

Upcoming Girl Scout Programs

FALL/WINTER 2009-2010

It's about to be Cookie Time in Middle Tennessee! The Cookie Program is the most participatory, successful and widely-recognized program in Girl Scouting. It's our premier entrepreneurial, financial and leadership opportunity for girls to strive for their goals. Please take time this season to work through the fun and educational activities in the age-level cookie workbook developed by Little Brownie Bakers (it's online if you don't have a copy), set cookie-selling goals as a troop and individually, and perhaps attend one of the Cookie Rally Patch Preps coming to a location near you. Then when all your cookies are sold out, celebrate by attending one of the following Council-sponsored events. We look forward to seeing you soon!

— Megan Davis, Programs

Girl Scout Daisies and Brownies

(Grades K-3) Some programs have specific age requirements. We can now accommodate Daisies at all Patch Prep events.

Friday, Dec. 18th; Saturday, Dec. 19th; Monday, Dec. 21st; Monday, Jan 4th

Holiday with the Horses

Bring your troop or group to Camp Sycamore Hills for a day with the horses this holiday season. Girls, 3rd grade and older, will spend their time (from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.) with riding lessons, games on horseback and around the barn, and learning how to get a horse ready to ride. Groups must sign up with a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 12 riders. \$40 per girl. Participants will bring a sack lunch, drinks and snacks for the day. To register, please contact Meredith Dennis (615) 460-0213 or mdennis@gsmidtn.org

February 14

Virtual Pet Tea Party

Bring your Webkinz, Littlest Pet Shop, or Tomagachi pals and let's have a tea party from 2-4 p.m. in the Nashville Girl Scout Center. We'll look at your pet's online homes, share online games, have fun, eat cookies, and drink tea. How do you dress for a Virtual Pet Tea Party? Wear clothes for play, but wear an outrageous hat, feather boa/fancy scarf or carry a fantastic purse. Each participant will take home something they've made for their pet. Register on E-Council, fee is \$8 per person. Contact Sue Perkins at sperkins@gsmidtn.org or (615) 460-0227.

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March 10

Brownie Try It Day

Brownies will spend a fun filled day exploring Camp Nee Kah Nah to earn the *Outdoor Adventurer* and *Ready, Set, Go Camping* try-its. 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Participants should bring a sack lunch and a drink; a snack will be provided. \$14 per Brownie Girl Scout. Register through E Council. Registration deadlines are a month prior to program date. For further information, please contact Meredith Dennis (615) 460-0252 or mdennis@gsmidtn.org

April 14

Ladybug Picnic

Attend a Ladybug Picnic from 10:45 - 4:00 at Camp Sycamore Hills to celebrate Spring's arrival. Ladybugs of all shapes and sizes are invited to feast and learn. Come dressed in black & red, make a ladybug craft, take a hike, learn ladybug facts, meet & groom Camp Sycamore Hills horses and enjoy a nature project. \$20 per girl, \$6 per adult. Register through E Council. Remember ratios for events: 2 adults to every 5 Daisy Girl Scouts or 12 Brownie Girl Scouts, plus one adult to each additional 3 Daisies or 6 Brownies.



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March 13-14 or April 10-11

Brownie First Nighter at Camp Holloway

Brownies will spend a fun-filled weekend at Camp Holloway on their first overnight camping trip. Girls will enjoy activities working toward Try-its. They'll make new friends with other troops! Girls will enjoy an indoor campfire in Josephine's Lodge at night before bed time. Activities begin at 10 a.m. Saturday and end at 10 a.m. Sunday. Troops bring a sack lunch for Saturday. Dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday are provided. At least one adult per troop must have *Outdoor Skills Level 1* training. Male leaders must call in advance for special arrangements. Troops are limited to one adult per 4 girls with at least 2 adults per troop. Fee is \$20 per girl, \$10 per adult. Register through E-Council or contact Missie Bratton with questions at mbratton@gsmidtn.org or (615) 672-2959.

Fridays, March 18th and April 2nd

YEHAUW Day – (You, Excitement, Horses, Archery, Wagon Rides)

A day at camp Sycamore Hills to shoot arrows at Archery, go on a Wagon Ride around camp, with/without a Cookout, and/or choose from our Horse programs (Lovin' & Groomin', Ring Ride, Trail Ride, or Troop Lesson). You may request one or more programs. This event is open to all ages, but refer to the YEHAUW Day Request Form for age level requirements of specific programs. Troops/Individuals will be placed on a first-come first serve basis. To register return the YEHAUW Day Request Form to Meredith Dennis at mdennis@gsmidtn.org. All request forms and payments are DUE 45 DAYS PRIOR to the event date. No refunds will be processed 30 days prior to the event date. NO LATE REQUESTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

For detailed descriptions of the programs please go to: http://gsmidtn.org/content/resources/pdf/Adventure_Program_Descriptions.pdf and http://gsmidtn.org/content/resources/pdf/Horse_program_descriptions.pdf

March 20

Nashville Opera

The Nashville Opera is teaming up with the Nashville Ballet to offer a 2-for-1 performance at the new Nashville Noah Liff Opera House (3622 Redmon Street, Nashville 37209) just for Girl Scout Daisies and Brownies. Nashville Opera will present an operatic adaptation of the classic tale of The Three Little Pigs, and the Nashville Ballet will perform Jump Frog, Jump. Registration opens on E Council December 1st. Fee is \$7 per person. We must have a minimum of 20 participants and a maximum of 80. For more information, contact Sharica at (615) 460-0217 or email ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org.

March 26-28

Brownie Escape Weekend at Camp Sycamore Hills

Brownie Escape weekend is a themed (TBA) event that offers 2 adventure programs along with themed crafts and activities. Friday check-in is between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Friday night enjoy a skits and songs performed by other troops and your troop. On Saturday, troops will participate in adventure programs and themed activities. Saturday dinner will be provided followed by an all camp gathering. All other meals are provided by individual troops. Troops will be assigned to cabins and may be sharing. Troops must have at least two adults with no more than one adult per four girls. Male leaders must call in advance for special arrangements. Fee is \$30 per girl, \$20 per adult. Register through E-Council or contact Vickie Craighead at vcraighead@gsmidtn.org or (615) 460-0252.

Mothers and Daughters Learning Together

Dates and locations: TBD

Curiosity, wonder, and questions fill the minds of young girls before the onset of puberty. Fear and anxiety tightly grip their parents. Bringing these two reactions together as they face this journey ahead will lead to a smooth transition into adolescence. This is our goal with the Mothers and Daughter Learning Together event. The conference will focus on the natural physical, social and emotional changes of adolescence. So come and join this fun, interactive workshop for just you and her. Continental breakfast will be served and door prizes awarded. For more information, contact Sharica at (615) 460-0217 or email ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org.

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Puppet Trunk

Date and Nashville Location: TBD

In partnership with the Nashville Public Library's Puppet Trunk, participants will enjoy a puppet show just for Girl Scouts, then puppet crafts and snacks. For more information, contact Megan Davis at (615) 460-0216 or mdavis@gsmidtn.org



Daisies in the Garden

Date and Location: TBD

Daisy, daisy, quite fun and merry, how does your garden grow? As Girl Scout Daisies progress on their Journey through the Girl Scout garden, they will enjoy this hands-on day in the dirt of a community garden, learning about flowers and vegetables. For more information, contact Megan Davis at (615) 460-0216 or mdavis@gsmidtn.org

Girl Scout Juniors (Grades 4-5)

Some programs have specific age requirements.

January 18

Josephine Holloway Day at Camp Holloway

In preparation for African-American History Month, Juniors are invited to Camp Holloway for a day of learning about our Council's first African-American volunteer and staff member, Josephine Holloway. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. enjoy cooking over the fire, singing, quilting, scrapbooking, exploring the archives and the Josephine Holloway scavenger hunt. We'll screen a short documentary about Ms. Holloway made by Girl Scout Senior Brennan Kuster, and visit with special guests from Ms. Holloway's past. Bundle up and bring a sack lunch. A participation patch is included in the \$12 per girl fee, adults are \$6. Register through E Council. For more information, contact Megan Davis at (615) 460-0216 or mdavis@gsmidtn.org

January 18

Troop Lesson Day

Sign up for an English or Western troop lesson. The 1-1/2 hour time block includes 30 minutes for getting boots and helmets and learning basic safety rules. Maximum group size is 12 riders per session. The cost is \$15 per rider. Contact Meredith Dennis, mdennis@gsmidtn.org, (615) 460-0213 for registration information.

January 26 through May 15

Girl Scout Fit Club every Tuesday and Thursday

In partnership with the Rotary Club of Nashville, participating Juniors will enjoy a multi-week physical fitness training and badge earning program at the Grace M. Eaton Center in Nashville. After the series of training sessions, girls' physical health and well-being will be measurably improved. We're sure to have a lot of fun learning gymnastics, yoga and other sports, and build lasting friendships too. Contact Megan Davis at (615) 460-0216 or mdavis@gsmidtn.org. Please plan to attend our Fit Club Fun Run and Community Service project Saturday **May 15th**, open to the general public.

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Feb. 27th at Camp Sycamore Hills

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April 10th at Camp Holloway

Outdoor Skills Day

Come learn basic camp skills such as fire building, fire safety, knife use, knots, compass use, trail signs and more. We'll put your fire building skills to the test and enjoy a lunch cooked by you over a fire. All food will be provided; we start at 9 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. Girls may be split into groups randomly for programming, so be prepared to make new friends. This program is recommended for Junior Girl Scouts with minimal to some camping experience. Activities will complete all of the requirements for the Outdoor Skills Fun patch. Remember ratios for events: 2 adults to every:

16 Junior Girl Scouts, plus one adult to each additional 8 Junior Girl Scouts. Cost: \$18 per Junior Girl Scout, \$4 per Adult Girl Scout Register through E Council. Registration deadlines are a month prior to program date. For further information, please contact Meredith Dennis (615) 460-0213 or mdennis@gsmidtn.org

March 12-14

Junior Escape Weekend at Camp Sycamore Hills

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March 27

Kids in the Kitchen

Calling all Rachel Ray inspired Girl Scout Juniors! Due to popular demand, we are bringing back two sessions of Kids in the Kitchen to the Nashville Girl Scout office! Come at either 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. and learn creative healthy cooking skills and eating habits at this fun filled event. Girl Scouts is partnering with the Junior League of Nashville to host this event to teach girls the preparation of healthy meals, how to read food labels, and make healthy choices. Registration opens on E Council December 1st, the maximum number of participants per session is 80 girls. For more information, contact Sharica at (615) 460-0217 or email ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org.

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Ongoing

Bronze Award

The Bronze Award is the highest award a Girl Scout Junior may earn. It symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in leadership and community service. Information on earning this award may be found in the Bronze Award packet on our website. The deadline to turn in paperwork is upon completion of the Bronze Award project, and prior to

bridging to Cadettes. Each girl earning this award will receive a pin and certificate to be presented during a ceremony at your convenience following the guidelines found in the Junior Leader Guidebook.

2009-10 Patch Prep Dates for Girl Scout Daisies, Brownies and Juniors

Use E Council to see specific badges and locations in description on registration page. Contact Jeanne Billings for more information at (615) 460-0212 or jbillings@gsmidtn.org. Events subject to change if space or minimums are not met.

County	Date(s)
Bedford	Feb. 1st
Franklin	Dec. 12th & April 5th
Putnam	Jan. 4th, March 1st, May 3rd
Cumberland	Feb. 1st
Davidson	Jan.4th, March 1st, May 3rd
White	Dec. 12th, Feb. 1st April 5th
Wilson /Mt.Juliet	Jan. 4th & May 3rd
Wilson/Lebanon	March 1st
Sumner	Jan 4th, March 1st, May 3rd
Robertson	Dec. 12th, Feb 1st, April 5th
Maury	Jan. 9th, March 13th, May 8th
Lawrence	Feb. 1st
Giles	Dec. 12th, April 5th
Williamson	Jan. 4th, March 1st, May 3rd
Humphreys	Feb 1st
Cheatham	Dec. 12th & April 5th
Rutherford	Jan 4th, March 1st, May 3rd
Warren	Dec. 12th, Feb 1st, April 5th
Montgomery	Jan 4th, March 1st, May 3rd
Stewart (Dover)	Dec. 12th, April 5th
Houston	Feb. 1st



Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors (Grades 6-12)

Some programs have specific age requirements.

November 19

An Income of Her Own, Sumner County

At this free business conference presented by First Tennessee Foundation, from 8:30-2:30 at Bluegrass Country Club in Hendersonville, teen girls will interact with professional women in a variety of careers, learning to budget and plan for their financial independence. Lunch is provided. For more information, contact Sharica at (615) 460-0217 or email ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org

November 23

An Income of Her Own, Davidson County

At this free business conference presented by First Tennessee Foundation, from 8:30-2:30 at Belmont University, teen girls will interact with professional women in a variety of careers, learning to budget and plan for their financial independence. Lunch is provided. For more information, contact Sharica at (615) 460-0217 or email ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org. Other *An Income of Her Own* events in Rutherford, Williamson, and Wilson counties TBA.

December 6

Make a Holiday Calendar

Create a calendar you can give as a gift. Bring digital photos on a flash/thumb drive or on a CD, plus the dates and names of birthdays, anniversaries, or any special days you want to put on your calendar.

You'll take home one printed color copy of your calendar and a digital copy of your calendar so you can print extras. This Sunday program runs from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Nashville Girl Scout office. Cost to attend is \$ 8 per person, adults welcome too.

Register on E-Council; we must have a minimum of 8 participants, and a maximum of 23. Contact Sue Perkins with questions at sperkins@gsmidtn.org or (615) 460-0227.

January 17-18

Website Construction Sleep-over

Learn the basics of building a website. Although most website developers use tools to build websites, you need to know what's going on behind the scenes to build a good, workable site or to tweak beyond a tool's limitations. Create webpages using HTML and Notepad, look at the choices for tools, hosting, and explore options for creating websites. Learn what search engine spiders see when they visit websites. Check in at 6 p.m. Sunday, check out at 11 a.m. Monday (MLK Day) in the Nashville Girl Scout office. Each participant will receive a CD with resource files and a copy of what they've created. Snacks for Sunday evening and breakfast for Monday morning will be provided. Bring whatever you want to sleep on and personal supplies for a sleepover.

Cost is \$25 per person. Register on E-Council; we must have a minimum of 8 participants, and a maximum of 23. Contact Sue Perkins with questions at sperkins@gsmidtn.org or (615) 460-0227.

January 22-24

Winter Wellness Weekend at Camp Holloway

Winter Wellness Retreat is a Cadette-Senior-Ambassador Escape weekend for Girl Scouts who want to experience relaxation in a beautiful outdoor setting. We will provide activities such as crafts and Qigong (Chinese meditation practice which uses slow graceful movements and controlled breathing techniques to promote circulation within the body) as well as education on winter skin care and healthy eating. Friday check-in is between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Friday night enjoy a pajama party movie night with popcorn. Saturday learn the art of relaxation with crafts, hot chocolate, face masks, Qigong, and a cooking demonstration. Saturday night dinner will be provided. All other meals provided by individual troops. Saturday evening, come to the lodge ready to kick up your heels and dance. Sunday's check out is 10 am. Troops will be assigned to cabins and may be sharing. Troops must have at least two adults with no more than one adult per four girls. Male leaders must call in advance for special arrangements. \$35 per girl, \$20 per adult. Register through E-Council; contact Vickie Craighead at vcraighead@gsmidtn.org or (615) 460-0252 with questions.



February 27

Vaqueras Training

The Vaqueras program provides girls (ages 12 and in 7th grade and up) and adults opportunities not only to learn and improve horsemanship skills, but to develop leadership and teaching skills while serving other Girl Scouts. On training day, participants are introduced to safety and barn procedures. They learn to groom and tack horses and practice helping riders. They also participate in a ride themselves. This program runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Camp Sycamore and costs \$15 per person. See

<http://gsmidtn.org/programs/horse-vaqueras/> for more information. Contact Meredith at (615) 460-0213 or mdennis@gsmidtn.org

Patch Prep

Older Girl Scouts are needed to help lead activities designed to help Girl Scout Brownie and Juniors earn Try-its and badges. Older girls can earn leadership and community service hours toward the Program Aide pin/patch by assisting. Helpers should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the Patch Prep start time. Patch Prep runs from 6 to 8 p.m. See dates and locations on the first page of this publication. To volunteer, contact Jeanne at (615) 383-0490 or jbillings@gsmidtn.org.

Program Planning Board

Speak out, be a Girl Scout! Want to make your voice heard when it comes to planning Council-sponsored programs? Serve on our teen planning committee that will meet in person, online and by conference call to plan the 2010-2011 program year. To volunteer, contact Megan at (615) 460-0216 or mdavis@gsmidtn.org Bonus: Your participation can count toward leadership hours for your Gold Award prerequisites!

Ongoing Gold Award

The Gold Award is the highest award earned in Girl Scouting. It symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. Only Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors may earn the Gold Award. It takes approximately two years to complete the requirements and corresponding project. The Bronze and Silver awards are not prerequisites for this award. Information on how to earn the Gold Award may be found in the Gold Award packet available on our website. Girls must receive pre-approval from the

program department, and be interviewed by members of the Gold Award committee, before beginning their Gold Award project. Final paperwork is due to Girl Scouts on February 15. The 2010 Award Ceremony will be held Sunday, May 2nd in Nashville.

Silver Award

The Silver Award is the second highest award earned in Girl Scouting. Earned while a Girl Scout Cadette, it symbolizes a girl's outstanding accomplishments in leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. It takes about 18 months to complete the requirements and corresponding project. Information about the Silver Award may be found in the Silver Award packet available on our website or from the program department. Final reports are accepted on an ongoing basis.

Centsability

Centsability is a financial literacy program for Girl Scout Juniors through Ambassadors, scheduled at your troop's convenience. First Tennessee Foundation sponsors this program in Davidson, Rutherford, Sumner, Williamson and Wilson counties. Please call the program team to schedule a session.

Important Program Information

Inclement Weather/Emergency Information

Concerned that inclement weather will cancel or postpone your weekend program? Need to contact the program facilitator in an emergency? Call our after-hours program hotline for an updated recording about the program status and facilitator contact information: (615) 383-0490 x 292.

Registration

Most program registrations use E Council, accessed through our website (www.gsmidtn.org) or by contacting the Nashville Service Center at (615) 383-0490 or (800) 395-5318.

Payment

All program fees are due in full after you receive written or emailed confirmation that your registration has been processed. Please make checks payable to Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee and write the name of the program on the memo line of the check. Payment will not be accepted at the program.



Mail to

Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee
Attention: Program Registrar
4522 Granny White Pike
Nashville, TN 37204

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance is available for our programs by completing a financial aid application available by asking a Membership Manager or Program Staff. Your request will be reviewed by the Vice President of Membership. All information is confidential. All efforts will be made to notify the applicant of the amount of financial assistance within 14 days after your request.

Program Refund Policy (does not pertain to Outdoor Programming)

Troops or individual Girl Scouts may cancel a program reservation and request a partial refund in writing no later than **seven business days** before an event. There will be a 10% processing fee for all refunds.

Mail all financial assistance forms and refund requests to:

Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee
Attention: Program Department
4522 Granny White Pike
Nashville, TN 37204

On Your Own Programs

The following programs (listed by date) are available to troops as a resource to schedule on your own. Many are facilitator-run; a troop registers through the specific host organization. These are excellent opportunities to supplement your troop's program year. Feel free to schedule and attend as many as your girls would like. For the complete list of On Your Own programs, including price and registration information, please refer to the on your own program section of the calendar at www.gsmidtn.org.

BareFeet Studios Girl Scout Night-Nashville

Every Tuesday in November and December: Brownies 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., Juniors 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Brownies and Juniors enjoy a beginning Jazz dance class on a night especially for Girl Scouts. Girls will learn basic jazz vocabulary and technique

including warm-up, positions of the feet and arms, directional and level changes, turns, and jumps! They will also learn about the history of Jazz dance including its origin and pioneers. This dance class promotes self-esteem and self-awareness, as well as increased coordination, stamina and flexibility. Girl Scouts will also have the opportunity to work on requirements towards the Ballerina Try-IT (Council's Own try-it) or the Dance Badge in class. Try-its and badges available for purchase through the Nashville Girl Scout shop. Cost is \$8 per girl or four class card for \$24. Location: 4825 Trousdale Drive, Ste. 105 Nashville, TN 37220. Contact: Danika Miles (615) 260-9665 e-mail: danika@barefeetnashville.com website: www.barefeetnashville.com

Noah's Ark Animal Workshop

During a stuff-and-fluff animal workshop, participants choose a plush pal and personally stuff it under the instruction of the party leader. Ginger and Reindeer Bear are available for the months of November and December. Each plush pal comes with a rainbow star to make a wish upon before inserting into the animal. Once the plush pal is securely closed so that no stuffing or the rainbow star comes out, each participant will complete a birth certificate. Each plush pal is taken home in their very own gift bag. Clothing and accessories are optional and include Noah's Ark versions of Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie and Junior uniforms. A participation patch is available for this workshop. Contact Dina Hollis at www.dianahollis.com or (615) 585-1381.

Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary

Winter Wildlife for Girl Scout Daisies/Brownies

Learn about winter adaptations of local plants and animals and how to offer shelter to wildlife in your own yard. Make two treats for our chilly outdoor friends, then hike through the gathering dusk to the Owl's Hill Tree for the Animals, place one treat on the tree and take the other home for your own wild friends. Return to the Gathering Pavilion for hot chocolate, marshmallows and a reading of Eve Bunting's book, *The Night Tree*. This program will be available November through February, weekday afternoons (after school) or during the day. Note: Owl's Hill will be closed December 15 - January 15. The latest reservation time is 4:00 PM. \$8/scout, 2 leaders free; additional adults \$4/person. To request a date visit www.owlshill.org/scoutrequest or call (615) 370-4672.



Tuesday, December 1

Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary

Owling, Howling and Prowling for Girl Scout Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors

Enjoy an *al fresco* dinner in the Owl's Hill Pavilion, learn about Tennessee owls, follow guides along the woodland trails and stop to call Barred and Screech owls. Perhaps these owls will answer with laughs and trills, or even better, fly in silently to see who has invaded their territory. Space is limited; to be one of these fortunate visitors, register now for an Owl Prowl. Cost: \$20/person in advance; \$35/person at the gate. To register, www.owlshill.org/programregistration, (615) 370-4672. *Note: troops with 12 or more attendees (girls, leaders and family members of the appropriate age) may request a private date through mid-December. To request a private date, www.owlshill.org/scoutrequest, (615) 370-4672.*

Nashville Symphony

Attend the symphony as a group. Concerts include world-class live performances of classical jazz and contemporary music including holiday concerts, Home for the Holidays and Handel's Messiah in December. Join us December 19, February 20 or April 17 for a Pied Piper concert. The Ann and Monroe Carrell Family Trust Pied Piper Series provide an educational, fun and interactive outing for both children and their families. Pre-concert activities, including an instrument petting zoo, take place at 10 a.m. prior to each Pied Piper concert. Visit www.nashvillesymphony.org for specific dates and times. Contact Emily Shannon at eshannon@nashvillesymphony.org or (615) 687-6537.

January 9 and March 20

Nashville Predators Scout Nights

Enjoy a Nashville Predators game on a night especially for scouts. Girl Scout Night participants receive Goal Zone tickets on scout nights, voucher for hot dog or pizza slice and soda, troop name/number on the Megatron, Scout Night Patch and Discounted Rate of \$25 per girl and adult. Contact Dan Schaefer at (615) 770-2115 or dschaefer@nashvillepredators.com

Tennessee Performing Arts Center (TPAC) presents

101 Dalmatians: January 19 – 24, 2010

The Drowsy Chaperone: February 9 – 14, 2010

Mamma Mia!: March 2-7, 2010

The Color Purple: March 23 – 28, 2010

Big River: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn: March 20 – April 10, 2010

TPAC is offering group discounts for Girl Scout groups. Discount varies by show. Please refer to the on your own program section of the calendar at www.gsmidtn.org for specific prices for each show or contact TPAC. Girl Scout

groups receive a specially designed TPAC patch just by attending a performance. Alert the sales office how many patches your group will need and they will be sent with your tickets.

TPAC Group Sales Direct Line: (615) 782-4060

TPAC Group Sales Direct Email: groups@tpac.org

Nashville Children's Theatre Workshops

The Diary of Anne Frank for Juniors, January 20th

Miss Nelson is Missing for Daisies and Brownies, March 13th

Charlotte's Web for Daisies, Brownies and Juniors, April 24th

NCT offers a variety of introductory and specialty workshops for Girl Scouts in conjunction with our upcoming productions (see above). Workshops satisfy a variety of Try-its or Badges based on the activities and content of the show itself. For complete descriptions,

visit www.nashvillechildrenstheatre.org/orange/girlscout.htm.

Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary

Groundhog Day celebrated January 30th

How many North American animals have a holiday all to themselves? Only the humble Groundhog, weather prognosticator *extraordinaire!* Celebrate this family friendly holiday at Owl's with a burrow search, stories in the Owl's Hill People Burrow and Groundhog games and crafts. Owl's Hill Lil plans to be in attendance, ready to give a sneak preview of her February 2 weather prediction. Cost: \$7/person in advance; \$10/person at the gate, two and under free.

Adventure Science Center

TWISTER Hands-On Science Summit February 13th for 9th through 12th grade girls

Your choices in determining your future are infinite! Discover the possibilities at TWISTER, a one-day conference at Adventure Science Center. Meet professional women active in science, technology, engineering and research fields and learn firsthand what it is like in the workplace. Download a registration form at www.adventuresci.com and click on public programs / Science for girls. Register early, seating is limited to the first 125 applications.

ATTENTION 11TH AND 12TH GRADE GIRLS ATTENDING TWISTER: Apply to win a college scholarship from Women In Technology of Tennessee featuring \$2500 and \$1000 Awards. Visit www.adventuresci.com to download forms and information on how to submit an application. The deadline to receive the complete application packet with all requirements enclosed is January 8, 2010. We recommend that students plan to get applications in early due to the possibility that TWISTER may fill early. Students must be registered with TWISTER to participate.



Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary

Bluebird Workshop February 20, 9 am–Noon

For Girl Scout Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors- Did you know winter is the Bluebird "househunting season?" Now is the time to prepare nest boxes for inspection and this Workshop at Owl's Hill will help you do just that. Following a program and discussion, participants inspect different styles of boxes on our Bluebird Trails. Attendants will leave with building plans for the different styles of boxes as well as information on how to set up and monitor boxes and trails. Cost: \$7 per person in advance; \$10 per person at the gate.

Student Outdoor Experience: Live Tour

February 27 at Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World Opry Mills in Nashville

SOE is dedicated to equip students and family with the tools they need to successfully live a life as a model outdoors-woman. SOE has realized that you "teach what you know and reproduce who you are". In order for us to re-produce young women that are going to be role models for future families and culture we must equip them with the leadership ability to do so. The SOE Live Tour is a power-packed weekend that is designed to introduce youth to life-changing venues that will encourage a lifetime of hunting, fishing and leadership.

<http://www.soelive.com/index.php>

Edgar Evins State Park

Waterfall Tour March 20

On this great day-long bus tour, girls will get the opportunity to see breathtaking natural wonders right in our own area. Girls will depart from Edgar Evins State Park (in Silver Point, TN) to travel to and hike around many of the spectacular waterfalls that pour down into Middle Tennessee from the Cumberland Plateau. Advance reservations are required. This tour and hike may also contribute toward your completion of the *Earth and Sky*, *Eco-Explorer*, *Travel Right*, and *Water Everywhere* try-its, and the *Hiker*, *Outdoor Adventurer*, *Outdoor Fun*, and *Water Fun* badges. Cost is \$10 per person. Contact Margaret Waggoner at (931) 858-2446 or margaret.waggoner@tn.gov

Adventure Science Center

April 17 or May 15 Girl Scout Brownie Camp-In/Junior Aide Training

This is an opportunity for Juniors to earn their Junior Aide Badge and Brownies to earn their Science in Action: Try It. Juniors will arrive at Adventure Science Center at 1 p.m. for an afternoon of teambuilding and badge leadership training. Brownies will arrive at 5:30 p.m. Troops may choose from the two dates above. Juniors (with appropriate leader chaperones) will lead the Brownies in the 4 activities required for the

Science in Action: Try Its later that evening. All groups will have the opportunity to see a Planetarium show, eat pizza, and explore the museum after hours. Cost is \$37 per Girl Scout Junior and \$27 per Girl Scout Brownie. One adult is required per five Girl Scouts. These adults will not be charged although any adult above this ratio will be an additional \$15. Register online at www.adventuresci.com or call (615) 401-5074.

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