

Happy Thursday Girl Scout Leaders!

Please mark your calendars for our ***Monday, May 11th Service Unit Meeting***. We will be recognizing our new leaders, retiring leaders, event chairs, and swear in our new Cranford Service Unit Team. We will also welcome council staff members to speak about Destination (travel programs) and Awards. Those in attendance will have an opportunity to enter a drawing for Girl Scout goodies (\$50 Gift Certificate to the council shop and a few other items!) It will also be my last meeting with you as the Service Unit Manager so I hope to see you there!

As promised our April meeting was jam packed! For those of you who could not attend, here is a bit of a recap:

School Resource Officer Detective Matthew Nazzaro from Cranford Police Dept. discussed initiatives underway to support our children and our schools. He will be sending us details for an upcoming communitywide presentation soon.

Girl Scout T-Shirts are being offered as a great way to show your support for the Girl Scouts of Cranford and a local troop raising funds for an upcoming troop service trip to with girls at the Mariposa Foundation in the DR in 2016. The flyers are attached. The deadline for ordering is May 7th to get them in time for the Memorial Day parade.

Memorial Day Parade – I need to know all the troops that are participating by May 6th at the latest as I need to let the town know our roster by May 8th.

Zumba Patches – They are now on the front porch of 64 Centennial Avenue. You can pick them up at anytime!

Williams Sonoma Cooking Classes – Amiee Joyce from the Westfield shop came to share WS program offerings. Flyer Attached.

Dress A Girl / Learning to Sew for a Cause – Contact Elayna Torsone for more details. Flyers attached.

Franklin Institute Overnight – The Clark/ Rahway Service Unit has 23 extra spots in their overnight program to FI and opened it up to surrounding SU troops. Registration Deadline is extended to this Friday April 17th. Flyer with Contact information is attached.

Girl Scout Registration/ GSHNJ Spring Renewal – It is that time again. Remember leaders may re-register any currently registered members once you attain family approval/payment. Once October 1st hit however, the parents must register themselves and their girls on their own. Cost is \$30 for Girls and \$15 for adults.

How To Flag Ceremony - We received a tutorial in the flag ceremony (Commands are attached). And for Brownie Troops, and rising Daisy's, it was also brought to our attention that by participating in a Township Ceremony, Marching in the Memorial Parade, and singing at least 3 Patriotic songs that there is a Brownie Legacy Badge available. The meetings township

meetings are held on Tuesday's at 8 p.m. and the troop should be there by 7:45 p.m. We have many openings for 2015: April 21, May 5 and May 19th (Reserved by WAS Brownie Troop 40693 – Thank you!!!), June 9 and 23, July 14, August 11, September 15 and 29, October 27, November 10 and 24, and December 15.

BONUS SHOPPING! All GSHNJ council shops will be open on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. now through April 25th. The nearest shop to us in Westfield.

DAISY RECRUITMENT – Spread the Word that 2015 Daisy Troop Organization will be held Tuesday, June 9th at 6p.m. at the Cranford Community Center.

Your Sister in Scouting,

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