

# Girl Scout Centennial Year Calendar\*

## USAGSO-NA

<b>January</b>		<b>April</b>	
All Month	Get ready for <a href="#">Girl Scouts Forever Green</a> <a href="#">Girl Scouts Forever Green</a> (Feb-April)	All Month	<a href="#">April - Rain Gardens</a> - Girl Scouts Forever Green Take Action Project
All Month	<a href="#">WAGGGS - SHARE the Centenary in 2012</a> - prepare for the year!	<b>May</b>	
<b>February</b>		May 25-27	<a href="#">Centenary Celebration Camporee</a>
All Month	<a href="#">February - Reduce Plastic Waste</a> - Girl Scouts Forever Green Take Action Project	<b>June</b>	
22 February	World Thinking Day	<b>July</b>	
<b>March</b>		July 8 – July 28	<a href="#">Camp Lachenwald</a>
All Month	<a href="#">March - Earth Hour</a> - Girl Scouts Forever Green Take Action Project	<b>August</b>	
March 2-4	<a href="#">Centennial Celebration and Discovery Institute</a>	<b>September</b>	
March 11 or 12	<a href="#">Historic Global Sunrise Ceremonies</a>	<b>October</b>	
		October 31	<a href="#">JGL- Centennial Birthday Celebration</a>
		<b>November</b>	
		<b>December</b>	

\*Descriptions and links below

## Girl Scouts Forever Green

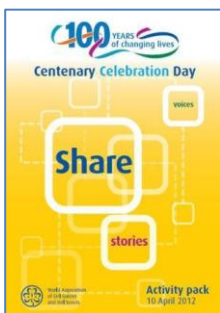
February, March and April 2012

Girl Scouts Forever Green (GSFG), Girl Scouts' 100th Anniversary Take Action Project, is a Movement-wide effort of girls leading their families, schools, and communities in improving the environment and protecting natural resources. GSFG invites girls to Take Action on three month-long projects taking place in February, March, or April: Reduce Plastic Waste, Earth Hour, and Rain Gardens. Participants are also encouraged to take an [Online Pledge](#) stating their yearlong commitment to GSFG efforts.



### Making a Difference Starts with You, Here's How:

1. Learn more about the Girl Scouts Forever Green projects at this [website](#), noting that USAGSO-NA is using the following schedule:
  - February - [Reduce Plastic Waste](#)
  - March - [Earth Hour](#)
  - April - [Rain Gardens](#)
2. Complete the project in the month assigned by the USAGSO-NA if possible (but don't let that stop you from participating!)
3. When the project is complete, make it official! Be sure to register your participation and results on the Girl Scouts Forever Green website.
4. Celebrate with your girls the successes of helping to make the world a better place!



## WAGGGS - SHARE the Centenary in 2012

In 2012 WAGGGS and its members will celebrate the third and final year of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting's centenary. This year we will focus on the theme 'Share.' The [new centenary Activity Pack](#) contains lots of ideas and activities that will help you plan your centenary celebrations in 2012. This year we want you to focus on [sharing your story](#) and [sharing your voice](#).

## World Thinking Day

22 February, 2012

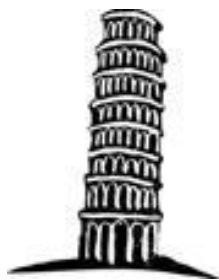
Each year on 22 February, Girl Guides and Girl Scouts all over the world celebrate [World Thinking Day](#). It's a day when Girl Guides and Girl Scouts think of each other and give thanks and appreciation for the international friendship they find in our Movement.

The WAGGGS theme for World Thinking Day 2012 is "we can save our planet", based on UN [Millennium Development Goal 7: environmental sustainability](#). On the new World Thinking Day [website](#) you'll find [activity ideas](#), information about the [theme](#), and lots of [resources](#) including the new [activity pack](#). The new website has lots of great interactive activities. You can add a message, upload and view images of Girl Guide or Girl Scout uniforms, and add your activity to the online map.



# Centennial Celebration and Discovery Institute

2-4 March, 2012



Girl Scouts will only turn 100 years old once. That sort of occasion deserves a year of celebration, commemoration and communication surrounding this amazing milestone. The inaugural event for the Centenary is the “*Year of the Girl*” *Centennial Celebration and Discovery Institute*. It is a big name for a big event! This epic year the Adult Learning Conference and Passport to Pisa will be rolled into one. This multifaceted event will include adult and girl learning opportunities that will focus on pertinent, contemporary and pressing issues for the girl and volunteer in the new century of Girl Scouting. The adult/girl connection doesn’t stop there. The Adult and Older Girl Award Ceremonies will also be taking place this weekend. Additionally, the USAGSO-NA Board of Directors will meet and the weekend will culminate with a Centenary Celebration to kick off the “*Year of the Girl*” in fine style. You won’t want to miss it. Save the weekend of March 2-4, 2012! Registration begins December 1, 2012. If you would like to have the registration link sent to you at that time, sign up [here](#).

## Historic Global Sunrise Ceremonies

12 March, 2012

Savannah, Georgia, located in the Historic Georgia Council, has long been a sojourn for Girl Scouts of all ages. The Historic Georgia Council is hosting a monumental Centenary celebration throughout 2012. We are excited to announce that USAGSO is partnering with HGC to facilitate recognition of the global impact that Juliette Gordon Low’s vision of Girl Scouting has had and will continue to have over the next 100 years. This global grassroots effort is happening throughout USAGSO to include North Atlantic, the West Pacific region as well as the 90+ countries served through USAGSO in New York! Pretty amazing!! The vision is that every Overseas Committee, every troop, every *GIRL* will be involved in a sunrise ceremony in their particular time zone all across the world.



That means that when a

...Daisy on Camp Darby

...Brownie in Bolivia

...Junior in Japan

...Senior in Savannah

...and an Ambassador in Aviano

...all look back on March 12, 2012 they will remember commemorating the historic milestone of Girl Scouting’s 100<sup>th</sup> year with a meaningful and fun sunrise event. Picture girls at sunrise on the beach in Okinawa lighting candles and singing *Girl Scouts Together*; girls in Bavaria holding a sunrise ceremony in the quaint city center while girls in Nairobi share the Girl Scout experience with a *Girl Scouts Own* ceremony at sunrise. This will be a collective effort throughout the world through ***your videos of the events***. Simply film what your girls do as a commemoration at sunrise March 12, 2012 and submit it to USAGSO-NA. The videos will then be compiled (or “mashed up”) and shown via our website, Facebook pages, YouTube and potentially be seen on AFN worldwide! There is even an opportunity for troops to win a Flip Cam to record their ceremony! Overseas Committees can submit entries for this drawing. More details on the Flip Cam Challenge coming soon. Watch the website, e-newsletters and at your local Overseas Committee meetings for details.

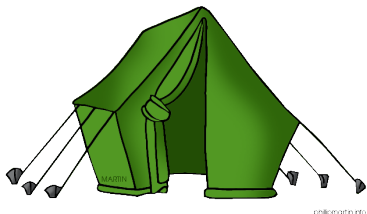


# 2012 Centenary Celebration Camporee

## RAF Molesworth, UK

25-27 May, 2012

Camporees have been a tradition in Girl Scouting as long as anyone can remember. So what better way to commemorate this momentous year than with a Centenary Camporee? Because of some very dedicated and hardworking volunteers the first established 2012 Centenary Celebration Camporee will be held **25-27 May 2012 at RAF Molesworth, UK**. This event will focus on older girls (Cadettes through Ambassadors). Registration, price and other logistics will be released soon. Other regional camporees are in the works with details to come.



## Camp Lachenwald

8 July – 27 July

What is a Girl Scout year without Girl Scout Resident Camp? This year, USAGSO-NA will again this year holding resident camp at Camp Lachenwald in Germany (near USAG Ansbach/Illesheim). New this year we will be offering additional abbreviated Brownie Camp sessions for those new to camp or new to being away from home in general. Counselor in Training I & II will be offered for Senior and Ambassadors and STEM activities will be going on throughout. Watch for the brochure early 2012

### Full Week Sessions (Brownies-Ambassador):

- July 8-14
- July 15-21
- July 16-28

### Half Week Brownie Sessions:

- July 11-14
- July 18-21
- July 25-28

- The Brownie Half Week sessions are primarily for girls that might not be ready for a full week away from home, have never been camping or it simply works best for the family's schedule. It will be running concurrently with the Full Week programs. Brownies can also register for the Full Week Brownie sessions; they are not limited to the Half Week option.
- Girl Scout Summer Resident Camp will be held in Germany only this year in order to highlight and support other camping options throughout the North Atlantic jurisdiction (ie: Older Girl Centennial Camporee at RAF Molesworth in the UK-Memorial Weekend)
- \*STEM is Science, Technology, Engineering and Math

## Juliette Gordon Low Birthday Celebration

31 October 2012

She's the reason for the Movement and she deserves a party! Commemorate this inspiring, innovative woman in a special way this year. Hold a pet food drive for the local animal hospital – she loved animals. Put on an art show for the community in her honor because she loved to paint. Teach younger girls outdoor skills, Juliette lived for the outdoors. Be creative, be memorable and have fun. We are here because of her and all that she inspired.



## Girl Scouts 1912-2012...

So you can see that it is a jam packed year. And we haven't even talked about the other things Girl Scouts has to offer throughout the year. Aren't we lucky to be part of this fabulous organization that has been around for a century? Wouldn't you love to see what the girls do in another 100 years? We are all part of the Movement, just like those girls were on March 12, 1912 when Juliette Gordon Low called her friends to say she had "something for the girls of Savannah, and for all the girls in America." She didn't know then that 100 years later her Girl Scouts would be found not only all over America but also found in over 90 countries around the world.