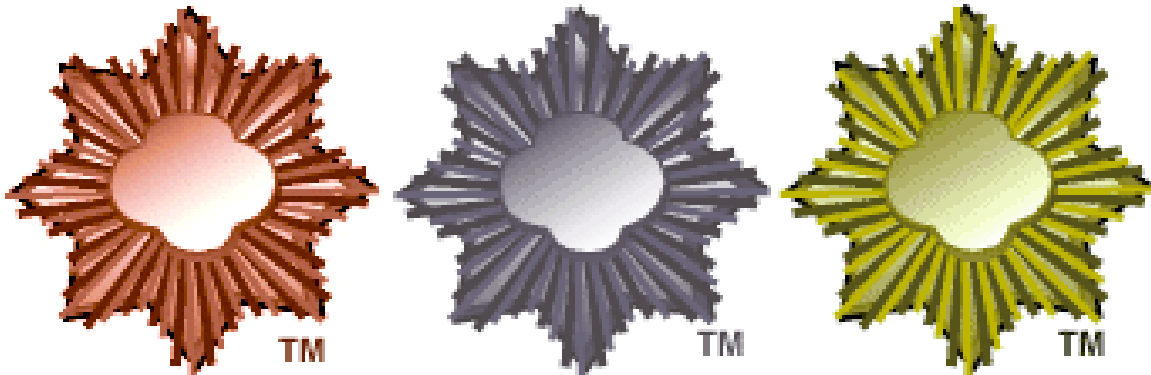


**Girl Scouts  
Bryan/College Station  
Service Unit**

**2019**

**Girl Scouts Awards  
Ceremony**



**April 26, 2019**

# **PROGRAM**

**Adult Awards**

**Golden Tickets**

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# Adult Awards

## **Service Unit Thank you Thank you Award**

A Bryan/College Station Service Unit Award for those individuals or groups who performed a service for the Service Unit that is greatly appreciated and deserves to be recognized.

## **Service Unit Key Person Award**

A Bryan/College Station Service Unit Award for those individuals who have over the years won every Service Unit Award possible and STILL performs crucial service for the Service Unit.

## **Service Unit Green-But-Growing Award**

This GSCTX award recognizes a volunteer during their first year for service beyond the expectations for the position held, which benefits the Service Unit and warrants recognition.

## **Service Unit Star Award**

This GSCTX award recognizes a volunteer for performing a specific task that is of benefit to the Service Unit.

## **Service Unit Outstanding Partners Award**

This GSCTX award recognizes volunteers that work as a team to provide service to the Service Unit that goes beyond the expectations for the positions held to the extent that warrants recognition at the Service Unit level.

## **Service Unit Extra Mile Award**

This GSCTX award recognizes volunteers who consistently provide an outstanding program for the girls and go "the extra mile".

## **Service Unit Outstanding Leader Award**

This GSCTX award recognizes outstanding troop leadership qualities in the delivery of Girl Scout program to girls. The candidate has completed appropriate training and her/his performance as a leader is so outstanding in nature that it merits recognition within the Service Unit. This award is given only once to a volunteer in recognition of their outstanding leadership. One letter of endorsement from members of the troop, families, or girls, must accompany the nomination form.

## **Service Unit Outstanding Volunteer Award**

This GSCTX award recognizes a volunteer for outstanding service other than troop/group leadership beyond the expectations for the position held, that benefits the Service Unit and warrants recognition. This award is given only once to a volunteer in recognition of their outstanding efforts. One letter of endorsement must accompany the nomination form.



Gold Girl Scouts are the best of the best. And even though you have to be a Senior or an Ambassador to earn a Gold Award, it's never too early to start dreaming of how you might earn your Gold.

That's why council created the **Golden Ticket**, a certificate that service units can award to girl scouts, who have not yet earned a Gold Award but who already show Gold Girl qualities – leadership, sisterhood, tenacity.

**Brooke-Lynn (Troop 9041).** Nominated for being a sister to every Girl Scout. She is considerate & caring, and makes the world a better place. Brooke offered to bake cupcakes for her troop to decorate, which in turn the girls gave to the firefighters at Bryan Fire Station 5, as a thank you for letting the troop meet at the fire house during the Scout House renovations. During the cookie season, Brooke helped another troop sell cookies when their Brownie was late. Brooke stayed 30 minutes past her booth time, in the cold, to allow a troop to begin sales right away. Even though they offered, she chose not to take any of the cookies sales from the troop. She also did not accept any money, when they also offered to buy her a hot chocolate at Starbucks. She was genuinely happy just to help the girl and her troop. Brooke is consistently thinking of others and the world, whether it be picking up litter at cookie booths or donating extra boxes of sales to other girls in our troop to help them reach their goals.

**Christina (Troop 9041).** Nominated for courageous and strong and friendly and helpful. Christina has experienced adversity in her life and through it all she shows strength and compassion and continues to help those around her when needed. She helps a lady on her street walk her dogs. She helps her elderly aunt help clean her house and put things away as needed. She has also been extra responsible in keeping up with her own things, schoolwork, and chores. It has been amazing watching her become a better person!

**Delilah (Troop 9021).** Nominated for being a sister to every Girl Scout. During cookie season, Delilah closed up her troop booth when another was setting up. The next troop had their second girl running late so Delilah stood for the other girl, so that their troop would still adhere to booth rules. Delilah asked for nothing in return.

Title **Blooming Smiles: Seasonal Silk Arrangements for the Elderly**

Award Bronze

Girl Scouts Anna Belle (9021), Aurora (9021), Cassi (9021), Delilah (9021), Jamie (9021), Kaylee (9021), Molly (9021)

Guidance Christine Lawrence

Description We asked Carla from Hudson Creek Alzheimer's Special Care Center if they had a need we could fill for them and she indicated a need for seasonal flower arrangements. We planned, budgeted, shopped, and arranged flowers for fall, winter, spring, and summer. These were artificial flowers arrangements that could be reused year after year. In the end we hoped it would bring a smile to residents' faces and brighten up their day. Carla told us the residents were even trying to water them and take them back to their rooms.



Title **Courtyard Beautification**  
Award Bronze  
Girl Scouts Isabel (9033), Katie (9033), Kiera (9033)  
Guidance Alice Martin, Christy Gilbert, Tamy Frank-Cannon (advisors)  
/ Lisa Storemski (leader)  
Description We took an unused, unkept blank space in the courtyard of The Manor nursing home and added a flower garden, potted plants, and birdfeeders. The residents wanted a place to gather together and garden in nice weather. The new ambiance of the Garden Courtyard makes both the residents and staff happy and content. They are looking forward to spring and being able to plant new flowers and make their home welcoming for residents and visitors.



Title **Marian Prayer Garden**  
Award Bronze  
Girl Scouts Lexi (9033), Alexandra (9033), River (9033), Piper (9033), Ryan (9033), Riley (9033), Eva (9033), Sofia (9033), Addie (9033), Lindsey (9033)  
Guidance Lisa Storemski (advisors) / Laura Millhollon (leader)  
Description We cleaned up an over-grown prayer garden at the St. Joseph School Secondary Campus. We added new plants, a prayer bench, and necessary supplies to help people utilize the prayer garden. Both students and parishioners of St. Joseph benefit from the garden, which can be used year-round.



Title **Buddy Bench & Program**  
Award Silver  
Girl Scout Catelyn (9019)  
Guidance Adriana Burnett / Kathy Williams  
Description

For my project I built a Buddy Bench. A Buddy Bench is a bench designed to help kids make new friends. The root cause I addressed is bullying; it is addressed by creating a way to make new friends without unneeded stress. Having friends helps many kids feel less alone and doesn't let bullying bother them. The bench is at Spring Creek Elementary School. The community that my project serves is the elementary school kids at Spring Creek; which has approximately 600 kids.



Title **Wheels of Hope**  
Award Silver  
Girl Scouts Hailey (9016) and Grace W (9016)  
Guidance GS Leader: Dana Hudson, Advisors: Kathy Williams  
Description Hailey wanted to be sure that

people could get to and from work, school, groceries, and even doctor visits to help further their chance at success in life as they rebuild. She and Grace W built and hosted the Thin Mint Sprint to raise funds and use it as an educational platform for their causes. They raised \$3000 each. Hailey met with St Vincent dePaul board members to determine their needs. She then purchased bikes, groceries, small



items to help people get started in empty homes, like folding tables and basic kitchen essentials, and bus passes. She also assisted in home visits with those in need. This will be a lasting impact as it helps people regain a foothold over an upended life as they struggle to restore balance to their lives. It also created an event that our Service Unit is excited about coming together and continuing for years to come. We went from 147 participants year one to 338 the second year, and expect 500 in 2020. Hopefully, our Service Unit will be able to use this platform to educate people about scouts, and whatever future Girl Scouts determine is their mission and goal.



Title **Sea Turtles vs Straws**  
Award Silver  
Girl Scouts Zoe (9045) and Zella (9045)  
Guidance Dr. Pamela Plotkin and Dr. Silvia Fallon  
Description



Sea Turtles vs. Straws is about how straws affect sea turtles in the wild. Every time you get a disposable straw, it eventually gets thrown away. Many of these straws, along with other plastic trash, end up in the ocean, where it can harm or kill sea turtles and other marine wildlife. Through the project we reached out to local businesses to ask them to pledge to switch to paper straws, ditch the straws, or implement an “ask only” policy. We also hosted many community events locally and in other parts of Texas to educate the general public about the issue.



Title **Christmas Posada Scene and Props**  
Award Silver  
Girl Scout Bridget (9033)  
Guidance Lisa Storemski  
Description My project is a Christmas Posada scene and props. This benefits both Christmas programs for St. Joseph Religious Education and St. Joseph Catholic school students.



Title **Saving Hearts at Harvey**  
Award Gold  
Girl Scout Rebekah (9325)  
Guidance Deanna Flusche (Advisor), Lisa Hubacek & Sharon Ross (Leaders)  
Description For my Gold Award Project, "Saving Hearts at Harvey," my goal was to provide an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to Harvey Little League Park and to raise awareness of the need for AEDs at athletic events. I did extensive research on AEDs, requirements and laws regarding AEDs, and the different types available on the market, including costs. I also researched and found cases where a young athlete's life was saved because of an on-site AED. Next, I had to obtain the Harvey board members' permission and support for my project, and I did this by giving a presentation to them. I then gave a similar presentation to local businesses until I found one to purchase the AED in return for advertisement at Harvey Little League, specifically the business' logo on banners that now hang on each of the four outfield fences. In order for me to purchase these banners, I held a bake sale at Harvey's closing ceremony, and this is where I also informed parents, coaches, and players of my project and its purpose. I did this by giving a compact speech about my project to them and I provided an informative poster board at my bake sale stand. After the AED was purchased, Harvey Board members were trained and certified on how to use it. I also created an informative packet about the importance of having an AED at little league parks and how to get one, and sent this out to neighboring little leagues, as well as to the five Little League U.S. Regional Headquarters.



Title	<b>R.U.S.H. Against Bullying</b>
Award	Gold
Girl Scout	Dawn A (9000)
Guidance	Emily Loder
Description	Dawn's Gold Award started as a PowerPoint and flyer she would share around. However, it expanded into creating multiple Remove, Understand, Support, and Help (RUSH) boxes. These boxes hold resources such as: examples to identify bullying, key actions to use to detect that a students in being bullied and reminder bracelets. She created 15 boxes and distributed 5 in her community to local high schools and the other 10 to different high schools around the country. The RUSH boxes provide sustainable materials, and can be shared with the other schools in the district.

**RUSH = Remove,  
Understand,  
Support, and Help**

Title **Love Grows Here**  
Award Gold  
Girl Scout Tannah B.  
Guidance Pheobe Simmons  
Description I made a rock garden at Family Promise, a house for people in between homes or homeless. The rocks in it are decorated by the families who live there. The goal was to allow children to express themselves in a therapeutic way. Mental health is often forgotten when providing for the homeless. Creative expression often assists people in trouble and allows them to relax.



# 2019 COLLABORATOR AWARDS

**Most Generous Collaborator:** StyleCraft for the BCS Scout House renovation.

**Best New Collaborator:** Joe Foster with Titan Security Systems for providing a security system and labor to install that system for the BCS Scout House.

**Most Girls Served:** Hudson Architecture PLLC for having a vision and helping council realize the renovation of the BCS Scout House serving all girls.

**Most Passionate Collaborator:** CC Creations for their employees who donate medals, who have extreme professionalism and who provide quality service.

**Most Kind Collaborator:** McDonalds on Villa Maria for allowing a troop that typically meet outdoors to meet during rainy days in their party room.

**Deepest Admiration for Support:**

- A&M United Methodist Church for their generous support over the years.
- Copy Corner for generously assisting the SU with Thin Mint Sprint and other events through in kind donations and discounts.
- Lowes for supporting Girl Scouts with high award projects by donating gift cards and for building benches in the BCS Scout House.



## **2018-2019 LEADERSHIP / 2018-2019 AWARD COMMITTEES**

**Local Staff:** Sarah Elfers, Emily Dawson, Ginny Ford, Rebecca Gray, and Karen Story.

**Co-Service Unit Directors:** Debra Turner and Lisa Cairns.

**Assistant Service Unit Director:** Kathy Beifuss.

**Silver Award Consultants:** Kathy Williams, Adriana Burnett.

**Gold Award Consultants:** Kathy Beifuss, Kay F. Simmons, Lisa Ann Cairns.

**Scholarship Award Committee:** Kay F. Simmons, Chris Deppe, Karen Dixon, Beverly Kuhn, Rebecca Thompson

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