

May 14, 2019  
Service Unit 430  
May Troop Leader Meeting Notes

### 5. HOT TOPIC: Higher Awards

Bronze Award:

Junior 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders

team or as troop

exploring your community usually girl scout, such as Gals & Pals, Spring Encampment, Bridging Ceremony, Banquet

20 hours

no GSWW approval or report, journey required

Silver Award:

Cadettes 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders

40 hours

go beyond GS community, local community

individual or up to 4 girls

complete by Sept of 9<sup>th</sup> grade year

ready usually around late 7<sup>th</sup> or early 8<sup>th</sup> grade

journey required recommended for 6<sup>th</sup> gr

focus on problem/solutions in community

pull together support team, need team advisor

don't need GS approval but need to report

3 essentials: investigate root cause of what problem, sustainability, measurability

Examples

Help seniors use technologies

Craft kits for local shelters

Collect donations

Get fit workout routine for local park

Hygiene kits

Family literacy night

Mental health awareness

Gold Award:

80 hours

Individual project

Earned silver and one journey OR 2 journeys

Project advisor, not parent or troop leader

Global link

Preapproval and final report

May not be ready 9<sup>th</sup> grade year so think later HS years

Do journey in 9<sup>th</sup> grade and start thinking of interest and preapproval

GSWW interview for preapproval

Start of Sophomore year and complete before senior year because tough year (college applications)

Project is a huge undertaking

Examples...

Remember the GS model: discovery, connect, take action

Journey can be lead in but not necessarily connected to your award. Adult and girls books available.

Higher Award guides are available from GSWW website.

Leadership Awards:

Torch Award: leader in another organization and has done LIA

Community Service Bar: 20 hours of service

Service to GSWW Bar: 20 hours of service to GSWW

Logging hours: introductions, brainstorming, project planning, etc.

### 3. SBMI Day Camp

Still space available for campers and Pas

### 4. Service Unit Manager Report

Handout: back of agenda

End of Year Ceremony Sun 6/9 5:30-7:30pm

How many guests per girl? Max guests?

Potluck or prepared meal? Charge?

Leader-Daughter Celebration

Instead of regular leader meeting, bring your daughter

Game night with prizes

Sundae bar

BINGO or some stations with minute to win it

Renew Troops

Early gets more cookie \$

Cookie Rewards – pick up from Michelle!

MIPA: blurb in newsletter

Fall encampment: sign up!

Two-step process: reserve now, register later!

Community cook for community meals

Leaders update your training: first aid, outdoor camping, quantity cook

3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up consider outdoor sleeping arrangements

Archery, free time, boating, etc.

Troop meeting late Aug/early Sept for camp planning

Troop Finance Report due

By 6/30!

Troop wrap ups and summer plans

Send out messages

Mariner's Game: GS Day 6/23

300+ cookie sellers receive a free ticket

2019-20 Plans

Recruiting events and @ back to school events

Leaders meeting still Tu

Consider volunteering for MISU

Kathy will get list of positions out

Consider another parent, not leader