



July 8, 2022



Friends.
Adventures.
Memories.
It's all waiting for
you at camp!



Summer is here, and it's time to head to Camp Koch for all-new camp adventures. All girls entering grades 2-12 in the fall and spring 2022 graduates are invited to join us for our Weekend Camp Experience!

Weekend Camp Experience: Last Day to Register!

Friday, July 15–Sunday, July 17 (Day only option July 16)

Check-In 3:00 PM CDT Friday, Check-Out 10:00 AM CDT Sunday

Cost: \$95 for the overnight, \$45 for the day program

With the theme "Girl Scouts University" (based on the movie "Monsters University"), this camp will include traditional activities with a fun new spin. In the film, the monsters celebrate the 700th anniversary of Monsters University. This year marks the 80th anniversary of Camp Koch and 110 years of Girl Scouts,

so we're going to celebrate the same way! At Girl Scout University, there is a new possibility around every corner, just like you see at Monsters University. Campers will have fun and fill their laugh canister until it is overflowing!

In addition to the themed activities, girls will also swim and canoe on the lake, dine on excellent food made by our fabulous cooks, and sleep in platform tents. Girls that attend this event will delight in the magic found at Camp Koch and leave with smiles on their faces, messy clothes, and lasting memories of their adventure. If a camper does not want to stay overnight, she may participate in a day-only program from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM CDT on Saturday.

Girls that attend this weekend will earn the following badges: Brownie: Fair Play, Junior: Practice with Purpose, Cadette: Good Sportsmanship, Senior: Cross-Training, Ambassadors: Coaching (Badge not included in camp fee.)

Registration deadline is 11:00 PM CDT on July 8!

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Service Unit Day Camps: Don't Forget the Dates!

- North Dubois: 7/11-7/13 at Camp Carnes *Registration Closed*
- Spencer: 8/13 at Lincoln State Park *Info coming soon*

Trailblazer CAMPAign: Give Today to Improve Camp Koch!



As we celebrate 80 years of Camp Koch, we set our sights on the future and making camp a special place for girls for generations to come. Our CAMPAign goal is to raise \$50,000 by 2023 to renovate the shelter house, create a fire pit, and build four furnished cabins at the Trailblazer campsite.

Thanks to your generosity, to date we have raised:

Cabins: \$17,900 of \$25,000 goal

Shelter House: \$500 of \$6500 goal

Furnishings: \$3,392 of \$16,500 goal

Fire Pit: \$2,000 of \$2,000 **FUNDED!**

Total: \$23,792 of our \$50,000 goal - **ALMOST HALFWAY THERE!**

Give today and help make Camp Koch an even more exciting outdoor destination for all girls! To donate, visit the link below and select "Donate Online Now." When filling out the form, choose Camp Koch as the designation and enter "Trailblazer Campaign" in the comment box. For questions, contact mfee@girlscouts-gssi.org.

GIVE NOW

A graphic for a Family Swim Party. It features a circular photo of three young girls smiling and pointing towards the camera, set against a background of blue water. The photo is framed by a green, cloud-like border. To the right of the photo, the text "Family Swim Party" is written in a large, white, serif font. Below this, the date and time "Saturday, July 23 7:30-10:00 PM" and the location "Burdette Aquatic Center" are listed in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. The entire graphic is set against a solid pink background.

**Family Swim
Party**
Saturday, July 23
7:30-10:00 PM
Burdette Aquatic Center

We invite all girls entering grades K-12 and their families to join us for an evening of fun at the Burdette Park Aquatic Center. We have rented the entire pool for this event so that you can enjoy the water and slides with just your fellow friends and Girl Scouts. Girls can also pose for photos with Disney princesses and enter to win special door prizes!

The cost is just \$5 per person, and the registration deadline is Monday, July 18. Learn more and register at the link below. Non-Girl Scouts are welcome.

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This month, we would like to recognize the following volunteers for their work assisting with recruitment in their communities this summer:

- Tarry Kerkhoff
- Meghan Theising
- Lisa Prow
- Kathy Messmer
- Julia Sanders
- Nodie Klimek
- Kirby Risch
- Nycholle Harris
- Shelby Aldridge

Your work helps strengthen the Girl Scout Movement in southwest Indiana, and we appreciate your time!

To assist with recruiting in your area, contact your Troop Support Specialist or support@girlscouts-gssi.org.

Plan Your Girl Scout Summer with the GSSI Summer Program Guide Now - New programs added June 6!

We invite you to check out our program guide's newest version, which includes scheduled and anytime events. We have added various new community partners and included community events that girls and families can attend together. Check back often - the guide will be updated as we add new programs. Questions? Contact Cassie McCord, Girl Experience Specialist, at

cmccord@girlscouts-gssi.org.

Summer 2022 Program Guide

Cookie Program Information

Vote Now for Your Favorite 2023 Cookie Program Recognitions

GSSI needs your help selecting recognitions from ABC Bakers for the 2023 Cookie Program! This survey is open to girls and volunteers and ends on July 29. Please share with your troops!



[VOTE NOW](#)

Smart Cookies Maintenance

ABC Smart Cookies will be down for routine maintenance from Sunday, July 31-Monday, October 3. Troop leaders should remind families that they can export their Girl Scouts' contact list from Smart Cookies to re-import it for the 2023 season. Refer to the document linked below for instructions on how to download contacts. If you have any questions, contact cookies@girlscouts-gssi.org.

[LEARN MORE](#)

Give to GSSI with the Family Giving Partnership

The Family Giving Partnership is an opportunity for families and friends of Girl Scouts to make a financial contribution to directly benefit the girls. As a member of our Girl Scout family, you know how important Girl Scouting is to girls, their



families, and the community. Any amount is appreciated, but a \$25 or greater donation will receive a Girl Scout a Family Giving patch!

To donate online now, visit the link below and enter "Family Giving Partnership" in the Designation dropdown box. To give by mail, download this [FORM](#).

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Upcoming Events

2023 Girl Scout National Convention Fundraisers

Fundraiser Yard Sale

When: Saturday, July 9 7:00 AM-1:00 PM CDT

Where: Acclaim Graphics, 908 N Garvin St, Evansville, IN 47711

GSSI Girl Scouts are hosting a yard sale to raise money for a trip to the Girl Scouts National Convention at Disney World in July 2023, and we invite everyone to shop for a good cause!

There will be no pricing on items; gather what you like and make a donation! Items will include home goods, floral, holiday decorations, small appliances, tools, jewelry, furniture, outdoor accessories, shoes, and some clothing. There will also be a craft and bake sale on Saturday.

Preview sale Friday, July 8, 5:00-8:00 PM CDT. Bag sale Saturday at noon - all you can fit in a bag for just \$3.

Tie Dye and Go Event

When: Saturday, July 30 12:00 PM-4:00 PM CDT

Where: Acclaim Graphics, 908 N Garvin St, Evansville, IN 47711

Girl Scouts of all ages are invited to tie-dye a pillowcase or t-shirt and help raise money for GSSI's council trip to the GSUSA National Convention in Orlando, FL in July 2023! Girls may bring a friend or sibling ages 6 & up.

The cost is just \$12 for each pillowcase or t-shirt (youth & adult sizes S-XL only) and includes all needed supplies and instruction from tie-dye experts! **Non-Girl Scouts are an additional \$1 to cover event insurance*

Time slots are available at 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, and 3:00 with a max of 12 participants for hour, so register now!

Questions? Contact Kelly Birkhead at kelly@acclaimgraphics.com

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Wind Workshop for Brownies at the Evansville Museum

When: Friday, July 22, 2:00-4:00 PM CDT

Where: Evansville Museum, 411 SE Riverside Dr, Evansville, IN 47713

Cost: \$7 per person

You can't see it, and you can't always feel it, but the movement of air affects us and our surroundings all the time. Participants will learn all about wind in this workshop that explores gentle winds, breezes, and gusts. Girls will create their own wind-detecting device and test their device under a variety of conditions. The workshop includes admission to the Evansville Museum's highly interactive exhibit, Air: A Hand's-On Adventure. This workshop is presented in cooperation with Leap Into Science, a program of the Franklin Institute of Science.

To register: Call the Evansville Museum at (812) 425-2406 from 12:00-5:00 PM Friday-Sunday.

Questions? Contact Mitch Luman at (812) 425-2406, ext 227 or email mluman@emuseum.org.

Girl Scout Night with the Evansville Otters

When: Friday, August 5, 6:35 PM CDT

Where: Bosse Field, Evansville

Cost: \$5 per person

Girl Scouts, leaders, and their families (parents/guardians and siblings) are invited to an evening of fun with the Evansville Otters!

\$5 Event Admission includes:

- General admission tickets to the game in a reserved seating area
- Hot dog, chips, and a soda
- Private meet and greet and post-game baseball clinic with Otters players
- Option for on-field overnight campout, includes breakfast
- Commemorative Otters fun patch (Girl Scouts only)

To register: Download and mail registration form (link below)

Questions? Contact Keith Millikan at (812) 435-8686 or email kmillikan@evansvilleotters.com.

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Check out our Event Calendar for a full list of upcoming activities!

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GSSI Shop Updates

GSUSA Price Increases Coming in July

Beginning in July, GSUSA will increase pricing on uniforms, council IDs, badge requirements, handbooks and Girls' Guides to Girl Scouting. To purchase your items for the upcoming membership year at the current prices, please visit or contact the shop by July 11!

Shop Hours:

Monday & Wednesday: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM CDT

Thursday: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM CDT

Tuesday & Friday: Closed

Can't Make it In?

In addition to in-store shopping, we now offer online ordering with the option of store pick-up or FREE shipping!

[SHOP NOW](#)

Take Action for the Environment with Alcoa Foundation



Thanks to a generous grant from Alcoa Foundation, GSSI will again offer mini grants for take action and highest award projects that focus on environmental sustainability and/or environmental education throughout the remainder of the 2021-2022 membership year.

Troops, service unit events, service unit camps, and individuals (registered members grades K-12) must submit a mini grant proposal form for consideration. If awarded, the project will receive \$75.00 towards project expenses. Project plans and proposed budgets must be submitted to and approved by GSSI before starting. Final project reports and receipts must be submitted by troop/group/individual to GSSI at the completion of the service for tracking. Projects must be completed and submitted before September 1, 2022.

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