

Through the eyes of Girl Scouting Bronze, Silver and Gold Award Ceremony



Please stand for the presentation of the colors - Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome and thank for coming today to honor our Bronze, Silver and Gold Award recipients as well as our 10 year pin recipients and graduating seniors. This year we have ____ Gold Award recipients, ____ Silver Award recipients, ____ Bronze Award recipients, ____ Ten Year pin recipients and ____ graduating seniors to honor.

As we look through the eyes of Girl Scouting, we honor those that have earned our highest award, the Gold, as well as those that have reached milestones along the way. The journey through Girl Scouting is a progression. From the first eye opening experience of the Daisy Girl Scout to inspired visions of the Senior Girl Scout, it is a journey that is full of challenges, dreams and opportunities. At each level of Girl Scouting these young ladies have the opportunity to see things a little differently and expand their sight a little more allowing them an increasingly better view of world around them and their part in it. Girl Scouts Allows them to Become their very best, Belong to something bigger than themselves, Believe in themselves and others and Build a better world.

Now we have a brief video presentation to share with you that shows who our award recipients are and what they have done to earn the highest awards in Girl Scouting. Each girl will receive a copy of this.

(Show video presentation, dim the lights)

We will now light a candle for each of the levels of Girl Scouting, pausing to honor those who have earned the awards along the way.

1. We light a candle for the youngest level of scouting the Daisy Girl Scouts. This is the very first level that introduces girls to the fun and friendship of Girl Scouting. Here girls first open their eyes and take a peek outside of their familiar surroundings of home and family. So much to see, so much to learn.

2. We light a candle for the Brownie Girl Scouts. In this level of Girl Scouting girls begin to reach out beyond their family to explore new horizons, try new things and meet new people. Here they begin to see things in their own way, their line of vision moving out and away from home and family to explore as a group their community and world.

3. We light a candle for Junior Girl Scouts and the Bronze Award. At this level of Girl Scouting, the girls seek opportunities to demonstrate their skills and gain recognition. They learn to plan, give service to others and take on more responsibility. These girls are finally beginning to see there is a great big world out there. While most will generally still observe the world in a group setting, many will begin to look towards a view of life that is all their own. Their vision of the world is beginning to expand and change. There are new opportunities and friendships to be found as they look out and around them. They are beginning to see themselves and others in a whole new way.

The girls of this age level with the greatest vision earned the Bronze Award. This is the highest award to be achieved by Junior Girl Scouts. To receive this award a girl must earn two badges, complete the Girl Scout signs, Earn the Junior Aide Patch or Leadership award, and plan and carry out a Bronze Award project of at least 15 hours. Most of these girls have completed their projects as a group effort and in doing so

have learned a little more about themselves, the world around them, and the impact they can have on others.

(read troop profiles)

Congratulations to our Bronze Award Recipients.

4. We light a candle for Cadette Girl Scouts, ages 11-14 and the Silver Award. As they enter this level, they are preteens, as they leave they are full fledged teenagers. Their social circle is constantly enlarging. These girls begin to make their own decisions, explore careers, travel, plan their own activities and try out their new leadership skills, while helping younger Girl Scouts and giving back to their communities. Not only are they looking farther, and wider, but they begin to see younger scouts trying to follow them. They are slowly becoming leaders. Their confidence is beginning to blossom, as they look out farther beyond themselves, they begin to imagine their own place in this world.

The girls whose vision and outlook were greater than the rest, earned the Girl Scout Silver Award. This award is the highest award that can be earned by a Cadette Girl Scout. It is a symbol of accomplishments in Girl Scouting and the community. Girls that receive this award have earned 3 Interest Project Awards that relate to their project and have earned the Dreams to Reality Award, which is all about careers. They earn the Cadette Leadership Award which requires 25 hours of leadership and they complete the five parts of the Cadette Challenge Pin. Each girl is then required to design, plan and carry out a minimum of 30 hour Silver Award project. Many girls at this level complete their projects on their own, or work their own portion of a larger project. We give each girl a pin, with an eye on the Gold Award in hopes they will keep their eye on earning the highest award in Girl Scouting as they continue on.

As your name is called, please come forward with your leader and parents to receive the Silver Award.

Call each girl forward individually while telling about her project. Girl receives pin, CD, and certificate, 1st girl pins leader and leader receives corsage. Read Individual Profiles.

Congratulations to all our Silver Award Recipients.

5. We would now like to honor those who have earned the 10 Year Pin. For those who started as Daisy Girl Scouts, they may have completed 10 years before they begin the next level of Senior Girl Scouts. Some girls joined Girl Scouts later, or progressed further before earning this pin, but all of these girls have given a decade of their time, a majority of their young lives to seeing the world through the eyes of Girl Scouting.

Will the following girls please come forward to receive the 10 Year Pin:

(call up each girl alone and give each her pin, and certificate)

6. We light a candle for the Senior Girl Scouts, ages 15-18 and the Gold Award. These girls have entered the final level of Girl Scouting on the girl level. Adventure, travel, and meeting new people, and exploring places they have never been, have been balanced with expanded leadership skills, new levels of responsibility and a deep interest in community service. By seeking new visions, perceiving things in a new way, these girls have accepted the challenge to look wider still. By the time these girls complete Senior Girl Scouting they are ready to take on full leadership roles, and be contributing members of the adult community. They are no longer spectators, but full participants. They are spreading their vision to younger girls by setting an example for all to see. These girls gaze upon the world in new ways and with their own special and unique vision of what that world should be. Their outlook has taken them to the top, where the view is breathtaking, and their numbers are few.

Those very special few that have glimpsed the top and whose imaginations have allowed them to perceive things above and beyond the rest, have earned the Girl Scout Gold Award. This

is the highest award that a Girl Scout may earn. Each of our Gold Award recipients tonight has earned 4 Interest Project Awards that related to her Gold Award Project. Each has earned the Career Exploration Pin and the Senior Leadership Award which requires 30 hours of leadership. She has completed the five parts of the Senior Girl Scout Challenge. Finally each girl was required to design, plan and implement a minimum of 50 hour Gold Award Project that meets an expressed need in the community, and will have a lasting impact on society. These girls have not only seen the world in a whole new way through the eyes of Girl Scouting, but have left their mark in Girl Scouting and in their communities for all those that come to gaze upon it after them.

The vision of Girl Scouting will be forever changed, as they have been part of it and added their own special style to it. They have made the vision their own, and expanded their sight to see far beyond themselves to those in need around them. They are able to handle any challenge that comes their way as they leave childhood and enter adulthood where everything will look different. These young women look towards something greater as they speed towards the future. There are no limits for them as they have viewed the world through the eyes of Girl Scouting. We honor these girls' accomplishments in earning the Gold Award while hoping that each one will continue to help others see the world through the eyes of Girl Scouting and become Adult Girl Scouts. All of our girls have all done an outstanding job and we salute them. We are proud to now present our Gold Award recipients.

As your name is called please come forward with your leader and your parents.

Call each girl forward individually to receive the award while giving a description of their project. Girls receive pins, a CD, and certificates and pin their mothers. Leaders receive a floral corsage and pin from the 1st girl. Read Individual Profiles.

Parents and leader are seated and girl may give a brief 2 minute speech if she chooses.

After all girls have been presented their awards and spoken:

We will now give the Gold Award Challenge.

CHALLENGE: We challenge you to accept this award in the spirit in which it is given. Know that with this award comes responsibility. You each enter a covenant of esteemed women who are regarded with honor and respect. We challenge you to live worthy of this honor by living by the Girl Scout Promise and Law in all you do. Receiving the Gold Award is not just one celebratory moment, but a lifetime commitment. Please give the Girl Scout sign and repeat after me: *(read one part at a time and have all girls repeat together)*

I affirm my dedication, to live by the Girl Scout Promise and Law. I understand my obligation, to live with honor, and to lead by example, because the highest award of Girl Scouting, has been entrusted to me. I will do my best, to support other Girl Scouts, on their road to Gold, and to give back to Girl Scouting, what is has been given to me. I will respect others, and live worthy of respect, as one forever bound, to the ideals of Girl Scouting.

Girls May be seated.

Last, but not least we light a candle for the Adult Girl Scouts. These are the volunteers that hold the Girl Scouting program together. Many were never Girl Scouts as a girl, but have chosen to give their time to this worthwhile program. Many others came up the ranks as young girls and have made the choice to show the world to a new generation of girls through the eyes of Girl Scouting. We have 3 girls who are graduating from high school this year and will have the choice to continue the vision and give back to Girl Scouts what has been given to them. We hope each one will decide to continue on as an adult Girl Scout in some capacity. These girls are about to enter a whole new world with the opportunity to expand their vision, and view and achieve unlimited success as they begin their new lives. With the skills they have learned and images they have seen through the eyes of Girl Scouting, we know they will be successful on any path they choose. We hope these girls will always continue to look wide, and when they think they are looking wide, look wider still. We give each girl

a pin, with an eye and the Girl Scout Symbol in hopes they will keep their eye on giving back to Girl Scouting as they become adults.

Will the following girls please come forward.

Read the names, high school, and plans for college. Give a graduation certificate and pin as they come up.

Please stand for the retrieval of the colors.

Will *all* our award recipients please come forward now. Let's please have a round of applause for all our award recipients. Congratulations!

Thank you for coming. Will our award recipients please stay up front for some photos. Please feel free to look at the presentations the girls have prepared on their projects that have been placed around the room.

Photos of entire group and each group of award recipients (bronze/silver/gold/10yr/Grads)

Kathy Little - 2005

Music "Through My Eyes" from Disney's Brother Bear by Phil Collins

**Look Through My Eyes
Phil Collins, Walt Disney Music 2003
from the Movie "Brother Bear"**

There are things in life you learn
And oh in time you'll see
It's out there somewhere
It's all waiting

If you keep believing
So don't run
Don't hide
It will be alright
You'll see
Trust me
I'll be there watching over you

Just take a look through my eyes
There's a better place somewhere out there
Just take a look through my eyes
Everything changes
You'll be amazed what you'll find
(There's a better place)
If you look through my eyes

There will be times on this journey
All you'll see is darkness
But out there somewhere
Daylight finds you
If you keep believing
So don't run
Don't hide
It will be alright
You'll see
Trust me
I'll be there watching over you

Just take a look through my eyes
There's a better place somewhere out there
Just take a look through my eyes
Everything changes
You'll be amazed what you'll find
(There's a better place)
If you look through my eyes

All the things that you can change
There's a meaning in everything
And you will find all you need
There's so much to understand
Take a look (take a look) through my eyes
There's a better place somewhere out there
Just take a look (take a look) through my eyes
Everything changes
You'll be amazed what you'll find
(You'll be amazed if you just take a look)
Look through my eyes there's a better place somewhere out there
Just take a look through my eyes

Everything changes
You'll be amazed what you'll find
If you look through my eyes
Just take a look through my eyes
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