



Dear Girl Scout Leaders & Volunteers,

I hope you had an amazing summer filled with adventures, relaxation, and plenty of Girl Scout memories!

My summer was certainly packed with Girl Scout fun. I had the opportunity to camp with my troop at Grover Hot Springs, hike to beautiful waterfalls, support our Chester Girl Scouts during their first troop camping experience, attend service unit camporees at Lassen and Camp Marin Sierra, and join Destination Girl Scouts on an unforgettable adventure along the Mendocino Coast.

My summer adventure isn't quite over yet! In just a few days, my troop will head out on their first-ever multi-day backpacking trip near Bridgeport. Wish me luck as I try to keep up with the girls and avoid freezing! 😊

As we begin September, we're also kicking off **Fall Product Season**. Fall Product is a great way for troops to earn funds before Cookie Season begins in 2027. Because of volunteers like you, girls are building entrepreneurial skills, confidence, leadership, and character every day. Thank you for the time, energy, and heart you dedicate to Girl Scouting. ❤️ We truly couldn't do this without you!

Fall Product Resources

To help make "Back to Troop" season a little easier, we've updated the Fall Product section of our website. You'll find guides, calendars, important dates, and other helpful resources under the [Cookies+](#) section of the website.

Don't Forget Our Activities Calendar

We still have many exciting council activities, trainings, and trips posted on the calendar, so be sure to check it regularly.

Volunteer Learning Conference & Annual Meeting

Our **Volunteer Learning Conference & Annual Meeting** is coming up on **September 26**, and we'd love to have you join us!

For our rural troops, please remember that troop or service unit funds may be used to help cover attendance costs. It is especially important for Service Unit leaders to attend so they can bring important updates back to their Service Units and participate in discussions about our council's direction and priorities for the new membership year.

The event is free to attend, but please register so we can plan accordingly for lunch and materials.

REGISTER TODAY

Upcoming Training Opportunities

We are excited to offer several upcoming training opportunities:

Lifeguard Certification & CPR Training

Save the date for a combined **Lifeguard Certification and CPR Training** at the Carson Valley Swim Center, spanning two weekends in November. I'll send additional information as soon as the dates are finalized.

As a reminder, a certified lifeguard is required whenever girls are participating in water activities during a Girl Scout outing.

NOLS Wilderness First Aid

We are also offering **NOLS Wilderness First Aid Training** on **April 10-11, 2027**, at our council office.

Be sure to check the Activities Calendar for details and a special volunteer discount.

 Fall Product Timeline

The **Fall Product Program** runs **October 1-31**.

- Service Unit Product Program Coordinators will receive flyers and order forms during the week of **September 8**.
- Volunteers will receive early access to the **M2 online platform** around **September 23**, so keep an eye out for your welcome email.
- Only troops and Girl Scouts registered for the **2027 membership year** will be loaded into the system, so please encourage families to complete their membership renewals as soon as possible.

You can expect to receive weekly emails from me throughout the Fall Product Program with reminders, updates, and helpful tips.

Thank you again for everything you do to inspire and empower girls. We're so grateful to have you as part of our Girl Scout community!

With appreciation,

Jolene McGill-Seidel ❤️