

# METRO 3 DATA

## Happy Holidays



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How fast this year has gone! This is the last issue of DATA for 2005. The next issue will be in February, 2006. Before the holiday season completely takes over and Girl Scout activities go on holiday, be sure to check out the Metro 3 Program

Calendar on page 4 and send in those registration forms. The 2005-6 Program Events Catalog has just begun the new registration period so don't be left out of the programs your girls will want to attend. Also be sure your Girl Scout festivities



include service and volunteer opportunities. If you haven't found someplace yet, check below for some ideas you might still take advantage of. Whether you celebrate Christmas, Chanukah, Kwanzaa or whatever, have a very happy holiday season and my best wishes for a very Happy new Year!

## Holiday Service Opportunities

*-Jerry*

Providing service where needed is one of the cornerstones of Girl Scouting. It's in our Promise & Law. It is important during this season of joy, festivities and gift giving to remind girls to think of those less fortunate. Luckily it is not usually hard to find opportunities for your girls. Find out in what ways your girls would like to give back to their communities. Look for Senior Citizen homes or shelters for the homeless. Girls can collect toys, food or other items to be distributed through any number of charities. The



Clayton County Department of Family & Children Services' *Pick an Elf* program needs gift cards, clothing, dry goods toys, etc. Look for their interest registration form and fax or mail it to their office at 877 Battlecreek Road in Jonesboro. For more information there contact Laurence Nelson at 770-473-2492 or lnelson@dhr.state.ga.us. The Salvation Army is also still looking for volunteers for their Angel Tree Gift Sorting and Distribution between Dec 5-10th and Dec 12-17. Also they may still need help at the

Brunch with Santa on Dec 23rd. For more information contact Shirsten Dreyer at 404-379-7603 or joyfullyserving4ever@yahoo.com. Lastly, the Atlanta Jewish Community Center is looking for Chanukah gifts for their Dreidel Drop and Tender Totes with a toy or book though Dec 15th. Their Shai Lev (gifts from the heart) program will be accepting infant blankets through January 1st. For more info on these project contact them at 770-395-2540 or shaindle.schmuckler@atlantajcc.org

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## The FYI - News You Gotta Know



Agnes Scott Basketball is inviting Girl Scouts to their game on Sat, Jan, 21<sup>st</sup> at 2pm. Admission is FREE and they will provide free hot dogs for lunch! Prior to the game, at 1:30 pm, there will be a poster making party for troop members with the fans voting for the best posters at half time! The top three posters makers will receive a prize! For more information AND to RSVP by Jan 5th to reserve your spot, please contact Kirsten Schlau at 404-471-6475 or [kschlau@agnesscott.edu](mailto:kschlau@agnesscott.edu).

Stone Mountain is now offering *Rocks Rock* for Junior Girl Scouts and the *Earth and Sky Try-It* for Brownies. The programs are only offered on Tues, Wed, or Thur afternoons from 3:30-6:00 at the Confederate Hall Historical and Environmental Education Center. The programs are free (but parking is \$8/car) and scheduled on a first come—first serve basis but must be scheduled at least 3 weeks in advance. The Junior Badge will cover requirement numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 9 & 10 and the Try-It will cover numbers 1, 3, 4, & 6. For more information



check out [www.stonemountainpark.org](http://www.stonemountainpark.org) or to schedule your date, call 770-498-5658.

The Summer Camp brochures are ready and coming to you shortly. Our camps offer a variety of different programs to suit girls of many interests. Camp "Open House" days are scheduled for this Spring or take a virtual tour of camps online at [www.girlscoutsnswga.org](http://www.girlscoutsnswga.org) and follow the links to "Camping", "Our Camps" and the camp you want to "visit." January 21st is the first day to register so check it out and make your choices soon.

## Special Events for Retention

One of the number one ways we keep girls in Girl Scouts is with special programs that show girls what to expect from the next level of Girl Scouting. These retention programs provide an opportunity for girls to work on their Bridging Patch and usually for Leaders to take the next level training at the same time. **Bounce into Brownies** is the event for Bridging Daisy Girl Scouts to learn about Brownies and **Jump into Juniors** is the event for 3rd grade Brownies to learn about Junior Girl Scouts. For girls that will be Bridging to the 11-17 age level of Girl

Scouts, we have an event called **Girl Scout Madness**. Madness can be for either 5th grade or 6th grade Junior Girl Scouts. We encourage girls to bridge before they head off for Middle School, however, sometimes girls will remain Juniors through 6th grade to finish up their Junior awards. However only girls that would be going to the next level of Girl Scouts should attend these special events, in order to get them excited about the new things that they will be doing.



For 2006, the Metro 3 area retention events are being planned by our STARZ

Planning Board. They will host a Bounce into Brownies on April 23rd at the Volunteer Service Center and girls will earn the Friends are Fun Try-It. The Jump Into Juniors event on March 26th will earn the Art to Wear Junior Girl Scout Badge. Registering and attending these retention events is very important. If you find that you are unable to attend the Metro 3 area's events, check out the Events Program Catalog for the retention events offered in our other areas. Although they may be slightly different, any of them will cover the Bridging steps and get your girls excited about staying in Girl Scouting and looking forward to what comes next.

**Girl Scout Madness can be for 5th or 6th grade Junior Girl Scouts. We encourage girls to "Bridge Up" when entering Middle School**

Girl Scout Madness covers a lot of information and therefore it has been difficult to hold it at any other time than at a full Saturday event. Often this kept some girls from being able to attend for various reasons, especially religious ones. So, this year we will try something new. The Starz Planning Board has planned a Lock-in at the Volunteer Service Center, where girls can complete

the Bridging activities and have some extra fun as well. On Feb 11th at 6 pm, Bridging Junior Girl Scouts and their Leaders can come to the Volunteer Service Center, where the girls will rotate through several sessions that will show them all the opportunities that the 11-17 age range can take advantage of. At the same time Leaders will attend an extended Advisor Training which will include different activities from their girls. The event

fee for the girls will cover event supplies, an evening snack and a light breakfast before everyone leaves at 9 am. Girls should register as individuals and adults should complete a registration form at n/c. Complete details will be sent in the confirmations after registration forms are received. For more information contact Terry at 404-527-7448 or [totto@girlscoutsnswga.org](mailto:totto@girlscoutsnswga.org).



## Girl Scout Madness Goes Overnight

## The Metro 3 Studio - news for 11-17s



Do you have a challenge selling cookies? Do those cute little Brownie Girl Scouts out-sell you, leaving you behind in the dust? Well brush yourself off and join us for **Cookie University**, on Jan 8th from 2-5:30 pm at Georgia Pacific for a great day planned by expert girls on all the 'in' ways to showcase, market and have fun selling cookies. Come hear tips from the top sellers and learn their secret techniques. You will get the scoop on the newest cookie and the cookie sale recognitions. Help us create and produce a cookie commercial for our website with other girls 11-17 from all over the council. Best of all, it's free! Contact Lisa at [PSS2B@girlscoutsnwga.org](mailto:PSS2B@girlscoutsnwga.org) for more info. **Any Juliette Girl Scouts that are wanting to sell cookies will be trained at the end of this session.**

When dining in a fancy restaurant, do you know which fork to use first? At **Silver Forks and China Plates** workshop, on Jan 21st, from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., you will learn how to sit, eat and walk properly. You will also discover what colors look best on you at the fabulous Timber Ridge Conference Center in Mableton. Come join the fun and be in the know. Learn how to make that great and lasting impression and be the belle of the ball. All for only \$40 per person (Accounting code: 630). If interested or for more information contact Lisa, 678-420-6870 [PSS2B@girlscoutsnwga.org](mailto:PSS2B@girlscoutsnwga.org)

The DeKalb Medical Center Wellness Center, in Decatur is presenting **PURBERTY ROCKS** on Sat, Jan 7th from 1-2:30 pm. This is an informal discussion by Dr. Kay Entrekini, board certified gynecologist and

mother of 2, for mothers and their daughters 11+ about the maturing body of adolescent girls and their social, emotional and developmental issues. Although the program is free, pre-registration is required by calling 404-501-WELL.

The 2006 **Girl Scout Day at the Capitol** will be on Feb 8th from 10 am - 3 pm. Join Girl Scouts ages 11 to 17, from all over the state and learn how your state legislature really works. You'll take a tour of the Georgia State Capitol and see how laws that affect your every day life become a reality. You might even have an opportunity to meet one of your state legislators and ask questions or even take a picture! Girl Scouts ages 11-17 may complete activities from *Law and Order*, *Leadership* or *Women Through Time* Interest Project Patches. Check them

out for more information. Attire for this event is dress uniform or business dress. Girls need to register as individuals for this event; each girl in a troop must complete a separate registration form (accounting code: 630). For more information contact: Lisa Wust [PSS2B@girlscoutsnwga.org](mailto:PSS2B@girlscoutsnwga.org) or (770) 385-8595

Calling all adults who work with girls ages 11-17! You're invited to get the scoop on:

- Dealing with those sticky situations and challenges that come up
- Learning about the newest and latest resources and opportunities
- Sharing with other advisors and gaining new insight and valuable ideas to take back with you

At the **SAIL into Teen Program** on Jan 28th from 1-5 pm at the Volunteer Service Center for only \$5 (accounting code: 630). For more info contact: Gloria at [PSSail@girlscoutsnwga.org](mailto:PSSail@girlscoutsnwga.org) or (770) 947-9073.

## Saving Lives & the Environment - the Service Learning/Patch

Our Council has a new patch opportunity for girls 11-17 in partnership with MedShare International. The patch program gives girls an opportunity to provide service while helping the environment. MedShare International sends recycled medical supplies to developing countries where these supplies are desperately needed. To earn the patch girls will spend a 3-hour period volunteering at MedShare on a



**Saving Lives & the Environment**

Sat. morning, Sat. afternoon or weekday evening. They will attend an orientation when they arrive, then spend time sorting supplies and preparing them for shipping. At the end of their shift they will debrief by learning about the impact their work will have and making cards. Girls that are 16 and older

may volunteer with the Biomedical Engineer to test and calibrate equipment and research its functionality. A patch module, including complete details on requirements, background information, session activities, and follow-up activities is available at the Council office. To get more details and to schedule a session please contact Juli Gri-bus-Powers, the Volunteer Program Manager at 770-323-5858 extension 205 or [jgribus@medshare.org](mailto:jgribus@medshare.org)

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**EVERY GIRL, EVERYWHERE!**

Don't miss the TLC Conference at Timber Ridge on Jan 14th from 10 am-4 pm! Register before the Jan 1st deadline and be entered into a special Metro 3 doorprize.

Check out the Web...  
<http://www.girlscoutsnwga.org>  
<http://www.studio2b.org>  
Metro 3 DATA is online.  
<http://www.3leaves.org/metro3/>



## 2005-6 DCNR Program Calendar

DATE	EVENT
Jan 7	Silver Workshop in Douglasville
Jan 14	TLC Conference at Timber Ridge
Jan 20-22	Metro 3 Leader Retreat - Misty Mtn.
Jan 28	Junior Theater Badge/Brownie Try-it
Feb 3	Patrol Leader Workshop - DeKalb/VSC
Feb 4	Silver & Gold Wksps - DeKalb
Feb 5	Dream Chaser & Silver Wksps - DeKalb
Feb 11-12th	Metro 3 Madness Overnight (VCS)
Feb 26th	Thinking Day - Rockdale County.
March 12	Silver Award Career Event (VSC)
March 18 or 19	Fernbank Museum Try-it Day
March 26	Jump into Juniors (bridging Brownies)
April 23	Bounce into Brownies (fka Daisy Daze)
May 7	Art Adventure Patch @ Carlos Museum
May 21	Stone Mountain's GS Spring Things
Spring'06 (tentative)	Fernbank Patch Event
May TBA-	Bridging Ceremony in Rockdale

**Metro 3 Leader Weekend**  
Jungle Fever...It's Contagious! The Annual Leader Weekend is scheduled for Jan. 20-22, 2006 at Camp Misty Mountain. This weekend offers something for everyone, new leaders and those green blooded, dyed in the wool, long time Girl Scout adults. Look for registration forms at your Service Unit Meetings NOW or online at <http://3leaves.org/dcnr2006>.