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girl scouts of northern california

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Come to Lead the Way!

February 5-7 | Milpitas| Grades 9-12 (Register by 12/18 for Early Bird Pricing)
Seniors and Ambassadors who are interested in expanding their leadership and communication skills are invited to take part in this year's Lead the Way event. The conference is designed to strengthen self-confidence and leadership skills to help improve your ability to succeed in school, the community, and life after high school.

REGISTER

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Golden Gate Bridging 2027: Volunteers Needed

The countdown to the 40th celebration of Golden Gate Bridging is on! Join us on Saturday, May 1, 2027, for an unforgettable celebration filled with adventure, friendship, and exciting activities.

We're looking for enthusiastic volunteers to support the event operations and groups interested in hosting interactive activity booths to help bring this special celebration to life. **Register and get involved!**

Reminder: Apply to be a Youth Board Participant

Each year, Girl Scouts of Northern California appoints two Youth Board Participants to serve on our Board of Directors. For youth currently in grades 9-11, this is an excellent opportunity to take part in council governance, advocate for their peers, and see first-hand how an organization is run. Applications are due January 17th. **Apply today!**

Make Money Moves: Financial Literacy Workshop

December 5 | Rohnert Park | Grades 6-12
Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors are invited to join us for our Money Moves Financial Literacy Workshop on Saturday, December 5th at Patelco Credit Union Rohnert Park Branch. Participants will learn budgeting, saving, credit, interest, and investing from industry experts while earning their Financial Literacy badges, with caregivers invited to learn about Patelco's free financial coaching. **Register today!**

Partner Holiday Troop Outings and Events

Come have fun at our partner holiday events, whether it's sewing an adorable reindeer or ice skate with Camp Fashionista, seeing a big top spectacular with Circus Bella, watching the San Jose Nutcracker with an exclusive Girl Scout discount, or cheering on our Bay Area Women's college basketball teams at the Bay Area Classic! **Explore events here.**

Updated Safety Activity Checkpoints

The newest version of **Safety Activity Checkpoints 2026-2028** is now available. This essential planning tool outlines the requirements and best practices for a wide range of Girl Scout activities. This update includes an easier-to-read layout and additional resources. Council approval is also no longer required for go-karting, indoor skydiving, and indoor trampoline. Please share this document with your troops and remind them to reference it when planning and carrying out activities, and when deciding whether they need to apply for approval.

Adult Learning Corner

- Have questions about leading your troop? Join the next **Troop Leadership Support Session** on December 2nd at 6:00 pm. During this informal call, you'll be able to ask questions, receive practical guidance, connect with other volunteers, and find support!
- Taking your troop on a trip? Ensure a safe, fun, and positive experience for all by making sure adult chaperones and drivers have completed **636 Troop Helper: Chaperoning and Driving Girl Scouts** in gsLearn.

Upcoming Events

Did someone say fun? We have a ton of exhilarating programs and events waiting for you!

- **Fiber Arts Fair** (Register by 11/23)
  - December 5 | San Jose | Grades 4-12
- **Adventures in Babysitting** (Register by 11/22)
  - December 6 | Fairfield | Grades 6-10
- Cookie Queens Screening with Director Alysa Nahmias
  - December 6, **San Francisco** | December 7, **San Rafael** | Everyone
- **Season of Service Party** (Register by 11/29)
  - December 12 | Camp Ida Smith, San Francisco | Everyone
- **The Tech Interactive DBJ Robo-Designers**
  - December 13 | San Jose | Grades K-5
- **Snowflakes & Stuffies: Winter Holiday Party** (Register by 11/29)
  - December 13 | Alameda | Grades K-3
- **The House That She Built Program** (Register by 12/26)
  - January 9 | San Jose | Everyone
- **Next Gen Changemakers: MLK Jr. Day of Service**
  - January 17 | Alameda | Grades 4-12
- **Schulz Museum Brownie Art and Adventure Sleepover**
  - January 30 | Santa Rosa | Grades 2-3
- **Camp Winter Wonderland** (Register by 1/15)
  - January 30-31 | Camp Bothin, Fairfax | Everyone

Ready for more events? Visit our **events page**. We have a variety of events for members and non-members to enjoy!

Looking Forward

A sneak peek ahead:

- Thanksgiving | November 26
- Giving Tuesday | December 1
- National Cookie Day | December 4
- Digital Cookie Launches | January 11
- **Camp Registration Opens** | January 20 for returning campers & January 27 for new campers

Share Your Story with Us!

Girl Scout life is filled with exciting moments, valuable lessons, and lasting memories. Did you discover something new, make new friends, or go on an adventure? We'd love to hear your standout moments and memories! Share your story with us via the **Share Your Story form** for a chance to be featured on our social media pages!

Have a question or need help?

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

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