# Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Tuesday, December 1, 2020 PRESENTED VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM

# **TO OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS:**

Thank you for your commitment to preparing girls to lead successful lives. You belong to a network of close to one million adults who are helping to change our world for the better.

There is no doubt that this past year has presented many challenges, and GSEP thanks you for your tireless commitment, time and enthusiasm. You have taken being a Girl Scout to a new level with your creativity, drive to maintain connection, and your incredible resilience. Your energy and example motivates every girl to become the G.I.R.L. (Go-Getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, and Leader) the world needs her to be.

Thank you for recognizing that empowering girls matters, and for going above and beyond when it counts the most.

You are the reason Girl Scouts continues to be the premier leadership organization for girls. You exemplify what it means to show up, lead, and take action. You are the reason girls see themselves as brave and strong, try new things, take risks, and grow. You are the reason they are proud to call themselves Girl Scouts.

We are excited to celebrate your individual and collective service by honoring you tonight. We want you to know how appreciated you are, not just today, but every day. While we are not together physically, we are all connected to the mission of Girl Scouts.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

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Deborah Hassan Board Chair

Kim E. Fraites-Dow CEO

# VOLUNTEER AWARDS CELEBRATION

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#### **WELCOME**

Kim E. Fraites-Dow, CEO

#### **THANK YOU**

Diane Nordmark, Wendi Nowell, MaryAnn Rodda, Bonnie Young, and Debbi Zvanut GSEP Adult Recognition Committee

#### **AWARDS PRESENTATION**

Tracey Bunch

**CLOSING** 





We are the Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania, and we believe every girl has the power to become a leader who makes the world a better place.

With support from more than 15,000 dedicated adult members, including 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 Mission**

## **The Girl Scout Promise** On my honor, I will try

To serve God and my country,

And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

To help people at all times,

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

#### **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.

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**NUMERAL GUARD** 

The Numeral Guard recognizes an individual's total years of registered

membership including years as a girl and as an adult member.

# **YEARS OF SERVICE**

The Years of Service Pin recognizes a volunteer's length of service in five year increments.





The G.I.R.L. AWARDS recognize volunteers who exemplify one of the G.I.R.L. leadership qualities: Go-Getter, Innovator, Risk-Taker, or Leader. These volunteers abide by the Girl Scout Promise and Law, encourage the G.I.R.L. in each of our members, and show progression as a leader. They can be involved at any level of volunteering, from parent helpers to troop leaders to service unit team members.

#### THE GO-GETTER AWARD

Recognizes a candidate who puts her/his goals into action, pursues leadership positions and perseveres through challenges.

Kristen Bradley Geanine Castaldi Carolyn Eliason Ann Ermer Monica Fielder Elizabeth Hillig Jamie Hotzman Anne Hubbard Heather Jordan Suzy Knightly Mary Jane Lara Jen Mahony Angie Manning Rachael McNeill Trish Salome Susan Scott



#### THE INNOVATOR AWARD

Recognizes a candidate who uses her/his creativity to imagine and implement solutions. An innovator brings new ideas that benefit a troop or service unit or provides a "spark" to enhance current activities or events.

Bailey Bain Cynthia Bucklin Anita Firestine Andrea Hawkins April LaMonte Colleen Marsh Pat McFarland Michelle Nass Jacquelyn Nattress Brenda Olson Katie Pargola Kathy Snyder Nancy Thompson Elizabeth Wadsworth Lora Yelcick

#### THE RISK-TAKER AWARD

Recognizes a candidate who seeks new adventures and experiences. They step outside their comfort zone to provide the best experience for girls or they take positive action on issues in the community.

Sharon BurkettMonica ScheinlerNoel FoxhillRebecca Smirk

#### THE LEADER AWARD

Recognizes a candidate who listens to opinions and feelings different from her/his own. She or he handles conflict with compassion and clear communication. A Leader works hard to bring positive change to the world and builds team spirit while bringing people together.

Claudia DiCrosta Dawn Dieterly Rowe Susan Donahue-Sinback Jessica Ferry Cecelia Marcucci Lisa Pellegrino Daphne Young Stacy Zellner An Award-Winning Girl Scout Volunteer Lives Here!



Deb Walters

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MaryAnn Rodda

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#### **APPRECIATION PIN**

The Appreciation Pin recognizes individuals who have delivered outstanding service to at least one geographic area, service unit, or program audience in a way that furthers the council's goals.

Paul DeBlieck	Shauna Menarde
Priyanka Gupta	Lauren Templeton
Kathleen Lopez	Bernadette Thorngate

#### **DIVERSITY AWARD**

Recognizes a volunteer who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to promoting diversity in her or his community, service unit, or council by not only establishing the presence of, but engaging social, ethnic, and other groups in Girl Scouts.

**Beth Gutierrez** 

#### **GSEP SUPER SERVICE UNIT AWARD**

The Super Service Unit Award recognizes a long-time volunteer who has given time, skills, and leadership to her or his service unit as a service team member for over five years. Over the course of these years, the volunteer has offered programs, hosted events, and supported services to its members.

Sarah Duncan-Wisniewski Alice Wilson Sonia Foderaro Maryclaire Foundakos Danielle Frost

#### **GSEP HONOR PIN**

The Honor Pin recognizes a volunteer who has impacted multiple service units. They have provided outstanding service in a role to at least two service units in a way that furthers the council's goals.

Marah Walsh

# FRIEND OF GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA AWARD

The Friend of Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania Award is given to one or more companies or organizations, up to one per county within council jurisdiction. The awardees receive this honor based on their support of GSEP ranging from providing meeting space and hosting programs, to offering financial and other visible signs of support to the council.

Magic Arts Studio- Bucks County Lansdowne Presbyterian Church- Delaware County Abington Baptist Church- Montgomery County St. Andrew & St. Monica Church- Philadelphia County

# SERVICE UNIT GROWTH AWARD

Awarded to the service unit with the greatest girl membership growth in Membership Year 2020.

Service Unit 534- Phyllis Wheatley







#### SERVICE UNIT RETENTION AWARD

Awarded to the service unit with the greatest girl member retention in Membership Year 2020.

Service Unit 645- Freeland Hills

### **GSEP CEO AWARD**

The GSEP CEO Award recognizes the efforts of a service unit in moving its assigned area toward the council's goals and objectives of Service, Learning, and Growth.

Service Unit 556- Caryl McNeill Service Unit 624- Sandy Run Service Unit 529- South Philadelphia

#### LIGHTS OF LOYALTY AWARD

Recognizes a registered Girl Scout volunteer whose service to the organization and the mission are extraordinary and who demonstrates long-term commitment to Girl Scouting for thirty or more years.

Diane Bartlett Linda Engle



#### THE GERTRUDE K. MCGONIGLE AWARD

The Gertrude K. McGonigle Award recognizes one individual a year who has proven to be a positive role model while working directly with girls and has exemplified the values and traditions of Girl Scouting. The candidate must be a registered Girl Scout for a minimum of ten years.

**Bridget Davis** 

### GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA AWARD

The highest council level award is presented to up to three recipients each year. The nominee has served ten years or more with a commitment and dedication that is remarkable and of extraordinary service to the entire council community. This award honors three legacy council leaders: Janet A. Clark (Girl Scouts Freedom Valley), Ellen Mary Cassatt (Girl Scouts of Southeastern Pennsylvania), and Ronnie Backenstoe (Girl Scouts - Great Valley Council).

MaryAnn Rodda Deb Walters

### **ADULT RECOGNITION COMMITTEE**

Thank you to our incredible Adult Recognition Committee. They not only selected this year's award winners, but also helped in making this event special as we shifted from to a virtual platform.

Diane Nordmark Wendi Nowell MaryAnn Rodda Bonnie Young Debbi Zvanut





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