

100 WAYS TO CELEBRATE THE 100th



This is a list of creative and fun ideas and ways to help celebrate the centennial anniversary of Girl Scouting in the United States. In this list you will find fun activities divided into 10 categories with 10 items in each for your celebration. Try as many as you would like. This is not a patch program. Have fun, good luck and enjoy the activities!

PARTICIPATE

1. Earn the Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois Centennial of Girl Scouting patch.
2. Attend a Council centennial event.
3. Attend a Service Unit centennial event.
4. As a troop, have 100% participation in the Girl Scout cookie sales.
5. Have the troop sell \$100 worth of items in the fall product sale.
6. Work with another troop, at a different program level, to do a centennial activity.
7. Be an active member of your Service Unit by participating in a Service Unit meeting or event.
8. Plan and run a bring-a-friend activity for your troop to increase interest among non-Girl Scouts.
9. Learn about opportunities for you in older program levels and how you can stay involved once you graduate from high school and make your personal plan on how you will stay involved.
10. Attend a session of summer camp or plan a summer gathering for your troop.

HAVE FUN

1. Hold a hula-hoop, yo-yo, bubble blowing, jump roping, standing on your head, or other funny competition to see if you can reach 100 turns, 100 seconds or something similar without making a mistake. You may want to award prizes.
2. Go bowling and have each girl try to knock down 100 pins.
3. Go miniature golfing and see if your foursome or whole troop can score 100 for the entire round.
4. Do a fun activity from a retired Girl Scout handbook.
5. Play some new games outside for 100 minutes.
6. Participate in the Thin Mint Sprint or other cookie race event.
7. Create a song for the 100th Anniversary.
8. Juliette Low was a strong swimmer, go to the neighborhood pool and see if you can swim 100 yards without stopping.
9. Using photographs of Girl Scouts in action (current or historical), create a banner or picture montage to display at your town hall, community center, library, or school commemorating 100 years of Girl Scouting.
10. What else was happening in 1912? Learn about historical events or inventions that share our centennial. Celebrate one of these events with your troop or others.

BE CREATIVE

1. Write a poem about Girl Scouting.
2. Draw a picture representing a favorite time or activity in Girl Scouting.
3. Send a Flat Juliette to friends and family and take pictures of her activities. Find the appropriate Juliette at www.makingfriends.com.
4. Create a centennial quilt square depicting your favorite event in Girl Scouts that can be used for the Council Centennial quilt.
5. As a troop design and make a centennial t-shirt to wear at your meetings this year.
6. Make up a story about Girl Scouting 100 years from now.
7. Create 100th Anniversary bookmarks and distribute to the local or school library.
8. Create a math puzzle based on the number 100.
9. Make or decorate 100th Anniversary cookies or cupcakes at your troop meeting. Donate to a soup kitchen or nursing home if the organization will take them.
10. Create a scrapbook of your activities over the 100th Anniversary celebration.

ENJOY THE OUT-OF-DOORS

1. Go camping with your troop for 100 hours over the course of a year or attend the Baseball/Campout event planned for June/July.
2. Collect or create 100 outdoor recipes and make a troop cookbook.
3. Go on a litter hike in your neighborhood or near your meeting place and collect 100 pieces of trash.
4. Attend a resident or day camp.
5. Learn about the stars and spend an evening studying the skies. See how many constellations you can find. Can you find 100 stars?
6. Learn and practice tying at least three different knots 100 times.
7. Take a night hike, do some activities outside at night or lead younger girls in exploring outdoors at night.
8. With other troops get together to play an outdoor game (e.g. softball, basketball, soccer, tug-of-war)
9. Shovel the snow from a neighbor's driveway.
10. Find out about the three types of lashing (square, round, continuous). Try one of the types. For a further challenge, make something using your lashing skills.

DEVELOP YOUR POTENTIAL

1. Make a list of "100 acts of kindness" that a person can do throughout the day to bring joy to others. See how many the troop can complete in a time period.
2. Write a note to a future Girl Scout and bring to the Centennial Celebration for inclusion in the Council time capsule.
3. Research what has changed in the lives of girls and women in the past 100 years. Share what you find with the girls in your troop.
4. As a troop, read 100 books.
5. Go 100 hours without electricity/cell phone/texting/computers.
6. Talk with someone in school that you do not normally speak. Was it difficult to speak with them? Did you learn anything new?
7. Practice Leave No Trace camping on your next camping trip.
8. Log 100 hours in a physical activity: bike/walk/swim/dribble a basketball/jump rope, etc.
9. Complete a Girl Scout Journey.
10. The Girl Scout Promise directs us to "live by the Girl Scout Law". Pick one of the laws and make an extra effort to put that law into practice in your daily life. After one month, share your experience with your troop.

MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE

1. Have your troop collect 100 items for donation (canned goods, socks, books, etc.).
2. Collect 100 cans per girl for the Lend a Can program.
3. Have your troop complete 100 hours of community service over the year.
4. Hold a book drive for gently used books and donate them to your local library, school, or hospital.
5. Create a centennial rain garden at your school or meeting place.
6. Do 100 good deeds.
7. Plant 100 trees or flowers.
8. Donate needed clothing to your school's nurse. Check with the nurse to see what types of clothes are needed for "accidents".
9. Visit a local nursing home and read, play card games, or sing to/with the residents.
10. Organize a story time at a local library. Try to read to 100 kids for 100 minutes.

BE PART OF THE COMMUNITY

1. Participate in a parade carrying a 100th banner.
2. Visit your Village Hall and meet the Mayor or Village President.
3. Wear your Girl Scout uniform, pins, or favorite Girl Scout t-shirt on March 12th.
4. Write an article for your local paper about a family with several generations of Girl Scouts.
5. Organize a group of current or former Girl Scouts and stand in the shape of "100", take a picture and submit to the town newspaper.
6. Help plan and attend your house of worship on Girl Scout Sunday/Sabbath.
7. Tell 100 people, who may not know, about the 100th Girl Scout anniversary.
8. Write a letter about why Girl Scouting is important to you and send it to your local newspaper.
9. Plan an event that highlights Girl Scout activities and invite the community.

10. Make a Girl Scout 100th Anniversary sign that you can put in your front yard, window, or tie green ribbons around your trees or mailbox during Girl Scout week (March 11-17, 2012)

EXPLORE THE WORLD OF GIRL SCOUTING

1. Connect with a troop over 100 miles away.
2. In 2005, Juliette Gordon Low's life was immortalized as part of a new National monument in Washington DC...The Extra Mile - Points of Light Volunteer- Pathway. Who are other women who received this award? Were any of them previous Girl Scouts?
3. Research and plan a meeting where all the activities are those from 1912.
4. Learn about a Girl Scout who is older than 100.
5. Make a list of 100 famous Girl Scouts (past or present).
6. Explore another community in the council that you don't know much about or have never visited by attending a council program there or by visiting a local landmark or picnic area.
7. Three Girls Scout stamps have been issued over the years; find the years of issuance, value of stamp, and draw a replica of each stamp.
8. Plan and hold a flag ceremony after you have learned proper flag etiquette and how to fold the American flag.
9. Collect 100 memories of Girl Scouting. Ask current or former Girl Scouts to share their stories and record each on an index card. Make the stories into a booklet.
10. How many words can you create from the letters in "Juliette Gordon Low"? Can your troop make 100 different words?

CELEBRATE OUR FOUNDER, JULIETTE GORDON LOW

1. Juliette was born in Savannah, Georgia. Cook a meal using foods Georgia is known (peaches, pecans, peanuts, Vidalia onions).
2. From birth, Juliette's nickname was "Daisy". Create a flower arrangement that includes daisies and use it as a centerpiece for a special troop or town event.
3. Juliette's childhood was affected by the Civil War. Girl Scouts performed important service tasks during WWI and WWII. Support today's men and women in the armed services by writing letters or holding a drive to collect needed items.
4. Daisy loved animals. Visit a pet shelter, take a tour and see what service projects can be done to benefit the animals.
5. Juliette was a notoriously bad speller. Host a spelling bee in your troop, community, or Service Unit.
6. Juliette was almost completely deaf by the age of 26. Learn about other famous women with the same physical challenge. What did they do to overcome their differences?
7. Juliette traveled to England where she met the Baden-Powells who inspired her to start the Girl Scouts in the USA. Find five places in England you would like to visit.
8. Juliette loved and designed several pieces of her own clothing. Design what you believe Girl Scout uniforms will look like in the next 100 years.
9. Juliette sold her pearls to finance Girl Scout activities. Make a piece of jewelry using any technique or material of your choice.
10. Juliette died of breast cancer. Plan and carry out a service or Take Action project that benefits a group involved in fighting cancer or cancer awareness.

GLOBAL GIRL SCOUTING

1. Learn about the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), and discover and try one of the centennial activities.
2. As a troop, send out 100 text messages to friends on March 12, 2012 telling them a fun fact about Girl Scouts.
3. For those in your troop with Facebook accounts, post what Girl Scouts means to you on March 12, 2012.
4. Learn the words to the *World Song*.
5. Learn about destinations, the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund, and more through Girl Scouts of the USA Global Girl Scouting.
6. Learn about, plan, and participate in a celebration for World Thinking Day.
7. Learn the symbolism behind the World Trefoil and the World Flag.
8. Exchange postcards with Girl Guides from the country of your choice.
9. Not all WAGGGS countries use Daisy, Brownie, Junior, etc. to name their age levels. Find out what your age group would be called in at least five other countries. At least three should be different than what we use in the USA.
10. Girl Scouting in the USA began on March 12, 1912. Find out when another WAGGGS country celebrates its founding.