

**Movie Magic
GSHNJ SU 93 Camporee!**



A promotional poster for the Movie Magic SU93 Camporee. The background is red with a black diagonal stripe. At the top left is a film reel icon. The text 'Movie Magic' is in a large, white, cursive font. Below it, 'SU93' and 'CAMPOREE' are in bold, white, block letters with a red outline. A black silhouette of a movie camera is on the left, with a beam of light pointing towards the ticket prices. The ticket prices are '\$150 PER GIRL' and '\$90 PER ADULT', both in bold white text with a red starburst background. At the bottom, the dates 'MAY 31 - JUNE 2' are in bold white text. A black banner at the bottom center contains the text 'GSHNJ CAMP LOU HENRY HOOVER' in white, flanked by three white stars on each side.

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**May 31–June 2, 2024
Information Packet**

Important Information

Location: [Camp Hoover, 961 County Road 521, Middleville, NJ 07855](#)

2-Night Package

- **Dates:** Friday, May 31 to Sunday June 2, 2024
- **Cost:** \$150 per girl, \$90 per adult (includes B/L/D on Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday)
- **Check In:** 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2024
- **Parent Pick-Up:** 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 2, 2024

1-Day Package

- **Date:** Saturday, June 1, 2024
- **Cost:** \$70 per girl, \$40 per adult (includes lunch on Saturday)
- **Check In:** 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 1, 2024
- **Parent Pick-Up:** 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, 2024

We will be staying in platform tents. The tents contain cots with a mattress. There is no electricity. Toilets and showers are in external buildings near the tents.

Please be advised that the following items are **due no later than April 15:**

- [Girl Scout attendee health form](#)
- [Adult attendee health forms](#)
- [Girl Scout Permission Slip form](#)
- Payment in full

All forms are to be mailed together by the Troop Leader or the Troop Leader can drop off the packet in full to:

Maryanne Turdo
304 Maple Avenue
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Contacts

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Home Emergency Contact	Scott Turdo	908-235-8696	

Please label all of your child's items with her name. Here is a suggested link for name labels from GSHNJ: <https://mabelslabels.com/en-US>

Camp Activities

Crafts, nature, hiking, archery, ropes course, games, and waterfront activities including swimming and boating. There is a modern dining hall, an arts and crafts studio. Everyone will get a customized Camporee 2024 fun patch and can earn various activity fun patches.

Camp Hoover is a journey into independence — a place where the girls and their counselors enjoy adventures together in a relaxed, non-competitive, tech-free environment. Camp Hoover is a residential Girl Scout Camp owned and operated by the Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey that provides camping experiences for girls between the ages of 6 and 17. Hoover is located on Swartswood Lake in Middletown, New Jersey.

Extra Fun Activities Added by Our SU Team

- Movie night in the dining hall on Friday night
- Decorate Your Tent contest
- Badge work
- Geocaching
- Scavenger hunt
- Campfire with s'mores, skits, and songs
- SWAP exchange

Example of Camporee Schedule

Final Copy will be handed out at camp check-in on May 31, 2024

Friday:

- Arrival, check in at 6:00 p.m.
- Movie tent decoration time and unpack
- Dinner (bring your own)
- Dusk Flag ceremony
- Movie night and snacks in the dining hall
- Quiet time from 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Saturday:

- Breakfast
- *8:30 a.m.: 1-Day check-in*
- Morning Flag ceremony
- Badge workshop
- Troops to do all camp activity stations throughout the day including geocaching and a Scavenger Hunt!
- Lunch
- Continue camp activity stations
- Free time and judging of tent decoration
- *5:00 p.m.: 1-Day Parent Pick-Up*
- Dinner together
- Dusk Flag ceremony
- Campfire and s'mores! Singing songs with camp counselors, winners of tent decorating announced
- Troop skits, Movie adventure: 2-minute troop skit written and acted out by girls. Prizes awarded!

Sunday:

- Breakfast
- Pack up and clean tents and campsites
- Farewell Girl Scouts at the flagpole
- Parent Pick-Up is at 11:00 a.m.

Important reminders:

- There is a gift shop at Camp Hoover so girls can bring spending money per parents' discretion.
- All troop snacks must be kept in a sealed plastic bin with a secure lid and put in a vehicle at night. This is very important. We are in the forest of Sussex County with a lot of wildlife creatures that live at Camp Hoover.

Tent Decorating Rules

1. Tents will be judged by the camp staff.
2. Anything can be used to decorate. It's the Girl Scout way to not spend a lot of money and use our resources well. Have a meeting to brainstorm and see what materials you have or what you can repurpose! Everything used needs to be carried in at arrival and carried out and cleaned up properly during departure. Leave the tent better than you found it.
3. Each tent's occupants should work together cohesively to come up with ideas and decorations. Our theme is "A movie scene." Recreate a famous scene from a movie in your tent. Look out for tent assignments from your leader soon.
4. Prize Categories are: Best Overall, Most Original, Funniest Decorations, and Best Girl Scout incorporation with the theme.
5. Winners will be announced after dinner and prizes will be awarded.

SWAP Exchange

All Troops should make a SWAP to exchange. The exact number to make will be shared after the April 15 deadline. Daisies and Brownies may make a troop SWAP. Juniors and older are encouraged to make individual SWAPS.

The theme for our camporee SWAPS is Hollywood! Be creative and have fun! Here is a shorter version of an article you can share with your Troop so they understand what SWAPS are and why this tradition is important to us.

Etiquette for Girl Scout SWAPS

By Sherry Smothermon-Short

Girl Scouts have all sorts of fun and interesting traditions. One of those is SWAPS, which stands for "Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere" or simply "Shared With A Pal." SWAPS are small tokens of friendship that girls exchange with other Girl Scouts they meet.

These little goodies don't have to be complicated or expensive. Instead, they should be hand-made and have a connection to your girls and your troop. They don't have to look perfect, but they should have personality. Most importantly, they should be fun to make, give, and receive.

SWAP-Making Etiquette

While there isn't really "etiquette" for making SWAPS, there are some things to keep in mind.

Don't spend a lot of money on SWAPS. Part of the Girl Scout Law is to use resources wisely. Consider whether you can use recycled items such as bottle caps or bread tags. Look through your stash of materials left over from prior crafts. You may have pony beads, craft sticks, or chenille stems that can be repurposed.

Although many SWAPS have safety pins and are designed to be pinned to vests or sashes, SWAPS don't have to be a pin. They can be necklaces, bracelets, patches, or other small items.

Skits

Skits are a fun form of entertainment that brings laughter. Skits are also a way to teach girls how to be comfortable speaking in front of a group. Girls enjoy watching each other and leaders perform skits. Each troop should prepare a 2-minute skit to do at the campfire on Saturday night.

Use your imagination and brainstorm to make a script and practice with the girls. The theme is Hollywood Bound! Be resourceful and see what supplies you have. There is no need for large props, backgrounds, or fancy costumes. Make sure girls can carry in what they need with their camp luggage. It's all about troop bonding and making connections with the other Scouts at camp!

We encourage you to bring board games and activities. Plan accordingly, as GSHNJ assumes no responsibility for loss, breakage, or theft of personal or group property brought to or used at camp. Leave high-value items at home.

Packing List for Girls

Remember that it can be chilly in the evenings, and rain is always possible. We recommend bringing an extra blanket in addition to a sleeping bag, and rain gear even if the forecast is clear. Closed-toe shoes, insect repellent, and sunscreen are musts. Don't forget flashlights and/or lanterns. We are in platform tents and there is no electricity in tents. Leave high-value items at home. Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey is not responsible for lost personal property.

Clothing

- Shoes/Boots — no sandals
- Water shoes for swimming/boating
- Swimsuit, towel
- Jeans/sturdy pants
- Shorts, if appropriate
- Long-sleeved shirt
- Short-sleeved shirt
- Underwear, extra underwear
- Socks, extra socks
- Sweatshirt/sweater
- Pajamas
- Hat, bandana
- Appropriate jacket
- Rain gear

Bedding

Cots with mattresses are supplied.

- Sleeping bag/bedroll
- Twin fitted sheet, blankets
- Pillow
- 1 Stuffed animal
- Air mattress/sleeping pad/tarp, as needed
- Utility bags

Tips:

- Pack each of your outfits in a Ziploc bag to keep everything dry and organized. You can then use the bags to hold your dirty clothes.
- Keep your sleeping materials in a bum bucket.*

**What's a bum bucket? What's a sit-upon? See last page!*

Personal Care

- Shower Shoes are a must
- Towel for the shower
- Washcloth
- Soap
- Shampoo/conditioner/hair care
- Toothbrush/toothpaste/cup to rinse
- Deodorant
- Comb/brush
- Feminine products
- Glasses
- Sunscreen
- Bug spray
- Lip balm
- Personal medications in original containers
- Other personal items

Misc. Items

- SWAPS
- Camera
- Water bottle
- Flashlight, extra batteries
- Sit-upon*
- Backpack
- Cash/Credit Card for Camp Trading Post Store

Packing List for Leaders

- First aid kit
- Girl Health forms
- Sealable plastic container or bucket for snacks
- Paper towels
- Clorox wipes to wipe down bathroom
- Hand towel for the sink
- Snacks
- Bottled water
- Sharpies
- Bug spray
- Sunscreen
- Ziploc bags
- Garbage bags
- Extra feminine health products for older girls

Nice to have:

- Bath mat for floor
- Air freshener
- Battery operated lantern with extra batteries
- Picnic blanket
- Indoor craft/games incase of bad weather

How to Make a Bum Bucket with a Sit-Upon Lid

A Bum Bucket is a 5-gallon bucket you get at Home Depot or Lowe's. You build a small cushion to attach to the lid of the bucket. This cushion is now something you *sit upon* at the campfire to keep your *bum* (that is, your butt) clean and dry. The bucket is used to carry your clothes and other necessities to and from camp.

Materials

- 5-gallon bucket
- Stuffing: Cloth, foam scraps, plastic bags
- Plastic sheeting, old bedsheets or T-shirts
- Heavy cardboard or particle board (also known as MDF or hardboard)
- Staple gun
- 1.25-inch screws
- Fun-colored duct tape

Directions

- Using the lid as a pattern, cut out a circle of cardboard or particle board. It should fit just inside the ridge of the lid.
- Put the circle on your sheeting. Trace the circle.
- Trace a second circle at least 1.5 inches larger than your lid all the way around.
- Cut the cloth along the second circle.
- Fill the inner circle with your stuffing.
- Put the cardboard on top of the stuffing. Fold the edges of the sheeting over the cardboard and staple the sheeting onto the cardboard. You now have a cushion.
- Put the cushion onto the bucket lid inside the ridge and turn the whole thing upside down.
- From the inside of the lid going up, use the screws to fasten the lid to the cushion.
- Use duct tape and markers to decorate as desired.