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**Girl Scout Holiday Luncheon  
Saturday, December 10, 11:30 a.m.  
Illinois Machine Shed**

**7475 East State Street, Rockford**

Girl Scout alumnae, ages 18 and older, are invited to attend a holiday luncheon where the featured speaker will be Nancy Hanewall Stacy, former Girl Scout and local author.

**MAKE NEWS FRIENDS AND KEEP THE OLD AT  
GIRL SCOUT HOLIDAY LUNCHEON**

*Rockford* –Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois' (GSNI) Alumnae Association will host a holiday luncheon for all Girl Scout alumnae, ages 18 and older, Saturday, December 10, beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Illinois Machine Shed, 7475 East State Street in Rockford.

Featured speaker will be Nancy Hanewall Stacy, former Girl Scout and local author of *Susan M'Gusan—The Girl of My Choosin'*. There will also be an information session on local events and programs planned to celebrate the Girl Scout 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2012. Registration is free; attendees will order meals individually off the menu. Register by December 7 by contacting Bernice Corey at 815-963-9851 or via e-mail at [snapshotmom@yahoo.com](mailto:snapshotmom@yahoo.com).

For more information, please contact Rose Ellen May at 815-962-5591, Ext. 7210 or e-mail [rmay@girlscoutsni.org](mailto:rmay@girlscoutsni.org). This event is one of many community gatherings GSNI will be hosting in the upcoming year as the organization gets ready to celebrate Girl Scouts' 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2012.

### **About Nancy Hanewall Stacy**

Nancy Hanewall Stacy is a former Girl Scout and local author of *Susan M'Gusan—The Girl of My Choosin'*. Born in Beloit, Wisconsin, Stacy is a long time resident of Rockford, Illinois. She is a former nurse and graduate of the SwedishAmerican School of Nursing. Stacy has been married to husband Charles for over 40 years and recently retired from Midway Village Museum to spend time with her family. She has also helped Cherry Valley Library promote *How Families Pass Down Stories* and chaired a class at Rock Valley College Center for Learning and Retirement.

### **About The Girl Scout Alumnae Association**

Were you a Girl Scout? Do you know someone who was a Girl Scout? Since 1912, nearly 50 million women across the country have been Girl Scouts. Whether you are actively involved with Girl Scouts or whether your daughter is now a Girl Scout, you can stay connected to the Girl Scout Movement as alumnae. What better time to reconnect than now, during the Girl Scout 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Register for free online and help us celebrate at [www.girlscoutsni.org/alumnae.html](http://www.girlscoutsni.org/alumnae.html).

An alumna is a woman who was a Girl Scout in any area of the country, for any length of time, at any level from—from Girl Scout Daisies through Ambassadors—and all former staff, Board members, volunteers—both men and women.

### **About Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois**

Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois serves nearly 20,000 girls and 6,000 adult volunteers in parts or all of Boone, Carroll, Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kendall, Lake, LaSalle, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside, and Winnebago counties.

Through the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, girls in grades K through 12 are engaged in discovering themselves, connecting with others, and taking action to make the world a better place. Girls develop leadership potential by participating in age-appropriate activities that enable them to discover their values, skills, and the world around them. Activities in science and technology, business and economic literacy, and

outdoor and environmental awareness provide girls with opportunities for fun and friendship while fostering the development of leadership skills and self-esteem.

For more information on our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities, or how to join, volunteer, reconnect or donate to Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois, visit [www.girlscoutsni.org](http://www.girlscoutsni.org) or call 1-800-242-5591, Ext. 7210.

### **About Girl Scouts of the USA**

Founded in 1912, Girl Scouts of the USA is the preeminent leadership development organization for girls with 3.4 million girl and adult members nationwide. Through membership in the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), Girl Scouts is part of a worldwide family of 10 million girls and adults in 45 countries. Girl Scouting is the leading authority on girls' healthy development and builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. The organization serves girls from every corner of the United States and its territories. Girl Scouts of the USA also serves American girls and their classmates attending American or international schools overseas in 90 countries.