

**Girl Scouts
Bryan/College Station
Service Unit**

**2012
Girl Awards
Ceremony**



April 27, 2012

Title	Use of Stained Glass to Join Communities
Award	Gold
GS (Troop)	Dione (9449)
Leader/	Kay F. Simmons and Davanna Minter /
Advisor	Brazos Glassworks (Debbie Jasek and Barbara Peevey)
Description	



Dione's project was designing and installing two stained glass windows as well as educating the Church and School as to the symbolism shown in the glass. With the help of Brazos Glassworks, a local glass shop, she

designed two stained glass windows, which represent the Gospels of Matthew and Mark. She selected this project because she hoped to encourage pride in the School and Church communities. The project gives not only a sense of unity between the students and parishioners but also more insight into the Catholic faith by educating both bodies on symbolism. Plaques describing the project provide a permanent means of educating students.

The purple and gold border pieces represent the school's colors. Additionally, the gold glass pieces located in each corner originally belonged to the upper level of St. Joseph Church before the addition of its current stained glass panels.



Title **Uniting Church and School Community Through Art**
 Award Gold
 GS (Troop) Mikayla (9449)
 Leader/ Kay F. Simmons /
 Advisor Brazos Glassworks (Debbie Jasek and Barbara Peevey)
 Description



Mikayla's project was to design and create stained glass panels that would serve to unite St. Joseph Church and School. She created two windows that symbolized two of the Gospel writers and held a dedication ceremony that informed the members of the Church and School of the meaning behind the windows. Her project helped educate and enrich the religious aspect of St. Joseph School. It helps the students recognize the importance of faith in their lives, and may even encourage them to do

something similar in the future. She selected this project because she wanted a lasting project that would truly help the St. Joseph community. She also wanted to learn the art of stained glass. The stained glass took weeks to make, and the overall project took over a year. She believes the largest obstacle was the precision necessary to make the glass fit into the window. She overcame this by checking her measurements and mathematical conclusions repeatedly.



Title **Athletic Complex Ticket Booth**
Award Gold
GS (Troop) Lydia (9449)
Leader/ Davanna Minter /
Advisor Danny Borski
Description I constructed a five-foot by six-foot ticket booth for the St. Joseph Athletic complex in Bryan, Texas. Before I began my project, I drew building plans that showed how we were to place each piece in order to construct a solid structure. My project advisor helped me draw the plans in order to ensure a stable structure. The ticket booth benefits volunteers who, at athletic events, had to resort to selling and taking tickets at the gate from the back of their vehicles.



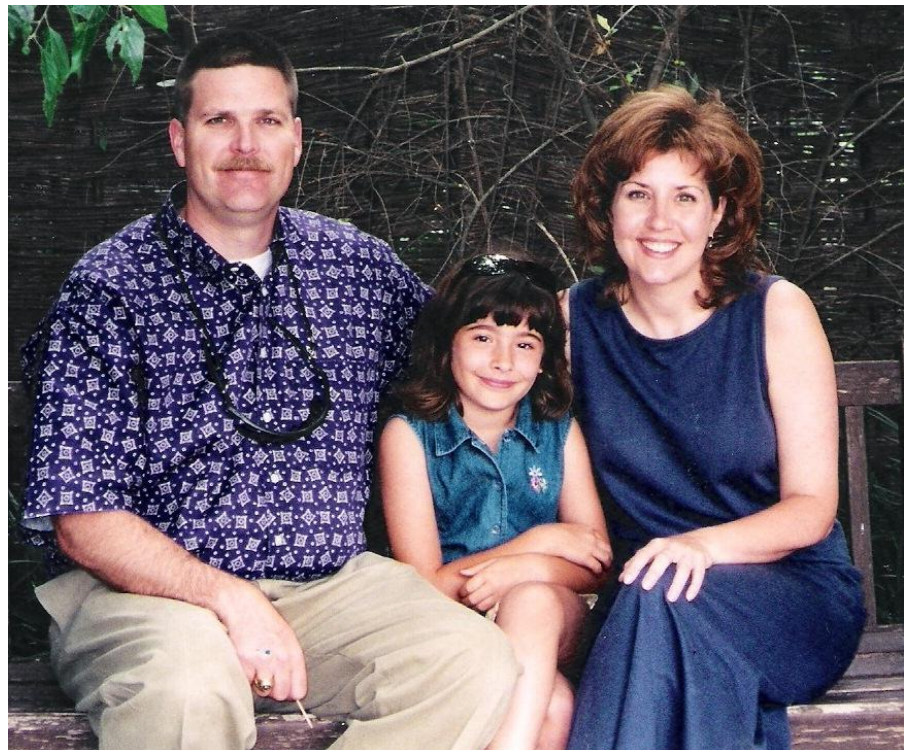
Title **Don't Give Up On Us**
Award Gold
GS (Troop) Ana (9449)
Leader/ Davanna Minter /
Advisor Brenda Rumfield

Description



I created a video to inform prospective foster/adoptive families that older children need homes too. I wanted to help people understand what it is like to be adopted as an older child. My video is from the child's viewpoint and lets families know they have what it takes to adopt older children. I picked this project because it is something that I am very passionate about because I was adopted at the age of seven. An unexpected benefit to me was that I got to connect with other

adoptees and was able to discuss being adopted in a way that is not possible with other people.



Title	Scouts Serving Seniors
Award	Gold
GS (Troop)	Maggie (9324)
Leader/ Advisor	Ginny Ford
Description	<p>Maggie developed a program that made it easy for local Scouting/youth groups to become regular visitors to area nursing and assisted living facilities. For a period of 6 months, Maggie provided a monthly evening activity for the residents at the Bluebonnet House on Wellborn Rd in College Station. She was entirely responsible for the design, development, advertising and implementation of these events. Some of the events that Maggie really enjoyed putting together for the residents included a movie night, tea party, a gardening event, edible campfire sing a long, and an Easter egg hunt. She enlisted the help of some of her friends from her Girl Scout Troop for these events. Maggie wanted to make it easier for local youth groups to spend volunteer time providing programs for the local elderly. She developed a booklet containing 18 ready-made programs for others to utilize. This booklet contains the themes, flyers, supply list, web links, estimated cost and all info needed for another group to provide easily a program for a group of residents. The information from her booklet is available at Bryan/College Station Girl Scout Service Unit Website (http://bcssu-gsctx.webs.com/serviceopportunities.htm). After completion of her program booklet, Maggie spoke to the local Girl Scout leaders promoting the booklet and encouraging these leaders to take the ideas back to their Girls Scout troops. We know of at least one group that has brought a girl-led program to a local retirement community because of Maggie's work.</p>



Title **Picnic Tables for the Boys and Girls Club**
Award Bronze
GS (Troop) America Jane, Catherine, Emilia, Jasmine, Lexus, Lisa, Rachel, Shelby, Victoria (Troop 9019)
Leaders Adriana Burnett and Kathy Williams
Advisors Andrew Nelson, Jason Williams, Justin Burnett and Richard Blanco

Description



Our troop decided we wanted to help other children in our community. We contacted several local organizations, but the place where we felt we could be the most helpful was the Boys & Girls Club of the Brazos Valley. They had picnic tables on their wish list. We wanted to raise money to purchase the lumber and hardware needed to build a picnic table. We held a meeting with our parents and everyone brainstormed. We decided to hold a garage sale of donated items from our family and friends. Everyone in our troop pitched in – our Daisies even set up a lemonade stand at the garage sale. We ended up raising enough money to build TWO picnic tables for the Boys & Girls Club. With the leftover money, we made sandwiches for the volunteers and family on one of the build days for the Circle of Women Habitat for Humanity house.



Title **Collect Plastic Bags**
Award Bronze
GS (Troop) Sabrina, Sydney, Ashley, Chynna, Erin W., Erin B. (9161)
Leader Katie Conner
Description We put up flyers and sent out emails asking the community to contact us to pick up any plastic bags they had that we could recycle. We collected the bags in our leader's garage and then took them to the recycling center.



Title **Help for Dogs**
Award Bronze
GS (Troop) Dawn and Jordon (9553)
Leader Jessica Stubblefield
Description We raised money to help pay for shots, spaying and neutering for the Crazy Dog Ladies Rescue, a non-profit dog rescue service run by two college students. We tried to make the community more aware of the need to keep dogs healthy and to find foster or permanent homes for these dogs. We also helped with walking the dogs for exercise.

ORGANIZATION INFO

Crazy Dog Ladies Rescue



<http://www.petfinder.com/shelters/TX1498.html>



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