

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

**2024
Girl Scout Awards
Ceremony**



May 31, 2024

Program

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Service Unit Volunteer Recognitions

Green But Growing

- ❖ April Lyman, Troop 321
- ❖ Jesse Blum, Troop 812

SU Star

- ❖ Cassie Lane, Troop 979
- ❖ Liza Castillo, Troop 9021
- ❖ Terry Clark, Troop 9025

SU Extra Mile

- ❖ Courtney DeVries, Troop 33002
- ❖ Dawn Jimenez, Troop 9132
- ❖ Lance Parr, Troop 9004
- ❖ Kate Randolph, Troop 9150
- ❖ Kat Evans , Troop 321

SU Outstanding Leader

- ❖ Katina Osth, Troop 33009
- ❖ Michelle Ethridge, Troop 9023
- ❖ Kristy Wallace, Troop 33017
- ❖ Laurie Carona, Troop 9150
- ❖ Lori Marlow, Troop 33012

SU Outstanding Volunteer

- ❖ Katherine Wickes, Troop 9134
- ❖ Michelle Ethridge, Troop 9023
- ❖ Julie Boytim, Troop 9018
- ❖ Debbie Mitchell, Troop 9145
- ❖ Paula Welch, Troop 9145

B/CS Graduating Senior Scholarship

Erin Gritter, Troop 9134



Top Sellers

Cookie Sellers

- ❖ Keira Cannon, Troop 9163, 1,490 cookie boxes
- ❖ Sydney Evans, Troop 321, 1,519 cookie boxes
- ❖ Skylar Miller, Troop 9132, 1,528 cookie boxes
- ❖ Berkley Bishop, Troop 9018, 1,871 cookies
- ❖ Alicia York, Troop 9145, 2,189 cookie boxes



Fall product

- ❖ Layla Guevara, Troop 33012, 124 items
- ❖ Sabrina Jimenez, Troop 9132, 111 items



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Title: **Bags to Benches**

Award: **Bronze**

Girl Scouts: Priscila, Eiza, Daleyza, Julianna, Ximena, Sarahi, Aliyah, Ria, Vanessa, Mariel, Mayte, Noelia, Genesis, Kate, Cynthia, Galilea, Shaddai (Troop 33009)

Guidance: Katina Osth, Jocelyn DeLuna

Description: Troop 33009 wanted to find out more about plastics and recycling. So they started with a presentation on Oct 14, 2022 by Kristianna from TAMU residence life where we learned about all the recycling. That kicked off the project. The troop collected over 500 pounds of plastic bags, weighed them and took them to Khol's CS and Kroger in Bryan. TRESX shipped us the bench. The girls voted to place the bench on a concrete pad in front of the GS house, next to the little library. The proposed map location was submitted to the GS office and they in turn submitted to the city of Bryan. We are holding off placing the bench per the city because of construction plans. In the meantime the bench is safely in the Brownie Room, ready to install once the city finishes the mid-town park construction.



Title: **Foster Puppy Starter Kits**

Award: **Silver**

Girl Scout: April Yu (Troop 9020)

Guidance: Kelly Dubuisson, Andrea Reyna, Mandy Schaefer

Description: For my project, I made “Foster Puppy Starter Kits”. The kits included materials to get you started for fostering a puppy such as beds, blankets, leashes, collars, treats, potty pads, paper towels and more. The root cause of the issue my project addressed is that every time someone starts fostering with Long Way Homes all supplies must be obtained from Mrs. Debra Wells. Everytime she has to gather everything, but with the kits all she has to do is grab a kit and give it to the new foster family. My project was done mostly at my home and at a Girl Scout meeting. The community my project served was volunteers in the College Station area who want to find homes for animals. My project served about 200 volunteers of Long Way Homes Adoptables.



Title: **A Kids Guide to Tasty Learning**

Award: **Silver**

Girl Scout: Riley Rose Reyna (Troop 9020)

Guidance: Kelly Dubuisson, Andrea Reyna, Mandy Schaefer

Description: For my project I made a recipe book with simple, quick recipes for the HIPPY Program. I made this recipe book with a curriculum for early childhood/ pre-K children. By allowing opportunities for parents to cook, they can help their kids learn and keep their skills and review while they are cooking with the family.

HIPPY is a program that addresses the issue of children that have not had formal education before kindergarten. The kids haven't had access to pre-k programs before entering elementary school. HIPPY gives the parents a curriculum to help teach their kids.



Title: Stress Savers

Award: Silver

Girl Scout: Aven (Troop 33008)

Guidance: Mrs. Wyman (IL Texas) / Kate Randolph

Description: Aven earned her silver when she was in 8th grade at International Leadership of Texas. She saw that the middle schoolers didn't have anything to play with to calm down with. She collaborated with her counselor and made a public stress toy box.



Title: Sleep Hygiene Awareness Fun Patch

Award: Silver

Girl Scout: Audrey (Troop 33008)

Guidance: Laura Ruebush / Kate Randolph

Description: Audrey is a freshman at A&M Consolidated High School. Her silver was earned while a 8th grader about how sleep impacts every area of life. She saw a need for sleep hygiene awareness in her community so she decided to fill that role.



Title: Easy Volunteer

Award: Silver

Girl Scout: Kaihlee (Troop 33008)

Guidance: Laura Ruebush / Kate Randolph

Description: Kiahlee earned her silver award as an eighth grader at iltexas. She saw that her community needed more young volunteers so she made a list with places to volunteer as a middle schooler. She decided to make this her silver award to make volunteering easier for students in NJHS and to get more people in her community to help out.



Title: Safety Day at the Scout House

Award: Silver

Girl Scout: Helen (Troop 33008)

Guidance: Joseph Rios (TAMUPD) / Kate Randolph

Description: Helen is a freshman at iltexas she did her silver award to help children and parents stay safe. She saw a need in her community to help make sure that children and parents had a safe understanding of dangers and she made sure that everyone was safe



Title: North Bryan Community Food Pantry

Award: **Silver**

Girl Scout: Brooklyn (Troop 9134)

Guidance: Katherine Wickes

Description: For her Silver Award, Brooklynn partnered with the North Bryan Community Center to identify a gap in food resources during summer months and weekends. She worked with the center and nearby WIC resources to build and install a food pantry that would be accessible to all in the community. She also worked with local groups to collect food to provide to the community center to help restock the pantry and raise awareness in the community.



Title: **Stuffed Animal Rehabilitation Program**

Award: **Silver**

Girl Scouts: Nyla Adams & Evelyn Schmeichel
(Troop 9018)

Guidance: Jacey (Gr8 Laundry) / Kate Randolph

Description: Nyla and Evelyn created a process for collecting and cleaning used stuffed animals so they could be donated. They held a stuffed animal drive, cleaned the animals and donated them to a number of organizations including Brazos Valley Hospice, Bryan Animal Shelter, Aggieland Humane Society, and Fire Department 6. Nyla and Evelyn made a detailed film about the process and it is posted to Youtube and Facebook for other girls to use as a reference.



Title: **The World of Adaptive Sports**

Award: **Gold**

Girl Scout: Ellie (Troop 9134)

Guidance: Shelly Peacock / Katherine Wickes

Description: For her Gold Award, Ellie worked with local adaptive sports programs to create a video highlighting the value of sports for all. She also created a video identifying exercises for adaptive athletes to help address the need for greater accessibility to training materials. Her videos were used by adaptive and non-adaptive programs as well as by classes training future fitness and health professionals to educate and increase awareness of the role that sports can play to improve health and well-being for individuals with differing abilities



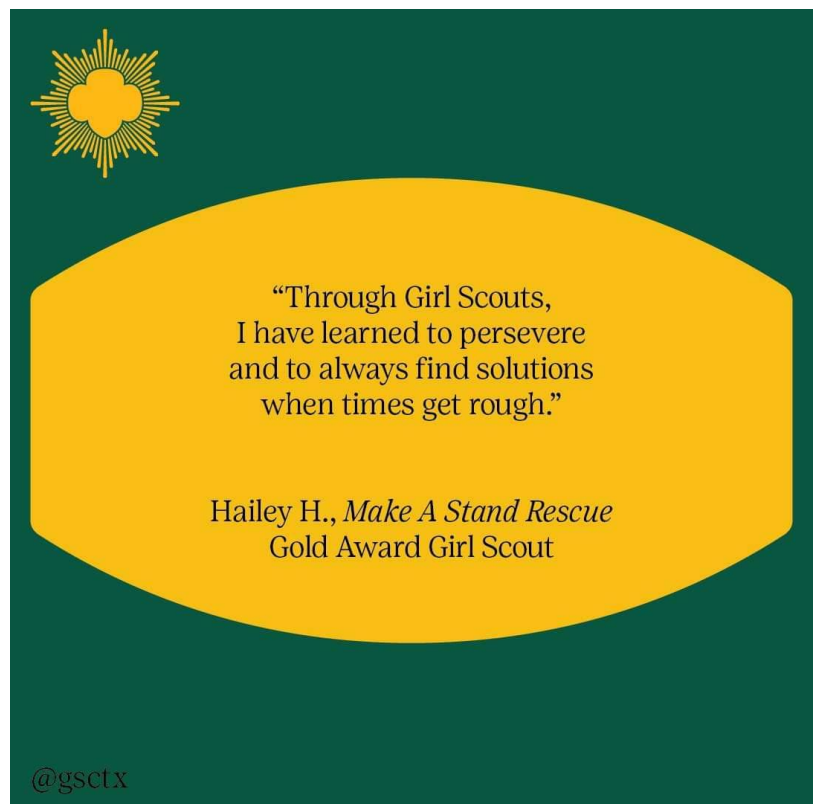
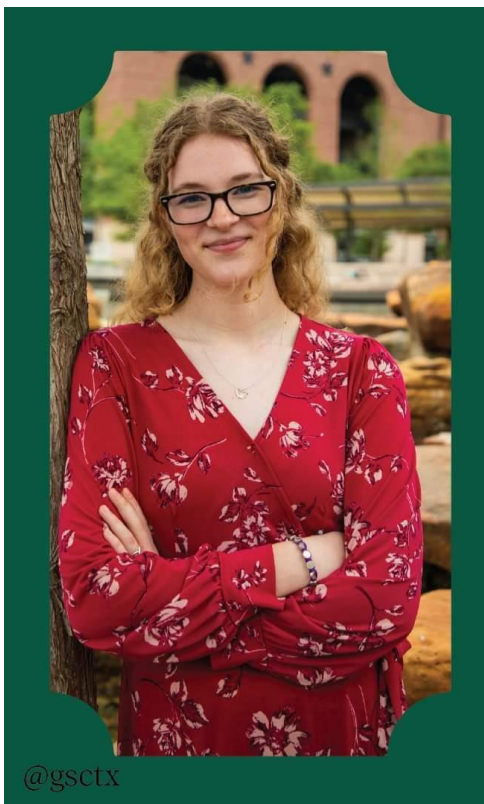
Title: **Make A Stand Rescue**

Award: **Gold**

Girl Scout: Hailey (Troop 9016)

Guidance: Dana Hudson

Description: Hailey is shattering misconceptions about Pitt Bulls. In an effort to educate audiences on proper ownership including energy levels, learning styles, and expectations a series of 4 videos were made for Make a Stand Bully Rescue to educate potential adopters on bully breeds. Pit Bull is an umbrella term used to describe more than ten different dog breeds. Some of these breeds include the Staffordshire Terrier, English Bull Dog, Grate Dane, Cane Corso, Boxer, Mastiff, and more. Bully breeds make up the largest shelter population. This education campaign aims at shifting those numbers. The videos have been made available to shelters and rescues across the country.



Title: **Music Enrichment for Memory Care**

Award: **Gold**

Girl Scout: Grace (Troop 9038)

Guidance: Betsy Droddy

Description: Grace's Gold Award Project, Music Enrichment for Memory Care, is a symphony of compassion! Collaborating with memory care facilities, she enhances the lives of patients with dementia and Alzheimer's. Grace created easily accessible playlists of music and videos, sparking memories and bringing joy to their lives. Grace says that because of Girl Scouts, "I've gained lifelong friendships and had the opportunity to try new things that I would not have had the opportunity to do without Girl Scouts."



2023-2024 Service Unit Leadership

- ❖ **Service Unit Lead - Operations:** Christine Lawrence & Tiphany Bode
- ❖ **Service Unit Lead - Membership & Volunteer Support:**
Kate Randolph
- ❖ **Service Unit Lead - Programs:** Katherine Wickes & Shelly Peacock
- ❖ **Training Coordinator:** Sandra Trainor
- ❖ **Camp Howdy Reservations / Outdoor Training:** Kathy Beifuss
- ❖ **Fall Product Sales:** Debbie Mitchell
- ❖ **Cookie Sales Manager:** Julie Boytim
- ❖ **Cookie Sale Booth Coordinator:** Paula Welch
- ❖ **Service Unit Madrina:** Katina Osth
- ❖ **Newsletter:** Kate Randolph
- ❖ **New Leader Mentors:** Courtney DeVries & Michelle Ethridge
- ❖ **Scout House Manager:** Liza Castillo
- ❖ **Website Coordinator:** Dawn Jimenez
- ❖ **Camp Howdy Site Team:** Steve Gossett (lead), Ken Turner, Kathy Beifuss, DJ Weatherford, Larry Marek, Benito Flores Meath, David Morrison

2024-2025 Girl Awards

- ❖ **Silver Award Consultants:** Laurie Carona, Kate Randolph
- ❖ **Gold Award Consultants:** Kathy Beifuss, Kay F. Simmons, Elizabeth Poprik.

2024-2025 Local Council Staff

- ❖ **Volunteer Support Specialist:** Emily Dawson
- ❖ **Community Recruitment Specialist:** Jesse Blum
- ❖ **Part-Time Program Specialist:** Krysta Posalski



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This booklet was created based upon information gathered in the few weeks before the ceremony. We apologize for any mistakes or omissions. Please send corrections or updates to michelleethridge@gmail.com so that the information may be included in next year's booklet.