

Trefoil Thinking Day Ceremony

Barrington, NH Junior Troop #565

_____ : Girl Scouts, please join us in a horseshoe circle with an open end to remind us of the Girl Scouts and Girl Guides who complete the circle of Scouting around the world.

_____ : This ceremony is to celebrate Thinking Day. Thinking Day is on the birthday of Lord and Lady Baden Powell, the founders of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. It is a day to honor Scouting.

_____ : We honor the Trefoil today. The trefoil is the symbol of Girl Scouting and Girl Guiding around the world.

(_____ holds up giant trefoil.)

_____ : The World Trefoil pin holds a lot of meaning. When you look at the trefoil, the blue is for the sky we all enjoy, and the gold stands for the sun which shines over all of us.

_____ : The three leaves stand for the three parts of the Promise.

_____ : The stem of the trefoil is shaped like a flame. It represents the flame that burns in the heart of every Girl Scout, the love of humanity.

_____ : The line in the middle of the trefoil is a compass needle, guiding our way in the world.

_____ : The two stars stand for the Promise, and the Law.

_____ : Now we will tell you what TREFOIL means to us.

(_____ holds up T)

_____ : T is for trefoil. T is also for traditions. We celebrate Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of Girl Scouting in the USA, on her birthday, October 31st. We honor Lord and Lady Baden Powell on their birthday, which we call

Thinking Day.

(_____ holds up R)

_____ : R is for rewarding, receiving a badge for your hard work. R is for respectful. A Girl Scout respects other Girl Scouts, her Leaders, her family, people the whole world around. R is for responsibility. When we do things wrong we are honest and admit it. We are responsible when we bring snack each week. We are responsible when we watch out for other people.

(_____ holds up E)

_____ : E is for exciting. We do some exciting things in Girl Scouts. It is also for equality, enjoyable, enthusiasm, experiences, and excellence.

(_____ holds up F)

_____ : F is for friends.....AND FUN!

(_____ holds up O)

_____ : O is for opportunities, and overcoming obstacles. In Girl Scouting, the opportunities are endless, and we prepare for those opportunities by overcoming obstacles in our own lives.

(_____ holds up I)

_____ : I is for interesting, invigorating, important, international, imagination, inspiration, interactive.

(_____ holds up L)

_____ : L is for loving, learning, loyal. A Girl Scout is a loving member of the community; she is always learning; and she is loyal to self, family, friends, community, and her country.

_____ : No matter where we go in our world, we will always have the vision of Girl Scouting to guide us. Let's sing the first verse of Girl Scouts

Together as we close our ceremony.

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