

GSNI Cookie Chat for Volunteers—1/10/2024

GSNI Product Program Team will be sending weekly Cookie Chats with reminders, tips, and resources to assist volunteers with their journey through the 2024 Cookie Program. The Cookie Chats will also be posted on our [website](#) and [Rallyhood](#).

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The **GSNI Virtual Cookie Kick-off** premiered last Saturday. If you missed it, no worries! It's still available to view by going to GSNI's YouTube channel [@GSNorthernIL](#). Before viewing, [download the Magic Card](#) to complete while following along then bring the completed Magic Card to a Resource Center by March 9, 2024, for a special gift (while supplies last). The [2024 Cookie Rally patches](#) are going quick, but some are still available to purchase for \$3 each.

If you haven't already, **login to eBudde** and review the list of Girl Scouts in the troop to be sure all are listed. If you cannot find your eBudde Welcome email, go to the eBudde login page at <https://ebudde.littlebrownie.com> and click on Forgot Password go get started. Contact the Product Program Team if still having trouble.

The first **Virtual MicroTraining** will be held on **Tuesday, January 16** at [12-1 p.m.](#) and [7-8 p.m.](#) Topics will include Order Submission, Council Cookie Booth sign-up and other upcoming deadlines. The training will include a short presentation on the topics then time for questions. The training links are above or can be found on the [website](#) or [Rallyhood](#).

Requests for approval for **Troop Cookie Booths** (booths reserved by the troop) can be entered now into eBudde. See pages 10-13 of the [Troop Cookie Manual](#) for more information about Cookie Booths and pages 19-20 of the [eBudde Troop Manual](#) for instructions on entering requests for Troop Cookie Booths.

Do you know a GSNI Girl Scout redefining everything you thought you knew about the Cookie Program? This year, GSNI is accepting nominations for innovative, creative, and courageous Girl Scouts who demonstrate original thinking, embrace new ideas, lead with compassion, and model true entrepreneurship through the Girl Scout Cookie Program. If this applies to a Girl Scout in your life, now's the time to [nominate](#) your **Girl Scout Game Changer** using [this form](#). GSNI staff will review all nominations and make selections. Girl Scouts will receive a special charm and may be featured on GSNI's social media channels throughout the cookie program from January 5–March 10, 2024.

Chicago Steel Hockey, located at Fox Valley Ice Arena in Geneva, is offering a **Cookie Booth opportunity**. To hold a cookie booth, the troop must purchase a minimum of 25 game tickets for the date. Possible dates are February 9, 16, 18, March 2, 3, to be reserved on a first come, first served basis. If interested, contact Jeff Madiol at jmadiol@chicagosteelhockeyteam.com or call 630-517-5079.

GSNI has many resources available to assist parents and volunteers through the Cookie Program. Please go to www.girlscoutsni.org/cookieresources or [Rallyhood!](#) Volunteers can find answers to many questions in the [Troop Cookie Manual](#) and [eBudde Troop Manual](#). Both volunteers and parents can review the NEW [Digital Cookie Manual](#) for assistance navigating this system.

For assistance throughout the Girl Scout Cookie Program, reach out to your Service Unit Cookie Coordinator or GSNI's Product Program Team at cookies4you@girlscoutsni.org.

Your GSNI Product Program Team,
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