

Alum News



Quarterly Newsletter for GSCCC Girl Scout Alums

Fall 2025

As we close out one membership year and look forward to another, we wanted to take a moment to thank you for keeping the Girl Scout Movement as such an important part of your life. We are working on some amazing events and celebrations that you won't want to miss, so read on!

As always, you can find even more feature stories, resources and other information at gscgg.org/alum.



2026 National Convention: Girl Scouts Unite

July 23–25, 2026 – Walter E. Washington Convention Center – Washington, DC

Girl Scouts have transformed—and continue to transform—our country. We planted victory gardens during World War II and marched for civil rights. We launch new businesses and advocate for the issues we care about. We dream big. We spark change. We lead the way! There's no better time and place to celebrate the incredible impact of Girl Scouts than on the 250th anniversary of the U.S.A. in our nation's capital.

- Hear from inspiring speakers, like Space Gal Emily Calandrelli
- Meet Girl Scout book authors Sayantani DasGupta and Yamile Saied Méndez
- Experience interactive workshops and live performances

- Meet girls who are taking action in their communities
- Learn about trailblazers and barrier-breakers from past generations
- Venture around the city for events and exhibits commemorating the 250th anniversary of the U.S.A.

Save 20% when you register by October 3, 2025!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Juliette Gordon Low Society Social – Oct. 30

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at A Place for Girls

Is GSCCC a beneficiary in your estate plans or do you want to learn more about adding your legacy in support of Girl Scouts? Help us induct our new members and celebrate our commitment to Girl Scouting while being inspired to learn more. Contact philanthropy@gscgcc.org to RSVP.



12th Annual Cookie Classic Run – Jan. 17

Run, jog, roll or stroll down a paved trail into the Great Dismal Swamp in Chesapeake for this classic 1 mile, 5K, and 10K experience. Prizes for finishers and lots of other goodies, too! Learn more and sign up at gscgcc.org/cookieclassic.

Camp is Calling - Badge Bash! – Apr. 18

Fun, food, friendship — upon arrival you'll be welcomed like a true Girl Scout and receive an honorary sash. Sip on cocktails, enjoy camp snacks, and keep the party going while participating in “badge” stations to add bling to your sash. Badge Bash is the next gen of our Camp is Calling event. The in-person silent auction will raise funds for GSCCC camps. Badge Bash is your chance to relive or experience the magic of summer camp with a grown-up twist!

Register now at gscgcc.org/bash!

Girl Scout Famous Formers – Sept. 26, 2026

At our annual celebration, we will recognize the significant achievements of local women who started their leadership journey as Girl Scouts. The nomination process for the class of 2026 honorees will open in April 2026; stay tuned to your GSCCC emails for details!



Celebrate Founder's Day, Oct. 31

Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of Girl Scouts, was born on October 31, 1860. In 1920, her birthday became officially known as Girl Scout Founder's Day — you can help us celebrate by setting up a birthday fundraiser on Facebook! Share what Girl Scouting means to you. (Be sure to tag [GSCCC](#) when you post!)

- Start in early October
- Set a reasonable goal
- Invite your friends and family to participate
- GSCCC is a qualified charitable nonprofit
- Donations are eligible for the IRS charitable tax deduction

View this easy walkthrough online: [A Guide to Girl Scout Birthday Fundraisers](#)

Juliette's Vision For The Future

Juliette Gordon Low wasn't afraid to challenge the status quo and wholeheartedly advocate for the girls who would benefit from Girl Scouting. She knew that building support was the key to a memorable future and would happen one conversation at a time. The same is true today.

The Juliette Gordon Low Society is composed of forward-thinking adults who want to continue enhancing girls' future opportunities. Consider beginning a conversation about what you want to do for girls with [Sally Swanson](#), who can help you form your legacy plan. Beginning early helps girls as well as can help you with future tax considerations. **Learn more at gsccl.org/legacy.**

Remembering 2017 Girl Scout Famous Former Cecelia "CeeCee" Tucker

We are saddened to share that Girl Scout alum Cecelia "CeeCee" Tucker died on July 29, 2025. She was a longtime Norfolk educator and activist and one of the founding members of the Urban League of Hampton Roads. She was a talented motivational speaker and when telling her story would often include her meeting with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. while studying at Virginia Union University and was proud to have marched on Washington during Martin Luther King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech.

CeeCee taught at the all-Black Booker T. Washington High School in Norfolk, where she supported students who pushed for integration. Later, when she

joined Old Dominion University (ODU), she pushed for more integration there as well. At ODU, she was recognized for advancing educational equity and community partnerships. As the lead for community development there, she launched the Girl Empowerment conferences that helped introduce new audiences to ODU programs. GSCCC, was among the community groups CeeCee invited to the planning table for the conference series.

A spokesperson representing the Urban League said, “CeeCee was a visionary force in Hampton Roads—her counsel was wise, her presence was empowering, and her legacy is lasting. She gave of herself freely and fully, always believing in the power of people to transform their communities. Her impact spans across generations, and her imprint will endure in the lives she touched and the institutions she strengthened. We extend our heartfelt condolences to her family, friends, and the many organizations that were privileged to know her leadership. May we continue to honor her by living out the values she embodied—service, equity, education, faith, and love for community.”

There was no challenge CeeCee wouldn’t accept when it came to equal rights. This gentle force for good will be missed.

[View this video interview](#) GSCCC recorded with her as a Famous Former Girl Scout honoree in 2017.





Support Girl Scouts & Your Company's Goals

When donating during your workplace campaign, you can designate to Girl Scout Council of Colonial Coast!

Your generosity is counted toward your company's goals while creating opportunities for girls to reach their full potential. Your donation stays local and helps all Girl Scouts succeed!



United Ways leverage the caring power of communities by investing in agencies that make a difference. Their accreditation processes ensure the partner organizations are effective and target the community's greatest needs. The CVC and CFC campaigns thoroughly review each agency through an annual application process.



You can give knowing your dollars make a difference.

501(c)3 Nonprofit Information:

Girl Scout Council of Colonial Coast, 912 Cedar Road,
Chesapeake, VA 23322
EIN 54-1158412



“Make the World a Better Place” Podcast

In our latest episode, we were honored to talk with GSUSA's National Board President Noorain Khan. She holds the highest volunteer title in the

organization. This National Gold Award Girl Scout alum credits her lifetime of interests in philanthropy with some of her earliest memories as a Girl Scout Brownie in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Since 2023, Noorain has brought tremendous nonprofit and business leadership expertise to the national board. Aside from her impressive professional accolades in corporate law, she has served as a senior policy advisor on the National Economic Council at the White House and as chief of staff at the education nonprofit Teach for All. She is a member of the New York State Bar and has served on a variety of nonprofit boards. Noorain is the one for the job!

[Listen now](#) on Spotify or YouTube!



Have you renewed your membership for 2025-26?

A Girl Scout lifetime membership is a one-time purchase and costs \$400 (and is tax-deductible as allowed by law). Alums under 30 or volunteers with ten or more years of service can purchase a lifetime membership for just \$200. Your lifetime membership also includes benefits, such as discounts and invitations to special events! Act before September 30 to ensure your active membership continues into next year.

[LEARN MORE](#)

Let us share your good news!

We know Girl Scouts make the world a better place well into adulthood, and your stories can inspire us all to keep going. **Send your professional honors, awards, recognitions, promotions, news and other announcements to marcomm@gscgc.org.** We will include them in a future edition of this newsletter!
