

# Upcoming Girl Scout Programs

SPRING 2010

**BIG NEWS— Summer Camp Promotion!**

Enroll in a Summer Camp 2010 program by April 22 and receive \$10 credit in the trading post and pick one of the following:

Register for your first session of camp and receive your second session for 50% off \*\*

Or bring a friend who is not a registered Girl Scout to camp and you will receive \$75 off your camp enrollment fee \*\*

\*\* Does not include horse programs

**Service Unit Summer Camp Promotion!**

The top five service units with the highest percentage of their membership (as of April 22, 2010) enrolled in summer camp will receive \$100 off their camporee reservation fee (does not include adventure and horse fees). The discount is to be used by the service units at one of our camps by December 2012.

**Hurry and register for Summer Camp at Sycamore Hills and Holloway—Promotions end April 22, 2010.**

## Girl Scout Daisies and Brownies

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

**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](mailto:mbratton@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 672-2959.

**May 1**

### ***Daisies in the Garden***

**Shelby Park, 401 S. 20th St., Nashville, 37206**

Daisy, daisy, fun-loving 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. Adults are free; for the \$5 girl fee, participants will receive a pair of garden gloves and a fun patch. For more information, contact Megan Davis at (615) 460-0216 or [mdavis@gsmidtn.org](mailto:mdavis@gsmidtn.org).

**May 2 and August 29**

### ***Ladybug Picnic***

Attend a Ladybug Picnic from 10:45 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Camp Sycamore Hills. Ladybugs of all shapes and sizes are invited to feast and learn. Come dressed in black and red, make a ladybug craft, take a hike, learn ladybug facts, meet and 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 Girl Scouts Daisies or 12 Girl Scout Brownies, plus one adult to each additional 3 Daisies or 6 Brownies.

**Ongoing March and April**

### ***Ride into Spring!***

Need an adventure? Bring your troop (Girl Scouts 3rd grade and up) or group to Camp Sycamore Hills for a day with the horses. Girls will spend their time with riding lessons, games on horseback and around the barn, and learning how to get horses ready to ride. This event runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Groups must sign up with a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 12 riders. Participants will bring a sack lunch, drinks and snacks for the day. To register, contact Meredith Dennis (615) 460-0213 or [mdennis@gsmidtn.org](mailto:mdennis@gsmidtn.org). \$40 per girl; available weekdays in March and April (except March 19 and April 2).

**Ongoing**

### ***MEG Lab Technology Activities***

Calling all Digi-Girls, online gamers, social networkers, and Tech Geeks: technology programs are available for girls in all levels, thanks to our Dell laptops. Watch GSW and our website for opportunities this spring and summer to do Digital Scrapbooking, go to a Virtual Pet Tea Party, and/or take a website building class. If you want to find out more, please contact Sue Perkins: [sperkins@gsmidtn.org](mailto:sperkins@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 460-0227



## Ongoing

### ***Internet Safety***

When you go places with your feet, you know how to stay safe. Do you know how to stay safe when you go places with your hands (online)? Internet Safety classes are coming to you. We have some fun, age-appropriate presentations about internet safety, cyber bullying, etc. We will be giving these presentations in various places, but also encourage troops to think about using the curriculum in a troop meeting. We can provide curriculum and assistance to interested troops. Contact Sue Perkins for information: [sperkins@gsmidtn.org](mailto:sperkins@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 460-0227.

## May 8

### ***Mothers and Daughters Learning Together*** (Nashville)

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 Daughters 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](mailto:ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org).

## May 15

### ***Wellness in Watkins***

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## May 16

### ***Be Healthy, Go Fore!***

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## June 12, July 10 and September 11

### ***Outdoor Adventure Day @ Camp Nee Kah Nah***

Girl Scout Juniors and older are invited to an exciting day! Travel in groups of 10 to experience archery, canoeing, games and a nature hike. Lunch will be a hotdog cookout, with s'mores for dessert, provided for all. Troops larger than 10 will be split up. \$25 per girl and \$5 per adult; limited to 40 girls. Canoeing, archery and games are for the girls. Adults will be able participate in the nature hike and cookout lunch. The day will run approximately 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is a day event, but you're welcome to plan an overnight and make a reservation to pitch tents or stay in the Lodge. Register through E Council. For more information, contact Meredith Dennis (615)460-0213 or [mdennis@gsmidtn.org](mailto:mdennis@gsmidtn.org).

## June 26

### ***Disc Golf - It's in the Air.***

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## August 9

### ***Smokey Bear's Birthday Celebration Day***

Girl Scout Daisies, Brownies and Juniors will come to Camp Piedmont to learn about wildfires, the people who fight them, and how you can prevent them. Celebrate Smokey Bear's Birthday party in style for \$6 per girl and \$2 per adult. For more information contact Vickie Craighead at [vcraighead@gsmidtn.org](mailto:vcraighead@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 460-0252. Register through E Council; the deadline to register is July 5.

## August 10

### ***National S'mores Day***

Celebrate a Girl Scout's favorite treat at Camp Sycamore Hills. Details to be announced later.



## ***Girl Scout Juniors (Grades 4-5)***

*Some programs have specific age requirements.*

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### **June 26**

#### ***Full Moon Celebration and Campout***

Girl Scout Juniors and older will celebrate the Great American Backyard Campout Day at scenic Camp Piedmont. We will pitch our tents in the big field under the full moon and stars. Socialize during the cookout Saturday evening, celebrate, drum and sing around the fire and sleep under the stars. Breakfast will be served on Sunday morning, then kapers and goodbyes. \$10 per person. Check in: Saturday, June 26 between 4 and 5 p.m. Check out: Sunday, June 27 at 10 a.m. For more information contact Vickie Craighead at [vcraighead@gsmidtn.org](mailto:vcraighead@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 460-0252. Register through E Council by June 3.

### **July 24**

#### ***Archaeology without a Shovel***

Have you ever wanted to be an archaeologist? Try it for a day! Girl Scout Juniors will discover ways to study Camp Nee Kah Nah's history. You will go home with an Indian craft you will make and an understanding of the past. For more information contact Vickie Craighead at [vcraighead@gsmidtn.org](mailto:vcraighead@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 460-0252. Register through E Council. The registration deadline is June 24.

### **August 13**

#### ***Ropes, Rocks, and Relax at Camp Holloway***

Girl Scout Juniors and older, join us at Camp Holloway to experience a fun filled day of tree climbing, rock climbing, and swimming. Cookout lunch will be provided to all. \$35 per girl and \$5 per adult; limited to 36 girls. Large troops may be split up. This event will run from 8:30 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. Register through E Council. For more information, contact Mere-



dith Dennis (615)460-0213 or [mdennis@gsmidtn.org](mailto:mdennis@gsmidtn.org).

**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 who submits a final packet to the program department will receive a pin and certificate to be presented during a ceremony at your convenience following the guidelines found in the Junior Leader Guidebook.

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

*Some programs have specific age requirements.*

**April 17**  
***Camp Sycamore Hills Clean Up Day***

In celebration of Earth Day, we are holding a clean up day at Camp Sycamore Hills on Saturday, April 17. Help clear brush along trails, pick up litter in the woods and make the world a better place. Tools and supplies will be provided. Volunteer your time from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This activity is for girls in grades 7 or higher (must be accompanied by a supervising adult). For more information contact Vickie Craighead at [vcraighead@gsmidtn.org](mailto:vcraighead@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 460-0252. Register through E Council by April 12.

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**June 10-14**  
***Camp Music City***

Girls entering grades 7-12 who love music (especially country!) are invited to the only camp that gives you behind the scenes access to CMA Fest. We'll attend four nights of concerts and the Fan Fair at the Nashville Convention Cen-

ter, and learn about the music industry. Lodging is in the dorms at Belmont University; all meals are provided for the \$265 fee. Register now through E Council; only 21 girls can attend. Contact Megan Davis at (615) 460-0216 or [mdavis@gsmidtn.org](mailto:mdavis@gsmidtn.org).

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**July 10**  
***Girl University***

Girls and parents can get a jump start on planning for life after high school at this day-long conference. Held at Tennessee State University, Avon Williams Campus (330 10th Avenue North, Downtown Nashville) attendees will enjoy five sessions of their choosing and lunch. All sessions are led by experts in financial aid, college counseling, health and leadership. Register online by visiting <http://gsmidtn.org/calendar/girl-university/>. Receive an extra discount for registering before June 25! Contact Megan Davis at (615) 460-0216 or [mdavis@gsmidtn.org](mailto:mdavis@gsmidtn.org).

**July 10-14**  
***Campus Tours***

Ninety Girl Scouts will go on a whirlwind four day, three night tour of six college campuses throughout the state of Tennessee. Reserve a spot on the bus now, this program fills quickly! Campus Tours registration includes the girl's registration for Girl University. Parents do not attend Campus Tours, but are welcome to register for Girl University. Contact Sharica at (615) 460-0217 or email [ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org](mailto:ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org).

**August 28**  
***Vaqueras Training***

The Vaqueras program provides girls (ages 12 and in grade 7 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 Hills and costs \$15 per person. See <http://gsmidtn.org/programs/horse-vaqueras/> for more information or contact Meredith at (615) 460-0213 or [mdennis@gsmidtn.org](mailto:mdennis@gsmidtn.org).

### **Ongoing Gold Award**

The Gold Award, Girl Scouting's highest achievement, 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 2 at the Vanderbilt Student Life Center in Nashville. Each awardee may bring two complimentary guests, additional guests are \$35 each. Invitation only. Contact Programs at (615) 383-0490.

### **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. Contact Sharica at (615) 460-0217 or email [ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org](mailto:ssmallwood@gsmidtn.org).

### **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.

### **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 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. To volunteer, contact Jeanne at (615) 383-0490 or [jbillings@gsmidtn.org](mailto: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](mailto:mdavis@gsmidtn.org). Bonus: Your participation can count toward leadership hours for your Gold Award prerequisites!

## **Important Program Information**

### **Patch Prep**

Looking ahead to 2010-11, Patch Prep will restart in October and run through May of 2011 (except for the month of January 2011).

It will be held on a Monday, Friday or Saturday depending on the county and location. Information on the theme for each month will be posted in GSW and our website. You can go to any scheduled Patch Prep in any county as long as you are willing to drive.

Would you like for Patch Prep to come to your county? Would you like information on how to become a facilitator for Patch Prep? Do you have a location that could hold up to 65 girls? If you have any questions, or have answers to these questions, please contact Jeanne Billings at [jbillings@gsmidtn.org](mailto:jbillings@gsmidtn.org) or (615) 460-0212.

### **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, ext. 292.

### **Registration**

Most program registrations use E Council, accessed through our website ([www.gsmidtn.org](http://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 director of programming. 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.

### **On Your Own Programs**

The following programs listed (by date) are available to troops as a resource to schedule “on your own.” Many of these programs are facilitator run so that a troop will just need to register through the specific organization. These are excellent opportunities to supplement your troop’s program year. Feel free to attend/schedule as many of these opportunities that your girls would like.

For the complete list of “on your own” programs, including prices and registration information, please refer to the on your own program section of the calendar at [www.gsmidtn.org](http://www.gsmidtn.org).

#### **April 17 or May 15**

#### **Adventure Science Center Brownie Camp-In** Nashville

This is an opportunity for Girl Scout Brownies to earn the *Science in Action* try it. Girl Scout Brownies will arrive at 5:30 p.m. and depart around 8:30 a.m. the next day. Troops may choose from two dates: April 17 or May 15. Brownies will complete four activities to earn the Science in Action try-it. All troops will have the opportunity to see the Planetarium show, eat pizza, and explore the museum after hours. 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](http://www.adventuresci.com) or call (615) 401-5074.

#### **April 22, 23 and 24**

#### **Cumberland Caverns**

Enjoy an Earth Day Festival in McMinnville. Vendors from the Middle Tennessee area will be on hand for three days of Green and Music. The King’s Garden Nursery will be giving free plants to the first thirty customers daily. Lisa Bedner (herbalist) will speak on natural pest control, plus much more. Music will be performed by local artists throughout the three day event. Call (931) 473-2639 or visit [www.cumberlandcaverns.com/earthday](http://www.cumberlandcaverns.com/earthday).

#### **Dinosaur World** -- Cave City, KY

Bring your Girl Scouts on a journey into the past they will never forget. Dinosaur World has program opportunities for Girl Scout Brownies designed around the following try-its: *Puppets, Dolls and Plays, Stitch It Together, Eco-Explorer* and *Watching Wildlife* as well as programs for Girl Scout Juniors designed around the following badges: *Careers, Local Lore, Rocks Rock, Science In Everyday Life, Science Discovery* and *My Community*. Dinosaur World also offers discounted admission rates for Girl Scout groups: \$6 for groups of twelve or more with advance reservations. Visit [www.dinoworld.net](http://www.dinoworld.net) or call (270) 773-4345 for more information.

#### **May 22, June 2, June 4 or June 9**

#### **Beech Bend Park Girl Scout Family Days**

Bowling Green, KY

Girl Scouts and their families will enjoy all-day admission for \$19.99 per person on Girl Scout Family Days. Beech Bend now offers free soft drinks and parking as well as a new wave pool, lazy river and tiki island. Registration form can be found under on your own programs at [www.gsmidtn.org](http://www.gsmidtn.org) in calendar. For more information visit [www.beechbend.com](http://www.beechbend.com) or call (270) 779-5203.

#### **Mannerly Me Etiquette Program**

Scheduled by the troop

Girl Scout Brownies and older will have fun learning etiquette and party manners through this workshop and tea party. Girls will also fulfill all or most of the requirements for the Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee patch program Mannerly Me. Workshops/tea party will be customized by grade level. Contact



Sandy Palmer at [sandy@whiteglovestn.com](mailto:sandy@whiteglovestn.com) or visit [www.whiteglovestn.com](http://www.whiteglovestn.com).

**May 22 and 23, June 19 and 20, August 21 and 22  
Nashville Shores Girl Scout Days**

Nashville Shores is undergoing the largest expansion in its history, nearly doubling the size of the park. The expansion includes a new 25,000 square foot wave pool and a more than 1,000 foot lazy river. Visit on Girl Scout Days and receive a huge discount. All-day admission for your troop and family is only \$14.99 plus tax per person (almost half-off the regular admission rate) and no minimum purchase. Admission includes one free ticket for every 15 pre-purchased and a free Nashville Shores patch. Registration deadline is the Wednesday prior to the Girl Scout Weekend. For more information contact (615) 889-7050, ext. 221 or

[cchapman@nashvilleshores.com](mailto:cchapman@nashvilleshores.com).

**March 17, 4 - 5:30 p.m.**

***Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary***

St Patrick's Day Go Green! Hike

Cost: \$7/person in advance; \$10/person at the gate (2 years old and under free.)

Wear your green while we search for green on this almost-spring hike. Prizes will be awarded to the person wearing the most green and the person wearing the most shades of green. We have no shamrocks at Owl's Hill, but we will search for four-leaf clovers and look for other early emerging plants and signs of spring. To register and for more information, visit <http://www.owlshill.org/explore10> or call (615) 370-4672.

**April 2, 10-11:30 a.m.**

***Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary***

Find the Bunny Hike!

Cost: \$7/person in advance; \$10/person at the gate (2 years old and under free.)

Wear your own creation of an outdoor Easter Bonnet and help us search for bunnies and other creatures in the meadow and orchard. Will we find eggs? Eggs with prizes? A prize will be given for the most creative adult bonnet and the most creative child's bonnet. Bring some carrots or bits of broccoli to scatter for our furry, cotton-tailed friends! To register and for more information, visit <http://www.owlshill.org/explore10>

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**April 17, 1 p.m.**

***Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary***

An Introduction to Falconry: Hunting with Birds of Prey

Cost: \$10/person in advance; \$15/person at the gate  
Falconry is the only sport in America that uses a trained wild creature for hunting. It presents huge challenges and enormous commitment, but can be equally rewarding and exhilarating. Come and meet local general falconer, Jim Primus and his beautiful and talented birds as he introduces us to this ancient sport. To register and for more information, visit <http://www.owlshill.org/familyprograms> or call (615) 370-4672.

**April 22, 6-7:30 p.m. (gates open at 5:30 p.m. for picnics)**

***Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary***

Earth Day Twilight Hike

Cost: \$7/person in advance; \$10/person at the gate.  
Complete your Earth Day celebration with a picnic and Twilight Hike at Owl's Hill. The program begins at 6 p.m.; picnickers should arrive at 5:30 p.m. To register and for more information, visit <http://www.owlshill.org/familyprograms> or call (615) 370-4672.

**May 15, 1 - 4 pm**

***Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary***

Boomerang's Birthday

Cost: \$7/person in advance; \$10/person at the gate  
Help Boomerang and all his friends celebrate the anniversary of his arrival at Owl's Hill by attending programs about butterflies, amphibians, birds, plants and other inhabitants of the sanctuary. To register and for more information, visit <http://www.owlshill.org/familyprograms> or call (615) 370-4672.

**June 4 and 5, 18 and 19, and July 9 and 10**

***Nashville Symphony***

Girl Scout troops are invited to the Schermerhorn Symphony Center for the wonderfully informal First Tennessee Summer Festival concerts on June 4 and 5, 18 and 19, and July 9 and 10. Come early and enjoy a summer supper in our beautiful courtyard while



musicians entertain you. Girl Scouts can receive up to 50% off tickets when attending with a group of 10 or more. Contact Emily Shannon, [eshannon@nashvillesymphony.org](mailto:eshannon@nashvillesymphony.org) or (615) 687-6537 for more information. Visit [www.nashvillesymphony.org](http://www.nashvillesymphony.org) for all concert listings.

### Tennessee Performing Arts Center (TPAC) presents

***The Color Purple*: March 23 – 28,**

***Big River: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*: March 20 – April 10** (descriptions in previous program quarterly)

and ***Disney's Beauty and the Beast*: June 15-20**

Based on the Academy Award-winning animated feature film, this eye-popping spectacle has won the hearts of over 35 million people worldwide. This classic musical love story is filled with unforgettable characters, lavish sets and costumes, and dazzling production numbers including "Be Our Guest" and the beloved title song. Experience the romance and enchantment of *Beauty and the Beast* at TPAC. Special group discount (for groups of 10 or more) is available on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday evenings.

Student group tickets for these select performances are only \$26.50 for seats located in the Grand Tier, Rows F-L, as well as \$16.50 for seats located in the Grand Tier, Rows M-P (subject to availability). This is a 60% discount! All other seat locations (Orchestra, Loge and Upper Balcony) are discounted at 10% and require a group minimum of 20. Girl Scout groups receive a specially designed TPAC patch just by attending a performance. Alert the group sales office of the number of patches and they will be sent along with your tickets. TPAC Group Sales Direct Line: (615)782-4060; email: [groups@tpac.org](mailto:groups@tpac.org)

### April 24

#### ***Nashville Children's Theatre Workshops***

*Charlotte's Web* (Daisies, Brownies and Juniors)

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 <http://www.nashvillechildrenstheatre.org/orange/girlscout.htm>.

### March 20

#### ***Edgar Evins State Park Waterfall Tour***

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 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.

Location: Silver Point. Contact Margaret Waggoner at (931) 858-2446 e-mail [margaret.waggoner@tn.gov](mailto:margaret.waggoner@tn.gov) website: <http://www.tennessee.gov/environment/parks/EdgarEvins/>

### Tennessee Central Railway Museum, Nashville

(615) 244-9001 or [www.tcry.org](http://www.tcry.org)

The Tennessee Central Railway Museum offers a \$5 discount per ticket for Girl Scouts and registered leaders.

2010 Excursion Train Schedule:

Mar 27	Watertown	90 mile roundtrip
Easter Bunny Trip I to Watertown		
Apr 3	Watertown	90 mile roundtrip
Easter Bunny Trip II to Watertown		
Apr 17	Watertown	90 mile roundtrip
Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Trip to Watertown		
May 1	Monterey	216 mile roundtrip
Spring Dogwood Festival Trip to Monterey		
May 15	Watertown	90 mile roundtrip
Train Robbery Trip to Watertown		
July 10	Watertown	90 mile roundtrip
Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown's Jazz Festival		

### ***New Patch Program***

The following is a new patch program offered for the 2010 Girl Scout year. As mentioned in the requirements, patches are available through the sponsored organization. For a complete listing, to download the requirements and view other Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee patch programs, visit [www.gsmidtn.org](http://www.gsmidtn.org), Resources then Patches and Badges or copy and paste the following link:

<http://gsmidtn.org/resources/c/patches-badges/>.

### ***Soles4Souls***

This patch program is for all grade levels. Soles4Souls' Girl Scout patch program aims to raise awareness of the 300 million children in the world without shoes. *Please note* patches are available from the Soles4Souls organization upon completion of request form located in the patch requirement download.

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