



Rockford Neighborhood News

May 2011



Mark your calendar!

See website or inside for details of each event.

Parent Volunteer Meeting

Monday, May 9, 2011

6:30 pm Dinner (Pizza & Salad)

7:00 - 8:00 pm Business Meeting

Place: **Rockford United Methodist Church**

GS Day Camp Summer 2011

July 11-15, 2011

Camp Rockford

GS Evening Camp Summer 2011

July 18-20, 2011

Camp Rockford

HOW TO PREVENT LEADER BURNOUT

Here is a great article to read. <http://www.scoutingweb.com/scoutingweb/SubPages/LeaderBurnOut.htm>

Old Orchard— We would like to thank Old Orchard for their gracious donation of juice for our Service Unit Campout, Bridging Event and Summer Day and Evening Camp.

Council Store

- ◆ May – 10% off select Volunteer Thank You Items
- ◆ June/July – 10% off select Camping Items

Service Unit Library

If you have items checked out, please remember to return them. Check out the journey books.

SUD SPOT

As we enter into Spring (finally) and the end of another school year, it is easy to think that Girl Scouts ends with the school year. However, that is so not true! There are numerous activities which are available from council this summer. Yes there is the Camp Pathway, but there are also additional events. For example, this coming June there is a climbing activity and a GS with the Whitecaps. For more information on the summer events, I would encourage you to attend our May meeting; although this is a late reminder, it is May 9, 2011 at the church.

I appreciated the feedback from the April meeting as to what type of activity should we do at our "Leader Celebration". It was suggested that the leadership team help coach others with the completion of the year-end paperwork that must go to council on June 1. So, there will be mentoring. It would be wise for everyone to somewhat prepare for this by gathering your most recent bank statements and detailed cash flow. You will be better prepared to complete your financial sheet. If you are not a new troop leader this year, I would suggest that you bring last years paperwork. It will be so much easier for you to complete this years.

You might be thinking, "but our troop has activities planned for the summer and the monies in the account will be used, so the bank statement, detailed cash flow and year-end financial statement will not really reflect our troops account". First off kudos to you the leader who will continue to provide the Girl Scout experience throughout the summer. Secondly, it is OK for the paperwork to reflect the troops records through May or June 1. We are obligated at adult volunteers to complete the forms to the best of our knowledge based on current state of the troop.

Please send me an email at Mskbellure@aol.com so that I will know the number in attendance for the meeting. Remember, dinner will be provided and served by the leadership team as a thank you for all of your hard work.

Kathleen.



**Neighborhood Contact Information
Service Team**

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Jennifer Shook & Susan Witte - Cookie Managers jenjshook@gmail.com
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TBD – Council Liaison

School Representatives

Rockford neighborhood website: www.rockfordgs.com

Assumption	Corie Ripple	Lakes	Open
Belmont	Jennifer Meadows	Meadow Ridge	Diana Betten
Cannonsburg	Tina Vriesenga	NRMS	Sue Arend
Chandler Woods	Holly Kinney	OLC	Lori Dettloff
Crestwood	Amanda Dickinson	Parkside	Wendy Wheeler
ERMS	Sandy Feutz	Rockford Christian	Mary Fabish
Freshman Ctr/ HS	Jane Fabiano-Turner	Roguewood	Lori Romesberg
		Valley View	Missy Vitkauskas

GS Council website: www.gsmt.org

RUMC – Rockford United Methodist Church, 159 Maple Street – Rockford

Council or GSMT – GS of Michigan Trails office – 3275 Walker Road - Walker

CAB — Camp Anna Behrens, Greenville

Beverly Dickinson's house 6237 Arroyo Vista Dr., Rockford. Directions: Belding to N on Blakely. Turn at second street on the right – Arroyo Vista. Drive almost to the very end. Beverly's house is 3 houses from 9 Mile Rd.

Kristy Neil's house 6701 Checkerberry Lane Rockford