

Dunwoody Data

The Monthly Newsletter for Girl Scout Leaders of the Dunwoody Service Unit
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CALENDAR

See *Connections*, *DCNR Data*, and *The Insider* for
Council Activity dates, deadlines and forms

August	
18 Mon	Service Unit Meeting
September	
6 Sat	Girl Scout Saturday
7 Sun	Girl Scout Day with the Braves
14 Sun	Dunwoody G.S. Welcome for New Leaders
15 Mon	Service Unit Meeting; registrations due!
19-21	State-wide Teen GS Conference
October	
10-12	Cobb Leader Weekend
20 Mon	Service Unit Meeting; calendar orders due!
25 Sat	Brownie Bridging Workshop
November	
17 Mon	Service Unit Meeting

DISTRIBUTED AT AUGUST MEETING

! Connections - August 2003
! The Insider - Fall 2003
! DCNR Data - August 2003
! Learning Opportunities - August 2003
! DCNR Leader Weekend Registration
! Community Service & GS Saturday
! Volunteer Service Fair
! Your Guide to Making a Difference Day
! Student Service Award
! LIT Training (CASE Grades 9-12 only)
! DCNR Camporee
! Uncle Shuck's Cornfield Maze (Br. & Jr.)
! Girl Sport Fest
! Joycrest catalog
! 2003-2004 Girl Scout catalog
! Badge & Sash
! Council Calendar
! Emergency contact card
! Health History record
! Troop Camping Sites & Procedures
! Troops In the Spotlight
! Vehicle Insurance Log
! What's Happening event card
! Whom to Call Directory
! Council-Wide Programs-At-A-Glance
! Cobb Leader Weekend Registration Form

Dunwoody Service Unit Receives President's Award

Congratulations to the entire Service Unit team for
a successful year that culminated in the service unit
receiving the Northwest Georgia Council's President's
Award at the Team Conference on August 2nd!

Service Unit Team 2003-2004

The following individuals have volunteered their time and energies to keep our Service Unit first class!

Family and Community Partnership

Kathy Simcoe
Joan Patton

Calendar Sales

Jennifer Brown

Cookie Sales

Lynn Goldblatt
Kristin Winters

Recognitions Chair

Susan Fleck

Troop Organizers

Vanderlyn - Mary Ann Gardner
Austin - Alisa Leonard
Chesnut - Lisa Curtis
OLA - Luann Miller

Volunteer Publicity Rep.

Judy LaLone

Contributing to Society Coordinator

Tahnee Martin

Fall Registration

Registrations due at September meeting

Adding new girls to your troop? Didn't quite get your paperwork in during the spring registration drive? Registrations for the coming year are due at the September service unit meeting. After September 30th, all registrations expire and unregistered girls (and their leaders) are not covered by Girl Scout insurance.

The area registrar has noted some recurring issues with registrations that we all need to be aware of when accepting applications:

- ! Include the troop number at the top of the form
- ! If you have a preprinted form, please make sure that all the information on the bottom of the form is not overlooked, including custodial care and emergency contact information (according to our registrar, the #1 overlooked

item).

- ! Include school attended and grade
- ! Birthdate (month and year) of girl
- ! Parents names must be included. Employment information may be omitted if desired, but names must be included

When you hand in an addition to your troop (or the whole troop), your package must contain the following three items. All forms are in the Forms Box at meetings and on Carol's porch.

1. Application(s), fully completed.
2. Troop Record 2004, with only additions listed
3. Membership Dues Summary, detailing additions only.

Bring registrations to the September service unit meeting, or call Diane Black at 770-399-6731 and make arrangements to bring them to her house. Unfortunately, due the large number of incomplete registrations last year (missing Membership Dues Summary or Troop Record), Diane has been forced to institute a policy of returning any incomplete registrations, together with required forms, for completion.

Girl Scout Saturday & Community Service

Saturday, September 6th

The Northwest Georgia G.S. Council has designated Saturday, September 6th as Girl Scout Saturday, with a goal of increasing awareness of Girl Scouts throughout the council. While many of our troops will be at High Harbor that weekend, other troops may welcome the opportunity to provide a community service as well as tie the service into the Council's Hunger 101 patch project.

All Kroger's in the Council have agreed to collaborate with Girl Scout Saturday by providing a place for troops/service units to set up a display inside the store to collect canned goods for the Metro Atlanta Food Bank and to advertise Girl Scouts. Kroger will provide barrels for the collections and pick-ups will be coordinated by the Council; the Council would like troops. A sign-up sheet will be distributed at the August meeting, or contact Diane for more information.

BrainMinders Program Available for Daisies and Brownies

"BrainMinders – Protecting Your Brain For Life" is a brain injury prevention program designed for Kindergarten through 3rd grade. It includes a brief story using puppets to get the points across. Each participant is given a certificate and a coloring book (for K and 1st grades) or activity book (for 2nd and 3rd grades) to take home so parents can reinforce what we tell them. I would love to come to your Daisy or Brownie meeting to present the BrainMinders program. It takes about 20 minutes, so could be your program for the week. There is no charge for this. It is supported by Pilot International and Peachtree Pilot Club of Atlanta. If interested, please contact me:

Lynda Goodwin
(former Dunwoody SUD, 1982-1988)
770-393-1766 (work)
Lynda@edgoodwinassociates.com

I look forward to presenting BrainMinders at your troop meeting this fall.

Girl Scout Day with the Braves *Sunday, September 7th*

Tickets for this event are available through the Badge & Sash and the Badge and Dash. All Girl Scouts will parade around the ballpark before the game!

Silver Award Workshop, Anyone?

Council is willing to provide a Cadette Silver Award workshop for Dunwoody troops if there is sufficient interest. (We sent out an email on this subject last week.) If your troop would be interested in attending a Silver Award workshop in this area in September/October, please let Diane or Carol know before you leave this evening so that we can have an indication of interest.

Great Lake Allatoona Clean-Up

At the August meeting, we have several copies of the Great Lake Allatoona Clean-Up brochure, for troops who are interested in participating in this

annual event on September 13th. Sign up early to choose your clean-up spot! The day includes a free lunch and entertainment. This project is appropriate for older Juniors and CASE Scouts.

Badge & Dash Changes Locations and Dates

Due to the extensive construction at Dunwoody United Methodist Church, the Badge & Dash mobile unit will move to a new location "for the duration." Look for the Badge & Dash in Dunwoody on Friday, September 26th in the Kroger/Orchard Park parking lot from 10 -5. Remember that the mobile unit only accepts charges or checks only, no cash. Uniform items are 5% off through August.

2004 Calendar Sales

Jennifer Brown will distribute information for calendar sales at the September meeting. If you need to obtain the materials before the September meeting, please contact Jennifer and make arrangements to pick up your package.

Family and Community Partnership

The Family and Community Partnership campaign will kick off at the September service unit meeting. Council has made additions to the troop incentives this year: gift certificates to the Badge and Sash! The campaign will run until January 23, 2004.

Girl Scout Volunteer Service Fair *Friday or Saturday, August 22 or 23, VSC, 10-2*

Girl Scout volunteers interested in learning more about how troops can get involved with local non-profit organizations and participate in service projects are invited to attend the Girl Scout Volunteer Service Fair. Over 20 community service organizations will be represented

Browning Bridging Workshop *Saturday, October 25th* *Kingswood United Methodist Church*

Cadette Troop 1304 will be presenting a Brownie Bridging Workshop for Brownies who will be bridging to Juniors next year. Get your bridging requirements out of the way early! Sign-up sheets are in 3rd Grade Brownie files. Contact Diane Black at 770-399-6731 or beyondwords@mindspring.com for more information.

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As a cost-saving measure, we will no longer be mailing meeting notices. We have discovered that all troops have at least one leader or co-leader who has an e-mail address, and all future correspondence of a general nature will be by e-mail. *Please, please, please* check your email at each meeting and note any changes so that we have your current email at all times. We can also send to your work and home, if you want to make sure that you're notified of upcoming events!

Either note your new email address on the check-in sheet, or email Carol Sudman at csudman@pop.netzero.net. Thanks!

Scouter's Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and excitement of your meeting,
And remember that this is one sign of good Scouting
As far as possible without surrender
Be on good terms with all your fellow leaders.
Plan your programs carefully and cheerfully;
And listen to others,
Even the youngest Daisy.
She will give you many moments of Joy.
Avoid loud and aggressive gatherings of Scouters,
Except when you're part of one.
If you compare your troop with others
Do not become vain or bitter;
For success can only be judged by the smiles on their faces.
Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans.
Keep in mind the goals of Scouting
However hard to understand at times,
It is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.
Exercise caution with your troop funds
For a Girl Scout works hard for her dues.
But let this not blind you to what Scouting is all about.
Be yourself.
Especially, have fun.
Neither burn out too soon;
for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment,
Those girls are depending on you.
Take kindly the counsel of your Service Unit team,
They will help you all that they can.
Nurture strength of spirit in case of a failure
But do not blame yourself . . . you have done your best,
And what you think of as failure may be super fun to your Scouts.
Beyond a wholesome discipline
Be gentle with yourself.
You are the most important person in Scouting;
We need more adults like yourself
To help the youth of this world.
And whether or not it is dear to you,
You are molding the future of this country.
Therefore, be at peace with God,
Whatever you conceive Him to be,
And whatever your labors and aspirations,
In the noisy confusion of your meeting
Keep peace with yourself.
With all its hard work and sometimes frustration,
It is still a wonderful movement.
Be cheerful.
Strive for good Scouting.