



Bryan/College Station Service Unit News



March 2018

Area 3, Service Unit 700, Council Code 578

G.I.R.L.

Take the Lead Like a Girl Scout!

When she's a Girl Scout, she's also a G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)™.
We Believe in the Power of the G.I.R.L.

Financial Report Time

Your 'Annual Troop Report of Banking Activity' is due May 1st. To complete your report, you **MUST** use the form posted on our Service Unit website - www.bcsgirlscouts.org. Please do not download the form from the Council website. I have already pre-filled some of the information for you. The timeframe for the report is April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018. **Submit 2 copies of the report and 2 copies of your March 2017 bank statement to be received by May 1.** Please mail the report to me, but if you need to drop it by my house, make arrangements with me beforehand. (Please **DO NOT** just leave your report at my house or in the mailbox).

When completing the report, remember that your beginning balance is the ending balance from last year's report. Your ending balance must be the balance on your March 2018 bank statement. If you are a new troop, your beginning balance is \$0. Complete the form on the computer and the form will do the math for you and populate information in appropriate cells. **ALL** fields must be completed including the program age level of your troop. If you have questions while completing your report, please feel free to contact me at joycecavanagh@hotmail.com or 979-574-6427. **Only reports received by May 1 will receive their troop cookie bonus.**

GIRLS We Rule the World!

Want to play a bigger role in Girl Scouts?
Be a Delegate! Learn more about the various positions for girls 14yo+ and adult registered Girl Scouts: <https://www.gsctx.org/en/our-council/about-us/delegates.html> Or ask Debra Turner & Lisa Cairns, Co-SUDs



Gold Girl Scouts are the best of the best. And even though you must be a Senior or an Ambassador to earn a Gold Award, it's never too early to start dreaming of how you might earn your Gold.

That's why GSCTX has created the Golden Ticket, a certificate that are awarded to girl scouts K-5, who have not yet earned a Gold Award but who already show Gold Girl qualities – leadership, sisterhood, & tenacity.

We need your help! Golden Ticket Nominees needed! Please identify Golden GIRLS and submit the quick and easy application: <http://www.gsctx.org/en/about-girl-scouts/our-program/highest-awards/gold-award/goldenticket.html>

Any Questions? Email Lisa Cairns
lcairns@alumni.uchicago.edu or Debra Turner ddturner329@gmail.com.

B/CS SU COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS

April Earth Day - For April, B/CS Service Unit recommends being Earth-minded: take good care of our Mother Earth - plant flowers, pick up trash, help teach about the environment and Use Resources Wisely!

May Diapers - collect and donate diapers, diapers and more diapers – Prenatal Clinic, Phoebe's Home, Rainbow Room, or to The Church Pantry. Take a picture of collecting diapers to email to the SU.

June 3rd Canned Goods – donate canned goods at Howdy Day Camp Open House for local food bank

Check out our area Website and Local Facebook Pages:

www.bcsgirlscouts.org

Bryan College Station @ Girl Scouts-Bry/CS SU on Facebook
Membership Development @ Ginny Gsctx on Facebook
Karen Story @ Karen – GSCTX Area 3 Programs on Facebook

Helping Hero's!!

Now that we are all finishing our cookies, I wanted to let you know that you can let me know about your Helping Heroes cookies for active military stationed overseas.

I will be again working with the American Legion to get cookies to troops stationed overseas. Last year we had a whole platoon from B/CS in the Middle East; this year there are only 11 soldiers from Brazos Valley there. So, I will be working with American Legion Post 159 again and they will take some this year and then I will work with them to get the rest of our SU's "Helping Heroes - Op Cookies" to other American Legion Posts to send to their soldiers overseas.

You can either:

- (1) get rid of your cookies ASAP by dropping them at my house (please include cards the girls can make at your troop meetings, to be included in the packages with the cookies (you can get ideas from the GSCTX website: "Thank you for your service," etc.)
- (2) keep them until I have final confirmation of a drop off date

Either way, I'm going to find a way to make it another girl involved event where we'll make even more cards and such so they have the hands-on experience and joy of active philanthropy with the cookies :)
Just email me with any questions.

Thanks! And YEAH COOKIES! They do good things ;)

Best,

Lisa Cairns
Troop 9022
Co-Service Unit Director

Silver and Gold Award deadlines

*Silver Award Project Proposals should be submitted by June 1st at the end of a girl's 8th grade school year so that the project can be completed, and the Final Report submitted before September 30th of her 9th grade year.
*The Gold Award 80 hr. project MUST be completed, and Final Report submitted no later than Sept. 30th of the year in which the high schooler graduates (you have the summer after graduation to complete paperwork and such). Our Council works with the girls and allows them to apply requirements starting June 1st of the year she registers as a Girl Scout Senior.

NOTE: The B/CS SU offers mini-grants for Gold Award projects – applications available through SUD and will be evaluated by the Gold Award Mini-Grant Team.



Howdy Day Camp

Explore the Elements
June 4th-8th 8am-2pm
It's TIME! Girls and Adults: Register NOW!
www.bcsGirlScouts.org/day-camp



Open House June 3rd
Day Camp 8:00 am - 2:00 pm June 4-8, 2018

Kappa Delta Spring Events

Kappa Delta Sorority supports Girl Scouting by hosting monthly events for girls of all ages at the KD house at Texas A&M at no cost! Events can be found on the GSCTX events calendar, or on their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Gsctxkd/>

Happy Birthday Girl Scouts!

3/18 12:00 – 2:00

*bring a pack of diapers for the prenatal clinic

Girl Scouts Go Green

4/22 12:00 – 2:00

Girls will earn a badge

Sisterhood



SU Awards Ceremony!!

April 27th at 6:30PM at A&M United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall.

We need to know who you think is AWESOME!
Nominations needed by March 1st to Debra Turner & Lisa Cairns

Don't forget those who are deserving of GSCTX and GSUSA recognition!!! Make sure you get your Council Awards turned in by March 1st through this online nomination form:

<https://www.gsctx.org/en/for-volunteers/volunteer-awards.html>

Shop Hours

Tuesdays: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Thursday: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. (2nd Saturday of the month)

Trainings for Spring 2018

Let's Go 2 & 3 - 3/17/2018

7:45am-6p, Camp Howdy \$20

LE: Daisy, Brownie, Junior, CSA - 4/7/2018

9a-12p Peace Lutheran

Participants for CPR should bring snacks and drinks as none will be provided on site and the class is long.

For all trainings Facilitator Contact is Sandra Trainor, 979-587-2036, trainorsandra@gmail.com

COUNCIL PROGRAMS

Journey Kickstart (Junior) 3/10

Let's Get Moving with this Journey Kickstart! Earn the Discover and Connect portion of your Junior Get Moving Journey and leave the program ready to take action!

Bedias \$45

Fun@Fungineering! (D/B/J) 3/17

The smart folks at Fungineering are partnering with GSCTX to assist Daisies, Brownies & Juniors in earning the cool new STEM badges! They have everything you need to earn all 3 badges! BCS \$20

From Good to Gold (S/A)

Come and get help learning to write your proposal with ease! Step-by-step instructions and a chance to discuss your ideas. Brenham 3/23 \$5

Aggie Baseball (All) 3/24

Join the Girl Scouts as we yell on the Aggies to BTHO Ole' Miss! BCS \$12

Emerging Leaders (C/S/A) 4/8

Ever wonder what an attorney does all day? Join several legal professionals and learn about the many options to work in the legal field! BCS \$10

Pet Care at A&M Vet School (All) 4/21

The students at Texas A&M Vet School will be teaching us about pet care, checking out their facilities, and earning the Pet badge or a patch.

BCS \$12

Journey Kickstart (J/C) 4/28

C'mon girls, let's put the ME in Media! This Journey Kickstart will help you complete the Discover and Connect portions of your Journey award.

Hearne \$45

Sign up on Ebiz



Travel with Girl Scouts

My Troop and I visit Big Bend, TX:

March 10-17, 2019. Coordinator: Lisa Cairns. Estimated cost: \$350 Deposit due by Dec 1, 2018 Juniors and up.

This is a troop designed trip. Troops must provide the required adult and transportation to/from Camp Mitre Peak.

Incredible India:

June 25-July 5, 2019. Coordinator: Allison Igo-Edwards Estimated cost: \$2900. \$300 Deposit due by Dec 1, 2018 14 years and up.

West Coast National Park Adventure:

July 28-Aug 10, 2019. Coordinator: Carrie Searcy. Estimated cost: \$1857. \$300 Deposit due by Feb 1, 2019.

The Ultimate Harry Potter Experience: June 6-17, 2020. Coordinator: Allison Igo-Edwards. Estimated cost: \$4,250. \$300 Deposit due by Dec 1, 2018

NEW OPPORTUNITIES: Please note that GSCTX has new Travel Chaperone opportunities to parents of girls traveling on Destinations and Council trips for second-round consideration! Applications need to be turned in ASAP!!! http://www.gsctx.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gsctx/documents/Programs/Travel/20171208_Chaperone_Application_2017-2018.pdf Please contact Lisa Cairns, Co-SUD, or Sarah Elfers & Ginny Ford with any questions.

Local Events:

Art Badge Events- With Purple Turtle:

Individual girls can register at these links to fulfill the requirements for each of the level badges

Brownie Painting Badge April 24th

<http://purpleturtlearstudio.com/events/brownie-painting-badge-girl-scouts-3/>

Cadette Comic Artist April 10th

<http://purpleturtlearstudio.com/events/cadet-comic-artist-badge-girl-scouts-2/>



Howdy Crew and Big Event!

March 24th, 2018

The Howdy Crew under direction of Steve Gossett will host 40 volunteers from BIG EVENT at Camp Howdy. It is a tradition our Service Unit sends snacks (fruit/cookies/trail mix) and drinks for these hard work young people. Drop off morning of or make arrangements with your SUD for delivery.

Contact Steve at gossett@suddenlink.net or [979-574-7300](tel:979-574-7300) if you wish to join the Howdy Crew!



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