



March 20, 2020

Dear Girl Scout Family,

Thank you for your support as we all do our part to keep our communities safe from the spread of COVID-19. The safety of our members is our top priority, and as earlier communicated, we have suspended all Girl Scout gatherings thru April 14. Based on updates from local authorities and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, we will send weekly emails to keep you up-to-date on our Council's status.

Our **Annual Meeting** on April 18th, will be held remotely, and members will be able to view via livestream. All delegates need to register to participate in the GoToMeeting webinar. We want this meeting to include girls' voices, so we are asking for your help.

- Submit **videos by April 2nd** of Girl Scouts singing the first two stanzas of *Make New Friends*, or recite the Girl Scout Promise, the Law, or all three! These videos will be inserted into our livestream for all to enjoy.
- Girl Scouts should be in uniform.
- Record your Girl Scout's performance by placing your smartphone landscape (horizontally).
- Upload your video to this email: gscnc.pr@gmail.com. If you have questions, contact Victoria Upton, vupton@gscnc.org for assistance.

We know that you want to stay engaged with Girl Scouts, and so we are excited to be partnering with our Service Unit Teams to bring girls **virtual troop meetings**. Troop leaders and staff are working to deliver these meeting via Zoom, Google Classroom, Amazon Chime and more. Parents are encouraged to reach out to troop leaders today to continue Girl Scouting this spring. For more information on virtual girl program, contact: membershipsupport@gscnc.org.



Here is Girl Scout Brownie Ella enjoying Wonders of Water virtual activity

We continue to monitor the situation regarding **Girl Scout summer sleep-away and volunteer-led day and evening camps**, and remain hopefully that girls will be able to go to camp this summer. Please be aware that we have moved the deadline for the final sleep-away camp payment to May 12. We will keep you posted on the status of camps this summer in future emails.

And finally, to keep you informed please visit our [website](#), and stay connected with your Service Unit Rally. While working remotely, Council staff are always available to answer your questions.

Thank you and I welcome your feedback on how we can make this time an opportunity to connect and cherish our Girl Scout family.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

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