

SU406 Leader Meeting

November 7th, 2017

Please sign in

Opening

- Promise:

On my honor, I will try

To serve God* and my country

To help people at all times

And to live by the Girl Scout Law

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2017-2018 Overview

- Goals
 - Registered Girl Goal: 1,137 girls
 - As of 10/9 we are at 957 girls (84%)
 - Registered Adult Goal: 619 adults
 - As of 10/9 we are at 474 adults (77%)
 - Fall Product Goal: \$97,757.82
 - As of 11/7 we are at \$ - guess????
 - Cookie Program Goal: 11,053 cases
 - Family Partnership Goal: \$500

Fall Product

- G O O O O O A A A A A A L L L L L !

Thanks everyone!



Registration

- On-line registration: the best way to go
 - www.girlscoutsgcnwi.org
 - “Join Now” for Girls or “Volunteer” for adults
 - If people cannot find your troop, it is probably because you have no spots left. Contact customer care (see below). If your troop members register “unsure”, please let us know so we can get them transferred to your troop.
 - Before you hand out any cookie packets, your girls have to be registered and you have to have their product permission form.
- Update Troop Information
 - Tinyurl.com/oppcat
 - Send e-mail to su406registrar@gmail.com so Donna-Marie can make the changes on our own list.
 - cc: su406info@gmail.com – so Jen has accurate information when she is placing girls within our service unit.
- Problems with Troop List, Transfers, Reg
 - customercare@girlscoutsgcnwi.org
 - Please cc: su406registrar@gmail.com

Parent Volunteers

- Remember, all adults who help with your troop **MUST** be registered Girl Scouts
 - If they stay to help at meetings
 - If they drive or participate in field trips
 - A **MUST** if they handle money (product volunteers and troop treasurer)
- How to engage parents?
 - Direct ask vs indirect ask
 - As the individual rather than a group “can you help”.
 - Often people are waiting to be asked directly or feel that someone else will volunteer
 - Share the reason for needing volunteers – for example, you can’t have a troop meeting if there is only 1 adult because it violate safety ratios.
 - Ask the parents what jobs or hobbies they have – maybe your girls want to crochet and there is a parent who knows how

Recognitions

- Now accepting nominations for:
 - Newfound Treasure
 - Leader in their 2nd year of leading a troop
 - Has hit the ground running
 - Hidden Hero(ine)
 - Registered volunteer who works behind the scenes to provide outstanding service to your troop, school, or our Service Unit
 - Volunteer of Excellence
 - A volunteer who goes above and beyond to deliver the Girl Scout program in our area.
 - Send nominations to Tricia at su406adultrecognition@gmail.com. Deadline is our December meeting so we can get the write ups submitted for the official recognition program.
 - May 1st is our Service Unit recognition meeting

Fall Product

- Michaela Shafar
 - su406fallproduct@gmail.com
- Pick Up of Nuts, Candy and Chocolate
 - Thank you to everyone who made the pick up a success! We appreciate everyone being there and helping out! Big shout out to our every year volunteers and the cadettes who made up the line this year.
- ACH Double Check
 - Debits are hitting now
 - Be sure to check your bank statements to make sure it went through
- Reward Pick Up – December 3rd. Look for sign up shortly
- December 19th – FP Awards
 - Invitations handed out at FP pick up
 - Girls who sold over \$500



New Leaders

- Support for you
 - Michele Herman – council’s new troop leader support
 - mherman@girlscoutsgcnwi.org
 - Anyone on the team listing can help you out! See the handout you received in your welcome packet or your first meeting. Need the list, e-mail Selena at su406manager@gmail.com
- Leader Pins
 - Investiture at December leader meeting for all of our new leaders
 - Turn in your “order” for your Girl Scout Pin if you have:
 - Registered as a Girl Scout
 - Completed your background check
 - Attended a Leader Meeting
 - Turn in your “order” for your Leader Bar if you have:
 - Complete Volunteer Essentials and Grade Level training
 - Attend 3 leader meetings
- Volunteer Essentials and Grade Level Drop-Ins
 - Do training on-line
 - Drop in for discussion
 - November 20th – VE Discussion and Daisy @ Starbucks from 10 – 11am
 - November 27th – VE Discussion and Brownie @ Starbucks from 10 – 11am

Bullying

- A growing problem
- Bullying takes many forms:
 - Bullying at School
 - Bullying at Girl Scouts
- GSUSA Resources:
 - <http://www.girlscouts.org/en/raising-girls/happy-and-healthy/Bullying.html>
 - http://www.girlscouts.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gsusa/forms-and-documents/for-adults/volunteer/GSUSA_Leading-Conversations_Bullying.pdf
- There didn't seem to be much interest in a workshop for handling conflict. If you didn't want to speak up at the meeting and feel this is a good topic and would attend a workshop on this subject, please e-mail Selena at su406manager@gmail.com
- Bullying of anyone – a girl member or a leader/adult member – is unacceptable. If anyone feels they need help, please reach out to us.

Cookie Training

- Packets delivered directly to troops
 - We have the list – if you need to know who received your packets, please e-mail Chris at su406cookies@gmail.com
- Training
 - November 28th – Elk Grove Public Library
 - 6-7pm extra item pick up
 - 7-8pm cookie volunteer training
 - December 4th – Starbucks on Biesterfield in EGV
 - 10-11am extra item pick up and training

Cookie Booths

- Help needed on Cookie Booth Team
 - To identify locations
 - To contact assigned locations (do not contact until Carrie assigns)
- Reminder: NO TROOP contacts ANY Business unless Carrie gives you the OK
- Cookie Booth Etiquette
 - Discussing this now because we had some problems last year. Setting rules and following them are important for troop and girls and are part of the Business Ethics of the Product Program.

Cookie Booths

- Proper Uniform – identified as a Girl Scout at all times
- Adult Supervision – at least 2 non-related adults at the troop booth area in the event of an emergency
- Use the Buddy System
- The GIRL makes the sale – adults should not be selling. Give the girl the opportunity to use her skills and develop new ones (using courage to ask!)
- Space and set up – be mindful of the area and designated spot. We cannot impede customer traffic, block doors, or take up the entire sidewalk
- Maximum Girls – do not have more than 3 girls at a table. 2 is preferred. Schedule time slots and make sure families know to drop off and pick up on time. If a girl is having fun, she may want to stay, but that isn't fair to the next girl who is scheduled.

Cookie Booths

- Money Handling
 - Should be done by adults
 - No money out in the open (or in a box on the table)
- Booth Decorating (bring your booth in January to showcase!)
- Behavior – ‘nuf said. Behave.
- Signing up for booths – information will be shared in January

Dates

- Service Unit and Council Events
 - January 26th: Brownie Making Games Night (f)
 - January 27th: Babysitting Class for older girls
 - February 3rd: Thinking Day (f)
 - March 16th: 106th Birthday Party with Troop 41864
 - April 20th: Spring Spectacular
 - June 15th: Annual Finance Report Due
 - June 16th: Elk Grove Parade
 - July 4th: Hoffman Estates Parade
- Training
 - November 28th: Cookie Volunteer Training - pm
 - December 4th: Cookie Volunteer Q&A – am @ SB

(f) – Flyer available

Dates

- Cadette and Senior Badge Workshops

Date	Cadette Badge	Senior Badge
September 30 th	Public Speaker	Science of Style
January 20 th	Financing My Dreams	Financing My Future
February 24 th	Eating for Beauty	Cross Training
March 17 th	Digital Movie Maker	Troupe Performer
April 21 st	Entrepreneur	Collage Artist

Next Meeting

- December 5th
- At Frost Junior High School
- Field Trip Ideas Galore!!!!
- Cookie Information

To Do

- Join our FB group – See Selena before you leave