

# Volunteer News

March–April, 2024

## Thank You for Another Great Girl Scout Year!

Thank you for being a selfless, generous, and thoughtful volunteer! You have helped make a difference in the lives of so many. We are so grateful for the time and talents you share with your Girl Scouts.

Reminders before the school year comes to an end:



### Troop Finance Reports

Troop Finance reports are due June 30. Every troop must submit a completed annual Troop Finance Report and a copy of the troop's May bank statement to the Girl Scout Spirit of Nebraska

Finance Department. **This form** is found on the Council website under "Forms". Failure to do so impacts your troop's ability to take part in Fall Product or Cookie Programs. If you need help or have any questions, please reach out to your Troop Support Specialist.



### New Co-Leader Checklists

Get rewards for having a successful first year of volunteering with Girl Scouts! Complete your **New Co-Leader Checklist** and claim your next membership or volunteer uniform vest by contacting your Troop Support Specialist.



### Earn Your Honor Troop/ Girl Scout Status

Earning Honor Troop or Honor Girl Scout status is a fantastic way to have a well-rounded year and to ensure that every girl is doing a variety of activities. This program

can be earned by every troop and Individual Girl Member! Each troop will receive a signed Honor Troop Certificate and each girl an Honor Girl Scout Patch. Find the 2023-2024 Honor requirements, a working document to track your progress, and the **submission form** (submit on or before June 30, 2024!) on the Council website.

For any questions, contact your Troop Support Specialist.



*Mission: Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.*

# Spring Cookie Program Dates

**March 11** – First ACH withdrawal for 50% of the amount due to Council for initial cookie orders

**March 22** – Reward orders entered in Smart Cookies

**March 29** – Second ACH withdrawal for 50% of the amount due to Council for initial cookie orders

**April 12** – Third and final ACH withdrawal for the amount due to Council for ALL cookies received from Cookie Cupboards

**April 29** – Reward distribution begins



# Thank You for a Great Cookie Season!

Congratulations! You've reached the end of the 2024 Cookie season! We want to thank you for all your hard work this year. We know it takes a lot of effort to have a successful cookie season.



While numbers are not in yet for the 2024 Cookie season, we are optimistic, and know all the hard work will pay off. In 2023, nearly 4,800 girls sold 1,501,932 packages of cookies—we can't wait to see the numbers for 2024. You are all magic - own it!



# We Have the Perfect Summer Job for You!

Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska is hiring for summer camp positions across the state. No experience needed! We promote an environment of teamwork and inclusiveness where you can:

- Gain new skills
- Forge meaningful relationships
- Facilitate life-changing experiences for younger Girl Scouts
- Enjoy our camp amenities—zip lines, challenge courses, free fall, tomahawk throwing, swimming pools, and more
- Wear shorts and t-shirts all summer long
- Receive free CPR, mental health, and first aid training
- Must be 18 years or older, so pass this opportunity along to the young adults in your lives



Be a part of something great! Scan the QR code for [more information](#).



# Program Passport Prizes

**Download** your *Girl-Led: The Year of Friendship and Fun!* Passport. Keep the fun going all year by trying new things and collecting stamps as you go. Redeem those stamps and earn cool prizes for girls and co-leaders, including a \$25 Program Credit!





# artVenture <sup>2024</sup>

*Celebrating 20 Years*



Celebrate 20 years of creativity, collaboration, and giving back at artVenture! Join us in making our milestone fundraiser unforgettable by volunteering! We're counting on community champions like you to lend a hand and support Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska. Sign up by sending an email to [givetogirls@girlscoutsnebraska.org](mailto:givetogirls@girlscoutsnebraska.org) or call 402.779.8230. Thank you for being a part of our artVenture family!



**April 20, 2024**

UNO Mammel Hall  
6708 Pine Street, Omaha NE



Facebook Group

**Additional ways to get involved:**

- Give a donation
- Volunteer
- Become a sponsor
- Join our Facebook group
- Spread the word
- Donate items from our Amazon Wishlist



Amazon Wishlist



## Girl's Guide to Summer Fun

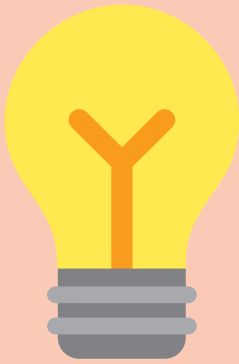
Are you experiencing spring fever? Are you ready for the most amazing summer fun? Check out the **Girl's Guide to Summer Fun** for all our amazing camps, travel programs, and events planned for summer. Register early before they fill!



## Register for Programs Early!

To allow enough time to prepare for upcoming programs, we need to adhere to strict program deadlines. To avoid disappointment, be on the lookout for those program registration deadlines and the number of remaining spots available—**register as early as you can!**





## Choose Your Thank You Gifts!

It's hard to believe that we're already thinking about back-to-school! EVERY YEAR our volunteers come through and step up to help represent Girl Scouts at various recruitment events.

We want to hear from you! What is a "thank you" gift you'd like to receive? Different tumblers? Tote bags? Journals? Luggage tags? Umbrellas? Please email us at [MemberSupport@GirlScoutsNebraska.org](mailto:MemberSupport@GirlScoutsNebraska.org) with the subject "Volunteer Thank You Ideas" with your suggestions. We GREATLY appreciate our volunteers and would like to say thank you!



## Volunteer Retreat Weekend 2024

Created to show appreciation for our hardworking adult volunteers, Volunteer Retreat Weekend is back for its third year, June 28-29. This adult-only camp experience is full of fun, friends, and fellowship with plenty of time for networking and idea sharing.

Indoor and outdoor sessions will be offered on Friday and Saturday, including ziplining through gorgeous Camp Catron, workshops, pool time, crafts, and more! Participants have the flexibility of choosing what to participate in.

**Register today!** For questions, contact [membersupport@girlscoutsnebraska.org](mailto:membersupport@girlscoutsnebraska.org).



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