

DECEMBER 2007

December! Already?!?!?! Seriously?!?!?! It's the time of year when we can all look back and reflect on 2007 and look forward to 2008. What did you do this past year? Who did you meet? What was the best memory of 2007 that you had? What are you looking forward to in 2008? I have to admit that 2007 was a huge year for me! I moved to Tucson, got married and started working for Girl Scouts. December is always a great time of year to think about where you have been and where you would like to go. It's also a great time of year to catch up on movies, read some books over the break and hang out with family and friends!

An important note: This newsletter is the Juliette newsletter. You are receiving this because you are registered as a Juliette. If you are actually in a troop please call me and leave me a message or email me your troop number. If you are waiting to be placed into a troop, then Juliettes is a great way to stay involved in Girl Scouts in the meantime. Once you are placed into a troop- let me know that as well and I will take you off of the mailing list. If you have multiple Juliettes in one household, then for mailing purposes, we will only mail one per household. I just wanted to let you know that I didn't forget about you!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

COLORS AND SHAPES

Who: Brownie Girl Scouts/ Grades 1-3

When: Tuesday, January 8, 2008

5:00 pm-7:00pm

Where: Sahuaro Girl Scout Council Resource Center

Girl Fee: \$7.00 Fee includes Try It

Leader Fee: No charge for leaders and adults within Safety-Wise guidelines for girl/adult ratio.

Additional Adults: \$3.00

Registration Deadline: January 4, 2008

Capacity: Minimum 20/Maximum 50

HIGH TECH HIDE & SEEK

Who: Daisy and Brownie Girl Scouts

When: January 12, 2008

1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Where: Hacienda Program Center

Fee: \$3 (*Participants will need to provide some simple supplies, supply list will be sent with registration confirmation.)

Registration deadline: January 2nd

Capacity: Minimum 6/Maximum 35

"Hide and Seek" is one of the first games we play as kids. Growing up doesn't mean we have to stop game playing- It's just a matter of learning to "Discover" new ways to step up the game! This program will "Connect" hide and seek and science with the help of skill-based activities like letterboxing and geocaching! In the first half of the day you'll be learning about letterboxing and setting up clues and hiding your own letterbox at the Hacienda for other girls to find later. After lunch, you'll "Take Action" with geocaching and working with community partners and GPS units to create a geocache at the Hacienda as well.

HIGH TECH HIDE & SEEK

Who: Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts

When: January 12, 2008

10am – 3pm lunch provided

Where: Hacienda Program Center

Fee: \$8 (*Participants will need to provide some simple supplies, supply list will be sent with registration confirmation.)

Registration deadline: January 2nd

Capacity: Minimum 6 /Maximum 35

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WINTERFEST: Got Snow?!

ALL AGES WELCOME!

Saturday, January 19, 2008 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Northwest Tucson, Location TBA

Sunday, January 20, 2008 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Hacienda Program Center

“Discover”, “Connect”, and “Take Action” with an incredible celebration of winter! See our special events section from the website for more information.

G.O. GIRL! (Get Organized!)

Who: Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts

When: January 25, 2008

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Where: Hacienda Program Center

Fee: \$5

Registration deadline: January 2nd

Capacity: Minimum 20/Maximum 50

Life is so busy... so much to plan... so much to do! “Discover” steps to reduce stress in everyday life and make things easier. “Connect” your lifestyle with organization. Being organized is the first step- starting with your own space. This workshop will help you “Take Action” to get organized. If your environment is organized, then you’re organized- and organized people tend to be less stressed, which means they lead healthier lives.

MATH-MAGICIAN

Who: Brownie Girl Scouts/ Grades 1-3

When: Saturday, January 26, 2008

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Where: Hacienda Program Center

Girl Fee: \$10.00

Leader Fee: No charge for leaders and adults within Safety-Wise guidelines for girl/adult ratio.

Additional Adults: \$3.00

Registration Deadline: Jan 11

Capacity: Minimum 50/Maximum 100

Become a “Math-Magician” in this amazing program filled with abracadabra-intelligence! “Discover” various math skills by joining in activities focused on magic, and a magician’s tools. “Connect” your

braniac experiences with a spectacular performance by magician Michael Crownheart. "Take Action" by using your new magical math skills in everyday life. This program meets requirements for the Brownie "Math Fun Try-It". The Try-It is not included with the registration fee. Participants should bring a sit-upon to enjoy the performance.

MAGICAL NUMBERS

Who: Junior Girl Scouts/ Grades 4-6

When: Saturday, January 26, 2008

12:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Where: Hacienda Program Center

Girl Fee: \$10.00

Leader Fee: No charge for leaders and adults within Safety-Wise guidelines for girl/adult ratio.

Additional Adults: \$3.00

Registration Deadline: Jan 11

Capacity: Minimum 50/Maximum 100

Become a "Math-Magician" in this amazing program filled with abracadabra-intelligence! "Discover" elements of geometry, measurement, estimation, and more. "Connect" your math knowledge with activities focused on magic and magical items. Begin your braniac experiences with a spectacular performance by magician Michael Crownheart. "Take Action" with your many math skills, with a magical twist, in everyday life. This program meets requirements for the Junior Math Whiz Patch". The Patch is not included with the registration fee. Participants should bring a sit-upon to enjoy the performance.

BADGE OF THE MONTH:

December can also be a time to reflect on all of the different cultures and customs from all over the world. A lot of cultures celebrate a major holiday in the month of December.

Brownie Try-It: Around The World on page 146 of the Brownie Try-It Handbook. The world is made up of many different peoples and cultures. Try these activities to learn more about them. Hop on over to your local library and spend the day during your Holiday Break researching some of the ideas in requirements #2, #3 and #5!

Junior Badge: Celebrating People on page 44 of the Junior Badge Handbook. People speak different languages and have different

customs and values. These differences make people special and make it exciting to be a member of a community, a group, or a team. Explore cultural differences with this badge. During your Holiday Break take a break from vegging out on the couch watching tv & playing video games and head on over to your local library to research requirements #5, #6, #8 and #10!

Teen IP: A World of Understanding on page 108 in the Teen Interest Project Handbook. Throughout the world, you will find a multitude of cultures, languages, foods, architectural styles, behaviors, and values. The result of all these differences is a fascinating but often conflict-filled world. Working on this interest project will help you gain an understanding and appreciation of your own and other people's cultures- the first step in creating a world of understanding. Put that cell phone on silent and take a break over your Holiday Break and check out the library to complete Skill Builders #1, #4 or #7- also Technology #2, #3 or #4. Don't forget to use those resources that are available to you like your local library. Have you been to your local library lately?

REMEMBER if you are turning in badgework completion forms (which are also available online to print out) please make sure you put your name on top and mail them to me. When I receive them, I will write up your Badge Purchase Order card and send it to the Council shop where they will put it on file. When your advisor comes to purchase your badges, the completed and signed cards will be on file giving them permission to purchase the badges. If you are dropping off your forms and you want to purchase your badges and I am not here, Niki at the front desk can also sign off on them for you.

BADGE SUPERSTARS: Congrats to **Rebecca Bauer, Kacie Bauer, Megan Delisle,** and **Crystal Rose** for turning in Badge Completion Forms for the month of November!!!!

Cookie Rally Musical Production:

The Cookie Rally Musical Production is to be held on Friday, January 11, 2008 at the Tucson Expo Center to coincide with the Make It A Hit! Cookie Rally. Roles are open right now to Brownies, Junior, Cadettes & Seniors and some advisors!

The production will involve singing, dancing, performing and lots of fun. The Dance Studio will be choreographing the dance performance piece. No performance experience is needed, this is all about having

fun! Anyone interested in performing, please call Joe at 319.3148. Here are some dates to keep in mind:

- Tuesday, December 18, 5:30-7:30 pm, Council Resource Center
- Tuesday, January 8, 5:30-7:30 pm, Council Resource Center
- Friday, January 11, 3:00 PM - 8:00 pm, Tucson Expo Center, (Rehearsal and Performance)

See you next year in Indianapolis!

Mark your calendar for the 2008-Girl Scout Leadership Institute hosted by Girl Scouts of Central Indiana and Girl Scouts of the USA.

Wednesday, October 29, 2008

Thursday, October 30, 2008

Learn about healthy lifestyle choices, build leadership skills, and have fun in the Circle City. The institute is open to all girls in grades 6 through 12. Start making plans today! Financial assistance is available from SGSC. For more information contact: Kathi J Schutz 520-319-3182 kschutz@sahuarogsc.org

GOT FRIENDS?

Starting in the month of December if you have a friend that you register to be a Juliette Girl Scout, you will BOTH receive a \$5 credit towards a program or camp event. When she sends in her registration form, write JULIETTE on top along with your name. As soon as she's in, we'll credit your account. Are you looking forward to going to camp and want your best friend to go with you? Get her to sign up and go together!

Juliettes is a great way for you and your best friend to get together and start doing some badges, start having some fun or start making a difference in the community based on what YOU want to do.

WORLD THINKING DAY:

Since the November newsletter, I have gotten some requests for countries for World Thinking Day. I have Spain, Greece and the Netherlands so far as choices. Please call me or email me and let me know if you want to participate in a Juliette troop World Thinking Day booth. World Thinking Day is February 9, 2008. If you would like to participate as Juliette's please contact me about what country you would like to do. When they open the bid to troops, I will have a list of top three choices and try to win the country that you want for World Thinking Day 2008.

COOKIES

Cookie time is rapidly approaching. Here are some important dates to keep in mind if you are going to be involved in the cookie program this year.

Tuesday, January 8, 2008: Parent Meeting/Cookie Training 6-8 pm at the SGSC Conference Room 4300 E Broadway Blvd Tucson, AZ 85711. This is mandatory if you are going to be participating in the cookie program this year. Your parent/guardian/advisor will receive your permission slip this night and turn it in before leaving the training allowing you to participate in the cookie program. **Please let me know if you are going to plan on selling cookies and attending the training.** Please remember that if you do sell cookies, it is an awesome way to earn Cookie Dough to use towards going to camp, a program event or spend in the Council Shop!

Friday, January 11, 2008: Make It A Hit! Cookie Rally for girls and families 6-8pm

Saturday, January 12, 2008: First day of cookie selling begins

Tuesday, January 29, 2008: Completed order cards are due

Friday, February 15, 2008: Cookie pick-up 9-6pm

Saturday, February 16, 2008: Cookie pick-up 9-11am

Another reminder about last years Cookie Dough- February 28, 2008 is the deadline to use your Cookie Dough. Shop in the Council store, attend a program, donate it to the Opportunity Fund- but spend spend spend! before February 28, 2008!

OPPORTUNITY FUND

The Sahuaro Girl Scout Council has an Opportunity Fund and a Uniform Exchange. Here is how both work... the Uniform Exchange is a way for girls to turn in uniform articles that they either no longer need or do not fit. Say for instance you are a Cadette now and still have Brownie t-shirts, pants, etc. you can donate them to the Uniform Exchange for girls who might not be able to afford new uniform pieces. If you are also in need of a uniform piece, you can also stop by and check in the closet to see what we have. Books and Handbooks as well!

The Opportunity Fund helps girls who might not necessarily have the means to attend a program event, purchase a vest or sash in the Council Shop, or even sign up for a Girl Scout year membership. You

can donate Cookie Dough to this Opportunity Fund and give girls the chance to go to camp, a program or buy a vest in the shop! If you need to apply for the Opportunity Fund for a camp or program, these options are also available to you as well.

BOOK CLUB

Read the current book from the Book Club and then go online to www.sahuarogsc.org- click on Programs, and look for the Book Club section. The current book is "Princess Academy" by Shannon Hale. Check your local library or check out a copy from the SGSC Library! Download the packet and then fill it out, and return it to the Sahuaro Girl Scout Council offices to receive a piece of the new Sahuaro Girl Scout Council book club patch! For more information call 319.3181 or 1.800.331.6782, ext. 3181.

BIG BROTHER, BIG SISTER

Are you without a mentor as a Juliette? Girl Scouts has partnered with Big Brother, Big Sister to provide our Juliettes with an awesome mentoring program. Your Big Sister can help you with badges, taking you to events, and going over the monthly newsletters with you! If you are interested please contact me! Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Tucson has been providing one to one mentors for kids in Tucson since 1963. They currently have Big Sisters waiting for a Little Sister! Visit www.tucsonbigs.org and fill out the "Little Application." Send me your information and I'll let them know to look out for it as well!

POSTCARD EXCHANGE

The Postcard Exchange was started in 2000 by Jan McKinney. It has been operating since with thousands of troops participating in over 40 countries. Ask your advisor to assist you in going to the website www.mythinkingday.com. You will need a Yahoo! account in order to participate. Send postcards around the world! Show Girl Scouts what Arizona is all about!

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Girl Scouts is going to be out & about in the Community during the month of December. Many of our events are "Give Back" type events. Here are a few of the events that the Council will be at in the next few weeks!

We will be at the Tucson Zoo for Zoo Lights on December 1, 7 & 22 from 6-8pm. You can stop by our table and make a treat for one of four animals in the zoo. Then make a take-home ornament of the animal that you made a snack for!

We will be at 4th Ave Street Fair on December 8th & 9th. Come by and see us!

We will be at the Winterhaven Festival of Lights on December 15. Finally, Cookies with Santa at the Bookman's on Grant and Campbell on December 22nd from 10-12.

CONTACT ME:

If you have ???questions??? please feel free to contact me

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