



Volunteer Scoop

July 2021

As we head into July we hope that you're taking time to enjoy all that summer has to offer: nice weather, time with friends, building memories with family, and celebrating holidays – like Independence Day!

Girl Scouts has a long history of showing support for their country, and it all started at the source with our beloved Juliette “Daisy” Gordon Low. Our amazing founder was a lot of things; she was brave, inventive, giving, loving, passionate, outdoorsy, and self-reliant, just to name a few. She was also a patriot through and through with her always-on focus on duty, selflessness, and service.

This month's Volunteer Scoop contains news about [Mask Wearing](#), how to reserve the [Mobile STEM Center](#), an upcoming [Volunteer Town Hall](#) and a reminder about [Spring Renewal Incentives](#).

If you have any questions please reach out to Member Services at 1-800-666-2141 or help@gsdakotahorizons.org. We are here for you!

NEWS AND UPDATES

GSDH Health Updates: Mask Wearing

Based on CDC and local guidelines and feedback from our Girl Scout members and staff, the following updates have been made to council health recommendations in regard to wearing masks/face coverings:

- **Members/Volunteers/Girl Scout/Staff** face coverings while meeting, participating in programs including camps, are strongly encouraged, but not required. Campers will be encouraged to bring a face covering in the unlikely event of a COVID-19 exposure.
- **Visitors** in the Service Centers will not be required to wear a face covering.
- **Staff** face coverings are optional for camp participation except when handling or preparing food, or when providing first aid. Staff should plan on having a face covering available at camp in the unlikely event of a potential exposure.

Find more details on the [Health Updates GSDH](#) page of our website.

Bring the Mobile STEM Center to Your Girl Scouts!

The [Mobile STEM Center](#) can be reserved by a Service Unit and then brought to you by a program specialist who will provide instruction, equipment and supplies needed for a successful STEM event. Before you request a visit, be sure to review our [General Information & Expectations](#). The Mobile STEM Center is prepared to deliver the following programs:

- Think Like a Citizen Scientist – All Grade Levels
- Robotics – All Grade Levels

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- Mechanical Engineering – Daisy, Brownie and Junior Grade Levels

Retail Inventory

The Retail Stores in Fargo, ND and Sioux Falls, SD as well as Juliette's Boutique online shop will be closed July 12-23 for inventory. If you anticipate needing items within this timeframe, please place an order by July 8.

Free shipping will be offered on orders placed over the phone or by email on July 8. Contact Member Services at 1-800-666-2141 or help@gsdakotahorizons.org to be connected with a Retail Specialist.

Volunteer Town Hall

[Register](#) to join our COO Lori Dykstra and the Mission Delivery Team for our Volunteer Town Hall Webinar on July 8. We will be sharing updates on Service Unit Planning, heading Back to Troop, Girl Experience (including what's next!), property plans, and Fall Recruitment. We're also excited to reveal new Girl Scout Branding and our vision for the 2022 Membership Year.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Congratulations! Finance Report Winners

The below Service Unit and troops were randomly selected to receive \$50 for submitting their Annual Finance Reports by the June 15 deadline:

Troop 40623

Troop 40618

Troop 40714

Troop 10202

SU 656: Gregory / Winner

Spring Renewal Incentives

Troop Leaders should keep an eye on their mailboxes for Spring Renewal incentives to arrive in July! The package will include t-shirts for any members that qualified and claimed the incentive as well as the Spring Renewal 2021 Patch. Badges will be coming separately due to a backorder with GSUSA.

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Holiday Closure: July 1-5

All Service Centers will be Closed July 1-5 in observance of Independence Day. Please leave a voicemail with Member Services at 1-800-666-2141 or send an email to help@gsdakotahorizons.org and a team member will get back to you when the offices have re-opened.

Service Unit Election Results

A friendly reminder to service units to submit your [SU Election Results Form](#) to report your team for the 2020-21 year. Please also ensure service unit volunteers have a renewed membership by **July 1**. *Service Unit team volunteer positions cannot be renewed through MyGS and will be added by staff after approval of the election results.*