

## Troop News: February 2025



Every year, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from over 150 countries around the world join together to celebrate our most beloved annual tradition, World <u>Thinking Day</u>.

This year's focus of "Our Story: Reflecting the symbolism and values of our Movement" will allow your troop to explore how they can build the confidence to know how to make a real difference, in your community and beyond. The good news is, your Girl Scout Troop doesn't need to wait until February 22 to start earning their awards. They can download their FREE activity guides today and begin their journey to making a better future!

#### LEARN MORE

This issue includes great opportunities for you and your troop, as well as some updates and reminders. Read on for more!

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## Girl Scout Week



From March 9-15, we celebrate 113 remarkable years of empowering young women and making the world a better place. On March 12, we especially honor National Girl Scout Day, highlighting the organization's incredible legacy of leadership and community service. Learn more and celebrate Girl Scout week!

# Volunteer Appreciation Month is Coming

April

It's time to prepare for Volunteer Appreciation month in April! We encourage all members to recognize their troop volunteers for their amazing efforts this year!

SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION

# Outdoor Training and Certification **Opportunities**

Ready to start 2025 with key upskilling? Check out our various exciting outdoor training and certification opportunities on our events website.

# Volunteer Screening Status Review Needed

Troop Leaders, please review your rosters in myGS to ensure all volunteers have completed their mandatory screening. Encourage any volunteers who still need to be screened to take advantage of FREE fingerprinting by April - the last opportunity to do so at no cost. Get started today!

# Adult Volunteer Webinar: Empowering Girl Scouts **Through Outdoor Adventures**

#### March 18 | Virtual | Adult Volunteers

Join us for an exciting and informative webinar designed to inspire and equip Girl Scout adult volunteers to take their troops outdoors! Learn simple, community-based activities and access various resources. Whether you're new to outdoor adventures or a seasoned pro, join us to gain inspiration and share your expertise to create memorable experiences for your troop!

### LEARN MORE

# **Upcoming Events**

Did someone say fun? We have a ton of exhilarating programs and events waiting for you. Plus, there's events for non-members to join as well. There's something for everyone to enjoy!

- <u>Stanford Women's Basketball Girl Scout Night</u> February 16 | Palo Alto | Everyone
- BroadwaySF Presents: Back to the Future The Musical March 1 | San Francisco | Ages 6+
- Earn Your Global Action Award March 8 | San Jose | Ages 5-11
- <u>Renaissance Faire</u> March 30 | San Jose | Grades K-12
- <u>California Academy of Sciences: Penguins and Pajamas</u> April 4-5 | San Francisco | Grades K-12
- Teens Take Over SJ Present: Bright Brave Bold April 5 | San Jose | Grades 6-12
- Yoga on the Beach April 6 | San Francisco | Grades 6-12
- <u>Daisy Brownie Bridging</u> April 26 | Camp Bothin | Grades K-4
- <u>BroadwaySF Presents: & Juliet</u> July 12 | San Francisco | Ages 8+

Ready for more events? Check out visit our <u>events page</u>. We have a plethora of events for members and non-members to enjoy!

### Share Your Story

Calling all Girl Scout adventurers, leaders, and trailblazers! We are on a quest to uncover and feature the most incredible, feel-good stories from your experience as a Girl Scout. Whether it's a moment at a Girl Scout event, a lesson learned, or a cherished memory, we want to hear it! <u>Submit your story now</u>!

# Looking Forward

A sneak peek into next month:

- Women's History Month | March
- International Women's Day | March 8
- Girl Scout Week | March 9-15
- Girl Scout Cookie Program Ends | March 16
- <u>Mandatory LiveScan Fingerprinting</u> | Free until April 2025 | Volunteers

### Have a question or need help?

Check out our gsHelpCenter with articles and resources for volunteers and members.