

November Newsletter

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Special 57th National Council Session

GSMW Town Hall Meeting

At the recent Special National Council Session, delegates voted to increase girl membership dues to \$45 in 2026 and \$65 in 2027. Adult membership dues will increase to \$30 beginning in 2026.

Please join us from 6:00-7:00pm on Tuesday November 12 to discuss your questions and understand how this may affect you, your girl(s), and your troop.

Please **pre-register for this call** and submit your questions in advance by submitting them **here**. Deadline to submit your questions is Sunday, November 10.

Questions regarding the membership dues increase will take priority and questions regarding other topics will be answered live if time allows, or individually after the call.



**Pre-Register for the GSMW
Town Hall Meeting Here**

**Submit Your Questions
in Advance Here**

Girl Scout

Product Program

Fall Product

Product is on the Way

The Fall Product Program order has been submitted to our vendor Ashdon Farms, and the product will arrive in mid-November.

Late Orders

Please email customercare@gsmw.org with product requested. Every effort will be made to get late orders added to normal deliveries – but if late orders must be sent separately, the shipping will be paid for by the Troop/Caregiver.

Customer Order Inquiries

If you or your customers have questions or concerns about orders, you can reach out to the M2 Customer Care Team at support.gsnutsandmags.com or by phone at (800) 372-8520. You can also reach out to GSMW with the order number, issue, customer address and phone number and we can assist in contacting M2 Customer Care should you need help.

Receipts, Receipts, Receipts!

Don't Forget to Get Receipts Signed

Girl receipts are retained by the Troop for one year and are only submitted to Council in the event of an Outstanding Balance Form submission.

By November 30th, Service Units must submit the Troop pickup receipts to Council by emailing customercare@gsmw.org and attaching receipt pictures or mailing them to the Billings Office, attn: Accounting at 2303 Grand Ave, Billings, MT 59102.

Learn how to print off receipts from M2OS [here](#). Please be sure to print two copies of the girl receipts to have one copy for the Troop and one for the caregiver. Both copies must be signed.

If you don't have a printer, no problem! Email customercare@gsmw.org with your SU/Troop number and where to send the receipts.

Important Dates

November 10th-18th
Service Unit Product Deliveries

November 11th-19th
Troop/Girl Pickups

November 13th
Online Program Ends

November 14th
Girls Enter Reward Choices

December 2nd
Caregivers Turn in Money to Troop

December 3rd
Outstanding Balance Forms Due

December 5th
Automated Clearing House (ACH) Email

December 10th
ACH Sweep



Fall Product Sales
End November 13th

Product Promotions

Congrats to the Girl Scouts that participated in the Nutty Buddy Bash and “Ellie-vate” Your Sale Extravaganza!

We had 228 girls reach the Nutty Buddy Bash criteria and 162 girls were able to “Ellie-vate” their sales during the Extravaganza. Girls Embraced Possibility to earn these unique patches and other rewards! See the website for the list of winners.

Here are the promotions girls can continue to work towards until the end of the program:

1. **Ellie the Elephant:** Girls who sell 7+ Care to Share items through November 13th will be entered to win Ellie the giant Asian elephant plush. When they sell another 2+ items, they receive an additional entry to win Ellie! One lucky Girl Scout will get to take her home.
2. **Troop Early Cookie Booth Sign-Ups:** Troops with 80% participation in the Fall Program will receive early entry to select up to 2 premium booths and up to 4 non-premium booths for the 2025 Cookie Program.
3. **“Embrace the Outdoors” Adventure:** One Troop wins 2 day/1 night use of GSMW property or \$150 program credit. To qualify, Troops must hit \$1500+ in overall sales and every additional \$300+ in sales earns the Troop another entry.

GSMW Rewards Card

If you have existing GS Cards or G.I.R.L. Cards, please **fill out this request form** by November 30, 2024, to move the funds from these cards into reserve for your use later. We will transition to the new GSMW Rewards card fully and will deactivate old card numbers by March 1, 2025.

The new GSMW Rewards Card will be rolling out with the Fall 2024 Program. This is a great way to receive funds to pay for GSMW Camps and Council-Sponsored Programs, Girl Scout Memberships, Girl Scout Destinations and International Travel, and Council Approved Troop Trips. Any deactivated cards without a request for reservation will be forfeited.

If you have questions, please email customercare@gsmw.org or call 406-252-0488.

GSMW Text Communications

Depending on your role, you can expect important updates about product programs, upcoming events, how to register for volunteer training, exciting opportunities and more!

Not the texting type? No worries! Opt-out at any time. Keep in mind, If you do opt-out, you will not receive any communications via text moving forward.



Volunteer Relations Conflict Management

Check out the Volunteer Relations Conflict Management Roadmap as you are getting back to troop meetings.

This resource will give you tools to navigate conflict with caregivers, other volunteers and even in your own personal life! Check it out in [gsLearn](#) and download the document for your use. Use the Girl and Caregiver agreements to have a good conversation as a troop and set expectations and behaviors for the year. Start your Girl Scout year all on the same page!



Apply Now for Girl Scout Destinations

Attention all Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts! Are you ready for an unforgettable adventure through GSUSA's Destinations Program? Applications are now open for 2025 Destinations, as well as a few select 2026 trips! Don't miss the early application deadline on November 15th—applying early gives you the chance for early acceptance and more time to raise funds for your travel experience. Don't forget—GSMW and GSUSA offer generous travel scholarships to help turn your travel dreams into reality!

After November 15th, applications will continue to be accepted for trips with available spots. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to customercare@gsmw.org.



Retail: Cozy Fall Vibes

This cozy sweatshirt was made to be your new favorite! With a positive message and Girl Scout pride, it's a perfect addition to your year-round wardrobe. Made of a 50/50 ring spun cotton/poly blend, the new GSMW zip-up hoodie is both cozy and fashionable. In dark heather gray with rainbow lettering stating "Not Waiting for Permission since 1912".

Adult sizes come in a zip-up hoodies and youth sizes come in a pullover hoodie:

Youth Pullover Hoodie, \$39 S-XL

Adult Zip-Up Hoodie, \$45 S-XL

Adult Plus Size Zip-Up Hoodie, \$48 2X-4X

These hoodies are available at our council shops only and not online. Call (406-252-0488) or email (shop@gsmw.org) to purchase.



Gold Award Spotlight: Congrats Liliana!

Liliana S. of Havre, MT has a passion for dance. She used her passion to establish dance classes for lower income children in her community, recognizing that the cost for monthly dance classes were beyond the means for the average household and that her community had limited extracurricular opportunities for children. Liliana advertised her class, managed the application process for families, designed and executed the class curriculum, received a donation to allow her to purchase a shirt and leggings for the students and organized a recital for the students to demonstrate their skills. As a result of her efforts, the dance studio will now charge for classes on a sliding scale allowing more children to participate.

