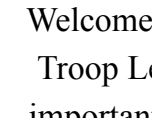
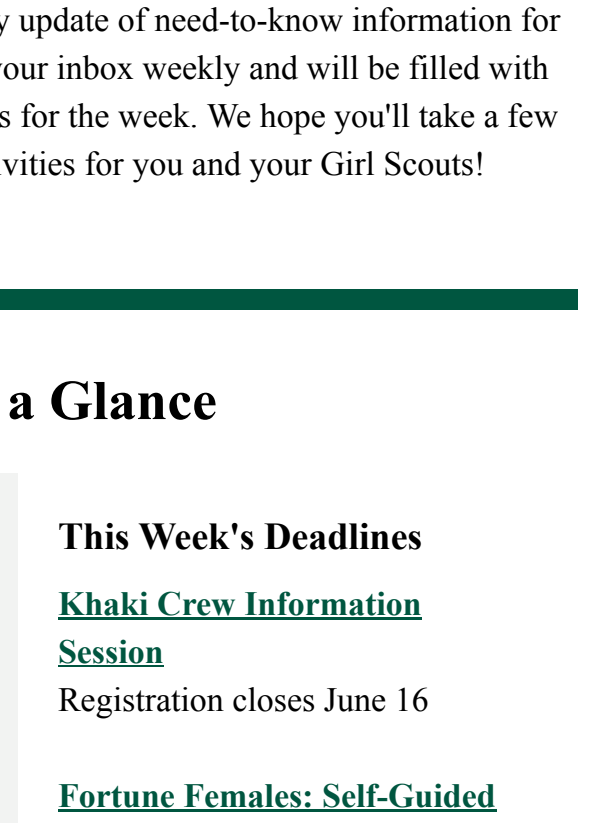


June 15, 2026



TROOP ESSENTIALS



Welcome to Troop Essentials, a weekly update of need-to-know information for Troop Leaders. Each edition will hit your inbox weekly and will be filled with important info and upcoming deadlines for the week. We hope you'll take a few minutes to learn about all the activities for you and your Girl Scouts!

Troop Essentials at a Glance

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Every Girl Scout has a story to tell. Share the moments that define your Girl Scout experience – the challenges you overcame, the friendships you forged, the positive impact you made. These Mission Moments inspire us all and are vital in helping us tell the Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails story on social media and in grant applications that support our mission.

[Share your Mission Moments here!](#)

Council Announcements

Program

Day Camp: Game Blast | June 22-26

Girl Member Cost: \$250 | Non-Member Cost: \$300
Action Needed
 [Register here](#) by 5 p.m. on June 17

A high-energy mix of outdoor games, puzzles, and creative challenges.

Girls practice teamwork, communication, and sportsmanship while designing and testing their own original games. With a balance of active play and thoughtful strategy, every camper discovers new ways to collaborate and have fun.

Who else should get this information: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Art & Design at Harwood Museum | July 11

Girl Member Cost: \$5
Action Needed
 [Register here](#) by 5:00 p.m. on June 26

Join GSNMT for a creative afternoon at the Harwood Museum of Art in Taos on **July 11 at 2:00 PM**.

This special program is open to **Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors**, with activities tailored so each level can complete their **age-appropriate Art & Design badge requirements** during the experience.

Explore the museum environment and engage in an interactive art-focused experience designed to spark creativity and self-expression. Girls will have the opportunity to work hands-on with materials and ideas inspired by the museum's collections and setting.

The program has limited spaces, so early registration is encouraged.

Who else should get this information: Troop Leaders, Girl Scouts, & their caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

ART! In Clovis | July 11

Girl Member Cost: \$10 | Non-Member Youth Cost: \$15 | Adult Cost: \$5
Action Needed
 [Register here](#) by 5:00 p.m. on June 26

Something creative is coming to Clovis...

ART! is a hands-on, imagination-filled Bring-A-Friend experience happening July 11. We'll explore different artistic mediums, experiment with texture and color, and discover how creativity connects us. Expect paper, paint, collage, and a few surprises along the way.

Who else should get this information: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Confidence Club | July 5

Girl Scout Cost: \$5
Action Needed
 [Register here](#) by 5:00 p.m. on June 26

Sometimes the best way to connect is simply by **doing our own thing - together**.

During the **July Virtual Confidence Club**, Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors will explore the idea of **parallel play**, a time when everyone works on their own activity while sharing space and conversation with friends.

Girls are invited to **bring any project they enjoy** - drawing, coloring, crocheting, LEGO building, journaling, bracelet making, or another favorite craft or hobby. We'll spend time creating, chatting casually, and encouraging each other while everyone works on their own projects.

Who else should get this information: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Rio Grande River Rafting Family Adventure | July 11

Youth Cost: \$105 | Adult Cost \$120
Action Needed
 [Register here](#) by 5:00 p.m. on June 26

Get ready for an unforgettable day on the water at our **Rio Grande River Rafting Family Adventure!**

Families will paddle together through the scenic beauty of the Rio Grande, surrounded by towering canyon walls, wildlife, and breathtaking New Mexico landscapes. Experienced guides will lead the way, basic rafting skills and river safety while sharing fun facts about the river's history and ecology. Full day of rafting with lunch included. Whether it's your first time rafting or you're a seasoned adventurer, this experience is designed to be fun, safe, and memorable for all ages.

In addition to the thrill of navigating gentle rapids, families will enjoy time to relax, laugh, and connect in the great outdoors. This adventure is the perfect opportunity to unplug, build confidence, and create lasting memories together. Join us for a splash-filled day of teamwork, exploration, and river fun on the beautiful Rio Grande!

Who else should get this information: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Membership

Introducing Khaki Crew (Working Title!)

We're launching a new, council-wide leadership collective for Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors who want to help shape the future of Girl Scouting in New Mexico.
Action Needed
[Apply here](#) by August 30

Because this group is girl-led from the start, members will help choose the final name; your voice matters from day one.

Work with older Girl Scouts from across the state to share ideas, build leadership skills, and represent youth voices council-wide. Members advise on programs and events, connect with peers, and collaborate with council staff through hands-on experiences and training.

If you're entering grades 6-12 and love brainstorming, planning, and making a difference, we'd love to have you.

Who else should get this information: CSA Girl Scouts & their caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Input on National Council Session Proposals & Discussion Topics Needed

GSNMT sends a delegation of representatives to the tri-annual National Council Session to vote on GSUSA governance topics and provide input on topics at a national level to help inform
Action Needed
Register for the sessions you an attend to provide feedback or complete this [survey](#).

GSUSA's vision and decision-making. This year, there are three proposals and two discussion topics.

The three proposals are: the Girl Scout Highest Awards Solicitation of Contributions Proposal (1), the Membership Dues and Procedures for Registration Experience (2), and the Preservation of the Girl Scout Leadership Proposal Relating to the Entrepreneurship Program Proposal (3). The two discussion topics are: Amplify Impact and Revolutionize Engagement.

Please register for these sessions on the Events Calendar.

- [NCS Proposal 2 Info session June 15, 6-8 pm](#)
- [NCS Discussion Topics June 27, 10 am - 12 noon](#)
- [NCS Proposal 3 Info Session June 27, 1-3 pm](#)

Who else should get this information: All members
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

11th Grade Ambassadors Looking at Going GOLD

Your graduation year goes by fast! If you plan to earn your Gold Award and have not yet submitted your project proposal in Go Gold or presented to the Gold Award Committee, please submit
Action Needed
[Email Customer Care](#) for more information on how to get started with your Gold Award.

your proposal and schedule your presentation before the school year begins.

Training materials are available through an event registration on the last day of each month and is self guided.

Who else should get this information: 11th grade Girl Scouts & their caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Membership Office Hours

Have questions about renewing your membership? Need help getting ready for the year ahead? Not sure how to complete your troop Year End Activity Report?
Action Needed
Use Meeting ID: 817 1100 9971 to [join via Zoom](#) with passcode GSNMT

Join us on Zoom for Membership Office Hours during the month of June! Membership staff will be available to answer all your membership questions. Drop in anytime — we're here to help!

- Wednesday, June 3, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, June 11, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 17, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- Monday, June 22, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Who else should get this information: Anyone with membership questions
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Volunteers

Troop YEAR to Complete

Troop Year End Activity Reports (YEAR) are due by **June 30**. Please log in to the Volunteer Toolkit and submit your YEAR in the **Finance** tab.
Action Needed
 Complete the Troop YEAR in the VTK and submit outstanding bank statements.

Be sure to double-check your troop's starting balance, as it may need to be adjusted.

The YEAR and any outstanding bank statements must be submitted by **June 30**. If you have any questions, please contact Customer Care at customercare@nmgirlscouts.org.

Who else should get this information: Service Unit Team Members, Troop Leadership, and activity planners
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

La Tienda News & Promotions

La Tienda Hours This Week

La Tienda is open Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. this week.
Action Needed
 [Contact us](#) with your La Tienda needs

June Promotion: Get ready for your Girl Scout summer adventures!

Save 20% on all gear at La Tienda for a limited time. Whether you are planning a camping trip, a day hike, or a weekend getaway, we have everything you need to prepare for the outdoors. Shop lanterns, flashlights, fans, knives, backpacks, and so much more. Come in and visit us today to stock up for the season.

Birthday Club: Stop by La Tienda during your birthday month to receive your birthday fun patch!

Who else should get this message: Troop leadership, adult volunteers, and Girl Scout caregivers
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Product Program

Cookie Reward Update

Cookie rewards have started arriving to Council and Service Unit Cookie Chairs!
Action Needed
 Watch for communications and pick up rewards promptly when they are ready for pick up.

Unfortunately some things were back ordered and are still trickling in.

Most items should be received over the next two weeks, but some items, like Achievement Bars, may still be delayed.

Who else should get this message: Troop Cookie Chairs
Contact: [Customer Care](#)

Community Announcements

Become a Sundae Scout with Troop 10843

Troop 10843 invites you to scoop, swirl, and sprinkle your way into summer as an official **Sundae Scout!**
Action Needed
 [Register here](#) to receive your bingo card

Join us on a delicious mission to explore and celebrate all the sweetest ways to chill out around Albuquerque. It's the coolest kickoff of the season!

Pick up your **Ice Cream Bingo Card** and start your adventure—every scoop earns a square, every swirl gets you closer to victory, and completing a row unlocks the ultimate reward: a **special Sundae Scout fun patch** to prove you conquered the frozen frontier. Complete your Bingo as a troop or as a Juliette—choose your own adventure!

Not in the Albuquerque-Rio Rancho area? No problem—visit 4-5 local shops in your area to qualify.

Cost: \$5 per Girl Scout
Honor system completion
Register multiple scouts: email gstrop10843@gmail.com to confirm

Kickoff Event: Sundae Scouts Ice Cream Social!
Start your journey by earning your very first Bingo square at our **Ice Cream Social Kickoff Event!**

Wednesday, June 17th: Visit any participating **Menchie's Frozen Yogurt** location (any time during business hours)

Simply mention "**Girl Scouts Fundraiser**" at checkout, and a portion of the proceeds will support Troop 10843's Bronze Award project. Bring your appetite, your family, and let's turn this into a citywide Girl Scout celebration!

Participating Locations:

- 1101 Unser Blvd SE #1, Rio Rancho (11 AM – 10 PM)
- 6001 Winter Haven Rd NW, Albuquerque (11 AM – 10 PM)
- 6500 Holly Ave NE Ste A-1, Albuquerque (12 PM – 9 PM)

Important: This is a family-friendly, pay-your-own-way event and not a drop-off activity. All girls must attend with a parent/guardian or follow troop safety ratios.

Coordinate with sister troops, invite friends, and let's fill Menchie's with Girl Scout green—we can't wait to see you there! 🍦🍦

Who else should get this message: Troop Leadership, Girl Scouts & their caregivers

Share Your Upcoming Events & Projects

Do you have an upcoming event or project that you'd like to share with all Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails troops/members?
Action Needed
 [Contact us](#)

Send us your information to be included in future Troop Essentials emails!

Who else should get this message: Troop and Service Unit Leadership
Contact: [Katrina Montoya](#)

Previously Shared News

June 8, 2026

- Family Self Defense
- Under the Sea
- Fortune Females
- Become a Sundae Scout with Troop 10843

June 1, 2026

- Daisy Zoo Watch Parties
- Curtain Call Day Camp
- IMPORTANT: Summer Reminders!
- Community Service Opportunity: Albuquerque Fisher House
- Help Blue Star Mothers with Care Packages

Visit the [Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails website](#) for more information and upcoming events.

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