

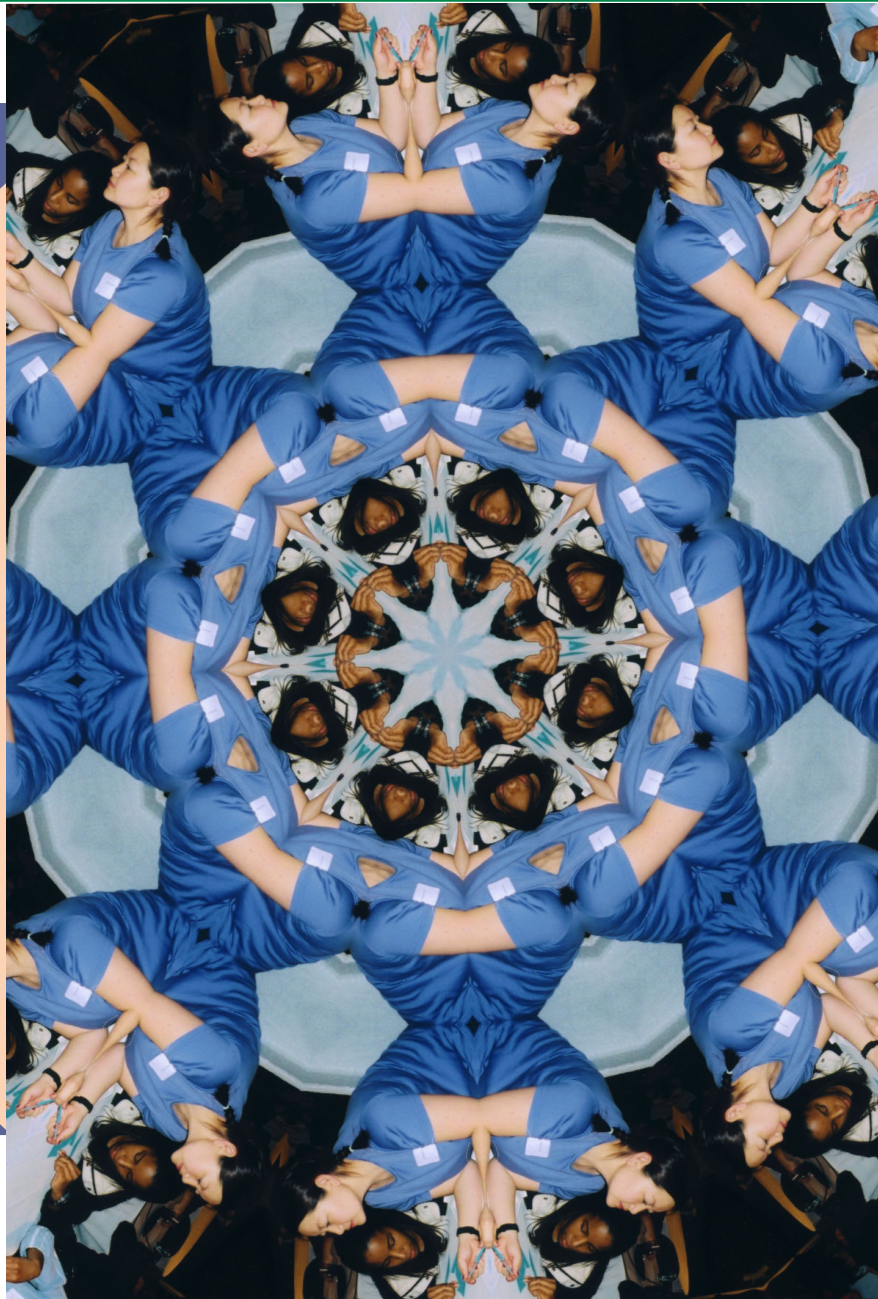


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INTRODUCTION TO KALEIDOSCOPE

A kaleidoscope is a series of changing phases or events. *Kaleidoscope* is the basic GSCNC resource for Cadette or Senior Girl Scouts or STUDIO 2B members. The information on the following pages involves fun, learning experiences, service and travel opportunities for Teen Girl Scouts. This booklet includes information about ongoing teen options in GSCNC policy-making, GSCNC teen programs, leadership opportunities, recognitions and scholarships. It also includes the forms and applications necessary for participating in any of the above.

Teen Girl Scouts are any of the following: Cadette Girl Scouts, Senior Girl Scouts, STUDIO 2B members, Juliettes, and any registered Girl Scout between the ages of 11 and 17. However, some programs have specific age or grade requirements that must be adhered to. Be sure to check the age requirements before sending in your completed registration.

IMPORTANT NOTE TO ADVISORS AND PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Some programs are designed for girls only. In some cases, a limited number of adults will be selected to serve as chaperones for the girls participating in the event. Where adults are not participating, we will make an effort to have a place for the drivers to wait during the event. Also, siblings are not allowed to attend events along with girls.

NOTE FOR PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS: Most GSCNC programs are designed so girls can attend with their troop/group, individually or with a couple of friends. To accommodate this flexibility, some programs are available for online registration while others will require a paper registration. Be sure to check to see if the program you would like to register for is available for online registration.

If you have any questions or want to share ideas about publications or GSCNC Teen Program, contact the Teen Program Specialist at 202-237-1670 ext 236 or email teenspecialist@gscnc.org.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

The following are other GSCNC and GSUSA resources that girls can use in conjunction with Kaleidoscope.

- *TTG (Totally Teen Girls)* - This is a magazine for Teen Girl Scouts, which includes current information about upcoming programs, workshops, and announcements regarding what other girls are doing around the council. It is distributed to troop/group advisors five times a year in August, October, January, March and May. It is also available to download off the GSCNC website.
- *Mosaic/More* – This is a GSCNC publication that lists program offerings as well as vendor programs. It is published three times a year in August, January and May. It is available to download off the GSCNC website, or you may obtain it from your troop advisor.
- *Capital Notes* – This is a GSCNC publication that gives updates on the council to the volunteers and is distributed in August, October, January, March and May. It is available to download off the GSCNC website, or you may obtain it from your troop advisor.
- *Cadette Girl Scout Handbook, A Resource Guide for Senior Girl Scouts, Interest Projects for Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts, and STUDIO 2B Collections and Focus Books*- These are GSUSA publications that contain age-specific information about all programs, interest projects, and recognitions offered through GSUSA. These are available for purchase at any of the council shops.
- GSCNC website- This is the official website for the council. You can refer to it for updated information about programs, workshops, and recognitions. The address is www.gscnc.org.
- GSUSA website- This is the official website for Girl Scouts of the USA. You can refer to it for supplemental information to the GSUSA publications listed above. The address is www.girlscouts.org.

TEEN OPTIONS IN POLICY DECISION and PLANNING PROCESS

GSCNC DELEGATES & ALTERNATE DELEGATES

Delegates and Alternate Delegates are elected within each Association to serve in an advisory capacity to the GSCNC Board of Directors. Delegates and Alternate Delegates must be at least 14 years old. They are elected to a term of 3 years. The primary duty of a Delegate is to represent her/his association at the GSCNC Annual Meeting in April where they vote on policy decisions, vote for board officers and members of the board, and other issues that require consent of the membership. To fulfill this role, a Delegate is expected to attend briefings and/or training sessions in her/his associations and participate in spring and fall association meetings and occasional service unit meetings. Delegates who do not attend the GSCNC Annual Meeting for any reason automatically forfeit their Delegate status. The Association Chair then names an Alternate Delegate as a replacement and this new Delegate serves out the remaining term or the replaced Delegate.

Girls interested in serving as a Delegate or Alternate should discuss this with troop advisor or a member of the Association Nominating and Referral Committee.

ANNUAL MEETING AIDES & TELLERS

Teen Girl Scouts have the opportunity to serve in a support capacity at the Council's Annual Meeting, which is held in April. Aides may be assigned to help at the actual meeting or the recognition luncheon. They may serve as ushers, special assistants, or greeters, Tellers distribute, collect and count ballots during the voting portion of the meeting.

Teen Girl Scouts who are at least 14 years old by the date of the Annual Meeting may apply for these positions. In selecting girls, preference is given to graduating Seniors who have not previously served; and to girls who need council hours for the Silver Trefoil Award (see pages 19-20). Aides and Tellers are required to attend a training to learn about the jobs they will be doing and receive placements. Girls who are delegates, alternate delegates or serving in another official capacity at the Annual Meeting cannot serve as an Aide or Teller.

To apply, fill out the form in the Appendix and return it to the council office by the first Friday in February. For more information, contact the Special Projects Manager, ext 286.

GSCNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Each year, the Council's Nominating Committee nominates individuals to serve on the GSCNC Board of Directors. The Board consists of seven officers and twenty-three members-at-large who are elected by the Council membership at the Annual Meeting. Board members have a variety of skills and interests and broadly represent our geographic area. The GSCNC Board of Directors makes policy, approves finances, interacts with the community, relates to the Executive Director and sets the long-range plans for our Council.

Two member-at-large seats on the Board of Directors are reserved specifically for currently registered Teen Girl Scouts in high school. Board members must be willing and able to commit to the time necessary to prepare for and participate in six Board meetings held at the council office (2nd Tuesday evening in October, December, February, March, May and June), Orientation in September and the GSCNC Annual Meeting in April. Board Members may be invited to additional council functions.

Girls in 9th, 10th or 11th grade who are interested in helping shape the future of GSCNC are encouraged to fill out and return the form in the Appendix. The deadline for receipt of applications is December 15. All written applications will be reviewed by the committee and will serve as a basis of selection for formal interviews.

GSUSA DELEGATES & ALTERNATE DELEGATES

Just as GSCNC meets annually to hear reports, elect officers and set direction for the council, Girl Scouts of the USA meets every three years to perform the same duties for the national organization. These meetings are held in the fall of the appropriate years in a different location around the country. Each council is entitled to elect delegates to attend and vote at these meetings. GSCNC generally sets aside 3 of their allotted positions for girl representatives – one each from Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Girls elected to these positions must be at least 14 years old and must be committed to attend 2-4 briefing sessions held by GSCNC and be able to miss 2-3 school days to travel to and attend the National Council Session. Delegates are expected to attend all meetings of the National council and report to GSCNC on decisions made. Costs for travel, meals, lodging and meeting registration associated with being a delegate are covered by GSCNC.

Girls interested in being considered for the National Delegate positions for the 2005 National council meeting (scheduled for Atlanta, GA) should consult with their advisor or Association Nominating and Referral committee in the fall of 2004.

TEEN OPPORTUNITIES ON COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A variety of council committees made up of adults and girls meet throughout the year to provide input and make recommendations on issues related to Girl Scout program. To express interest in joining one of these committees, use the Committee form in the Appendix., Committees select members at different times during the year and must broadly represent the geographic areas of or council, so submission of an interest indicator does not automatically guarantee appointment to a committee.

Congressional Aide Committee

Teens ages 15-17 and Adults

The Teen Girl Scouts on this committee help conduct orientations in late May or early June. They need to have been a Congressional Aide prior to serving in this position. This committee makes recommendations to the practices that govern the program, does the placement assignments, and helps conduct the orientations.

Gold Award Panel

Gold Award recipients and Adults

The panel is comprised of girls who have earned their Gold Award and adults who are interested in helping girls earn the Gold Award. The panel meets the second Thursday of each month to discuss new applications. The panel members offer support, guidance, and clarification of any of the panel's concerns about projects, conduct Gold Award workshops, and assist in the planning and implementation of the council's annual "In Your Honor" recognition ceremony.

Program, Policies and Goals

Teens ages 14-17 and Adults

This is a committee of the Board of Directors that reviews all elements of girl program and makes recommendations regarding program, policies, and practices. The committee meets the third Tuesday of each month.

Silver Trefoil Committee

Seniors and Adults

Seniors who are either working on or have completed their Silver Trefoil are eligible to be part of this committee which meets in the fall to review the GSCNC program and in the early spring to help plan the council's annual "In Your Honor" recognition ceremony. Communication throughout the year is conducted by mail, email and phone. Members discuss and brainstorm ideas for service projects and offer guidance to girls.

Wider Opportunity Committee

Wider Op participants and Adults

Girls who have participated in Wider Opportunities and adults who are interested in this program serve on this committee. The group holds workshops in the fall to help girls with application procedures and interview techniques, interview applicants in November (for National Wider Ops) and January (for International Wider Ops), and host orientation sessions in the early spring for girls who have been accepted.

Teen Planning Committee (TPC)

Teens and Adults

This committee is girl-driven and works with adult advisors to plan and implement GSCNC teen program opportunities. The group meets once a month from August to May.

President's Award Committee

Junior, Cadette & Senior Girl Scouts

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TEEN PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

WIDER OPPORTUNITIES

Does going behind the scenes in Hollywood, dogsledding in Minnesota, scuba-diving in Michigan, or learning about the business world behind the scenes in the Florida tourism industry sounds interesting to you? If so, then a Wider Opportunity might be just what you are looking for. All these and more are examples of Wider Opportunities that you can enjoy as a Teen Girl Scout between the ages of 12 and 17. While most events take place in the United States, a few are held abroad each year. Each Wider Op event has its own age limit and qualifications.

Information on Wider Opportunities is released by GSUSA in August or September of each year. Check both the GSCNC and GSUSA websites or call the Teen Program Specialist on ext. 236 for information and updates. Applications and reference forms are available from the Information Center or are available to download off the GSCNC website in September. The GSCNC resource, *Applying for Wider Opportunities*, will help you produce a quality application. Copies are available from the Information Center and at the Wider Op Workshop in the fall.

A Wider Op Workshop is held in the early fall to spark interest and assist girls with the application process and offer ideas to help girls plan how to finance these trips. Because these are expensive trips, girls are encouraged to begin money-earning activities as soon as they apply for a Wider Opportunity. Financial assistance is available through the Council to help girls who have been accepted to participate in a Wider Opportunity if they would not otherwise be able to participate. An application for a Girl Program Grant will be sent to all girls accepted for Wider Ops. Grants are based on individual need with consideration given to money-earning efforts. GSUSA also provides limited “travelship” money based on individual need.

The due date for applications and references is in the August *TTG* and in the *Applying for Wider Opportunities* resource. Girls applying for Wider Ops are responsible for ensuring that all the proper forms are received in the council office by the deadline. Girls will be contacted regarding the **mandatory** interview. **Late or incomplete applications, including applications of girls who do not attend the interview, will not be forwarded to the sponsoring council.**

At press time, GSCNC was receiving information about changes to the Wider Op program, including a name change. Details will be made available in the fall 2003.

CONGRESSIONAL AIDE PROGRAM

The Congressional Aide program provides registered Teen Girl Scouts who are **15 years of age and older as of June 1st** with the opportunity to work in a congressional office for a week during the summer. The program allows Girl Scouts to:

- Learn first hand about our political process
- Experience the world of work
- Add a unique experience to their college applications and job resumes
- Apply the experience to various Girl Scout recognitions

Girls spend approximately forty hours working in a congressional office in **June, July or August**. Duties can include typing, filing, answering phones, word processing, faxing and running errands. Placement is not guaranteed, as the number of girls who can participate in this program is dependent on the number of congressional offices involved.

Applicants are required to attend an orientation session and are responsible for their own lunch and transportation during the time they are working on Capitol Hill.

APPLICATION INFORMATION:

1. Applications, program fees, and two references attesting to the applicant's maturity and readiness to participate must be **received** by April 1 of each year. Girls who are either not accepted for the program or who are unable to be placed will receive a refund of the program fee.
2. Applicants will receive a letter mid-May with information about the program and the **mandatory** orientation held the end of May or early June. **Receipt of this letter does not guarantee placement.**
3. The first page of the application is sent to the aide's assigned office. It is important that it be neat, complete, and legible. Incomplete, messy, and/or late applications will be returned.
4. Congressional offices prefer to have girls in their offices during August when Congress is not in session. **Girls who have flexibility in the available dates and are available to work in August have a better chance of being placed.** Girls who have not participated in the program previously will be given top priority by school grade.
5. GSCNC staff and volunteers recruit congressional offices to participate in the program. Please do not contact offices on your own. Placement information is generally available in early June.
6. The exact number of weeks and dates for each week will vary by year. Be sure to check *TTG* or the GSCNC website for exact program dates for that calendar year.

LEGISLATIVE DAY PROGRAM

One of the most practical safeguards of the American democratic way of life is the legislative process. With its emphasis on the protection of the minority, it gives ample opportunity for all sides to be heard and make their views known. The Legislative Day program was designed to explore this legislative process to the fullest.

Teen Girl Scouts and accompanying adults spend a day with legislators in their political jurisdiction in the winter of each year. A schedule of activities enables girls to complete some of the requirements of the GSCNC Legislative Day Patch Program (brief outline below) as they gain a greater understanding of the legislative process and its role as one of the strongholds of our representative system.

Dates and additional information for each program can be found in *TTG* or on the GSCNC website. Teen Girl Scouts may apply for this program as individuals or as a troop. To register, check the GSCNC website to see if this is available for online registration or contact the Teen Program Specialist at ext 236.

Legislative Day Patch Program

Purpose: To become familiar with some of the aspects of your state legislature or the District of Columbia City Council.

Eligibility: Girls who participate in the Legislative Day programs

Requirements: Specific requirements are sent to girls when they register for the program
Sample requirements include:

- Identifying your elected officials and committees on which they serve
- Learning about issues being discussed at the legislative session
- Interview a female legislature.
- Identify the steps necessary for a bill to become a law.
- Discover the role played by grassroots/lobbying organizations.

GIRLSANDWOMEN.CONNECT

Girlsandwomen.connect is a program open to girls in grades 9-12. This program is a cooperative effort of the Washington Business Journal, the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital, and sponsoring businesses. The program offers Teen Girl Scouts the opportunity to meet informally with area businesswomen at activities throughout the year. In some cases girls and women are matched in a mentoring relationship where the girl has the chance to meet her mentor at her place of work to find out what it's really like out in the "real world." To request a registration form, call the Teen Program Specialist (ext 236) or email your name, address, and phone number to teenspecialist@gscnc.org.

TAPIOCA

Teaching, Acting, Promoting Interest On Critical Areas

TAPIOCA is a group of Teen Girl Scouts with interest and experience in drama. Girls write, stage, and perform original skits about contemporary issues. Auditions for this group are held in the summer of each year. A training retreat gives new participants extensive information about issues such as child abuse, teen pregnancy, substance abuse prevention, AIDS and date rape. New girl-developed skits are added to the repertoire each year. A one-year commitment is required of all girls participating in the program. The application form and the upcoming performance schedule are located in *TTG* and on the GSCNC website.

SUDDEN SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES for INDIVIDUAL TEENS

Each year GSCNC receives requests from local and national governmental agencies and other organizations asking for Girl Scouts to participate in flag ceremonies, help at receptions, usher at special events, serve as race marshals, clean up waterways and much more. In addition, GSCNC often plans or participates in activities with limited lead-time. In some cases, a specific troop size or age level is requested and girls must be available to go to a specific location. Because these requests are often made at the last minute these activities are labeled “SUDDEN SERVICE.”

Troops interested in participating in these opportunities should contact the Public Relations (PR) Department (ext 206) for information. In some cases, the request is for a Teen Girl Scout or a limited number of teen girls from throughout the council jurisdiction with specific requirements, such as girls who have received the Silver or Gold Award or one with special training. In these cases the PR department works closely with the Teen Program Specialist to identify girls who meet the qualifications requested. Some examples of activities these individual teens have participated in recently include a brainstorming dinner with the Women’s Advisory Board and representing GSCNC at a formal awards dinner. One recent case involved a last minute notice of a fully funded special Wider Opportunity for a girl who was SCUBA certified! Individual teen girls who can do things with little notice (from one day to a couple weeks) are encouraged to complete the General Program Registration form in the Appendix.

OTHER PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

Girls are encouraged to read *TTG* and check out www.gscnc.org for other teen programs. Programs that have been held in the past and may be offered periodically include:

- CADETTEFEST – daytime or overnight programs for Cadette Girl Scouts including workshops and fun activities
- SENIOR RETREAT – Overnight for Senior Girl Scouts planned by girls to include activities of interest to the older teen Girl Scout
- SENIOR LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE – Held annually in Rhode Island

CAMPING OPPORTUNITIES

ADVENTURE CAMP - A weekend program held each spring and fall. Adventure Camp gives teens the chance to enjoy a weekend of challenging camp activities with other teen girls. It features high adventure activities as well as arts, crafts and hiking. Troops/groups share kapers like flag ceremony, site care, and latrine cleaning. Information and registration is in *Mosaic* and on the GSCNC website. For questions, you may contact the Camping Services Specialist at GCSNC ext 209. Individual girls wishing to participate in this activity should contact the Teen Program Specialist at ext 236.

CADETTE/SENIOR ENCAMPMENT - All Teen Girl Scouts are invited to participate in the Cadette/Senior Encampment at Camp Aquasco in the spring and fall. This is a primitive camping weekend and is girl-planned and girl-run. Every troop/group that attends will participate in a conservation activity. Other activities may include canoeing, crafts, games and campfires. More information is sent out to troops/groups. Information and registration is in *Mosaic* and on the GSCNC website. For questions, you may contact the Camping Services Specialist at GCSNC ext 209. Individual girls wishing to participate in this activity should contact the Teen Program Specialist at ext 236.

RESIDENT CAMP - Summer resident camp programs are available at Camp May Flather, near Harrisonburg, Virginia, Camp Potomac Woods, near Leesburg, Virginia, and Camp Coles Trip, near Stafford, Virginia. One-week and two-week overnight programs are offered for all age levels, as well as a four-week Counselor-in-Training (CIT) program and additional leadership opportunities with CIT Internship programs for Senior Girl Scouts. The Camp Coles Trip program focuses on our waterfront activities including sailing, kayaking and wind surfing. This is also the site of Camp CEO, an annual camping event that pairs Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts with senior executive women from across our council. Camp May Flather focuses on high adventure activities including canoeing, rock climbing, caving and repelling. Camp Potomac Woods focuses on developing leadership skills in older girls with the CIT program. Registered Girl Scouts will receive the camp brochure in early January through their troop/group advisor. CIT applications are in the Resident Camp brochure.

HIGH ADVENTURE PROGRAMS - GSCNC provides a variety of resources for troops interested in participating in high adventure activities. A vendor list can be found on the GSCNC website. These vendors have agreed to follow GSCNC and *Safety-Wise* guidelines and provide the council with a certificate of insurance. These vendors offer various activities like indoor rock climbing, caving, biking, kayaking and hiking. When participating in vendor programs, the leader must submit a Request for Council Approval form and is strongly encouraged to visit the site. GSCNC also offers seasonal adventure and leadership activities designed especially for teen girls. Look for these activities in *Mosaic*, *TTG* or *Capital Notes*.

SUMMER DAY AND EVENING PROGRAMS – Many Summer Day and Evening Programs offer opportunities for teen girls both as campers and in leadership positions. Teen options vary by program but may include Aide-In-Training, Program Aide, and Camp Aide. For more information, check the *Summer Day and Evening Program* brochure that is available in January of each year and check out *TTG* and the website.

GSCNC TEEN LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

DEVELOPING AND USING LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Many opportunities exist for girls to develop and use leadership skills. The programs outlined on this and the next pages offer opportunities for the development of leadership skills leading to specific recognitions. Girls who wish to utilize the leadership skills they develop through these and other programs should watch TTG and the website for programs where they can use those skills presenting programs to younger girls. GSCNC “Keepers” programs, Bridging the Gap, Core Camps and similar programs are run by teens who share their love of Girl Scouting as they use, and continue to develop their leadership skills. Check with your Service Unit for additional opportunities such as Service Unit Encampments, Brownie Try-it days, etc.

PROGRAM AIDE

A Program Aide is a leadership position designed to enable Teen Girl Scouts to share their interests and experience with younger girls in a troop, group or camp setting. To be eligible, a girl must have completed the 6th grade. Program aide recognitions are available at both the Cadette and Senior levels. The steps in becoming a Program Aide are as follows:

- Sign up for Program Aide training. Dates are listed in TTG and on the website. (Program Aide training may also be offered by a day camp.)
- Attend Basic Program Aide Training, which consists of Core Training and at least one Specialty Training.
 - ◆ Core Training- 3 ½ hours- A training that prepares teen girls to present activities to younger girls. Learning objectives are laid out in the GSCNC Program Aide training module.
 - ◆ Specialty Training- 90 minutes- Training in one specific area of interest to help girls develop skills in this area. This is generally taken along with the Core Training, but may be taken at a later date
 - ◆ Receive your Program Aide pin at completion of training
- Complete 25 hours of internship with troop, group or camp
- Return Program Aide Report Form on pages 33-34 of the Appendix and take to any GSCNC shop to purchase the PA patch.

NOTE: Program Aide v. Camp Aide While some camps use the terms interchangeably, a Camp Aide is a girl who registers to help at one of our many summer camps. She usually attends a short training or meeting set up by the camp. A Program Aide is a girl who has completed the formal Program Aide Core Training with one or more specialty trainings described above given by an approved Program Aide trainer. A Program Aide may be a Camp Aide and count hours at camp towards the PA patch. However, a Camp Aide does not necessarily have to be a Program Aide and may not count hours toward the PA patch unless she has completed the Basic Program Aide Training (see above description).

SENIOR PROGRAM AIDE

A Senior Girl Scout who took the Program Aide training as a Cadette does not need to repeat the Basic Program Aide Training. In this case, the Senior Program Aide pin is earned by taking a new Specialty Training. The Senior PA patch is earned by completing another internship of 25 hours with a different group. A Senior Girl Scout who has not taken Program Aide Training should follow the steps outlined on page 12.

LEADER IN TRAINING (LIT)

A Leader-in-Training is a Senior Girl Scout who has completed the 9th grade, completes a series of courses then works with a mentor leader in a Daisy, Brownie, Junior or Cadette Girl Scout troop. The steps to becoming a Leader-in-Training include:

1. Complete Basic Program Aide Training (described above and on page 12)
2. Take the GSCNC Leadership Courses (your troop advisor, the Teen Program Specialist or the GSCNC Training Department can help you sign up for these courses.)
001- Orientation to Girl Scout Leadership (available as an online course)
002- Nuts and Bolts of Girl Scout Leadership (available as an online course)
100- Series course for the program level in which you will work
3. Present a copy of your training card to purchase the LIT pin.
4. Select a LIT advisor in your Service Unit to help you locate a troop to work with and to provide guidance while completing your LIT project
5. Select a Daisy, Brownie or Junior troop to observe for at least 3 hours.
6. Complete a 25-hour internship with one Daisy, Brownie, Junior or Cadette Girl Scout with an experienced leader who will serve as your mentor. *You may not work with a troop led by your parent(s).*
7. Fill out the LIT Report Form (pages 35-36) and have your advisor sign it. The LIT patch may be purchased when you turn in the completed forms the GSCNC shop.

SENIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP ASSISTANT

Senior Girl Scouts who have completed all LIT requirements and have completed the 10th grant are eligible to serve as a troop assistant with an established Girl Scout troop. Girls who make a full-year commitment are eligible to purchase and wear the SGSTA pin. The recognition is worn while serving as a troop assistant.

COUNSELOR IN TRAINING (CIT)

The Counselor-In-Training (CIT) and the Junior Counselor programs provide a two to three year learning experience for young women who wish to develop their skills and talents as potential camp counselors. CIT and Junior Counselor applicants must be Senior Girl Scouts entering grades 10, 11 or 12.

- **CIT (Prerequisite- entering 10th grade):** The first year of training will concentrate on theory and techniques. CITs develop campcraft, leadership, organizational skills, and group team-building abilities and have time for participating in other camp activities. CITs live and work in their own patrol under the guidance of the CIT Director. To apply, complete the Resident Camp Application and see the Resident Camp brochure for program code. You will receive an application package. Have three references complete the CIT reference forms. All applicants will have a brief interview. Refer to the camp brochure for the application deadline.
- **JUNIOR COUNSELOR PROGRAM (Prerequisite- Completed CIT or entering 12th grade):** This on-the-job training program is designed to acquaint young women with leadership, supervisory, and program skills in a resident camp setting or specialty area. All applicants must complete an application with references and be interviewed and approved by the Camp Director. Preference will be given to girls who have completed the CIT program. Girls may apply to serve as a Junior Counselor at any of the three GSCNC Resident camps. To apply, complete the Resident Camp Application and note "Intern" as your program choice.

APPRENTICE TRAINER

A Trainer is a volunteer who teaches courses to Girl Scout volunteers. A Senior Girl Scout who is interested in working with adults to train volunteers can apply to become an Apprentice Trainer. To be eligible to be an Apprentice Trainer a girl must be at least 15 years of age and must have completed Orientation to Girl Scout Leadership (001) and Nuts and Bolts (002). A girl who is considering being an Apprentice Trainer must show maturity and commitment to serve in this capacity.

How to Become an Apprentice Trainer

- Contact the Training Specialist for Trainer Education at GSCNC ext 311 to request an application or download the application from the GSCNC website.
- Complete and return the application. Upon receipt of your application, you will be sent two forms for letters of reference and a needs assessment which must be completed and returned prior to the Train the Trainer course.
- Discuss your training interest with the Training Specialist for Trainer Education and register for the Train the Trainer course. This is an intensive 12-hour training which is offered three times a year.
- Upon completion of the Train the Trainer course, you will be appointed as an Apprentice Trainer and you may co-train with a GSCNC Council Trainer the following courses: Nuts and Bolts of Girl Scout Leadership (002), program level, outdoor, or administrative.. All training arrangements should be made with your Association Training Manager (ATM). **NOTE:** Prior to co-training any courses, you must first audit the course.

GSCNC AND GSUSA RECOGNITIONS

RELIGIOUS RECOGNITIONS

The religious recognition program is an individual girl-initiated activity. The purpose is to help a girl grow spiritually and in her understanding of her faith, herself, and the world around her. Through Girl Scouting, each girl is encouraged to become a stronger member of her own religious group. The Girl Scout organization recognizes that religious instruction is the responsibility of parents and religious leaders. Religious recognition programs are always developed and administered by the religious groups themselves. Recognitions may be worn on the Girl Scout uniform.

- Ask your troop advisor or a leader in your religious institution to help you get information about religious recognitions available within your faith.
- Secure a religious advisor who will work with you towards the completion of the requirements. This person may be your priest, minister, rabbi, or other designated person.
- Obtain the appropriate materials for your religious association. Check the website www.praypub.org for more information about individual faiths.
- Complete the program to the satisfaction of yourself, your advisor, and/or your religious institution.
- Arrange for a suitable ceremony for presentation of your award. This may be done through your house of worship. You may wish to contact your service unit so that they may acknowledge your accomplishment.

GSUSA LIFESAVING AWARD

A Lifesaving Award may be given to a registered Girl Scout who has saved or attempted to save human life under circumstances that indicate heroism or risk of her own life. These awards are reserved for those Girl Scouts who have performed heroic acts beyond the degree of maturity and training to be expected at their age. Recognition cannot be given to anyone who was in any way the cause of or contributory to the incident, or where it appears that the risk involved was merely in the performance of duty or in meeting of an obligation. There are two categories of awards given:

- **Medal of Honor**- Given for saving life or attempting to save life without risk to the candidate's own life.
- **Bronze Cross**- Given for saving life or attempting to save life with risk to the candidate's own life.

Applications for Lifesaving Awards must be requested within 60 days of the incident and submitted within 6 months after the incident occurred. To obtain an application or find out more information, please contact the GSCNC Program Department at ext 270.

COMMUNITY SERVICE BARS

Community Service bars are intended to recognize girls who have taken specific training to do service, instead of simply offering service that did not require any special skills.

To earn a bar, a girl should identify one of the many groups in our jurisdiction that allow teenagers to volunteer and offers training specific to the work they will be doing. With the exception of the Girl Scout Community Service Bar, girls must complete 4 hours of training and then provide at least 25 hours of service to that organization. (For the Girl Scout Community Service Bar, girls do not have to complete the 4-hour training; they must only complete 25 hours of service.) It is suggested that girls and their advisors investigate local agencies and resources, community newspapers, libraries, and local government coordinators. Troop leaders and parents are also excellent resources. **Due to the diversity of our geographic area, GSCNC does not maintain a list of organizations whose program and training have been approved. Each Teen Advisor is authorized to approve an organization to provide the training and service opportunities.**

The bar is to be worn after the training is completed and during the time when you are providing the service. The bar signifies that you have been trained and you are in the process of doing service that relates directly to the training. You may continue to wear the bar after the service is completed.

The three Community Service Bars that can be earned are:

- **Cadette Community Service Bar** (light blue): You may only earn one bar as a Cadette Girl Scout.
- **Senior Community Service Bar** (burgundy): You may only earn one bar as a Senior Girl Scout.
- **Community Service Bar for Contributions to Girl Scouting** (green): You can earn this bar once during your years as a Teen Girl Scout.

GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD

The Girl Scout Silver Award is the highest national award that a Cadette Girl Scout can receive. Information about earning the award can be found on pages 135-138 of the *Cadette Girl Scout Handbook* or on the GSUSA website (www.girlscouts.org). Girls may now substitute activities from the STUDIO 2B Focus Books for Interest Projects as long as they reflect a similar level of effort. Some general recommendations and completion procedures are listed below.

General Guidelines

- The project should meet a need in the community or in Girl Scouting. The project can be someone else's idea, but it must be planned, organized and implemented by the Cadette Girl Scout.
- The girl must plan her project carefully, identifying those whom she will help, those who will help her, and those who will work with her to complete the project.
- Two or more Cadette Girl Scouts may design and complete a Silver Award project together. Each girl must be responsible for doing one specific piece of the project, and each must spend at least 30 hours on her portion of the project.
- Projects must adhere to all GSUSA and GSCNC standards. Girls should consult Safety-Wise and be particularly conscious of Standard 33 that states that a girl may not raise money for another organization.
- Comparable activities from STUDIO2B Focus books may be substituted for Interest Projects.

Completion Procedures

- Girls must be a registered Cadette Girl Scout while working on any and all requirements for the Silver Award. A girl may begin working on the prerequisites as soon as she bridges to or registers as a Cadette Girl Scout.
- **The Silver Award project can be approved by the troop advisor. It does not need council approval.** However, if a troop advisor has questions about whether a project is appropriate or should be approved, she/he may contact the Teen Program Specialist (ext 236).
- Complete the Silver Award Report Form, located on pages 37-38 of the Appendix. You must use the current form.
- **Return completed form to any GSCNC shop to purchase your Silver Award pin. DO NOT MAIL THE FORM.**
- A list of girls who have completed the requirements for the Silver Award is published periodically in *TTG*.

GSCNC SILVER TREFOIL AWARD

The Silver Trefoil Award started as the Little Flower Award, which was presented in memory of Senior Girl Scout Linda Curtis and was given for meritorious service to GSCNC. In 1977 the idea was expanded to include a wider spectrum of service. The Silver Trefoil Award is unique to this council and takes advantage of special opportunities this area offers. It is the highest GSCNC earned recognition available to a Senior Girl Scout.

Eligibility: Any currently registered Senior Girl Scout in grades 9-12. (Girls bridging to Senior Girl Scouts at the end of their 8th or 9th grade year may begin work on this award anytime after the date they bridge.)

Requirements: provide 100 hours of service within GSCNC as outlined below By giving service in these areas girls increase their awareness and learn how Girl Scout program operates beyond the troop level; the inner workings of federal, state and local governments; the variety of services that international agencies provide; and the specialized careers involved in these areas.

- 25 hours of service to the international community
- 25 hours of governments service (at least 15 hours of Federal government service)
- 50 hours to the Girl Scout community (at least 10 hours of “Council” service)

Guidelines for Service

- *Quality* of the experience and development of skills should be emphasized rather than on the number of hours themselves. It is better to give multiple hours of service to one organization versus limited hours with several organizations.
- The same service hours cannot be applied to more than one award, but may be divided between awards. For example, if you give 40 hours of service as a Congressional Aide, 25 may be applied toward the Silver Trefoil and 15 applied toward another award.
- Girls may work together on service but each individual girl must complete the required hours.
- GSUSA program standards #33 states that “Girl Scouts...may not solicit money for other organizations.” Program Standard #35 states “Girl Scouts... may not participate ... in any political campaigns or participate in partisan efforts on behalf of or in opposition to a candidate for public office.” Therefore, volunteer service to raise money or for political campaigns may not be counted toward the Silver Trefoil Award.
- Service must be non-paid work

Process for Earning the Silver Trefoil Award

- Plan how you will earn the required hours in each category and share your plan with your advisor. Contact a member of the Silver Trefoil Advisory Board (listed in each issue of TTG) if you have any question about a planned project.
- Log each hour of service given in the appropriate category on the Silver Trefoil Log and Final Report Form on pages 39-40. (Also available at www.gscnc.org) It is important that you keep an accurate record of the dates and hours.
- All service hours must be completed prior to submission of final report.
- Send your final report form to GSCNC. To be recognized at the In Your Honor ceremony in May completed form must be received by 5:00 PM April 1. (Official recognition would be the following spring if form is received after the deadline.)
- Final report must be submitted by September 30 following 12th grade year.
- The GSCNC Silver Trefoil Award is worn on the uniform vest or sash below the Brownie Girl Scout Wings to the right or left of the Bridge to Senior Girl Scouts.

International Service (25 hours required)

This service must be given to an international group or individual or direct experience with an international group or individual. The goal is to learn about culture and traditions of another country from people with a direct connection with that culture. Painting faces at an international fair or participating in Thinking Day is not the same as being part of an international exhibit or working with an embassy and would not qualify as international service. Examples of service include:

- Help with GSCNC's linguistic outreach program or tutor non-English speaking students
- Serve as an in-transit hostess for Girl Guides or host a foreign exchange student
- Work with International Red Cross making refugee packs
- Help with International festivals, museums or exhibits where you have direct experience with individuals from another country

Government Service (25 hours required with at least 15 hours for Federal groups)

Federal Government - 15 hours minimum-. Some examples include:

- Serve as a GSCNC Congressional Aide
- Serve in a Federal office such as a court, local office of a US Senator or Congressperson
- Serve during the Presidential Inaugural parade/activities
- Assist with special events and programs at the Smithsonian or National Zoo
- Serve with programs done cooperatively with a Federal agency

State and local government -10 hour maximum - - some examples include

- Work with local or state government office or agencies
- Help a non-partisan civic organization such as the League of Women Voters
- Volunteer with your local public library

Girl Scout Service (50 hours required, with at least 10 hours for Council level service)

Council level service (minimum of 10 hours)

- Serve on the GSCNC Board or other council committees
- Serve as Delegate to the GSCNC Annual Meeting
- Assist at Council events such as Leaderfest or the GSCNC Annual Meeting
- Volunteer for Summer Program, Core Camp or other council-wide program
- Volunteer for office work in council shop, mobile shop, council departments

Service Unit or Association (maximum of 40 hours)

- Assist with a service unit encampment, Thinking Day or similar event
- Assist with a Daisy, Brownie, Junior or Cadette troop
- Provide administrative assistance to a service unit
- Serve as an delegate (may count for either council or local service)
- Serve on an association committee

GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest national award that a Senior Girl Scout can receive. For detailed information about this award and to find all forms related to this award, see the current *Going for the Gold* booklet.

GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD SCHOLARSHIP

Funded through contributions from businesses and foundations, the GSCNC Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship provides a minimum of 10 \$1,000 scholarships each year. Three girls are chosen from each jurisdiction- Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia; and one girl from anywhere in the council jurisdiction. GSCNC Gold Award Scholarship finalists are each awarded a \$100 savings bond.

Requirements

- Currently registered Girl Scout with GSCNC
- Senior in high school at the time of application
- Successful completion of Girl Scout Gold Award requirements and submission of Final Project Report by time of application
- Plans to continue education on a full or half-time basis following graduation from high school
- Submission of a completed application by April 1 of graduation year

Application Procedures

- Complete application found on page 41 of the Appendix, in the *Going for the Gold* booklet, and on the GSCNC website.
- Application must include
 - One letter of recommendation addressing the candidate's achievements in the areas of leadership and service.
 - Application must include written confirmation from Girl Scout council where Gold Award was earned.
- Finalists must take part in personal interviews with the Gold Award Scholarship Committee appointed by the GSCNC Board of Directors.

Receiving the Gold Award Scholarship

- Recipients will be notified in writing within one week of interviews.
- Checks will be issued when a deposit receipt and proof of acceptance to selected institution is presented to the council.
- Check or certificate will be presented at the annual "In Your Honor" ceremony.
- Gold Award Scholarship may be used to pay for tuition, books and materials for course of study.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD IN HONOR OF ETHEL G. HARVEY

The President's Award in Honor of Ethel G. Harvey is the only GSCNC honorary award for girls. It was named in honor of Ethel Harvey, who was the Council President from 1972-1978. The award, a miniature Girl Scout membership pin mounted on a silver disc, is presented annually at the "In Your Honor" Recognition Ceremony.

A POTENTIAL NOMINEE IS A GIRL WHO:

- is a registered Junior, Cadette or Senior Girl Scout in GSCNC
- has demonstrated her leadership abilities to GSCNC
- has contributed to the growth of GSCNC
- has demonstrated poise and sensitivity towards others
- has demonstrated both written and oral communication skills
- has actively participated in Girl Scout activities which have helped to bring about unity among the diverse elements within GSCNC
- has not received this award before

NOMINATION PROCESS

- Any registered member of GSCNC, girl or adult, may nominate a girl for this award.
- Two letters of nomination must be received for each girl, one from a person who knows the nominee through Girl Scouting and one from a person outside of Girl Scouting with knowledge of her Girl Scout activities
- Nominations must be submitted on the form on page 37, on the website or from the Information Center
- Nominations must be received in the GSCNC office by 5PM April 1

EVALUATION PROCESS

- The Ethel G. Harvey committee (see below) evaluates nominations based solely on the information provided, without knowledge of name of nominee.

AWARD PRESENTATION

- Five finalists are invited to the "In Your Honor" recognition ceremony in May at which time the awardee is named and presented with the award

The President's Award Committee

This committee is made up of Junior, Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts from around the council. The Teen Program Specialist and an adult volunteer serve as advisors to the committee, but the girls on the committee make the decisions regarding nominees. The committee receives copies of each nomination form (with identity obscured) and has one to two weeks to read through the forms and evaluate them on specified criteria. The committee then meets one time during April to review the nomination forms and select 5 finalists and then the girl who will be given the award in May. To apply to serve on this committee, complete the form on page 27.

BRIDGE TO ADULT GIRL SCOUTS

Senior Girl Scouts who are 17 years of age or in the final year of high school are ready to embark on their life's career. As an adult, your career will include many diverse experiences that will be shaped and changed by personal and professional experiences. Your future may include college, technical training, employment, and hobbies.

Senior Girl Scouts may want to include a continued commitment to the Girl Scout movement in their adult lives. Earning the Bridge to Adult pin will enhance the knowledge Seniors already have of the many roles adults play in Girl Scouting.

The steps toward earning the Bridge to Adult pin describe general activities; it is up to you to design specific activities to meet the requirements. Page 143 of *A Resource Book for Senior Girl Scouts* describes the points to "...continue your training as a Girl Scout."

Watch for Bridge to Adults Workshops in your area! These will be advertised in *TTG* and on the GSCNC website.

ADULT OPPORTUNITIES

Once you graduate and become an adult Girl Scout, there are lots of opportunities available to you. You will receive a letter in the mail from GSCNC upon your graduation from high school, and it contains the following information about becoming an adult Girl Scout. If you would like more information about any of the following, contact the Teen Program Specialist at ext 236 or email teenspecialist@gscnc.org.

- As a graduating Girl Scout, you are eligible to purchase a lifetime membership at a lower rate. You have until September 30 of the year in which you graduate to receive this special rate.
- If you are going on to college, you may be interested in Campus Girl Scouts. Contact your college or university to see if this is available at your school already.
- Stay in touch with GSCNC (if you are going to be in college or working locally) or with the council local to your college. There are always volunteer opportunities for young women to be involved at the council.
- You can be a troop leader/advisor if you want, but there are also new opportunities to get involved as a volunteer on an episodic basis with your council. This means you can volunteer at times that fit your schedule and with activities that interest you. All councils across the country are currently recruiting volunteers between the ages of 18 and 29 to work with teen girls.

APPENDIX

Program Applications and Recognition Forms

**Note: Forms are also available online at www.gscnc.org.
Please be sure to put your name at the top of each page
you turn into the council office.**

ANNUAL MEETING AIDE & TELLER APPLICATION

(See Kaleidoscope page 4. Deadline is first Friday in February)

Must be at least 14 years old.

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City			State	Zip
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	
<p>Have you have been an aide or teller at the Annual Meeting? Yes _____ No _____</p> <p>If yes, when? _____ What tasks did you perform? _____</p>				
<p>Are you working on the Silver Trefoil Award? Yes _____ No _____</p>				
<p>Have you applied to be an aide or teller but were not called? Yes _____ No _____</p>				
<p>Are you a delegate or alternate delegate for your Association? Yes _____ No _____</p> <p>At the time of this application, have you been asked to perform other duties at the Annual Meeting? Yes ___ No ___</p> <p>If yes, you cannot serve as an Annual Meeting Aide or Teller</p>				
<p><i>On a separate sheet of paper, briefly describe why you would like to be an Annual Meeting Aide or Teller.</i></p>				
<p>I would like to serve as an Aide or Teller (<i>circle one</i>) at the Annual Meeting. I understand that I must attend the training on the date published in <i>TTG</i> and help at the meeting, arrange for my own transportation, and wear a complete uniform or a white blouse and dark skirt or tailored slacks with insignia vest or sash.</p>				
Signature _____			Date _____	
Parent/guardian signature _____			Date _____	

Please mail to: GSCNC/Annual Meeting Aides, 4301 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20008. Application deadline is the first Friday in February.

GSCNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS TEEN GIRL APPLICATION

(See Kaleidoscope page 5)

Application Deadline December 15

This application must be completed by all girls interested in being considered for a position on the Board of Directors of GSCNC. Interested girls must currently be in the ninth, tenth or eleventh grade.

All written applications will be reviewed by the Council Nominating Committee and will serve as a basis of selection for formal interviews.

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City			State	Zip
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	
Name of School			Number of years in Girl Scouts	

Please complete the following questions using additional paper if necessary. Put name on all pages.

1. Summarize your Girl Scout experience.

(OVER)

2. I would be interested in serving as a member of the Board of Directors because:

3. I feel I have the following skills, experience, and interests to contribute:

1. I feel the following three issues will be important for the Board to consider during the next three years:

Girl Signature _____ Date _____ :

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Mail to
Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital
Nominating Committee
4301 Connecticut Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20008

GSCNC COMMITTEE INTEREST FORM

(See Kaleidoscope page 6.)

Completing the form does not guarantee placement- some of the committees/panels only accept new members at certain times of the year. NOTE: There is another registration form located on the reverse, so you may want to copy this form before using it.

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City		State	Zip	
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	
Awards/Achievements won				
Girl Scout programs in which you have participated				
What committee(s) are you interested in and why?				

Please send this form to: **GSCNC Committee Interest**
Attn: Teen Program Specialist
4301 Connecticut Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20008

GENERAL PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

See pages 7-11 for program information. Individual teens can use this form to register for the following programs: Legislative Day, girlsandwomen.connect, TAPIOCA, Sudden Service, and other programs that may be listed in *TTG* or on www.gscnc.org. For more information, contact the Teen Program Specialist at ext 236. You may duplicate this form as needed. NOTE: There is another registration form located on the reverse, so you may want to copy this form before using it.

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City		State	Zip	
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	
Program Name		Program Date		
Program Location				
Will an adult be accompanying you? Yes ___ No ___ Name of adult:				
Do you have a First-Aider? Yes ___ No ___		Name:	Phone:	
Special needs or diet				
Awards/Achievements won				
Other Girl Scout programs in which you have participated				

Return the completed form to: **GSCNC Teen Program Registration**
Attn: Teen Program Specialist
4301 Connecticut Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20008

CONGRESSIONAL AIDE PROGRAM APPLICATION (Part 1)

Read the program information on page 8. You must be **15 years old by June 1st** to be a Congressional Aide. A check for \$5.00 (or Request for Girl Program Grant) must be included with your application. **Applications must be received by April 1.**

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City			State	Zip
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	
School		Social Security #		
Have you ever been a Congressional Aide before (circle) NO YES When?				

Answer the following questions on up to two additional sheets of paper. Please type your answers if possible.

1. List your Girl Scout experience, extra-curricular activities, and other community service and paid jobs.
2. Describe why you want to be a Congressional Aide. Include any skills you would like to practice while you are on Capitol Hill.
3. Describe your educational goals and how you plan to achieve them.

Attach two references from non-family members attesting to your maturity, responsibility, and readiness to participate in the Congressional Aide program.

I understand that while I am a Congressional Aide I must abide by the rules established by GSCNC and my supervisor in the office to which I am assigned. I understand that I will not be allowed to participate in the program unless I attend an orientation.

Participant's Signature

Date

I have read the description of the Congressional Aide program and understand that my daughter must comply with the rules established by GSCNC and her supervisor. I give my permission for her to participate and understand that I am responsible for her transportation.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

(OVER)

CONGRESSIONAL AIDE PROGRAM APPLICATION (Part 2)

1. Name _____ Phone () _____

2. Parent(s) day phone #'s Mother/Guardian () _____
Father/Guardian () _____

3. Please give us the name and telephone number of another person who lives in the area that we can contact if we cannot reach a parent/guardian in the case of an emergency.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Day Telephone: _____ Evening Telephone: _____

4. Please number the weeks you are available, placing #1 as your first choice, etc. **Mark only the weeks you are sure you will be available this summer. Applications with incomplete date information will be returned and will make you ineligible for that year.** The more weeks you check, the more likely you are to be placed. The exact number of weeks and dates for each week will vary by year. Check *TTG* or the GSCNC website for exact dates.

Week 1 _____	Week 5 _____	Week 8 _____
Week 2 _____	Week 6 _____	Week 9 _____
Week 3 _____	Week 7 _____	Week 10 _____
Week 4 _____		

5. List skills you have which might be useful (e.g., typing, filing, writing, level of knowledge of a foreign language). If you list computer skills, include which types of programs you can use.

6. Have you ever lived in another state? If so, which one(s)? _____

7. Special needs or considerations _____

8. Is there a Congressperson's or Senator's office in which you would prefer NOT to work?

Please list: _____

WHY? _____

GSCNC cannot guarantee placement or availability that meets your office preference.

Note: All parts of the application must be mailed together and be received by April 1.

**Mail to: GSCNC Congressional Aide
4301 Connecticut Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20008**

PROGRAM AIDE/LEADER IN TRAINING APPLICATION

(See Kaleidoscope page 12-13)

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City			State	Zip
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	

Register for a Training (see *TTG* or the GSCNC website for available trainings)

Date of Core Training Selected:			
Location of Core Training:			
Specialty Training Selected:			
Program Goal (circle one):	Cadette PA	Senior PA	LIT

EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH CHILDREN

(In Girl Scouts and in other situations)

Position Spent	Responsibility	Time

(OVER)

1. List below the skills you hope to learn or enhance or others things you hope the training will teach you.

2. Tell below how you hope to use the skills you learn or develop.

**Return completed form to: GSCNC PA/LIT Registration
ATTN: Teen Program Specialist
4301 Connecticut Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20008**

PROGRAM AIDE REPORT FORM

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City			State	Zip
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	

I. Program Aide Core Training:

Date _____ Location _____

Instructor's Name _____ Instructor's Signature _____

II. Program Aide Specialty Training

Date _____ Topic (s) _____

Instructor's Name _____ Instructor's Signature _____

III. Internship: (25 hours) (Continued on back)

DATE	ACTIVITY	TROOP/GROUP	HOURS
			Total:

(OVER)

LIT REPORT FORM

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City			State	Zip
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	

I. LIT Core Training

Date _____ Location _____

Instructor's Name _____ Instructor's Signature _____

II. GSCNC Leadership Courses (Attach copy of Training Card)

001 Orientation to Girl Scout Leadership	Date _____	Instructor _____
002 Nuts and Bolts	Date _____	Instructor _____
Level Course Number _____	Date _____	Instructor _____

II. Observation (Attach Troop/Group Observation form from your LIT manual)

Date _____ Troop # _____

Leader's Name _____ Leader's Signature _____

III. Internship (25 hours) (continued on back)

Troop #: _____ Leader's Name _____

Leader Signature _____ Date Completed _____

DATE	ACTIVITY	HOURS

(OVER)

Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital
PRESIDENT'S AWARD IN HONOR OF ETHEL G. HARVEY
Nomination form

(See Kaleidoscope page 21)

The President's Award in Honor of Ethel G. Harvey is the only GSCNC honorary award for girls and it recognizes girls who have demonstrated leadership and participated in Girl Scout activities to help improve unity within GSCNC and the community. It is presented each year to a Junior, Cadette or Senior Girl Scout selected by a girl committee.

Your nomination is one of two letter of nomination for this applicant. Evaluation of this nominee will be based on the information provided, so nomination must address the criteria requested. Nominations must be typed or printed neatly and must be legible and of sufficient quality to be easily copied. You may use one additional sheet of paper--- complete nomination form may not exceed 3 pages.

Name of Nominee			
Address			
City		State	Zip
Phone			
Program Level Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Cadette <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/>			Office Use Only
Association	Service Unit	Troop	

Information on the person submitting the nomination

Name of nominator			
Address			
City		State	Zip
Phone	email		
How do you know the nominee?		How long have you known the nominee?	

Return to nominee or to: **Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital**
President's Award in honor of Ethel G. Harvey
4301 Connecticut Avenue NW
Washington DC 20008

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT IN THE OFFICE IS APRIL 1 AT 5:00 PM. (OVER)

1. Describe how nominee has provided **leadership** this year (July 1 of previous year to present) to the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital and her individual community. Give examples of this leadership. Discuss how she has led groups and tell about the groups. Describe how the nominee has demonstrated her ability to work with diverse groups, and work with groups in decision-making, goal setting and accomplishing work..

2. Describe how the nominee's actions this year (July 1 of the previous year to present) have **contributed to the growth of GSCNC**. How has she made a difference in helping reach girls and adults in diverse communities? How has she been a role model for girls, including being interested in becoming or remaining a member of Girl Scouts? How has she made a difference in the lives of girls and adults?

3. Describe the participation of the nominee in Girl Scout activities this year (July 1 of the previous year to present) that have **helped bring unity to diverse communities** within GSCNC and her own neighborhood, school, religious group or other group. How has she reached out to include others? How has she worked to pull together people who are diverse in their ethnic origin or identification, religious beliefs, socioeconomic backgrounds, age, creed, or disabilities? How has she shown initiative in addressing inclusiveness? How does she extend a welcoming hand to everyone in her daily activities?

4. Describe the ways in which the nominee demonstrates **poise** and is **sensitive towards others**. Describe her **communication skills**, both oral and written and provide examples of activities or opportunities in which she has demonstrated these skills. Give examples of instances in which she has displayed poise before others. Give examples of her communication skills, such as speaking before large audiences or groups of different ages; or of written articles or other material about Girl Scouting or her other community interests.

GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD FINAL REPORT FORM

(See Kaleidoscope page 17)

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level	
Applicant's Name			Girl Scout ID #	
Address				
City		State	Zip	
Phone		email		
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of	

1. Interest Project Patches OR

comparable STUDIO 2B Focus Books Date Completed Advisor Signature

2. Career Exploration

(check one)

Date Completed

Advisor Signature

___ From Dreams to Reality activities patch OR ___ 5 career activities from <i>Interest Projects</i> for <i>Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts</i> (NOTE: Career activities used here cannot count towards earning the actual Interest Project.)		
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3. Leadership

(check one)

Date Completed

Advisor Signature

___ Cadette Girl Scout Leadership Award OR ___ Leadership Interest Project Patch		
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4. Cadette Girl Scout Challenge:

Date completed _____ Signature of Advisor _____
What did you do for your Challenge?

GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARD FINAL REPORT FORM – continued

Name _____

5. Girl Scout Silver Award Project

(NOTE: You may use a separate sheet of paper to type responses to these questions.)

Project Title: _____

A. Briefly describe (three to six sentences) what you did for your completed project.

B. Describe your strengths, talents and skills that you put into action.

C. Briefly describe your reasons for selecting this project.

D. List those people who have worked with you on your project.

Signature of Silver Award recipient

Date

Advisor's signature

Date

GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD SCHOLARSHIP FORM

See page 20 of Kaleidoscope for Award Description

Directions: Applications must be typed. You may use a separate sheet/s of paper if you wish. Application must be complete. The type must be dark enough to be duplicated easily, and attachments must have a minimum margin of 1/2" on each edge of the page.

Applicant must be a currently registered Girl Scout in GSCNC.

Each application must be accompanied by

- written verification of receipt of the Gold Award from the granting council.
- A letter of recommendation addressing your achievements in the areas of leadership and service must accompany your application.

Applications must be received at the council office by 5:00 pm on **April 1st**. Please mail your application at least 5 days before this date to allow time for delivery.

Send to: GSCNC Gold Award Scholarship, 4301 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008.

NOTE: Girls compete with other girls from their geographical area and among all applicants for the at-large scholarship.

Assn #	SU #	Troop #	Program Level		
Applicant's Name				Girl Scout ID #	
Address					
City			State	Zip	
Phone		email			
Birthdate	Age	Grade	Class of		
School		Year Gold Award Earned	Council		

1. List your Girl Scout experience, extra-curricular activities, and other related community service. Include positions that you have held.

2. Briefly describe your Girl Scout Gold Award project. Discuss the need it was designed to address and what difference your project made to the community.

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SILVER TREFOIL REPORT FORM

Read pages 18-19 in Kaleidoscope. Please submit this final report after completing all requirements. This report must be submitted to the Teen Program Specialist by April 1, or the first working day after that if the 1st falls on a weekend or holiday, for the girl to be recognized at the council's recognition ceremony that spring. **Please type or print legibly in black ink.**

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INTERNATIONAL CATEGORY *(25 hours)*

Month/Year of Service	# of hours	Brief explanation of service

GOVERNMENT CATEGORY *(25 hours, of which 15 must be Federal Government)*

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