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Welcome Letter

Hello!

Thank you for registering for Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois' very first virtual Annual Meeting! We're so glad you're going to join us! Please know—we miss seeing your faces and giving hugs and high-fives for everything you've done—and continue to do—to keep our Girl Scout community strong and active in these unprecedented times. We are already looking forward to next year when we can all celebrate in person!

Thank you for celebrating GSNI's accomplishments over the past year! We are so proud of our amazing Girl Scouts, volunteers, and families who are demonstrating the true Girl Scout spirit in this new reality!

Let us take a moment and officially recognize our graduating and Gold Award Girl Scouts who are showing us all how to be people of courage, confidence, and character. These girls have bravely faced one of the most challenging moments in our Movement's history and have responded with caring for their communities, innovating solutions, and putting all they've learned in Girl Scouts to the test! They have kept their Girl Scout Promise, and we salute them!

We also deeply appreciate our volunteers who continue to make a significant difference in the lives of our girls, adults, staff, Board of Directors, and National Council Delegates. Our volunteers give more than just their time. They graciously share their knowledge, talent, and passion. The Girl Scout Movement would not exist without exceptional volunteers, and GSNI volunteers are simply the best. Thank you for giving the gift of yourself to Girl Scouts!

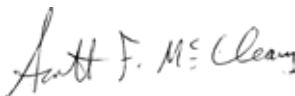
We want to thank our Girl Scout families and donors who support our girls in everything they do. Thanks to you, Girl Scouts have a space all their own, where their interests, their experiences, and their leadership is the top priority! None of this is possible without the support of loving families and generous donors. We applaud your efforts in speaking up for the girls in our community!

As we march forward into 2020, we are excited to stand with you in empowering the leaders of tomorrow through the Girl Scout Leadership Experience!

Warmest Regards,



Fiona Cummings
GSNI Chief Executive Officer



Scott McCleary
GSNI Board Chair

Community Partner Awards

Gideon Court Apartments

Charise Jones

Midway Village & Museum Center

Laura Furman

Ontarioville Elementary School

Dr. Ma

St. Peter United Church of Christ

Pastor Ruth Farrell

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Father Ryan

The Chapel

Tammy Chapman

VFW Post 1461—Belvidere

Sheila Gonzales

Resthave Care & Rehabilitation

Service Unit Goals

The following GSNi service units met or exceeded one or more of the following goals: Girl Membership, Adult Membership, Fall Product Program, or Girl Scout Cookie Program in 2018! Girl Scouts are great at setting goals and achieving them, and these service units are an example to today's girls in high achievement. They continue to enable more girls to have access to the Girl Scout Leadership Experience through their efforts. Congratulations!

Girl Membership

Batavia	Quapaw
Lee	Stephenson
Potawatomi	Vega

Adult Membership

Aurora	Broken Arrow
Carroll	Gemini
Pleiades	Trefoil

Girl and Adult Membership

Apache	Arapaho
Blackhawk	Cheyenne
Chippewa	Doubletree
Genesis	Geneva
Kaskaskia	Lake Zurich
Menominee	Park North Stateline
Southern Ogle	Spring River
Whiteside	WinDuPec

Fall Product Program Goals

Apache	Batavia
Jo Daviess	Lake Zurich
Lee	Park North Stateline
Quapaw	Southern Ogle
Spring River	Stephenson
Whiteside	WinDuPec
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Girl Scout Cookie Program Goals

Arapaho	Kaskaskia
Lake Zurich	Menominee
Potawatomi	Southern Ogle
Spring River	Stephenson
Whiteside	WinDuPec



GSUSA National Girl Scout Historian Pin

To receive the GSUSA National Girl Scout Historian Pin, volunteers must serve as an active member on their council's Historian Committee.

Peggy Bartelt

Louise Glon



Volunteer of Excellence

The Volunteer of Excellence Award recognizes those volunteers who have contributed outstanding service while partnering directly with girls in any pathway to implement the Girl Scout Leadership Experience through use of the national program portfolio, or who have contributed outstanding service in support of the council's mission delivery to girl and adult members.

Apache

Sundra Arroyo-Reyes
Paula Blonski
Andrew Sampson

Batavia

Angelina Corley
Maureen Mrenna
Mandy Stutenberg

Arapaho

Brenda Gerstad

Blackhawk

Sheri Bovinette
Lynore Brusko
Melissa Demarco

Aurora

Sabrina Ortlieb

Aztec

Kristi Dykstra

Boone

Esmeralda Avila
Alexandria Delgadillo
Sherry Schmidt

Barrington

Rebecca Cheeseman

Broken Arrow

Ron Hosick

Carroll

Debbie Mann

Creekview

Angela Schmidt

Marilyn Hartzog

Double Tree

Tracy Hooper

Gemini

Chrissy Weihofen

Genesis

Beth Bustard

Geneva

Amy Rudigier

Jo Daviess

Kendra Golden

Lake Zurich

Amanda Santoro

Lee

Erin Odle

Menominee

Colleen Kacinski

Magen Robison

Northern Ogle

Kayli Forrest

Park North Stateline

Jennifer Archer

Charles Tolle

Southeast Valley

Lyndsey Olden

Spring River

Carolyn Compton

Denise Ethun

Olivia Pettit

Stephenson

Amber Dunn

Lauren Koch

Jacqueline Lincoln

Cheryl Paul

Vega

Sarah Unold

Whiteside

Cathy Shipp

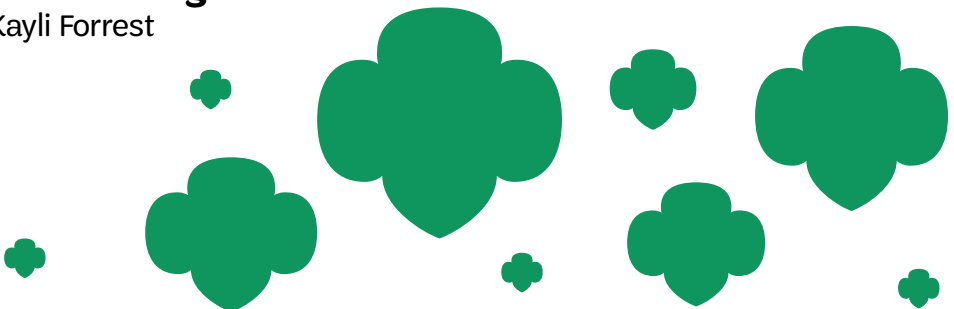
WinDuPec

Bethany Knight

April Pearson

Winnebago

Cristy Guse





Appreciation Pin

The Appreciation Pin recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience. This service which has had measurable impact on one geographic area of service, helps reach and surpass the mission-delivery goals of the area.

Aurora

Mary Garza

Batavia

Luann DeGreve
Kathy Kuchta
Jody Zimmeroff

Blackhawk

Christine Seibert
Emily Varsho

Boone

Jeanine Hadley

Broken Arrow

Ericha Lilly-Hosick
Corrine Maurer

Double Tree

Tammy O'Neil

Chippewa

Laura Porter
Betty Szwankowski

Geneva

Shannon Baird
Becky Knol
Windy Tamplin

Kaskaskia

Holly Lippold

Lake Zurich

Brooke Cheek
Jennifer Edwards-Amberg
Mandy Morris
Jennifer Rattie
Laura Rogers
Whitney Smith

Lee

Jena White
Cheri Wickert

Park North Stateline

Nathan Berry

Pleiades

Denise Busboom

Potawatomi

Janey Welch

Pottowatomie

Lori Bingham
Jane Keene
Andrea Kruk
Megan Maple

Quapaw

Krystle Keblusek

Southeast Valley

Anne Wikerson

Southern Ogle

Mindy Brewington
Jennifer Robinson
Marge Smith
Kimberly Suslek

Spring River

Jessica Glawe

Stephenson

Stephanie Coon
Cindy Hawkins

Wanauka

Sandy Abbott

Whiteside

Brenda Bryant
Stephanie Olivas

WinDuPec

Heidi Kuhls
Melissa Larson
Beth Melancen
Kelly Nestler

Wynonwy

Joslyn Gould
Colleen Rittmeyer



Honor Pin

The Honor Pin recognizes an individual's exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience, which has had measurable impact on two or more geographic areas of service, allowing the council to reach and surpass its mission-delivery goals.

Apache

Michelle Rossi

Blackhawk

Shannon Sullivan

Boone

Patti Potempa

Park North Stateline

Erin Berry
Shelley Vandervort

Spring River

Tiffany Mlsna

Whiteside

Hillary Blevins





President's Award

The President's Award recognizes the efforts of a service-delivery team or committee whose exemplary service in support of delivering the Girl Scout Leadership Experience surpassed team goals and resulted in significant, measurable impact toward reaching the council's overall goals.

Boone Planetfest Committee

Melissa Michelsen, Tiffany Rakauskas, Carrie Tillman, and Diana Ward

Kaskaskia Service Unit Team

Joan Dennis, Holly Lippold, Brianna MacMullen, and Lori Ortman

Lake Zurich Day Camp Committee

Cindy Barnett, Angela Bayne, Riley Danca, Melissa Dominguez, Jennifer Edwards-Amberg, Justin Embree, Sara Guarisco, Nicole Higgins, Rita Homuth, Gina Kirschenbaum, Mandy Morris, Gilli Rattie, Jen Rattie, Laura Rogers, Linda Schoenwald, and Susan Sprau

Northern Ogle Service Unit Team

Rebeka Bauer, Kalie Boney, Michelle Byerley, Kayli Forrest, Amanda Miller, Jennifer Shepeck, Cathy Rakowski, and Angie Rankin

Osceola Events Committee

Elizabeth Dixon, Jessica Hodge, Lori Mobley, Jenny Tackett-Irwin, and Sue Zimmerman

Spring River Journey in a Day Committee

Marge Blake, Jessica Glawe, Tiffany Mlsna, Olivia Pettit, and Dawn Taylor

Stephenson Service Unit Camporee Committee

Annette Happ, Cindy Hawkins, Sabrina Lewis Barb Lutz, Kelly Miller, Cheryl Paul, Garilynn Reed, and Rebecca Spindler

Whiteside Service Unit Team

Hillary Blevins, Sandy Gabriel, Dana Grant, Stephanie Olivas, Kris Sands, and Cathy Shipp



Thanks Badge

The Thanks Badge honors an individual whose ongoing commitment, leadership and service have had an exceptional, measurable impact on meeting the mission-delivery goals and priorities of the entire council or the entire Girl Scout Movement.

Marge Blake

Linda Strohschein



Hall of Fame Award

The Hall of Fame Award recognizes a lifetime commitment to the Girl Scout Movement within Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois. The recipient has supported GSNI in a variety of ways including advocating for Girl Scouts in the community, volunteering in a variety of roles and financially supporting GSNI. The Hall of Fame Award can be given posthumously.

Barb Lutz
Betsy Papp

Mary Lamp* (posthumous)

* Sadly, Mary passed away in December of 2019. She was a member of the Girl Scout Movement for 59 years.

Membership Milestones

5 Years

Amy Anderson
Stacy Glatt
Joslyn Gould
Melissa Michelsen
Tiffany Rakauskas

15 Years

Jaciee Buckner
Kim French

20 Years

Scott McCleary

25 Years

Cathy Johnston
Gina Wynn

30 Years

Jill Wesolowicz
Jennifer Whitson

35 Years

Barbara Lutz



Juliette Gordon Low Society

The Juliette Gordon Low Society was established to thank and honor friends of Girl Scouting who choose to make Girl Scouts part of their legacies and a beneficiary of their estate plans. Juliette Gordon Low Society members receive an exclusive membership lapel pin.

Donna Bausman
Terry Bausman

Betsy Scott
Norm Scott



Honor Troop

The Honor Troop guidelines provide troops—girls and leaders—with a roadmap for the Girl Scout year. Following this roadmap leads to an exceptional experience and sets troops up for success!

Troop 3, *Elgin*

Troop 31, *Pecatonica*

Troop 33, *Sycamore*

Troop 82, *Sycamore*

Troop 85, *Byron*

Troop 96, *Holiday Hills*

Troop 129, *McHenry*

Troop 130, *Roscoe*

Troop 150, *Rock Falls*

Troop 166, *Lake Zurich*

Troop 191, *Belvidere*

Troop 215, *Winnebago*

Troop 272, *McHenry*

Troop 325, *Malta*

Troop 353, *Sycamore*

Troop 519, *Crystal Lake*

Troop 633, *Freeport*

Troop 682, *Winnebago*

Troop 790, *Aurora*

Troop 877, *Pecatonica*

Troop 915, *Cary*

Troop 934, *Algonquin*

Troop 968, *Cary*

Troop 1039, *Bartlett*

Troop 1063, *Island Lake*

Troop 1074, *Cary*

Troop 1092, *Forreston*

Troop 1189, *Freeport*

Troop 1228, *Cary*

Troop 1260, *Belvidere*

Troop 1297, *Dekalb*

Troop 1314, *Byron*

Troop 1384, *Geneva*

Troop 1409, *Lake Zurich*

Troop 1450, *Wasco*

Troop 1453, *Barrington*

Troop 1491, *Hampshire*

Troop 1503, *Sterling*

Troop 1504, *Morrison*
Troop 1593, *Spring Grove*
Troop 1714, *Johnsburg*
Troop 1728, *Lake Zurich*
Troop 1743, *Saint Charles*
Troop 1873, *Barrington*
Troop 1879, *Byron*
Troop 1893, *Lake Zurich*
Troop 1897, *Lake Zurich*
Troop 1906, *Hawthorn Woods*
Troop 1907, *Cary*
Troop 1909, *McHenry*
Troop 1930, *Lake Zurich*
Troop 1951, *Fox River Grove*
Troop 1955, *South Elgin*
Troop 1970, *Algonquin*
Troop 2136, *Pecatonica*
Troop 2139, *Dakota*
Troop 2153, *Scales Mound*
Troop 2156, *Stillman Valley*
Troop 2157, *Bryon*
Troop 2160, *Pecatonica*
Troop 2171, *Prophetstown*
Troop 2178, *Shannon*

Troop 2182, *Amboy*
Troop 2189, *Dixon*
Troop 2219, *Roscoe*
Troop 2228, *Belvidere*
Troop 2244, *Belvidere*
Troop 2334, *Cary*
Troop 2335, *Island Lake*
Troop 2337, *McHenry*
Troop 2340, *Lake in the Hills*
Troop 2348, *Sleepy Hollow*
Troop 2359, *Bryon*
Troop 2360, *Bryon*
Troop 2374, *Wauconda*
Troop 3010, *Pecatonica*
Troop 3032, *Roscoe*
Troop 3127, *Loves Park*
Troop 4221, *Oswego*
Troop 4785, *Montgomery*
Troop 5076, *Warren*
Troop 5146, *Rock City*
Troop 5250, *Sterling*
Troop 5352, *Lena*
Troop 5410, *Orangeville*

GSNI Scholarship Recipients

Each year through an application and interview process, GSNI awards scholarships to registered, graduating Girl Scouts who have been actively involved in Girl Scouting during their high school years. These girls have committed to furthering their education, demonstrated their understanding of the Girl Scout Promise and Law, and live by those values. Thanks to generous donors for providing GSNI's 2020 Scholarships, especially Ship 100 in honor of long-time troop leaders Marlene Thompson and Sally Koepsell.

GSNI Ambassador Scholarships

Elizabeth Montano, *Montgomery*

Elise-Marie White, *Woodstock*

GSNI Gold Award Scholarships

Maya Acevedo, *West Dundee*

Maria Beke, *Cherry Valley*

Elizanne Lewis Gold Award Scholarship

Tristan Keene, *West Chicago*

Marlene Thompson Memorial Scholarship

Audrey Pack, *Aurora*

Highest Awards

The Girl Scout Gold Award represents the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. It recognizes girls in grade 9–12 who demonstrated extraordinary leadership through sustainable and measurable Take Actions projects. Since 1916, girls have answered the call to Go Gold, an act that indelibly marks them as accomplished members of their communities and the world!

We are proud to present this year's Gold Award Girl Scouts!



Maya Acevedo, *Ping Pong Club*

West Dundee, Broken Arrow Service Unit

Angela Becker, *Care Packages for Children in Crisis*

Crystal Lake, Chippewa Service Unit

Gabrielle Brewer, *Counter-fit*

Poplar Grove, Park North Stateline Service Unit

Paige Bowman, *Harvesting for Monarch Butterfly Way Stations*
Barrington, Barrington Service Unit

Abigail Culloton, *Going Green: Recycling at South Elgin High School*
Bartlett, Cheyenne Service Unit

Katrina Hammond, *Dual Language Game Nights and Resources*
St. Charles, Blackhawk Service Unit

Brittney Hull, *Pollinator Garden*
Bartlett, Cheyenne Service Unit

Tristan Keene, *Saving the Satos*
West Chicago, Blackhawk Service Unit

Brigid Millette, *Stress Relief Kits*
Campton Hills, Blackhawk Service Unit

Elizabeth Montano, *Taste of Yorkville*
Montgomery, Genesis Service Unit

Audrey Pack, *Inclusive Robotics Club*
Aurora, Blackhawk Service Unit

Victoria Rebbeck, *Science Class in a Box*
Lake Barrington, Barrington Service Unit

Molly Rimm, *FISH for our Furry Friends*
West Dundee, Broken Arrow Service Unit

Raquel Roth, *Adventures with Alopecia*
Montgomery, Aurora Service Unit

Lore Ann Sprouse, *Pollinator Garden at the Beach*
Algonquin, Osceola Service Unit

Shelby Steichen, *Caring Closet*
Hampshire, Apache Service Unit

Graduating Girl Scouts

GSNI is happy to present our graduating calls of Girl Scout Ambassadors. Congratulations to each girl! May you take your Girl Scout experience with you wherever you go!

Maya Acevedo, *West Dundee*

Melody Ayala, *Woodstock*

Ayana Baker, *Rockford*

Ocean Barkstrom, *Barrington*

Shannon Blonski, *Elgin*

Camryn Boyd, *Woodstock*

Kelly Brucker, *Lakewood*

Alexis Bueno, *Fulton*

Ashley Butts, *Algonquin*

Samantha Caridei, *Algonquin*

Amanda Caridei, *Algonquin*

Madeline Case, *Deer Park*

Sydney Clark, *Sycamore*

Olivia Cloat, *Sycamore*

Ana Corcoran, *Elgin*

Katie Cotto, *Aurora*

Abigail Covert, *Huntley*

Savannah Cravatta, *Genoa*

Cassidy Cwiertnia, *Lake Zurich*

Ava Dahnke, *Barrington*

Claire Dancey, *Sycamore*

Daryn Davis, *Huntley*

Brianna Delatorre, *Aurora*

Frankie Delisle, *Crystal Lake*

Barbra Eberley, *Shirland*

Elizabeth Engelkens, *Sterling*

Ashley Faustrum, *Lake in the Hills*

Danielle Felker, *South Elgin*

Addison Fielding, *Rockford*

Aisling Finnegan, *Inverness*

Raven Gouldsberry, *Dixon*

Victoria Gramme, *Montgomery*

Jordyn Guse, *Marengo*

Katrina Hammond, *Saint Charles*

Chloe Hardy, *Sycamore*

Martha Harris, *Sycamore*

Ashley Hernandez, *Loves Park*

Madison Hicks, *Rockford*

Mackenzie Hicks, *Rockford*

Emily Hinrichs, *Thomson*

Hanna Hissa, *Lake Barrington*

Hailey Hurkmans, *Rockford*

Alexis Jones, *Sycamore*

Delaney Jones, *Sycamore*

Kaitlyn Juneau, *Hinckley*

Tristan Keene, *West Chicago*

Jacalyn Kenney, *Sycamore*

Lauren Kolasinski, *Tower Lake*

Laura Krambeer, *Elgin*

Stephanie Marin, *Cary*

Charlotte McCoy, *Dixon*

Katherine McDaniel, *Crystal Lake*

Elizabeth Montano, *Montgomery*

Alyssa Morley, *Dixon*

Chloe Nestler, *Pecatonica*

Hannelore Nestler, *Spring Grove*

Mallory Newberry, *Sterling*

Sydney Niese, *Wonder Lake*

Mckenna O'Donnell, *South Elgin*

Emily O'Donoghue, *Barrington*

Vanessa Olandese, *Woodstock*

Kristen Ortman, *Kirkland*

Emily Ostrowski, *Algonquin*

Alyssa Overlin, *Aurora*

Audrey Pack, *Aurora*

Sierra Paul, *Saint Charles*

Julia Perrone, *Lake in the Hills*

Jaclyn Plutz, *Kingston*

Sarah Pottorff, *West Dundee*

Yasmin Puga, *Montgomery*

Jordan Rankin, *Davis Junction*

Victoria Rebbeck, *Lake Barrington*

Adriana Rosado, *Rockford*

Payton Runyan, *Sugar Grove*

Charlotte Salis, *Clare*

Kathryn Sample, *Elgin*

Megan Schave, *Chadwick*

Torrance Sharp, *Sycamore*

Ava Shaw, *Dixon*

Morgan Siers, *Genoa*

Ava Simons, *Marengo*

Sabrina Slaughter, *Leland*

Abby So, *South Barrington*

Zosia Stawiarska, *Carpentersville*

Shelby Szwankowski, *Crystal Lake*

Annastasia Timmer, *Baileyville*

Alison Tooke, *Wonder Lake*

Hannah Underhill, *Rockford*

Harlequin Walton, *Aurora*

Shannon Weir, *Rock Falls*

Marie White, *Woodstock*



Counselor in Training I (CIT I)

The following GSNI Girl Scouts have earned the CIT I Award. The CIT I Award requires completion of a council-designed leadership course.

Molly Anderson

Lauren Arel

Reese Auble

Alaina Bognetti

Alyssa Bognetti

Journey Broadbent

Abigail Carpenter

Karalyn Folwer

Kendel Graham

Megan Grobe

Sarah Huck

Emma Johnsen

Katie Johnsen

Anna Kimble

Jane Klein

Elizabeth Kuhn

Kate Lindsay

Ella Lutzenkirchen

Allison Mersman

Danielle Robles

Irene Robles

Angelina Toto

Ariana Wade

Counselor in Training II (CIT II)

The following GSNI Girl Scouts have earned the CIT II Award. The CIT II Award requires completion of a council-designed leadership course.

Zoe Blazier

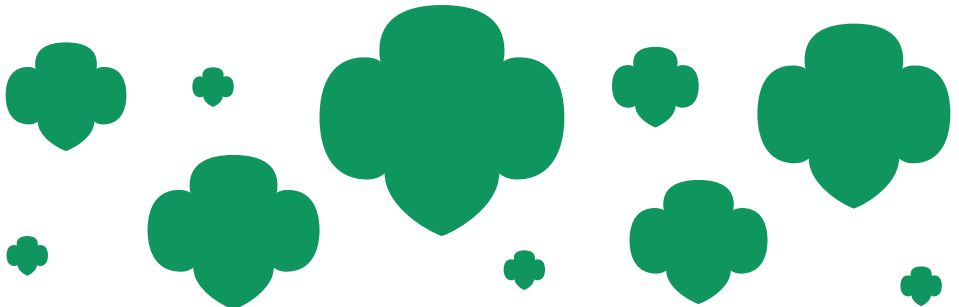
Hailey Bullamore

Lauren Pomeroy

Samantha Thaller

Kaylee Witte

Deborah Zimmerman



Thank You!

Congratulations to all of our Girl Scout award recipients! Thank you for all you do!

Thank you to those who recognized how amazing these volunteers are!

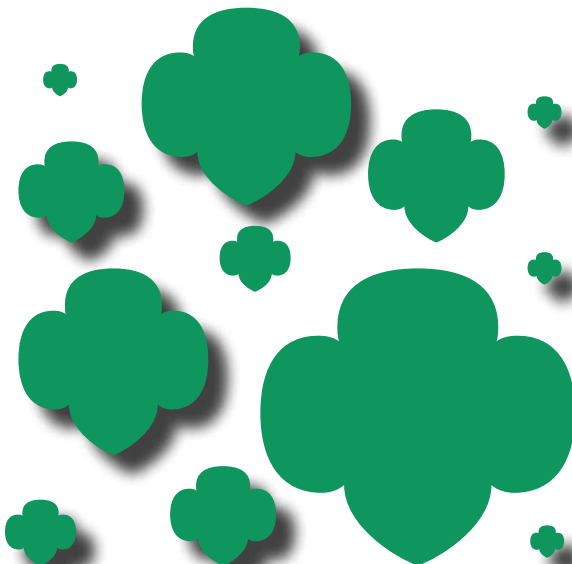
Let's continue to grow in Girl Scouting!

Recognition Committee

Thank you to GSNI's Recognition Committee for their dedication to appreciation GSNI volunteers every year!

Marge Blake
Brooke Cheek
Louise Glon
Annette Happ
Maureen Mosca

Tiffany Mlsna
Patricia Potempa
Sue Reimer
Lana Wroten



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