Who We Are

Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) is dedicated solely to girls in grades K-12. For 105 years, we have enabled girls to build character and skills for success.

- Founded in 1912 by Juliette Gordon Low
- More than 2.8 million members throughout the United States*
- GSUSA is a member of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS)
- WAGGGS is a family of 10 million girls and adults in 145 countries

* including U.S. territories and in more than 90 countries through USA Girl Scouts Overseas

How to Become a Girl Scout

- Be a girl in grades K-12
- Accept the Girl Scout Promise and Law
- Pay national membership dues of $25 (financial assistance is available)

Call 210-349-2404/1-800-580-7247 or log on to girlscouts-swtx.org/join to learn about Girl Scouts in your neighborhood!

PARTICIPATE IN GIRL SCOUTS THROUGH ONE OR MORE PATHWAYS:

Camp. By day or overnight, she can explore nature on two wheels, by the light of the moon or through the lens of a camera.

Events. Most girls have more than one passion—maybe storytelling and acting and dancing. Choose events centered on your daughter’s favorites.

Series. Everything is more fun when you’re sharing it with others who love the same things. Our series let girls explore interests together in a way that fits their schedules.

Travel. Want your daughter to go places? Girl Scouts do. When they see and experience new things, it’s always an adventure they’ll never forget.

Troop. Meeting regularly, girls can share amazing experiences, learn to make a difference in their community and have lots of fun!

Girl Scout Grade Levels

GSUSA program at all levels emphasizes development of personal values, appreciation of others, decision-making, leadership and service. Program is adapted for each grade level and for the needs and interests of individual girls.

- Girl Scout Daisy—grades K-1
- Girl Scout Brownie—grades 2-3
- Girl Scout Junior—grades 4-5
- Girl Scout Cadette—grades 6-8
- Girl Scout Senior—grades 9-10
- Girl Scout Ambassador—grades 11-12

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What happens after a girl becomes a Girl Scout?
A: When a girl joins the organization, she becomes a Girl Scout member. All members may choose any one, all, or some of the flexible pathways to participate in during a single year.

Q: How can I support my daughter’s Girl Scout journey?
A: Parents/guardians should be familiar with the flexible pathways their daughter can experience. Help her identify her interests and encourage her to participate in activities. All of the information may be found online at girlscouts-swtx.org.

Q: Where do funds come from to pay for books, pins and awards?
A: The Girl Scout Cookie Program provides troops or individual girls with proceeds to help pay for books, earned awards, uniform pieces, pins, camp, travel and activities. Parents/guardians of girls will often pay part of the costs. If a troop is newly formed, a troop leader may request a small amount from the parents to begin the program year. All of these details should be discussed at the first parents meeting.

Q: Are uniforms required in Girl Scouting?
A: Uniforms are not required, but are encouraged for visibility and Girl Scout spirit but, girls are welcome to participate in Girl Scouting whether she chooses to wear a uniform or not. The Girl Scout Membership Pin can be worn with or without the uniform. Girls may purchase a sash or vest to display earned awards and other official insignia. Financial assistance is available.

Q: Is financial assistance available?
A: Yes. GSSWT believes no girl should ever be denied the opportunity to participate in Girl Scouts because of financial need. Funds are available to assist girls with council activities, membership dues, books, etc.

Q: Who can be a Girl Scout volunteer?
A: Anyone over the age of 18 and willing to accept the Girl Scout Promise and Law is welcome to volunteer for the organization. Adults applying to become Girl Scout volunteers will require an application with criminal background check, appointment for one year, placement and required training. GSSWT offers adult learning online and in person to provide tools and resources for leadership development of girls.

Q: Who do I contact for information or help?
A: Much information may be found online at girlscouts-swtx.org or call 210-349-2404/800-580-7247.

Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place.
THE GIRL SCOUT LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

What Girls Learn

Girl Scouts take the lead in bettering their communities and the world. The Girl Scout Leadership Experience is a collection of activities and experiences with proven outcomes where girls earn badges, sell cookies, go on exciting trips, explore the outdoors and participate in or lead Take Action projects that make a difference.

Connect (with others)
Collaborate with other people, locally and globally, to make a difference in the world.

Discover (self)
Girls find out who they are, what they care about and what their talents are.

Take Action (service)
Do something to make the world a better place.

- Challenge Seeking
- Healthy Relationships
- Positive Values
- Sense of Self
- Community Problem Solving
HER JOURNEY

The Girl Scout Leadership Experience is a one-of-a-kind program for girls with proven results. Our time-tested methods and research-backed programming help girls take the lead—in their own lives and in the world. Research shows that girls learn best in an all-girl, girl-led and girl-friendly environment. Girl Scouts is a place where she’ll practice different skills, explore her potential, take on leadership positions—and even feel allowed to fail, dust herself off, get up and try again. You are now part of our team and we have tools, classes, resources and people to support your journey with Girl Scouts. Get ready to have a fantastic year.

**Girl’s Guide to Girl Scouting**

This resource gives girls the details on how to earn certain badges and follow a Journey. Learn how girls earn more badges by adding Skill Builder Badge Sets to her binder.

**There are three GSLE Journeys to choose from at every grade level:**

We know girls want to make a difference in the world—and have fun doing it. Girls will do just that as they embark on Girl Scout Journeys.

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**It’s Your World—Change It!**
Leadership Journey encourages girls of all ages to make the world a better place and make new friends along the way.

**It’s Your Planet—Love It!**
Leadership Journey, girls learn about environmental topics such as clean water and air, noise pollution, global warming, soil contamination and agricultural processes. Each Journey is packed with current environmental information and offers ways to improve life for everyone on the planet.

**It’s Your Story—Tell It!**
So it’s important that girls get the opportunity to tell their stories through the range of creative approaches highlighted in the It’s Your Story—Tell It! Leadership Journey, made possible by a grant from the Dove Self-Esteem Fund.

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**Badges**

Badges are earned recognitions for girls after they master a skill or increase knowledge in a particular topic. Badges are earned at every grade level and can be worn on the front of the sash or vest.

**Patches**

Patches symbolize participation as a troop or individual in a Girl Scout activity. Patches are worn on the back of the sash or vest.
NEW LEADER STEPS TO SUCCESS

Troops & Ladders

Step 1
Have you registered?

Step 2
Is your criminal background check complete?

Step 3
Do you have a co-leader?

Step 4
Once your criminal background check is complete and you have a co-leader, troop support will contact you. Have you been contacted?

Step 5
Have you completed Troop Leadership Essentials training?

No?
You should receive a link to the Troop Leadership Essential course available at girlscouts-swtx.org.

No?
You will receive an email to complete your criminal background check.

No?
Pay to register.

No?
Contact enrollment team. We will help you find a co-leader.

No?
Contact Customer Care 210-349-2404.

You’re ready to meet with girls.
Yay!
Welcome to Girl Scouts!

We’re so excited you joined Girl Scouts and are part of our movement to build girls of courage, confidence and character. As you guide girls on their journey, you may require information, support or resources. Our troop support department is always available to answer questions.

Register
To join or volunteer as a Girl Scout co-leader, visit girlscouts-swtx.org and click the Become a Girl Scout or Volunteer Now button. Fill out the Registration form, pay the $25 membership fee, and enter the troop number with which you’d like to join. If you’re unable to locate the troop number, enter “unsure” and a membership enrollment specialist will contact you.

MyGS &Member Profile
Once your background check is complete, both volunteers and new members will receive an email confirmation with a link to log into MyGS. Log-in to view meeting dates, times, locations and other information posted by co-leaders. MyGS includes girls and adults who are signed up for a troop.

Background Check
Once you’ve paid your Girl Scouts of the USA annual membership fee, adult volunteers will receive an email requesting a background check. This is a required step for most adult members. You’ll be notified by TheAdvocates@VerifiedVolunteers.com within 24 hours once it’s complete but the process may take up to two weeks.

The work of today is the history of tomorrow... and we are its makers. – Juliette Gordon Low
Before Meeting with Girls
Next steps for co-leaders.
1. There must always be two approved co-leaders registered with a background check on file who have completed Troop Leadership Essentials.
2. Troop Leadership Essentials (TLE) is required training for all co-leaders and must be completed before they can meet with girls. TLE is a self-paced, 60-minute course. Please see page 11 for details. Co-leaders can register for this online course by clicking eBiz at the top of girlscouts-swtx.org. If it’s your first time choose “New Online Account” to set up your account.

Registering for Events & Activities
Everything a member or caregiver should know.
1. Log into eBiz by clicking on the link at the top of girlscouts-swtx.org. If it’s your first time choose “New Online Account” to set up your account.
2. If your membership fee is paid and you have an approved background check on file, you’re ready to choose from more than a hundred activities and events including camp. Visit girlscouts-swtx.org/events for a complete list with dates, times, fees, locations and grade levels.

Support & Resources
Once two co-leaders have completed membership registration and background checks, you will begin receiving communication from your troop support specialist via phone and email. They will connect you to the many resources available for co-leaders and help lead you through your first year bringing the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to even more girls.

Scouting rises within you...and inspires you...to put forth your best.  ~ Juliette Gordon Low
Super power your troop year with the Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) - your Digital Assistant!

The VTK takes the guess work out of Girl Scouting and puts the fun and leadership back in!
- Robust meeting plans with step by step instructions
- Easy troop messaging tools
- Fully customizable year plans

Plus VTK gives you access to the brand-new STEM and outdoor journeys and badges that include everything from rocket science to art in the outdoors.

Are you ready to spend more time nurturing your extraordinary G.I.R.L.s (Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers, Leaders)™ that will build our future and less time on administration and planning?

Get started on VTK!

Join us! VTK Experience
Thursdays at 2 p.m.
Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center
Regardless of the Girl Scout pathway you choose, training is available. The level of training will vary for each volunteer but is essential in providing a foundation for implementing the Girl Scout program while working with girls.

**Recommended timeline for co-leaders:**

**Before the first troop meeting:**
Take Troop Leadership Essentials
(required)

**Before the sixth troop meeting:**
Take a Grade-Level Essentials (optional)

**Before the first outing/field trip:**
Take CPR & First Aid*

**Prior to opening a bank account**
(required if the troop/group has more than $25):
A Girl Scout bank account requires two non-related signers. Any adult member of the troop with current membership, background check screening and GSSWT online Money Manager training may serve as an account signer.

*At least one adult in the troop/group must take First Aid & CPR before going on an outing or field trip. It can be any approved, registered adult member in the troop/group.

If you have taken adult learning courses in another council, you may be eligible for a waiver. Contact customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org or 210-349-2404 to request one.

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**OPEN TO ALL VOLUNTEERS!**

**VOLUNTEER EXPO**

**AUGUST 11, 2018 - PLAN TO JOIN US!**

- Find out what's new in 2019
- Get tips and tricks on how to have a successful (and stress free) cookie or nut program
- Get answers to your questions
- Network - meet other volunteers and have fun

**Save the date!**
**Look for more details.**
VOLUNTEER TRAINING

You belong to a network of nearly one million adults who share an important commitment: preparing girls to lead successful lives. Check out these online resources and training courses that you can access whenever it’s convenient for you. Girl Scout volunteers with a current membership and approved background screening will need to complete the training required for their volunteer position.

**TRAIN AT HOME**

**Troop Leadership Essentials (TLE) Online**
Troop Leadership Essentials (TLE) Online is a self-paced 60-minute course designed to provide the knowledge and tools needed to organize a troop, lead a group of girls and create parental support.

**Money Manager**
Learn the how-to of troop finances online! This 30-minute course is designed to help you learn the money management process and requirements from bank account procedures to filing required bi-annual financial reports while safeguarding troop/group funds. You will help guide girls with their financial goals and assist in establishing good money practice skills. **Required for volunteers who will be a signer on a Girl Scout troop/group bank account.**

**Grade Level Essentials**
Adult volunteers are encouraged to enjoy adult learning courses in a hands-on format with other new leaders. However, if you are unable to attend the Grade Level Essentials course in person prior to meeting with girls, try a train at home session of one these courses:
- **Daisy Level (Grades K-1)**
- **Brownie Level (Grades 2-3)**
- **Junior Level (Grades 4-5)**
- **Cadette Level (Grades 6-8)**
- **Senior/Ambassador Level (Grades 9-10, 11-12)**

**Prerequisite:** Completed Troop Leadership Essentials

**IN-PERSON TRAINING**

**Grade Level Essentials**
Explore the excitement of leading girls! Discover who your girls are and what adventures they are ready to explore. Connect to the resources available for your specific grade level. Take Action and learn how to facilitate activities that are girl-led and encourage cooperative learning and learning by doing. In this session, you will learn how to work with journeys and badges used to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.

**Must register five business days prior to class date.**
- **Daisy Level (Grades K-1)**
- **Brownie Level (Grades 2-3)**
- **Junior Level (Grades 4-5)**
- **Cadette Level (Grades 6-8)**
- **Senior Level (Grades 9-10)**
- **Ambassador Level (Grades 11-12)**
- **Multi-Level (Any combination of Grades K-12)**

**Troop Leadership Essentials (TLE)**
Troop Leadership Essentials, TLE, is available in person at one of our leadership centers. It is designed to provide the knowledge and tools needed to organize a troop, lead a group of girls and create parent support. You learn how to create a safe space for girls—a place where they can learn and grow. Complete this session before you begin meeting with the girls.

For more dates and times or to register:
girlscouts-swtx.org/events
SAFETY GUIDELINES

When preparing for a Girl Scout activity, always begin with the safety guidelines. Every adult in Girl Scouts is responsible for the physical and emotional safety of girls and we all demonstrate that by agreeing to follow the Safety Activity Checkpoints.

The Safety Activity Checkpoints cover all safety requirements and guidelines provided by Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas to ensure girls are safe while engaging in activities.

Remember:
1. Follow the Safety Activity Checkpoints.
2. Arrange for proper adult supervision of girls.
5. Be prepared for emergencies.
6. Travel safely.
7. Ensure safe overnight outings.
8. Role-model the right behavior.
9. Create an emotionally safe space.
10. Ensure that no girl is treated differently.
11. Promote online safety.
12. Keep girls safe during money-earning activities.

FOR DETAILS ON SAFETY GUIDELINES:
girlscouts-swtx.org/SafetyCheckpoints
SAFETY COURSES

Adult/Child CPR/AED/First Aid (classroom only format)  

Adult/Child CPR/AED course and First Aid course fulfill the requirements for a level 1 first aider. Courses are three hours each. Certification is required in both adult/child CPR/AED and first aid to serve as a first aider but courses may be taken separately, depending upon the expiration date of any current certifications. Courses are a combination of video, reading and skill practice*. Participants may be required to pass skills and multiple-choice written tests. Certifications are good for two years.

This training is open to adults and girls (Cadettes and older).

Must register five business days prior to class date.

CPR/AED (Adult/Child)  
Fee: $25/person  (Must be a currently registered Girl Scout member)

First Aid  
Fee: $25/person  (Must be a currently registered Girl Scout member)

(If attending both courses, please bring a lunch).

CPR/AED/First Aid courses have strict trainer/participant ratios and fill up fast so, register early! Without advanced registration you may be turned away and will not be notified of any changes to the training schedule.

*Digital course materials can be accessed at the American Red Cross San Antonio Chapter website at saredcross.org.

CPR/AED/First Aid Challenge  

CPR/AED and First Aid certification from the American Red Cross (ARC) is valid for two years. To renew your CPR/AED or First Aid certificate, you may take the CPR/AED/First Aid classroom course or take a Challenge course.*

NOTE: Participants must be able to demonstrate, without coaching or practice, all necessary skills and knowledge in accordance with current ARC standards. To prepare for the challenge, participants may review existing ARC information on the website at redcross.org.

This is a pass/fail course with no instruction given. No refunds or fee transfers are given if certification cannot be achieved.

CPR/AED Challenge (Adult/Child)  
Fee: $25/person  (Must be a currently registered Girl Scout member)

First Aid Challenge  
Fee: $25/person  (Must be a currently registered Girl Scout member)

*Please call Volunteer Support at 210-349-2404, ext. 219 to schedule a CPR/AED/First Aid Challenge.

CPR/First Aid Self-Registration Alternatives  

CPR/AED and first aid courses are Girl Scout-sponsored. Those who cannot attend may take them with agencies meeting Girl Scouts of the USA standards: American Red Cross, National Safety Council, EMP America, ASHI and American Heart Association.

Training available only online may not satisfy Girl Scout requirements due to lack of practice and feedback on technique. It’s your responsibility to ensure both adult and child CPR meet GSUSA standards and include a certification card with the official agency emblem.

Course availability and fees vary – contact providers early if interested in attending their courses.

Other agencies which may offer CPR and first aid training include local hospitals, emergency medical services and fire departments.

FOR DATES AND TIMES OR TO REGISTER:  
girlscouts-swtx.org/events
SAFETY COURSES

**ALL NEW!**

Wilderness and Remote First Aid (American Red Cross)  
This training meets the requirements for a level II first aider. It provides first aid principles and skills to prepare for emergencies and aid in geographical areas that may not have immediate emergency medical services (EMS) response.

This includes regions of vast wilderness, remoteness and certain urban locations. It also covers emergencies involving earthquakes and hurricanes.

**Prerequisites:** Possess current Adult CPR/AED & first aid certification. Be at least 14 years old on or before the last scheduled session of the course.

**Certification Requirements:** Attend all class sessions, participate in all skill sessions and activities, demonstrate competency in all observable skills, complete all scenarios and pass final exam with a minimum grade of 80%.

**Length of course:** 16 hours

Lifeguard Training  
(Ambassadors & Adults)  
Earn the American Red Cross lifeguard certification, including CPR pro, AED and first aid.

**Prerequisite:** Swim 300 yards, tread water for two minutes and a timed 10-pound weight retrieval. Must also pass written exam and skills to receive certification. Must be 16 years old by May 25, 2018.

**Camp La Jita**  
Hwy 187 N., Utopia, Texas 78884

**Dates:** October 6 – 8, 2017  
May 25 – 28, 2018

**Time:** 5 p.m. (Friday) – 12 p.m. (Sunday)

**Fee:** $300/person (includes meals, learning materials and lodging)

Registration instructions can be found online at:

[girlscouts-swtx.org/events](http://girlscouts-swtx.org/events)

You will find instructions on how to register for all events, activities and trainings found in this guide, as well as policies on refunds, deposits, cancellations and more!
Leadership in action. You know that Girl Scouts creates leaders but did you know that 52% of women business owners were Girl Scouts? Our unique entrepreneurial activities include the cookie and nut program where goal-setting and decision-making help grow confident young leaders.

Visit our online calendar for dates and details at girlscouts-swtx.org/events.
**Ultimate DIY**

Discover your creative skills and become an entrepreneur by making crafts and raw materials. You can sell or trade with friends or family.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**
- **Date:** Saturday, September 16
- **Time:** 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- **Fee:** $20/girl

**Babysitters’ Club**

Prepare to be the best sitter on the block with a certification in child CPR/first aid and gain skills in job readiness. Explore early childhood, and take home file folder games to have for your first babysitting job.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**
- **Date:** Saturday, November 4
- **Time:** 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**
- **Date:** Saturday, December 9
- **Time:** 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- **Fee:** $30/girl

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**San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo Girl Scout Day**

Girl Scouts will engage in a day of educational and fun-filled activities for the whole family including a scavenger hunt through the Cowboy Boot Camp, Animal Adventures, Texas Wildlife Expo and the Horse Education Center.

After the girls complete their scavenger hunt, and if tickets have been purchased to the event, they can enjoy the PRCA Rodeo and family entertainment beginning at 1 p.m.

*Locations subject to change*

**Sunday, February 11 • 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

- $15/person or $27/person—ages 3 and up
- Patches available for purchase for $3/patch

3201 East Houston Street
San Antonio, Texas 78219

For ticket information please contact:
- Patti Martin at patti@sarodeo.com or 210-225-5851
- Customer Care at customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org or 210-349-2404

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**Girl Leadership Trainings**

**Ignite your leadership journey!**

**Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors**

Our leadership training program is designed to develop leadership skills for a lifetime.

- Community leaders, troop/group leaders or parents/guardians, contact the Program department to set up girl training for the Girl Scout Gold Award, Girl Scout Silver Award and Program Aide (PA).
- Adults are responsible for securing a safe venue including any and all amenities for the specific training.
- All requests must be submitted at least 6-8 weeks in advance of requested days and times. Please note that scheduling is at the discretion of the facilitator.

Contact customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org for more information or to schedule a training.

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**FOR MORE DATES AND TIMES OR TO REGISTER**

[girlscouts-swtx.org/events](http://girlscouts-swtx.org/events)
Shining Star ENERGY
Entrepreneurship Initiative

Shining Star ENERGY knows the challenges faced by female leaders in business and understands the importance of cultivating entrepreneurial knowledge and skills in young girls. Promoting the pillars of entrepreneurship in every girl changes the future. Watch girls bring cutting-edge ideas to life as the leaders of tomorrow.

Girls who earn the Shining Star ENERGY entrepreneurship patch will say, “I am a leader. I can do anything—blaze a trail to my own adventure, achieve my dreams, go beyond expectations. Watch me pioneer in industry, forge a future without boundaries, inspire others and make the world a better place!”

Shining Star ENERGY and Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas are proud to present the Shining Star ENERGY I Am...I Can...Watch Me entrepreneurship patch partnership. Girls can work on a variety of projects, everything from designing an effective business plan to generating their own industry.
Fall Product Program

SWEET!
Accepting the challenge to lead with confidence!

About the Fall Product Program. The Fall Product Program is held once a year for girls to strengthen leadership skills while learning financial literacy, goal-setting and team work. By selling yummy treats, like nuts, chocolates, candies and magazines, girls can earn rewards from plush animals, to personalized avatar patches. Troops earn money for year-round activities including program at Camp Metro and Camp La Jita. (Individually registered girls or girls not yet in a troop can also participate!)

SEPT. 15 - OCT. 9

Nutty!

Earn money for activities

Earn Rewards

Get your Nut Bucks!

Have questions?
Contact your troop leader or the Product Program department (cookies@girlscouts-swtx.org) to participate.
IT GETS SWEETER!
Building leaders, one cookie box at a time!

About the Cookie Program. Selling cookies is part of the Girl Scout adventure! Girls practice leadership as they learn essential life skills—goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills and business ethics—while soaring in confidence. Let’s not forget the wonderful memories they will make embarking on a journey that will challenge them to be the ultimate G.I.R.L.s (Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers, Leaders)™. Plus, they can earn cool rewards.

BEGINS JAN. 1, 2018

EARN FUN REWARDS!
Use cookie credits toward program fees, events and more!

Want more details? Contact your troop leader or the Product Program department (cookies@girlscouts-swtx.org) for more information.
We have kits for planning fun and interesting activities for Girl Scout troop meetings, community events and ceremonies. Kits on Take Action projects, badge work, bridging ceremonies and other activities can be picked up at both leadership centers.

Our program kits make Girl Scouting easier for new leaders and those with years of Girl Scouting experience. The kits are designed to enhance the Girl Scout Leadership Experience by providing hands-on activities that help girls earn badges, Journey awards and patches. Each kit contains directions along with resources and the non-consumable items needed to complete the activities.

Spurs Sports & Entertainment

San Antonio Spurs Girl Scout Night
Girls receive unique patches and enjoy post-game activities. Program includes recognizing and promoting Girl Scouts.
- **2017-2018 season tickets are exclusively priced**
  Contact Nancy Gonzales at 210-444-5682

San Antonio Rampage Girl Scout Night
We're teaming up for an exciting night of entertainment! Bring your group and receive a Girl Scout fun patch, then enjoy a pre-game skate and stay to cheer on your San Antonio Rampage!
- **Tickets are limited and will not last long**
- **Call for exclusively priced early bird Girl Scout tickets**
  Contact Lindsay Petrone at 210-444-5615
  petrone@attcenter.com to order tickets to this game.

Color Guards Needed
The San Antonio Spurs, San Antonio Rampage and San Antonio Silver Stars are looking for Girl Scouts to present the colors at their games! Help honor America while experiencing the thrill of standing on the ice. Sign up your troop to get on the priority list. Spots fill quickly.
Contact Nancy Gonzales at 210-444-5682
AT&T Center, One AT&T Center Parkway
San Antonio, Texas 78219

TOYOTA

Watch the Toyota Tundra and Tacoma roll out during a friendly tour of our 2.2 million sq. ft. facility.
- **Available for Girl Scouts six years of age and older**
- **Times and days vary**
- **Tours are approximately 1.5 hours**
- **Tag-a-longs are welcome but must be at least six years of age and under the supervision of an adult/guardian**
- **Reservations required through toyotatexas.com or by contacting the visitor center at 210-263-4002**
- **FREE**

Visitors must present a valid photo ID. Camera phones, cameras, handbags, book bags, briefcases, purses and backpacks are not allowed on the tour.

1 Lone Star Pass
San Antonio, Texas 78264
toyotatexas.com
210-263-4002
SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY
January 13

Time: 5 – 9 p.m.
San Antonio Zoo

For more information email customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org or call 210-349-2404.
Get skilled. Beginning with civic engagement and expanding to healthy living, communication skills, practical skills and global citizenship, life skills form the foundation that help girls grow as Girl Scouts.

Visit our online calendar for dates and details at girlscouts-swtx.org/events.
PA Training 101  C
This prerequisite Program Aide (PA) workshop teaches Girl Scout Cadettes how to mentor younger girls by sharing skills, testing knowledge and new leadership roles at troop meetings, community and council events. Cadettes will help grow awareness of Girl Scouting’s aim to deliver fun with a purpose—enjoyable and challenging activities that grow girls’ leadership in their daily lives and beyond!

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date:  Saturday, August 19
     Saturday, September 16
     Saturday, December 2
     Saturday, February 3, 2018
     Saturday, April 21, 2018
     Saturday, May 12, 2018
Time:  9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date:  Saturday, October 14
     Saturday, November 11
     Saturday, June 2
Time:  9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Fee:  $25/girl

PA Enrichment Series  C
Girl Scout Cadettes and teen mentors have fun with a purpose—expanding their leadership knowledge and skills! A Girl Scout is always prepared, Program Aides (PAs) will benefit from a series of three different enrichment opportunities from songs and games, to ceremonies, and even arts and crafts.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date:  (must attend all dates in a session)
     August 9, 26 & 23
     September 5, 6 & 7
     November 7, 8 & 9
     February 6, 7 & 8, 2018
     April 3, 4 & 5, 2018
Time:  6 – 7:30 p.m.

Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date:  August 7, 8 & 9
Time:  6 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee:  $25/girl

It’s Your Story-Tell It Journey Series  D B J
Stories say so much about us—they’re a way to express our interests, hopes and dreams. Discover different cultures around the world and see how storytelling can inspire us to help others.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Dates:  (Must attend all dates for the series to complete requirements. At the end of the series, girls will receive their journey badge.)

Tuesday, September 12
Tuesday, October 10
Tuesday, November 7
Tuesday, December 5
Time:  6 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee:  $20/girl

Colors are Everywhere  D B J C S A
Discover how colors are a part of our everyday world by creating art using unconventional items. Put on your smock and get the creative juices flowing while having fun using bright paints!

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date:  Saturday, October 7
Time:  10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Fee:  $15/girl

Raul Jimenez Thanksgiving Dinner  D B J C S A
As a Take Action project, girls think bigger by addressing needs and issues in a positive way. Troops or individual girls can make a centerpiece for the Raul Jimenez Thanksgiving Dinner. Many of the guests take them to decorate their homes for the holidays! Reminder: do not use glass or food (such as candy).

Please drop off during regular business hours:
October 30 – November 17

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center

FOR MORE DATES AND TIMES OR TO REGISTER

girlscouts-swtx.org/events
Sunday, October 1
2 - 4 p.m.
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
5622 W César E Chávez Blvd., San Antonio, Texas 78237

• Discover the outdoors with hands on exploration
• Enjoy games that keep you healthy and happy
• Become an entrepreneur with new business and life skills
• Show off your artistic abilities while making friends
• Take action with STEM activities that will blow your mind
• Master the art of goal setting and money management
• Earn up to six patches
• And, much, much more!

$10 per person
Not a Girl Scout? Not a problem!
Tag-a-longs welcome!

REGISTER TODAY!
girlscouts-swtx.org/patchparty

Meet the new 2017-2018 Business Patch Partners!
Operation Sugar Cookies  D B J C S A
Take Action projects encourage girls to think bigger and address needs and issues in a positive way. Troops or individually registered girls can bring homemade sugar cookies (one dozen per sealed gallon freezer bag) to West Side or Sally Cheever Girl Scout leadership centers. Residents of the San Antonio State Hospital will enjoy the opportunity to decorate and eat their creative holiday treats!

Please drop off during regular business hours.
November 27 – December 8

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center

Duct Tape Fun  D B J C S A
What will you make with duct tape? You’re only limited by your imagination and creativity. Have fun with friends making bookmarks, bracelets and other useful items.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, January 11, 2018
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: $10/girl

It’s Your Planet-Love It!  D B J
Take a deeper look at the issues that impact our planet, our environment and their resources. If you love your planet, learn what it takes to improve and protect it.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Dates: (Must attend all sessions to complete badge requirements)
   Tuesday, January 9, 2018
   Tuesday, February 6, 2018
   Tuesday, March 6, 2018
   Tuesday, April 10, 2018
Time: 6 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: $15/girl

At Clay Casa, your troop can create amazing art, tour the studio, spend time with friends and enjoy the display of artistic creations.

You’ll receive a Clay Casa Fun Patch (included in the price).
Open to all levels $15/person
Reservations required for groups of eight or more.
You can paint your own design or we can help.

Choose from these projects:
• Clay
• Pottery painting
• Glass fusing

Other types of projects are available by request.

502 Embassy Oaks, Suite 107
San Antonio, Texas 78216
210-402-6656
claycasa.com

FOR MORE DATES AND TIMES OR TO REGISTER

girlscouts-swtx.org/events
African American Advisory Committee Annual Mother Daughter Tea  
**DBJCSA**

African American Mother Daughter Tea celebrates African American women’s contributions to the Girl Scout Movement and their continual strides to encourage young women to demonstrate confidence, courage and character.

**University of the Incarnate Word**
Rosenberg Sky Room  
847 E. Hildebrand, San Antonio, Texas 78212  
**Date:** Sunday, February 11, 2018  
**Time:** 3 – 5 p.m.  
**Fee:** $10/person in advance  
$130/reserved table of 10

Handy Gal  
**JCSA**

Be a “Miss Fix-It” because you never know what might need fixing. It's your chance to use a power drill, wrench, level and other tools all handy gals need to fix it up!

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**  
**Date:** Saturday, March 17, 2018  
**Time:** 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
**Fee:** $15/girl (includes a patch)

Girl Scouts Give Back  
**DBJCSA**

Looking for a community project or need service hours? Roll up your sleeves and spend the morning making benches, picnic tables and wind chimes to beautify the West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center. What a great way to make an impact in your community. It only takes a small change to make a big difference.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**  
**Date:** Saturday, April 7, 2018  
**Time:** 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
**Fee:** $15/girl

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**Community Partner**

Tour the SAHS to learn about our program. You’ll get to pet our wonderful puppies and visit with our sweet kittens as you go “behind the scenes.”

- Free  
- Maximum audience 15 participants  
- Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times (1 adult/two children)  
- Tours are one hour on a by-demand basis

Once you have a group of 15 (maximum) attendees, contact Lusia Montgomery at 210-226-7461 ext. 103, lmontgomery@sahumane.org to schedule the day and time.

4804 Fredericksburg Rd  
San Antonio, Texas 78229  
Sara Phippen 210-226-7461, ext. 136  
education@sahumane.org  
Sahumane.org

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Creative thinkers will be our next generation of leaders in America. This acclaimed program encompasses a large volume of fun drama activities aimed at increasing confidence, self-esteem and verbal skills of all students.

- Acting skills  
- Public speaking skills  
- Creative thinking skills  
- Leadership skills  
- Networking and social skills  
- Self confidence and self-esteem  
- A positive approach to life

830-216-7222  
DramaKids.com/tx6

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**For More Dates and Times OR To Register**

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Through health and wellness programs, girls focus on physical and emotional health. By participating in this initiative, girls learn the skills they need to keep their bodies healthy, their minds engaged and their spirits alive. This is the first step to helping every girl attain her personal best in life!

By building strong, healthy bodies and learning problem-solving techniques, girls gain the self-confidence and skills needed to develop healthy relationships in which they give and receive the respect and trust every child seeks.

Girl Scouts who complete the H-E-B Health & Wellness Initiative can work on a variety of projects, everything from learning about locally grown foods to learning the importance of exercise as a daily practice.
Life Skills

Battle of Flowers® Parade 2018  CSA
Wear your Girl Scout uniform to share and celebrate all of the achievements you have made in your community! You’ll have fun and meet new friends from across the state. Set yourself apart as a superstar and role model. Everyone will be excited to catch you on TV and social media!

Battle of Flowers® Fiesta Parade Route
E. Grayson Street and Avenue B
Date:  Friday, April 27, 2018
Fee:  FREE

Viva Fiesta – Celebrating Cinco de Mayo  DBJCSA
Maracas, sombreros and mariachis! Celebrate Cinco de Mayo and experience the unique culture through cuisine, music and tradition. It’s an experience that’ll last a lifetime.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date:  Saturday, May 5, 2018
Time:  10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Fee:  $10/girl

Camp Metro Mentor Team Training  CSA
As a part of the honorary Camp Metro Mentor Team, girls guide and teach younger girls as a teen mentor. Be a champion for younger girls and the Girl Scouting community by giving back this summer at Camp Metro!

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date:  Saturday, May 5, 2018
Saturday, May 26, 2018
Time:  9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Fee:  $40/girl

Love being a Girl Scout?
Know someone who wants to be a G.I.R.L (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)™?
It’s never too late to join.
Head to girlscouts-swtx.org/join to help her sign up.

Refer a Friend!

Experience the performing arts in the heart of San Antonio.
Majestic Theatre-San Antonio is host to a few of the best performances in the country which includes San Antonio Symphony, Broadway plays, concerts, ballets and magic shows. Experience the arts first-hand. Group sales are available for many events.

The Museum of Western Art
Cowboys, Native Americans, settlers, mountain men and others who tamed the West share their adventures through rotating exhibits at the Museum of Western Art where the legend of the American West lives on. The Museum of Western Art is dedicated to the appreciation, presentation and promotion of Western American heritage as expressed through art and artifacts. It is a showcase for Western art and artists, past and present, providing art and history education focused on the American West. Please call for hours and fees.

The Museum of Western Art
1550 Bandera Highway
Kerrville, Texas 78028
830-896-2553
museumofwesternart.com
Wells Fargo
Financial Literacy Initiative

Wells Fargo’s Financial Literacy Initiative provides girls the resources and knowledge to set goals and become financially responsible when earning and managing money. Wells Fargo understands the importance of financial education for girls who will become productive citizens and already contribute to the economy.

The Wells Fargo Financial Literacy program teaches the basics of good money management and the skills needed to create a brighter financial future. The lessons examine financial concepts and decision-making through illustration, real-life problems and mathematical computation. The curriculum is relevant to girls’ lives, and is designed to support their financial success.

Girl Scouts who complete the Wells Fargo Financial Literacy Initiative can work on a variety of projects, everything from learning to set a budget to learning about credit.
Silver Lining Patch Program

Silver Lining Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services (DADS) program promotes volunteer involvement with the residents of Texas’ long-term care facilities to enrich their lives. 50% of Texas nursing home residents don't have families or surviving spouses and 60% do not get regular visits.

- Help decorate for the holidays
- Make signs for the hallways
- Plant flowers
- Play games
- Spend time reading or helping with a project

With your help, Girl Scouts can help break this cycle of loneliness.

Texas Department of Aging and Disabilities Services
Contact Customer Care
210-349-2404 or customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org

dads.state.tx.us

Glamour Workshop

- Enjoy an hour learning proper hair braiding techniques
- Learn to polish fingernails
- Get a mini-manicure
- Perform a group dance
- Get a group picture taken at the event
- Snacks provided
- Earn a special Sharkey’s patch

(Format will be tailored according to age of girls)
Prices vary - Minimum 4 girls / Maximum 20 girls

8402 Hwy 281 North, Suite 109
San Antonio, Texas 78259
210-496-9200
11398 Bandera Rd, Suite 305
San Antonio, Texas 78250
210-745-2866
10670 Culebra Rd.
San Antonio, Texas 78251
210-200-8988

Broadway-Bound Girl Scouts earn your theatre badge at Historic Woodlawn! The Woodlawn's badge program meets the requirements of leveled badges and are designed to give girls a fabulously fun introduction to theatre as an art form.

All programs include:
- A musical theatre workshop
- Back stage tour
- Behind the scenes look at theatrical design, costumes, makeup, lights and sound

1920 Fredericksburg Rd.
San Antonio, Texas 78201
210-267-8388
woodlawntheatre.org

World Dance Concert

Saturday, March 17, 2018
International Folk Culture Center (IFCC).
Girl Scouts of all ages are invited to join us for art, singing, games and storytelling all rolled up into one day of fun!

Wear comfortable shoes and clothes.
Bring a lunch and $2.

Please contact Liz Drury Newton
enewton684@yahoo.com
210-995-2854
safdf.org
The Tobin Endowment Arts Initiative

The arts inspires girls of all ages to explore visual expression and ideas in music, theatre and dance. The Tobin Endowment Arts Initiative incorporates education in visual and performing arts.

Through arts programs, girls focus on self-expression and discovery. The arts are vital to youth development and provide limitless possibilities for growth and exploration. Research shows the arts can reach students where other academic subjects cannot. With arts-integrated learning, students gain a greater depth of understanding of academic topics.

Girl Scouts who complete The Tobin Endowment Arts Initiative develop their artistic skills and learn about the performing arts through pathways which include painting, sculpture, jazz, blues, rap, classical music and dance.
More Than S’mores. Research shows that nature is an important aspect of a child’s development—intellectually, emotionally, socially, spiritually and physically. Activities from sailing, to horseback riding are not only fun but provide an opportunity for her to flourish.
Say Goodbye to Summer  FAMILY
Day is done, gone the sun. Spend a fun-filled day saying goodbye to summer at Camp La Jita. Swimming, archery, hiking and more are the perfect ways to the new school year. We will provide lifeguards, archery and waterfront instructors. River activities dependent on river conditions.

Camp La Jita
Date: Saturday, September 16
Time: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fee: $5/participant

Give-N-Color 5K Fun Run  FAMILY
Camp La Jita's 5k color fun run encourages fun and giving back to the community!

Camp La Jita
Date: Saturday, September 16
Time: 9 – 11 a.m.
Fee: $25/participant

Taste of Sailing  CSA
Ever wanted to try your hand at sailing? Now is your chance! Learn basic sailboat safety, important knots and sail the lake with experienced sailors.

Medina Lake
Lakehills, Texas 78063
Date: Saturday, September 23
Time: Choose one session
   Session 1 – Morning (experienced sailors only)
   10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
   Session 2 – Afternoon (beginners)
   1 – 6 p.m.
Fee: $25/girl

Backyard Campout  DBJCSA
Both experienced and beginner campers can prepare for a summer in the outdoors by spending a night in our backyard to sample authentic camping fun.

Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: September 29 – 30
Time: 6 p.m., Friday, September 29 to 8 a.m. Saturday, September 30
Fee: $25/girl

How to Survive a Zombie Invasion  JCSA
Get out of your comfort zone and into the zombie zone. Learn to battle the elements, build skills for survival and learn the art of camaraderie as you fight to survive a zombie invasion.

Camp La Jita
Date: October 13 – 15
Time: 7 p.m., Friday, October 13 to 10 a.m., Sunday, October 15
Fee: $35/girl

We Canoe & Have Fun, Too!  BJC
Get behind the paddle to conquer the river. By learning the basics of canoeing, you will have a new set of skills and great memories to take home.

Camp La Jita
Date: Saturday, October 7
Time: (Choose one time slot)
   Session 1: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
   Session 2: 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Fee: $15/girl

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Each season brings a variety of colors and textures to the garden. Discover your favorite flower in the Rose Garden or one from around the world in the Lucile Halsell Conservatory then, stroll through 38 acres on the Texas Native Trail showcasing the diverse botanicals of our state. Make our Garden your Garden.

- Texas Nature Trail spanning 11 acres containing 250 plant species
- Bird watching
- Year-round educational activities and events
- Gift shop
- Hours and fees available online

SABOT.org
Program Aide Horsemanship Training

If you like to lead, this training will prepare you to facilitate horseback riding for younger girls.

**Camp La Jita**

**Date:** January 12 – 14, 2018

**Time:** 7 p.m., Friday, January 12 to 10 a.m., Sunday, January 14

**Fee:** $50/girl

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Winter Horse Camp

Ride horses and spend time learning basic horsemanship skills this winter!

**Camp La Jita**

**Date:** January 19 – 21 and January 26 – 28, 2018

**Time:**
- 8 p.m., Friday, January 19 to 11 a.m., Sunday, January 21
- 8 p.m., Friday, January 26 to 11 a.m., Sunday, January 28

**Fee:** $50/girl

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My Little Pony-Winter Horse Camp for Daisies & Brownies

(Day program only)

Spend a special day riding and learning how to care for horses with beginning instructions designed for Daisies and Brownies.

**Camp La Jita**

**Dates:** (choose one date)
- Saturday, February 3, 2018
- Saturday, February 10, 2018

**Time:** (choose one time)
- 9 – 11 a.m.
- 12 – 2 p.m.
- 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

**Fee:** $35/girl

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Starry Night

Have you ever wondered what happens when the sun goes down? Discover the mysteries of the night while tracking creepy, crawly creatures, learn to navigate the stars and have fun being a survivalist.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**

**Date:** Friday, February 9, 2018

**Time:** 6 – 8 p.m.

**Fee:** $15/girl

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The Cibolo Nature Center and Farm is a community that passionately believes our brightest future is one lived in harmony with nature. Beginning with the Cibolo Creek, our aim is to ensure our natural treasures are not only protected, but thriving. To do this, we’re building a unique conservation model to protect our resources, study and learn from the natural world, teach and apply sustainable farming practices and encourage the enjoyment and celebration of nature. We believe that our model is teachable and that our successes in the Cibolo Creek can be replicated in conservation efforts across the globe.

140 City Park Road
Boerne, Texas 78006
830-249-4616
www.cibolo.org

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Government Canyon State Natural Area

With views of the Texas Hill Country, our preserve is the perfect spot for Girl Scouts to conquer the outdoors. Designated as a Natural Area, rather than a State Park, the primary focus is maintenance and protection of the property’s natural state. Access and recreational activities may be restricted if the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department deems such action necessary to protect the environment.

- 12,085 acres of rugged hills and canyons
- Hiking and biking trails
- Geocaching
- Bird watching
- Dinosaur track seeking
- Picknicking
- Limited camping
- Picnic pavilion
- Restroom facilities
- Spectacular views

2861 Galm Road
San Antonio, Texas 78254
210-688-9055
tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/government-canyon
For today’s girls, reversing environmental threats and improving quality of life will be the work of their generation. CPS Energy’s Environmental Awareness and Energy Conservation Initiative combines environmental education and community action on a regional scale.

Through environmental awareness programs, girls focus on the care and conservation of our planet. They play an important role in ensuring the well-being of our earth for future generations. Girls discover the connection between their everyday actions and the long-term effects, and how to make those effects positive.

Girl Scouts who complete the CPS Energy Environmental Awareness and Energy Conservation Initiative can work on a variety of projects, everything from learning about butterfly gardens to learning about local and global conservation efforts.
SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, MAY 5 • 1 – 4 p.m. • $10/person (day only)
OVERNIGHT Saturday, MAY 5 - Sunday MAY 6 • $35/person (overnight)
Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center

COME FOR THE DAY OR SPEND THE NIGHT in the urban jungle for an outrageous Girl Scout adventure!
1 p.m., Saturday, May 5 to 8 a.m. Sunday, May 6

Become the ultimate explorer by designing your own outdoor adventure. We have all your camp favorites planned, like hiking and archery, plus a few that are totally urban.

• Hiking
• Outdoor cooking
• Geocaching
• Nature scavenger hunt
• “Leave no Trace” discovery
• Giant bubble-making
• Visit amazing vendors along your journey!

Overnight fee includes dinner, camporee activities and breakfast the next morning. Must provide your own tents and overnight gear.

For more information email customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org or call 210-349-2404.
Teen Mentor
Outdoor Adventure CSA
This workshop is for certified PAs and CIT I/IIs passionate about
the outdoors and interested in learning more about leadership
roles at resident camp. Girls have the opportunity to try out
archery, arts & crafts and canoeing (weather permitting).

Camp La Jita
Date: March 11 – 14, 2018
Time: 3 p.m., Sunday, March 11 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 14
Fee: $65/girl

Troop Camping-Who is Going to Camp
@ Spring Break? DBJCSA
Take a trip in the Tardis with your troop for a week of your own
Dr. Who adventures while exploring camp! Enjoy crafts, food
and games, in addition to STEM activities.

Camp La Jita
Date: March 11 – 14, 2018
Time: 3 p.m., Sunday, March 11
to 3 p.m., Wednesday, March 14
Fee: $65/girl

Dino Dash
FAMILY
Dash into the wild for an adventure on the trails at camp.
We have so much fun planned for you. The dinos will be waiting
so dodge them if you can!

Camp La Jita
Date: Saturday, April 14, 2018
Time: 9 – 11 a.m.
Fee: $25/participant (includes snack and t-shirt)

Resident Camp Physical Night FAMILY
Medical professionals are donating their time for camp
physicals. Medical professionals are donating their time and all
proceeds benefit the Resident Camp Scholarship Fund.Bring a
copy of your immunization records.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Wednesday, May 2, 2018
Time: 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Fee: $10/person (payable by check or cash at event)

Jackson Nature Park
In the spring, the park is adorned with many beautiful
wildflowers, interesting geological features, sandstone
outcropping and a natural surface trail over a mile in length.

- 50-acre parks of park including trails
- Native plants, trees and animals
- Great for hiking and picnicking
- Admission is $1/person and fees are collected
  on an honor-system basis
- Located in Wilson County and managed by
  the San Antonio River Authority
- Picnic tables and a restrooms available.
  Daily hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

9284 County Road 401 at Cibolo Creek
Stockdale, Texas 78160
866-345-7272
www.sara-tx.org

COMMUNITY PARTNER
Mommy & Me Mother’s Day Weekend Glamporee  

Celebrate the bond between you and mom as you have fun exploring the beautiful hill country. Retreat to camp and transform it into your own personal oasis. Spend time in spa activities, painting, swimming, canoeing, making s’mores and so much more.

**Camp La Jita**

**Date:** Friday, May 11 to Sunday, May 13, 2018  
**Time:** 6 p.m., Friday, May 11 to 11 a.m. Sunday, May 13  
**Fee:**  
- **Cabin Package (entire weekend)**  
  - $70/mom & daughter pair  
  - add $35 for each additional daughter
- **Tent Package (entire weekend)**  
  - $60/mom & daughter pair  
  - add $30 for each additional daughter
- **Saturday Only**  
  - $50/mom & daughter pair  
  - add $25 for each additional daughter (Saturday only)

Each girl must be accompanied by a female family member over 18 and pass a raptor background check. Female family member can include a mom, aunt, grandmother or older sister.

Volunteer Work & Play Weekend  

Girls and adult volunteers can lend a helping hand at Camp La Jita, leave their mark and enjoy the camp experience.

**Camp La Jita**

**Date:** May 25 – 27, 2018  
**Time:** 7 p.m., Friday, May 25 to 10 a.m., Sunday, May 27  
**Fee:** $25/girl (meals, t-shirts and project supplies included)

Mitchell Lake-Audubon Society

The mission of Mitchell Lake Audubon Center (MLAC) is to connect people with nature through conservation and community education focused on birds and their habitats.

- **Admission is $5/person entrance fee**
- **Additional $5/person for tours and programs**
- **Children under age 5 are free**
- **MLAC members receive free admission and discounts on paid programs**

  Hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
  Tuesday - Sunday.  
  Closed Monday and all major holidays.

10750 Pleasanton Rd.  
San Antonio, Texas 78221  
210-628-1639  
mitchelllake.audubon.org

FOR MORE DATES AND TIMES OR TO REGISTER  
girlscouts-swtx.org/events

New Member Events

Are you interested in joining Girl Scouts? Would you like to start a Girl Scout troop in your neighborhood? Join us at one of our new member events scheduled at our leadership centers.

Visit girlscouts-swtx.org/events

Bring a Friend!
World Heritage Festival

Join us for the World Heritage Festival September 6 -10, 2017! The World Heritage Festival is an annual collaborative event to celebrate and promote our San Antonio Missions, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and raise funds to preserve, maintain, promote and connect.

September 6-10

Held at locations throughout San Antonio
Learn more at worldheritagefestival.org
Follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/worldheritagefestival

San Antonio Missions National Historical Park

Join us for the World Heritage Festival September 6 -10, 2017! The World Heritage Festival is an annual collaborative event to celebrate and promote our San Antonio Missions, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and raise funds to preserve, maintain, promote and connect.

September 6-10

Held at locations throughout San Antonio
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Girl Scout Ranger

Participate in volunteer service projects or education programs and earn a special patch. Information is available at https://www.nps.gov/subjects/youthprograms/girlscouranger.htm and patches can be picked up at San Antonio Missions National Historical Park.

San Antonio Missions National Historical Park

Complete the activities in the Junior Ranger booklet and earn a Junior Ranger badge or patch. Booklets are available at the park visitor center and each visitor contact station.

WebRangers

The WebRangers website is the national online Junior Ranger program. The overall goal of the WebRangers program is to expand the community of young people and their parents who understand the values and meanings inherent in the National Park System, and who act locally to conserve them. Complete activities online and you can earn a WebRanger patch. https://www.nps.gov/webrangers/

National Parks

Restored by Light at Mission Concepcion

September 8

6:30 – 11:00 p.m.

Sponsored by City of San Antonio’s Office of Historic Preservation and World Heritage Office) Bring your lawn chairs and listen to music, participate in hands-on activities and learn more about the artistry of the missions. Highlight is a laser light show illuminating the front of the church as it would have been painted almost 300 years ago!

Free

Mission Concepcion
801 Mission Road
San Antonio, Texas 78210

For more information
https://www.facebook.com/events/31019202724728/

National Parks

Mission Pachanga

As part of the World Heritage Festival, Mission Pachanga will celebrate our Missions’ designation as a UNESCO World Heritage Site by bringing together musicians and local artists to highlight the distinct and diverse spirit of our city, rich in history, folk-art, and musical tradition. This family-friendly event will feature local art and activities from vendors, food trucks, and musical performances from three fun, upbeat acts.

September 9

10 a.m.

Free

Mission Park Pavilion
6030 Padre Drive
San Antonio, Texas 78214

For more information
https://www.facebook.com/worldheritagefestival/
National Parks

Tour de las Misiones Bike Ride
September 9
8 a.m.
The World Heritage Bike ride kicks off with an organized bike tour. Registered participants will begin a 7, 14 or 22-mile ride beginning and ending at Mission Park Pavilion #1. Tour the south side of San Antonio, the Alamo and each mission.
To register visit https://campscui.active.com/ords/FitZipOrg#/selectSessions/1903703

Tour de las Misiones Volksmarch Walk
September 9
8 a.m.
Registered participants will enjoy a 5K or 10K walk through San Antonio’s Mission trails and South River Reach. The walk will be hosted by the American Volkssport Association: America’s Walking Club and will begin and end at Mission Park Pavilion (#1)
6030 Padre Drive
San Antonio, Texas  78214
For more information https://www.facebook.com/worldheritagefestival/

Public Lands Day: Rancho de las Cabras
Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors and adults are invited to join us for a “work day” at Rancho de las Cabras in Wilson County. Help maintain trails to the river, prairie restoration areas and the landscape around the archaeological ruins of the ranch.
- Girls dress in appropriate work clothes – long pants, solid shoes, hat and sun protection.
- The park will provide safety gear and tools.
- Earn service hours and see this exciting resource only occasionally open to the public
- Bring a sack lunch for a picnic on the ranch

September 30, 2017
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Free
For more information and to sign up
Sign up at SAAN_volunteers@nps.gov
6420 County Rd 144
Floresville, Texas 78114

Texas State Parks Nature Rocks
Explore the Activities, Green Spaces, Nature Centers and Parks with your troop!
Children and families who play and learn in nature are healthier, happier and smarter!
naturerockssanantonio.org

Public Lands Day: Archaeology Day at Mission San José
As part of Texas Archaeology Month and International Archaeology Day, you’ll learn about archaeology in Texas and around the world with hands-on activities and make and take projects. All children that visit at least eight booths will receive an Archaeology Day patch.

October 21, 2017
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Free
Mission San José
6701 San José Drive
Public Lands Day: Farm Day at Mission San Juan

Farm Day at Mission San Juan will highlight the farm in the San Antonio community. Park rangers will offer guided tours of the mission compound and farm, including hands-on activities. Longhorns and other farm animals will be in the mission corrals. Guided tours will take visitors along portions of the acequia system, the colonial irrigation system that brought water from the San Antonio River to the laborers and fields.

November 11, 2017
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Free
Mission San Juan
9101 Graf Road

San Antonio Missions National Historical Park-National Park Service

There are 411 national parks in the U.S. and ours is in your backyard! We have free, on-going programs for Girl Scouts of all levels to be completed by troops or individual girls. Park staff can also help with Journeys and other troop projects.

- Consider San Antonio Missions National Historical Park for your Highest Award projects.
- Participate in volunteer service projects or education programs and earn a special patch. Information is available at https://www.nps.gov/subjects/youthprograms/girlscoutranger.htm and patches can be picked up at San Antonio Missions National Historical Park.
- Become San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Junior Ranger—complete the activities in the Junior Ranger booklet and earn a Junior Ranger patch.

2202 Roosevelt Avenue
San Antonio, Texas 78210
210-932-1001
nps.gov/saan

The San Antonio Aquarium welcomes families to enjoy an immersive interactive experience! Sea to Believe as we connect children and families to the planet, ranging from our rainforests and deserts to the exotic species of ocean

- Feed sharksy, stingrays, birds and tropical animals
- Watch the jellyfish glow
- Admire the seahorses

6320 Bandera Rd
San Antonio TX 78238
210-310-3210
sanantonioaquarium.net

SeaWorld Camp

Campers will experience first-hand how we care for the animals in our park and around the world through fun and educational activities, amazing animal shows, and up-close animal encounters!

10500 Sea World Dr.,
San Antonio, TX 78251
seaworld.com/san-antonio
Camp La Jita
year-round rentals available!

Camp La Jita is a picture perfect setting in the beautiful hill country along the Sabinal River. Enjoy adventures on water or land, by moonlight or the setting sun. Troop camps can be planned and carried out by the girls with help from their troop leaders. It fits perfectly into the Girl Scout journey. Reserve one of seven rustic cabin units or bring your own tents!

Who can reserve Camp La Jita?
- Troops, communities, volunteers, families and outside groups. Additional fee will be applied to outside groups.

What activities are available?
- Swimming*, canoeing*, archery* and crafts
- Badge work, including La Jita Magic
- Star gazing, hikes & more!
- Horses are only available during Winter Horse Camp and during Summer Resident Camp.
- Swimming facilities available from Apr-Oct

*Requires a facilitator with appropriate training/certification.

To make reservations:
- Reserve units at Camp La Jita up to one year in advance.
- Unit reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis.
- A Council-Owned Site Use Application must be submitted to reserve units at camp to the Program department. Please download the application at girlscouts-swtx.org/forms.
- To make a reservation, email customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org or call 210-349-2404 ext. 391 and request the desired unit and dates.

Who can reserve Camp La Jita?

Rates & Information

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*Include a NON-REFUNDABLE deposit of $25.00 per unit which will be applied toward the total fee. Canceled units will forfeit the unit deposit. A separate check for the damage deposit of $25.00 per unit will be required with final payment. The damage deposit check will be shred upon notification from the camp ranger that the unit was left in good condition/all items in proper location. Damages, uncleaned areas, and graffiti will be considered cause for forfeiture of deposits.

Troops/Groups must have a Troop Camp Leadership (TCL)-certified person and at least one other person currently certified in adult/child CPR and first aid (both from a GSUSA-approved agency) in order to camp. The TCL may not serve as the first-aider. Girl/adult ratios must be met.
Lead girls “out the door” on a field trip in the city or camp. Outdoor experiences allow girls to discover their strengths and skills, connect with their environment and take action to make their world a better place. It is one of the best ways to involve girls in girl-led, cooperative activities where they learn by doing.

**Intro to Volunteer Training**
Learn about program offerings and how you can get involved.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**

**Dates:** (choose one):
- Tuesday, September 12
- Tuesday, October 10

**Time:** 5 – 6:30 p.m.

**Fee:** FREE

**Archery FUN-damentals**
Combine your passion for archery, with your ability to have fun. By learning to facilitate archery events at camp, you’ll bring the joy of archery to girls of all ages in a fun-filled way.

**Castroville Regional Park**
816 Alsace Ave, Castroville, Texas 78009

**Date:** September 30

**Time:** 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Fee:** $15/participant

**Camp La Jita**

**Date:** Saturday, April 21, 2018

**Time:** 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Fee:** $15/participant

**Canoe FUN-damentals**
We put the fun in fundamentals. Learn best practices for facilitating canoe events for Girl Scouts and troops, then have some fun in the Texas sun as you tip a canoe and save a paddle or two! Open new paths on the waterways just beyond the riverbend.

**Camp La Jita**

**Date:** Saturday, October 7

**Time:** 9 – 11 a.m.

**Fee:** $15/participant

**Adult Horsemanship FUN-damentals**
Learn how to build girls of courage, confidence and character by teaching horseback riding!

**Camp La Jita**

**Date:** February 2 – 4, 2018

**Time:** 7:30 p.m., Friday, February 2 to 10 a.m., Sunday, February 4

**Fee:** $35/participant

To take a group on an overnight outdoor experience, each group must have one or more adults who are Troop Camp Leadership (TCL) certified. Adults over the age of 18 can register for and take outdoor training.
Troop Camp Leadership

Each troop needs one adult who is Troop Camp Leadership (TCL) certified to take girls camping. Training is offered as two options: TCL Option 1 or TCL Option 2. Men and women 18+ are eligible.

**TCL Option 1**

Each adult must attend one of the following planning sessions AND campout weekend to become certified. Only adults can attend the planning session and campout.

**Choose a date:**

**Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**

- **Date:** October 25
- **Time:** 6 – 10 p.m.
- **OR**
- **Date:** November 4
- **Time:** 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

--- PLUS (campout weekend is required) ---

**Camp La Jita**

- **Date:** November 18 and 19
- **Fee:** $20/participant

**TCL Option 2**

Each adult must attend one of the planning sessions AND attend the campout weekend with a troop to become certified.

**Dates and times to be scheduled.**

**Prerequisites:** TCL training participants need a current Girl Scout membership and current background check screening on file prior to attending the planning session.

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**Topgolf**

Topgolf is a point-scoring golf game that is entertaining and as exciting as the real competition. Play from a covered platform similar to a bowling alley, overlooking 240 yards of “golf range”. Challenge your family and friends to game anytime of the year, rain or shine. You don’t have to be an experienced pro, just keep your eye on the target and swing!

- Food and beverages available
- Lounge area
- Indoor fun
- HDTV throughout

5539 North Loop 1604 W  
San Antonio, 78249  
210-202-2694

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**Yoga in the Park 2017**

Join Mobile Om for Yoga at the missions. Families and beginners are welcome!

Free

- **September 19 • 6 pm**  
  Mission Concepción  
  801 Mission Road

- **October 14 • 9 am**  
  Mission San José  
  6701 San José Dr.

- **November 18 • 9 am**  
  Mission Concepción

- **December 16 • 9 am**  
  Mission San José
STEM Up. Experience science, technology, engineering and math through hands-on activities. Our STEM programs provide close-up opportunities for active participation. It’s creativity mixed with innovation and lots of fun with STEM.

Visit our online calendar for dates and details at girlscouts-swtx.org/events.
Explore Aviation
CASA
Fly away with us as we explore the exciting world of aerospace. Climb aboard and strap yourself in to learn about the many careers and opportunities for women available in aerospace. Meet female military, commercial and private pilots and experience the thrill of flight with a quick trip around the San Antonio airport.

Valero Airport Hanger
1000 Skyplace, San Antonio, Texas 78216
Date: Saturday, October 14
Time: 1 – 4 p.m.
Fee: $25/girl

Discover STEM Exploration!
iFLY San Antonio
BJCSA
iFLY San Antonio uses their unique vertical wind tunnel facility to make STEM exciting, relevant and accessible. Their STEM based curriculum designed to support STEM learning makes it an enjoyable experience for everyone.
iFLY San Antonio Indoor Skydiving
15915 W IH 10
San Antonio, Texas 78257
Date: Monday, October 9
Time: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fee: $30/girl

STEM Saturday: Aerospace Engineering
DBJCSA
Blast off into the engineering land of air and space. Girls will face-off with the power of air and experience its drag and pressure. They will enjoy hands-on rocketry and get to launch their own rocket.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Saturday, October 21
Time: 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Fee: FREE

Who Done It? Forensics: STEM Series
JCS
Stimulate your brain while having fun engaging in the world of Forensics and Microbiology.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Dates: (Must attend all dates for this series)
Tuesday, October 23
Wednesday, October 24
Thursday, October 25
Time: 6 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: $20/girl

ALCOA PLANT TOUR
Alcoa is the world’s leading integrated aluminum company. Inventor of the modern-day aluminum industry, Alcoa innovation has been behind major milestones in the aerospace, automotive, packaging, building and construction, commercial transportation, consumer electronics and industrial markets.

1455 Old Corpus Christi Road
Elmendorf, Texas 78112
210-635-6260
Kathleen Kosub
kathleen.kosub@alcoa.com

Registration instructions can be found online at:
girlscouts-swtx.org/EventRegistration

You will find instructions on how to register for all events, activities and trainings found in this guide, as well as policies on refunds, deposits, cancellations and more!
Valero Energy Foundation

STEM Initiative
(Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

The need for skilled science, technology, engineering and math professionals is ever-growing. Though traditionally male-dominated, women are having a greater impact in these areas than ever before. In this initiative, girls will push boundaries, test limits and look at the world through inquisitive eyes. Whether they're building a robot, learning the needs of a car’s engine or creating a chemical reaction, girls are moving forward into the future.

In hopes to spur creative problem solving in our everyday lives, Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas and the Valero Energy Foundation are coming together in the Valero STEM Patch Partnership. Girl Scouts who complete the Valero Energy Foundation curriculum can work on a variety of projects, everything from engineering paper helicopters to learning about speed and friction.
Behind the Stars: STEM Series JCS
Stars are more than tiny twinkles of light. Learn why they’re so important by stepping into the shoes of an astronomer to observe them up close.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Dates: (Must attend all dates for this series)
      Tuesday, November 7
      Wednesday, November 8
      Thursday, November 9
Time: 6 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: $20/girl

STEM Program Aid Training
STEM is project-based learning that mimics real-world scenarios. You will learn how to facilitate STEM activities and projects from beginning to end; encouraging discussions during and after each lesson. PAs will help grow awareness of Girl Scouting’s aim to deliver fun with a purpose, while being a leader, role model and teen mentor to younger girls.

Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Saturday, October 14
Time: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fee: $20/girl (includes workbook and supplies)

STEM Saturday:
You Can Build It! DBJCSA
Girls will build on their natural curiosity by learning engineering concepts through hands-on activities about the architecture and design of bridges.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Saturday, December 2
Time: 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Fee: FREE

Discover STEM Exploration! - Scobee Education Center DBJCSA
Engage in hands-on STEM activities and take a journey to the International Space Station. Girls will learn about life as astronauts in space, investigate NASA’s missions and launch their imaginations beyond our world in the Scobee Planetarium!

San Antonio College Scobee Education Center
1819 North Main Avenue
San Antonio, Texas 78212
Date: Monday, February 19, 2018
Time: 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fee: $15/girl

STEMfest!
A variety of activities and displays centering on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) for our Girl Scouts. Girls will gain awareness about STEM, and learn how these disciplines are inherent in many things we do every day.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, February 8, 2018
Time: 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Fee: $10/participant

Share your Girl Scout fun with us!
Post photos from our programs on our social media pages to show off your great Girl Scout Leadership Experience.
1, 2, 3, Code: STEM Series  

From computer programming to game design to creating your own music and art, enjoy a simple, fun way to make and play with technology while controlling the world.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center

Dates:  
(Must attend all dates for this series)
Tuesday, March 20
Wednesday, March 21
Thursday, March 22, 2018

Time:  6 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee:  $20/girl

Discover STEM Exploration! - Science Mill

Through cutting-edge technology-based exhibits, games and programs, the Science Mill expands girls’ understanding and appreciation of science in their everyday lives. By igniting their curiosity and inspiring them to pursue post-secondary education, the Science Mill experience starts girls on the path to a life-long career in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Hill Country Science Mill

101 S Lady Bird Ln., Johnson City, Texas 78636
Date:  Saturday, March 30, 2018
Time:  8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. (departure and return)
Fee:  $25/girl

Inside Out: STEM Series

What’s going on inside your insides? From the skeleton, to muscles and blood flow and respiration, discover how all parts of the human body fit and work together. Girls will discover how their voice box works, how many bones they have, how thousands of “tasters” on their tongues help them distinguish flavors, how the DNA in their cells is different from everyone else’s and so much more!

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center

Dates:  
(Must attend all dates for this series)
Tuesday, April 10, 2018
Wednesday, April 11, 2018
Thursday, April 12, 2018

Time:  6 – 7:30 p.m.
Fee:  $20/girl

Community Partner

IFLY San Antonio

Indoor skydiving is the simulation of true freefall conditions in a vertical wind tunnel. It’s where the dream of flight becomes a reality. The invention of modern wind tunnels has given skydivers a consistent and practical way to develop and hone skills that usually require jumping from a plane. Additionally, the increase in availability of wind tunnels has created a whole new genre of sport – body flight. It is one of the most exciting and fastest growing sports in the world.

15915 W. IH 10
San Antonio, Texas 78257
210-762-4359

Community Partner

Monster Golf

Looking for a fun and thrilling way to spend an evening? Play glow-in-the-dark mini golf with your favorite monster on Monster Golf’s indoor 18-hole putt-putt course.

$8.99/Little Monsters
Discover STEM Exploration! - The Meadows Center  

The Meadows Center’s interpreter-led field trips offer a unique learning environment at Spring Lake. Girls will learn about Spring Lake’s ecosystem and biodiversity, the water cycle and the importance of environmental stewards. Girls will also enjoy a glass-bottom boat ride!

**The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment**
201 San Marcos Springs Dr.
San Marcos, Texas 78666
Date: Saturday, April 7, 2018
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. (departure and return)
Fee: $35/girl

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STEM Saturday: Using Alternative Energy  

As we continue to become more aware of our impact on the environment, scientists are working to find new ways to save and make energy. Girls will learn the five types of renewable energy resources by engaging in various activities to help them understand the transformation of energy (solar, water and wind) into electricity.

**Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**
Date: Saturday, April 14, 2018
Time: 12 – 2:30 p.m.
Fee: FREE

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**Girl Scout Shop**

**Give back!**
Donate to Daisy’s Closet & get 5% off your entire purchase!*

*Must make donation known to shop staff to receive discount. Discount is valid day of donation only. Donations can be dropped off at either Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center or West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center.
girlscoutshop.com/southwest-texas-council

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VOLUNTEERS!
SAVE THE DATE!

**VOLUNTEER EXPO**
AUGUST 11, 2018

- Find out what’s new in 2019
- Get tips and tricks on how to have a successful (and stress free) cookie or nut program
- Get answers to your questions
- Network - meet other volunteers and have fun

Open to all volunteers! Look for details.

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**Love being a Girl Scout?**

Know someone who wants to be a G.I.R.L (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader™)? It’s never too late to join.

Head to girlscouts-swtx.org/join to help her sign up.

Refer a Friend!
Spend the afternoon with Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas at our first ever STEM Expo, powered by USAA. Girls and boys of all ages are invited to have fun with Girl Scouts.

**ADMISSION**: $10 in advance
$12 at the door/person ages 4+

Register in advance at girls scouts-swtx.org/stemexpo

- Human Hamster Balls
- 3D Printing
- Laser Tag
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Interactive Gaming
- Drones
- Make-N-Take Projects
- Robotics

**More than 30 amazing vendors!**

**Open to the public!**
Not a Girl Scout? Not a problem!

**Awesome giveaways all day!**

- First 1,000 kids thru the gates
- Food trucks!
- Live STEM demos!
Morgan's Wonderland is proud to be a Community Partner. Troops will receive complimentary Morgan's Wonderland patches. Ask about inclusion training for your troop.

**Program Features**
- Enjoy Morgan's Wonderland with your Girl Scout troop
- GPS Adventure Bands available upon request
- Sample our concessions or bring your own lunch
- Sensitivity training available

Girl Scout Program available during park operating hours
General admission prices apply
Individuals with special needs are free
Groups of 20 or more may qualify for a discounted rate

5223 David Edwards Drive
San Antonio, Texas 78233
Schedule your troop visit call 210-495-5888
morganswonderland.com

Space Center Houston engages Girl Scouts in an interactive and hands-on learning environment. Girl Scouts will have an enriched experience in our Scout Camp-In program that teaches young girls about the science, technology, engineering and mathematics involved with space exploration. Camps are available for Brownies and Juniors. Activities are badge-inspired, STEM-based and all about space!

**Sleep-in includes:**
- Dinner
- Evening of activities
- Snack
- Campsite inside the space center
- Breakfast
- Tram tour
- And second day admission
- For dates, times and fee visit: [https://spacecenter.org/scout-camp-ins/girls/](https://spacecenter.org/scout-camp-ins/girls/)

Texas Air Museum at Stinson Field is dedicated to telling the story of Texas and San Antonio's vital role in the development of military air power. It pays tribute to aviation pioneers, technical achievements in aviation, and above all, those who gave their lives to defend freedom. It includes details on World War II—the Pacific and European theaters of that conflict—including the early period and "golden-age", of aviation. Learn about the famous "Flying Stinson Family" and why San Antonio is considered to be the birthplace of American military aviation. Call for fees and hours.

301 Alamo Plaza
San Antonio, Texas 78205
For special group pricing please call 210-224-9299
or email sanantonio@ripleys.com

Texas Air Museum
1234 99th
San Antonio, Texas 78214
210-977-9885
Journeys and badges are topic-specific, aligned to the five program outcomes, and can be used as a prerequisite to the Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.

**STEM Journeys**

**Engineering**

*Think Like an Engineer*
Girls learn how to think like a designer by participating in hands-on design challenges and completing a Take Action project.

**Computer Science**

*Think Like a Programmer*
Girls participate in interactive computational-thinking activities to learn how programmers solve problems. Girls also complete a Take Action project.

**Outdoor STEM**

*Think Like a Citizen Scientist*
Girls learn the scientific method by undertaking a citizen science project that involves making observations, collecting data and working with scientists to receive feedback on research and findings. Girls also complete a Take Action project.

**Outdoor Journey**

Anchored by the Troop Camping badge, this Journey will deepen girls’ outdoor skills through badges that lead to a Take Action project and inspire girls to take interest in environmental stewardship.

Individually registered girls contact Customer Care to request your copy at customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org or 210-349-2404
STEM Badges

Engineering

Robotics
Girls design their own robots after learning how they’re built and programmed. “Unplugged” activities allow girls to earn badges without buying kits.

Engineering

Mechanical Engineering
Girls complete hands-on engineering activities, such as building and testing roller coasters, race cars and jumping robots.

Girls’ Choice

Troop Camping
This year, girls from across the United States had the chance to vote for their favorite badge category and topic, and the winner is...Troop Camping.

New Daisy Badges

Two new Daisy badges, Outdoor Art Maker and Good Neighbor, give Daisies a chance to get in on the creativity other Girl Scouts already enjoy and discover all about their school, city or town and state.

Visit our Girl Scout Shop for badges!
GIRL SCOUTING AND THE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER

Historically, Girl Scouting has been committed to diversity, religious and otherwise, and a rich tapestry of religious beliefs is reflected in the Girl Scout membership.

We, the members of Girl Scouts of the United States of America, united (by a belief in God and) by acceptance of the Girl Scout Promise and Law do dedicate ourselves to the purpose of inspiring girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism and service that they may become happy and resourceful citizens. We believe that the motivating force in Girl Scouting is a spiritual one. We affirm that the Girl Scout Movement shall ever be open to all girls and adults who accept the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

—Excerpt from Preamble, Constitution of Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.

Realizing the benefits of collaboration with Girl Scouting, many faith based groups have developed religious award activities that encourage Girl Scouts to become stronger members of their faith. The Girl Scout Promise and Law reflect that we are a spiritually-based organization. We are non-denominational, though the values we endorse are universal — for example, respecting oneself and others and making the world a better place. In working with her faith group, a Girl Scout reinforces her commitment to her faith. At the same time, religious groups strengthen their connection to girls, their families and youth in their communities.

My Promise, My Faith pin
Earned by Girl Scouts who attend faith-based events, the pin recognizes their deepened connection between the Girl Scout Law and their faith.
St. Agnes, Patron of Girl Scouts

Do you know why the Catholic Church chose St. Agnes to be the patron of Girl Scouts? Find out while learning about the life of this special saint. This religious recognition is designed and sponsored by the GSSWT Catholic Committee on Girl Scouting.

**St. Jerome Catholic Church**
7955 Real Rd.
San Antonio (near China Grove), Texas 78263

**Date:** Saturday, September 30
**Time:** 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Bring sack lunch and Bible.
**Fee:** $15/girl

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**Religions Around the World**

Earn your Religions Around the World patch while exploring the holidays, foods, music, dance and crafts of major religions around the wide. It’s an interesting and fun program that teaches girls how to work for peace and tolerance. Girls of any faith can be Girl Scouts and join in the many faith-based events.

**Date:** Saturday, November 18
**Time:** 9 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.
**Fee:** $15/girl

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**Blessing of the Animals**

Join Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas and Travis Park United Methodist Church for a ceremony of pet blessings. Blessing of the Animals, part of World Animal Day, is celebrated in honor of St. Francis of Assisi who was a lover of animals.

**Travis Park**
301 E. Travis, San Antonio, Texas 78205

**Date:** Sunday, October 8
**Time:** 12 – 4 p.m.
**Fee:** FREE

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**Models of Faith:**

**Sts. Anne & Joachim**

Learn more about the grandparents of Jesus, Saints Joachim and Anne, who are the parents of Mary, the mother of Jesus. Learn how you can share your faith within your own family. This religious recognition is designed and sponsored by the GSSWT Catholic Committee on Girl Scouting.

**St. Helena Catholic Church**
14714 Edgemont, San Antonio, Texas 78247

**Date:** Saturday, November 4
**Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
**Fee:** $12/girl

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**Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas Interfaith Committee**

The GSSWT Interfaith Committee provides information to the Community Interfaith Coordinators about faith communities’ Religious Award programs and promotes girl and adult involvement with the Religious Award programs. Council-wide events are planned for girls to learn more about faith communities in our area and to support Girl Scout Sabbath/Girl Scout Sunday.

For assistance and information:
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210-349-2404

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**FOR MORE DATES AND TIMES OR TO REGISTER**

[link] girlscouts-swtx.org/events
Gold. Silver. Bronze. These represent the highest honors a Girl Scout can earn.

All three awards give girls the chance to do big things while working on an issue they care about. Whether planting a community garden at school to inspire others to eat healthy, advocating for animal rights or building a career network that encourages girls to become scientists and engineers, Girl Scouting’s highest awards will help change a corner of the world—and beyond!

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest award a Girl Scout can earn. Once achieved, it shows colleges, employers and your community that you’re out there changing the world. Join a century of women who have done big things. Learn more about Gold Award scholarships, the history of the Gold Award and the benefits of “going Gold.”

Have you ever looked around your neighborhood or school and wondered how you could make a change for the better? Going for the Girl Scout Silver Award—the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn—gives you the chance to do big things and make your community better in the process.

Welcome to the Girl Scout Bronze Award, the highest honor a Girl Scout Junior can achieve. As you and your team plan and complete your project, you’ll meet new people and have the kind of fun that happens when you work with other Girl Scouts to make a difference.

Visit girlscouts-swtx.org/HigherAwards for deadlines, guidelines and information.
Workshops guide girls and adults through the process of completing a higher award project. From paperwork, to advice on award projects, girls have support on every step of their journey.

**GIRL WORKSHOPS**

**Go Gold!**  
Find out how to Go Gold! at this Girl Scout Gold Award workshop just for girls! Take action with issues that you care about and become an agent of change. This workshop is a mandatory prerequisite to earning the Gold Award.  
**Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**  
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center  
**Fee:** $5/girl (includes workbook and supplies)

**Silver Award Workshop**  
Troops, groups and individually registered girls are welcome to bring their take action project ideas to life in a workshop designed by girls, for girls. Paperwork is a breeze with peer tutoring and expert feedback. Don't wait to change the world today!  
**Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**  
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center  
**Fee:** $5/girl (includes workbook and supplies)

**FOR ADULTS**

**Gold and Silver Award Resources**  
Get the tools and find out how you can advise and support girls to organize, manage and complete the Girl Scout Gold Award and the Girl Scout Silver Award.  
Visit girlscouts-swtx.org/HigherAwards for guidelines and prerequisites for each of the awards along with the award steps. Questions may be directed to customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org.

**Bronze Award Workshop**  
Your girls want to earn their Bronze Award! The Bronze Award Workshop will give you the tools to help them succeed. You will receive a guidelines book and information to help you advise the girls through the project process.  
This workshop is for Girl Scout adult volunteers.  
**Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**  
**Date:** Saturday, Nov. 11  
**Time:** 1 - 3 p.m.  
**Fee:** $5/adult (includes workbook and supplies)  
Must register five business days prior to class date.
Community events are free and held at the West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center (unless otherwise noted). They are free and open to you, your family and friends.

**Learning Communities: Adult and Community Education Series**
Calling all young adults, college students and parents! Get together with friends and colleagues for personal development on the first Saturday of every month.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**
**Dates:** 1st Saturday every month (September - May)
October 7 – Identifying Transferable Skills
November 4 – Resume Writing
December 2 – Time Management
January 6 – Interview Preparation
February 3 – Resume Review & Cover Letter Writing
March 3 – Salary Negotiation & Interview Preparation
April 7 – Job Fair Preparation & Dressing for Success
May 5 – Mission Nutrition

**Time:** 10 – 11:30 a.m.

**Monday Fun-Day! Series**
Give your week a jolt with a movie, meal, friends and family held on the first, second and third Monday of EVERY month. Note: There will be no Monday fun days on holidays. Check the council calendar for closure dates.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**
**Date:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd Monday every month
**Time:** 5:30 – 7 p.m.

**W.O.W. Series (Work Out Wednesdays)**
It is time to WOW your weekly routine with Work Out Wednesdays! Every Wednesday, beginners and advanced yogis can join us for free yoga classes. No experience necessary or age requirements.

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**
**Dates:** Every Wednesday
**Time:** 7:15 – 8:15 p.m.
National Night Out 2017: Code Blue
It’s time to increase crime prevention awareness in true Girl Scout style! National Night Out 2017, a CODE BLUE celebration, is free and open to everyone. Enjoy fun activities, food, music, door prizes, vendors and more!

Let your inner blue shine and get a FREE patch!
Girl Scouts are invited to enter a contest to get friends and family to join them in taking action by pledging participation in National Night Out. Pick up a packet at West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center or contact Customer Care at customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org or 210-349-2404 to have one sent to you.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Tuesday, October 3
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Ghouls Night Out!
You and your ghoul-friends are invited to join us for an evening of safe Halloween fun—free for the whole community! Sport your best costume and bring your bucket, for there will be ghoulishious refreshments, games, and trick or treating galore! BONUS! Girls will receive a FREE PATCH!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY! Your troop can adopt a door to decorate and hand out candy, do an activity or create a haunted house!

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, October 26
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

6th Annual Thanksgiving Family Dinner
’Tis the season to give thanks! Our Thanksgiving Dinner is our way of expressing our gratitude to our community.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY! Service project opportunities for this event include Thanksgiving Meal baskets, Adopt-A-Door Decoration, and table centerpiece donations.

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, November 16
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Jingle Bell Jam
Let’s jingle and jam together one last time in 2017 to enjoy festive crafts and refreshments. Bring your camera and dress to impress to have your photo taken with Santa! The first 300 girls to arrive will receive a FREE PATCH!

West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, December 14
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

2018 MLK March
Take action in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in the 30th annual MLK March. Wearing our uniforms, and holding our banner high, we’ll take our place in the nation’s largest march! Patches will be given to all Girl Scout participants. All Girl Scouts must wear their uniform or Girl Scout t-shirt. We’ll meet at the beginning of the march. Parents are invited to march with us.

MLK Academy
3501 Block of MLK Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78220
Date: Monday, January 15, 2018
Time: 10 – 11:30 a.m.
San Antonio Snow Day
Enjoy winter fun, San Antonio style. It’s our own snow day! We’ll play games, make snow globes and enjoy sweet frozen treats! First 300 girls will receive a FREE PATCH!
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, January 25
Time: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

2nd Annual Heartbeat Bash
A Valentine’s Bash for the books, we’ve planned music, activities and snacks for all who celebrate love. BONUS! Girls will receive a FREE PATCH!
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, February 8
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Community Easter Egg Hunt
Hop in for some family fun at this year’s egg hunt! There will be food, music, activities and pictures with the Easter Bunny. BONUS! Girls will receive a FREE PATCH!
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, March 29
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Snack Attack
Have no fear, snacks can be healthy and enjoyable! Prepare to take taste tests and test your snack making skills as you learn about healthy options.
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, April 12
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Fiesta Fun Carnival
Long live carnival fun. Celebrate the end of school with fiesta crafts, food and, most importantly, family! BONUS! Girls will receive a FREE PATCH!
West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center
Date: Thursday, May 17
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

For Questions:
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210-349-2404/800-580-7247
customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org
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5622 W. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd.
San Antonio, Texas 78237

JOIN US!
WE CAN’T WAIT TO START THE FUN!

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BONUS! Girls will receive the H-E-B Health & Wellness patch!
Dates and times are subject to change. Please check online for a full list of events and office closures.
BEGIN WITH A STARTER KIT!
It all starts with the right kit! Visit the Girl Scout Shop at Sally Cheever or West Side Girl Scout leadership centers to purchase your official uniform items (sash, vest or tunic), American flag patch, council ID, troop numbers, insignia tab, WAGGGS pin, membership pin and The Girl’s Guide to Girl Scouting and receive a free drawstring bag (while supplies last)!

TWO LOCATIONS:

**Sally Cheever Girl Scout Leadership Center**
811 N. Coker Loop, San Antonio, Texas 78216
210-349-2404, shop@girlscouts-swtx.org

**West Side Girl Scout Leadership Center**
5622 W. César E. Chávez Blvd., San Antonio, Texas 78237
210-349-2404, shop@girlscouts-swtx.org

**School Year Hours**
(September 1 – May 31)
- Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Second Saturday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Summer Hours**
(June 1 – August 31)
- Monday-Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Second Saturday: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Saturday**
(open second Saturday)
- September 9
- October 14
- November 11
- December 9
- January 13
- February 10
- March 10
- April 14
- May 12
- June 9
- July 14
- August 11

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- Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Second & Third Saturday: 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Summer Hours**
(June 1 – August 31)
- Monday-Friday: 12 – 6 p.m.

**Saturday**
(open second and third Saturday)
- September 9 & 16
- October 14 & 21
- November 11 & 18
- December 9 & 16
- January 13 & 20
- February 10 & 17
- March 10 & 17
- April 14 & 21
- May 12 & 19

Additional Info
Hours are subject to change without notice. The Girl Scout Shop is a fully-stocked equipment agency.
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