



# Official Guide to Girl Scouts New Year's Eve

**Friday, September 30, 2011**

## **It's Girl Scouts San Diego's biggest party ever!**

Imagine 40,000 Girl Scouts ringing in the 100th Anniversary membership year, watching the trefoil 'ball' drop and sharing a sisterhood experience in one gigantic celebration that's called Girl Scouts New Year's Eve.

## **How do that many Girl Scouts celebrate at the same time?**

... By spreading parties throughout San Diego and Imperial counties and connecting virtually. Girl Scouts San Diego encourages all members to get in the spirit and host a New Year's Eve celebration. We provide the virtual connection so wherever Girl Scouts gather they can feel the power of our movement.

## **What does a Girl Scout New Year's Eve party look like?**

Ask the girls what comes to mind when you say 'New Year's Eve'? What things do they think a New Year's Eve party must have? Let them use their party planning skills and decide how to celebrate.

- Independently registered members, troops, service units, clusters ... all Girl Scouts are invited to organize and host their own special event.
- Start and finish when you want – gauge the length and times to the age level of the girls.
- Make it your own style – Throw a traditional New Year's Eve party, take a hike, light a bonfire at the beach or gather 'round a campfire. Go inside or out, use homes, parks, schools or a special spot. Throw confetti, wear funny hats, make lots of noise.

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Participation patch

Here are the steps to earn the New Year's Eve patch (available for purchase)

1. RSVP for the party
2. Who's on your guest list?
3. Try something new for the New Year!
4. Make a New Year's resolution
5. Honor our Founder
6. Make New Friends
7. Countdown to the Girl Scouts New Year
8. Make it official

### 1. RSVP for the party

Open your virtual connection; log your event on the council website. Enter your celebration at [www.sdgirlscouts.org/nye](http://www.sdgirlscouts.org/nye)

**Optional** – On September 30, tell us how you are celebrating by posting on our Facebook page. We invite you to share pictures or link videos.

### 2. Who's on your guest list?

Quick, before the clock strikes midnight, complete registration(s) for the 2011-2012 membership year. Only registered members as of 10-1-2011 will be eligible to receive the New Year's Eve patch. Of course everyone wants to be a member during of the 100th Anniversary year of Girl Scouts!

Register online at [www.sdgirlscouts.com/registration](http://www.sdgirlscouts.com/registration) or contact your Service Unit's Registrar for forms. To find your Service Unit Registrar, contact [volunteersupport@sdgirlscouts.org](mailto:volunteersupport@sdgirlscouts.org)

### 3. Try Something New for the New Year!

Complete a journey activity. Spend some time looking through one or all three journeys for your level then choose an activity. If you have completed all three age level journeys, try something from the new *Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting*. See ideas in the next column:

#### Daisy

1. *Welcome to the Daisy Flower Garden* – Have tongue twister fun (girl book page 67). Try some others.
2. *Between Earth and Sky* – Draw pictures of trees where you live (girl book page 15)
3. *5 Flowers, 4 Stories, 3 Cheers for Animals!* – Stretch with some Japanese Garden Yoga (girl book pages 50-51)



#### Brownie

1. *Brownie Quest* – Write a New Year's or Girl Scout haiku (girl book pages 28-29)
2. *WOW! Wonders of Water* – Enjoy some finger painting (girl book page 40); learn a water wise clean-up.
3. *A World of Girls* – Tell a story from *All Our Stuff's* perspective (girl book page 20)



#### Junior

1. *Agent of Change* – Play *The Real Me* (girl book page 24)
2. *Get Moving!* – Head outside and stargaze (girl book pages 54-59)
3. *aMUSE* – Imagine and share new girl characters (girl book pages 12-13).



#### Cadette

1. *aMAZE!* – Visit or create a walk thru maze (girl book page 11)
2. *Breathe* – Need some space? Try relaxation techniques (girl book page 27 or 29)
3. *MEdia* – Invent *The Next Big Thing* (girl book page 17)



#### Senior

1. *GIRLtopia* – Play the icebreaker game *Halves* (adult book page 35)
2. *Sow What?* – Make a *Flipping Your Food Miles* flip book (adult book page 38)
3. *Mission: Sisterhood!* – Plan ahead to prepare *Friendship Potpourri* (girl book page 14)



#### Ambassador

1. *Your Voice, Your World* – Look up some current pop culture advocates and see how they are changing the world (adult book page 35)
2. *Justice* – Lift off with a Native American Sage Smudge ceremony (adult book page 18)
3. *Bliss: Live It! Give It!* – Explore and expand *Your Wildest Dream!* (adult book page 29)



# 100 YEARS OF GIRL SCOUTING

## 100th Anniversary Celebration

Girl Scouts San Diego

### 4. Make a New Year's resolution.

Brainstorm and set a goal to complete a 100th Anniversary community service project and/or earn the Girl Scouts San Diego 100th Anniversary patch by holding a certified event or activity.

The very first Girl Scout handbook was titled *How Girls Can Help Their Country* and 'to help people at all times' has been part of the Girl Scout Promise since the start. While the Girl Scout Leadership Experience encourages girls to 'Take Action', a simple act of community service continues as an important part of Girl Scouting, as valuable today as in 1912. Continue the practice by committing to a community service project tied to our 100th Anniversary. Here are some ideas - collect 100 lbs of recyclables, pick up 100 pieces of trash or volunteer 100 hours.

For details on earning the Girl Scout San Diego 100th Anniversary patch go to [www.sdgirlscouts.org/GS100](http://www.sdgirlscouts.org/GS100)

### 5. Honor Our Founder

Contribute to the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund (JLWFF). Start or continue the tradition of supporting the JLWFF. Keep it fun by letting the girls come up with their own idea to give a perfect girl sized donation. Will it be - pennies, nickels or dimes per inch of height, number of shoes or books they own, times they can jump a rope or seconds they can stand on their head? Let the girls be creative, silly or serious. It's the concept of giving that's important.

Juliette Gordon Low had friends around the world and was committed to offering the benefits of Girl Scouting to girls around the globe. To honor Juliette's love of travel, of experiencing different cultures, and of making new friends, Girl Scouts of the USA created the JLWFF in 1927. Donations to the fund are used to support girls' international travel and participation in training and other international events. These unique opportunities for fostering international friendships connect Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from 144 nations.



**JULIETTE LOW**  
**WORLD FRIENDSHIP FUND**

### 6. Make New Friends

Invite someone new to attend your party. Consider using your New Year's Eve event as a recruitment event...who doesn't want to come to a party?

Now is a great time to spread the word about the Girl Scout Leadership Experience and all the fun we have. Reach out to independently registered girls, girls waiting for troops to join, and girls at your school or church.

**"Make New Friends"** - invite interested girls and adults to become Girl Scouts

**"But Keep the Old"** - invite previous Girl Scout members to reconnect with Girl Scouts

For ideas visit [www.sdgirlscouts.org/recruitment](http://www.sdgirlscouts.org/recruitment)

### 7. Countdown to the New Year

Watch the countdown video at [www.sdgirlscouts.org/nye](http://www.sdgirlscouts.org/nye). Daisies could start their festivities early, stay up 'late' and watch the video at 9 p.m. (which is midnight in Savannah) - while Ambassadors could choose to stay up and watch at midnight, it's meant to fit your schedule. The five minute video can be viewed on September 30 at any time.

### 8. Make it Official:

To receive patches, fill out the form on reverse side. Form and funds must be received at Girl Scouts San Diego, 1231 Upas St, San Diego, CA 92103 by **October 15.**

Questions? Contact [rlemon@sdgirlscouts.org](mailto:rlemon@sdgirlscouts.org)



Juliette Gordon Low (right) honoring one of the first Girl Scouts.



# Official Form

## Girl Scouts New Year's Eve

Form and funds must be received at  
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 by October 15 to receive patch.

1. **RSVP for the party.** We went online and registered our event. Yes  No
  
2. **Who's on your guest list?** Names of all 2011-2012 registered Girl Scout members, including adults, attending your New Year's Eve celebration. Additional names can be listed on separate sheet.  
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3. **Try something new for the New Year!** Briefly describe the activity and from which journey it is drawn.  
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4. **Make a New Year's resolution.** State your resolution.  
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5. **Honor our Founder.** Describe the method the girls used for calculating their donation amount to the JLWFF.  
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6. **Make New Friends.** Name(s) of new friend(s) \_\_\_\_\_
  
7. **Countdown to the New Year.** We watched the countdown video. Yes  No

**Juliette Low World Friendship Fund Donation** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_ Number of patches x \$1.00 (net proceeds donated to JLWFF) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to Girl Scouts San Diego, write JLWFF on memo line.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s) K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 Adult  Independently registered member

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_  Service Unit #/Name \_\_\_\_\_  Cluster Name \_\_\_\_\_