

- **1908** Lord Baden –Powell established Boy Scouts in England
- **1910** Lord Baden-Powell asked his sister Agnes to adapt his book “Scouting for Boys” for use by girls. His friend Juliette Low is very interested in this new Scouting Movement.
- **1910** Girl Guides Association of the United Kingdom was officially established under Agnes’s presidency. Juliette Low is eager to bring this GREAT NEWS to America.
- **1912** Juliette Low establishes Girl Scouts of the USA in Savannah, GA.



- **1912 Juliette comes up with the first Promise:**
  1. To do my duty to God and to my country
  2. To Help other people at all times
  3. To obey the laws of the Scouts
- **1912 Juliette comes up with the first Law:**
  1. A Girl Scout’s honor is to be trusted
  2. A Girl Scout is loyal
  3. A Girl Scout’s duty is to be useful and to help others
  4. A Girl Scout is a friend to all, and a sister to every other Girl Scout
  5. A Girl Scout is courteous
  6. A Girl Scout keeps herself pure
  7. A Girl Scout is a friend to animals
  8. A Girl Scout obeys orders
  9. A Girl Scout is thrifty

**Girl Scout Motto: Be Prepared**

**The Traditional Girl Scout Trefoil**



The traditional Trefoil, was designed by Juliette Low and patented in 1913. She combined the British Girl Guide Trefoil and the Great Seal of the United States of America.

This original symbol of Girl Scouts, the Trefoil, means that Girl Scouts stand ready to aid their country in time of Emergency

**The Three broad parts of the Trefoil:** Stand for the three parts of the Girl Scout Promise.

**Eagle:** Symbol of strength and Victory

**Shield:** Symbol of Self-Reliance

**Thirteen vertical Stripes:** Thirteen original States

**Bar across top of Stripe:** Congress holding States together

**Eagle faces Right:** Position of Honor

**Scrolled Ribbon:** Embossed with **E PLURIBUS UNUM**

**In Eagle's Talons:**

- The Olive Branch is a symbol of Peace and the Shaft of Arrows, a symbol of Might
- **1916** Lord Baden-Powell's wife Olave established the Girl Guide Movement in Sussex, England. Olave was elected to the Office of Chief Commissioner later that year
- **1917** Juliette Lowe writes the first manual "How Girls Can Help Their Country"
- **1918** Olave Baden-Powell was elected to the Office of Chief Guide
- **1919** Olave formed the International Council to provide a means of keeping in touch with members of the Movement around the world.
- **1920** the Council had its first International Conference in Oxford, England, attended by delegates and visitors from 15 countries.
- **1920** Lord Baden-Powell was elected World Chief Scout



\*Lord and Lady Baden Powell.



\*Juliette Low with unidentified Girl Scout

- **1920**:s saw the beginning of Girl Scout Cookies. Cookies were originally baked at home and sold at “Girl Scout Shops.” Here is an early recipe provided by Fannie Farmer, there is no way of knowing if this was the first.



### **Shortbread Girl Scout Cookies:**

2 cups sugar	½ cup milk
1 cup solid shortening	2 tsp. vanilla
½ cup margarine	2 tsp. salt
3 large eggs	4 tsp. baking powder
5 cups flour	

Cream sugar, shortening and margarine

Add eggs and mix thoroughly

Add dry ingredients alternately with milk and vanilla

Roll on floured board

Dough should be ¼ inch thick

Cut with trefoil cookie cutter – bake at 375 degrees – makes 115 cookies

- **1922** Lone Troops form in Riverside and Coachella Valley
- **1922** Riverside Council formed
- **1922** Coachella Valley Council Formed
- **1922** The uniform was introduced to the California Girl Scouts. It was a Khaki Cloth dress and hat. For sports and play, bloomers or knickers were worn with a middie blouse and a long narrow tie, tied in a low square knot.
- **1922-1941** Riverside Girls (a.k.a. region XII) attend Camp Conifer
- **1923** Hemet, Perris, Idyllwild, San Jacinto, Winchester troops start

- **1924** the first world camp combined with the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference in Foxlease, United Kingdom.



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- **1925** First Brownie Troop formed in Riverside

- **1925** Region XII held its first conference in Riverside, CA.



- **1926** the 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference was held in New York, USA at the Edith Macy Conference Center. The workmen were finishing the new center even as the delegates were arriving for the conference. Delegates from around the world voted to devote February 22, the joint birthday of Lord and Lady Baden-Powell, as Thinking Day. This day is intended for Scouts to think of one another with love and friendship.

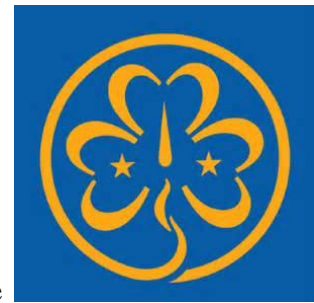
- **1927** Juliette Gordon Low dies in January and the Juliette Low fund is established.



- **1927-1932** Girls from Riverside attend Camp Emerson, a Boy Scout Camp located in the San Jacinto Mountains near Idyllwild, for 1 session each summer.



- **1928** Lone Troop forms in Palm Springs
- **1929** Lone Troop forms in Banning
- **1929** WAGGS a.k.a. World Association of Girl Guides/Scouts is established



- **1930** The World Pin was designed by a Norwegian Girl Guide

The design of the World Pin is on the World Flag of every Girl Scout and Girl Guide anywhere in the world.

1. **The Background:** is blue for the sky that covers us and the oceans that surround us
2. **The Trefoil:** is gold for the sun that we all live under and that warms us for survival
3. **The Trefoil:** stands for the three parts of the Girl Scout Promise. The Promise is furthered honored by the gold star on the right.
4. **The Law:** is honored by the gold star on the left.
5. **The Gold Pointer:** a compass point, guides us on our way. It points to the heavens and represents our individual faiths.
6. **The Base of the Trefoil:** is called its roots and flame. The roots are the friendships that hold us together while the flame is the burning desire in the hearts of all Girl Scouts and Girl Guides to be friends with others throughout the world.



- 1930's Lone Troops form in Indio and Fontana
- 1932 Troop #1, the first troop in San Bernardino led by Maude Cooley Barnes
- 1932 1<sup>st</sup> troop in Harlem Springs (Highland area)
- 1932 Banning Council forms
- 1934 Corona Council established
- 1934 1st troop in Mecca
- 1935 1<sup>st</sup> troop in Indio
- 1936 San Bernardino Council established
- 1936-1937 Lone troops start in Hemet
- 1937 San Bernardino holds 1<sup>st</sup> Day Camp at Lytle Creek for Girl Scouts and Brownies



- 1937 Girl Scouts celebrates 25 years
- 1938 Palm Springs Council forms.
- 1938 Girls attend Camp Metaka at Big Pines in LA County
- 1939 Redlands Council established

- 1939 Hemet Council forms
- 1940 1<sup>st</sup> Girl Scout listing in San Bernardino phone book
- 1942 Girls attend summer camp at Azalea Trail. Still in operation in 2012.



- 1942 Palm Springs Council re-activated
- 1945 Banning Council established
- 1946 Beaumont Council, Palo Verde Council established
- 1947 Coachella Valley Council forms
- 1947 Camp Tautona opens.



- 1948 Hemet Scout House dedicated (Hemet Council Office)

- **1950** March 16, Girl Scouts obtained a Federal Charter from the United States House of Representatives:
  1. Title 36: Patriotic and National Observances, ceremonies, and Organizations
  2. Subtitle II: Patriotic and National Organizations
  3. Part B: Organizations
  4. Chapter 803: Girl Scouts of the United States of America



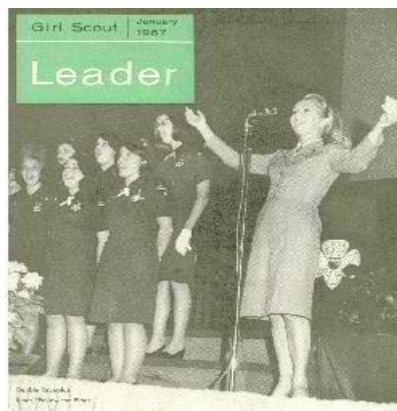
- **1954** Fontana Council Established
- **1956** Adelanto, Apple Valley Victorville (lone troops) joined San Bernardino Council
- **1958** Beaumont, Banning, Palm Springs, and Coachella Valley Councils merge into Desert Sky Council includes communities of Eagle Mountain, Palm Desert, Desert Hot Spring, Indio, and Thermal
- **1958** Riverside, Corona, and Hemet Councils merge into DeAnza Council includes communities of Perris, Idyllwild and San Jacinto.
- **1958** San Bernardino Council name changed to Tautona Council
- **1958** Lake Arrowhead (lone troop) joins Tautona Council
- **1959** Daggett, Barstow, Yermo (lone troops join Tautona Council
- **1961** Desert Sky Council joined De Anza Council
- **1961** Lucerne Valley (lone troop) joins Tautona Council
- **1961** Redlands council renames itself San Gorgonio Council



- **1962** Girl Scouts celebrates 50 years serving girls
- **1963** Running Springs, Wrightwood, Big Bear Lake, Big Bear City (lone troops) joined Tautona Council
- **1963** 29 Palms, Yucca Valley, Joshua tree (lone troops) joined De Anza Council
- **1965** Palo Verde Council joins De Anza Council
- **1965** Lady Olive Baden-Powell, Chief World Guide visits Camp A.T. & Camp Tautona



- **1966** Redlands Council joins Tautona Council
- **1966** Lady Olave Baden-Powell, Chief World Guide visits Riverside in January
- **1968** DeAnza, Tautona and Fontana Councils merge in to San Gorgonio Council. At the time of the merge San Gorgonio had 15,114 girls and 2,670 adults making up 691 troops.
- **1969** Debbie Reynolds, actress and Girl Scout Leader visits Riverside County as part of a membership drive known as Pied Piper. Ms. Reynolds lead Girl Scout troops on the back lots of the movie studios she worked at.



- **1974** San Gorgonio Council was chosen to pilot a program for younger girls called Mini's

- **1978** The New Trefoil Emblem is introduced by GSUSA. The emblem shows three light and dark profiles within the familiar trefoil. It was designed to symbolize the acceptance of all girls into Girl Scouting regardless of race, color or religion.



- **1982** ETWOL (Exploring the World of Leadership) an adult training weekend started. Now called ABC a.k.a. All Basic Classes
- **1983** “From the Mountains to the Sea” SGGSC Wider Opportunity for older Girls
- **1986** “Summer Special” a SGGSC Wider Opportunity for Older Girls to work with special needs children
- **1987** Southern California Diamond Jubilee Round Up to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Girl Scouting, was held at Glen Helen Regional Park in Ca. Girls from 9 Southern California councils participated. 15,000 members attended.
- **1989** AWOL (Advanced World of Leadership) an adult training weekend for more experienced leaders, now known as ATTA, a.k.a. Azalea Trails Training Academy.
- **1995** Construction begins on new Redlands Corporate offices
- **1996** March, new Redlands Corporate offices are dedicated and opened for business
- **1997** Alyssa Wildish completes her Gold Award by creating a “Clown Troop” for GSSGC. This troop receives a \$5000 grant and personalized training from Disney to get started. The troop becomes a council wide service troop, the first of its kind in the nation.
- **1998** “Exploring the Night’s Candles” SGGSS Wider Opportunity for Older Girls focusing on Space and Astronomy

- **1999** At the 30<sup>th</sup> International Conference held in Ireland, Delegates from all over the world changed the name of Thinking Day to “World Thinking Day” emphasizing international friendships and awareness to the challenges faced by our fellow Scouts around the world on a daily basis. The international community now benefits from funds raised.
- **2000** Council name change from San Gorgonio Girl Scout Council to Girl Scouts of San Gorgonio Council
- **2000-2009** GSSGC participates in the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Rodeo and 10,000 Scouts attend the first event, held at Glen Helen Regional Park in Ca.
- **2003** GSSGC is spotlighted on Good Morning America with a story about how troop 1356, the Clown Troop, is working to calm and reassure juvenile disaster victims of the California Wildfires. We also arranged for thousands of dollars in donations from our fall product nut supplier to help the firefighters on the front lines.
- **2005** Girl Fest is kicked off at California Baptist University in Riverside, Ca.
- **2007** GSSGC holds its first camp experience especially for physically and mentally challenged girls called “Camp Forward Motion”
- **2008** BIG (Believe In Girls) Expo is held at the Ontario Convention Center. This is an expansion of Girl Fest and an introduction and training to our membership about the new Journeys, the GSLE (Girl Scout Leadership Experience) and the new Discover, Connect and Take Action.
- **2009** BIG (Believe in Girls Expo) moves to the Palm Springs Convention Center
- **2010** was the first year Elizabeth Locke-Thomas began the “Sparkle” program. That year we had an 11% increase to the fall sale 42% to the cookie sale subsequently from 2010 to 2013 we have had a 75% overall increase to the product sales department. We changed the Girl Scout cookie program to a whole girl program, it wasn't just about business, it was about helping a girl become her best and utilizing the cookie program as that catalyst. That is what the sparkle program was and that is why the cookie sale increased as much as it did. In 2010, this was cutting edge programming. GSSGC was the first council to embrace the "whole girl" and create a foundation around each girl’s unique abilities. We truly created the first entrepreneurial program for girls and taught her how to network and become CEO of her own business.

- **2012** Girl Scouts celebrate 100 years in the USA



- **2013** United States Mint celebrates 100 years of Girl Scouting with a Centennial Silver Dollar. Cost, \$59.95



- **2013** GSSGC has its first Hispanic Female Board President
- **2013** Former Board President, Dawn Mead-Duffy chairs a new Alumni group and with the help of Fund Development staff, gets our Alumni group up and running.
- **2014** GSSGC'S B.I.G. (Believe in Girls) Expo hold's its Finale