

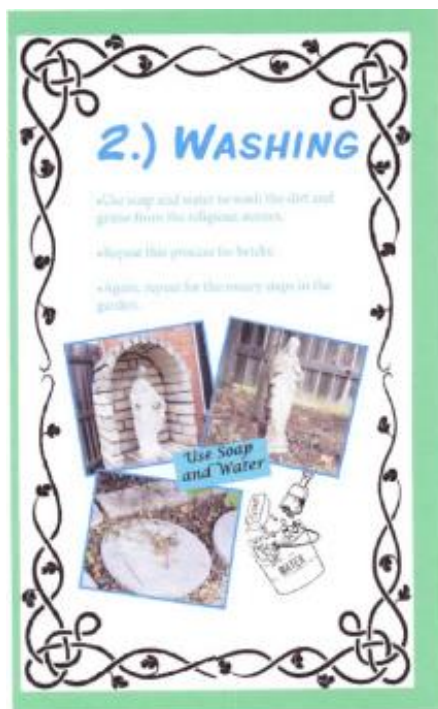
**Girl Scouts
Bryan/College Station
Service Unit**

**2014
Girl Awards
Ceremony**



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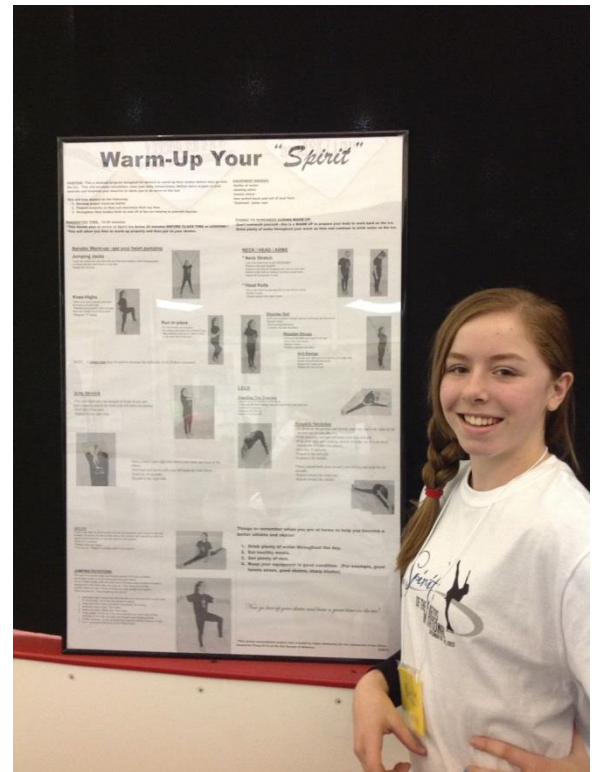
Title	INSPIRING SCHOOL SPIRIT AND MOTIVATION THROUGH BEAUTIFICATION OF THE SCHOOL
Award	Gold
GS (Troop)	Claire (9449)
Leader	Jennifer Newsom
Description	My project had four parts. I painted a large school-related mural that is placed on the high school campus. Our mascot is the eagle, so I painted the eagle to represent our school spirit. It is placed in a prominent location where students easily view it. The larger mural is surrounded by smaller paintings done by other members of my school. The smaller canvases all pertain to aspects on the school. I got other students involved by working with them individually on their paintings so as not to feel overwhelmed by being just "another number". I revitalized the over-run prayer garden located on the school grounds, with the help of the Saint Joseph Catholic Youth Group known as Keysis. In addition, I created a "how to manual" on how to maintain the garden after the renovation. By involving the students who painted and worked in the garden, they feel a closer association with the schools motto and school symbolism. They understand more of the schools mission and purpose; therefore, they are more involved in the school, which has increased school spirit.



Title **CIGARETTE BUTT LITTER PREVENTION**
 Award Silver
 GS (Troop) Elizabeth, Melanie, Bridget (Troop 9112)
 Leader Tricia Olivarez/Amy Reed
 Description The girls created a Cigarette Butt Litter Prevention Campaign for Keep Brazos Beautiful. They created a web video, games, flyers, a banner, public service announcements, and a display for First Friday.



Title **WARM-UP YOUR "SPIRIT"**
 Award Silver
 GS (Troop) Jamie (Troop 9112)
 Advisor Megan Jonasson, Jenifer & Phil Hathaway
 Description The purpose of this project is to help create a program to develop good, healthy warm up habits for the ice skating community. My project, "Warm-Up Your Spirit", is a series of warm up and stretching exercises that are to be practiced off of the ice prior to skaters lacing up their skates. I illustrated this information by creating a poster with pictures and descriptions, demonstrating each of the warm-up exercise. This framed poster is now displayed at the Spirit Ice Arena in an area designated for the warm-up exercises. This will serve both current and future skaters enrolled in group classes, private lessons, and competitive figure skating.



Title **INCREASED PET ADOPTION**
Award Silver
GS (Troop) Lauren and Rachel (Troop 9080)
Leader/ Michael Bridges, Project Manager; Alan Smith,
Advisor Project Advisor; Beverly Smith, Group Advisor; Kathy
Irwin, Troop Leader
Description In an effort to increase local pet adoption, we built and installed an arbor/bench structure at the Aggieland Humane Society Visitor Center for use by visitors and in conjunction with animal training. A mulch walkway was built connecting the cement walkway to the structure and the structure area was landscaped with non-toxic, drought resistant plants. We conducted two neighborhood animal food/treat drives for Science Diet products (their official food sponsor). To top off the project we made 20 hand-tied blankets as data shows that animals are adopted more quickly when displayed with brightly colored blankets.



Title **WATER SAFETY SKILLS**
Award Silver
GS (Troop) Mabel (9553)
Leader Jessica Adams
Description Mabel taught a class where underprivileged children could learn to swim.



Title	FLAG AWARENESS
Award	Silver
GS (Troop)	Cecelia (9553)
Leader	Jessica Adams
Description	Cecilia assembled an informational coloring book and an informational pamphlet on the American flag and its rules, history and tradition. She distributed them in several locations in town, including the Bryan and College Station libraries, the children's museum and Project Yogurt. She also saved the coloring book and pamphlet on discs and distributed the discs so that new copies could be printed when they ran out.



Title	PROMOTIONAL CHURCH VIDEO
Award	Silver
GS (Troop)	Tannah (9553)
Leader/	Jessica Adams
Supervisor	Sandra Gossett
Description	Tannah raised money for a broadcast quality video camera, then filmed and assembled a promotional video for Peace Lutheran Church.



Title **OPERATION HELP THE SHELTER**
 Award Bronze
 GS (Troop) Ashlyn, Ginny, Crystal , Abigail, Celeste, Emily, Sutton, Anna, Sloane, Mikayla (all with 9026)
 Leader Jami Castillo
 Description Troop 9026 collected donations of various items that the Bryan Animal Center needed for the animals. We also made dog and cat toys for the pets at the shelter and taught other kids how to make them at the shelter's garage sale.



Making pet toys for the shelter.
 We also helped children including
 other scouts who came to the
 shelter make toys.



Title **GIRLS SCOUT TROOP 9053 HELP AGGIELAND HUMANE SOCIETY**

Award Bronze

GS (Troop) Sophia, Elizabeth, Lauren, Madelyn (all with 9053)

Leader / Advisor Kim Lardon, Julie Beazer

Description We worked with the Aggieland Humane Society because we wanted to learn more about taking care of animals. At the Humane Society they trained us to care for the dogs and cats and other small animals they shelter. Our time there included walking dogs, playing with cats, cleaning cages and litter boxes, washing bowls and toys, sweeping and mopping floors and sometimes even bathing new puppies! We decided we wanted to do more for the animals, so we bought fleece for tie blankets that we all made to keep the animals warm during cold winters.



Title **BRAZOS VALLEY FOOD BANK BACKPACK PROGRAM**
 Award Bronze
 GS (Troop) Caroline, Elise, Leah, and Reagan (all with 9022)
 Leader Troop Leader- Diana Bethke; Bronze Award Advisor - Lisa Ann Cairns
 Description Troop 9022 collected gently used or new backpacks and cinch sacks through selected local businesses, organizations, and schools, as well as through GSCTX Bryan/College Station Office. These bags go to the BVFB Backpack program which provides weekend food supplies for selected Elementary students in the Brazos Valley who might not otherwise have enough food over the weekend. While the BVFB collects and organizes the food donations, often they run out of backpacks or cinch sacks if the kids need them replaced during the school year or if there are new kids entering the program after the Fall school start. The backpacks help protect the kids' privacy and give them a sense of pride in having a nice school bag like many of their peers.





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