

November Volunteer Meeting Summary

- As of Monday November 10th, our membership numbers are as follows:
 - Girl Members – 4,252
 - Adult Members – 1,579
 - Lifetime Members – 1,661
 - Overall Retention Rate – 67.1%
 - Girl Retention Rate – 61.5%
 - Adult and Lifetime Retention Rate – 75.4%

Council news:

- Trisha and Peggy, our board chair, attended the National Girl Scout Board Chair and CEO Conference that focused on long term strategy of the movement
- The National Council Session is next year in Washington D.C.
 - 6 delegates will represent our council
 - 28 proposals have been submitted
 - GSUSA has decided to open discussions in advance
 - Our delegates will start discussions next month
 - Some topics include funding and licensing
 - We will be reaching out to volunteers and members to hear from you
- Those working on a Take Action Project can apply for a mini grant
 - This is donor funded
 - We have been able to fund 9 different projects
 - Projects include historic preservation, anti-smoking campaigns, and job improvement
- Invitations for Rallyhood have been sent to all Service Unit volunteers and troop leaders

Membership & Volunteer Support news:

- Community Engagement roles are still open
 - More information can be found on Indeed
- We have recruitment events coming up
 - If you have the time, please sign up
 - We have fun patches to give out as well
- If you have an idea for a recruitment event, let us know and we can help with marketing and supplies
 - We do need about 2 weeks' notice

- You can request Service Unit funds to help with recruitment and retention
 - This could be for events, both recruitment events and events within your Service Unit
 - Email our Customer Care team for more info and to apply
- There are training courses on GSLearn both required and not required
 - First year leaders are required to take the New Leader Onboarding Training and the Girl Scout Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Course
 - Experienced leaders are required to take the Abuse and Neglect Prevention Course
- We do give out an annual Gold Award Scholarship to 3 Gold Award Recipients. This year's scholarship recipients are:
 - Riley Chipman – Comfort Blanket Project
 - Kaelyn Gagnon – Breaking Barriers in Sports
 - Amy Campbell – Restoring a Stone Wall

Girl Experience news:

- Some upcoming council events:
 - Mental Health Summit happening on November 22 in Manchester, NH
 - FutureFest happening on May 30 in Colchester, VT
 - Registration for FutureFest will be going live in January
 - Global Leadership Conference happening March 20-22 in Newport, RI
 - We are looking for chaperones for our Destinations trip
- On-Demand Programs are great for troops that might not have the opportunity to attend one of our virtual or on-location programs
- Spring STEM Month dates will be going up soon
- We are also offering adults courses like Basic Outdoor Living Skills
- We are also offering a lifeguard course
- We are looking for more Gold Award Committee members
- Camp registration opens December 18
 - We are looking to updating some of our programs such as:
 - Flexible dates for overnight camp
 - Updated programs for both day and overnight camps
 - More programs for older girls
- Camp staff applications will open soon as well
- Don't forget to check out our upcoming programs on our website