



Dec. 2009

Senior
GIRL SCOUTS®

Troop 1569



Meetings

6:30-8 p.m. unless
noted otherwise

Dec. 5

**Christmas on the
Square**

4-7 p.m.

Dec.

**No regular
meeting**

Dec. 18, 5 p.m.-

Dec. 19

Sleepover

Meet at Westerville
Estates Community
Center then to
Tessa's House
Planning
Amaze Journey
Geocaching

Dec. 22, 1-4 PM

**Craft & Cooking
Party**

Westerville Estates
Community Center

Jan. 7

Meeting

Busy Brownies

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Service Unit Party

Scouts 4 Soldiers
Projects

Feb. 26-28

**Busy Brownies
Planning Weekend**

Christmas Party



We had fun at our Christmas Party. Thanks to everybody for fun gifts!



We talked about a service project to help with the Westerville Estates Community Center. Allie is working with Georgeanne Whitney at Community Library. Georgeanne does a mobile library at the trailer park. She has also mentioned other needs for the children there. We will visit on Dec. 18 to evaluate the needs. We also planned a craft event so the kids could make gifts for their parents.

Fundraising

We sold \$504 in nuts, candy and magazines with total proceeds to our individual trip accounts of \$90.72. We also earned \$10 in Nutty Money.

Sleepover

Our sleepover at Tessa's house will be Dec. 18. We'll meet at the Westerville Estates Community Center (11050 Fancher Rd., Westerville, OH 43082 - just east of Harlem Rd.) at 5 p.m. to scope out the needs there for a service project.

Then we'll car pool to Tessa's house. Bring your notebooks.

We'll fine tune plans for our Craft and Cooking Party and also discuss future ideas for Westerville Estates.

We'll work on our Amaze Journey.

Julia has planned our Hi Tech Hide & Seek Interest Project. As part of that, we'll go on a geocaching adventure Saturday.

Westerville Estates Craft & Cooking Party

We are planning a Christmas Craft and Cooking Party at Westerville Estates for Dec. 22, 1-4 p.m. Allie and Julie Dawson are organizing crafts. There will be a sign-up sheet at the Community Center so we know how many children will participate. We will also bake cookies with the kids. Jeanna will purchase supplies and we'll be reimbursed from grant funds.

We've also discussed a reading program, puppet shows, and more.



We chose to adopt a soldier as our service project. The Genoa Baptist Church has a program for sending packages to soldiers throughout the year. Tessa has asked the Service Unit Troops to help with this project. She will also contact Kroger's regarding putting a collection box for the community there.

We need to plan a January Service Unit event so all the troops can help make Valentine's Day cards to the soldiers and for the soldiers to send home, collect old Christmas cards for next year, and make candy tubes.

We need to collect:

- 200 bags of Hershey Kisses (no nuts)
- 80 bags of marshmallows
- 200 pack's Nestlé's cocoa with marshmallows for snowman soup
- Valentine's cards
- 360 large Hershey Bars
- 360 paper tubes (toilet paper, paper towels, aluminum foil, wax paper, wrapping paper)
- old Christmas cards
- Keebler chocolate striped cookies
- red and pink tissue paper or wrapping paper and ribbon.

Busy Brownies

Jeanna presented this idea to the Big Walnut Service Unit leaders and asked them to e-mail her which try-its they would like to work on.

Our Busy Brownies planning weekend has changed to Feb. 26-28. We will travel east of Mt. Vernon to the Girl Scouts Camp Cornish Lodge.



Going for the Gold

STEP 1: BUILD A FRAMEWORK

- Read the *Go for It! The Girl Scout Gold Award* insert
- Meet with troop/group advisor or Girl Scout Gold Award project advisor and develop a timeline for steps 2-4
- Make an agreement with your adult advisor

STEP 2: EARN THE GOLD LEADERSHIP AWARD CHARM

- Earn three Girl Scout Interest Project awards related to parts of the Girl Scout Law.
- Set goals and earn charms for the STUDIO 2B Focus book of your choice.
- Log 30 hours in a leadership role.
- Keep records and journal in *Go for It! The Girl Scout Gold Award* insert.

STEP 3: EARN THE GOLD CAREER AWARD CHARM

- Do a total of 40 hours related to career exploration.
- Or, Fast Track it with a paying job or your own business.

STEP 4: EARN THE GOLD 4Bs CHALLENGE AWARD CHARM

- **Become:** Assessment of skill set and setting and achieving two goals related to self-improvement.
- **Belong:** Create a community profile to find out more about the community needs and assets.
- **Believe:** Create a vision for change by focusing on community needs. Come up with an actual vision statement for one's Girl Scout Gold Award project based on challenge focusing.
- **Build:** Focus on developing a specific network of people who might help with the vision.
- Use page 18 in *STUDIO 2B Focus*:

Write Now on building persuasive skills to help convince others to support your position on this issue.

- Use *Go for It! The Girl Scout Gold Award* STUDIO 2B insert to keep records and journal for discussion and evaluation with Girl Scout Gold Award project advisor.

Note: Hours spent on the Girl Scout 4Bs Challenge can be applied to the Girl Scout Gold project hours.

STEP 5: PLAN YOUR GOLD AWARD PROJECT

- **Plan it:** Keep record of time and process using *Go for It! The Girl Scout Gold Award* insert.
- **Know more about it**—research information on it.
- **Choose it**—brainstorm ways to solve problem, create a budget. Council must approve any money-earning or gift-in-kind plans related to project.
- **Map it**—create a timeline of project steps and list of resources needed. Fill out project plan for council.
- **Work** with Girl Scout Gold Award project advisor.
- **Submit plan** to Girl Scout council for approval
- Follow council submission guidelines. A girl cannot start on project until go-ahead is received from council.
- Receive feedback from council.
- Make adjustment to plans if necessary.

Each girl needs to plan an Interest Project for the rest of the troop. We also need to do career exploration to earn the Gold. Tessa will plan the Career Sense Interest Project. Let Karen know what IP you will plan.

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