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June 1, 2026

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, CEO



Excited to See You at Camp!

As we move into the summer, I can feel the energy and excitement building for one of the most special times of the year – camp season!! Our teams have been hard at work behind the scenes preparing for an incredible summer at CAP, TAM, and Echo. We are ready for a truly phenomenal summer!

From meaningful outdoor adventures to confidence-building activities and lifelong friendships, everything we are planning is centered around creating

joyful experiences for girls. It is so inspiring to see the care, creativity, and dedication our staff have poured into every detail to make this summer extraordinary.

Last summer, I had the joy of connecting with so many of you at camp, and I am truly looking forward to those moments again this year. There is an undeniably magic about camp and the outdoors. From the laughter that echoes through the trees, to the deep sense of connection, and the belonging that stays with us long after the season ends. What makes it truly special, though, is you and the girls who bring it all to life. Whether you're there with your troop, alongside a daughter, niece, or granddaughter, volunteering your time, or supporting from afar, you are an essential part of the magic.

I truly hope I'll get the chance to connect with many of you and your girls out at camp this summer. It's going to be an absolutely incredible season, and I'm so grateful to share it with such a passionate and dedicated community.

Here's to campfires, new adventures, and memories that will last a lifetime!

2026 Micron Camp Travel and Accommodations Scholarship Application



We want every Girl Scout to have the opportunity to participate our Micron STEM Camps! Families traveling from outside the Treasure Valley are eligible for travel scholarships

Request a Scholarship Today!

Girl Scout Day with the Boise Hawks Tickets Now Live!

Join us for Girl Scout Day with the Boise Hawks! Tickets for the June 14th game are on sale now, clicking the link below takes \$5 off your ticket price! Don't delay and join us for a day of Girl Scout and Baseball fun!

Gates open at 12:00pm and the game starts at 1:05pm. See you there!

Buy Tickets Now!

STEM Day with the Idaho Falls Chukars!

Idaho Falls Chukars are hosting a STEM day and a Girl Scout Night on June 16th. Game day tickets will have an exclusive Girl Scout price of \$5 available now! Tickets can be picked up at will call the day of the game, or with Eastern Idaho Staff. We can't wait to see you there!

Buy Tickets Now!

Renew Your Membership!

It's that time again! Renew yours and your girl's memberships for the coming year. This is a chance to plan for the new year and be ready for all the fun programming coming soon! If you didn't indicate her renewal through cookie sales, you can renew it with Program Credits!

Program Credits used for membership renewal must be turned into the Council office or mailed in to be redeemed. Please handle Program Credits as cash.

Renew Here!

2026 National Council Session is July 20 - 22

Our Silver Sage National Delegates are preparing to attend this year's Tri-Annual Convention! The delegates will act as a representative as our council as a whole when voting for the items brought to discussion, and any new proposals. Please help us know how to represent you best by giving your input for 2026 NCS Discussion Topics and Proposals: [2026 National Convention Session- Proposals Survey](#).

New from GSUSA - The Junior Experience Box!

The Girl Scout Experience Box for Juniors is a one-time, limited-edition offer for this membership year—packed with everything your troop needs for the Uniquely Us and Digital Leadership badges, plus the Be Internet Awesome Family Challenge and the exclusive Be Internet Awesome Fun Patch. This box includes family resources to help girls build safe, healthy relationships with technology and learn critical skills for engaging thoughtfully online.

How to get your box in two easy steps:

- Renew or register at least one Troop Leader and four Junior Girl Scouts (entering 4th-5th grade in the 2026-27 school year) to your Junior or Multi-level troop.
- Keep your eye out for an email from us - when you receive it, follow the instructions to redeem your box.

Only 5,000 boxes are available on a first-come-first-served basis! Don't delay in renewing! Reach out to [Customer Care](#) to see if your troop qualifies.

Boxes will ship this summer.

Congrats to Our Troop Camp Overnight Winners!



Congratulations to the 34 Troops who qualified for our FREE overnight at camp incentive for Early Bird 2026 - 2027! You'll be receiving information soon on how to redeem your camp night, and we're so excited to see what next year has in store!

Congrats to Our Camp Sneak Peek Winner!

Congrats to Lydia M. from Troop 1018 in Eagle, she won a CAMP sneak peek for her troop! Troop 1018 will be able to use this at CAP or can create an experience at Echo if the troop prefers!



Upcoming Events & Programs

June

- June 1 - August 8 – [Camp Echo](#) (Boise - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#))
- June 2 – [Bubbles in the Park](#) (Boise - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- June 8 - 12 – [Camp Micron: The Science of Self](#) (Boise - [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- June 14 – [Girl Scout Day with Boise Hawks](#) (Boise - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#), [v](#))
- June 15 - 17 – [Red Cross Life Guard Certification](#) (Boise - [v](#))
- June 15 - 19 – [Camp Micron: Coding to Robotics](#) (Boise - [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- June 16 – [Girl Scout Day with Idaho Falls Chukars](#) (Idaho Falls - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#), [v](#))
- June 15 - 17 – [CPR / First Aid Training](#) (Boise - [v](#))
- June 23 – [USA Archery Level 1 Training](#) (McCall - [v](#))
- June 24 – [Girl Scout Scavenger Hunt](#) (Boise - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- June 26 - 30 – [Product Incentive Trip 2026-Troop Option](#) (Orlando FL - [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#), [v](#))
- June 26 - 30 – [Product Incentive Trip 2026-Individual Option](#) (Orlando FL - [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- June 28 - July 30 – [Camp Alice Pittenger](#) (McCall - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#), [v](#))

July

- July 1 – [Yoga in the Park](#) (Ammon - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- July 4 – [Idaho Falls 4th of July Parade](#) (Ammon - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- July 5 - 16 – [Camp TAM](#) (Swan Valley - [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))
- July 6 - 10 – [INL STEM Scholars Camp Session 1](#) (Garden City - [b](#), [j](#))
- July 11 – [Girls in Gears: The Heart of the Machine - Automotive Engineering](#) (Pocatello - [pre-k](#), [d](#), [b](#), [j](#))
- July 13 - 17 – [INL STEM Scholars Camp Session 2](#) (Garden City - [b](#), [j](#))
- July 16 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - [v](#))
- July 18 – [Girl Scout Scavenger Hunt](#) (Rexburg - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

July 31 – [Spa Fun](#) (Idaho Falls - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

August

August 3 - 6 – [INL STEM Scholars Camp Session 3](#) (Garden City - [b](#), [j](#))

August 4 – [Paint in Nature](#) (Blackfoot - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

August 6 – [New Leader Orientation](#) (Boise - [v](#))

August 8 – [Girls in Gears: How It's Made - Automotive Manufacturing](#) (Pocatello - [pre-k](#), [d](#), [b](#), [j](#))

August 20 – [Water Games](#) (Blackfoot - [d](#), [b](#), [j](#), [c](#), [s](#), [a](#))

Check Out All Upcoming Events!

Camp

Camp Time is Here!

Be Prepared: As summer camp gets closer, now is the perfect time to make sure your camper's CampDoc forms are completed. All required CampDoc paperwork must be submitted at least **2 weeks before your camp session begins** to help ensure a smooth check-in experience.

For all overnight camp programs, a current Health Examination Form completed by a doctor is required every 2 years. Please take a moment to verify your camper's health form is up to date before arriving at camp.

Completing forms early helps our camp team prepare for a safe, healthy, and successful summer for every camper. We can't wait to see you at camp!

There's Still Time for Summer Camp Adventures!

Summer camp is almost here — and there's still time to register for an unforgettable experience at Girl Scouts of Silver Sage camps! From waterfront fun and outdoor adventures to creative programs, horses, campfires, and new friendships, camp is the perfect place for girls to grow confidence, independence, and leadership skills while making lifelong memories.

Openings are still available in select sessions at Camp Alice Pittenger, Camp TAM, and Camp



Echo, but spots are filling quickly. Don't miss your chance to spend the summer exploring the outdoors, trying new things, and discovering your spark.

Register now and get ready for an incredible summer at camp

Register Today!

Don't Forget to Visit the Camp Trading Post!

The Camp Trading Post will be open during camp sessions and stocked with fun camp souvenirs, and essentials for campers to enjoy during their stay. Campers can purchase items using cash, credit cards, or program credits.

Items available may include:

- Camp t-shirts and sweatshirts (Very Limited Quantities)
- Water bottles and stickers
- Stuffed animals and camp mascots
- Friendship bracelet supplies
- Hats and outdoor gear
- Flashlights, batteries, and camp essentials
- Fun themed merchandise unique to camp

The Trading Post is a great way for campers to bring home a special memory from their summer adventure. Availability of items may vary by camp location and session.

Training Opportunities for Volunteers

Unlock experiences for your girls with these certifications!

[Lifeguard Certification](#)

What: Red Cross Lifeguard Certification

Where: Location: Boise Leadership Center

Date: June 15th to 17th from 8am to 7pm (times may be adjusted closer to the date)

Cost to participate: \$250

*Participant required to bring Sack Lunch, Dinner and Snacks

Max Participants: 13

[CPR/First Aid Training](#)

What: Red Cross CPR/First Aid Training

Where: Location: Boise

Date: June 17th from 1pm to 3:30pm

Cost to participate: \$80

Max Participants: 8

[USA Archery Level 1 Training](#)

What: Learn to facilitate archery programming with adults and youth through USA Archery's training program.

Date: June 23rd from 3pm to 6pm

Where: CAP

Cost to participate: \$80

Max Participants: 10

Camp is for Every Girl Scout! Scholarships Available!



Girl Scouts of Silver Sage is committed to providing opportunities for everyone to experience camp. If your family or Girl Scout would benefit from a camp scholarship, please complete this application. All information is kept confidential.

A registration deposit of \$50 is required for every camper to reserve their spot at camp.

Over 100 Girl Scouts have already been awarded scholarships and there are still funds available! Help your girl Ignite Her Spark this summer

[Apply Here!](#)

Entrepreneurship Program

Fall Product Renaming Project



Do you think the name “Fall Product” is especially appealing or descriptive? We think a refresh is in order, and we’re hoping for your Girl Scouts’ suggestions on what this Program could be called. We’ll do a drawing for all submissions that include contact information by 11:59 p.m. on June 14, 2026 – you could win a Girl Scouts swag bag! [Click here to submit your idea.](#)

Fall Product Volunteers

To participate in the Fall Product Program, Service Units and Troops need to have a registered, background-checked volunteer.

If you are that volunteer, please sign the following agreement(s):

- [Troop Fall Product Manager Contract](#)
- [Service Unit Fall Product Manager Contract](#)

SPECIAL SUMMER TICKET DISCOUNTS

LAGOON: Discounted single-day tickets are available online. The discounted rate is \$76.95. The transactions will not involve our store, and Program Credits *cannot* be used unless it’s part of approved Troop travel. [Click here for link to purchase.](#)

ROARING SPRINGS: We have single-day paper tickets available at the Silver Sage Store at a discounted rate of \$32.99. Program Credits can be used to purchase them!

Programs and Events

Get STEM This Summer with Micron and INL

Powered by Micron and Idaho National Laboratory, our STEM Day Camps spark curiosity, creativity, and confidence through hands-on learning and real-world exploration. From problem-solving challenges to interactive experiments, each day encourages campers to

imagine themselves as innovators and leaders, all in an engaging day-camp experience. Financial assistance is available upon request.

INL STEM Scholars Camp - CO-ED, Grades 3-5

Created by Idaho National Laboratory and guided by Girl Scout Staff & Volunteers, the STEM Scholars Engineering Design Camp invites youth to become engineers for four action-packed days of building, designing, testing, and dreaming big. Throughout the week, they'll explore:

- Energy and water systems
- Simple machines
- Real-world problem-solving
- Hands-on prototyping and recycled-material builds
- A parent showcase on Day 4

9:00 AM drop-off | 9:30-3:00 PM programming | 3:00-3:30 PM pickup | NO AFTER CARE, NO SESSION ON FRIDAY

These camps are open to the public and welcome all youth, while following Girl Scouts of Silver Sage safety standards and best practices to ensure a supportive and secure learning environment.

Micron Camps: Science of Self - Girl Scouts, Grades 6-12

What makes us happy? In The Science of Self & Expression, girls explore the fascinating connections between science, creativity, and human behavior through hands-on activities, self-discovery, and storytelling. By the end of camp, girls will have built a deeper understanding of themselves and others, created meaningful visual stories, and gained confidence using science and creativity as tools for expression. Along the way, they'll collaborate with peers, practice leadership and reflection, and enjoy classic camp fun in a supportive, empowering environment.

Micron Camps: Coding to Robotics - Girl Scouts, Grades 6-12

During the first half of the week, campers learn foundational coding skills-such as functions, loops, conditionals, and data-by creating games, interactive designs, and app prototypes that make a positive impact. In the second half, girls apply those same coding concepts to robotics as they explore how robots work, build and program robot systems, and design a robot prototype to solve a real-world challenge. The week concludes with a Coding & Robotics Showcase, where campers present their digital projects and robotic creations, earn Girl Scout Coding for Good and Robotics badges, and explore future pathways in STEM-all while enjoying classic camp fun

[Learn More](#)

Recyclable material needed for INL Camp!

Please consider donating clean, safe items such as:

- Plastic bottles and containers
- Cardboard boxes and tubes
- Paper towels and toilet paper rolls
- Egg cartons
- Newspapers and magazines
- Bottle caps and lids
- Milk jugs or cartons

Please drop off materials at the Girl Scout Leadership office, 8984 W Barnes Street, Boise ID 83709 by July 1st.

Teen Advisory Committee Applications are Open



Troop Leaders of Seniors and Ambassadors, we invite you to share information about the Teen Advisory Committee with your girls for the 2027 membership year. This is a committee of engaged older Girl Scouts who work to make experiences better for this age group across our jurisdiction. The group meets monthly on Zoom. APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN, and **participating Girl Scouts will earn their Gold Torch Leadership**

Award. Questions? Please contact Kristen at kmcadams@girlscouts-ssc.org for more information.

[Apply Now!](#)

Take the Summer Reading Challenge

This summer, Second Lady Usha Vance is inviting students in grades K–8 to take on the Summer Reading Challenge! 🌞📖 From June 1 through September 4, students who read 12 books will be eligible for prizes and a chance to visit Washington, DC. It's an engaging way to



keep young minds sharp, strengthen reading skills, and make the most of a summer filled with great books.

To join the challenge:

- Visit [WH.gov/read](https://www.wh.gov/read)
- Read 12 books by September 4th
- Submit your completed tracker online
- Read an extra book, and submit your tracker to Customer Care for the GSSSC summer book club patch!

Spread the word and help support young readers in your community!

[Click Here to Download](#)

Girl Scouts Love The Outdoors!



Participate in our Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge this summer! Spending at least 120 minutes a week in nature is associated with improved mood, focus, and confidence—whether you spend that time becoming a rockstar at rock climbing, making a splash in the puddles around your neighborhood, or watching wandering wildlife at a park. Download the free activity sheet with 50+ fun activities to see what's possible right

outside your own front door today!

[Click Here to Download](#)

Girl Scouts Love State Parks is September 11 - 12



Girl Scouts Love State Parks September 11–12 | Three Island Crossing State Park Join us for a fun-filled optional overnight adventure as we celebrate Girl Scouts Love State Parks! Families are invited to spend the weekend exploring the outdoors, building connections, and enjoying all the beauty our state parks have to offer.

Important: Troops and families are responsible for [reserving their own campsite](#) directly with the park, spots are available on a first come, first serve basis. Girl Scout staff reserved 2 spots in the Trailside –Lower Campground. *Registering on gsEvents does not reserve a campsite.*

Event Highlights:

Friday Evening - Astronomy Night Kick off the weekend under the stars! Site staff will lead a special astronomy program where participants can learn about the night sky, constellations, and more.

Saturday Activities: Guided Hikes – Explore the park and learn about the natural environment Games & Team Activities – Fun, high-energy group games for all ages Crafts – Creative, hands-on projects inspired by nature

This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow Girl Scout families, enjoy the outdoors, and experience the magic of camping together. We look forward to seeing you there!

Register for the Event

Retail

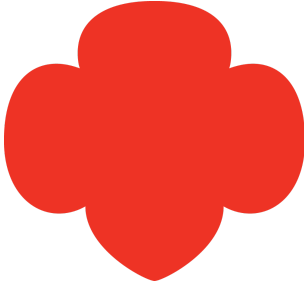
Program Credit Fun Finds!

New this year for Program Credit Fun Finds, items will be shipped to the Boise Office and scheduled for pick-up. Be sure to call the store to get a hint of all the new fun stuff ready for Program Credit purchases this year!

2024 Programs Credits Expire September 15th!

As Girl Scouts begin to spend their hard earned Program Credits, make sure you're using your oldest ones first! All Program Credits issued during the 2024 Cookie Program expire September 15th, and will be ineligible for redemption after that date.

June 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:

June 13th: OPEN 9am - 1pm for Second Saturday!

June 19th: CLOSED for Juneteenth

We're Always Open Online!

Alumni and Governance

Join Our Alumni Network!



Our Alumnae and friends network is thriving and we want you! Whether you're a Silver Sage Council Alumnae or from another council, we want to connect! Join our network here. Email communications about upcoming alumnae engagement opportunities are sent monthly.

Join the Network Here!

The Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Alumni FB Page is Here!

The Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Alumnae & Friends Facebook group is live. It's a space to share Girl Scout memories, photos, ideas, and events while connecting with fellow alumnae and



supporters near and far. Feel free to invite your Girl Scout sisters and friends to join the community.

Questions? Contact Customer Care at customercare@girlscouts-ssc.org

[Join the Facebook Group](#)

Community Partners and Events

Volunteer with Snake River Stampede!

Volunteer to hand out programs and receive a free ticket to stay and watch the rodeo on Family Day, June 20th! Volunteers must be 12+. Girl Scouts can wear their sash or vest. Adult volunteers will receive a free Girl Scout Volunteer t-shirt. Limited sizes available. We are looking for 12-15 volunteers. Sign up now!

[Volunteer Interest Form](#)

Boise Open Tickets Available Now

Tickets are on sale now for Boise Open. Use this link and 100% of your ticket purchase is donated to GSSSC. Winning already!



[Support GSSSC!](#)

Service Challenge with America250



AMERICA250 IN IDAHO AMBASSADORS'
Service Challenge

MAKE 250,000
HISTORY | ACTS OF SERVICE
For America's 250th Birthday



America250 commemorates the signing of the Declaration of Independence, celebrating its 250th anniversary in 2026. Through a national partnership with America250, Girl Scouts are invited to engage with this milestone through reflection, learning, and service in ways that feel meaningful to them. Idaho is spearheading an initiative to collect 250,000 volunteer hours by the 4th of July. As Girl Scouts and Leaders participate in their communities, they are helping shape the future of our country while celebrating the past. Learn more about Idaho's initiatives [here!](#)

Record Volunteer Hours

Help Your Teen Build Smart Savings Habits



Want to set your teen up for financial success? Teach them how to save.

If they don't have a checking or savings account already, help them open one. Encourage them to save a portion of any money they receive, whether it's from allowance, gifts or a job.

To motivate your teen, help them set savings goals for things they care about, like new clothes, trips or their first car. You might choose to add to their savings, or let them save on their own. What's important is that they know they're responsible: they'll need to save to get what they want.

By giving your teen opportunities to save and spend under your guidance, they'll be better prepared to make smart financial decisions as adults.

Insured by NCUA.

Horizon Credit Union



Silver Sage Office 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



Have a question? Don't be shy!
Contact us for more information.

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