

Family Partnership Campaign Underway

The Family Partnership Campaign is now underway and runs from September 1 to December 31, 2008. For a minimum donation of \$5.00, givers will receive a special Family Partnership Campaign patch. Please visit the GSSC Family Partnership Campaign link under *News & Upcoming Events* at www.shagbark.org for more information.

Community Coat Drive

During the month of November, Girl Scouts are holding a Community Coat Drive at the Mt. Vernon Service Center. Participating Girl Scouts are collecting "gently used" winter coats that will be donated and delivered to local churches and food pantries.

Girl Scouts Taking Action for Families of Soldiers

Families of soldiers that are stationed overseas are holding monthly support meetings throughout the GSSC area. Girl Scouts, who are graduates of Red Cross Babysitting Training, are needed to provide childcare for these meetings. To participate, please contact Brenda Torrez at btorrez@shagbark.org or 1-888-317-6353.

Fall Product Sale Program (FPSP) Dates

Calendar Portion Ends: November 5, 2008
Calendar Payments Due to Troop FPSMs:

November 6, 2008

Calendar Paperwork/Payments Due to Area FPSMs:

November 10, 2008

Nut/Candy Delivery: November 21-30, 2008

Brilliance Bracelet Available at GSSC Shop

For a limited time only, GSSC is selling the Brilliance Bracelet at the GSSC Shop. Additionally, charms may be purchased by volunteers that have earned them. The Brilliance Bracelet and complete set of charms sells for a discounted price of \$18.00. **This offer ends on November 15, 2008.**

Event Registration Guidelines

Cancellation/Refund Policy

Please phone in your cancellation as soon as possible if you are unable to attend an event to allow others to be notified of the opening. **NO-SHOWS** will **NOT** be refunded. Refunds for events will be available up to the registration deadline **AND** up to the workday before the event **IF** there is someone on the waiting list who can fill your spot.

Did you know...

Girl Scout Cookies were sold annually by local councils around the country until World War II, when sugar, flour, and butter shortages led Girl Scouts to begin selling Girl Scout calendars to raise money for their activities.

Girl Scouts of Shagbark Council Financial Assistance Guidelines

The Girl Scouts of Shagbark Council firmly believes that every girl deserves the opportunity to participate in unique and relevant Council and Service Unit sponsored opportunities. Girl members may apply for financial assistance for all council and service unit events **EXCEPT** troop activities.

For more information, please visit www.shagbark.org or contact 1-888-317-6353 for further information.

Program Kits Ready for Check-Out

Service Units or Troops that are looking for fun program or event ideas can look no further. GSSC has many program kits available for check-out at the GSSC Library/Resource Center. Several kits are described below:

Girl Sports Kit: GSSC has revised this kit and is recommending it to be used at Service Unit level hosted Brownie Fests. The Girl Sports Kit, which includes instructions for Leaders, helps girls develop basic motor skills through different sport activities. Volleyballs, basketballs, soccer balls, parachutes, and other miscellaneous sports equipment are also included. GSSC has Girl Sports patches available for girls (while supplies last).

VolksMarch Kit: A VolksMarch, considered to be the “walk of the people” and a GSSC tradition, can be hosted for any grade level. The VolksMarch Kit contains GORP recipes, sensory trail cards, plant and animal ID cards, environmental games, food web cards, and a list of great hiking places. GSSC has VolksMarch patches available for girls (while supplies last).

Career Kit: The Career Kit is great for girls who are starting to think about their dream jobs. This kit helps girls explore different career paths and job opportunities that are available. Books and videos geared towards Girl Scout Juniors/Cadettes/Seniors/Ambassadors are included in the kit.

Girls Go Global GPS Kit: After attending a "Geocaching Scramble" or GPS training, check out this kit with GPS units to do your own Geocaching. The GPS units can also be brought t on a troop trip of hike to track your progress. Multiple kits are available for large groups. We have map software available that will display/ topographical information and details of Shawnee National Forest on the units. Each kit contains: 3 or 4 GPS units, user manuals, quick startup manual, computer connection cord, Girls Go Global program information and local contacts. Funding for this Kit provided by the Lockheed Martin Grant.

Upcoming Programs

Kaskaskia College Career Fair

Girl Scout Seniors/Ambassadors

Friday, November 7, 2008 • 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Kaskaskia College, Centralia, IL

Badge Link: N/A

Fee: N/A • Reg. Deadline: N/A • Min/Max: N/A

Register: GSSC

Program Aide Core Workshop

Girl Scout Cadettes/Seniors/Ambassadors

Saturday, November 15, 2008 • 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Camp Whispering Oaks, Salem, IL

Badge Link: N/A

Fee: \$10/Girl • Reg. Deadline: N/A • 5 Min/20 Max

Register: GSSC

Making Music & Sounds of Music

Girl Scout Brownies

Saturday, November 8, 2008 • 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Evansville Museum, Evansville, IL

Badge Link: N/A

Fee: N/A • Reg. Deadline: N/A • Min/Max: N/A

Register: Contact Gena Garrett at 812-425-2406, Ext. 228

Refuge Adventure

Girl Scout Brownies

Saturday, November 15, 2008 • 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Crab Orchard Lake Visitor Center, Marion, IL

Badge Link: National Wildlife Refuge

Fee: \$4/Girl • Reg. Deadline: N/A • 25 Max

Register: GSSC

Fall Fest at Camp Cedar Point

All Girl Scouts & Their Families

Saturday, November 8, 2008 • 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Camp Cedar Point, Makanda, IL

Badge Link: N/A

Fee: \$4/Person • Reg. Deadline: N/A • 100 Min/250 Max

Register: GSSC

Wild at the Refuge

Girl Scout Juniors

Saturday, November 15, 2008 • 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Crab Orchard Lake Visitor Center, Marion, IL

Badge Link: National Wildlife Refuge

Fee: \$4/Girl • Reg. Deadline: N/A • 25 Max

Register: GSSC

Fall Fest at Camp Whispering Oaks

All Girl Scouts & Their Families

Saturday, November 15, 2008 • 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Camp Whispering Oaks, Salem, IL

Badge Link: N/A

Fee: \$4/Person • Reg. Deadline: N/A • 100 Min/250 Max

Register: GSSC

Something to Cheer About*

Girl Scout Daisies/Brownies/Juniors

Saturday, November 22, 2008 • 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Power House Athletic- Mt. Vernon, IL

Badge Link: N/A • Includes lunch and t-shirt

Fee: \$29/Girl • Reg. Deadline: 11/5/08 • Min/Max: N/A

Register: GSSC

Space Night

Girl Scout Juniors

Saturday, November 15, 2008 • 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Evansville Museum, Evansville, IL

Badge Link: N/A

Fee: \$15/Girl, \$2/Adult • Reg. Deadline: N/A • 60 Max

Register: Contact Gena Garrett at 812-425-2406, Ext. 228

Space Night

Girl Scout Cadettes/Seniors


Saturday, November 22, 2008 • 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.


Evansville Museum, Evansville, IL


Badge Link: N/A

Fee: \$15/Girl, \$2/Adult • Reg. Deadline: N/A • 60 Max

Register: Contact Gena Garrett at 812-425-2406, Ext. 228

For  Program Events, Contact Sheila Forristall at 1-888-317-6353, Ext. 116 or sforristall@shagbark.org

For  Program Events, Contact Brenda Torrez at 1-888-317-6353, Ext. 104 or btorrez@shagbark.org

For  Program Events, Contact Vanessa Worthington at 1-888-317-6353, Ext. 101 or vworthington@shagbark.org

November Association Meetings

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>3</p> <p>6:30 pm Heartland Mem Hospital 3333 W. DeYoung Marion, IL</p> <p>Knights of Columbus 1471 Fairfax Drive Carlyle, IL</p> <p>N Benton Baptist Church 623 Joplin Benton, IL</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:00 pm Dongola Elementary School 1000 High St Dongola, IL</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>10</p> <p>6:00 pm Trinity United Methodist Church 512 N. Mulberry Mt. Carmel, IL</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:00 pm Chester Mem Hospital 1900 State St. Chester, IL</p> <p>6:30 pm Girl Scout House West 4th St Metropolis, IL</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>17</p> <p>6:30 pm First Christian Church 1200 W. Boone Salem, IL</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:30 pm First United Methodist Church 302 SW 4th St. Fairfield, IL</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:30 pm First Christian Church 110 Killarney Greenville, IL</p> <p>6:00 pm Carbondale Civic Center Room 108 Carbondale, IL</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Thanksgiving</p> <p>GSSC Service Center Closed</p>	<p>28</p> <p>GSSC Service Center Closed</p>

The GSSC Shop will be open on
Saturday, November 15, 2008 from 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.