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1Visit the Girl Scout volunteer page to find local leadership opportunities. To become a Girl Scout leader, you must register as a volunteer. Go to click on the green Volunteer page. Review the registration tips, and click on
Continue when you are ready to apply.[1] If you want to review the troop leader roles, click on Ways to Volunteer and scroll down to Troop Leader. You can also look into upcoming local events. 2Detail the application with your name, email, number, and zip code. To complete your application, fill out all required boxes. In addition to your personal
information, mention how you heard about this opportunity by selecting an option from the dropdown menu. Then, click on the circle next to I want to join as a Volunteer. Press Continue when you are finished. 3 Type in a specific troop number or your zip code to find an opportunity. Once you complete the personal information application section, you
have the choice to either search for a troop by ID number or browse local troops with openings. When you make your selection, click the green Search button.[2]4Skim the open volunteer roles and select a Troop Leader position.
requirements work with your schedule. Then, click the empty box on the left side, and press the green Next button.[3]You can select multiple open positions if youd like to apply to several opportunities.5Sign up for a Girl Scouts Membership, or young alumnae
lifetime membership, and make your selection from the dropdown menu. Then, include your name, email, phone number, date of birth, gender, address, and county. In addition, select your ethnicity and race. When you are finished, click on the green Submit button. The annual membership fee is $25. This covers 1 year of membership, and must be
paid annually to continue your leadership status.[4]The lifetime membership fee is $400. If you select this, you will never have to renew your membership fee is $200. You can select this if youve been a Girl Scout and you are under 30 years old. This covers a lifetime of
membership.6Make your payment and submit your application. Review your registration, and accept the terms and conditions. Then, click on the green Submit button. If youd like to include an additional donation, you can select the amount
at this time. Click Continue to Payment, type in your billing information and card number, and click on Confirm.[5]You can also indicate if you want to register for Girl Scout emails or text messages. Click the appropriate box to make your selection. 1Complete your background check when you receive an emailed link. After you submit your application
and pay the membership fee, you will receive an email in about 1-3 business days with information regarding your background check authorize the background check, you will receive your results within about 24 hours.[6]The Girl Scouts are committed to keeping
their girls safe at all times. As a result, background checks are taken seriously. If you have any crimes against children, felonies, violent or drug-related crime, or driving under the influence convictions, you will automatically be disqualified. The background check costs $6 per volunteer every 3 years. Your email will include information on how to pay
the fee.2Schedule an interview with other volunteers if requested by the troop. Some local Girl Scout troops require an interview, the introductory email will cover scheduling details and further instructions. This ensures you are a right fit for the troop, girls, and
other volunteers. The interview is usually a brief meeting to get to know each other. 3Receive, sign, and return your Volunteer Appointment Letter. When your application is processed and cleared, youll receive an email with your Volunteer Appointment Letter. When your which acts as your volunteer agreement. Print out this letter, sign and date your copy, and
return it to your nearest regional center. You can mail your print-out to the regional center address, or scan and email the letter to your regional contact. 4Complete the Girl Scouting 101 course, which is a 45-minute, self-paced online orientation. In addition, Girl Scout
Leaders must complete additional training material, such as Managing Finances. The material varies between local centers, so ask your regional courses are required. Typically, you must also complete the Council Essentials 20-minute courses are required. Typically, you must also complete the 101 course, visit the website and log
into your account. For example, you may be required to complete the in-person Troop Management 2-hour course and the Grade Level 3-hour courses available. Ask your co-leader or regional contact for more information after you complete the required training. 5Attend a Troop Leader
 Welcome session. Once you complete the required classes, you will receive an email with the date and time of your Troop Leader Welcome session. This is your introductory meeting, where you can introduce yourself to the other volunteers and familiarize yourself with the role of Troop Leader.[8] If you have any questions, ask your regional contact.
They can help you prepare for this meeting. This is also referred to as New Leader Training. You can also find the upcoming welcome sessions by visiting your troop. To review the main volunteer resources, visit. Here you can find information on volunteer
essentials, safety checkpoints, outdoor resources, and STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) resources. In addition, visit your local chapter's Girl Scout website and browse their volunteer resources, such as recommended training materials and troop Pinterest boards. 2Go online and explore the Volunteer Toolkit. The Volunteer
Toolkit is a digital planning tool that helps volunteers organize their year and keep things running smoothly. Once you complete the training materials, you'll receive an email granting you access to the Volunteer Toolkit. Then, review activities by badge, journey, or by topic. Select the activities you want to work on, and the toolkit automatically
creates your schedule. If you want to make changes or reorder your schedule, simply drag and drop your selections into their new spots.[9]You can explore meeting topics and activities with your girls.3Connect with Girl
Scouts on social media. You can follow both the main Girl Scout page as well as your local chapter's accounts. This way, you'll keep up to date with major events, news, and inspiration. Search for girl scout accounts on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and Pinterest. Add New Question Question How old do I have to be to become a volunteer? It depends
 where you live, you can often find location-specific information online. Note that you usually have to be fourteen or over to volunteer, it depends on the task. Past Scout experience isn't usually required. Ask a Question Thanks This article was co-authored by wikiHow Staff. Our trained team of editors and researchers validate articles for accuracy and
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stepped back and took a moment to experience the world around you? Seeing the world around you. Seeing 
positive impact they make on the world fills me with immense joy." Ashley, troop leader Frequently Asked Questions Who makes a great troop leader, according to our Girl Scouts! If youre an adult (18+) of any gender who wants to make a positive
 impact in youths lives, then youre exactly who were looking for! What is the time commitment? The main time commitment is organizing and running your troop meetings. Youll decide the meeting schedulemost troops meet once or twice per month for 1-2 hours. Do I need to have been a Girl Scout? Not at all. Training, meeting plans, and support
from staff and other volunteers are provided. Weve got your back with all the resources and tools you need to help you feel comfortable and confident as a troop leader. Do I need to be a caregiver or have a child who is a Girl Scout troops are there?
Girl Scout troops serve kids in grades K-12. Most troops have about 10 Girl Scouts in the same or similar grades that live in the same community or attend the same school. OurMentored Troops center the needs of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) Girl Scouts and are led predominantly by BIPOC adults. Read more about the Girl
Scouting program. Ready to make a difference? Take the next step: What do troop leaders receive? Get More Information Lets connect! Choose one or more of the below options to get your questions answered. Once your greaty to get started, fill out the Troop Leader Interest Form to begin the registration process!
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Municipal Band concert in Eau Claire, WisconsinGirl Scouts, is a youth organization for girls in the United States and American girls living abroad.[2] It was founded by Juliette Gordon Low in 1912, a year after she had met Robert Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting[3]
(formally Boy Scouts). The stated mission of Girl Scouts is to "[build] girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place"[4] through activities involving camping, community service, and practical skills such as first aid. Members can earn badges by completing certain tasks and mastering skills. More senior members may be
eligible for awards, such as the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards.[5] Membership is organized according to grade level, with activities designed for each level. The organization is a member of the World Association of Girl Scouts. (WAGGGS).[6] Juliette Gordon Low (center), with two Girl Scouts. (Bluette Gordon Low) are the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.
on March 12, 1912, when founder Juliette Gordon Low organized the first Girl Guide troop meeting in Savannah, Georgia. It has since grown to near 3.7 million members.[7] From its inception, Girl Scouts has been organized and run exclusively for girls.[8]Low was the granddaughter of Juliette Magill Kinzie and John Harris Kinzie, and her maternal
grandparents were two of the earliest settlers of Chicago. Juliette Kinzie wrote about her experiences in the Northwest Territory (now the state of Wisconsin) in her book Wau-Bun: The Early Day. Low incorporated some of her grandmother's experiences on the frontier into the traditions of Girl Scouts. In late 1912, Low sought various mergers with
similar organizations, including Camp Fire Girls and the Des Moines-based Girl Scouts of America, but was unsuccessful in any merging. [9]Cover story from The Saturday Evening Post on Girl Scouts (Oct 25, 1924)In 1913, the organization was renamed to Girl Scouts of the United States. Its headquarters was subsequently moved to Washington, D.C.
[9]In 1915, the organization was incorporated,[10] and its headquarters was moved to New York City.[9] The organization received a congressional charter on March 16, 1950.[4]By 1920, the organization reached nearly 70,000 members.[11] In
 1930, that number had expanded to over 200,000 members. As of 2013, there were over 3.2 million Girl Scouts: 2.3 million youth members and 890,000 adult members and 890,000 adult members. [11] More than 50 million American women have participated in Girl Scouts throughout its history. [11] In 1923, Girl Scouts were organized into patrols, troops, local councils, and a
program center in 1956.[14] Upon Low's death in 1927, she willed her carriage house, at 330 Drayton Street, which eventually became The Girl Scout First Headquarters, to the local Savannah Gi
according to state and local laws and customs. The first troop for African American girls was founded in 1917; the first American American swas formed in Houston, Texas, in 1922. In 1933, Josephine Groves Holloway founded unofficial African American troops in
Tennessee. She also fully desegregated the Cumberland Valley council in 1962.[16] The first official African American troop in the South was founded in 1932 in Richmond, Virginia. It was created by Maggie Lena Walker and Lena B. Watson, but was led by Lavnia Banks, a teacher from Armstrong High School. It first met in Hartshorn Hall at Virginia
Union University.[17]By the 1950s, GSUSA had begun significant national efforts to desegregate the camps and maintain racial balance. One of the first desegregations, accomplished by Murray Atkins Walls in 1956, was at Camp Shattuck in Kentucky.[18] Later the same year, Martin Luther King Jr. described Girl Scouts as "a force for
desegregation".[19] In 1969, a Girl Scout initiative called Action 70 was created that aimed to eliminate prejudice. Gloria D. Scott, an African American, was elected national president of GSUSA in 1975.[20]Main article: Wing Scout The Wing Scout Foundation and English In 1969, a Girl Scout initiative called Action 70 was created in aviation. It was started in 1941 and ended in the
1970s. In July 1942, 29 troop leaders from 15 states met in Philadelphia for Wing Scout troops. In 1959, the council in San Mateo County, California was presented with an offer from United Airlines to start an aviation program for Senior Girl Scouts. A highlight
of the Wing Scout program was a courtesy flight provided to Senior Girl Scouts who had been in the program for three years were given the opportunity to temporarily take control of a small aircraft during flight. The program was
discontinued after United Airlines experienced financial issues in the 1970s.[21]Main article: Membership levels of the USABess Truman with Girl Scouts of the USABess Truman with Girl Scouts and their leadersHillary Clinton posing with Girl Scouts of the USABess Truman with Girl Scouts of the USABess Truman with Girl Scouts and their leadersHillary Clinton posing with Girl Scouts of the USABess Truman with Girl Scouts of the USABess Truman with Girl Scouts and their leadersHillary Clinton posing with Girl Scouts of the USABess Truman with Girl Scouts of the 
14 through 18).[22]In 1965, the age divisions were changed to include Brownies (ages 7 and 8, or 2nd and 3rd grade), Juniors (ages 9 through 11, or 4th through 18, or 10th through 12th grade).[23]The Daisy program for kindergarten-age girls was
started in 1984.[24] The Daisy program succeeded a 1976 pilot program known as Pixies. In 2003, the Studio 2B program was introduced for Cadettes and Seniors. [25] Under the Studio 2B program was introduced for Cadettes and Seniors.
both. Studio 2B activities differed from badges in that each booklet focused on a topic such as environmentalism or self-confidence rather than being skill-based like a badge. On October 1, 2008, all levels were changed to an
exclusively grade-based system, A new level, Girl Scout Ambassadors, was created for girls in grade as a middle school grade. The new levels were tested in approximately six councils during the spring of
2008 and were instituted nationally after October 1, 2008. [26] As of 2024, Girl Scouts can begin in kindergarten and 1st grade), Brownies (2nd and 3rd grade), Juniors (4th and 5th grade), Cadettes (6th through 8th grade), Seniors (9th and 10th grade), and
Ambassadors (11th and 12th grade).[27] Although troop, or those who are unable or unwilling to participate in their local troop, or those who do not have a local troop, or those who are unable or unwilling to participate in their local troop, or those who are unable or unwilling to participate in their local troop, or those who are unable or unwilling to participate in their local troop, as still sign up as individual Girl Scouts. [28] Individual Girl Scouts were known in the early years of Girl Scouting as
Lone Scouts and later as Juliettes; they attend activities independently and work individually on badges and awards. In 20152016, the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Juliette was phased out at the national level, in favor of the term Jul
program in October 1934.[29] Similar to the Boy Scouts of America's Sea Scouting, the program was designed for older Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and Charting the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course of a Girl Scout Mariner Ship, and the Course
 were published. The Mariner Girl Scout programs are available for girls have instead joined Sea Scouting, which has been coed since 1971.[30]Programs are available for girls in specific circumstances that may make it difficult for them to participate in standard programs. The Girl Scouts "Beyond Bars program" helps
daughters of incarcerated mothers connect with their mothers and helps mothers and helps mothers and helps mothers to participate in Scouting. Other initiatives try to help girls in rural areas or in public housing. There are also programs for
American girls living overseas, and girls whose families are experiencing homelessness or are living in temporary housing.[31][32]Girl Scouts of Connecticut, Hartford, Connecticut The national organization is headquartered in New York City. It is headed by a chief executive officer and a 30-member board of directors. Bonnie Barczykowski currently
 serves as the chief executive officer and was officially appointed in February 2023.[33] The president of the board of directors is Noorain Khan.[34]Councils own and run camps for the troops within their area of responsibility
 sponsors do not own the troop. Troops range in size from as small as 5 to as large as 30 or more girls and may be divided into several patrols of 8 or fewer girls. In 2004, Girl Scouts of the USA hired a consultant "to help Girl Scouts could improve
 its structure in order to ensure the future growth and success of the organization. [35] This followed declines in both membership and revenue, as well as challenges in subsidizing programs in urban areas. The governance gap team found that consolidation decreased confusion and provided economies of scale and recommended an optimal council
 size of approximately 10,000 girls.[36] This left 312 regional Girl Scout councils, which administrate 236,000 local troops and other groups. In 2004, the board of directors consolidated the 312 councils into 109 councils into 109 councils.
breach of the Girl Scout charter. The suit was summarily dismissed with prejudice. [36] The Seventh U.S. Circuit of Appeals overturned the decision of the appeals court maintained the status of the Manitou council. As a result, there are 112
Girl Scout councils in the United States.[38]PromiseThe Girl Scout Promise can be communicated in English, Spanish, or in American Sign Language, carrying the same meaning:[39]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* Members may substitute for the word Godin
 accordance with their own spiritual beliefs. [40] The Promise is often recited at Girl Scout troop meetings while holding up the three middle fingers of the right hand, forming the Girl Scout sign. Girl Scout sign. Girl Scout sign.
 secular. In this context, the word "God" may be interpreted by each Girl Scout depending on her individual spiritual beliefs, and Girl Scouts are free to substitute the word "Community" or "Good" as a substitution.[citation needed]LawThe
 current version of the Girl Scout Law reads as follows: I will do my best to behonest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, andresponsible for what I say and do, and torespect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, andbe a sister to every Girl Scout. [40] The Girl
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Scout is courteous Girl Scout keeps herself pure Girl Scout is a friend to animals Girl Scout is cheerful Girl Scout in uniform, 1973 Girl Scout uniforms have changed significantly over the years from the original navy blue in 1912, to khaki in 1914,
to the familiar green. The evolution has included uniforms with the specificity to designate each age level of Girl Scouting. Since 2008, Girl Scouting when girls participate in ceremonies or officially represent the Girl Scouting.
Movement. For girls ages 5 to 14, the unifying look includes wearing a choice of a tunic, vest, sash for displaying official pins and awards, combined with their own solid white shirts and khaki pants or skirts. Girl Scouts in high school can also wear a scarf that unites their look with the sisterhood of Girl Scouts around the world. For adult members the
 unifying look of the uniform is a Girl Scout official scarf or tie for men, worn with the official membership pins, combined with their own navy-blue business attire. Girl Scouts at the Daisy and Brownie levels will continue to have a full uniform ensemble available. [44] The adult uniform also changed, with registered women and men wearing navy blue
 business attire, again from their regular wardrobes. Also available for women are official sweaters and an insignia scarf, while men have the option of an official placements. Fun patches can be displayed on the back of a vest or sash. Girl Scout Daisies can
choose a blue vest or a smock with a full uniform or white shirt and khaki pants or skirts. Girl Scout Brownies can choose a traditional brown vest or sash to be worn with the historic Brownie pin and other uniform pieces or white shirt and khaki pants or skirts. Girl Scout Juniors wear their
official vest or sash to display insignia including awards, coupled with a white shirt and khaki pants or skirt and a white shirt and khaki pants or skirt and a white shirt. Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors can choose a khaki sash or vest to go with khaki pants or skirt and a white shirt and khaki pants or skirt and a white shirt.
designed by Juliette Gordon Low was the only emblem used for Girl Scout pins through 1980. At the 1978 GSUSA National Convention, the use of two logos was voted on, allowing Girl Scouts of the USA logo is a rejuvenation of the original
of Girl Scouts is that girls become proficient campers and participate in many outdoor activities such as carrying out flag ceremonies, collecting food for food drives, visiting nursing homes, and Christmas caroling or other community services. [50] Troops may also plan and
take extended trips within the United States or even to another country. Troops may organize cultural or learning events such as first-aid training or attending live theater. The Girl Scout activity most familiar to the general public may be the annual sale of Girl Scout Cookies, which started in 1917 as a money-earning opportunity for councils and
troops.Girl Scouts has incorporated STEM-related programs and badges to encourage more interest in Scouts in STEM fields.[51] The first STEM-related Girl Scout badges, though, can be traced back to the 1913 Electrician and Flyer Badges.[53] The first computer-
related badges appeared in the 1980s.[53] In 2001, The Girl Scout Research Institute, published a 36-page report about the need for more encouragement to get girls into the field of technology.[54] An even larger push for STEM programs came after a 2012 study by the Girl Scout Research Institute reported that 74% of teenage girls were interested
in courses in STEM subjects while only 25% of STEM industry jobs were held by women.[55] Recent endeavors to encourage interest in STEM fields amongst Girl Scouts with the SETI Institute to create a 5-year space
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 Scouts manage their cookie business online.[60][61]There are four Girl Scout FIRST Robotics Competition teams: Space Cookies are based at NASA Ames Research Center and were the first all-girls team to reach the finals at FRC world
championships.[62] They are known for their extensive community outreach and work to expand menstrual equity and eliminate period poverty. The Space Cookies helped launch the Girl Scout STEM pipeline.[63][64]Girl Scouts currently
has 127 badges and journeys under the STEM category.[65] In 2020, Girl Scouts announced the addition of 24 new badges in STEM, entrepreneurship, and leadership.[66]Age LevelSTEM Badges/Awards[65]AutomotiveCoding for GoodCybersecurityMechanical EngineeringRoboticsSpace ScienceSTEM CareersJourneysOther STEM related
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 Designer Ambassador Space Science Master Justice Photographer, Water The Automotive, Coding for Good, Cybersecurity, Mechanical Engineering, and Robotics badges are all series of three awards that cover different areas in their respective topics. These badges can be earned separately but are all related by the topic that they cover. Additionally,
these badges mostly have the same name across levels, but have unique requirements for each level that get more complex and in-depth through the different age levels. In June 2017, Girl Scouts announced a partnership with Palo Alto Networks to create 18 cybersecurity badges by September 2018. [67] Every three years Girl Scouts holds an
international convention, featuring voting on policies and procedures, as well as guest speakers and activities and events for upwards of 10,000 girls and Girl Scout alums. The 2020 convention was conducted virtually due to concerns about COVID-19, and the latest convention was held in 2023 at Walt Disney World in Florida.[68]Main article:
 DestinationsOnce known as "Wider Opportunities" or Wider Ops, Destinations are primarily international, outdoor, science, people, or apprenticeship oriented,[69] such as kayaking in Alaska, or career oriented
such as learning about working for NASA.[70]A "Destination" may be a trip to one of the WAGGGS World Centers:Our Cabaa in Cuernavaca, MexicoOur Chalet in Adelboden, SwitzerlandPax Lodge in London, EnglandSangam World Centers in Pune, India[71]Kusafiri in AfricaA girl selling Girl Scouts 1955The Girl Scouts of the
USA have many customs and traditions: camping, community service, singing, and money earning to support their activities. The Girl Scout Handshake and the Girl S
camping trips, and the buddy system. "Bridging" is the process of going from one level to another. Bridging walk across a bridge to their new level and are greeted with the Girl Scout Handshake. A bridging ceremony takes place in San Francisco,
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Scouts and Guides around the world think about their sisters in other lands; [72] Councils or local service units (associations) hold a celebration on or near this day, in which each participating troop gives a presentation of the culture and customs of a country selected by the troop. Many Girl Scouts in America celebrate Juliette Gordon Low's birthday
on October 31, Founder's Day. The parties often include the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls reflect upon their feelings about Girl Scouting and the world around them. A "Girl Scouting when the girls reflect upon their feelings about Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes are girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving birthday cake. A "Girl Scouting when the girls dressing up in Halloween costumes are girls dressing up in Halloween costumes and serving up in Halloween costumes are girls dressing up in Halloween costumes are girls dressin
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Brownies wear brown vests. Juniors wear green vests. Juniors wear green vests. Gadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors, a Girl Scout may choose to wear the same khaki vest for all three levels. Active Girl Scouts, who earn a lot of badges, may opt to get a new khaki vest when they change levels, so they have more room.
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complete. A Girl Scout who completes three Journeys at one level earns a Summit Pin. Before beginning work on a Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award project, a Girl Scout who did not earn her Silver Award must complete two Journeys at her current level, instead of one, to work on her Gold
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 Leadership Torch, Community Service Bar, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Bronze Cross, Medal of Honor, Cookie Activity Pin, Safety Pin, My Promise My Faith Pin, Counselor in Training I & II, Volunteer in Training, World Thinking Day Award, and Global Action Award. Girl Scouts can also earn and display on their uniform awards from outside
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commitment to Girl Scouting and to her community. Earning the Girl Scout Gold Award requires hard work and a willingness to take on significant responsibility. For many, the leadership and organizational skills and sense of community and commitment that come from earning the Gold Award set the foundation for a lifetime of active citizenship
The Gold Award project takes a minimum of 80 hours to complete. The Silver Award, the highest honor a Girl Scout Silver Award team, gives girls the chance to do big things and make their community better in the process. The Silver Award team,
explore the community needs, choose a project, develop the project, make a plan, and put it into motion. The Silver Award project takes a minimum of 50 hours to complete. The Bronze Award, the highest honor a Girl Scout Junior can earn, requires girls to learn the leadership and planning skills necessary to follow through on a project that makes a
positive impact on her community. Working toward this award demonstrates a Girl Scout's commitment to helping others, improving her community and the world, and becoming the best she can be. The Bronze Award project takes a minimum of 20 hours to complete. There are also GS awards for adults including: Outstanding Volunteer, Outstanding Volun
 Leader, Appreciation Pin, Honor Pin, Thanks Badge, and Thanks Badge II. Outstanding Volunteer is awarded for Outstanding service as Girl Scout leader. Appreciation Pin is awarded for exceptional performance beyond expectations for the position.
The Honor Pin recognizes an adult member who has delivered exceptional service beyond expectations to two or more geographic areas, service units or program delivery audiences in a way that furthers the council's goals.[77] Thanks Badge recognizes outstanding service for a Council as a whole or the Girl Scout Movement as a whole. Different GS
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American Girl Scouts are Taylor Swift, Sonia Sotomayor, Dakota Fanning, Lucille Ball, Katie Couric, Elizabeth Dole, Ann Landers, and Nancy Reagan.[79] Many Girl Scouts have become successful leaders in numerous professional fields such as law, medicine, politics, journalism, and science.[79] Beginning with Lou Henry Hoover, the incumbent First
Lady has served as the honorary president of GSUSA. Lou Henry Hoover was also the actual president of the Girl Scouts from 1925 to 1925 and Chairman of the National board of directors from 1925 to 1928. [80] A 1994 Chronicle of Philanthropy poll showed Girl Scouts ranked by the public as the eighth "most popular charity/non-profit in America"
 among more than 100 charities.[81][82]During World War I and World War I, girls involved in Scouts helped the Allied forces by selling defense bonds, growing victory gardens, and collecting waste fat and scrap iron.[83] Girl Scouts also spread their values into their communities through community service projects such as soup kitchens and food
drives. Over twenty of NASA's female career astronauts were former Girl Scouts, The first American woman to spacewalk was a former Girl Scout, Dr. Kathryn Sullivan. [84] Girl Scouts published their own magazine from 1917 to 1979. The name changed from The Rally (19171920) to The American Girl Scouts published their own magazine from 1917 to 1979.
 exceeded 200,000 in the 1940s,[86] and reached as high as 510,000 per month by 1949.[87] It can be confused with American Girl Scout gatherings named Senior Roundups were held every three years from 1956 until 1965:[89]Milford, Michigan (1956) attended by
5,000girlsColorado Springs, Colorado, from July 3, 1959, to July 12, 1959, with 10,000girlsButton Bay, Vermont from July 17, 1965, to July 26, 1965, with 12,000girlsWhen Girl Scouts was first organized, the organization claimed to be "non-sectarian in practice as well as
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 leaders and scouts.[91]Since 1993, Girl Scouts have been able to substitute something appropriate to their own beliefs for the phrase "To serve God" in the actual girls' books. Official volunteer documentation contains this note:[92]Girl Scouts of the
USA makes no attempt to define or interpret the word "God" in the Girl Scout Promise. It looks to individuals may substitute wording appropriate to their own spiritual beliefs for the word "God." This note or a shorter variant also
frequently appears on local council web pages.[93][94]Volunteers are reminded "to be sensitive to the spiritual beliefs of the girls in your group and to make sure that everyone in the group feels comfortable and included in Girl Scouting" and to feel free to share the policy with the girls families.[92]The policy change was prompted by lawsuits and
 attempts to be more inclusive. Atheist parents sued the Boy Scouts of America in 1991 for denying membership in the Cub Scouts to their sons. Considering this news, the Totem Girl Scout Council of Seattle attempted to change the Girl Scout Promise to make mention of "God" optional, which would be more inclusive of local non-theist Native
American and Southeast Asian girls. After the national organization asserted this could not be changed locally, the Seattle council advocated that the change be adopted nation-wide. In November 1992, the parents of Nitzia Cuevas-Macias sued for their daughter to be permitted to participate in Girl Scouts even though she refused to promise to serve
God.[95][96]On October 23, 1993, at the Girl Scouts of the USA annual national convention, delegates voted 1,560 "yes" against 375 "no"[97][98] to permit individuals, the word "God", no matter how broadly interpreted,
does not appropriately reflect their spiritual beliefs. Since the belief in a spiritual principle is fundamental to Girl Scouting, not the word used to define that belief in wording meaningful to them. It is essential to maintain the spiritual foundation of Girl Scouting, yet be inclusive
of the full range of spiritual beliefs. This [policy change] does not take the word "God" out of the Girl Scout Promise. It gives those individuals who wish to do so the option to state their own beliefs. For instance, an individual may say
 "my faith" or "Allah" or "the Creator".[41]This policy change settled the Cuevas-Macias lawsuit.[99]Some consider that they have gone too far in removing God or that they are violating the constitution of the WAGGGS. In 2017, some parents still
find the perceived religious aspects of the Girl Scouts enough of a reason not to sign up their daughters to maintain member societies to maintain member societi
GSUSA policy adopted in 1993 led to the 1995 formation of an alternative organization, the American Heritage Girls that accepts only leaders and chartering organization, the American Heritage Girls that accepts only leaders and chartering organization, members in 2006. According to the organization, membership as of 2017 is over
43,000.[105]The official Girl Scout policy does not ban or require prayer.[106]The Girl Scout organization does not endorse or promote any particular philosophy or religious belief. Our movement is secular and is founded on American democratic principles, one of which is freedom of religion. Although Girl Scout supporting religious belief.
diversity, there is no policy by Girl Scouts of the USA that prohibits or requires the saying or singing of a grace, blessing, or invocation before meals by Girl Scout members in a troop/group setting, in a resident or day camp, or at meetings, conferences, and other large events. The decision to say a grace, blessing, or invocation is made locally at the
troop or group level, and should be sensitive to the spiritual beliefs of all participants. Girl Scouts of the USA has an optional "My Promise, My Faith" pin which girls in all grades may earn. [107] Girls may also do religious recognition programs and wear the resulting emblem on their uniform; however, these are created and administered by the
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Scouts of the U.S.A. has firm standards relating to the appropriate conduct of adult volunteers and staff. The Girl Scout activities, nor does it permit the advocacy or promotion of a personal lifestyle or sexual preference. These are private matters for
girls and their families to address.GSUSA upholds a "don't ask, don't evangelize" policy on sexuality.[109] The debate over this issue is split between those who question the inclusion of lesbians.[110][111]In October 2011, the Girl Scouts of
Colorado council publicly stated, "If a child identifies as a girl, Girl Scouts of Western Washington returned a $100,000 donation after the donor
stipulated that the money could not be used to support services for transgender Scouts. The group then set up an online fundraising $250,000.[113]In January 2012, a teen in California created a video calling for the boycott of Girl Scout Cookies in response to Girl Scouts' policy of inclusion for
transgender girls. The viral video became a rallying cry for both supporters and opponents of the group's stance on transgender members. [114] In February 2016, Robert James Carlson, the Roman Catholic archbishop of St. Louis, urged parishioners to cut ties with the Girl Scouts over the group's embrace of LGBT rights. [115] Girl Scouts themselves
defended their actions against this. "For 100 years, Girl Scouts has prided itself on being an inclusive organization serving girls from all walks of life. We handle cases involving transgender children on a case-by-case basis, with a focus on ensuring the welfare and best interests of the child in guestion and the other girls in the troop as our highest
priority."[116]GSUSA is not aligned with and does not endorse, at the national level, the reproductive health organization Planned Parenthood; Girl Scout souncils may choose to have or not have connections with Planned Parenthood; Girl Scout souncils may choose to have or not have connections with Planned Parenthood; Girl Scout souncils may choose to have or not have connections with Planned Parenthood.
printed on the promotional flyer, of the Planned Parenthood of Central Texas event titled "Nobody's Fool '03: Dating, Love, Sex & HIV."[118][non-primary source needed] In 2004, the same Council promoted a Planned Parenthood education event without providing money nor sending Girl Scouts to it. This was criticized by some anti-abortion
movement supporters and social conservatives, resulting in a local attempt to boycott Girl Scout cookies sold by the Bluebonnet Council dropped promotion of the event. [119] A month later, GSUSA CEO Kathy Cloninger went
on NBC's Today show, defending the Bluebonnet Council's decision to sever ties with Planned Parenthood. In 2014, Marilyn Hollinquest and Ana Yvette Martinez, both women of color, founded the Radical Brownies, a community group for girls of color in Oakland, California. Similar to the GSUSA, but created specifically for girls of color, the Radical
Brownies endeavors to "empower and encourage" [120] girls of color to "step into their collective power" and to make the world a more "radical" place. The Radical
Brownies wear brown berets and vests in homage to the Brown Berets and Black Panther movements. The group's members, ages 812 years old, can earn badges in "radical beauty," "food justice," and "radical self-love." [120] In February 2015, despite Radical Brownies co-founder Hollinquest clarifying that the group claimed no affiliation with the
GSUSA, the GSUSA contacted the Radical Brownies organization and informed them that their troop's name and uniforms caused "some confusion" [121] among GSUSA membership. According to GSUSA membership. According to GSUSA membership. According to GSUSA membership.
the group's name.[121]In May that same year, the Radical Brownies renamed themselves the Radical Monarchs.[122]Portrait of Juliette Gordon Low (19251937)Sarah Louise Arnold (19251943) (first Dean of Simmons College, 19021921)[123]Mira
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founding by Juliette Gordon Low with a "Bridge to the Second Century" event on November 13, 2011, at the GS National Convention in Houston and other sites around the country. The Anniversary was also celebrated by participation in the world-famous Pasadena, California Tournament of Roses Parade of 2012, featuring the Girl Scouts 100th
Anniversary float, which was designed and decorated by Girl Scouts. [138]US president Barack Obama signed the "Girl Scouts of the USA Commemorative Coin Act" for the 100th Anniversary celebration. The act authorized the minting of 350,000 silver dollar coins in honor of Girl Scouts and the achievements of the 50 million women influenced by
Girl Scouting during the last 100 years, [139] Colorado staged a vigorous campaign to create a special license plate to honor the Girl Scout Centennial. The Great Girl Gathering, a Centennial Celebration on March 10 and 11, 2012 for 140,000 girls at the Mall of America in
Bloomington, Minnesota. [140] Build-A-Bear Workshop had a limited-edition Girl Scout bear and outfits for the Nation's Capital in Washington, DC hosted a 100th Anniversary Sing-Along on the National Mall, on June 9, 2012, called Girl Scout Scout Council of the National Mall, on June 9, 2012, called Girl Scout Scout Scout Council of the National Mall, on June 9, 2012, called Girl Scout Sc
the Mall event drew more than 200,000 people to the national mall to celebrate Girl Scouting and cost $2 million.[142]Girl life-sized Scouts of Citrus, in partnership with Walt Disney World, held a special 100th anniversary bridging event on May 2528, 2012. The Bridging into the Next Century event provides Girl Scouts from all over the country an
opportunity to celebrate the spirit of Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Girl Scouting at Epcot. [143] Cincinnati Museum Center held a daytime and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Center held and overnight event to celebrate in partnership with the Center held and overnight event t
Scouts for the last 100 years.[144]GSUSA made a new cookie called Savannah Smiles to commemorate the anniversary.[145]The Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas hosted the Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas hosted the Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas hosted the Girl Scouts national exhibition at the 2012 State Fair of Texas, visitors were able to indulge on a Fried Samoa, be part of a
virtual campfire, walk through a life sized cookie box and see a replica of Juliette Gordon Low's house.[146]In Savannah, Georgia where Girl Scouting was founded, they hosted a "Party in the Park" in Forsyth Park where there was a Centennial Honor Guard consisting of girls wearing vintage uniforms from the Girl Scout First Headquarters. The
uniforms represented various eras: 1912 (replica), 1914, 1928, the 1940s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s, and the present. The city of Savannah also had a "Sunrise Service" with the CEO, Anna Maria Chavez. [147] The Honor guard from the park
carried the Eternal Flame.[citation needed]The city of Savannah dedicated their annual "Georgia Day" to Juliette.[citation needed]Camp Fire Girls was founded in 1910, two years prior to Girl Scouts, by some of the creators of the Boy Scouts of America.[148] In 1975, the group became co-educational and soon afterwards changed its name to "Camp
Fire Boys and Girls". The name was changed to Camp Fire USA in 2001 and to Camp Fire in 2012. As of 2009, the group has a membership of about 750,000. [149] Various religious groups have established their own youth clubs such as Missionettes (now Mpact Girls) for the Assemblies of God. Little Flowers Girls' Club is a Catholic-focused girls club.
[150] GEMS Girls' Clubs is a non-denominational group with a Calvinist/Reformed background. Pioneer Girls started as a Methodist group but is non-denominational order of service organizations targeted at young and teenage girls, The International Order of
the Rainbow for Girls and Job's Daughters International. [citation needed]One youth group explicitly set up as a Christian organization that states that
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