



Girl Scout Cadettes



Girl Scout Seniors



Girl Scout Ambassadors

Program Update February 18, 2010

FUNDRAISING FOR GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois will support girls seeking outside fundraising (both in-kind and cash) for delivery of their Girl Scout Gold Award Projects. Solicitations for cash must be made in partnership with an adult Girl Scout (troop leader or Girl Scout Gold Award advisor). Requests must be submitted to the vice president of development and communications at the below listed address at least two weeks prior to solicitation in order to ensure that the request does not collide with strategies to raise funds for council-wide programs:

- Name of Girl Scout and adult making solicitation
- Name(s) of potential funding source (corporate/foundation only)
- Amount to be requested
- Purpose of requested funds

Requests will be considered and responded to in writing within one week from receipt. Once the council approves the funding request a letter of council endorsement will be sent to the girl. The endorsement letter should then be included with the solicitation.

All donations of \$250 or more must be received and receipted by Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois so that the donor can receive a tax-deduction. Donations will be processed within one week and a council check sent to the Girl Scout Gold Award recipient for the purpose of project completion.

Send request to Vice President of Development & Communications, Rockford Service Center, 2101 Auburn St., Rockford, IL 61103

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

GSNI Scholarships for Girl Scouts graduating from high school

In 2010, Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois will be offering three types of scholarships for current high school seniors who are registered members of GSNI—a Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship, a Performing Arts Scholarship, and the Girl Scout Ambassador Scholarships. For more information and applications, follow the link on the home page of GSNI's web site. Questions? Contact Kay Flavin, vice president of program, at kflavin@girlscoutsni.org, or Ext. 7130.

Guardian Life Insurance Invites Entries for Girls Going Places Entrepreneurship Award Program

This annual initiative is designed to reward the enterprising spirits of girls between the ages of 12 and 18. Prizes totaling \$30,000 will be granted to three top winners and twelve finalists to further their entrepreneurial pursuits or save for college. Deadline: February 26, 2010. Go to www.guardianlife.com/womens_channel/girls_going_places/girls_going_places.html

Kohl's Kids Who Care

Kohl's Corporation is now accepting nominations for the 2010 Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship Program through March 15, 2010. For complete information, visit www.kohlskids.com

JUST ADDED

Program Aide Training—Basic

Calling all teen leaders in grade 7 and up! This basic leadership training prepares you to work with younger Girl Scouts in the day/twilight camp setting, at service unit events, council events and other troop/group activities. In this training you will develop your teaching and communication skills. If you are looking to expand your leadership skills and love to learn and teach songs, games, and other activities, this may be the program for you!

Location: Sugar Grove Service Center
Earn & Receive: Program Aide Pin
Fee: \$10 per girl
Bring: Sack lunch, notebook, writing utensil and water bottle
Min./Max.: 10/30
Registration: Ends March 27

DAY	DATE	TIME	GRADE
Sat.	April 10, 2010	9 A.M.-4:00 P.M.	7th and up

Program Aide Training—Outdoor Skills

Move outdoors to explore a variety of outdoor skills such as pitching a tent, fire-building, knots, outdoor cooking, cleaning and learn how to apply them when working with younger Girl Scouts. Prerequisite: Program Aide Training Basic or have participated in Aide in Training unit at day camp in 2009.

Location: Camp Dean
Big Rock, IL
Fee: \$10 per girl
Bring: Sack lunch, notebook, writing utensil and water bottle
Min./Max.: 10/30
Registration: Ends March 27

DAY	DATE	TIME	GRADE
Sun.	April 11, 2010	10 A.M.-3:00 P.M.	7th and up

UPCOMING DEADLINES

Yoga Time

Looking for a workout that's easy to learn, requires little or no equipment, and soothes your soul while toning your body?

Yoga may be just the ticket! This class is designed to introduce you to yoga—you will learn poses to build strength and flexibility in the body and relaxation techniques to calm the mind.

Location: Elgin Service Center
12N124 Coombs Road
Elgin, IL
Fee: \$7.50 per girl.
\$7.50 per adult if participating (Leaders and parents are welcome to participate.)
Min./Max.: 10/45
Registration: Ends Feb. 23, 2010. Troop/group and/or Individual. Troops/groups registering are required to provide proper girl/adult ratio.
Note: Instructor Lisa Gniady developed the council's Yoga patch. She is also available to present Yoga instruction at your troop meeting (call 815-788-1803 or 847-867-8630). See her listing in the Community Resource Listing for complete information.

DAY	DATE	TIME	LEVEL
Tue.	March 9, 2010	4:35-5:35 P.M.	CD, SR, AM

Me and My Guy

This is where you choose your favorite guy (dad, grandfather, uncle or friend—18 years or older) to go camping with. The guys will play games they haven't played since they were in the sixth grade. Eat over a camp fire.

Location: Camp Far Horizons
Hanover, IL
Receive: Fun patch
Fee: \$15 per couple, \$5 for additional girl
Bring: Wear clothing appropriate for the out of doors, including gloves.
Min. /Max.: 20/60
Registration: Ends March 13, 2010

DAY	DATE	TIME	LEVEL
Sat.	Apr. 10, 2010	10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.	JR, CA, SR, AM

Girl Scout Silver Award and Gold Award Informational Workshop

Are you interested in learning more about how to plan your Girl Scout Silver or Gold Award Take Action Projects? Then this workshop is for you! The first part of the workshop will guide you through the planning process of a Take Action Project and will finish off with an explanation of the transition period, the new 2009 summer guidelines (which require the completion of age appropriate Journeys before the start of your Take Action Project) and the pre-summer 2009 guidelines using the *Girl Scout Silver Award Go For It!* or *Girl Scout Gold Award Go For It!* booklet.

Fee: No charge
Bring: If using the pre-summer 2009 guideline, bring the *Girl Scout Silver Award Go For It!* or *Girl Scout Gold Award Go For It!* booklet and visit our website, www.girlscoutsni.org to download and print the Girl Scout Silver Award Information and Forms Packet or the Girl Scout Gold Award Girl Information and Forms Packet or copies will be available at the workshop for \$2 each.

If using the summer 2009 guidelines, visit our website, www.girlscoutsni.org to download and print the Girl Scout Silver Award Girl Guidelines and Report Form or the Girl Scout Gold Award Girl Guidelines, Proposal Form and Final Report Form or copies will be available at the workshop for a small fee. The GS Silver Award packet is \$2.50 ea, and the GS Gold Award packet is \$4 ea.

Min./Max.: 15/35
Location: American National Bank, 1985 DeKalb Ave., Sycamore, IL 60178
Registration: Ends March 5; Troop/group or Individual

DAY	DATE	TIME	LEVEL
Sat.	Mar. 20, 2010	9 A.M.-Noon	CD, SR, AM

2010 UW-Platteville Outreach Activities

The University of Wisconsin at Platteville has shared the following opportunities with us. For more information, follow the link given.

College of EMS EXPO: Thursday, March 25, 2010, Free event, (www.uwplatt.edu/EXPO)

Extreme Entrepreneurship Tour: March 29, 2010 from 3-7 p.m. (www.extremetour.org). Admission is free but pre-registration is requested. Open to college, technical and high-school students in addition to those who are interested in becoming or helping others become entrepreneurs! Watch the website at www.uwplatt.edu for more details.

Looking to the future: Explore Engineering, June 20-26, 2010 (<http://www.uwplatt.edu/go/ExploreENG>) New co-ed program for rising Juniors and Seniors, participants may earn college credit, Cost is \$475 Commuter, \$690 Residential. Registrations are due by June 7, 2010.

Fall Career Day: Monday, October 25, 2010, (www.uwplatt.edu/wep/career_day/index.html), Cost is \$15 and registrations are due by Monday, October 11, 2010. Note that the web page will be updated sometime during spring 2010.