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July 2, 2025

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

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Council Highlights

A Message From Dr. Angela Hemmingway



Camp Spirit is Lighting Up Idaho!

Summer is here, and Girl Scout camp season is in full swing! At Camp Echo, girls are already diving into unforgettable adventures—building confidence, exploring nature, engaging in STEM activities, and creating lifelong friendships. Their energy and joy are contagious, and I am grateful to be able to drop in and experience the magic!

Next week, we're thrilled to welcome campers to Camp Alice Pittenger on beautiful Payette Lake in McCall. The team is ready, the lake is sparkling, and the memories are just waiting to be made at one of the most prestigious Girl Scout camps in the country. Hope to see you there!

And we're not done yet—Camp TAM in eastern Idaho is gearing up for an exciting July. We anticipate our high adventure camps will be one of the most exciting experiences of the summer! I cannot wait to ride horses, whitewater raft, and conquer the team building challenge! Join us to be part of this amazing summer adventure.

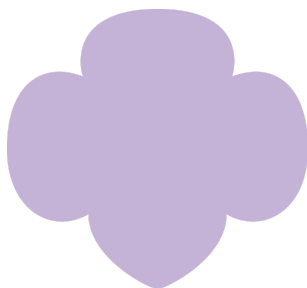
To all our incredible volunteers and families: thank you for choosing to send your girls to Girl Scout camp. Outdoor adventures challenge girls to push past their comfort zones. When they hike, camp, and tackle STEM-focused challenges, they learn determination, resilience, teamwork, and problem-solving—the skills that shape bold, decisive leaders of today and tomorrow. Because of you, they're discovering their strengths, trying new things, and having the time of their lives.

Here's to a summer full of adventure, growth, and Girl Scout spirit!

There is still time to sign up below if you have not yet had the chance to register your girl for one of our phenomenal upcoming camps!

Register Here!

On Time Troop Renewals! Is Your Troop Ready To Return?



Is your troop ready to return this Fall? Are your girls renewed? What about your Troop Leaders and Volunteers??

Did you know that your troop can welcome back active volunteers with troop funds? Say thank you to your leaders and volunteers, renew their membership to keep the fun going!

Questions? Call us at 208-377-2011 for help!

Renew Today!

Upcoming Events & Programs

July

- July 2 - 3 – [Changemakers Retreat - Camp Echo](#) (Boise - **j, c**)
- July 3 - 6 – [Family 4th of July Camp - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)
- July 6 - 10 – [Amuse Journey - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **j**)
- July 6 - 10 – [Cadette Challenge - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **c**)
- July 7 - 11 – [Center Stage Shenanigans - Camp Echo](#) (Boise - **d, b, j**)
- July 9 – [Outdoor Art and Water Games](#) (Kuna - **pre-k, d, b, j, v**)
- July 11 - 13 – [Me & My Gal Weekend 2 - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)
- July 12 – [Calling All Girl Scouts!](#) (Pocatello - **pre-k, d, b, j, c, s, a**)
- July 13 - 17 – [Nancy Drew & You - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **j, c**)
- July 13 - 17 – [Phifanella's Wonder of Water Journey - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **b**)
- July 13 - 18 – [Art in the Wild - Camp TAM](#) (Swan Valley - **j, c, s, a**)
- July 13 - 18 – [Horse and Summer Camp Fun - Camp TAM](#) (Swan Valley - **j, c, s, a**)
- July 13 - 18 – [Mountains to Waterfalls - Camp TAM](#) (Swan Valley - **s, a**)
- July 13 - 24 – [CIT I - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **s, a**)
- July 13 - 24 – [CIT II - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **a**)
- July 14 - 18 – [Home Scientist - Camp Echo](#) (Boise - **d, b, j**)
- July 15 – [Field Day Games](#) (Idaho Falls - **pre-k, d, b, j, c, s, a**)
- July 18 – [Outdoor Art](#) (Idaho Falls - **pre-k, d, b, j, c, s, a**)
- July 18 - 20 – [Me & My Guy - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)
- July 18 - 20 – [Troop Camp Weekend 2 - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)
- July 19 – [Field Day Games](#) (Blackfoot - **pre-k, d, b, j, c, s, a**)
- July 19 – [Girl Scout Game Day: Fun in the Field!](#) (Meridian - **pre-k, d, b, j, v**)
- July 20 - 24 – [Beaches & Trails - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **j**)
- July 20 - 24 – [Program Aide - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **c**)
- July 20 - 25 – [Horses Only! - Camp TAM](#) (Swan Valley - **j, c, s, a**)
- July 20 - 25 – [Muggles - Camp TAM](#) (Swan Valley - **j, c, s, a**)
- July 21 - 25 – [Girls for the Real World - Camp Echo](#) (Boise - **d, b, j, c**)
- July 24 – [Girl Scout Splash Pad Hangout](#) (Nampa - **pre-k, d, b, j, v**)
- July 25 - 27 – [Troop & Family Camp - Camp TAM](#) (McCall - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)
- July 27 - 31 – [Beaches & Trails Week 2 - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **j**)
- July 27 - 31 – [Paddle Adventure - Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - **j, c, s, a**)
- July 28 - August 1 – [Girl Scouts Give Back - Camp Echo](#) (Boise - **d, b, j, c**)

August

August 1 – [Spa Day](#) (Idaho Falls - pre-k, **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**)

August 1 - 3 – [GLAMP](#) (McCall- Adults)

August 2 – [Field Day Games](#) (Rexburg - pre-k, **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**)

August 4 - 8 – [Outdoor Art - Camp Echo](#) (Boise - **d**, **b**, **j**)

August 8 - 10 – [GLAMP](#) (McCall- Adults)

August 12 – [Fairies & Wild Things](#) (Idaho Falls - pre-k, **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**)

August 12 – [Space Science](#) (Pocatello - pre-k, **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**)

September

September 12 – [Girl Scouts Love State Parks - Three Island Crossing Campfire](#) (Glens Ferry - **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**)

September 13 – [Girl Scouts Love State Parks - Three Island Crossing](#) (Glens Ferry - **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**)

September 18 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - **v**)

September 20 – [St. Luke's Fit One Running Festival](#) (Boise - pre-k, **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**, **v**)

September 20 – [Idaho Museum of Mining and Geology Experience](#) (Boise - **d**, **b**, **j**, **c**, **s**, **a**)

September 25 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - **v**)

Camp

Camp Time is Here — We Can't Wait to See You There!



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Summer is calling, and that can only mean one thing — it's CAMP TIME!

Our camp gates are opening, the s'mores are ready, and our staff can't wait to welcome you for a season full of adventure, friendship, and unforgettable memories.

Whether you're a first-time camper or a returning pro, there's something special waiting for everyone. From arts and crafts to hiking trails, silly songs to starry nights, camp is the perfect place to grow, laugh, and explore.

Still Time to Sign Up!

It's not too late to join the fun — a few spots are still open! Tell your friends, check your calendars, and sign up today before they're gone. Don't miss out on the best part of summer!

Pack your bags, grab your sunscreen, and get ready — camp magic is waiting just for you!

Register Today!

Camp Needs Volunteers – Join the Adventure!



Do you love the outdoors, working with kids, and making a difference? We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help make this summer unforgettable for our campers!

Whether you can help for a day, a week, or the whole season, there's a place for you at camp. Volunteers assist with activities, meals, crafts, games, and bringing the magic of camp to life.

No camp experience? No problem! We provide training and support.

Volunteers receive a free week for their camper.

Ready to make a difference?

Help us create memories that last a lifetime. Camp can't run without you!

Contact Us!

Don't Forget to Complete Your CampDoc Profile!



Hey Camp Families!

To ensure a smooth and safe camp experience for your child, please make sure your CampDoc profile is complete and up to date.

- ✓ Medical history
- ✓ Immunization records
- ✓ Emergency contacts

- ✓ Medication details (including over the counter, vitamins and supplements)
- ✓ Signed waivers and forms

Completing your profile helps us prepare for a safe, fun, and worry-free summer!

 Deadline: 2 weeks prior to camp

Need help? Reach out to Customer Care

 [Log in here](#)

Great Camp Sessions Still Available!



Camp Alice Pittenger

[4th of July Family Camp – All ages welcome](#)

Celebrate the Fourth of July with an unforgettable family adventure at camp! For the grand finale, families can choose to head to McCall for a spectacular fireworks display or enjoy the magic of a starlit camp evening. It's a perfect blend of patriotic spirit and outdoor excitement for all ages!

[Phifinella's Wonders of Water Journey](#)

Join Fairy Phifanella on a magical journey through camp as she guides you on an adventure filled with mystery, fun, and a touch of enchantment! As you explore the wonders of camp, dive into an exciting journey to discover the incredible importance of water!

[Beaches and Trails](#)

Embark on an unforgettable adventure that combines the thrill of horseback riding and the serenity of the water! Get ready for a day of excitement, challenge, and memories that will last a lifetime!

[Paddle Adventure](#)

Get ready to make a splash every day with non-stop water fun! Campers will dive into thrilling adventures, spending their days canoeing, paddleboarding, and even tackling the rush of whitewater rafting. The ultimate water adventure is calling—are you ready to answer? Note: You must be a strong swimmer and pass the tippy canoe test to join the water

fun.

Camp TAM

Art in the Wild – Juniors, Cadette, Seniors & Ambassadors

Unleash your inner artist and get ready for an outdoor adventure like no other! Hike through the great outdoors to discover the perfect spots to create your one-of-a-kind masterpiece, all while drawing inspiration from the beauty of nature. It's a perfect blend of nature, art, and adventure!

Muggles - Juniors, Cadette, Seniors & Ambassadors

Get ready for an enchanting adventure as you complete the Outdoor Journey Girl Scout Level Badge requirements, all with a magical Harry Potter twist! Put on your robes, grab your wands, and prepare to be sorted into your house for a week of wizardry, outdoor exploration, and unforgettable adventures!

Entrepreneurship Program

The 2025 Fall Product Program Will Be Brave. Fierce. Fun!



We can BEAR-ly contain our excitement for the upcoming Fall Product Program! There are so many fun things to see, smell, and taste! There are exciting new products like Cherry Almond Clusters and a new line of candles. Tervis and Bark Box have even more new items!

The Fall Product Program is:

Easy – Only one order placed for the Troop by the Troop Volunteer and only one pickup for families. No on-hand inventory, no cupboards, no guesswork. Volunteers only order what the girls need for their customers.

Lucrative – Troops earn \$1 for each nut/candy item and \$3 for each “and more” item like Tervis Tumblers, magazine subscriptions, candles, stationery, and Bark Boxes. It's a fantastic way to earn Troop funds before the holidays.

Friends & Family – This sale is primarily intended for your friends and family to order. There are no booths to schedule. Email is the primary promotional method. (Now is a good time to start collecting email addresses if you don't have them.)

Readiness for Cookies – Once Girl Scouts learn and practice skills during the Fall Product Program and experience success as entrepreneurs, they can hit the ground running in January.

Get Ready for The 2025 Fall Product Program!



The Fall Product Program is not as well-known as the Girl Scout Cookie Program, so many families and volunteers will need more information before they decide to participate.

To participate in the Fall Product Program, Troops must be in good standing and without any outstanding debt for the Cookie Program. They also must have an eligible, trained Troop Fall Product Manager (TFPM) who has signed the TFPM contract and be in a Service Unit with a trained, eligible Service Unit Fall Product Manager (SUFPM).

- TFPM Contract: <https://forms.gle/FiXTPKNbbF6HBPpRA>
- Service Unit FPM Contract: <https://forms.gle/S5zQCxu9oyjatB458>

Join Us for the Fall Product Program Info Session & Kickoff:

- Time: **Aug 25, 2025 06:30 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)**
- Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/7987667774?pwd=VVXnutkba6QafUgyIOveb1tdRGZQNu.1&omn=93044795012>
- Meeting ID: **798 766 7774**
- Passcode: **grizzly**

This session will be recorded and posted on our YouTube channel.

Join Us for Fall Product Training for Volunteers:

- Time: **Aug 18, 2025, 06:30 PM to 8:00 PM**
- Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/7987667774?pwd=TOyKT0S4Z9CXJUaw6rMbV01Fk54EpE.1&omn=91023521014>
- Meeting ID: **798 766 7774**
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This session will be recorded and posted on our YouTube channel.

Programs and Events

It's Summer Reading Season!



All Girl Scout members are invited to take part in our brand-new Summer Reading Challenge, launching July 1! We're celebrating the power of stories, imagination, and girl-powered literacy—because Girl Scouts who read succeed.

 Here's how it works:

Explore the Book Scavenger Hunt List for fun reading prompts

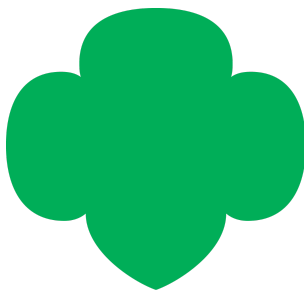
Read and log 20 books by September 30, 2025

Earn your exclusive Bookie Patch this winter!

 Bonus: Submit your own patch artwork for a chance to be featured on the official design! The final patch design will be selected this fall and mailed to all participants.

Get ready to read, imagine, and achieve—because every chapter brings you closer to your next great adventure! Links coming soon!

New Leadership Awards Coming Soon!



GSUSA is rolling out new and modernized Leadership Awards for Girl Scout Juniors through Ambassadors, designed to better reflect the many ways Girl Scouts lead themselves, their peers, and their communities.

As part of this update, pre-requisites for the Highest Awards (Bronze, Silver, and Gold) are expanding. Girl Scouts will now be able to use either a Leadership Award or a Journey to meet the pre-requisite — giving members more flexibility and choice. This option will be available through September 30,

2026.

The Silver Sage Program Team is currently working with GSUSA to finalize details. We'll be sharing an FAQ, helpful resources, and hosting Leadership Award Update & Q&A sessions in the coming months to help volunteers, caregivers, and girls navigate these changes.

Stay tuned — and as always, feel free to reach out with any questions!

Girl Scouts Love State Parks - Limited Stock Available!



Join us on September 13 for Girl Scouts Love State Parks at Three Island Crossing State Park. RSVP now, as no additional spots will be added.

We will offer guided hikes, ranger talks and behind the scene tours of the park and visitor center and more. Girls will earn the 2025 Girl Scouts Love State Parks pass and Trail Adventure badge

for their level.

Register Here!

Fall Outdoor Adventures with EmpowHer Outdoors!



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage is proud to welcome EmpowHer Outdoors as our newest outdoor programming partner! This fall, all Girl Scout levels are invited to get outside, build new skills, and grow their confidence through a series of fun, hands-on workshops led by outdoor expert Kristina.

Camping 101 – September 27 (Boise, all girl levels)

Perfect for beginners! Learn how to set up camp, cook outdoors, and enjoy the basics of outdoor living.

🚶 Intro to Backpacking Trip (Priest Lake, Cadettes, Seniors & Ambassadors) – October 11–12
Join Kristina for a beginner-friendly overnight backpacking adventure — gear and meals provided! Adult chaperone is required.

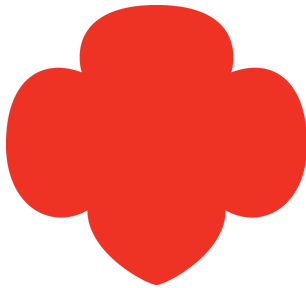
👉 [Meet your guide and learn more](#)

🔥 Outdoor Survival & Basic First Aid Workshop – November 22 (Boise, all girl levels)
Practice essential survival techniques and basic first aid in a safe, supportive environment.

Whether you're brand new to the outdoors or looking to level up your skills, EmpowHer Outdoors offers something for everyone. Let's make this fall unforgettable!

Retail

June Retail Store Hours



Store Hours:

Mon – Wed: 9am – 5pm

Thurs: 10am – 7pm

Fri – Sun: CLOSED*

*Store is open the second Saturday of each month from 9am - 1pm

Special Store Hours / Events:

July 12th – OPEN for Second Saturday, 9am – 1pm

We're Always Open Online!

Summer Hours Update



For **AUGUST** the summer store hours will be as follows:

Monday: **Closed**

Tuesday: 10am - 7pm

Wednesday: **Closed**

Thursday: 10am - 7pm

Friday - Sunday: **Closed**

Needs that fall outside of those hours can be made by appointment by contacting store@girlscouts-ssc.org

Thank you!

Membership

Summer Safety



With summer quickly approaching, and the weather getting warmer, it is the perfect time for campouts and outdoor adventures.

Please be mindful to follow all requirements in the [Safety Activity Checkpoints](#). You will also need to submit all necessary forms for Troop activities and Service Unit events, check out the [Form and Documents Page](#) on our website for the correct forms.

Have a great time and please be safe!

Early Bird Incentive Winners

Congratulations to those Troops who welcomed back 100% of their troop Girls and Adults for 2026!! Available dates for CAP overnights will be announced soon, Troops can start redeeming their overnights at CAP, ECHO and TAM in Oct. 1, 2025 through Sept 30, 2026.



Fund Development

Last Chance to GLAMP!



Don't make a FOMO no-no! You can still get your Duo Deal and Individual Registration for both GLAMP weekends. Cabin availability is limited, so book your summer girls weekend today!

[Register Here!](https://www.girlscouts-ssc.org/glamp)

Boise Open Tickets Are On Sale



Saturday and Sunday tickets are still available for the Albertsons Boise Open, **August 14 - 17, 2025!** Tickets include admission to the golf tournament and a star-studded lineup of after golf concerts. Girl Scouts of Silver Sage will receive **100% of ticket sale proceeds** using our link below. It's a win-win and a great, fun way to support our Council!

[Buy your Tickets Now!](https://www.girlscouts-ssc.org/boiseopen)

Community Partners and Events

Is Home Buying Right for You?



Buying a home is a big decision, and it's important to know if you're ready. Start by asking yourself if you can afford the down payment, monthly mortgage and other costs like property taxes and insurance.

Homeownership can offer stability and help you build equity.

However, it's not for everyone. Renting may be a better option if you need flexibility or aren't ready for the long-term commitment. Take time to review your budget, check your credit score and explore loan options. Talking to a home loan specialist can also help you understand what you can comfortably afford. If you want to learn more about buying a home, visit Horizon's [Financial Training Ground](#). We offer helpful tools and resources to guide you through the process and make confident choices.

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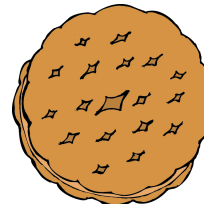
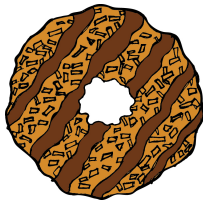
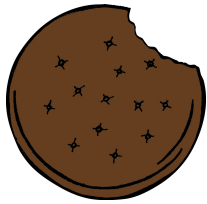
Children's Entrepreneurship Market



The Children's Museum of Idaho is partnering with the [Children's Entrepreneurship Market](#) to bring 50 businesses planned and organized by children ages 6-17 to the museum July 26th from 10:00am - 2:00pm

If your Girl Scout wants to participate in the market, you can still register online! Or visit and support other budding Girl Entrepreneurs!

Register Here!



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 July 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

(208) 377-2011



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Contact us for more information.

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