

Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas



Leaders Notes October 2011

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A new Girl Scout year!!



If you have anything to post on our website please forward it to
Diana Treviño at
dinfante@gsgst.org

**SAVE
THE DATE**

Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas

Barnes & Noble Bookfair



Saturday, November 12, 2011
Barnes & Noble
5129 Blanche D. Moore Road
Corpus Christi, Texas
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

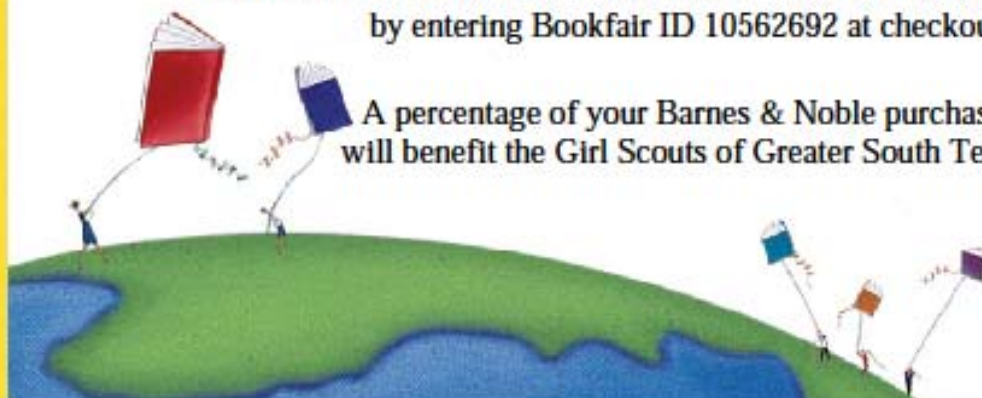
Join for us for a fun-filled day:

- Find out information about becoming a Girl Scout
 - Learn how the Girl Scouts are giving back to the community
 - Come by our Crafts Table
 - Hear Juliette Low tell the Girl Scout Story in the Children's Area
 - Holiday Gift Wrapping (for donations)
 - Check out our "Wish List" table
 - Check out the new book "Girl Scouts: A Celebration of 100 Trailblazing Years"
- MAKE SURE TO MENTION "GIRL SCOUT BOOKFAIR" AT TIME OF PURCHASE!**

Can't attend our bookfair at Barnes & Noble?

Visit bn.com/bookfairs to support us online from 11/12/11 to 11/17/11
by entering Bookfair ID 10562692 at checkout.

A percentage of your Barnes & Noble purchases
will benefit the Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas.



From the Product Sales Department:



Fall Product Sale will be ending **Saturday, October 15th**. Troops will need to enter the girl data into Nut-e by **11:59pm on October 16th**. Service Unit Fall Product Managers will need to check their troops order by 11:59 pm on October 17th. The following forms are due to the council by **October 21st**: Parent Permission Agreement forms, ACH Authorization forms, and the white and yellow copies of the paper magazine order forms.



Save the Date! Cookie Training is this month!

Sunday, October 23rd Corpus Christi

Monday, October 24th Victoria

Tuesday, October 25th Harlingen

Wednesday, October 26th McAllen

Thursday, October 27th Laredo

Update! Harlingen Service Center training has been added! It will not be combined with McAllen Service Center this year.



Coming Up! Cookies Rule!
Saturday, December 10th
in all 5 of our service areas



From the Membership Department



Girl Scout Recruitment is off to a great start! All of our Membership Executives have hit the schools to rally up our New Girl Scouts. If you are a volunteer and would like to assist in your school's Girl Scout Rally, please contact your Membership Executive. Although it is not mandatory we urge troops and troop leaders to be present to hand out troop information and to give first hand advice to potential new leaders. Be sure to check out the Rally Schedule posted on-line to see when a rally is scheduled in your community.

McAllen/Mission Passport Program will have its Investiture Ceremony on October 8th. This program hosted over 60 new Girl Scouts and gave them a "Taste of Girl Scouts". Thank you Troop # 121 from McAllen and Troop# 54 from Mission for all their help. These girls have taken the Passport Program to a new level! They have completely run this program on their own. During the Passport Program we successfully recruited four new leaders! Way to Go Girls!!!!

Shout Out to Cindy Moses who was able to start a Traditional Girl Troop at El Jardin Elementary School in Brownsville. This school has always had only an in-school program with no Traditional Troops! We now have 14 new Girl Scouts and 4 new Leaders!

If you have any questions please contact Belinda Jenkins @ 956-668-0299 or Veronica Montez @ 361-883-3611. And as always, Thank you for all that you do.

Yours in Scouting,

Belinda Jenkins & Veronica Montez

Directors of Membership

Volunteer Services Department



Is a great Leader

Form of the Month

Each month in Leader notes, we will pick a form and give you all the ins & outs of that form and why it is needed.

Training Form

Registration Form – Adult Learning Opportunities

This form is needed any time you wish to attend a learning opportunity. Forms are needed 1 week before each class. This 1 week leeway will determine if the class is cancelled or not. Additional participants can be added after the 1 week deadline, provided there is room. Attending a training class without registering, may result in the trainers not having enough materials for the class. So please let us know when you are attending. All registration forms should be sent to Terry Blevins, Director of Volunteer Services, 104 West River, Victoria, 77901.

Forms can also be faxed to 361-579-0988, or e-mailed to: tblevins@gsgst.org.

If payment is necessary, a credit card can be used with all faxed and/or e-mailed forms.

Training fees: There is not a fee for Leadership Essentials or Level workshops.

First Aid-CPR classes run about \$36.00 per person.

The best time to attend training is during one of our 4 Volunteer Conferences where you can pick up many classes at one shot. Check the training calendar for times and locations.

VOLUNTEER CONFERENCES

These are weekend events for adults and older girls. The dates & locations are:

Laredo: October 1 -2, 2011

Camp Bayview: October 14-16, 2011

Camp Green Hill: November 18-19, 2011

Victoria: March 2-3, 2012

Girl Scout Ambassadors are welcome to attend the Camp Bayview Conference

Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors & Ambassadors are welcome to attend the other 3.

Troop Camp Training is offered at all Volunteer Conferences, as well as classes such as Ceremonies, SWAPS and Dutch Oven Cooking. Fees vary between \$15.00 - \$35.00. Packets are posted on the web site under the Volunteer-Training tab. For more information, call Terry at the numbers listed below.

“Volunteer Essentials 2011”, is posted on the Training -Volunteer Tab. This is an e-book for all volunteers to use throughout your Adult Pathways in Girl Scouting. Using the document as an e-book will allow you to open all the links. Safety Wise for your troop is included in this book. Safety Rules for all other activities can be found on the Volunteer-Training site, under Learning Opportunities. The link is “Activity Check Points”.

Grade Level Facilitators-Trainers needed

If you have served as a volunteer leader for a year or more and feel you understand a particular grade level for example, how Journey awards are earned and you would like to share your knowledge, please call Terry. The Learning Team will be setting up grade level workshops and this would be an easy transition into this department.

We can accomplish so much more by becoming a team

From Your Volunteer Service Department

We're here for you!

Terry Blevis

Director of Volunteer Services

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800-865-3069

361-573-6451

361-579-0988 fax

September 2011



Be the first to own it!
Pre-Order your *Girl's Guide*
Girl Scouting
Regular Price \$22.50
Sale

to



Price \$16.87
Coming September 2011

starter kit

the essentials to begin your Girl Scout journey!



Pre-Order your Starter Kits Now!
Backpacks available after September 6th (Limited Supply)

			  	
Vest or Tunic	Vest	Vest	Vest	GSGST Polo
Flag Patch	Flag Patch	Flag Patch	Flag Patch	
Troop Numerals Up to (5)	Troop Numerals Up to (5)	Troop Numerals Up to (5)	Troop Numerals Up to (5)	It's Your Journey- Customize It
GSUSA ID Set	GSUSA ID Set	GSUSA ID Set	GSUSA ID Set	
Insignia Tab	Insignia Tab	Insignia Tab	Insignia Tab	
(Choose 1) It's Your World- Change It! It's Your Planet-Love It! It's Your Story- Tell It!	(Choose 1) It's Your World-Change It! It's Your Planet-Love It! It's Your Story- Tell It!	(Choose 1) It's Your World- Change It! It's Your Planet- Love It! It's Your Story- Tell It!	(Choose 1) It's Your World- Change It!  It's Your Planet- Love It! It's Your Story- Tell It!	 <i>(Limited Supply on 100th Year Tote)</i>
\$37.00 \$38.00 Plus	\$37.00 \$38.00 Plus	\$37.00 \$38.00 Plus	\$42.00 \$43.00 Plus	\$25.00 \$28.00 Plus

*Starter Kits special pricing through March 12, 2012
(Limited Supply of Backpacks so get yours early)

* Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting available after September 6th
Reserve your copy now!

Please indicate quantity of Starter Kits

___ Daisy ___ Brownie ___ Junior ___ Cadette ___ Senior ___ Ambassador

Daisy Vest ___XXS/XS ___S/M ___PM Daisy Tunic ___S/M ___L/XL

Brownie Vest ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___PS ___PM ___PL Junior Vest ___M ___L ___XL ___XXL

Cadette/Senior/Ambassador ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___1X ___2X ___3X Troop# _____

GSGST Polo ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___2X ___3X

Journey: ___It's Your World - Change It! ___ It's Your Planet - Love It! ___ It's Your Story - Tell It!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Check Money Order Credit Card (circle one) VISA MasterCard Discover Amount \$ _____

Name on card: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Zip code: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ 3 digit security code: _____ Exp. Date _____

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only: _____ Pick Up Date _____ Pick Up By _____



fall 2011

Celebrating  Years!



NEW!

Introducing
The Girl's Guide to
Girl Scouting

100th Anniversary Patch

\$4.00



Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas

Please join us to learn more about National Program!

Girls can come at any time from 10 am~12 pm and do part of badge activity from our new ***Girl Guide to Girl Scouting*** available for sell at each council shop.

September 17

National Program: 9:00 am ~ 10:00 am

Daisy Girl Scout

Kindergarten ~ 1st Grade

10:00 am ~ 12:00 pm

September 24

National Program: 9:00 am ~ 10:00 am

Brownie Girl Scout

2nd~ 3rd Grade

10:00 am~ 12:00 am

October 1

National Program: 9:00 am ~ 10:00 am

Junior, Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts

4th ~ 12th

10:00 am ~ 12:00 pm

For more information please call your nearest council shop.



GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER SOUTH TEXAS

Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting

Book Launch Party

To Be Announced
(Sometime in September)



Please check our website www.gsgst.org for more detail about our book launch party for Girl Guide to Girl Scouting. Girl Scouts can come and pick up their reserve copy plus do an an activity. Every girl that comes in will receive an 100th Anniversary bookplate. Contact your nearest council shop for more details.

