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Topic 1: GSNC Area Changes

by Deborah Holden

To serve all girls in the Girl Scouts of Northern California better, there are changes happening with our council and in our area. The nineteen counties in our council will now be managed as three areas. Locally, the previous Konocti Area is going to join with our sister Girl Scouts in Humboldt and Del Norte counties to the north. Our new area will be known as the North Coast, combining all of Konocti and the northwestern portion of Sierra Cascade.

I have spoken to some volunteers from the Eureka area who said that they have felt a connection to us already because of traveling along Highway 101. I look forward to finding ways to get to know the new Girl Scouts up north and for them to get to know us. My new title will be Senior Director, Girl Scouts of Northern California - North Coast. I will remain based out of the Santa Rosa office.

The other two areas of our council will be known as North Central, combining Napa-Solano and the rest of Sierra Cascade, and Greater Bay Area, combining Santa Clara County and San Francisco Bay. I hope that you will join me in celebrating this change by welcoming the girls of the new North Coast.



Topic 2: Program Aides Needed for Spring N2 Sports

March 17 - 21, 9:00AM - 4:00PM, Santa Rosa High School, Santa Rosa

ATTENTION 7th-12th grade Program Aide trained Girl Scouts!!

Are you looking for a fun way to earn leadership, community service, or Program Aide hours?



We are looking for Program Aides for Spring N2 Sports Camp over Spring Break. You can earn 8 to 40 PA hours. Join us for one day or a week of playing sports, arts & crafts, and lots of fun!

Contact: Barb Del Secco 524-9203 or email bdelsecco@konoctigirlscouts.org

Topic 3: Two - Four - Six - Eight Who Will We Appreciate?!?

Adult Recognitions deadline: March 15, 2008

Girl Scout adult volunteers are some of the most wonderful people in the world! This is the season that we take time to nominate those special adults for their outstanding contribution to Girl Scouts. The Appreciation Pin, Honor Pin, Thanks Badge and Thanks Badge II will be presented at the Adult Recognitions Shining Stars ceremony on May 15. [Please click here for forms to nominate an outstanding adult volunteer.](#)

Topic 4: Sonoma County Human Race 2008 - One Community, One Dream

SAVE THE DATE - May 10, 2008

Sonoma County Human Race 2008 will be on Saturday, May 10, 2008. Mark your calendar and start training for the walk/run and to help GSNC - North Coast reach its goal. This year's theme is One Community, One Dream! [Click here to visit the North Coast Human Race web site.](#)



Topic 5: New Horizons for Cathleen Andreucci

The Director of Program for nine years in our area, Cathleen Andreucci, has moved on. She has taken a position as Recreation Director for the Belvedere Tiburon Joint Recreation Department. She will truly be missed, but like all true-green Girl Scouts, she has committed to volunteering for lots of events.

Please direct your program questions to [Barb Del Secco](#) 707.524.9203 or [Becky Gentry](#) 707.524.9211.

Topic 6: Recycle Cell Phones and Printer Ink Cartridges

We are excited to restart our recycling program; it will help our environment and also earn money for the Council.

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

Did you know that your old cell phone and the ink cartridge in your computer printer can be recycled? Well they can, but unfortunately most are not. In fact, over 500 million old cell phones and empty cartridges find their way into our nations landfills every year. We as Girl Scouts would like to do our part to change that.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

It's easy to do. Take that old cell phone out of the drawer and when it is time to replace that cartridge, don't throw them away - recycle them. The council receives a check for cell phones and ink cartridges that can be recycled. It is a great way for the council to earn extra funds!!! It's that easy to help reduce solid waste in our landfills and earn money for the council!

Bring cell phones and the ink cartridges to the Santa Rosa Office, 4825 Old Redwood Highway, Santa Rosa. Please contact Louise Graddy, lgraddy@konoctigirlscouts.org or 707.524.9215 with any questions. Thanks in advance for helping with this project.



Topic 7: Make-A-Plate® program

MAKIT Products has been giving away free kits to Troop leaders through local Council Stores, so that every Girl Scout can have the opportunity to make a plate. First girls draw on special paper and send their drawings to the MAKIT factory so they can mold them into a dishwasher safe plate. Girls can take their plate to camp and clean it in boiling water. It is a fun project that will last a lifetime. The price to process a drawing is only \$5.95 and it makes a great Mother's Day project.

Topic 8: GSUSA Climate Change Leadership Institute

GSUSA is sponsoring a Global Climate Change Leadership Institute at Edith Macy Conference Center this summer – August 8-14, 2008. We need your help to find the best and the brightest girls entering grades 9-11 to attend. Deadline is March 3, 2008. This information will be live on the STUDIO 2B web site very soon. The total cost is \$100 - including travel to and from Macy, lodging, and the week's activities. We are reaching out to a diverse group of girls for this event that might not otherwise have the opportunity to attend a destination or travel like this. The cost has been kept low to help facilitate that, and we are looking for you to help us recruit those girls and let them be known to us. They will be required to complete a back home component to follow up and share what they have learned. For more information contact Kate Pickle, STEM Project Manager, GSUSA, 212-852-8666 or kpickle@girlscouts.org.

Topic 9: Santa Rosa Shop Hours

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March 1, April 5, May 3 and June 7

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