

girl scouts 
of virginia skyline

Lynchburg Campbell County
Girl Scout Service Unit

Amherst/Appomattox
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Update



Girl Scout Promise

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.



Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be
honest and fair,
friendly and helpful,
considerate and caring,
courageous and strong,
and responsible for what I say and do,
and to respect myself and others,
respect authority,
use resources wisely,
make the world a better place,
and be a sister to every Girl Scout.



Detria (Area 8 & 9 Trainer) and her dedicated team of volunteers have made our cookie season a tremendous impact on our efforts! We have the deepest gratitude for Detria, Brentz, Alys and Andrea as our delivery team and Katie & Rebecca on cookie booths. Their friendship, attention to details, and guidance made it all work for our girls, cookie moms, parents and individual troops. This total

cooperation is the epitome of how it all operates...Lots of behind the scenes! Thank you Detria for being our "Cookie Boss". Thank you for your humor, your willingness to take the lead, your grace and loyalty!! Sending you Lots & Lots & Lots of HUGS. You are truly the best!!!



We value the extraordinary efforts of our cookie moms and our parents who work hard to set up booth sales and actively participate with our girls in their endeavor. Our adults use this opportunity to teach



our girls how to become more engaged in the local community. The girls learn that their actions matter. You are great role models making time for humor, light heartedness, and fun while talking positively, being kind, being honest and humble and showing how to bounce back from challenges. Thank you to everyone who is making this happen on behalf of our girls, your daughters, our troops and the Skyline Council. Well done! Enjoy the pictures of



Troop 2222 at JoAnn's (leaders: Brittany, Janeil and Liza) and Kaylee, representing Troop 676 who is overseeing the military and first responder cookie donation box. Customers penned a personal message on cards provided.



Troop 676 would like to share their recent Awards Ceremony and Family Celebration. Sixteen Junior Girl Scouts in full uniform participated in this memorable ceremony. The troop meets at Holy Trinity and are under the guidance of Mama Stump, Heather and Amie.

All of our girls did a fantastic job, many with leadership parts.



We would like to highlight other troops for a special outing, event, meeting, etc. Email Rebecca with the particulars Becka6778@aol.com

OH MY GOSH!

Did we have a blast during the February *Dance Workshop* held at First Presbyterian Church! What a wonderful partnership with Dance Music Creations and their Shining Stars. The dance students were incredible -



sharing their time and many talents with our Girl Scouts making this a super fun and unforgettable event! There were warm up stretches, history of costumes, shoes and dance itself. The girls learned a special dance routine together...which they loved!



Troop House at Camp Sac is almost done and will soon be back online. What a beautiful all-year round facility this will be with its' split HVAC unit. This has pretty much been a complete rebuild due to what age (built 1957), pests and insects have done. Along with Tim's vision and Tubby's craftsmanship, it will again become a popular spot for troop meetings, trainings, staff meetings and so much more! Thank you to the 6 members of Troop 676 (Berkeley, Stormi, Josie, Claire, Emma and



Jane) for thinking ahead and rebuilding the Troop House fire circle and creating a gorgeous firewood box, which they have already stocked. Troop House is painted a light green (Haven) with a dark grey metal roof and really stands out. It is soooo pretty!! Rebecca is working on the original Troop House sign. Soon we will be doing our Happy Dance!

Our Camp Sacajawea volunteer trail workers are very dedicated folks with a shared love for the beautiful outdoors and a joy for connecting the next generation with it. They work hard to preserve and retain this gift of camp.

There are 10 trails at Camp Sac and the last and most challenging has been the far side of the James River Trail which was destroyed during the April 2018 tornado. The damaged area has now been skirted because of the gigantic holes created by the massive root balls and the washed out areas. But they have preserved the beauty and view of the James River along this new part of the trail by creating the James River Loop. This spring, the Camp Sac Trail map will be updated... a copy will be located at camp.



More Camp Sac news



Here is a picture of Mama Eagle sitting just outside her nest. Changing of the guards as she moves out to hunt and Daddy eagle sits on the eggs. She is absolutely beautiful and a big ole girl at least 10-12 pounds. Eaglets are expected toward the end of February or the first of March. They will be nestlings for about 8 weeks but viewing of the nest will end by the second week of April because of the spring foliage.

The picnic table near Gay Lodge fire circle have been power washed and now stained. The Rave Raisin color blends in nicely with the Navajo Red color on Gay Lodge.



While Camp Sacajawea is defrosting, start getting ready for the warmth of the unforgettable adventures, laughing, friendships & fun at Camp Sacajawea Adventure Camp July 19-21, 2024. Our volunteers play a crucial role in making this program possible, contributing their time from shopping to hands on learning activities to the actual planning. This provides a unique opportunity for our girls to learn, grow and have fun in the great outdoors. Registration has officially opened.

- Camper registration:
<https://gsvsc.campbrainregistration.com/landing>
- Adult volunteer registration: <https://gsvsc.campbrainstaff.com/>
- Cost (If registered by May 20th): \$115 per camper; \$50 per girl assistants – If you register after May 20, add \$25 to each camper or girl assistant.

Highest Awards

Your project is the solution to the problem you have identified. It's about exploring/visiting communities, finding/identifying an unmet need, then designing a project to fill that need.

Periodically check the GSVSC website calendar for highest award training dates.

Bronze Award

- Highest award earned by a Junior Girl Scout, 4th and 5th grades
- Must complete a Junior Journey before starting the project
- Each Junior and her advisor must complete a virtual or in person training provided by GSVSC
- Project does not require pre-approval by GSVSC unless you plan to create/build on Council property
- Minimum project hours – 20 per girl, 40% planning hours and 60% on actual project
- Project focus is something that the girls care about and what they want to improve/fix within a specific community
- Juniors develop an understanding of sustainability and implement this into their Bronze Award project so there is a lasting effect
- Final report submitted online by the team's advisor using form #2752. The deadline to complete the final report by a graduating 5th grader is September 15th of their 6th grade year.



Silver Award

- Highest Award earned by a Cadette Girl Scout, 6th and 7th and 8th grades
- Must complete a Cadette Journey before starting project
- Each Cadette and her advisor are required to complete a 2-hour training workshop either virtual or in person provided by GSVSC
- Cadettes may work as a small group of 2-4 girls or solo
- Teams advisor must be a registered Girl Scout
- Silver Award project requires pre-approval by GSVSC – use form #2732
- Minimum project hours per girl is 50 – 30% planning hours, 70% on actual project
- Project focus is something that girls care about and what they can do to improve/fix a problem or issue in a specific community
- Project must include sustainability
- Final report is submitted online by each individual girl, even if this is a group project, using form #2733
- The deadline to complete the final report by a graduating 8th grader is September 15th of their 9th grade year.
- Earning the Silver Award is a great springboard toward the Gold Award



Gold Award

- Highest Award earned by a Senior/Ambassador Girl Scout, 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade
- Must complete two grade level Journeys or earn the Silver Award and complete one Journey
- Projects are individual/girl led
- Pre-approval of project proposal is required by GSVSC
- Gold Award training is required
- Minimal project hours is 80 hours, 20% planning and 80% project hours
- Gold Award project must include provision to insure sustainability
- Final report is submitted online
- Council guide on www.gsvsc.org “go Gold”



Triumph Award



For those girls within GSVSC who have earned all three highest awards (Bronze, Silver and Gold), they can apply to receive the Triumph Award (#2607). Triumph Award recipients are honored by GSVSC with a lifetime membership.

Why earn the Highest Award?

Why Girl Scouts is good for college admission

- Girl Scouting is seen as an authentic character building program
- Some GS Councils offer scholarships for girls earning their Gold Award, GSVS is one of these
- Very prestigious, showing exceptional leadership skill
- Gained emotional gratification developed through critical thinking to learning how to work as a team for the betterment of others
- The highest awards remain on job resumes and weigh significantly on scholarships, internships and jobs
- The values, skills, friendships and credentials from Girl Scouts will make a continuous impact on life
- Years spent in Girl Scouting do matter and provide numerous opportunities, including mentoring younger girls. Shows commitment
- Opportunity to make the World a Better Place.

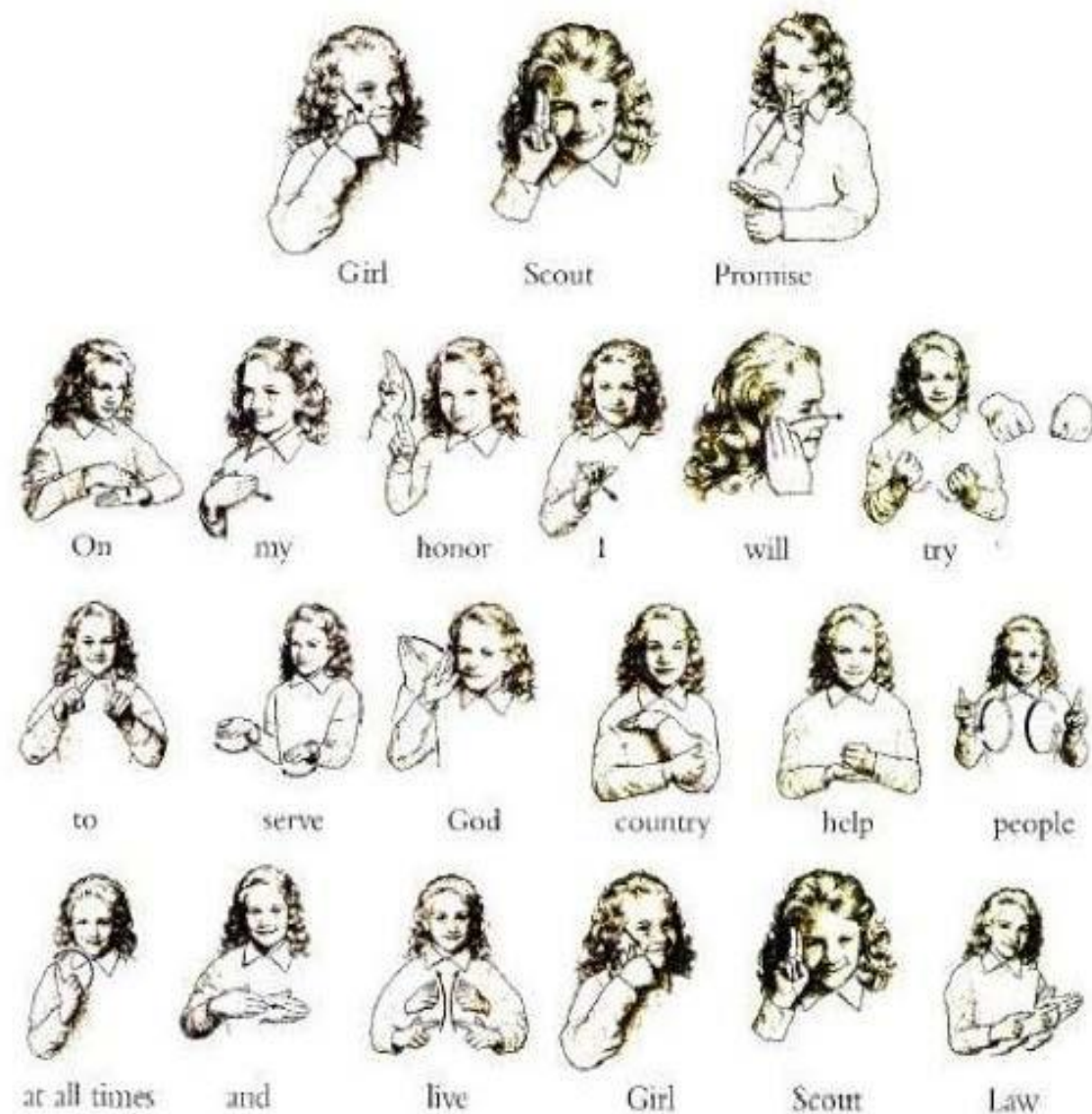
The Girl Scout Promise In American Sign Language

Earning a Sign Language Patch

Complete 4 of the tasks below.

1. Learn the alphabet in sign language
2. Learn the number 1-20 in sign language
3. Learn the Girl Scout Promise in sign language
4. Learn about Deaf History
5. Learn about Deaf Culture

There are 4 pretty participation patches to choose from on Snappylogos.com at \$.80 a piece. (#9513, #8332, #6448, #3777)



Get Ready

- Scifest Randolph College 2024, Thursday March 14 through Sunday March 24. More info at scifestrandolphscience.org
- Maker Faire® Lynchburg 2024 at Randolph College, Sunday March 24 11:00am - 4:00pm at Main Hall Student Center with over 50 hands on activities brought to you by Vector Space (Lynchburgmakerfaire.com)
- Our next 2 Service Unit meetings – Sunday, April 7 (2:00pm – 3:00pm) at Gay Lodge. There will be an opportunity for some simple but needed outdoor work 3:00pm – 4:00pm, June 2 (3:00pm – 5:30pm) for our end of the year meeting and picnic at Gay Lodge, Camp Sacajawea
- April is Girl Scout Leader Appreciation month. These dedicated women work hard to bring this amazing program to life on behalf of our girls, your daughters... consider a special note of thanks, maybe a little party planned by the troop. Any gesture of appreciation goes a long way
- Mall Madness - Valley Mall in Harrisonburg. Theme: “Spring Thing”.
Planned for all Girl Scout levels Daisy – Ambassador
Saturday, April 29 at 10:00pm to Sunday, April 30 at 6:00pm.
Register with gsvsc.org.
Questions: gsmallmadnessva@gmail.com
- Junior Jam – Friday, May 17 at 6:00pm through Sunday, May 19 at noon. Experience Girl Scout Traditions. Movie theme flair
Location: Brethren Woods Camp, Keezletown
More info: view event of GSVSC calendar
- Textile Artist – LSU sponsored for our older Girl Scouts, Saturday, April 13th downtown Lynchburg
Flyer posted on LCC web site
Questions: becka6778@aol.com
Register via Service Unit

Face to face collaboration is priceless both mentally, emotionally and productively wise. It is where the magic begins.

Teams need the energy of each other to inspire and push the momentum to the next level.

Forms/documents:

<https://www.gsvsc.org/en/for-volunteers/forms---documents.html>

Volunteer Resources Tab for trainers, delegates, troop leaders, service units, info/suggestions on first six troop meetings (D, B, J)

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