



GIRL SCOUT **GOLD AWARD** CEREMONY 2020

*May 2021
Camp Laughing Waters
& Virtual Celebration*

WHO WE ARE

We are the Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania (GSEP), and we believe every girl has the power to make the world a better place.

With support from more than 15,000 dedicated volunteers, parents, and community partners, GSEP delivers the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to close to 40,000 girls in nine counties across Eastern Pennsylvania: Berks, Bucks, Carbon, Chester, Delaware, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, and Philadelphia.

The Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be
Honest and fair,
Friendly and helpful,
Considerate and caring,
Courageous and strong, and
Responsible for what I say and do,
and to
Respect myself and others,
Respect authority,
Use resources wisely,
Make the world a better place, and
Be a sister to every Girl Scout.





The Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage,
confidence, and character, who make
the world a better place.

The Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try
To serve God and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

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To Gold Award Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania:

Congratulations on earning your Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting!

From the moment you received your very first Girl Scout badge you embarked on a journey that has led you to achieving your Gold Award today. Your Girl Scout memories and experiences throughout the years, and especially those challenging times along the way have shaped you into the amazing young woman that stands before us ready to change the world. This is your shining moment!

While this was a year of extreme change and uncertainty, you believed in your own power and your voice to persevere through it all, demonstrating the five leadership outcomes: developing a strong sense of self, displaying positive values, seeking challenges, forming healthy relationships, and becoming community problem solvers. You now join an elite group of dreamers and doers eager to become the next generation of remarkable leaders standing up for what is right and fulfilling your Girl Scout promise of making the world a better place.

As we applaud your commitment in transforming your vision for change into a lasting impact on your community, we must also thank those that have helped pave the way for you on your journey. We are forever grateful for your parents, guardians, family members, volunteers, mentors, and sister Girl Scouts who have encouraged you in achieving your Gold Award, especially during this incredibly challenging year. Your achievement is a testament to their dedication in helping guide you, and all Girl Scouts, on the path to a lifetime of leadership.

You have shown us what true leadership is, and by embracing a culture of empathy, self-discovery, and character building, you hold within you the spark necessary to create the change you want to see in the world, and the change the world needs.

We proudly join all Girl Scouts in honoring you, our 80 Gold Award Girl Scouts as our ambassadors of courage, confidence, and character who have already made our world a better place.

Shine bright Girl Scouts!
You've got this!

Yours in Girl Scouting,



Deborah Hassan
Board Chair



Kim E. Fraites-Dow
Chief Executive Officer



GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD CEREMONY

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Debbie Hassan

Board Chair

Closing Ceremony



Today's Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony honors girls who have earned their Gold Award between October 1, 2019 - December 31, 2020.

KEYNOTE BIO



Dona File, M.S.

Corporate Safety Director

L.F. Driscoll

Dona File has been a union carpenter for 40 years, working for the L.F. Driscoll Company since 1987 and as Corporate Safety Director for LFD since 1992. In her tenure, she has developed and sustained three OSHA Voluntary Protection Program jobsites and six OSHA Partnership sites. She has been the champion of LFD's behavior-based safety culture known as Safety 360.

In her career, she has served on several ANSI committees and assisted in writing chapters in the pre-eminent book on fall protection: 4th edition of Introduction to Fall Protection, by Nigel Ellis, Ph.D.

Dona is the Founder and first ten-year President of the Mid-Atlantic Construction Safety Council, which started with 3 members and now touts over 203! She is an American Society of Healthcare Engineers Certified Healthcare Constructor, Curriculum Director of LFD 30 Hour Healthcare Construction Course and OSHA 30 Hour Construction Instructor.

Dona is the recipient of OSHA's Region III Coin for Safety Achievement, Commitment and Professionalism.

Dona obtained her associate degree in Construction from Spring Garden College, her undergraduate degree in Sociology from Slippery Rock State College (now University), and her graduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania in Organizational Dynamics.

Dona was a Girl Scout, starting as a Brownie. She continued on through Seniors and Campus Girl Scouts, earning her First Class, now known as the Gold Award. In 2005, Dona was recruited to serve on the Girl Scouts of Philadelphia Property Committee. As the Councils merged, Dona stayed on the Property Committee, assisting in selecting the Owner's Representative, Architectural Firm and Contractors for the Camp Development phase. In 2013, Dona became a Board Member of GSEP.

GIRL SCOUT CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY

I challenge you, today’s Gold Award Girl Scouts, to accept this award in the spirit in which it is given to you. Know that this award comes with responsibility. As you enter this community of esteemed women, know that you are regarded with honor and respect. Live worthy of this by living the Girl Scout Law.

I challenge you to remain honest and fair in all your dealings in this world. Never give less than your very best. Always remain true to yourself. Always guard your honor.

I challenge you to be friendly and helpful to everyone you meet as you go through life. Celebrate the diversity of your fellow human beings. Give service freely, expecting nothing in return.

I challenge you to be considerate and caring. Always be mindful of those in need, and the feelings of others. Treat others as you would like to be treated.

I challenge you to be courageous and strong in all you do. Stand strong in the face of adversity and share your courage with those around you, especially those smaller and weaker than you.

I challenge you to be responsible for what you say and do. Think before you speak and act.

I challenge you to respect yourself, so you may respect others. Continually strive to improve your mind, body and spirit.

I challenge you to respect authority. Follow the laws of your country and nature. Remember that freedom is not free.

I challenge you to use resources wisely. Use your talents to better the world, and to protect our planet. Seek out the beauty that is all around you.

I challenge you to make this world a better place. By your words, actions, and deeds you can make a difference.

I challenge you to be a sister to every Girl Scout. Help younger Girl Scouts to reach the top as you have. Do your best to give back to Girl Scouting, that which has been given to you, and a little more.



EMCEE BIO



Eve Austin
Gold Award Girl Scout
Trifecta Award Girl Scout and Lifetime Member

Eve joined Girl Scouts as a Daisy and is now an active adult volunteer and a proud lifetime member. During her time in college, Eve worked as a National Volunteer Partner with Girl Scouts of the USA and traveled weekly to National Headquarters to assist the Girl Experience Team with their highest awards initiatives. As a girl, Eve earned her Bronze, Silver, and Gold Awards.

For her Bronze Award, Eve organized a mitten and glove drive at her church to donate to the Keystone Opportunity Center for families in need. To earn her Silver Award and utilize her skills in the performing arts, Eve, along with another member of her troop blocked, filmed, edited, and published a series of videos to help children with developmental delays learn “action” words. For her Gold Award, Eve created a breast cancer and skin cancer curriculum for her high school’s health class.

Eve is a 2020 graduate of St. John’s University in Queens, New York where she studied Public Service and Public Administration with a minor in Business. During her time in college, Eve interned with the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs, Defenders of Wildlife – Alaska, and Resilient Sydney. Eve is a fellow of the Watson Foundation’s Jeanette K. Watson Fellowship and a member of St. John’s University Skull and Circle Honor Society. She is presently working for Defenders of Wildlife on imperiled and endangered species conservation. In the fall, Eve will attend The University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law to study environmental law.

THE GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. Someone once described the Gold Award as being, “what you really want to be remembered for” in Girl Scouting. For many girls, the leadership skills, organizational skills, and sense of community and commitment that comes from earning the Gold Award cements the foundation for a lifetime of active citizenship and volunteerism.

Girl Scout Gold Award Guidelines

Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors, or girls in grades 9-12, may work on the Girl Scout Gold Award. There are two options for completing the award prerequisites:

1. If she has earned the Girl Scout Silver Award, she completes one Journey at the Senior or Ambassador level.
2. If she has not earned the Girl Scout Silver Award, she completes two Journeys at the Senior or Ambassador level.

The Gold Award Take Action Project

- The project must meet an expressed community need.
- The project must be something the girl has never done before.
- The project must take a minimum of 80 hours to complete, including planning, implementing, and evaluating.
- The project must have a sustainable impact, lasting beyond the girl’s involvement.
- The project must reflect a level of work that is appropriate for the girl, challenging her to stretch herself.

Girl Scouts who earn the Gold Award are recognized not only by Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. and their council, but also by the president and congress of the United States of America, the U.S. Armed Services, state legislatures, institutions of higher learning, and the American Legion. Approximately five percent of Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts earn the Girl Scout Gold Award nationally.

TRIFECTA AWARD

Bronze. Silver. Gold. These represent the highest honors a Girl Scout can earn.

The Trifecta Award honors girls who have earned all three of these awards. Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania would like to congratulate all the Gold Award Girl Scouts who have earned the Trifecta Award.

GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA’S 2020 GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUTS

Samantha Alfieri	Saakshi Girotra	Brooke Labenberg	Emily Rakos
Alex Aufiero	Caitlyn Goldberg	Gianna Lagomarsino	Bianca Reno
Sanchita Bhusari	Rachel Gordon	Sophia Laurence	Ashley Richards
Madeline Billet	Jessica Hall	Eva Li	Mackenzie Rosin
Alexis Booz	Jamie Hallinan	Kirsten Littrell	Skye Scarlett
Cydney Brown	Delaney Hampton	Keaira Lutz	Kaylei Schneider
Victoria Brown	Mikayla Havers	Sydney Machion	Alessandra Scipioni
Corrin Buczacki	Elizabeth Heinz	Gabrielle Martin	Emily Simkovich
Grace Burke	Victoria Hermann	Jessica McCurry	Valentina Sousa
Kelly Carbone	Erin Horack	Madison McKeon	Devyn Stek
Sammi Ciommo	Courtney Horn	Jessica McNeely	Josie Stephens
Gina Coccia	Nicole Huggins	Kaitlyn Mericle	Hannah Thomson
Audrey Craig	Elizabeth John	Alyssa Michel	Katherine Thorpe
Margaret Dempsey	Amanda Kaczmarczyk	Alicia Morgan	Caela Tobin
Madison DePietto	Ayanna Kakar	Amanda Nichter	Brenna Veitz
Gabriella Di Nardo	Kaitlyn Kaulback	Rachel Omlor	Paige Weitzel
Mariel DiNatale	Sarah Kolasa	Titiksha Pawar	Sereina Williams
Amanda Dodge	Elisabeth Kondisko	Jocelyn Pellegrino	Kathryn Wright
Lydia Ermer	Jenna Krauss	Larissa Pelletiers	Marley Yambor
Georgia Flego	Shelby Kreger	Trinity Pryor	Kiah Zimany

GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA’S 2020 TRIFECTA AWARD GIRL SCOUTS

Samantha Alfieri	Lydia Ermer	Shelby Kreger	Emily Rakos
Alex Aufiero	Rachel Gordon	Brooke Labenberg	Bianca Reno
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Grace Burke	Victoria Hermann	Sydney Machion	Alessandra Scipioni
Gina Coccia	Erin Horack	Jessica McCurry	Valentina Sousa
Audrey Craig	Amanda Kaczmarczyk	Madison McKeon	Devyn Stek
Madison DePietto	Ayanna Kakar	Amanda Nichter	Caela Tobin
Gabriella DiNardo	Kaitlyn Kaulback	Jocelyn Pellegrino	Kiah Zimany
Mariel DiNatale	Sarah Kolasa	Larissa Pelletiers	
Amanda Dodge	Elisabeth Kondisko	Trinity Pryor	



Samantha L. Alfieri

Easton, Northampton County
Troop 823, SU 704

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Easton Area High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to major in Civil Engineering. I am currently taking a gap year at Camp Johnsonburg to participate in leadership training and service to the community.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Community Service Bar, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Reach for the Stars

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Samantha created and provided three interactive display boards and two tactile boxes for use in the Easton Public Library's 2019 Summer Reading Program: A Universe of Stories. Samantha's goal was to engage children and youth at the library, encouraging reading and interest in both the library and the summer reading topic, space. By the end of the summer, Samantha's project was used over 3,500 times and will be donated to local schools for continued use.



Alexandra Aufiero

Chesterbrook, Chester County
Troop 456, SU 637

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Conestoga High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to work in the field of public health with a focus on healthcare, epidemiology and economics.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Cadette Journey Summit

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: The Lacrosse Village Initiative

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Alex worked with the head lacrosse coaches from Conestoga High School, Eyekonz Sports, and The Shipley School to develop, lead, and execute an outreach program to alleviate hardships that frontline healthcare workers, the homeless community; and local families in need were facing during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. Alex's goal was to create and distribute hand sewn masks, Healthcare Appreciation Kits, Hygiene Kits, and Meal Kits throughout her local community and the Philadelphia region and to expand the Lacrosse Village to continue her work in a socially responsible manner.



Sanchita A. Bhusari

Sinking Spring, Berks County
Troop 151, SU 760

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Wilson High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend a university to pursue my bachelor's degree in Finance and Computer Science. I hope to continue my passion for academics, music, dance, and community service.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Take the Lead Presenter

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: The EcoEco System

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Sanchita created a bike attachment that tracks the distance travelled during use and communicates that data to her MyEco app, which calculates how much carbon emission is reduced. The app provides the user with useful information regarding climate change to make our community more aware of this issue. After certain levels of activity are reached, rewards intended to promote local businesses can be achieved. Sanchita's goal for this project was to influence vehicle users to reduce their usage due to an obtained environmental awareness.



Madeline Billet

Langhorne, Bucks County
Troop 2067, SU 634

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Neshaminy High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to study Environmental Policy.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Critter Containers

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Maddie constructed small animal cages for The Ark Animal Rehabilitation Center to ensure the organization had sufficient supplies for injured animals during their busy summer season. Maddie's goal was to help The Ark create a safe, healthy space for all injured wildlife who find themselves at the rehabilitation center. She successfully constructed ten critter containers that were all used this past summer.



Alexis M. Booz

Phoenixville, Chester County
Troop 4069, SU 644

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Phoenixville Area High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to have the opportunity to help people and be successful.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Leader in Action (LIA)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Bags to Mats Project

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Lexi worked with Angels in Motion to make bed mats for those affected by homelessness. Lexi's goal was to collect and recycle plastic bags to create ten bed mats. Lexi and her team collected over 5,000 bags and crocheted them into bed mats, which Angels in Motion distributed to those in need.



Cydney H. Brown

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County
Troop 91504, SU 563

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Abington Friends School

FUTURE PLANS: My career goals are to write a second book and to become a Marketing Manager.

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Project G.O.O.D.

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Cydney worked with local middle and high school girls to educate them on self-love, positive body image, and the differences between healthy and toxic relationships. Cydney's goal was to create a space where girls learned to better their well-being and talk freely about their experiences. She encouraged and taught girls to care more about their mental health and support each other, especially during the pandemic.



Victoria Brown

Brookhaven, Chester County
Troop 57083, SU 504

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Sun Valley High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to graduate from college and grad school, and work in the public health or medical field.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Book Boxes

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Victoria and her team worked together to plan and build multiple book boxes in locations throughout her community. Her goal was to make reading more accessible by providing designated places outdoors where people could have free access to books and share their own used books as well.



Corrin Buczacki

Downingtown, Chester County
Troop 4233, SU 603

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Downingtown West High School

FUTURE PLANS: My plans are to attend college.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Home Tweet Home

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Corrin worked with a local park to build and install safe habitats for birds to nest and lay their eggs. The birdhouses featured a QR code that directs visitors to a website with educational resources and instructions to build their own birdhouses. Corrin was inspired to take action because of her passion for the environment and making a difference.



Grace Burke

Yardley, Bucks County
Troop 2044, SU 624

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Pennsbury High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to earn a Doctorate in Psychology after completing a five-year master's degree program so that I can become a therapist for military active-duty members and veterans.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Service Dog Rights & Public Education

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Grace filmed, edited, and published a series of YouTube videos focused on educating the public about service dogs and advocating for both service animals' and handlers' rights. Grace's goal was to reach people globally to inform the public about how to properly identify and act around trained service animals to ensure safety for the handlers and their service animals. In these videos, she also taught the viewers about the differences between service animals, emotional support animals, and therapy animals.



Kelly Carbone

Allentown, Lehigh County
Troop 6211, SU 741

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Allentown Central Catholic High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to become a Funeral Director.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Community Service Bar

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: A New Start for the Tom Darling Preserve

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Kelly worked with the Tom Darling Preserve to remove invasive species and plant native species to attract certain insects, all towards the goal of attracting the Golden Winged Warbler to the preserve. Kelly hopes that, by creating the ideal environment for them, her project encourages the return of a threatened native bird to Pennsylvania.



Sammi Ciommo

Allentown, Lehigh County
Troop 83002, SU 741

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, William Allen High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am planning to major in biology at Kutztown University, and hopefully work as an ecologist.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Take the Lead Emcee

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Native Plant Garden

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Sammi worked to create a native plant garden that was both functional in the environment and enjoyable for those involved in CMS. Sammi was inspired to take action because she recognizes how important the health of Pennsylvania's ecosystems are to our communities and the world overall.



Gina Coccia

Birdsboro, Berks County
Troop 1491, SU 766

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Berks Catholic High School

FUTURE PLANS: I will be attending Lebanon Valley College to study in the five-year speech-language pathology program. I hope to then graduate, get a good job, and someday have a family of my own!

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Community Service Bar, The Silver Torch Award, The Silver and Gold Torch Award, The Gold Torch Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Finding Comfort in an Unlikely Place

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Gina painted inspirational and motivational sayings on the bathroom stall doors at her local grade school, LaSalle Academy. She also made posters for each classroom with different quotes that were geared towards the specific age groups. She and her team created a video presentation and partnered with the RUOK foundation to get the full message across. Gina wanted to help kids from grades K-8 feel loved and know that they are not alone.



Audrey Craig
Coopersburg, Bucks County
Troop 258, SU 618

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Palisades High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to graduate college with a STEM degree and have a job in the outdoors or in National Security.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Program Aide, Counselor in Training (CIT), Counselor in Training II (CIT II)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: OE Education

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Audrey worked to create an outdoor environmental education curriculum for elementary schoolers, focusing on subjects many students do not have the opportunity to learn about until middle or high school. Audrey's goal was to improve access and positive interactions with outdoor environmental education material by providing accessible, easy to implement lessons for educators. Through this, she hoped to improve students' confidence in the outdoors, as well as in their other core school subjects.



Margaret Dempsey
Chadds Ford, Delaware County
Troop 492, SU 610

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Archmere Academy

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to study computer engineering or computer science in college.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Making Masks

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Maggie worked with her team to make over 200 masks at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. These masks were distributed to Hope Partnership for Education, a middle school located in North Philadelphia where masks were scarce. Maggie's goal was to sew easy to make, high quality masks and distribute them to people who did not have access to masks.



Madison DePietto
Holland, Bucks County
Troop 2618, SU 621

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Council Rock High School South

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to attend college as a business major.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Outdoor Fun

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Madison worked with Libertae, Inc. in Bensalem to address the issue of addiction and the need for women in Bucks County to have a safe place while in recovery from substance abuse. Libertae is one of a limited number of facilities in the state of Pennsylvania that help this group of individuals and who use evidence-based, gender-informed treatment that considers the unique needs and personal history of each woman. They are unique in that they have women reside with their children while in the recovery process. Madison was inspired to take action because treatment will help empower them with the skills needed to return to the community and be healthy, productive women and moms.



Gabriella L. DiNardo
West Chester, Chester County
Troop 4191, SU 606

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Bishop Shanahan High School

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Scents-ing Love

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Gabriella worked with Lankenau Medical Center to provide fabric hearts to families whose infants are cared for in the intensive care unit. The fabric hearts help to strengthen the mother and baby's bond through their scents. The fabric heart is worn against the mother's skin to absorb the scent of the parent. Then, the heart is placed with the baby in the isolate so the mother is always with the baby. Gabriella's goal was to provide a unique and safe way for mothers to create a bond with their babies without the skin-to-skin touch.



Mariel DiNatale

West Chester, Chester County
Troop 4711, SU 610

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Unionville High School

FUTURE PLANS: I want to study international relations and art in college and work at a non-profit or charity in the future.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Creating and Distributing Reusable Masks & PPE to Local Healthcare Organizations & Essential Workers

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and shortage of personal protective equipment, Mariel decided to organize a team of volunteers to sew and distribute reusable cotton face masks to local healthcare professionals, essential workers, and community members. Mariel's goal was to address this need for reusable face masks first among healthcare workers and later the entire community.



Amanda E. Dodge

Gilbertsville, Montgomery County
Troop 73212, SU 570

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Boyertown Area Senior High

FUTURE PLANS: I am continuing at University of Maine for environmental science.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide, Counselor in Training (CIT), Counselor in Training II (CIT II)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Althouse Arboretum

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Amanda worked with the Althouse Arboretum to create a trail and created pamphlets. Amanda's goal was to increase the number of trails in the community and to inform the public about the benefits of hiking.



Lydia Ermer

Levittown, Bucks County
Troop 21105, SU 635

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Neshaminy High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to go into college and possibly have my own family at a much later time.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Leader in Action (LIA)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Welcome Center Revitalization

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Lydia worked with Emilie United Methodist Church to transform the welcome center into a modern, bright, and exciting area that meets the needs for all who use the space including the congregation, Emilie Day School, Head Start, Intermediate Unit families, and all who meet there. Lydia wanted to provide another area for fellowship as well as for outreach and community information.



Georgia D. Flego

Doylestown, Bucks County
Troop 2852, SU 616

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Central Bucks High School East

FUTURE PLANS: My future plans are to pursue research in the realm of biological studies.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Counselor in Training (CIT)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Food Scrap Collection & Composting Program for CB East

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Georgia worked with her peers and Central Bucks High School East to educate the high school community on the benefits of composting, providing it with three compost boxes and various tutorials to do so. Georgia's goal was to encourage the general student body and staff to make an adjustment to their lunchtime routine by sorting their scraps and empower the realization that these small changes can be of great value to the environment.



Saakshi Girotra

Orefield, Lehigh County
Troop 636, SU 722

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Parkland High School

FUTURE PLANS: I desire to go into the business field, and economics.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Union League Good Citizenship Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Reducing Food Waste

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Saakshi worked on an awareness project on reducing food wastage by hosting educational, interactive programs, virtual programs, and displaying informational posters in the community. Saakshi's goal was educating people on the significance of saving their food, how food wastage can damage our environment, and how it is a humanitarian crisis.



Caitlyn R. Goldberg

Chalfont, Bucks County
Troop 2285, SU 617

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Central Bucks High School South

FUTURE PLANS: I am considering studying something with psychology and the sciences.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: The Healing Power of Nature

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Caitlyn worked to create a space that increases the connection between residents and nature at a nursing care facility. Her idea was to combine the best of manicured beds with the appeal of natural landscape. This offers the elderly residents the ability to experience both, and to honor the 50th anniversary of Earth Day by helping revitalize Pennsylvania's declining bird and native plant populations.



Rachel Gordon

Collegeville, Montgomery County
Troop 71358, SU 648

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Methacton High School

FUTURE PLANS: My goal is to go to a private four-year college to major in nursing or physical therapy.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Alternate Girl Delegate

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Designing & Painting Blacktop Games for Eagleville Park

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Rachel worked with her team and with a graphic designer to create fun and engaging blacktop games for kids to utilize at Eagleville Park in Lower Providence. The primary goal of Rachel's project was to provide learning opportunities and happiness for children who visit the park.



Jessica Hall

Coatesville, Chester County
Troop 4711, SU 610

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Unionville High School

FUTURE PLANS: I'm interested in pursuing design in some way (particularly graphic design) and attending college in the future.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Project P.U.L.L.

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Jessica worked with her local children's literacy organization, Arts Holding Hands and Hearts (AHHAH), and Habitat for Humanity to construct four outdoor Pop-Up Lending Libraries (P.U.L.L. Stations). The boxes were then painted, filled with over 600 pre-loved books collected from book sales and donations, and installed around the community. Jessica's goal was to offer an engaging way to bring books into the hands of local children in lower-income families.



Jamie Hallinan

Broomall, Delaware County
Troop 5501, SU 513

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Marple Newtown High School

FUTURE PLANS: I aspire to become a Lawyer.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide, Girl Scout Camp Intern, Counselor in Training (CIT), Counselor in Training II (CIT II), Volunteer in Training (VIT)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Warm Hearts

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Jamie focused her project on spreading awareness about Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) by creating informational videos, pamphlets, and more. AEDs are lifesaving machines, but unfortunately, they go unused because not many people know how to use them or their importance. Jamie feels that having this knowledge is necessary and truly lifesaving.



Delaney Hampton

Levittown, Bucks County
Troop 2153, SU 632

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, New Foundations Charter School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to study science.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Take the Lead Presenter, Program Aide, Girl Scout Camp Intern, Counselor in Training (CIT), Counselor in Training II (CIT II)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: COVID Supplies Initiative

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Delaney worked with her team to design a website and social media accounts focused on all things COVID-19 to provide her community with helpful resources. The website has different resources such as how to make masks, a pledge to wear a mask, informational interviews with nurses, and much more. Delaney and her team also sewed 55 masks and donated them to people in need. Her goal was to help slow the spread of the virus through providing education and resources to community members.



Mikayla Havers

Chalfont, Bucks County
Troop 21809, SU 616

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Central Bucks High School West

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college and graduate with dual majors in biology and chemistry.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Board Girl Advisor, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Girl Delegate to the National Council, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Take the Lead Presenter

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Live to be Positive

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mikayla led a team of five girls through creating badge programs for each level of Girl Scouts addressing mental health and positive wellbeing. Her goal was to make materials available for girls in grades K-12 to educate themselves on the importance of taking care of their mental health, while also providing them with resources and methods on how to do so. As the implementation part of her project, Mikayla hosted five virtual events for each level of Girl Scouts to earn the badge she created and hopes it will be adopted by GSUSA as an official Girl Scout badge.



Elizabeth Heinz

West Brandywine, Chester County
Troop 4961, SU 607

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2023, Bishop Shanahan High School

FUTURE PLANS: My future plans include getting accepted into a good college and studying something that interests me, such as engineering or architecture.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Go Green for Education

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Elizabeth taught students from her school to sew, then led them to help her sew 80 walker bags. She created two outdoor classrooms at Pope John Paul II Elementary School so that the students could continue learning while getting a breath of fresh air.



Victoria Hermann

Holland, Bucks County
Troop 2697, SU 621

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Council Rock High School South

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Fun Healthy Cooking for Kids

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Prior to the pandemic, Vicki worked with young kids from first through third grade and taught them that healthy treats can be delicious and fun to make through hands-on baking. After the pandemic hit, she changed the focus of the project to teaching teenagers how to cook enjoyable and healthy meals, which were then donated to the Jesus Focus Food Pantry. Vicki's goal was to teach others about the importance of eating healthy and how to make eating healthy, delicious, and fun, while also helping to address food insecurities in the community caused by the pandemic.



Erin M. Horack

Reinhold, Berks County
Troop 1634, SU 761

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Conrad Weiser High School

FUTURE PLANS: My plans are to attend Penn State to major in Biotechnology.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Girl Scout Torch Awards

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Finding Patterns to Aid in the Eradication of Spotted Lanternflies

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Erin led various science experiments that determined the Spotted Lanternflies monosaccharide feeding patterns and the relationship of mtDNA of Spotted Lanternfly in the United States to Spotted Lanternfly in China, Japan, Vietnam, and Korea. She also created an educational video, various flyers, hosted an egg scraping event and helped a local vineyard in planting over 600 grapevines to combat the damages the Spotted Lanternfly has caused. Erin's goal was to decrease the costly damages Spotted Lanternflies are causing to the environment and the economy.



Courtney Horn

Chalfont, Bucks County
Troop 2056, SU 617

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Central Bucks High School South

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to study Nursing.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Phone/iPad Stands and Heart Pillows

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Courtney made wooden Phone/iPad stands for the residents of Abramson Family Campus for Jewish Life. Since the residents had to distance themselves from their family during the COVID-19 pandemic, Courtney made the stands to allow the residents to have easier communication. Courtney also made tie heart pillows so the residents for the retirement home knew that they are loved and thought about during the difficult time.



Nicole Huggins

Ambler, Montgomery County
Troop 7092, SU 562

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Upper Dublin High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend James Madison University for Political Science with a focus in Political Communications. In the future, I would like to work in the Library of Congress.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Young Reader Resources

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Nicole created and installed book boxes in public areas around her community, held a book drive to stock the libraries, and created a Facebook page for parents to teach them about the importance of youth literacy. Nicole's goal was to share her passion for literature and provide materials for young readers to hopefully encourage interest in reading and writing.



Elizabeth P. John

Easton, Northampton County
Troop 8225, SU 714

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Moravian Academy Upper School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college and study environmental science.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Walker Bags for Assisted Living Centers, MS Support Groups, & Rehabilitation Patients

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Elizabeth sewed 80 walker bags and taught people at her school how to sew. The walker bags were donated to assisted living centers, rehabilitation centers, and a Multiple Sclerosis (MS) society support group. Elizabeth's goal was to help prevent injuries that result from the juggling of items such as a purse while using a walker.



Amanda Kaczmarczyk

Bernville, Berks County
Troop 1634, SU 761

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Conrad Weiser High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am attending Bloomsburg University with a major in Accounting.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Universal Access Area for Blue Marsh

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Amanda worked with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Blue Marsh Lake, to improve a recreational access area and make it more handicap accessible. Amanda's goal was to refurbish the recreational area and path so that members of the community would have a safer, cleaner, and more comfortable place to spend time with their families.



Ayanna Kakar

Pottstown, Chester County
Troop 4903, SU 641

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Owen J. Roberts High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to major in Neuroscience and one day earn an MD PhD.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Addressing Period Poverty & Education Issues During COVID-19

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Widespread unemployment triggered price gouging, causing non-profits supporting period poverty to quickly run out of supplies. Ayanna chose to address the growing menstrual health gap by creating and distributing feminine hygiene care packages that consisted of reusable bags stocked with feminine hygiene products, hand sanitizers, herbal tea, socks, inspirational messages, and educational information. She impacted 1000 women in low-income neighborhoods, youth centers and homeless shelters by providing access to feminine hygiene products, providing nutritional guidance and education, and creating awareness of this overlooked need in the community.



Kaitlyn A. Kaulback

West Chester, Chester County
Troop 4191, SU 606

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Archmere Academy

FUTURE PLANS: My plans are to major in a science or mathematics, as well as continue to participate in musicals and plays at my future college.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: BrigantEEN Beach Clean-Up

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Kaitlyn worked with the Brigantine Green Team to initiate multiple beach and street clean ups aimed towards encouraging adolescents and teenagers to become involved in the community. In the end, she educated nineteen teenagers on the importance of marine environments and created a cleaner habitat for wildlife in Brigantine, NJ.



Sarah Kolasa

Allentown, Lehigh County
Troop 636, SU 722

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Parkland High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college to major in Computer Science.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Leader in Action (LIA)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Lehigh County Parks Brochure

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Sarah worked with the Lehigh County Parks Department to develop a brochure highlighting each of the parks they maintain. Her goal was to provide an easy way for county citizens to plan trips outdoors and motivate them to visit Lehigh parks. To do so, she took photos at each location, wrote out updated information, designed a map of the county, and consolidated it all into an attractive and informative brochure.



Elisabeth D. Kondisko

Wind Gap, Northampton County
Troop 8829, SU 703

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Pen Argyl High School

FUTURE PLANS: I want to become a pediatric occupational therapist at a Children's Hospital.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Take the Lead Presenter, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide, Counselor in Training (CIT), Service Unit Delegate and Girl Scout Take the Lead Co-Chair

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Virtual STEM and Robotics Program

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Elisabeth worked with the Slatebelt Service Unit to create a virtual program that would inspire and encourage girls of all ages to get involved with STEM and robotics, from learning the parts of robots, to constructing them, and learning science experiments they could do in their own home. From virtual field trips to NASA, to moving robots, learning how to freeze water with a magic touch, and meeting a real robot from Boston Dynamics, a STEM curriculum was created for all girls in the community that would last. Elisabeth's goal was to reach as many girls in her community as possible so that they would be motivated to close the gender gap and show girls that there are STEM opportunities for them.



Jenna Krauss

Harleysville, Montgomery County
Troop 77131, SU 570

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Souderton Area High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to major in Graphic Design and double minor in Web Design and Social Media Strategies.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Community Service Bar, The Silver Torch Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: The Mainland Little Library

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Jenna worked with Christ Lutheran Church, The Shepherd's Shelf Food Pantry, her Girl Scout Troop (77131), a local Daisy Troop (71928), and her family to build a free little library near the community's food pantry. Jenna's goal was to help provide free reading resources to those who may not be able to afford them so they can build their literacy skills.



Shelby Kreger

Parkesburg, Chester County
Troop 41365, SU 607

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Bishop Shanahan High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am majoring in Biology to pursue a career as a Biological Technician.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Community Service Bar

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Planting for the Future

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Shelby worked with Parkesburg Borough to create a community garden located at North Park, on a piece of land that had been purchased with Landscapes 21st Century Grant money. Until 2019 the piece of land was an open field that has sat empty since its purchase. Shelby's goal of building a community garden was to have a place for community members to come together and grow produce that can be used by anyone in Parkesburg Borough. Through the help of the Borough Council, community members and many of her scouting friends Shelby created four raised bed gardens during the COVID-19 pandemic. Community members were able to pick the produce well into the fall of 2020 and would post to the community garden Facebook page their creations with what they had picked.



Brooke Labenberg

Fogelsville, Lehigh County
Troop 636, SU 722

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Parkland High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend medical school in order to become a neurosurgeon.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Leader in Action (LIA)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Restoring the American Chestnut Tree

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Brooke worked with the Wildlands Conservancy to plant eight American Chestnut trees at the South Mountain plot and to strategically place informational brochures in the main center at the Wildlands Conservancy. Brooke's goal was to plant eight original American Chestnut trees and to educate the community about the American Chestnut tree blight. Through the successful completion of her project, Brooke was able to contribute to the process of restoring local American Chestnut tree populations while also informing her local community about the American Chestnut tree blight and the need to restore American Chestnut tree populations.



Gianna Lagomarsino

Easton, Northampton County
Troop 81075, SU 704

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Notre Dame High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to go to a four-year college in fall 2021 and do a dual major in Special Education: PK-12 & Early Childhood PK-4.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide.

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Trauma Friendly Therapy Room & Calming Bags for Foster Care Children

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Gianna worked with the Salvation Army Foster Care and Adoption Services in Allentown to create a magical space to help foster children heal in a safe, comforting environment. Some of the work she did included painting the therapy room, creating a mural and chalkboard wall, refurbishing furniture, and creating calming bags for the children. Gianna is passionate about children and wanted to help make a positive difference in these childrens' lives.



Sophia Laurence

Hulmeville, Bucks County
Troop 291, SU 635

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Neshaminy High School

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Sophie's Sensory Garden

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Sophia constructed a sensory garden for her local nature center and wrote and illustrated a book to go along with the garden. Sophia was inspired to do this project when she noticed the nature center was in dire need of a sensory garden to educate the children that visit the center.



Eva Li

Exton, Chester County
Troop 41337, SU 638

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Great Valley High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend a four-year college after graduating high school in June 2021, and go into the pre-med track, most likely majoring in Public/Global Health or Biology.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scout Camp Intern

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Prioritizing Patient Comfort

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Eva aimed to improve patient satisfaction and comfort levels at Wandong Hospital in China. After hearing that Wandong Hospital did not have a playroom and did not prioritize maximizing patient comfort, Eva knew she wanted to change this because she had learned that patient comfort is vital to the outcome of a patient's recovery.



Kirsten R. Littrell

Trooper, Montgomery County
Troop 7271, SU 648

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Methacton High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to graduate college with a Biology degree and pursue a career in genetic counseling.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Volunteer in Training (VIT)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Outdoor Learning Garden

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Kirsten worked with Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School to create an outdoor learning space where teachers can engage their students in a learning environment not dependent on technology. Kirsten's goal was to help students understand that learning does not have to be solely confined to a classroom. She hopes her garden will help educate students about the importance of plant diversity and in turn, the students will gain a better appreciation for the natural world around them.



Keaira Lutz

Neffs, Lehigh County
Troop 6088, SU 722

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Parkland High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college for Equine Studies.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Leader in Action (LIA)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Dog Park at Kolapechka Park

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Keaira built a dog park from the ground up, featuring fencing and agility equipment, in one of her local parks. The dog park has both a large and small dog area and a brick section displaying personalized bricks that people bought as a town fundraiser to help cover costs of building the parks.



Sydney Machion

Mohnton, Berks County
Troop 1806, SU 755

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Governor Mifflin High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to major in wildlife and fisheries resources in hopes to enter into the workforce in a related field.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Board Girl Advisor, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Take the Lead Emcee, Take the Lead Presenter, Leader in Action (LIA), Counselor in Training (CIT)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Go Forth and Pollinate

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Sydney worked with the Saint Kateri Center in NY to design and build a pollinator garden at her parish in Mohnton. Sydney's goal was to educate and inspire others on pollinator conservation and the importance of protecting pollinating species. The Kateri Center wrote a blog on her work and the impact that youth have in conservation and the role they play in the future of the planet.



Gabrielle Martin

Bangor, Northampton County
Troop 8323, SU 703

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Bangor Area High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan on attending graduate school after my completion of four years at Moravian College majoring in Speech Pathology. I plan on attending graduate school after my completion of four years to major in Speech Pathology.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Take the Lead Choir

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Crochet Lap Blankets for Cancer Patients

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Gabrielle crocheted handmade lap blankets for the Bethlehem Hospital for long-term cancer patients to provide comfort during treatment and the courage to fight cancer. She wanted to give back to the hospital that put all their efforts into saving her uncle who was fighting for his life against leukemia at the facility.



Jessica L. McCurry

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County
Troop 9744, SU 554

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Archbishop Ryan High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college and to have a career in the medical field to care for children.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Volunteer in Training (VIT)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Read-a-Roo & Rest

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Jessica spearheaded a book drive that collected over 2,000 books for foster children at Bethany Christian Services, sewed pouch pillows, and made 200 animal-shaped crayons from old misfit crayons. Jessica's goal was to provide books and other resources for foster children to help them improve their vocabulary and help with their emotional development, as reading books makes us more empathetic and helps to keep emotional balance.



Madison C. McKeon

West Chester, Chester County
Troop 41900, SU 606

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Villa Maria Academy

FUTURE PLANS: I would like to become a Child Life Specialist.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Service with Sisters

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Madison partnered with retired sisters of Camilla Hall to create bundle bags to give the children who are receiving First Holy Communion from SS Peter and Paul Parish. Madison and her team connected with the sisters virtually while they worked together to create the bags, which included a prayer card from a sister, a rosary, a pamphlet on how to pray the Rosary, and a letter of congratulations that also told recipients where to send a letter to the sisters of Camilla Hall. Her goal was to help connect the relationship between the elderly community and the youth today.



Jessica McNeely

Yardley, Bucks County
Juliette, SU 624

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Pennsbury High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am attending West Chester University.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Program Growth Project

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Jessica worked with the elementary schools in the Pennsbury School district to provide interactive presentations about the Pennsbury music program. Jessica's goal was to generate excitement around the music program, encouraging students to either start or continue their musical journey.



Kaitlyn Mericle

Schnecksville, Lehigh County
Troop 6088, SU 722

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Parkland High School

FUTURE PLANS: Earn a bachelor's degree in Education with Special Education Certification.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Playground Accessibility Project

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Katie worked with her local township to build a handicap accessible playground for children with disabilities so that younger generations could participate in playing with their peers. The playground currently consists of handicap accessible turf, two swings that have backs and harnesses so that the child can swing safely, and two saucer swings that a child can lay down on. As a child, it was difficult for Katie to play at a normal playground, so creating something that is accessible for everyone has always been her goal.



Alyssa Michel

Elkins Park, Montgomery County
Troop 7151, SU 564

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Cheltenham High School

FUTURE PLANS: I would like to become a doctor.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: The Silver and Gold Torch Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: A Second Hand

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Alyssa created a virtual food pantry and resource hub to serve Cheltenham, Mt. Airy, Abington, and Jenkintown communities. Alyssa's goal was to develop a network which redistributed unwanted food from family to family as well as to local homeless shelters, sanitizing, and delivering it along the way.



Alicia Morgan

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County
Troop 91, SU 519

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, The Christian Academy

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to major in nursing and minor in Spanish, then later get my master's and become a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Leader in Action (LIA), Volunteer in Training (VIT), Girl Scout Advisory Committee, Take the Lead Host

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Project E.M.M.A (Easily Made Math Activities)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Alicia worked with several elementary schools in the city of Philadelphia to create easy math activities for children that covered basic math skills that they could also afford to make and play at home. Alicia's goal was to encourage elementary school students to find fun in math, and to find a way to make extra practice affordable for low-income families.



Amanda Nichter

West Chester, Chester County
Troop 4191, SU 606

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, B. Reed Henderson High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to go to college when I graduate from high school.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Hospital Happiness

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Amanda helped the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and Nemours Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children to provide birthday bags for those children who are ill and in the hospital on their birthday. Amanda and her team made 330 homemade birthday cards, 30 homemade birthday banners, 30 homemade doorknob hangers, and collected enough items to fill 30 bags including spoons/forks/napkins/plates, crayons/colored pencils, stickers, crepe paper streamer rolls, scotch tape, and coloring books/activity books.



Rachel N. Omlor

Fairless Hills, Bucks County
Troop 2012, SU 627

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Pennsbury High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am attending Cedar Crest College for nursing.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Counselor in Training (CIT), Counselor in Training II (CIT II)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Harlow's Houses

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Rachel teamed up with Joyce's Voice for Cats to build shelters for a stray cat colony in the area, make care packages for first time adopters to take home for their new pet cats, and create a website with the information about the importance of protecting, helping, and neutering strays. Her overall goal was to educate the community on cat life as much as possible while providing assistance to a rescue that goes above and beyond to aid stray cats.



Titiksha Pawar

Garnet Valley, Delaware County
Troop 53481, SU 501

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Garnet Valley High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to major in biology and then attend medical school for Dermatology.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Helping the Homeless

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Titiksha spent time in both India and America leading sewing classes where participants made handmade bags for Safe Harbor of Chester County. She also donated food and positive pictures drawn by elementary school students, whom she educated about homelessness. Titiksha's family loves to travel, but seeing people experiencing homelessness everywhere she has visited made her realize that she wanted to help the people facing difficulties in her own community.



Jocelyn Pellegrino

Nazareth, Northampton County
Troop 8220, SU 707

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Nazareth High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to become an accountant.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Counselor in Training (CIT)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Livable Space for Nazareth Community Events

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Jocelyn teamed up with the Nazareth Center of the Arts to remodel the kitchen and storage room. She cleaned the rooms, repaired and painted the walls, made curtains, and installed floors, cabinets, and countertops. Jocelyn was inspired to take action to improve the center since it is a popular place for community members to visit.



Larissa Pelletiers

Bethlehem, Northampton County
Troop 81803, SU 714

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Liberty High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to become a Civil and Environmental Engineer.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Community Service Bar

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Light of Christ Children's Library

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Larissa worked with Light of Christ Lutheran Church to renovate an outdated classroom into a functioning and stocked children's reading library. Larissa was inspired to give children a safe space to read after seeing that the children had no real place of their own to use while their parents/guardians were in the library.



Trinity Pryor

Yardley, Bucks County
Troop 2974, SU 629

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, The Pennington School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Community Service Bar, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Honoring Local Women Impacted by War through Dramatic Performance

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Trinity interviewed and researched women who have been impacted by war and created monologues based on their stories. The monologues were published in a book, copies of which were donated to local VFW and American Legion posts. Along with a few other girls, she acted out the monologues on stage at her local community center and school. Through these public performances, she was able to spread awareness about women who have served their country and supported those who served.



Emily D. Rakos

Lehighon, Lehigh County
Troop 636, SU 722

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, The Hill School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to go to college, and I am currently interested in business.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Program Aide, Girl Scout Camp Intern

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Chimney Swift Towers

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Emily worked with the Wildlands Conservancy and the National Audubon Society to construct two Chimney Swift towers at the Wildlands Conservancy in Emmaus, PA. Her project helps combat the loss of chimneys in that area and creates an awareness of how habitat loss affects the migratory Chimney Swifts who rely on chimneys for their nesting. She also made a kid-friendly poster of the Chimney Swifts which is used to educate the people who visit the Wildlands Conservancy and the children that attend camps there.



Bianca Reno

Downingtown, Chester County
Troop 483, SU 602

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Downingtown West High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am working towards a bachelor's degree from Penn State University.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: The Queen B Project

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Bianca worked with community members, teachers, adults, and kids aged 4-12 virtually to educate them on the importance of honeybees, how they differ from yellow-jacket wasps, and how they can help the bees by creating bee-seed bombs. The seed bombs are now planted in their own yards as well as at Bondsville Mill Park in Downingtown. Bianca's goal was to raise awareness of honeybees by educating families in her community about the importance and effect of bees on our everyday lives.



Ashley N. Richards

Eagleville, Montgomery County
Troop 7271, SU 648

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Methacton High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college to become an elementary school teacher.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Volunteer in Training (VIT), Presidential Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Let the Creativity Flow

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Ashley created a set of PowerPoint slides that are STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) based. There are two or more projects for each topic for grades K-4. Ashley's goal in developing STEAM resources for school was to help teachers and parents keep their students actively engaged in their learning.



Mackenzie Rosin

Media, Delaware County
Troop 511, SU 510

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Penncrest High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am studying Biological engineering.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Little Free PJ Library @ the Kaiserman JCC

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mackenzie created a free library stocked with PJ Library books for children of all ages at the Kaiserman JCC in Wynnewood. As an avid childhood reader herself, her goal was to provide an inviting space to spark kids' curiosity and encourage them to take the crucial first steps in a lifetime of learning.



Skye Scarlett
 Souderton, Montgomery County
 Troop 7553, SU 570

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2022, Souderton Area High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to study Materials Sciences or Physics.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Leader in Action (LIA)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Souderton Area Fencing Club

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Skye created a fencing club at her local high school to give students the opportunity to learn to fence and to expand the accessibility of the sport. To do this, she created a non-profit to pay for the club, ensuring that a student's economic situation does not prevent their participation.



Kaylei Schneider
 Chadds Ford, Delaware County
 Troop 492, SU 610

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Unionville High School

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to attend college after high school.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Water Sensory Table for Summer Camp

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Kaylei created a water sensory play station, equipped with interactive features and water toys, for a local summer camp. She also included a binder of educational activities focused on water conservation and protecting the water environment that can be used to educate campers.



Alessandra Scipioni
 Bethlehem, Northampton County
 Troop 84014, SU 714

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Freedom High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to get my bachelor's degree in aviation and become a professional pilot.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Community Service Bar

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Make a Splash

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Alessandra worked with children ages 2-14 to teach them how to swim. Based on the students' different levels of comfort around the water, Alessandra measured the success of her students by asking parents how comfortable their kids were in a pool and whether they had any formal swimming lessons before. Then, Alessandra was able to measure their progress through a small test format at her last swim lesson given to each child individually.



Emily Simkovich
 Drexel Hill, Delaware County
 Troop 57087, SU 507

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Home Schooled

FUTURE PLANS: I want to become an engineer who can help with the effort to solve the major problems facing humanity.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Community Service Bar, Girl Scouts Says Girl Advisory Committee two terms

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Adoptee Rights Campaign Lawyer Network

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Emily worked with the Adoptee Rights Campaign to collect information for a program for the ARC Lawyer Network website. This website lists immigration and deportation defense lawyers that can help people adopted from foreign countries by American citizens and yet do not have U.S. citizenship themselves avoid deportation back to the countries they were adopted from.



Valentina Sousa

Emmaus, Lehigh County
Troop 6937, SU 741

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Emmaus High School

FUTURE PLANS: I am going to attend college and major in business, specifically hospitality. I also plan to apply to the Disney College Program which is an internship at Walt Disney World.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Union League Good Citizenship Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Kids' Games at St. Ann's Fall Fest

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Valentina worked with the St. Ann's Fall Fest Committee to refresh, rebuild, and run kids' games for St. Ann's annual Fall Fest. The festival is the major fundraiser for her parish and the revenue from the kids' games contributed. In addition, the children had fun, the parents enjoyed that they could spend time playing with their kids for very little cost, and every child left with a prize!



Devyn Stek

Pottstown, Montgomery County
Troop 7188, SU 646

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2023, Villa Maria Academy High School

FUTURE PLANS: I aspire to become a Doctor.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Girl Delegate to the National Council, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Take the Lead Presenter

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Beautifying Ocean View Church of Christ

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Devyn worked with Ocean View Church of Christ in Bethany, Delaware to help beautify the church, which is along a main road, to better the whole community and brighten the area. Even though she does not attend the church, Devyn was inspired to take action when she noticed the church was a little run down and knew she could help.



Josie Stephens

Yardley, Bucks County
Troop 2044, SU 624

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Pennsbury High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to become a psychologist and possibly work with people who have Tourette's or related disorders.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Tourette's Awareness in Youth

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Josie spread awareness about Tourette Syndrome (TS) by writing a children's book about a boy with TS and then giving presentations, which included a reading of the book, to kids at local elementary schools. Josie has always been intrigued by TS and related disorders and was inspired when she noticed that there was a lack of awareness about these disorders, especially with the age group that it affects most – children.



Hannah Thomson

Washington Crossing, Bucks County
Troop 2312, SU 620

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Council Rock High School North

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to pursue a career in Pediatric Nursing.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Teaching Through Teams

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Hannah organized programs with Crossing Cooperative Nursery School and Beechtree Summer Camp that focused on teaching young children the basic skills of soccer. She taught kids the importance of staying active and the benefits of a healthy lifestyle through movement.



Katherine Thorpe

Spring City, Chester County
Troop 4959, SU 641

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Owen J. Roberts High School

FUTURE PLANS: My career goals are to be a successful theater director for professional productions.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Planting a Prayer

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Katherine's project was the landscaping of a new addition of a prayer garden at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Katherine also painted and cleaned up the weeds in the sitting area near the prayer garden. Her goal was to create a space where people in the community can gather in prayer.



Caela Tobin

Richboro, Bucks County
Troop 2060, SU 621

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Council Rock High School South

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend TCNJ for Elementary Education and Psychology.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Colonial Kitchen Garden

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Caela built four raised garden beds at Tyler State Park and filled them with historically accurate plants to reflect an 18th century Pennsylvania kitchen garden. She also designed an interpretive brochure to accompany the garden. Tyler State Park has experienced greatly increased visitation in the past year, and Caela has created a living display that all ages of visitors can experience and learn from on their own or during an educational program.



Brenna Veitz

Morrisville, Bucks County
Troop 2268, SU 629

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2023, Pennsbury High School

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Goodbye Hunger

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Brenna partnered with Yardley's Neighbor in Need to collect non-perishable food items and compose 85 reusable tote bags for the Interfaith Food Alliance Pantry. In addition, she created a rock garden at the site to provide a cheerful environment when recipients attend the organization's grab-and-go events.



Paige Weitzel

Newtown Square, Bucks County
Troop 2312, SU 620

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Council Rock High School North

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college and study nursing.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Leader in Action (LIA), Program Aide, The President's Volunteer Service Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Helping the Hungry

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Paige worked with the Emergency Relief Association Food Pantry in Levittown to address the lack of awareness about food insecurity in the Bucks County community. She did this by hosting workshops, organizing food drives, and creating a recipe book for patrons of the pantry that contains recipes for healthy meals that could be made from common ingredients found at the food pantry. Paige's goals were to spread awareness and educate about hunger, healthy eating habits, and the importance of food pantries.



Sereina Williams

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County
Troop 91, SU 519

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Science Leadership Academy at Beeber

FUTURE PLANS: I hope to attend college. I would like to pursue a career that allows me to explore the world and learn about things beyond the classroom.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Silver Award, Girl Scouts of Eastern PA Girl Delegate, Girl Delegate to the National Council, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Take the Lead Presenter

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: West Volley Inc.

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Sereina created an online volleyball program and website called West Volley Inc., whose goal is to promote physical activity and human interaction with the sport of volleyball. The website includes workouts, knowledge videos, and a 5-week fitness program for those who need a more structured workout regimen. Sereina also hosted Zoom meetings, where people from the neighborhood can work out and socialize with each other in hopes of helping people engage in physical activity and social interaction despite COVID-19 restrictions.



Kathryn Wright

Glen Mills, Delaware County
Troop 5065, SU 501

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Garnet Valley High School

FUTURE PLANS: I would like to become a Mechanical Engineer working at Disney or in the Aerospace Industry. I'm currently applying to high academic four-year colleges with plans to achieve my bachelor's and master's degrees.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Stay-at-Home Science

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Kathryn created a website and YouTube channel, Stay-at-Home Science, where she posted educational science videos with a target audience of third to fifth graders. Each video included a fun experiment using common household items that helped to teach 'students' interesting scientific concepts. Her purpose in creating Stay-at-Home Science was to help kids stay engaged with STEM during COVID-19 while similarly advancing STEM for children in her community.



Marley Yambor

Boyertown, Berks County
Troop 11022, SU 763

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2021, Boyertown Area Senior High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to attend college for art, specifically animation.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Union League Good Citizenship Award, Leader in Action (LIA), GSEP Service Unit Delegate

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Green Lane Bird Habitat Restoration

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Marley worked with Green Lane Park Naturalist Kevin Crilley to devise a plan to protect the bird habitat of Green Lane Park. The project included installing a split rail fence and wire, planting bushes, and installing an informational sign. The bushes will produce berries for local birds and the fence keeps the deer from eating the bushes. The sign depicts common birds seen at the feeders, hand-painted by Marley herself. Marley hopes to spread a message of environmental awareness to help keep the park and its wildlife healthy.



Kiah Zimany

Collegeville, Montgomery County
Troop 7271, SU 648

HIGH SCHOOL & GRADUATION YEAR: Class of 2020, Methacton High School

FUTURE PLANS: I plan to study Hospitality Management.

GIRL SCOUT AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS: Girl Scout Bronze Award, Girl Scout Silver Award, Service to Girl Scouting Bar, Community Service Bar, Leader in Action (LIA), Volunteer in Training (VIT)

GOLD AWARD PROJECT TITLE: Reading to Paws to Increase Confidence in Literacy

GOLD AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Kiah worked with puppies and their handlers, who she termed "Pup-teams", and first and second graders. The kids read books at their respective reading levels to the pup-teams over Zoom. Over a course of four weeks, the kids grew in confidence and showed a greater passion for reading. She helped increase the kids' literacy skills and confidence while reading to the pup-teams which will help them improve their ability to learn in the future.

THE ROLE OF THE GOLD AWARD COMMITTEE

Members of the Gold Award Committee offer guidance to Girl Scouts ages 14-18 who choose to “Go for Gold”. The committee meets several times a month with girls who have submitted project Proposals and Final Reports. The committee ensures that the applicant has met the Gold Award requirements and standards set by Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.

Each girl is assigned a committee member to be her mentor. Filling a different role than that of a project advisor, the mentor is available to provide the encouragement and guidance needed to complete the award. Each girl also seeks a separate community project advisor to support her through the leadership project.

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