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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 Hemingway



A Year of Bold Vision and Limitless Possibility

As we close the chapter on the past year and charge into a brand-new one, let's celebrate the incredible foundation we have collectively built and ignite the vision for all we will achieve. This is not just a time for fresh goals; it is a moment for bold dreams, courageous commitments, and renewed energy as we continue our mission to empower girls to lead with courage, confidence, and character.

In the year ahead, we are committed to propelling every Girl Scout into new challenges. We will witness them:

- Conquer badges that ignite lifelong curiosity.
- Launch impactful projects that transform communities.
- Inspire their peers and communities with relentless creativity and resilience.
- This adventure is not merely a possibility; it is a promise we fulfill together.

We know none of this is possible without you!! Our volunteers are the indispensable lifeblood and the fiercely beating heart of this movement. Your devotion, your energy, and your dedication are the fuel that ensures every single girl has the opportunity to discover her potential and shine her brightest light on the world.

Together, let's seize this new year and make it a landmark year defined by exponential growth, transformative adventure, and unforgettable impact. Thank you for being the driving force of this journey and for actively creating spaces where leadership is forged and friendships thrive.

Here's to an amazing year!!

The 2026 Cookie Program: Brave. Fierce. Fun! starts Jan 9th!



Every girl deserves the opportunity to try the Girl Scout Cookie Program. The skills she learns will benefit her for a lifetime.

Cookie Rallies

In-Person Cookie Rallies are right around the corner! Please register soon so volunteers can plan supplies, materials, and refreshments. If you don't see a Rally near you on the calendar, please check with your Troop Leader or Service Unit Cookie Manager.

Cookie Rallies are tons of fun! Girls get to sample cookie varieties, receive a bag full of cookie swag, and have a chance to win great prizes. She can meet new friends, practice her skills, and leave prepared for a record-breaking Cookie Season!

[We can't wait to see you at one of these Brave. Fierce. Fun! Sessions. Click here to register for](#)

[upcoming Cookie Program events!](#)

Adult Recognitions Nominations Due Jan 30th!

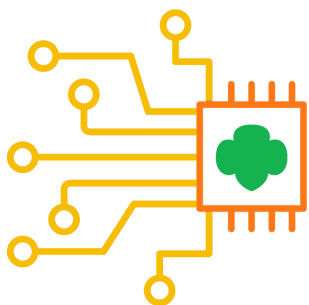


VOLUNTEERS ARE THE HEARTS AND HANDS OF GIRL SCOUTS, and we take pride in recognizing our members for their commitment, volunteer service, and exceptional contributions. The continued celebration of service depends on you to nominate adult Girl Scouts in your communities.

Any registered adult Girl Scout can nominate and receive Service Unit, GSSSC Council and GSUSA National awards. Thank you for the energy you bring to the Adult Recognitions Program. All nominations and endorsements are due January 30th. Don't delay in recognizing the amazing adults that move our organization forward.

[Nomination Forms](#)

Meet "Girls EmPOWERing the Future"!



Explore. Build. Lead in STEM.

Sponsored by Micron

How to Join: Fill out the registration form linked below!

Who: Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors (Grades 6–12)

must be a registered Girl Scout, scholarships are available.

When: October 2025 – July 2026, followed by a cohort

celebration in September

Pace: Self-paced with support from the Silver Sage team every step of the way!

Why Join?

Complete **"Chip Chip Hooray"**, an exciting STEM journey just for Girl Scouts!

Earn 3+ STEM badges in coding, robotics, gaming, and engineering (Badges are provided FREE upon completion)

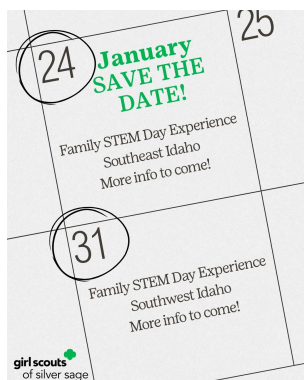
Receive a FREE STEM kit when you finish the course

Participate individually, with your Troop, or through Council-led programs

🚀 Get priority registration for exclusive Cadette, Senior and Ambassador STEM summer camps (including a Micron tour!). Travel stipends are available.

Register Here!

Family STEM Day Experience!



Mark your calendars for Family STEM Day Experience! January 24 in Southeast Idaho and January 30 in Southwest Idaho.

Girl Scouts of all ages and their friends are invited to a day of STEM fun! Participants will be able to visit booths hosted by local STEM organizations with fun, interactive activities and demonstrations. Girls will receive a goodie bag and the 2026 STEM Day Patch. This will also be an opportunity for troop leaders to connect with STEM partners and learn more about the

STEM badges and curriculum.

Register Here!

Upcoming Events & Programs

January

January 2 – [Pocatello Cookie Rally](#) (Pocatello - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 3 – [Canyon County Cookie Rally](#) (Nampa - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 3 – [Idaho Falls Cookie Rally](#) (Idaho Falls - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 3 – [NW Boise Cookie Rally](#) (Boise - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 4 – [Mountain Home Cookie Rally](#) (Mountain Home - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 5 – [SU 628 Cookie Rally](#) (Twin Falls - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 8 – [Kuna Cookie Rally](#) (Kuna - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 9 – [Malad Cookie Rally](#) (Malad - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

January 9 – [Me & My Pal Rock Climbing](#) (Twin Falls - **b, j, c, s, a**)

January 9 – [N. Meridian/Eagle Cookie Rally](#) (Eagle - **d, b, j, c, s, a**)

January 10 – [Youth Mental Health First Aid Certification](#) (Boise - **v**)

January 10 – [Boise North End Cookie Rally](#) (Boise - **d, b, j, c, s, a**)

January 15 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise- **v**)

January 16 - 19 – [Camp Alice Pittenger - Magic: The Girl Scout Way Winter Break Camp](#) (Boise - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

January 22 – [Silver Sage Alumni Kickoff Event](#) (Boise & ZOOM - **v**)

January 24 – [Save The Date - Family STEM Day Experience](#) (SE Idaho - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

January 28 – [First Year Experience - Your Troop, Your Story!](#) (ZOOM - **v**)

January 29 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise- **v**)

January 31 – [Save The Date - Family STEM Day Experience](#) (Treasure Valley - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

February

February 5 – [Create a Cookie Sign](#) (Boise - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

February 7 – [Save The Date - Family Snowshoe Experience](#) (SE Idaho - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

February 7 – [Create a Cookie Sign](#) (Boise - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

February 7 – [Save The Date - Adult 403 Leader Training](#) (Treasure Valley - **v**)

February 12 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise- **v**)

February 14 – [Save The Date - Family Snowshoe Experience](#) (Garden Valley - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

February 16 – [Save The Date - Family Snowshoe Experience](#) (Magic Valley - **d, b, j, c, s, a, v**)

February 25 – [First Year Experience - Your Troop, Your Story!](#) (ZOOM - **v**)

February 26 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise- **v**)

Camp

Winter Break Camp Registration Open! Jan 16 - 19

Get your girl and bundle up for a frosty adventure at Camp Alice Pittenger!

Strap on snowshoes to explore snowy trails, team up to create incredible snow sculptures, and discover the beauty of camp under a blanket of snow. Warm up with creative crafts, games, and cozy campfires that celebrate the wonder of winter.



All girls require an adult to attend with them. All adults attending must be registered, back ground checked volunteers. Participants will be assigned to cabins based on gender. Female participants will be housed together and male participants will be housed separately. *Private Cabins can be requested at registration for an additional fee.*

Register Here!

Camp Dreams are Heading Your Way!



Keep an eye on your mailbox — our 2026 Girl Scout Summer Camp brochure is on its way soon, featuring this year's exciting theme: ✨ Ignite Your Spark! ✨

Inside, you'll find:

- Session dates and badge based programming adventures
- Program highlights for every grade level
- Info on camperships and how to apply
- Details on transportation options from several communities

Talk with your Girl Scout, circle her favorite sessions, and get ready to register as soon as camp opens—spots fill quickly!

Get ready to ignite curiosity, courage, and creativity all summer long. Watch your mail, start planning, and get excited for a season full of adventure, new friends, and campfire magic.

Registration Opens January 20th!

Girl Scout 403: Outdoor Training Adventure!



Ready to level up your outdoor skills? Planning a Troop campout? Join us for Girl Scout 403 Outdoor Training — where leaders learn hands-on camping, cooking, and safety skills to bring the magic of the outdoors to their troops. This course is required to be completed by at least one adult in your group prior to taking a Troop camping trip.

Empower yourself. Inspire girls. Lead with confidence in the wild!

Save the Date!

- [2/7 - Treasure Valley](#)
- [4/11 - Treasure Valley](#)
- [5/16 - Pocatello](#)

Entrepreneurship Program

Everything Cookie


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Everything you and your Girl Scout need to know about the Girl Scout Cookie Program can be found on Cookie Central. You can reach Cookie Central by going to our main council website at www.girlscouts-ssc.org and clicking on the word “Cookies” on the upper right of our home page.

Digital Cookie

Digital Cookie is the tool Girl Scouts use to sell cookies to customers online and to take credit card, Venmo, and PayPal payments. **Watch for your registration email from “Girl Scout Cookies” (email@email.girlscouts.org or noemail@girlscouts.org) with the subject “It’s time to register your Girl Scout for Digital Cookie!” Search your “Promotions/Clutter/Spam” folder if you didn’t receive this email.**

[Once logged in](#), your Girl Scout can add a photo, her voice, information about her goals, and etc. This is also the time for her to enter email addresses of potential customers and send [Marketing Emails](#). Her QR Code is available, and she can download it and start posting it on January 9.

[Digital Cookie Login - Girl Scouts](#)

Mark Your Calendar! Upcoming Cookie Dates



January 2: Girls Begin Cookie Sales to Friends & Family using Digital Cookie Marketing Emails

January 2-9: Cookie Rallies

January 9: Cookie Program Begins

January 25: Make Sure Troop Cookie Manager has your Girl Scout's orders from her Order Form

February 13-18: Pick Up Cookies from Troop Cookie Manager & Deliver to Customers

February 20: Cookie Booths Begin

March 15: Final Day of Cookie Program

Looking Forward

We're all looking forward to an exciting and fun-filled Cookie Program this year. Please align with your Troop Cookie Manager on your Girl Scout's goals, interest in Cookie Booths, and etc. Any questions or concerns can be submitted to Customer Care at customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org or by phone at 208-377-2011.

Programs and Events

2025 Program and Resource Highlights



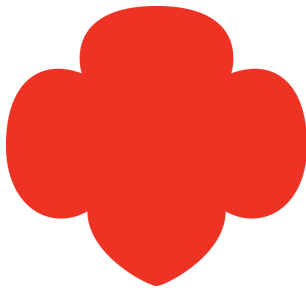
New and updated fun Girl Scout activities, badges, patches, and more!

There are tons of exciting, new ways for Girl Scouts of all ages to explore, whether online or unplugged! Our programs center around helping girls discover their passions, learn new skills, engage in their communities, and improve their world. Check out a selection of our latest and most popular programs and resources, which often come with FREE activity guide downloads to make Girl Scouts fun and accessible for everyone.

Check It Out!

Retail

January Retail Store Hours



The store hours will be as follows:

Store Hours:

Monday: 9am - 5pm

Tuesday: 9am - 5pm

Wednesday: 9am - 5pm

Thursday: 10am - 7pm

Friday - Sunday: Closed*

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

Special Store Hours / Events:

January 1st - 4th: CLOSED for the holidays!

January 5th - 8th: CALL BEFORE VISIT - Store Staff is traveling to see you at Cookie Rallies and may have limited time at the Boise Leadership Center!

January 10th: OPEN 9am - 1pm for Second Saturday!

January 19th: CLOSED for MLK Day.

We're Always Open Online!

Membership

Get Your Girl Scout Uniform!

It's Cookie Time, and it's more important than ever to make sure you Girl Scout is uniform ready! This means more than just the insignia tab; girls should be wearing a tunic, a vest, or sash with the required council identification pieces. Cookie season is the one time of the year



that the general public is looking for Girl Scouts, let's make sure that they can see you!

Why Full Uniforms Matter:

- **Sense of Belonging:** Uniforms help girls feel like they're part of something bigger than their troop, fostering confidence and unity.
- **Recognition of Achievement:** Badges and awards proudly displayed show what girls have accomplished and learned through Girl Scouts
- **Public Representation:** *Especially during cookie season* and community events, the uniform clearly identifies a girl as a Girl Scout and an ambassador of our values.

Visit our Girl Scout store in Boise, call us at (208) 377-2011, or email us at store@girlscouts-ssc.org for more information.

Shop for Your Vest!

Once a Girl Scout, Always a Girl Scout – Join Our Alumni Network!



Reconnect, give back, and celebrate your Girl Scout journey! We're building our alumni network and want you to be part of it. Join fellow alumnae for meetups, networking events, and fun celebrations. All Girl Scout alumni living in the Silver Sage jurisdiction are encouraged to join. Meetups and events begin in January.

Join the Network Here!

Community Partners and Events

How to Save on Holiday Spending



The holidays are full of excitement, but they also put extra pressure on your budget. A little planning now can help you stay on track without missing the fun. Start by setting a total spending limit and breaking it into categories like gifts, travel and celebrations. From there, make a list, check it twice and stick to it.

Look for simple ways to cut costs: use rewards points, shop sales and set price limits for gift exchanges. If your list feels too long, adjust it early so you can focus on the celebrations that matter most without stretching your wallet.

If budgeting feels like a challenge, check to see if your bank or credit union offers [free budgeting tools](#) in their mobile app. These tools make budgeting simple, and the holidays are a great time to get familiar with them.

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Horizon Credit Union



Silver Sage Office and Retail Store Hours

Customer Care & Boise Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 10am - 4pm

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

Friday: Available by appointment

Saturday and Sunday: Closed

***Please see the [Retail](#) section in this newsletter for this months 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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