

# Girl Talk

May 2025  
GSGST  
Newsletter



Sleepover Under the Stars 2025 | National Butterfly Center



Annual Recognition 2025





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# Get Ready with Girl Scouts™ Program

New Members!



Kick off your summer with fun adventures and new friendships! She'll grow her confidence by exploring the outdoors, solving puzzles, and using her imagination, all while building skills for next school year.

**Take advantage of this special promotion—available only for new Girl Scouts starting kindergarten or first grade in fall 2025!**

**Sign up by June 30, 2025, and for \$63\*, she'll receive:**

- Three activity books shipped directly to her from June to August, filled with fun activities to get her ready for the new school year
- E-newsletters with more activities for the whole family, including tips and resources for caregivers
- **Access to a variety of exciting activities and new friendships within a strong community, locally and beyond, through her Girl Scout membership.**
- A surprise gift just to welcome her to Girl Scouts!



**Scan the QR code to sign up for the Get Ready program and keep the adventures going through September 2026.**

For a limited time, girls entering kindergarten or first grade in fall 2025 can join Girl Scouts for just \$63! This special offer is available for new Girl Scouts who join from April 1 through June 30, 2025.

*\*Girl Scout memberships are renewed annually. The membership year is October 1–September 30.*

Si tiene alguna pregunta o necesita ayuda en español, llame al 1-800-478-7248 y elija la opción 3.



## Sleepover Under the Stars

National Butterfly Center



Event  
Recap

Sleepover Under the Stars was a fantastic success! Despite challenging weather conditions, our troops persevered and enjoyed a delightful evening filled with hot dogs, s'mores, and a night hike brimming with wildlife. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended, and a special shout out to the National Butterfly Center for being such wonderful hosts!







## Upcoming Events

## Program Partners

Get ready for fun, discovery, and new adventures! This month's program partner events bring exciting opportunities to try something new, build your skills, and connect with your Girl Scout sisters. Take a look at what's coming up and be sure to register before spots fill up!

*Click the Icon in the circle to view our Upcoming Events Calendar for more details / to register*



May 3rd-4th

Cookies and Campfire Overnight

May 17th

Junior Mechanical Engineering Workshop

May 17th

Brownie Bugs Workshop

May 31st

Ocean Stewards with Sea Turtle Inc.

May 17th

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Event  
Spotlight

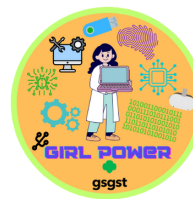
## Girl Power: Cyber Safe and Secure!

**Girls have the power to take control of their digital world!**

At Girl Power: Cyber Safe and Secure, Girl Scouts will unlock the skills to stay safe online, spot cyber threats, and protect their personal information—all through exciting hands-on activities. This empowering event builds confidence and awareness, ensuring girls can navigate the online world securely.

May 17, 2025 | 12-4 pm

*Click the circle to register today!*





# Campfire Corner:

## Sweet Simplicity in a Dutch Oven

### Dump Cake



#### Ingredients:

- 1 stick of butter
- 1 large can of pie filling (any flavor!)
- 1 box of cake mix (yellow or white cake mix works best)

#### Supplies:

- Dutch oven
- Butter knife
- Spoon



#### Instructions:

- Spoon the pie filling evenly into the bottom of your Dutch oven.
- Sprinkle the dry cake mix on top—no need to stir!
- Cut the butter into small cubes and scatter them evenly over the cake mix.
- Important: Do not stir! Let the layers stay just as they are.
- Cover the Dutch oven and cook over hot coals for 20–30 minutes.
- Check occasionally to make sure the bottom doesn't burn. Rotate if needed!
- Let it cool slightly... then dig in to your warm, ooey-gooey, campfire classic!





## Mac's Message



I'll never forget my very first job—working as a camp counselor. I thought I was signing up for a summer job. What I didn't realize was that it would become one of the most rewarding experiences of my life.

That summer, I discovered my power. I realized that I could overcome challenges, lead with confidence, and accomplish anything I set my mind to. And that's exactly what we strive to give every camper—a space to grow, to stretch, to discover just how capable they really are. Each summer, I come back not just for the joy and adventure (though there's plenty of that!), but because there's nothing like watching girls thrive in nature—finding new hobbies, making new friends, pushing their boundaries, and growing into themselves with every campfire, canoe trip, and silly song.

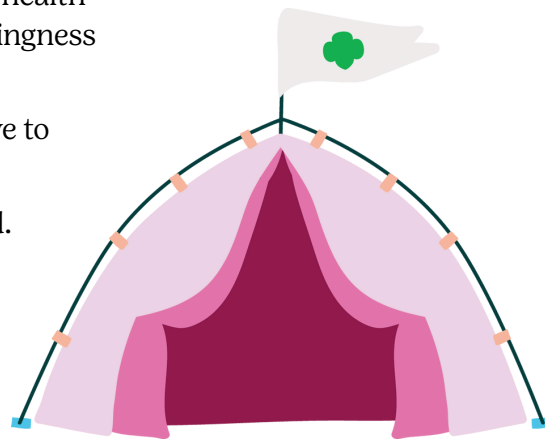
If you've ever thought about spending a summer at camp—this is your moment. We're looking for passionate, enthusiastic adults (ages 18+) to volunteer for our summer team! Whether you want to be a counselor, help out in the kitchen, or serve as a health supervisor, no camping experience is necessary—just a willingness to learn and a heart for helping Girl Scouts shine.

Camp Staff Training will take place May 29–31, and we'd love to have you be part of the team that makes the magic happen.

Come discover your own power this summer—just like I did.



See you at camp,  
Mac Anchies







## Shoutout to PSJA Service Unit Troops!



A big thank you to the PSJA Service Unit Troops for hosting a successful Quarter Event! Girl Scouts from across the unit came together and collected an incredible 153 items to donate to two meaningful organizations—Angels of Love and The Rainbow Room. Your generosity and teamwork are making a difference in the lives of others. Great job, Girl Scouts!







## Two Sweet Events

## Coming Soon!



We're excited to share that two of our biggest Product Program events—Dessert First and the Dessert Soirée—are right around the corner! These special gatherings help fund the adventures, leadership experiences, and opportunities that make Girl Scouts so impactful. We'd love to have your support and hope you'll join us in celebrating all the amazing things our girls are doing.

### 1st Annual *Dessert Soirée*

Join us for an evening dedicated to empowering girls and shaping the leaders of tomorrow. Our 1st Annual Dessert Soirée brings together community members who believe in building a better future—through mentorship, support, and of course, sweet indulgence.

Enjoy exclusive Girl Scout Cookie inspired creations from some of Laredo's most talented chefs, all while supporting youth development in our region.

**Laredo Service Center**  
**Friday, May 16, 2025**  
**5:30 PM – 8:30 PM**



*Scan the corresponding QR codes to get tickets today!*

### 6th Annual *Dessert First*

Indulge in Desserts, Inspire Her Dreams

Continue the legacy with Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas as we celebrate girl empowerment and leadership development to build a better future. Our 6th Annual Dessert First brings together community members who share our mission of supporting youth development while indulging in exclusive desserts inspired by Girl Scout Cookies®, crafted by some of the Rio Grande Valley's most talented chefs.

**Mission Event Center**  
**Friday, August 8, 2025**  
**5:30 PM – 8:30 PM**





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## of greater south texas

### Council Service Centers:

#### Harlingen Service Center

202 E Madison Ave.  
Harlingen, TX 78550

#### McAllen Service Center

5317 N. McColl  
McAllen, TX 78501

#### Corpus Christi Service Center

2410 Bevecrest  
Corpus Christi, TX 78415

#### Victoria Service Center

104 W. River  
Victoria, TX 77901

#### Laredo Service Center

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### FIND US ON:



## Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls  
of courage, confidence,  
and character, who make  
the world a better place.

## 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.