May 14, 2020

Dear Girl Scout Family,

We hope all of our Girl Scout moms enjoyed their special Mother’s Day weekend. We are grateful to the many mothers who serve as volunteers for Girl Scouts, from troop leaders to cookie moms to service unit managers. Thank you.

**Virtual In Your Honor was a success.** Thank you to the over 250 families who watched our Virtual In Your Honor ceremony as we honored 203 Gold Award Girls Scouts and 234 Girl Scouts who earned the Silver Trefoil Award. We awarded 13 Gold Award Girl Scouts, each with a scholarship of $1,000, and one Young Woman of Distinction, Girl Scout Senior Madeleine from Chantilly, Virginia with a $2,000 scholarship--all to pursue their education.

If you missed the virtual ceremony, please click here to watch, or you can also click on the image below.

You can view the digital Gold Award Yearbook here.

**Troop 5686 shared self improvement practices in an interview with NBC Washington.** Girl Scout Senior Brigid, from Troop 5685 out of Fairfax, Virginia, spoke with reporter Molette Green about her troops’ effort to encourage their Girl Scout sisters and surrounding community during the COVID-19 outbreak. “We wanted to speak to everyone in isolation,” said Girl Scout Brigid, “and remind them that we’re thinking about them, and that they don’t have to do this alone. We will all get through this together.”
You can watch the NBC 4 interview here.

**Virtual troop programming continues to be a success.** We will offer virtual and online programming for our Girl Scouts through June. Parents and troop leaders keep an eye out for emails with links to registration.

Thank you to all of the troops for sharing their virtual meeting picture on our social media.

We think now more than ever the world needs Girl Scouts and volunteers make that possible. Spring is the time for troops to host parent meetings and build troop committees for next year. Parents, please make sure to renew your Girl Scout membership and volunteer to plan fun activities, manage troop finances or even be a troop leader. Financial assistance for membership dues is available for girls and adults. If you need assistance with re-registration, email membershipsupport@gscnc.org.

Yours in Girl Scouting,

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