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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

Farewell to Jason Burnette, CEO



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage thanks Jason Burnette, CEO for his service to Girl Scouts, volunteers, and families in our Council. For more than three years, he has worked with community partners, donors, staff, and the Council board to build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

"I've had the pleasure of meeting and partnering with many of you to ensure Idaho girls have a fun and exciting experience," said Jason. "I am grateful for your dedication to providing girls with a lifetime of leadership and your commitment to Girl Scouting!" Jason will continue his Girl Scout journey by joining Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles as Chief Mission Delivery Officer. Best wishes, Jason!

Our own Jessica Burke will serve as our Interim Chief Executive Officer as she leads the implementation of our new three-year strategic plan and as we continue adding to the momentum we have built together as a Council. We look forward to her leadership in this transition!

Another Year of Fun Awaits - Renew Today!



Are you ready for more adventures, friendship, and personal growth? The 2024-2025 Girl Scout season is here!

Think about all you have accomplished throughout your Girl Scout journey - you've expanded your comfort zone, found a safe space to be yourself, participated in volunteer work to better your community, and surrounded yourself with supportive friends.

There's still so much more to explore with your Girl Scout crew. Sign up for another year **today** and keep all the goodness going!

For more information, or if you need help getting renewed, please reach out to Customer Care at customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org or call 208-377-2011.

Renew Today

Highest Awards Final Reports are DUE

Highest Awards

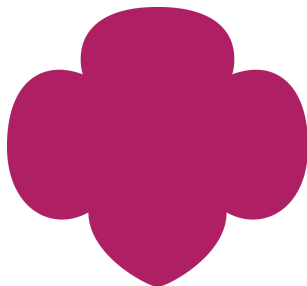


Final Reports due 9/30

****Reminder: Final reports for Highest Awards are now past due, but if the deadline slipped by you, please reach out asap to Kristin McAdams at kmcadams@girlscouts-ssc.org.**

Girls who recently completed 5th, 8th, or 12th grade must submit their reports for the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards, respectively, **now**. Reports can be dropped off or mailed to the Boise office at 8948 W. Barnes St., Boise, ID 83709, or emailed to customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org.

Mission Delivery Task Force



Have you ever wanted to provide input into Council-wide mission delivery projects and initiatives? Do you have a unique perspective to share and want to give back to Girl Scouts in a new way? Apply to join our 2024-2025 Mission Delivery Task Force.

We are looking for 5-7 active volunteers from across the entire Silver Sage Council to partner with Council staff to advise on operational strategy and tactics, and to increase overall girl experience. Let your voice be heard on program delivery, camp, retail, recruitment and retention/renewal strategy, entrepreneurship (fall and cookie program), and more.

These once-a-month virtual meetings will take place November through May, with occasional emails when schedules insist on quicker turnaround. Applications will be accepted through October 15th. Selected Task Force members will be notified by November 1st.

[Apply Now](#)

All About Troop Finance



Calling all Troop Leaders, Treasurers, Volunteers, or anyone who would like to learn more about the workings of Troop Finance!

Please join us on Zoom as we discuss Troop financial responsibilities, how to maintain a Troop bank account, managing Troop funds, money earning activities, the Annual Report, and Troop financial resources. Registration is open on GS

Events - click the tab below!

[Register Now](#)

Girl Scout Halloween Bash is Back!

The Girl Scout Halloween Bash is back **Thursday, October 24th from 6-8pm** at the Girl Scout Leadership Center in Boise! Join us for Halloween fun, friendships, Trunk-or-Treat, outdoor activities, and more! Come as you are, or wear your favorite costume. We will see you there!

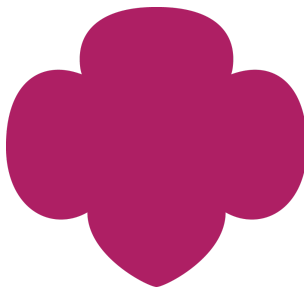


Super Saturday is Coming!



Super Saturday is around the corner! Join us **November 2** in Idaho Falls, and **November 16** in the Treasure Valley for a day of fun and enrichment! Meet with volunteers of all different age levels, scoop new ideas for your Troop, and join in breakout sessions to learn new skills. Girls who come with a participating adult can complete their Think Like A Citizen Scientist Journey. Registration is open on MyGS so check the [Events Calendar](#) to reserve your spot!

Mandatory Training for All Volunteers



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council now requires the "GSUSA Girl Scouts Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Course" for all volunteers who have direct contact with children within a Troop. This includes Troop leaders, Service Unit Team members, and volunteers who interact with the girls.

This mandatory training is a 50-minute online course focusing on abuse prevention and is designed to equip supervising adults with the knowledge to recognize, respond to, and report any concerns of child abuse and/or neglect.

You will receive an email with the subject line: "Invitation to Complete a gsLearn Online Training." To access the training, log into your myGS account at www.girlscouts-ssc.org. Once logged in, go to **My Account** and choose "gsLearn." The course will be visible in "**My Training**." (Your myGS account is located next to the "Donate" button. If you don't remember your password, choose "forgot password" and it will be reset. **Do not make a new account if you already have one.**)

For questions, please reach out to Customer Care at (208) 377-2011 or customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org

Upcoming Events, Programs, & Closures

October

- October 3 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - v)
- October 8 – Retail Store closed 1pm - 5pm for staff development
- October 9 – Leadership Center and Retail Store closed for staff training
- October 10 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - v)
- October 11 – [Girl Scout Hangout at Friendship Square](#) (Boise - d, b, j, c, s, a, v)
- October 12 – [CBH Homes The House That She Built](#) (Nampa - d, b, j, c, s, a, v)
- October 12 – [STEM Exploration Day](#) (Idaho Falls - d, b, j, c, s, a, v)
- October 17 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - v)

November

- November 2 – [Super Saturday](#) (Idaho Falls - d, b, j, c, s, a, v)
- November 2 – [Idaho Veterans Parade](#) (Boise - d, b, j, c, s, a, v)
- November 7 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - v)
- November 11 – Leadership Center and Retail Store closed in observance of Veterans Day
- November 16 – [Super Saturday](#) (Boise - d, b, j, c, s, a, v)
- November 25-27 – [Camp Echo Fall Break Camp](#) (Boise - d, b, j)
- November 25 – [Cadette Amaze! Journey In A Day](#) (Boise - c, v)
- November 26 – [Senior/Ambassador Journey and Gold Award Planning Workshop](#) (Boise - s, a, v)
- November 28-29 – Leadership Center and Retail Store closed for Thanksgiving holiday

December / January

- December 5 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - v)
- December 30-31 – [Camp Echo Session 1](#) (Boise - d, b, j, c)
- January 2-3 – [Camp Echo Session 2](#) (Boise - d, b, j, c)
- January 3-5 – [Winter Adventure Camp](#) (McCall- d, b, j, c, s, a, v)

Entrepreneurship Program

Embrace Possibility - Important Fall Product Dates



Mark your calendars for the upcoming Fall Product dates!

Available Now - 2024 Fall Product Volunteer Training

Recording [Click here](#)

October 14 - Last day for girl-delivered orders

October 27 - Last day for online direct-shipped orders

Early November - Product delivery/distribution

Mid-December - Rewards earned are estimated to arrive

Embrace Possibility - Fall Product Program



It's not too late for your Girl Scout to **Embrace Possibility** through our Fall Product Program! This is an easy way for your Troop to earn money at the start of the new Troop year while helping each girl develop lifelong skills. For every product sold, your Troop can earn between \$1.00 and \$3.15.

This year, we've introduced exciting updates including additional reward levels, a new customized patch, three new Bark Box options, and the debut of Vanilla Honey Roasted Pecans! Details, materials, and resources are available on our Council website Fall Product Program page - you can quickly access it by clicking [HERE](#).

Please remember, your Troop will need a Fall Product Manager in order to participate in the Fall Product program. You can find the contract [HERE](#). Your Troop Fall Product Manager will distribute materials and information about the program.

If your Girl Scout did not receive a registration email from the Fall Product system, you can go to <http://gsnutsandmags.com/gsssc> and use the "forgot my password" function.

If you have questions, please contact Customer Care at customer care@girlscouts-ssc.org or call (209) 377-2011.

Fall Product Program

Your "Llama-zing" Chance to Win!



We think it would be "Llama-zing" for Girl Scouts and Troops to experience the benefits of the Fall Product Program so we are offering drawings for a chance to win a **giant llama plush** for Girl Scouts and early booth selections for Troops!

For more information about this "llama-zing" opportunity, click [HERE](#). For more information on the Fall Product Program, click [HERE](#). As always, if you have questions or need help getting started, reach out to Customer Care at customer care@girlscouts-ssc.org or

(209) 377-2011.

Programs and Events

Girl Scout Hangout at Friendship Square - Oct 11



On your day off from school, come join our Program Team at Friendship Square on **October 11** for Girl Scout Hangout! Drop in any time from 1pm - 6pm for board games, apple cider, guided hikes, small crafts, and more! \$5 per participant.

Cadettes through Ambassadors are allowed to be dropped off. Daisy through Junior girls must have at least one designated adult with

them.

Register Today

CBH Homes "The House That She Built" - Oct 12



Treasure Valley

The popular CBH Homes "The House That She Built" STEM Experience is returning to the Treasure Valley on **October 12th**! This event will be hosted at the **CBH Spring Shores Community in Nampa from 9am - 12pm.**

CBH Homes, our featured Treasure Valley STEM partner, is bringing an exciting experience to girls, including a tour of a community build site, participation in a mini-construction project, swag, and more! All girls participating will receive a "The House That She Built" fun patch. Come join the fun!

Register Today

Idaho Falls STEM Career Exploration - October 12

Girl Scouts of all ages and their friends are invited to a day of **free** STEM fun and career exploration at the **Idaho Falls Convention Center on October 12.**



Visit booths hosted by local STEM organizations with fun, interactive activities and demonstrations. Girls will earn their STEM Career Exploration badge for attending.

Register Today

Upcoming Journey Opportunities

Journey Opportunities



Explore what matters to you and use your passion to change the world! That's what Girl Scout Journeys are all about.

Journeys guide girls through a series of activity sessions designed to help them gain the full benefits of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. Girls dig deeper into their interest and use the skills they gain along the way to make a difference in their community. Completing a Journey is also a requirement for girls who wish to pursue their Highest Awards.

Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council offers several "Journey In A Day" events for our members and Program Manager Kristen McAdams is happy to share her expertise in leading Journeys with valuable resources and curriculum available to your Troop.

Click the links below to register for upcoming Journeys. Hurry! Spots fill up quickly!

November 2 – [Think Like A Citizen Scientist](#) (Idaho Falls Super Saturday - All levels)

November 16 – [Think Like A Citizen Scientist](#) (Boise Super Saturday - All levels)

November 25 - 27 – **Camp Echo:**

[Welcome to the Flower Garden](#) (Daisy)

[Brownie Quest](#) (Brownie)

[Agent of Changee](#) (Junior)

November 25 – [Cadette aMaze Journey in a Day](#) (Boise - Cadette)

November 26 – [Girl-topia](#) (Boise - Senior)

November 26 – [Your Voice, Your World](#) (Boise - Ambassador)

More Information

Idaho Veterans Parade - November 2



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage will be walking in this year's Idaho Veterans Parade! The parade will be held on **Saturday, November 2nd at 10am** in downtown Boise.

Please note your troop's participation through the linked form. We look forward to seeing you there!

Participation Form

Council Highlights

Five Tips for Foiling Identity Theft



Safeguarding your personal information is crucial to defend against identity theft. While anyone can fall victim to fraud, here are five simple actions you can take to protect yourself:

1. **Change your PIN:** A unique, updated PIN adds an extra layer of security to your accounts.
2. **Use a shredder:** Shred sensitive documents to prevent fraudsters from accessing your information.
3. **Set social media to private:** Control who sees your personal details and don't post sensitive information.
4. **Update your software:** Regularly update apps and antivirus software to fend off cyber threats.
5. **Slim down your wallet:** Carry only essential cards and receipts to minimize risk if your wallet is lost or stolen.

For more information on avoiding fraud and scams, check out the articles in Horizon's free [Knowledge Hub](#). Protect your identity and financial future today!

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2025 Community Resource Guide

Silver Sage Council Community
Partner Resources and Badge
Connections Guide

Membership Year 2025

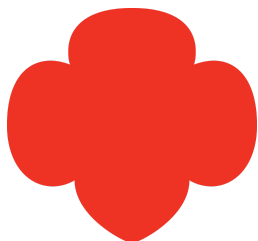


Explore our updated 2025 Community Partner Resource and Badge Connection Guide! It can be found on our website <https://www.girlscouts-ssc.org/>. This guide is meant to be a resource for your Troop and girls as you plan upcoming badgework, service opportunities and more!

2025 Community Resource Guide

Retail Store

October Retail Store Hours



Store Hours:

Mon – Wed: 9am – 5pm

Thurs: 10am – 7pm

Fri – Sun: CLOSED

**Store is open the second Saturday of each month for limited hours - see below*

Special Store Hours / Events:

October 8 – Store **CLOSED** from 1pm - 5pm for staff development

October 9 – Store **CLOSED** for staff development

October 12 – Store **OPEN** for Second Saturday, 9am – 1pm

October 12 – Mobile Store will be at Eastern Idaho STEM Day

News, Updates, and Announcements

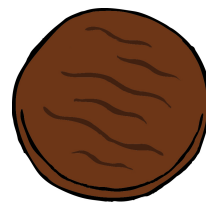
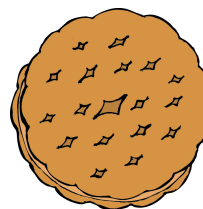
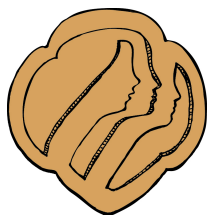


Cookie merchandise is around the corner! Costumes are still available for preorder, and any preordered merchandise will be shipped out as soon as it arrives later this month!

2022 Tan Program Credits and 2024 Orange BCAC are **expired** and can no longer be accepted as payment unless prior arrangements have been made. Be sure to use up the Yellow 2023 Program Credits - they expire next year on **September 15th, 2025!**

THANK YOU for a wonderful 2024 Membership Year! We can't wait to keep serving you in 2025!

[Shop Online](#)



Silver Sage Office and Retail Store Hours

Customer Care & Boise Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 5pm

Customer Care closed for lunch daily: 1pm - 1:30pm

Friday: Available by appointment

Saturday and Sunday: Closed

Silver Sage Retail Store Hours

Monday - Wednesday: 9am - 5pm

Thursday: 10am - 7pm

Friday - Sunday: Closed

Open Second Saturday of each month from 9am -1pm

***Please see the Retail Store section in this newsletter for special October 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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Contact us for more information.

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