

Girl Scouts – Northern Horizons Service Unit Leaders Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/14/2017
Time: 7 PM - 8 PM
Presented by: Jen Woodruff, Stella Greer, Jenifer Hurley
Minutes Prepared by: Julie Rudinski
Next Meeting: Oct 9, 2017 6:30 PM Spring Creek BBQ 660 S Main St Keller

I. Business Portion

- Jen Woodruff is resigning as Service Unit Manager. Nora Offutt will take over as the SUM.

II. Service Unit/Council Announcements

- 2017 Pop Tab Winners
 - First Place Troop 3360
 - Second Place Troop 3383

III. Training Opportunities

- Several Opportunities coming up in Oct & Nov.
 - October 2017
 - Training: Cabin Camping - Oct 6-7- Amarillo
 - Training: Cabin & Tent Camping - Oct 6-8 - Lubbock
 - Training: Leadership Essentials - Oct 10 - Amarillo
 - Training: Outdoor 101 - Oct 10 - Fort Worth
 - Workshop: New Journey - Oct 12 - Fort Worth
 - Training: Leadership Essentials - Oct 12 - Lubbock
 - Training: Leadership Essentials - Oct 16 - Wichita Falls
 - Training: CPR/First Aid - Oct 17 - Lubbock
 - Training: Outdoor 101 - Oct 19 - Fort Worth
 - Training: Leadership Essentials - Oct 22 - Wichita Falls
 - Workshop: New Journey - Oct 22 - Wichita Falls
 - Workshop: New Journey - Oct 24 - Fort Worth
 - Workshop: New Journey - Oct 26 - Fort Worth
 - November 2017
 - Workshop: New Journey - Nov 4 - Fort Worth
 - Training: Ropes Course Facilitators - Nov 3-5 - Amarillo
 - Training: Outdoor 101 - Nov 6 - Amarillo
 - Training: Tents - Nov 7- Fort Worth
 - Training: Cabin Camping - Oct 10-12 - Fort Worth
 - Training: Tents - Nov 14 - Fort Worth
 - Training: Leadership Essentials - Nov 16 - Amarillo
 - Training: Ropes Course Facilitators - Nov 17-19 - Amarillo
 - Workshop: New Journey - Nov 28 - Amarillo

IV. Volunteer Opportunities

- Lion's Club BBQ Oct 7th 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM
 - Need girls to sell t-shirts for the Lion's Club
 - Can be parent/daughter team (does not have to be a troop event)
 - Email Stella Greer @ spgreer@verizon.net If interested in volunteering.

V. Upcoming SU/Council Events

- Next Meeting will be Oct 9th 2017 6:30 PM @ Spring Creek BBQ 660 S Main St Keller, Back room.
- JGL Birthday Party Swap Luau – Oct 22nd 2017 3-5 PM Bear Creek Park. Hawaiian Theme. Cost \$3
- He & Me Camps-A-Lot Oct 27-29th 2017 @ Steven's Ranch.
- \$70 for girl/male role model. Open to Brownie & Above.
- Adult Fun Weekend
 - <http://girlscoutadultfunweekend.eventzilla.net/web/event?eventid=2138854767>
 - April 6-8, 2018. Open to all registered adults (male or female)
- Fairy Myst
 - March 23-35, 2018 @ Steven's Ranch \$40 / per person Open to Brownies & Juniors
- Holiday Tea Party Dec 2nd Diamond Oaks Country Club

VI. Patch Information/Opportunities

- Early Renewal / On-Time Patches are available for pick up in the Girl Scout Shop. They will not be delivered to the service unit.
- Goodwill Goodturn donation Patch can be earned from now until Oct 14th.
 - You may earn this by donating 2 kitchen sized garbage bags of items to any goodwill location. You must get a donation receipt and send a picture or copy to jhurley@gs-top.com. She will then send a link for a video to watch. After the donation and video you can pick up the patch at the Girl Scout Event.
 - You can also donate the goods to the goodwill headquarters on Sept 14th and receive a facility tour. Patches will be given during the day of the event.

VII. Attachments

- Training on Trip Forms from Jenifer Hurley
- He & Me Camps A lot Flier
- Adult Fun Weekend Flier
- Fairy Myst
- JGL B-Day Party

Jenifer Hurley – council contact for Girl Experience/Programming. Email: jhurley@gs-top.org
Phone: 817-735-5314

Troop Trips:

There are 3 types of forms required for activities.

- Permission Slip – is needed for day activities that take place outside of your normal meeting place.
 - There is not an annual troop permission form
 - Need to keep permission slips on file within your troop records for a year
- High Risk Permission Slip – is required for High Risk activities. See Volunteer Essentials for a list of High Risk activities. However, in general any activity that involves water, ropes, helmets, horse, etc. will require a high-risk form. These forms are required for day or overnight trips. These need to be submitted to council at least 90 days prior to activity date for review & approval. Submitting the form does not necessarily guarantee approval so please do not partake in the activity until you receive approval from council.
- Troop Trip Form – Any non-council approved overnight trip. The trip may be approved through a different council; however, it still requires approval through the Northern Horizon Council.
 - Send the first 2 pages of trip application as soon as you decide upon the trip.
 - Send the itinerary 10 business days prior to the trip.
 - All adults attending the trip are required to be registered girl scouts and have undergone a background check.
 - Adults attending the trip may not be the girl's emergency contact. Please use another contact.
 - Additional Insurance can be purchased when you apply for the trip and up to a week prior to the trip.
 - Send any changes to the trip, (attendees, itinerary, travel details) via email to jhurley@gs-top when they become known.

Resources for Leaders:

- Volunteer Essentials – Policies & Procedures for girl scouts. Updated yearly.
 - http://www.gs-top.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gs-top/documents/Volunteer_Essentials.pdf
 - Covers money earning activities, trips, safety procedures.
- Safety Activity Checkpoint procedures for every approve activity.
 - http://www.gs-top.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gs-top/documents/All_Safety_Activity_Checkpoints_%20FINAL.pdf
 - Newly added safety procedures: Shooting sport, go karting, Indoor Skydiving
- Troop opportunity Catalogue
 - Allows you to change meeting location, acceptance of girls, etc
 - http://www.gs-top.org/en/for-volunteers/opportunity_catalog.html
- Health form
 - http://www.gsnorthernhorizons.com/uploads/4/7/3/7/4737480/girl_health_history_form_english-spanish.pdf
 - Should be filled out and carried with you during all activities.
 - Needs to be updated yearly.
- Outdoor Progression
 - Girls should go through an outdoor progression based on skill not age prior to doing any outdoor overnight event.



He & Me Camps-A-Lot

Oct 27-29, 2017
Stevens Ranch

Hear ye, hear ye:

All Girl Scouts Brownie rank and above are hereby challenged to bring your personal knight in shining armor to attend this years He&Me Camps-A-Lot weekend camp and festivities. There will be archery, crafts, games and at some point you may have to defend the castle.

Please sign up and join us Oct 27-29, 2017 at Stevens Ranch for some medieval themed fun. Feel free to come dressed as a princess, knight or other medieval role. Every "couple/family" takes home a photo. (We have a very limited wardrobe to pose in, but we do have several capes and crowns we use for photos)

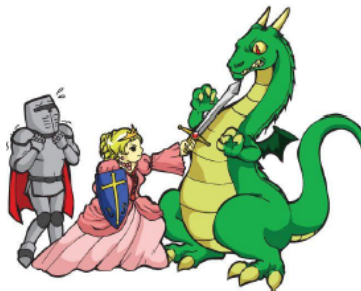
Registration is \$70 for Knight and Princess couple (\$30 for each additional girl in same family.)

All girls must be accompanied by an adult male role model. All adults must be registered Adult Girl Scout with a current background check on file. Once you are registered, council will help us with the background check.

To register go to: <http://events.eventzilla.net/e/he--me-campsalot-2017-2138900039>

(You can also do a search for our event at eventzilla.net)

Please join us on our Facebook page at He & Me Camps-A-Lot (GS-TOP) there is also a link to register there as well as to see photos and stay up to date.



This event is hosted by GSTOP Service Unit 222-Paintbrush Meadows

For additional information or questions, please email our team at: gstop222@gmail.com



Queen's Court



at Stevens Ranch

A Renaissance Faire

Girl Scout Adult Fun Weekend

April 6 to 8, 2018

Sponsored by Southern Pioneers Service Unit

Come to Stevens Ranch to relax, meet new friends, see old friends, take some enrichment workshops, and have a good time. What you do and how much you do is up to you.

This event is open to any registered adult with a current Criminal Background check, in Girl Scouts in any council area. Whether male or female, leader or not, parent or not. Husband/wife couples will be put in a cabin together.

If you need someone to watch your registered Girl Scout, contact us at gsadultfunweekend@gmail.com for more information about our girl unit availability.

Options are:

Weekend (Friday night to Sunday) – lodging, 4 meals, activities, snacks, supplies and a patch for \$ 50*

Saturday only (8 a.m. to 9 p.m.) – 3 meals, activities, snacks, supplies, and a patch for \$ 45*

If you register by January 1, 2018, you receive a \$ 5 discount

Registration closes March 17, 2018

Enrichment workshop descriptions

Archery – Have you ever shot a bow and arrow? You will learn some basic archery skills and practice shooting.

Crafts – Painting – Learn how to easily paint your own picture to take home and display.

Crafts – Fairy Light - Come make a cutout fairy light to take home with you.

Crafts – Wind Chime – Make a wind chime from bamboo to take home with you and enjoy.

Essential Oils – Learn the basics of essential oils and how they can improve your health and life.

Yoga – Come learn some yoga poses and how yoga can improve your life. For any level of experience. Please bring a yoga mat or towel.

Outdoor Cuisine - You will cook your own lunch using Dutch ovens, propane stove and fire. Lunch time will be spent eating what you cooked and cleaning up (Weather and burn ban permitting).

Songs – Learn some new songs and how to teach them to your Scouts.

Discovering Stevens Ranch Nature – Take a hike and learn about the plants of Stevens Ranch.

Kitchen Cosmetology – Learn how to take care of your skin by using food items from your kitchen.

Canning – Learn how to can your own food and prepare one to take home with you.

Scrapbooking – Bring some pictures and make your own scrapbook page. For beginners or experienced scrap bookers.

Ceremonies – This class will teach you about Girl Scout ceremonies. You will also receive a ceremony book to take home with you or to your troop so you can teach the girls these traditions.

Games – Come have fun and learn some games to take back to your troops.

We will have activities Friday night and Saturday night. Details will come later.

Sunday auction – proceeds go to Stevens Ranch for wish list items. All items are donated. If you have an item or service to donate to put in the auction, contact us at gsadultfunweekend@gmail.com or bring with you to camp. You can pay for auction items by cash, check or credit card.

ONLINE REGISTRATION at <http://girlscoutadultfunweekend.eventzilla.net>



Fairy Myst Festival

Sponsored by Southern Pioneers Service Unit

March 23 – 25, 2018

Come join in the fun and festivities. The girls will enroll in Fairy University, where they will get to create a fairy costume, play games, learn new songs and dances, learn beginning compass skills, and make many new friends. Sunday all Fairy students who have earned their wings will become a Fairy Princess at the graduation ceremony. All participants will receive a patch.

Location: Stevens Ranch

Times: Friday check in 7:00 pm – Sunday unit check outs by site manager

Cost: \$ 40.00 per person

Open to all Brownie and Junior Troops in GS-TOP

Adult spaces are limited to 2 per troop. Each troop will need one adult with cabin training and one adult with first aid/CPR (can be the same person)

Registration opens January 1, 2018 and closes February 10, 2018

You can register and pay online (by credit or debit card) at:

<http://events.eventzilla.net/e/copy-of-girl-scout-fairy-myst-festival-2138903009>

Or mail registration payments and forms to:

(Please make checks payable to Girl Scouts SU 227 Southern Pioneers)

Attn: Sanndee Glass
6200 North FM 157
Venus, TX 76084

Any questions call or email:

Sanndee Glass
817-223-7563

Sanndee3707@yahoo.com





OCTOBER 22, 2017 3-5 PM
BEAR CREEK PARK PAVILION 1 KELLER, TEXAS
JULIETTE GORDON LOW
HAWAIIAN BIRTHDAY BASH
AND SWAP PARTY

\$3.00 each- pay at entrance to party- cash only please

Each girl must bring 20 of an original SWAP to exchange with others.

(One type of SWAP – 20 of them) JGL or Hawaiian themed

Each SWAP needs to have a tag with girls Name, Troop #, and JGL Birthday Bash 2017



**Juliette
Gordon Low
Birthday Bash**

**Hula Hoop
Contest**

Limbo

**Make a
Hawaiian Lei**

Photo Booth

**Girl Scouts of
Texas Oklahoma
Plains, Inc.**

Northern Horizons

JGL Birthday Bash Coordinator:
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