

MERCER ISLAND GIRL SCOUTS, SERVICE UNIT 430 Troop Leader Meeting Agenda Tuesday, April 16, 2019 7-8 pm @ MIPC

- 1. Welcome & Cool Things Report (Kathy McDonald, 10 min.)
 - a. Meeting Kapers: Note Taker, Time Keeper, Closing Ceremony
 - b. Thank You's
 - c. Around the Horn: Cool Things Reports from Troop Leaders
- 2. **SBMI Day Camp** (Greta Stednick, 5 min)
 - a. For grades 1-6, July 15-19 Monday-Thursday 9:30-3:30, Friday 9:30-2:00 at Island Park Elementary.
 \$90 per camper before May 1 and \$100 after. Camp run by Program Aides (PA) in grades 8-12.
 Offer PA training for girls in grades 7 & 8. Adult volunteers get one camper for free.
 https://sbmidaycamp.weebly.com/
- 3. Service Unit Manager Report (Kathy McDonald, 20 min)
 - a. Spring 2019 Encamporee: Thank you for a wonderful event, everyone!
 - b. **SAVE THE DATE:** Fall 2019 Encamporee, Sept 20-22 @ Camp River Ranch. Spring 2020 Encamporee, April 17-19 @ Camp Lyle McLeod.
 - c. GSWW Annual Meeting Report
 - d. GSWW Volunteer appreciation event, April 17
 - e. GSWW GIRL Luncheon, April 18
 - f. MI Girl Scout Babysitting list coming...
 - g. **GNOMS (Girls Night Out for Middle Schoolers):** May 10 (Gold Award Project, Emily Kovarik) June 7 (Legos with Alice Finch)
 - h. Lakeridge Science Fair: May 10, 5-7:30 pm, volunteer to help with egg drop (need 8-10 volunteers)
 - i. **End of the Year Celebration, Bridging, Higher Awards:** Sunday, June 9, from 5:30-7:30 pm at MIPC. Form and kapers list coming.
 - j. **Upcoming Leader meetings**: May 14 (Planning for next year + Higher Awards), June 4 (Leader-Daughter Celebration – need volunteer to plan)
 - k. Mercer Island Girl Scout Service Unit Committee for 2019-2020: Forming now. Recruitment, Placement, Cookies, Camping, Individual Events.
- 4. HOT TOPIC: Travel with Gil Scouts (Roundtable discussion, 25 minutes)
 - a. Girl Scout Properties
 - b. Local Travel
 - c. Regional Travel
 - d. International Travel (Dawn Lee)
- 5. Closing Ceremony and Prize Box Drawing (Oh, yeah!)



MERCER ISLAND GIRL SCOUTS, SERVICE UNIT 430 2018-19 CALENDAR OF EVENTS & MEETINGS

(Based on the Skills, Interests, and Needs of our Service Unit)

SERVICE UNIT EVENTS (confirmed dates in bold)

- Sept. 16: Song Fest & Troop Formation Event
- Nov. 2: JGL Skating Party @ Sno-King Ice Area in Renton (Heather Hall & Suzanne Dispensa)
- Dec. 7 (plus cooking beforehand), Brownies Making Brownies @ MI Firehouse Munch & Tree Lighting (Lori DeStwolinski & Kate Akyuz)
- December, Secret Santa Scouts for MIYFS (Kristi Mehal)
- January Date TBD: First Aid Training for Leaders on MI (Kathy McDonald)
- January-March: Cookie Season
- March 16: Gals 'n Pals at Camp River Ranch
- March 29-31 Spring Encamporee at Camp Robbinswold
- April Date TBD: Spring Song Fest & Movie Night (Lori DeStwolinski)
- June 9th: End of the Year Celebration for All Troops @ MIPC from 5:30-7:30 pm
- July 15-19 SBMI Day Camp @ Island Park Elementary
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GNOMS (Girls Night Out for Middle Schoolers): Schedule in planning stages now. Usually on Friday nights, once a month, fun craft, game or activity plus dinner and social time. Always 6-9 pm. Always \$10. Always dinner and fun! Dates: **11/16**, **12/7**, **1/11**, **2/8**, **3/15 (cancelled) 4/5**, **5/10**, **6/7**

NEW IDEAS: Easy Events/Badges to Earn – Need a Champion/Planner and Off We Go: Girl Scout World Thinking Day, cooking class (have had discussions with Convivial Café), yoga or zumba, indoor rock climbing, movie nights, jewelry making, slime making party, SWAPS making (https://www.scoutswaps.com/), hiking/environmental science, STEM Microsoft, KidsQuest

TROOP LEADER MEETINGS: Generally, 2nd Tuesday of the month (except Jan and Apr) @ MIPC, 6:45-8 pm

- **Sept. 11:** Back to School, First Meeting (meeting agenda & notes available)
- Oct. 9: Investiture & Rededication Troop Leader Ceremony
- Nov. 13: How to Host Great Meetings, Do a Badge in a Day or a Journey in a Weekend! + Delegate Elections for GSWW Annual Meeting (snacks: Kathleen)
- **Dec. 11:** Holiday Potluck & Jewelry Gift Exchange at Kim Thunen's House (6836 83rd Ave SE) + How to volunteer with your troop in the community
- Jan. 15: Cookies, finances, and more... Best Ways to Earn, Manage, and Spend your Troops Money! (snacks: Heather Hall)
- Feb. 12: How to Get Your Girls on a Leadership Development Track + Travel with Girl Scouts...from Great Wolf Lodge to Portland to San Fran to India!
- March 12: Camping Deep Dive: Planning, cooking, hiking, how to teach knot, knife skills
- April 16: Travel with Girl Scouts
- May 14: Planning for next year for service unit and your troop, girl retention, parent volunteering/engagement + Deep Dive on Higher Awards (Bronze, Silver, Gold)
- June 4: Leader/Daughter Celebration Event
- July & August: Enjoy your summer, no meetings