



of the desert southwest–  
southern new mexico  
& west texas

## Program Transition Notice

In September 2011, Girl Scouts will welcome a new resource publication, The Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting. Each age level of Girl Scouts will have their own guide containing updates of beloved traditions to include handbooks, badge awards and cookie program information. Used in conjunction with the Journey books, the complete program will explore leadership and skill building.

With new program and resources coming available, some current programming is being retired. Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest's Retail Staff are working toward making this transition as smooth as possible for our Volunteers and Girls. Our goal is to meet customer demand, but deplete current stock of retiring items.

### **Effective Immediately**

The following notifications are to assist us all in making this transition:

- All sales are final and there is a No Return/No Exchange Policy for any and all items listed on GSUSA's Discontinued-Retired Listings. Your GSDSW Retail/Office Coordinators can assist you with concerns regarding those particular items and lists. Retiring Items (including but not limited to the following):
  - \*Daisy Leader/Activity Books
  - \*Brownie Leader/Handbook/Try-it book/Misc. Try-it awards
  - \* Jr. Leader/Hand book/Badge book/Misc. Jr. Badge awards
  - \*Cadette & Sr. Resource & Handbooks/IP book/all Studio 2B materials/Misc. IP awards
- GSDSW's Retail transition timeline:  
January thru June Council Shops will allow current stock to decrease, and may not have an availability of some or all retiring items that customers are requesting. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.  
GSUSA and all GS Councils plan to finalize this transition by September 2011.

The following suggestions are to assist us all in making this transition:

- If you are planning to or are currently working with GS traditional programs and resources, you are encouraged to network with GSDSW Retail/Office Coordinators and your fellow Girl Scouts at your local level to obtain the publications and/or badge awards needed for you endeavors.

- Plan ahead to secure the recognitions and awards needed for completed GS traditional programs, and your Award Ceremonies and Events throughout the 2011 Girl Scout Year.

Please visit [www.gsdsw.org](http://www.gsdsw.org) Council Shop tab for shop contact & location information