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May 4, 2023

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

Council Updates

Girl Scout Membership Renewal Is Here!



Now is the time to welcome your girls and adults back for this coming year. A reminder, those girls who chose to “opt-in” for renewal with their Program Credits are already showing as renewed on your roster.

Click [HERE](#) and renew by **May 14th** to receive the exclusive **2023-2024 Early Bird patch** and be entered in other fun prize drawings!

If you have questions or need someone to walk you through the renewal process, please reach out to Customer Care at 208-377-2011, or customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org.

[Renew Today](#)

Help Wanted!



We are looking for a [Summer Camp Program and Aquatics Director](#). If you or someone you know is interested in coming to camp and helping the girls this summer, please let us know. If your candidate is selected, you get a free camp sweatshirt!

Questions? Reach out to us at customer care@girlscouts-ssc.org or call (208) 377-2011.

Apply Today

Support Girl Scouts During Idaho Gives

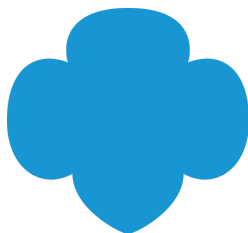


Idaho Gives, Idaho's annual statewide online giving event, is **May 1 - 4** and Girl Scouts of Silver Sage needs your support!

We have many girls in need of a campership to attend camp this summer. You can help make girls a force of nature by making a donation to [Girl Scouts of Silver Sage](#) during Idaho Gives. Thank you for supporting our girls!

Donate Today

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

Upcoming Events, Programs & Closures

May

May 13 – [Family Wellness Expo](#) (Meridian - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#), [v](#))

May 20 – [Member Recognition Event](#) (Pocatello - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#), [v](#))

May 31 – [Summer Camp Open House](#) (Boise - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#), [v](#))

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

Programs & Events

Silver Sage Wellness Events



Join Girl Scouts of Silver Sage at our first annual Wellness Events in Meridian and Pocatello! All girls and adults who attend in Girl Scout regalia or uniform will receive the 2023 Wellness Day Fun Patch!

Meridian - Come to Setter's Park in Meridian on **May 13, from 10am - 1pm** for a fun day of hands-on healthy living activities, booths, and presentations. Join in group yoga and field games, presentations from local wellness organizations, face painting, food trucks, and more! Our Teen Advisory Committee will be showcasing activities you and your family can do to earn the GSUSA Resilient Ready Strong patch. Registration and membership are not required to attend.

Pocatello - Join Girl Scouts of Silver Sage **June 10th** at the [ISU Ropes Course](#) and [Soulscapes Yoga Studio](#) for a day of Girl Scout Wellness fun! Climbing sessions for the Ropes Course are 9am – 11:00am and 11am – 1:00pm. Yoga sessions are 10am – 11am and 1pm – 2pm

Girls and adults do not have to be members, but **must register by May 22** for the ropes course (register [HERE](#)) and/or yoga session (register [HERE](#)) 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!

For more information, reach out to customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org or call (208) 377-2010.

Membership Recognition Event - Pocatello



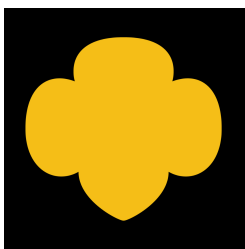
Join us at our Eastern Idaho Silver Sage Member Recognition Event on **Saturday, May 20th from 5pm - 7pm** at the Idaho State University Pond Student Union, Wood River Room.

Celebrate with us as we recognize our Council and National volunteer award recipients, and Bronze, Silver, and Gold awardees. We will also have a bridging ceremony for our graduating girls. This event is **FREE** and no RSVP is required.

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

[More Info](#)

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.

Teen Advisory Committee



Our Teen Advisory Committee (TAC) has been hard at work this year brainstorming older Girl Scout experiences and opportunities for the future. They are now creating a wellness-related activity to share at the Treasure Valley and Eastern Idaho Wellness Events. Check out their [Spring Newsletter!](#)

Are you interested in being a member of next year's Teen Advisory Committee? More information and the application link will be shared in next month's newsletter. Girls have to be Senior or Ambassador Scouts and be able to commit to meeting once a month from October – May. Girls DO NOT have to reside in the Treasure Valley to be a member.

TAC Newsletter

Summer Camp

New! Me & My Gal Session at CAP



Want to experience Camp Alice Pittenger with your favorite female adult role model? Join us **July 14 -16** for an activity-filled weekend at camp! We will hike on trails, shoot archery, create a craft, and finish the night with songs and s'mores around the campfire.

Camp staff will lead activities and meals. Adults are responsible for camper supervision during programs and downtime, as well as overnight supervision. **All adult participants must be background checked members of Girl Scouts of Silver Sage.**

Sign Up Today!

Featured Day 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!



Do you have Program Credits ready to use? We still have some great summer camp opportunities available at **Camp Alice Pittenger (CAP)**.

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**.

Camp and Program Credits

Summer Camp Open House



Want to know more about the summer camp experience? Join us at our Summer Camp Open House **May 31st 4pm – 6:30pm** at Friendship Square in Downtown Boise. We will go over what you and your camper can expect, how to successfully prepare your camper, and much more! Bring your questions - we can't wait to see you there! This event is free but space is limited, so register today to hold your spot.

Zoom Open House - If you are unable to attend the Summer Camp Open House in person, please save the date for a Zoom Open House on **June 7th at 5pm**. Registration for the Zoom call will open shortly on our Event Calendar.

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

Council Highlights

Troop Annual Report - It's Submission Time!



Your Troop Annual Report can now be submitted! All troops are required to complete a Troop Annual Report and submit **by May 31**.

We have added some new questions this year that will facilitate the audit. Service Unit Managers and Service Unit Treasurers have Annual Report instructions and an Excel tool that can assist Troop

leaders in calculating categories.

If you are a Troop Leader or Troop Treasurer and have further questions, Membership Coordinators will hold open office hours via Zoom on the following dates. Please click on the dates to register. (Registration is required on GS Events to acquire the Zoom link. The Zoom link will be the same for all dates.)

[Tuesday May 2, 6pm - 7pm](#)

[Friday May 5, 12:00 - 1pm](#)

[Wednesday May 17, 6pm - 7pm](#)

[Thursday May 18, 12:00 - 1pm](#)

[Monday May 29, 12:00 - 1pm](#)

As always, Customer Care is available at (208) 377-2011 or customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org.

Annual Business Meeting Update



Thank you so much to everyone that attended the virtual 2023 Annual Business Meeting on April 21.

At the meeting, we thanked outgoing Board of Directors members for their service, and welcomed new Board members and Board

Development members. Visit our [Governance Page](#) on our [website](#) for the updated list of board of directors. For the Delegate Packet, click [HERE](#).

Girl and Adult Recognition Event - Treasure Valley



Thank you to all who attended our 2023 Treasure Valley Girl and Adult Recognitions event last Saturday, April 22!

Volunteers are the hearts and hands of our organization and Girl Scouts of Silver Sage was proud to recognize our members for their commitment, volunteer service and exceptional contributions to Girl Scouts. Please visit our [website](#) for a complete list of award winners.

Thank You Sandy Wilson!



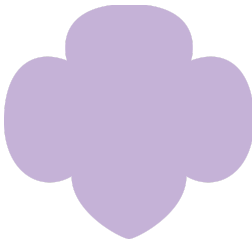
After 40 years of continuous and unwavering support and service to the Girl Scout movement, Sandy Wilson is retiring!

career, Sandy!

Although Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council will miss her dearly, we are wishing her a happy retirement. Congratulations on a wonderful

Retail Store

May Retail Store Hours



Monday – Wednesday: 9am – 5pm

Thursday: 11am – 7pm

Friday: 9am – 1pm

Second Saturday of the month: 9am – 1pm

Sunday: Closed

***We will be closed Wednesday May 10th for Staff Development**

Bridging Season is Here!



Bridging season is here, and the Silver Sage store is stocked! Get Bridging Kits pre-made in store or on the [website](#).

We also have bridges and flags available to rent! These go fast so be sure to call and reserve for your Bridging ceremony this year.

Order Online

Camp Merchandise

Even though orders to be delivered at camp have closed, the Silver Sage store will have a small stock of camp merchandise to purchase! Expect to see it in the store around late May.



Please be aware, orders made in-store are **not deliverable** to camp sessions.

Good News! Trading Posts at TAM and CAP will be back up and running this summer. Be on the lookout for more information, coming soon!

Camp patches are here and ready for your summer of fun! Pick up yours on the Silver Sage store [website](#), or come visit us in person.

[Shop Now](#)

Get ready For Graduation Season!



Graduation season is upon us! Deck your senior in Girl Scout grad garb to show her Girl Scout pride. Congratulations seniors!

[Shop Here](#)

We Have Fun Patches!



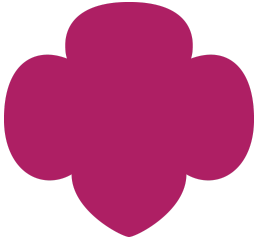
Hey Girl Scout - is your vest or sash looking lonely? How about some new patches to freshen it up!

Mother's Day is coming - celebrate mom with a [mother/daughter patch](#)! Or celebrate Earth Day with a fun [Earth Day patch](#). How about a [unicorn fun patch](#), just because you can? Patches are available in the store or on the store website so come grab yours today!

[Order Now](#)

Volunteer Resources

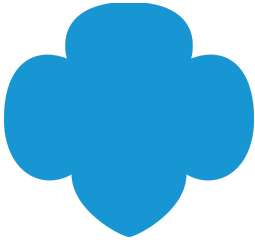
Family Information



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 May 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!

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