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July 4: Isotopes Girl Scouts Night
July 8 - 12: Innovate & Create SF
July 13 - 14: Girl Scouts Love State Parks
July 15 - 20: Fortune Females
July 18: Innovate & Create Workshop - ABQ
July 19: Isotopes Girl Scouts Night
July 22 - 26: Innovate & Create ABQ
July 27: Gallup Volunteer Expo

August

Aug. 2: Innovate & Create Workshop - ABQ
Aug. 9 - 11: Rancho del Chaparral 50th Anniversary Celebration
Aug. 10: Isotopes Girl Scouts Night
Aug. 10: Babysitting Training
Aug. 10: First Aid & CPR Training
Aug. 13: New Leader Volunteer Essentials Training
Aug. 16: Mission NM: Welcome Back Sylvia!
Aug. 22: New & Returning Leader Volunteer Essentials Training
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Aug. 24: New & Returning Leader Volunteer Essentials Training
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September

Sept. 2: GSNMT Offices Closed
Sept. 7 - 8: STEM Extravaganza
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November

Nov. 28 - 29: GSNMT Offices Closed

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Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all time,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

LETTER FROM THE CEO

What it means to be a G.I.R.L.

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hat a busy and fun time to be a Girl Scout!

There are so many great things to share, celebrations, and future events coming to you in the next few months.

Thank you to all of our cookie entrepreneurs! We had a tremendous cookie program this year that was capped off by so many recognitions and celebrations. I enjoyed our Tea with our top sellers - one of my favorite events. All of the girls were lovely and poised as we sipped our tea and ate our scones. The hats and dresses were so festive. Many of our young entrepreneurs put on their jeans and sweatshirts and are getting out into the great outdoors by attending summer camp. And finally our Cliff's celebration brought out all of our Risk Takers! Thank you so much for all you did girls, volunteers and parents. We had a great cookie program this year because of you! Be sure to check out page 8 to learn about some of our amazing cookie entrepreneurs!

National Convention is coming to Orlando, FL in October 2020. Currently we are asking all who are interested in serving as our delegates to complete an application for the selection. Please see our website for details as well as read the information on page 5.

Camp season is here and our camps have never looked more beautiful. Take time to check out the exciting programs still available, including our 50th Anniversary Celebration of Rancho del Chaparral and join in the fun.

1000 of you attended the largest ever Roar

and Snore and no sprinklers went off! It was a super event.

Girl Scouts love State Parks - join thousands of girls in hundreds of state parks across the United States to find adventure, explore nature, and learn what Girl Scouts is all about.

Our own New Mexico grown Girl Scouts of the USA CEO, Sylvia Acevedo, is coming to New Mexico! We have a special night set aside at the Governor's Mansion in August to honor her as well as to celebrate the accomplishments of many of our girls! She is a tremendously talented woman who credits Girl Scouts for her journey in becoming a Rocket Scientist!

And finally, let me assure you in case you have heard such rumors, we are not registering boys into Girl Scouts! We are girl led, girl focused and girl centric! We remain committed nationwide to our mission to build girls of courage, confidence and character.

Thank you for all you do,

Peggy Sanchez Mills, CEO



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SUMMER CAMP ROCKS!

The sun is beaming a little brighter each day, the temperature is rising, and it's one of our favorite times of the year - Girl Scout camp! Exploring the outdoors, having a blast with friends, learning new things, cozy campfires, singing songs & days filled with fun and adventure!

Summer camp is just another Girl Scout opportunity where a girl can discover who she can become - a place where she can speak up, try something new, and take the lead in small, powerful ways. Camp is a place where she will learn over and over again, that she CAN do anything, even if she fails at first.

Camp is awesome! Whether it's a weekend camping trip with the troop or a week-long stay, camp is sure to make a lifelong impression.

Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails has two fun-filled camp properties, Camp Elliott Barker in Angel Fire and Rancho del Chaparral just 45 minutes outside of Cuba, NM. Each camp offers unique experiences and are special places where campers can test the boundaries of their comfort zones and grow into G.I.R.L.s™!

Camp Elliott Barker -

On the eastern slopes of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, in Angel Fire -is our 536-acre camp sits in the midst of pristine forest and meadows bordering the Carson National Forest. Camp Barker is a high adventure camp that offers a high and low ropes course, archery, horse programming, multi-night backpacking, and traditional camp activities as well as high adventure programming with canoeing, rock climbing, and whitewater rafting.



Rancho del Chaparral



Rancho has been part of the Girl Scout camp tradition in New Mexico for 50 years! Join us as we celebrate this milestone in our camp history during a special event at Rancho del Chaparral August 9 - 11, 2019!

Join us for a relaxing weekend enjoying the things that Rancho does best: camp magic! Shoot archery, hike the trails, stargaze at the new observatory, reminisce, and introduce your family to long lost friends. You'll also have a chance to purchase commemorative Trading Post items. There will be a short ceremony around dinner time to recognize and honor those who did service projects or donated funds or materials during the summer.

Located in the Jemez Mountains, Rancho is accessible from Spring through Fall. The camp's over 1100 acres include hiking and horse trails, primitive camping, and traditional camp activities. Rancho is an ideal setting for basic outdoor skills, advanced skill building, group retreats, art and creative sessions, ecology programs, and much more!

What makes Girl Scout summer camp so epic? YOU!

Girl Scout summer camp is a one-of-a-kind adventure your girl is sure to love. Show her something different. Something exciting. Something life-changing. Something designed specifically with her in mind. Give her a summer like no other by registering today!

Sessions still available!

Below are some of our favorite sessions that are still taking registrations.

Be sure to visit us at www.nmgirlscouts.org to learn more about our camps and register for YOUR summer 2019 camp adventure!

Camp Elliott Barker

July 5 - 7

- **TROOP CAMP:** Your troop can select its desired level of programming: Do It Yourself, Autopilot Adventure, or Training! These special two night sessions are open to girls, their troop leaders, or other registered parent volunteers. All troop camp attendees must be registered Girl Scouts.

July 14 - 19

- **SCIENCE EXPLORERS:** Get ready to get messy! Build a volcano, make a rainbow jar, try your hand at magnetic slime, grow rock sugar crystals, build a marshmallow catapult, and more! Girls will be sent home with all of the instructions for these experiments to share with their family and troop.
- **SECRET AGENT:** Become a super sleuth! Solve mysteries, write with invisible ink, participate in a scavenger hunt, make fingerprint art, and complete the super spy challenge course.
- **JUST ADDED! MACH 1:** This camp is for girls who are seeking the adventure of a lifetime (or at least a summer). Practice on the high and low ropes course, go rock climbing on a natural rock face, raft the Rio Grande, cook your own outdoor meals, pack a backpack and go on an overnight, and then relax in the art barn.

July 28 - August 2

- **S'MORES & SNORES:** Snuggle up next to the campfire on more than one night for songs, stories, and s'mores. Hike to the Mystery Tree or underworld to make a wish for the summer. Make up your own camp legends and try out gourmet recipes for s'mores!
- **TRAIL TREKKERS:** Explore camp like never before. Learn about the native plants, animals, and water sources. Hike rarely used trails, build a bat or bird house, try your hand at letterboxing or geocaching, and make a nature journal to record all of your experiences.
- **PACKS & PADDLES:** Get ready for the ultimate adventure. Canoe on the pond at Barker or at Eagle Nest Lake State Park then pack up your backpacking equipment and head off on a 1-2 night backpacking trip in the Carson National Forest.

Rancho del Chaparral

July 7 - 12

- **NATURE EXPLORERS:** Complete a nature scavenger hunt, adopt pet rocks, splash in the water, stargaze, find (or make!) animal tracks, and learn survival skills. While you're here at camp you'll also learn about how you can give back to the natural world by creating bird feeders, bat houses, or cleaning up the trails!
- **TRAILBLAZERS:** Spend time in the barn every day learning about horses. You will have at least one arena lesson and trail ride, plus a day to pick your horseback riding activity! When you're not at the barn enjoy arts & crafts, songs, hiking, and more.
- **SUPER G.I.R.L.:** Become your own super hero! Learn about leadership skills, teamwork, make a hero costume, determine your survival powers, level up at archery, and create your own comic book.

July 12 - 14

- **TROOP CAMP:** Your troop can select its desired level of programming: Do It Yourself, Autopilot Adventure, or Training! These special two night sessions are open to girls, their troop leaders, or other registered parent volunteers. All troop camp attendees must be registered Girl Scouts.

July 7 - 12

- **NIGHT OWLS:** Stay up to watch the stars and sleep in late the following morning. Enjoy learning about nighttime animals and how our vision changes so that we can still see. Have a sparkle party and play at being pirates. You will also get to cook your own meals, sleep out, and make galaxy paintings.
- **TECH EXPLORERS:** This camp is ELECTRIC! Learn about coding with a LEGO® maze, engineer with jelly beans, make electricity with the wind, water, or food, create a mini stop motion movie, and a light up card or bookmark to take home.
- **GS RANGER:** Become a Girl Scout Ranger! Track and watch wildlife, explore wetlands or the river-side, hike through forest without a trail, and meet & learn from a State Park Ranger. Enjoy campfire deserts, gaga ball, archery, and arts & crafts as well!



Mark your calendars!

55th National Council Session

October 21 - 23, 2020

G.I.R.L. 2020

October 23 - 25, 2020

Orlando, Florida

Join us for the world's largest girl-led event for girls and young women and everyone who supports them!

Thousands of girls and their supporters will come together from around the world. Hosted by Girl Scouts of the USA, this mega event will provide attendees with unforgettable experiences as they gain inspiration, tools to empower themselves, and the know-how to lead change in their communities - connecting with some of the most influential women in the world along the way.

Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails is currently accepting applications for National Convention Delegates

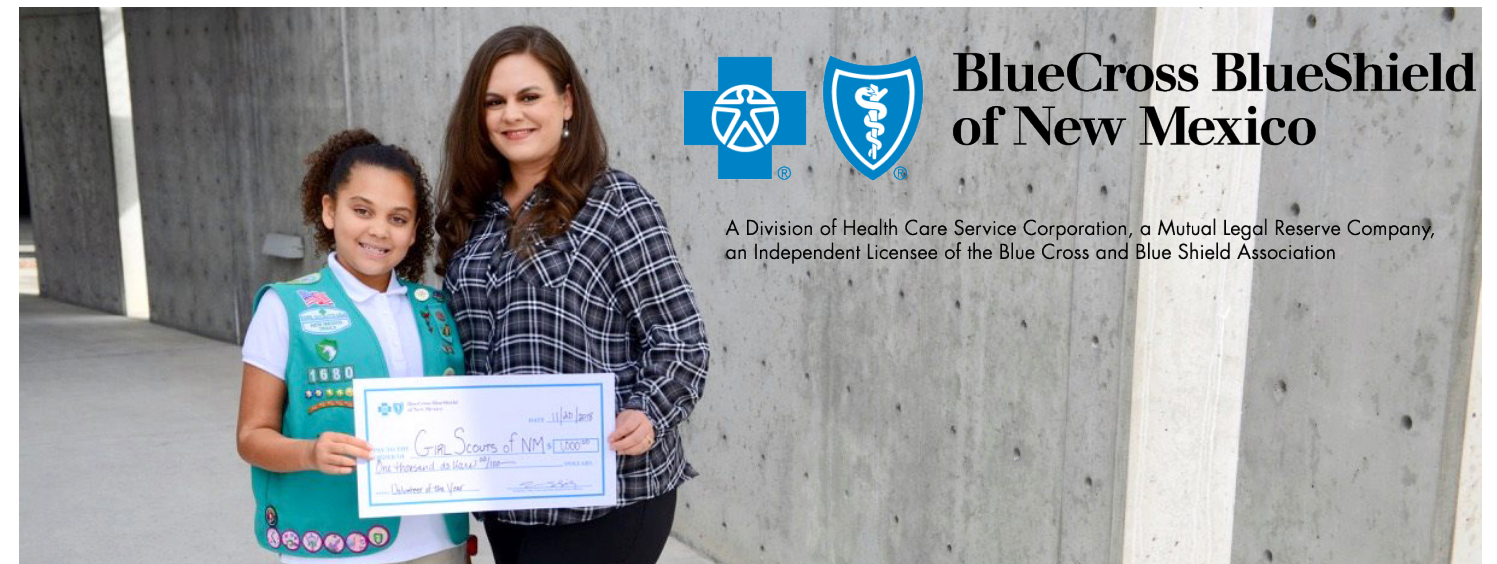
Eligibility Criteria

- Over 14 years of age
- US citizen per Girl Scouts of USA (GSUSA) guidelines and Congressional Charter
- Registered Girl Scout
- Able to serve a 3 year term effective November 2019- November 2022
- Reviewed the attached position description and can accept these responsibilities
- Attend Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails' (GSNMT) annual meeting on November 16, 2019 to be present for the election if nominated
- Commitment to attend all training sessions to assist with you being fully informed on issues and the democratic process utilized at the Convention
- Willingness to support all decisions made at the Convention

If you do not meet each of the above criteria, you are not eligible to serve as a delegate to the National Convention

If you meet the above criteria and are interested in applying, please visit nmgirlscouts.org/conventionetc. and submit your application by July 15, 2019.

Donor Highlight: Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico (BCBSNM)



Thank you for sponsoring G.I.R.L. Extravaganza 2018

Our girl-centric, hands-on STEM event is the highlight of the year for hundreds of our girls, and it would not be possible without the generous support of our community. BCBSNM stepped up to the plate and made it all possible! The Girls of New Mexico Thank You!

Last year, BCBSNM donated more than \$1.2 million in community grants and sponsorships to nearly 140 NM organizations across the state. We asked BCBSNM why they chose to support us, and here is what they said:

"BCBSNM is proud to support Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails. We supported G.I.R.L. Extravaganza to help encourage young New Mexicans to explore science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) career paths and to continue their education."

"Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails makes a difference in girls' lives and in the community. We believe that investing in the health and wellness of our children creates a better future for all New Mexicans."

We also received a generous donation in honor of Kristen Myers, a Medicare regulatory analyst for BCBSNM, who was named their Volunteer of the Year for her volunteer work at Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails, where she has served as a troop leader.

If you would like information about supporting our programs, contact our Development Director, Molly Garza, at 505-923-2518 or mgarza@nmgirlscouts.org



THE GIRL SCOUT COOKIE PROGRAM PREPARES GIRLS WITH THE BUSINESS SMARTS THEY NEED TO TAKE ON THE WORLD!

The cookie program gives girls hands-on leadership and entrepreneurial practice through real-life experiences. Girls gain lifelong skills like goal setting, decision making, money management, business ethics, and people skills.

Did you know the Girl Scout Cookie Program is the largest girl-led entrepreneurial program in the world? It's true—and it's pretty amazing!

And because you bought delicious Girl Scout Cookies, you're helping power new, unique, and amazing experiences for them—experiences that broaden their worlds, teach them essential skills, and launch them into a lifetime of leadership.

Here are some of our amazing Cookie Entrepreneurs!



Top Cookie Seller - Lillie

Lillie, a Daisy in Troop 242, is our 2019 Top Cookie Seller with an amazing 3,750 boxes sold!

2019 Cookie Pro Contest Winner - Norah

Norah, a Daisy in Troop 10278, is among 24 lucky nationwide winners off to sunny California for incredible VIP adventures!



Setting their Sights High!

Millie & Emma, Cadettes in Troop 10230, made a reach for the stars during the 2019 cookie sale! The girls were able to obtain their goal and attend Space Camp in Huntsville, AL. Both girls were Top 10 Cookie Sellers for 2019!

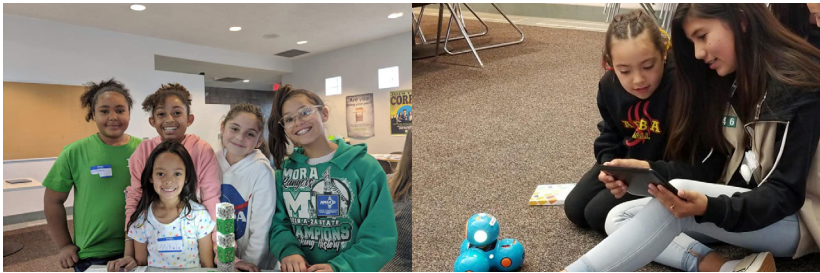
STEM FROM GIRLS INITIATIVE

Our STEM From Girls Initiative kicked off 2019 with some exciting programs! From engineering to astronomy to robotics, we have been working with great partners to provide girls in New Mexico with a diverse range of STEM activities. Some highlights from the last quarter include:

- A Space Science Badge-a-thon for Daisies and Brownies at Barker Snowed In. During this event, girls were able to observe the sun through a solar telescope, earn their space science badges, make astronomy themed art, and observe the moon through binoculars. Special thank you to our volunteer Gary Zientara for his support with this event!
- An Electronic Textiles workshop where girls in the Alamosa Service Unit were able to learn about electricity, circuitry, and sewing while creating a light up pillow!
- The Art of Science, a daylong event in partnership with the UNM Chapter of the Society of Women Engineers. 78 Brownies, Juniors, and Cadette's visited UNM to tour labs, engage in hands-on activities, and meet women who study and work in engineering fields. Girls were able to learn more about how they can use nuclear, chemical, mechanical, electrical, robotic, and computer engineering to make the world a better place.



- The first meeting for Star Trails, the GSNMT Club of Astronomy for CSAs was held in Santa Fe County. During their first meeting, club members put together their new telescope and used it to observe the night sky! Special thank you to Laurie Wells from the Rio Rancho Astronomical Society and Jim Greenhouse, Space Science Director for the NMMNHS for their support with this club.
- A Robotics Badge-a-thon for Brownies, Juniors, and Cadettes. 42 girls from Pecos, Mora, Wagon Mound, and Las Vegas came together to learn about sensors, actuators, robotics, and programming. Each girl earned a Programming Robots Badge for putting their robot through a series of sequences and loops.



Thank you to all of the sponsors and funders who make these events possible by contributing to our STEM From Girls Initiative.

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Mission NM - Welcome back Sylvia!

A lifelong Girl Scout, Sylvia Acevedo was appointed CEO of Girl Scouts of the USA in May 2017, coming full circle from her youth as a Girl Scout in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Through Girl Scouts, Sylvia discovered her passion for space, science, and math. Her interest in STEM subjects would lead her to a career as a rocket scientist, engineer, technology executive, and award-winning STEM entrepreneur.

Sylvia has championed girls in STEM, the outdoors, entrepreneurship, and leadership. Girl Scouts now earn badges in cybersecurity, robotics, design thinking, coding, eco awareness, high-adventure outdoor activities, and, of course, space science.

A strong civic and education leader, Sylvia understands the role education plays in creating opportunities for children and developing the workforce of the future. She was one of the first Hispanic students, male or female, to earn a graduate engineering degree from Stanford University—an MS in industrial engineering—and she holds a bachelor of science degree with honors in industrial engineering from New Mexico State University.

Sylvia is the author of *Path to the Stars: My Journey from Girl Scout to Rocket Scientist*, a memoir for middle school students that inspires readers to live the lives of their dreams.

Sylvia is a featured guest speaker during the New Mexico Leadership Summit being held Friday, August 16, 2019 at the Central New Mexico Community College Main Campus, Smith Brasher Hall.

The New Mexico Leadership Summit features speakers who will share their unique personal stories and leadership experiences. In addition, they will provide a window into how they think about ethics and the ethical challenges they face in their workplaces.

The summit's goal is to create a space for to reflect upon your leadership style, using what you learn to make meaningful change across New Mexico and the Southwest.

Register now: <https://bit.ly/2ZHGuvT>

Mission NM - Welcome back Sylvia will be held the evening of Friday, August 16, 2019 at the Governors Mansion in Santa Fe, NM. This invitation only event brings Sylvia back to her roots in Girl Scouting of New Mexico as we honor her as well as our 2019 High Awards recipients.



Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails



Arts Supervisor (1 @ Rancho only)

Salary: \$275/week **Minimum Age:** 18

The Art Supervisor develops and delivers arts and crafts activities that are safe, fun and appropriate to the campers' ages and abilities. They are responsible for planning, teaching, coordinating and carrying out art activities that guide campers in their personal growth and skill development. In charge of the management of the art center and related equipment and supplies.

Unit Leader (2 @ Rancho, 1 @ Barker)

Salary: \$300/week, **Minimum Age:** 21

The Unit Leaders oversee the direction, supervision, and organization of campers (via the unit counselors) in their living unit, within activities and throughout the camp in order to meet the intended camper outcomes. Unit Leaders directly supervise 2-4 Unit Counselors and aid in program planning, and general supervision.

Program Specialist – Wrangler (3 @ Rancho, 1 @ Barker)

Salary: \$250/week; **Minimum Age:** 16

Working in our riding stables, riding staff/wrangers are responsible for the delivery of a comprehensive horseback riding program that is safe, fun and appropriate for campers' ages and abilities. Riding staff are also responsible for the care of the horses and burros. Must be able to catch, groom, tack, mount, and ride proficiently at the walk and trot at a minimum.

Unit Counselor (2 @ Rancho, 4 @ Barker)

Salary: \$250/week; **Minimum Age:** 18

The Unit Counselors are the primary caregivers for each camper. Assist the Unit Leaders in planning and coordinating the campers time based on the Camp Program Book. Responsible for teaching and carrying out activities and guiding campers in their personal growth and daily living skills (personal hygiene, interpersonal skills, etc). Assist in the direction, supervision, and organization of campers in their living unit, within activities and throughout the camp in order to meet the intended camper outcomes.

All Positions: Promote high standards in all aspects of the camp program. Serve as a role model to campers and staff by your actions, appearance, manners, language, and general conduct. Participate enthusiastically in all camp activities, planning and leading those as assigned. Unit Counselors and Unit leaders must live onsite. Work "weeks" will run 10-14 days in length with two daily 1-hour breaks and weekly nights off that are preplanned with/for you.

Celebrate 50 years at Rancho del Chaparral!



Spend a day or the weekend reminiscing with camp friends, sharing memories and reflections of camp life with alumni who love your camp as much as you do at Rancho del Chaparral's 50th Anniversary Celebration!

Register Now: <https://ranchos50thcelebration.eventbrite.com/>



Join the fun for all ages as Girl Scouts cheer on the Albuquerque Isotopes in their 17th home season!



**Registration includes:
Admission, hotdog, chips and a small drink.**



Extravaganza

September 7 - 8, 2019