



More Fun: October Girl Scout Traditions

For all Girl Scout Grade Levels

Enjoying your traditional experiences? Check out these local community partners and GSUSA history resources to take the fun farther.

Juliette Low, the founder of Girl Scouts was a woman of many interests. As a girl, she preferred climbing trees and outdoor adventures to tea parties and acting “lady-like”. She loved all kinds of animals and owned many pets throughout her lifetime. She excelled at writing and dramatics, was a skilled artist in multiple mediums, and travelled extensively in her lifetime, making friends everywhere she went.

The activities listed below hint at just a few of her many interests and talents.

GSKSMO Patch Programs



- Friendship Bracelet Making Fun Patch - Learn to make a bracelet for yourself or to give to a friend or relative! <https://www.gsksmo.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gsksmo/OtherDocuments/at-home/Friendship-Bracelets.pdf>
- Around the World Patch - Learn something about each of the Five WAGGGS World Centers and the country where they are located. <https://www.gsksmo.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gsksmo/OtherDocuments/at-home/Around-The-World.pdf>
- SWAPS (Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere), the tradition of Girl Scouts exchanging keepsakes, started long ago when Girl Scouts and Girl Guides first gathered for fun, song, and making new friends. SWAPS were first widely exchanged at national Girl Scout Senior Roundups in the 1950s and 1960s. Check out our Outdoor SWAPS Patch Program! <https://www.gsksmo.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gsksmo/OtherDocuments/at-home/SWAPS.pdf>



GSKSMO Community Partners:

- **Animal Wonders** will come to your troop meeting with live animals to work on a variety of animal badges! These can also be offered virtually. <https://www.gsksmo.org/en/events-repository/2050/CP-animal-wonders.html>
- Have you been to **American Royal** yet for your very own tour? Plan a visit during the Livestock or Horse Show to see these animals close up and personal. <https://www.gsksmo.org/en/events-repository/2050/CP-american-royal.html>
- Go horseback riding at **S&S Stables!** Learn about horse safety and horse care, develop your riding skills and enjoy a guided trail ride. <https://www.gsksmo.org/en/events-repository/2050/CP-EQ-sSstables.html>
- **Wayside Waifs** can help you learn how to care for your furry friends and activate your em-paw-ty. <https://www.gsksmo.org/en/events-repository/2050/CP-wayside-waifs.html>
- Learn more about animal habitats in person at **Museum at Prairiefire** or check out their virtual videos and activities for birds and pollinators! <https://www.gsksmo.org/en/events-repository/2050/CP-MuseumatPrairieFire.html>
- If you were interested in the Sound Science STEAM information (link to STEAM Jrs. And up page), learn more from our friends at **KU Natural History Museum's** in their Pop Up Science videos about Sound Science <https://www.gsksmo.org/en/events-repository/2050/CP-KU-natural-history.html>



Other ideas:

- In 1918, The Golden Eaglet, a feature film about Girl Scouting was shown in theaters across the country! Below are links to watch the movie:
 - Part 1 <https://blog.girlscouts.org/2010/09/golden-eaglet-part-1.html>
 - Part 2 <https://blog.girlscouts.org/2010/09/golden-eaglet-part-2.html>
- Celebrate Girl Scouts Founder, Juliette Gordon Low (<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/about-girl-scouts/our-history/juliette-gordon-low.html>), birthday on October 31st by having your troop throw a birthday party! Click here (<https://www.pinterest.com/gprograms/brownie-resources/juliette-gordon-low/>) for our Pinterest page with some ideas of how to celebrate.
- GSUSA's YouTube page, "A Moment in Girl Scout History" (<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZaWZO965rJ39lgutBPTOLAqanK2Nz7LR>) has videos that show the origins of badges and historic activities Girl Scouts had to complete to earn a badge.
- Click here (<https://www.gksmo.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gksmo/documents/NLE2-Songbook.pdf>) for a Girl Scout Songbook
- Read through this brief Timeline of Girl Scouts History! <https://www.girlscouts.org/en/about-girl-scouts/our-history/timeline.html>
- Check out GSUSA's Traditions (<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/about-girl-scouts/traditions.html>) and Ceremonies (<https://www.girlscouts.org/en/about-girl-scouts/traditions/ceremonies.html>) webpages.



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