Info

Help Support Girl Scouts of Silver Sage with Target Circle



From now until June 30, you can vote for Girl Scouts of Silver Sage through the Target Circle program to help direct Target's giving to benefit Girl Scout programs! Sign up in store or at [Target.com](https://www.target.com).

Target Circle

Upcoming Events, Programs & Closures

June

June 7 – [Summer Camp Open House Zoom Call](#) (Zoom - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

June 10 – [Family Wellness Day - Gal-Pal Yoga](#) (Pocatello - **d, b, j, v**)

June 10 – [Family Wellness Day - Ropes Course](#) (Pocatello - **c, s, a, v**)

June 10 – [Idaho Museum of Mining and Geology Experience](#) (Boise - **c, s, a**)

June 13 – [Senior & Ambassador Ropes Course](#) (Boise - **s, a**)

June 14 – [Gold Award Training \(Boise/Zoom\)](#) (Boise & Zoom - **s, a, v**)

June 15 – [Bronze & Silver Award Training for Leaders](#) (Boise & Zoom - **v**)

June 19 – **Boise Office and Retail Store closed in observance of Juneteenth**

June 21 – [Natural Grocers Cooking Workshop](#) (Boise - **c, s, a**)

Programs & Events

Eastern Idaho Wellness Events



Join Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council **June 10th** in Pocatello at the [ISU Ropes Course](#) and [Soulscap Yoga Studio](#) for a day of Girl Scout Wellness fun!

Girls do not have to be members of Girl Scouts to participate. Registration is \$5 for these events, and all attendees will receive a Wellness Day swag bag containing wellness goodies, and a store credit coupon to the Silver Sage Retail Store with a code for free shipping!

Climbing sessions for the Ropes Course: **9am – 11am** and **11am – 1pm**. ([Register HERE](#))

Yoga sessions are **10am – 11am** and **1pm – 2pm** ([Register HERE](#))

UPDATE! All girl levels are now invited to join the Soulscap Gal Pal Yoga.

For more information, reach out to customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org or call (208) 377-2011.

The Silver Sage Summer Fun Challenge Is Here!



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council challenges YOU - Girl Scouts, families, and friends - to get outdoors this summer!

Register today and complete at least 50 of the 100 fun activities on the [challenge list](#) between now and September 23rd and you will receive a **free** Summer Fun Challenge Patch! You do not have to be a Girl Scout to participate.

Register Today

Super Saturday - Save the Date!



Super Saturday is back!

Join us November 4th (Eastern Idaho) and November 11th (Treasure Valley) for a day of volunteer enrichment, networking, and comraderie while learning how to build girls of courage, confidence, and character.

Choose from a variety of Girl Scouts topics at breakout sessions throughout the day including travel, outdoor opportunities, new Troop basics, and building your Service Unit teams.

Lunch will be provided!

All registered volunteers are welcome! Registration opens August 14th. More details to come.

Questions? Please reach out to customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org or call (208) 377-2010.

Community Partner Resource Guide



The [Spring 2023 Community Partner Resource Guide](#) is out now!

This valuable tool is a great way to find activities for your troop whether they want to earn a badge, fulfill service requirements, or just have fun! If you are new to the area and/or looking for ways to keep your Girl Scout busy this summer, this guide is a great resource. Click below for your copy!

[Resource Guide](#)

Updated GSUSA Silver Award Process and Requirements



The Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn, has been updated!

Starting October 1, 2023 all girls who finish their Silver Award requirements must complete the NEW [Silver Award Final Report Form](#). (Girls may still submit the original Silver Award Final Report Form through September 30, 2023.)

Girls who start planning their Silver Award **on or after October 1st** will need to complete a [Silver Award Proposal Form](#) with their troop. (More information can be found on our [Forms and Documents](#) page under the "Highest Awards" drop down.) A FAQ and information page will be posted on our website and social media pages by June 15.

Questions? Please reach out to customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org or call (208) 377-2010.

Apply For Teen Advisory Committee!

Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts - you are invited to apply for the 2023 - 2024 Teen Advisory Committee!

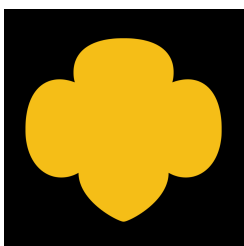


As a Teen Advisory Committee member, you will develop skills in leadership, collaboration, goal setting, and more! While working alongside Silver Sage Council staff, you and your committee will help develop programs and initiatives for our members while providing crucial girl member voices to operations, programs, and policies in support of our Council Board's goals. You do not have to reside within the Treasure Valley to apply - we welcome wide regional representation!

Questions? Please reach out to customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org or call (208) 377-2010.

Apply Today

Help Ashley M. Receive Her Gold Award!



Silver Sage Ambassador Girl Scout, Ashley M., is finishing up her Gold Award and is looking for Troops in her area to host her for an event!

Ashley wishes to teach and help children express their creativity through art. For her Gold Award project, Ashley is offering art workshops for all ages, skill levels, and Troop sizes in Garden City, Eagle, Boise, Meridian, Nampa, and Hidden Springs.

If you are interested in participating in these workshops, please email customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org.

Summer Camp

Featured Camp Sessions

Camp Echo - Teen Leader – Weekly Program for girls, grades 9-12 (All weeks of Camp Echo)

Hey high schoolers! Did you know that we have a special role for you at Camp Echo? You can work with camp staff to bring one-of-a-kind camp experiences to our campers each week. Responsibilities include assisting with check-in and check-out, working alongside our



counselors leading small group activities, and chaperoning units on field trips. Hours spent at Camp Echo can be used for volunteer service awards, including Service to Girl Scouting, and the President's Volunteer Service Award. This opportunity is available for up to four teens per week.

Camp Classics (July 5 – 7)

Is your Girl Scout new to the organization and/or camp? We would love for her to join us at our Camp Echo Camp Classics session in July! This **three-day session** is a great way to kick off her Day Camp experience at Girl Scouts of Silver Sage. Activities include tie-dye, friendship bracelets, group songs and skits, water games and all-around camp classic fun! Just like any full week at Camp Echo, your camper will go home on Friday with a goodie bag from Fairy CeCe, including a badge!

Register Today

Join Us At Overnight Summer Camp!



We still have some great overnight camp options waiting for YOU!

At [Camp Alice Pittenger \(CAP\)](#), our waterfront camp in McCall, you can be a detective, go for a swim, paddle a canoe, and climb the rock tower. At [Camp TAM](#), our mountain and horse camp in Swan Valley, you can spend your day with the horses or climb a mountain and

paint a masterpiece.

Don't miss out on great adventure, happy memories, and epic fun! [Camperships](#) (financial aid) are available, and of course you can use your Program Credits. Register today before all slots are filled!

Register Today

Use Your Program Credits For Camp!

Do you have Program Credits ready to use? We have some great summer camp openings waiting for you at [Camp Alice Pittenger \(CAP\)](#), [Camp TAM](#), and [Camp Echo](#).



To use Program Credits to pay for registration, you must register online with a \$50 deposit to secure your spot. Once you have completed your registration, you may either drop off or mail the Program Credits to the Boise Office (ATTN: Camp Registrar; 8948 W Barnes St. Boise, ID 83709). Be sure to include your order number when submitting program credits. Girl Scouts of Silver Sage is not responsible for Program Credits lost in transit.

Make sure to follow all guidelines listed on the Program Credits. Expired Program Credits will not be accepted. For more information, contact Customer Care at (208) 377-2011 or customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org.

Use Your Program Credits

Summer Camp Online Open House



Want to know more about the summer camp experience? Join our online Summer Camp Open House **June 7th at 5pm**. We will go over what you and your camper can expect, how to successfully prepare your camper for camp, and much more! Bring your questions - we can't wait to see you there! The Zoom link will be emailed the day of the event.

Register Now

Camp TAM Buses



If you are planning to ride the bus to Camp TAM be sure to sign up as soon as possible! You will need to select a sign up for each direction of travel your camper needs to ride the bus.

[Camp TAM Bussing - Week of 7/30 - 8/4](#)

[Camp TAM Bussing - Week of 8/6 - 8/11](#)

Trading Post at Camp Alice Pittenger & Camp TAM



We will have a Trading Post at Camp Alice Pittenger & Camp TAM this year!

The Trading Post will be open at check-in and throughout the week at camp. You can send your camper with cash in an envelope (we recommend \$20 to \$30) so she can make purchases during the week.

Camps will only accept cash for purchases and all sales are final.

Council Highlights

What Are SWAPS? - By Susan Kurdy



SWAPS stands for "Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere" or also "Shared With A Pal." They are small tokens of friendship that girls exchange with other Girl Scouts they meet.

Having SWAPS on hand is useful when meeting a lot of different Troops at events like World Thinking Day, summer camp, or when traveling with your Troop. Each SWAP should uniquely reflect a Girl Scout, her Troop, or a memory of a special event. These items don't have to be expensive - they can even be hand-made - but they should be easy to give and receive. Patches make great SWAPS!

When making a SWAP, keep in mind the part of the Girl Scout Law that states, "I will do my best to be friendly and helpful, considerate and caring." This means **be polite**. NEVER refuse an offer to SWAP - that would be rude! If a Girl Scout does not like the item offered as a SWAP, she is free to trade it later. A sincere thank you should be said when a SWAP is received.

Have fun sharing SWAPS and cherish the memories!

Welcome Craig Richey!



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council welcomes Human Resource Manager, Craig Richey, to our leadership team!

A Nampa, Idaho native, Craig graduated from Nampa High School and studied Human Resources and Business at University of Idaho. He has spent much of his career in HR and hospitality.

When Craig is not golfing or hanging out with his 13-year-old son and 15-year-old daughter on the Greenbelt, he can be found cooking, eating, or reading about cooking and eating!

A genuine people person, Craig is excited to be a part of the Girl Scouts of Silver Sage team, and we are equally happy to have him!

Welcome Cali Bunn!



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council welcomes Marketing and Communications Manager, Cali Bunn, to our leadership team!

Cali graduated from Tulane University with a degree in Communications. She has previous experience as a marketing manager in venue management and has met many notable entertainment acts.

Cali is a Deaf Olympics athlete, winning Gold and Bronze medals in volleyball. She is passionate about inspiring others who are Deaf, and especially wants to encourage Deaf girls to step out and try new things. "If I can do it, so can you," she said.

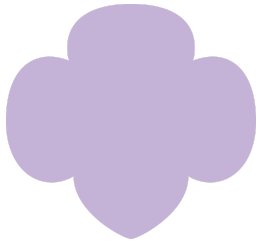
Welcome to the Council team, Cali!

Retail Store

June Retail Store Hours and Special Hours

Monday – Wednesday: 9am – 5pm

Thursday: 11am – 7pm



Friday: 9am – 1pm

Second Saturday of the month: 9am – 1pm

Sunday: Closed

Special Hours

Closed 12pm – 5pm Second Wednesday of the month (June 14) for

Staff Development

Open 9am – 1pm Second Saturday of the month (June 10)

Closed Monday, June 19th for Juneteenth

Roaring Springs Tickets



We have discounted Roaring Springs Tickets!

Tickets are \$29.99, including tax, and are only available for purchase in the Silver Sage Retail Store. These tickets are for individual days

and work for the whole 2023 season! Good news - you **can** use Program Credits for these, and there are no limits on number of ticket purchases this year!

Quantities are limited, so be sure to come grab yours before they are gone!

Summer Camp Merchandise



Camp is around the corner, and we have all you need! Mess kits, merch, patches and more. Stop by the the Silver Sage Store or shop online.

Camp Shirts are on the way and will be in stock no later than June 19th! Please call the store at **(208) 377-2011** if you have questions.

Shop Now

Program Credit Fun Finds



Extra program credits? Not going to camp? We have a slew of big ticket items you can order!

Use your Program Credits for a Polaroid camera (\$200), hoverboard (\$300), inflatable kayak (\$400), Chromebook (\$500), inflatable paddleboard (\$600), or a cruiser bike (\$900). (Pictures at left may vary from actual item received.) These items are not available in our store, but we will order it and ship it directly to you!

For more details, visit the store or call us at **(208) 377-2011**.

Volunteer Resources

Prep For the 2023 Tax Year (Cookie Sales)



Due to tax law changes effective 1/1/2022, you may receive a 1099-K next tax season for payments received from a third-party payment organization (Square, Venmo, Pay Pal, etc.) if you used payment apps to process cookie booth sales. We wanted to share some information now in case it is helpful in preparation for next year.

We recommend indicating Girl Scout-related payments for cookie sales as 'reimbursements' and keep separate records to verify these amounts should you be issued a 1099K. Additionally, you should consult your local tax advisor when preparing personal tax returns.

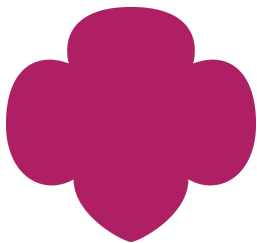
For more information as you prepare for the 2023 tax year, please use the following resources from the IRS:

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Understanding Your 1099-K Form](#)

[Taxpayer Assistance Center Office Locations](#)

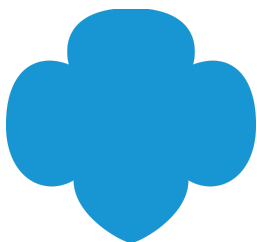
Family Information



Parents or caregivers, have you updated your family's information in your MyGS account? With girls transitioning from Elementary to Middle School, and Middle School to High School it is important that the correct school is reflected on your girl's profile. Check the grade of your girl and any other information that could have changed in the past months, i.e., address, contact information, etc.

If you need help, please contact our Customer Care Team at customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org

Volunteer Tool Kit



The Volunteer Tool Kit is ready to help you and your troop thrive! From enhanced features to new badges to check out, there's a lot to explore to set your troop up for a smooth and successful year.

If you are a caregiver of a Juliette (individually registered girl), you can manage her experience using the Volunteer Tool Kit's digital resource on your My Girl Scouts page.

Volunteer Tool Kit

How to...



We have created a series of 'how to' videos for a number of tasks located in your MyGS account.

If you are wondering how to update your troop roster, contact information, receive communications, register for a program and then view and fill out any required forms, check-out our how-to videos.

Please do not create a new account when changing your email address.

How-to videos



Silver Sage Office and Retail Store Hours

Customer Care & Boise Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 4pm
 Closed for lunch daily: 1pm - 1:30pm
 Friday: 10am - 1pm
 Saturday and Sunday: Closed

Silver Sage Store Hours

Monday - Wednesday: 9am - 5pm
 Thursday: 11am - 7pm
 Friday: 9am - 1pm
 Open second Saturday of each month, 9am - 1pm
 Sunday: Closed

***Please see Council Updates in this newsletter for special June hours.**

Need Help?

Are you looking for more information? Have a specific question about this email or what your next steps might be? We're just a call or email away! Contact our Customer Care Department and we will be happy to assist you!

customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org

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