



April Program Ideas



April 22 is Earth Day. This date aims to inspire awareness of and appreciation for earth's environment. It is currently observed in more than 140 countries around the world. Plan something you're your girls to commemorate this date and purchase a patch to wear (click the patch for source). Download this resource for ideas to get you started:

http://www.girlscouts.org/program/program_opportunities/environment/lgttl_resource_guide_spring_2006.pdf

Annual Earth Day Celebration: Council Program Opportunity for any age level! This event, held at Camp Myeerah in the Bellefontaine area, has grown to be a favorite for troops from all over the area. There will be an opening and closing ceremony with many activity stations to keep girls busy all day. Older girls (CSA) can go over Friday to help setup and stay overnight.

<http://www.girlscoutsofwesternohio.org/Program/ARRegion.htm>

Recycle a cardboard tube into a fun craft for Easter! This blog includes step-by-step illustrated instructions and also has lots of other ideas for crafts as well.

<http://childmadetutorials.blogspot.com/2011/02/paper-roll-easter-bunny.html>

Easter Basket Service Project: Each year the troops in the Troy-Miami East Service Unit put together Easter baskets for children staying at or receiving services from the Family Abuse Shelter. If your troop is interested in doing this, all candy must be wrapped when delivered. Other items requested for the basket include art supplies (including coloring books appropriate for year 'round, not just Easter themes), toys, and personal care items (toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, etc.). Bring your basket to the April 7 Leaders' Meeting for delivery.

Great Escape Weekend! The "Great Escape" is an exciting weekend for adult volunteers at Camp Whip-Poor-Will in Morrow (my old troop's favorite camp!). Workshops are offered in a variety of topics including required trainings, crafts, outdoor activities and personal growth. Register by April 1 using the form found at

http://www.girlscoutsofwesternohio.org/Forms/Adult_Enrichment_Registration_Packet_2011_REVISED.pdf

Did you know? It costs between \$300 - \$400 per year to provide Girl Scouting to one girl. Family Partnership is a key component of Girl Scouts of Western Ohio's Annual Giving fundraising campaign. Families contribute voluntary financial support when they can, during each Girl Scout membership year. By supporting Family Partnership, parents and other adults play a vital role in helping us ensure that Girl Scouts is available for every girl who wishes to participate. This includes financial assistance for girls to participate in Girl Scouting, council sponsored events, outdoor and camping opportunities, as well as volunteer recruitment, training and enrichment. Family Partnership isn't about how much you give – it's about giving what you can to make a difference in your community. Family Partnership begins at home with the adults, volunteers, families, and girls that make up our large family of Girl Scouts of Western Ohio. Please consider a gift to Family Partnership and share this information with your families as well.