

# Connections

Spring 2016

## CEO Message...

### Thank you Governor Martinez for your leadership in proclaiming June as Great Outdoors Month!

I grew up in New Mexico and learned much about the Great Outdoors from my family and through Girl Scouts. As a young girl, we took 2 week camping vacations where all 6 of us piled into the station wagon and we were each allowed 1 brown grocery paper bag for our clothes, 1 sleeping bag, 1 blanket, a box of food, Coleman stove, Coleman lantern and a tent to hold all 6 of us. Our favorite camp site was Fenton Lake- actually we thought as kids that Fenton was our summer home. We just shared it with the whole state.

There were a number of years that I lived in Florida and DC and would actually have these minor panic attacks for fear that I would never again wake up in a tent all cozy in my sleeping bag and smell the scent of bacon from the adjacent camp site and be able to wash my face in a cool stream, inhale the beautiful smell of ponderosa pines, juniper and pinon or sing around a campfire. But I did come home and camp as much as I can.

Let me tell you a story about a young woman named Molly who was a Girl Scout growing up. Yesterday I took Molly to Rancho del Chaparral, she had not seen Rancho in over 30 years since she was a young girl. She told the story about her mother strongly encouraging her to go to GS camp and how she cried all the way to the camp. A week later, when her Mom picked Molly up, her Mom saw her crying and asked if she really had cried the entire week. And Molly looked at her and said she was crying because she didn't want to leave camp. So 30 years later, when we got to the camp, she opened her window wide and inhaled the air and she jumped out of the car and pressed her nose against a huge ponderosa pine. And she said ahhh it smells like CAMP!

Camp and the great outdoors are life transforming moments that helped mold me throughout by life. I learned to be resilient, bold, courageous and confident- A girl Scout- I developed a deep love for the Land of Enchantment. Conservation of our resources, protection of our water, leave no trace behind and feeling the buoyancy of your walk while hiking in the great outdoors were all things I learned by being outside. What a joy to be the CEO of GS where we embrace the outdoor, provide opportunities for girls to zip line through a forest, kayak down our beautiful Rio Grande, rappel off a cliff and ride a horse for the first of many times.

We look forward to partnering with CYFD and New Mexico State Parks to provide opportunities for even more of our NM families to experience a great family camp out.

We have much to celebrate in this state and it begins with our endless opportunities to explore the great outdoors- our mountains, lakes, a fishing stream, a babbling brook and a book!- We are pleased to be a national partner and join our sister Girl Scout councils throughout the country to celebrate NM and her natural beauty.

Peggy Sanchez Mills, CEO



## INSIDE...

CEO Message  
Upcoming Programs & Events  
Our Cookie Professionals  
Early Bird Registration  
Online Resources for Volunteers

Gold, Silver, & Bronze Award  
Gold Award Centennial  
STEM  
Outdoor Programming  
Meet the Camp Directors

Older Girl Programming  
2016 Recognition Ceremony  
Sponsors & Donors

# Upcoming Program & Event Dates

June 11-12	<b>Roar &amp; Snore</b> , Rio Grande Zoo BJCSA. Register by 4/26.
June 11	<b>Family Rafting Adventure</b> , Taos, NM Age 7+. \$80 per person. Register by 5/31.
June 22	<b>Girl Scout Gold Award Centennial Celebration</b> Governor's Mansion. Register by 6/14.
June 13-17	<b>Innovate &amp; Create Day Camp: Design Yo' self</b> NM Mus Nat'l History. CSA.
June 27-July 1	<b>Innovate &amp; Create Day Camp: Maker Moves</b> NM Mus Nat'l History. CSA.
July 9	<b>MakerGirl</b> GSNMT Headquarters, Albuquerque
July 11-15	<b>Innovate &amp; Create Day Camp: Chicas Got Game</b> NM Mus Nat'l History. CSA.
July 25-29	<b>Innovate &amp; Create Day Camp: Game Jamboree</b> NM Mus Nat'l History. CSA.
Aug 5-7	<b>Camp CEO</b> , Camp Elliott Barker SA. Register by 6/5.
Sept 2-4	<b>Chaco Canyon Camping Adventure</b> JC. \$30/person. Register by 8/23
Oct 8	<b>Camporee</b> , Haines Park, Rio Rancho
Nov. 12	<b>Annual Meeting &amp; Awards Ceremony</b> , National Hispanic Cultural Center

D = Daisy, B = Brownie, J = Junior, C = Cadette,  
S = Senior, and A = Ambassador.

For further information, visit our website:  
[nmgirlscouts.org](http://nmgirlscouts.org) -> Programs

## Camp Smitty Day Camp: Superheros!

June 6-10. 9am-3pm. Paradise Hills United Methodist Church, Rio Rancho. \$60/girl.

## Gallup Day Camp: Blast From The Past!

June 13-15. Daisy/Brownie 9am-noon. Junior/Cadette 1pm-4pm. Westminster Presbyterian Church, Gallup. Come and learn about past GS badges. \$20/girl.

**Building girls of  
courage, confidence,  
and character,  
who make the world  
a better place.**



## Board of Directors

Becky Teague, Chair  
Maribeth Thornton, Vice Chair  
Marian Wrage, Secretary  
Molly Emke, Treasurer

Karen Bergren	Jodi Maheras
Marti Fournier-Revo	Tim Montoya
Pamelya Herndon	Susan Patrick
Mary Hockaday	Marny Schantz
Mary Homan	Christy Tafoya
Casey Hoyt	Victoria Hughes

## Council Staff

Peggy Sanchez Mills, CEO

### Administration & Operations

Annette LeFebre, Director of Administration & Operations  
Novie Sanchez, Customer Care Receptionist

### Membership & Volunteer Services

Melissa Brune, Director of Membership & Volunteer Services  
Amber Deenihan, Recruitment & Retention Specialist  
Amber Ortiz, Customer Care/Program & Camp Registrar  
Christopher Frain, Information Analyst/Data Management  
Clarissa Yatsattie, Recruitment & Retention Specialist  
Cynthis Gonzales, External Recruitment Specialist  
Dara Cordova-Montoya, Recruitment & Retention Specialist  
Emily French, Recruitment/Retention Specialist  
Kristen Sillence, Internal Membership Specialist  
Sarah Ruiz, Customer Care/Data Management Specialist

### Program & Camp

Cecilia Chavez, Director of Program & Innovation  
Anthony Salvagno, STEM Program Coordinator  
Vanessa Grose, Camp Director/Outdoor Program Manager  
Vanessa Wheeler, Program Manager

### Product Program & Retail Sales

Sonia DeGuzman, Director of Sales  
Kimberly Hammon, Product Sales Manager  
Molly Murphy, Sales Associate

### Fund Development

Molly Garza, Director of Strategic Development  
Charlene Kalbfell, AP/AR Development Associate

### Communications, Marketing & Outreach

Carol Ann Short, Communications & Public Relations Manager  
Katrina Garley, Communications Designer

### Finance

Jena Schutz, Director of Finance

### Property & Facilities

Michael Dean, Manager of Camp Properties & Facilities  
John Larimore, Ranger - Rancho del Chaparral  
Don LeFebre, Property Coordinator

### Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails

4000 Jefferson Plaza NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109  
505.343.1040 [nmgirlscouts.org](http://nmgirlscouts.org)

# The Largest Girl-Led Business in the World

## Our Cookie Professionals

The Financial Literacy program is more than a fundraiser for our council and troops, it is a program designed to immerse girls in the entrepreneurial world, to learn business and financial skills and earn money to fund their Girl Scouting goals. Through "learning by earning," Girl Scouting aims to empower girls through the development of five essential skills: goal setting, money management, people skills, decision making, and business ethics.

**Congratulations Girl Scouts, Troops, Volunteers, and Families!!!**

**We finished another great cookie season!**

**Here are just a handful of the highlights!**

### Top 10+ Cookie Professionals!

- 4,261 Lexi Chavez, Brownie
- 2,163 Cheyenne Edwards, Brownie
- 2,069 Denika Montoya, Brownie
- 2,053 Melia McDaniel, Cadette
- 2,000 Millicent Lyman, Brownie
- 2,000 Ariel Haybarker, Cadette
- 1,600 Audrey Baker, Cadette
- 1,500 The following girls tied for #8 with 1500:

- Emma Regan, Junior
- Jessica Gaddis, Cadette
- Kailyn Ludi, Senior
- Samantha Asendorf, Junior
- Alexandra Burnham, Cadette
- Danielle Kesterson, Cadette
- Alexandra Van Why, Senior
- Arianna Medley, Cadette
- Samantha Van Note, Ambassador
- Meliah Bluehouse-Calles, Brownie
- Autumn Sanchez, Cadette
- Mia Vigil, Cadette
- Faith Switzer, Brownie

- 1,360 Isabella Asebedo, Brownie
- 1,348 Fallon Dimas, Brownie

**238** troops participated in this year's cookie sale. **2,644** girls sold cookies.

The following **9** of our service units increased their cookie sales this year: Desert Rose, Dos Rios, Gallup/Grants, Los Alamos, Mountain View, NE Metro, NW Mesa, Socorro, Las Vegas/Angel Fire/Taos.

**5,648** program vouchers at \$5 each were earned through the 2016 cookie sale.

Program vouchers can be used for GSNMT camp and program registration!

In 2015, council paid \$435,808 in troop proceeds. This year we paid **\$539,079** in troop proceeds.

### Top 10 Troops

- 19780 Troop 10471 (Dos Rios)
- 19757 Troop 11680 (NE Metro)
- 15414 Troop 10546 (Las Vegas)
- 12405 Troop 10230 (Desert Rose)
- 12332 Troop 10549 (NE Metro)
- 12205 Troop 310 (Jefferson Washington)
- 11209 Troop 10443 (Desert Rose)
- 11020 Troop 10391 (NE Metro)
- 9502 Troop 10266 (NW Mesa)
- 8509 Troop 218 (Alamosa)



**Congratulations Lexi Chavez**  
**2016 Top Cookie Seller**  
**4,261 boxes**

Our PGA (per girl average) was **296** this year

**6,011** boxes of cookies were donated to Blue Star Mothers

Girl Scouts in New Mexico Trails sold **785,22** boxes of cookies

Girls that participated by grade level:	
K	232
1	401
2	467
3	394
4	382
5	288
6	208
7	114
8	57
9	42
10	25
11	24
12	11
total girls: 2645	

**Congratulations to our 12th grade Girl Scouts who sold enough boxes of cookies to earn a Lifetime Membership in Girl Scouts:**

**Casey Hoyt, Victoria Rodriguez, Montana Hull, and Nizhoni Redmond!**



New to our cookie rewards this year is the **Program Voucher**.

Program Vouchers are valid **May 1, 2016 – April 30, 2017** and can be redeemed through council for program events, camp sessions and service unit events.

Program vouchers are awarded to individual girls, not troops. Program vouchers will be delivered to troop leaders at their April and May service unit meetings.



Sign Up for Another Year of Fun!

I can't wait to 

## It's Early Bird Re-registration Time!

At Girl Scouts, discovery and new experiences are around every corner. Lots of fun with your crew and big accomplishments are waiting. Just imagine what you'll do next!

### Early Bird Registration is here! April 1 - June 15, 2016

Renewing all the girls and adults in your troop is easy! Visit the My GS Community on our website and navigate to the My Troop tab. From there, you'll be able to renew girls and adult volunteers, pay for memberships, and gear up for another year of Girl Scout adventures!

### Individual & Family Renewal

Individuals can also renew girl and adult memberships through My GS using the Girl and Adult Renewal Tabs. Additionally, if you have multiple people to renew you can do this through our Family Renewal Tab.

### Lifetime Members - Renew Or Add Volunteer Roles

As a Lifetime Member of Girl Scouts - your membership renews automatically every year! However, lifetime members must renew, add, or change any volunteer roles at the start of each program year.

## Benefits of "Early Birding" your troop:

Renew your troops membership by June 15, 2016 and all girls who renew receive an Early Bird Patch.

Renew 60% or more of your currently registered troop members (girls and adults) and your troop earns a one time, 15% discount coupon to use in La Tienda towards purchasing the following Girl Scout Merchandise:

All program level books	all official insignia/pins
patches for all grade levels	vests, sashes and tunics

Troop members needed will be calculated using your troop roster as of March 21, 2016. Note:

- Every girl who renews membership by June 15, 2016 gets a patch.
- Only troops that renew the number of members above will receive a 15% discount coupon for La Tienda.
- New registrations do not count toward Early Bird. Only current renewals.
- Questions? Contact your Regional Manager.

## New: Council Service Fee (CSF) Keeping it local, supporting the girls in New Mexico

GSNMT is introducing a Council Service Fee (CSF), effective with the 2016-2017 membership year. This \$15 fee will help generate funds dedicated to providing the Girl Scout Leadership Experience to GSNMT Girl Scouts.

The purpose of the CSF is to provide our council with a sustainable renewal source of income that supports its operation, including general operating expenses, supporting technology initiatives, providing quality customer care and services to members, initiating background checks of volunteers and staff, providing liability insurance, providing outdoor experiences for girls and processing of girl memberships. These funds will ensure that the Girl Scout program remains strong and viable in our local community.

### How the Fee will Work

Girl membership dues will be \$30 effective with the 2016-17 (October 1, 2016-September 30, 2017) membership year. Parents will continue to make a convenient single payment for girl membership dues.

#### \$15 Girl Scouts USA Membership Fee

(supports nationwide program initiatives, goes directly to our national office, GSUSA)

#### + \$15 GSNMT Council Service Fee

(supports local Girl Scouts, here in our council! Supports programs and services to GSNMT girls)

#### = \$30 Total GSNMT Council Girl Scout Membership

# New Website & Online Resources


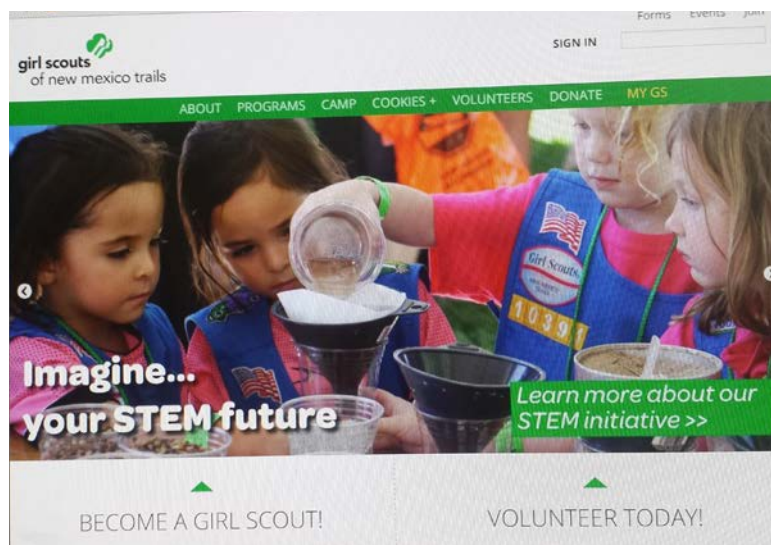
## New: GSNMT website Same web address, exciting local info!

The GSNMT website just migrated to a more streamlined navigation and a nationally consistent look. Check out our new website for local and national highlights, in-depth information about the Movement, and featured calls-to-action to join, volunteer, reconnect, and support Girl Scouts!

Some of our new online features include:

- Share Your Story: submit your Girl Scout story and photos online and we'll share in an upcoming newsletter or on the website
- Camp Registration: read our camp book online and find all of your camp registration forms
- Program Calendar: view our upcoming programs in a list or on the calendar, whichever you prefer
- Bronze, Silver, & Gold information: learn about project requirements, get inspiration, and find all of your award forms
- And more!

[www.nmgirlscouts.org](http://www.nmgirlscouts.org)



## More time to get your hands dirty.

With the new **Volunteer Toolkit** web app you'll be able to quickly plan and organize your troop's activities so you can focus on the important part—having fun.

**LEARN MORE NOW**



## Parents:

You know your girl loves Girl Scouts for the friends, the fun, and all the new things she gets to try.

But wouldn't it be great if you could see what her troop or group is doing this year? Or check what she needs for each meeting?

**Now you can, with the Volunteer Toolkit, a new app that shows troop or group plans in one convenient place.**

Just log in to:

- See what your girl's troop or group is planning this year in an easy to use calendar view
- Stay in touch with the troop leader or volunteer
- Find new ways to participate in the experience

## Troop Leaders:

Wish there was a way for you to keep everything for your whole Girl Scout year in one place? **Meet the Volunteer Toolkit, the new web app that helps you make the most of every troop meeting.**

Here's how it will save you time and help you plan:

- For Daisy, Brownie, and Junior troops, the Volunteer Toolkit comes with pre-populated plans for every meeting--a full year of Girl Scouts right there on your device! Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador troops don't get pre-populated meetings yet (coming soon), but they can access some other great planning features.
- For those of you who want to do your own thing, everything is fully customizable. You can add your own activities to the plan, and if you want to change the order of activities, just drag and drop.
- The app runs on your home computer, tablet, or mobile device. No more hunting for the right activity or book!

All the resources you need are right there on the app.

You can also:

- Manage your troop finances
- Access your girl and family roster
- Track your girls' achievements and attendance

# Girls Change the World

## Bronze, Silver, & Gold Awards



As Girl Scouts, girls discover the fun, friendship, and power of girls together. Girls grow courageous and strong through a wide variety of enriching experiences, such as field trips, skill-building sports clinics, community service projects, cultural exchanges, and environmental stewardships.

### In Girl Scouts, GIRLS CHANGE THE WORLD!

**Girls Change the world through community service and through take action projects.**

- **Community Service** projects address an issue and provide a short-term solution, with a short term impact.
- **Take Action** projects identify the root cause of the issue and have long-term benefits and sustainable support.

### Community Resources and Community Needs

Our Girl Scouts provide thousands of hours of community service and Take Action projects in their communities. In an

effort to share community needs and to inspire new ways to serve the community, we will be introducing a new issue in the community that girls, troops, and families can learn more about. A new issue will be shared monthly. We encourage you to:

- **Discover**, learn more about this issue in your community
- **Connect** with organizations or people in the community to get guidance on how you can make a difference
- **Take Action** in your community, carry out your service to the community, making the world a better place

*Pictured above: Peggy with Junior Troop 1680 who presented their Bronze Award project to her.*



## Girl Scout Bronze Award

The Girl Scout Bronze Award adventure is big—in fact, this award is the highest honor a Junior Girl Scout can achieve. As you and your team plan and complete your project, you'll develop more confidence, meet new people, and have the kind of fun that happens when you work with other Girl Scouts to make a difference.

Imagine what you can accomplish when you team up with others and use your special skills and interests to take action and make a difference in the world!

### Troop 10331 Bronze Award Project: Animal Humane New Mexico

Message from Animal Humane New Mexico: We received a wonderful donation to our Foster Care Department from Girl Scout Troop #10331 this past week to help out during one of the busiest times of the year... kitten season!

The Troop is working on their Bronze Award and chose to raise awareness of the importance of spay/neuter and pet homelessness as their focus for this intense two-year project. They have written letters to legislatures, spoken with animal welfare lobbyists about spay/neuter initiatives in the state and visited Animal Humane to learn more about the work shelters do.

They met our Foster Care Manager who taught them about the special care of foster babies, helped prepare take-home items in our foster office and collected donations such as baby blankets, large stuffed animals, kitten milk replacers, cotton balls, bottles & so much more.

We'd like to extend a huge THANK YOU to Girl Scout Troop #10331 for the life-changing work they're doing! They're not only helping the pets currently in our care, but working to change the lives of those in the future!



Troop 10331



Animal Humane  
NEW MEXICO



## Girl Scout Silver Award

Have you ever looked around your neighborhood or school and wondered how you could make a change for the better? Going for the Girl Scout Silver Award—the highest award a Cadette Girl Scout can earn—gives you the chance to show that you are a leader who is organized, determined, and dedicated to improving your community. Earning the award puts you among an exceptional group of girls who have used their knowledge and leadership skills to make a difference in the world.



## Gold Award Centennial Celebration

Wednesday June 22<sup>ND</sup> 2016

Governor's Mansion Santa Fe, New Mexico

Since 1916, the highest award in Girl Scouting has been earned by girls who have made meaningful, sustainable change in their communities and beyond. Now, 100 years later, the Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout can achieve.

Join Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails CEO Peggy Sanchez Mills and CYFD Cabinet Secretary Monique Jacobson at the Governor's Mansion in Santa Fe to celebrate these Gold Award Girl Scouts, past and present, who are making the world a better place.

WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE CYFD CABINET SECRETARY - MONIQUE JACOBSON AS OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER!

During her leadership of the Tourism Department, Secretary Jacobson designed and implemented the successful "New Mexico True" campaign, which has contributed to three straight years of substantial growth in tourism in New Mexico.

We would love to have you join us for this "once in a lifetime event"!

RSVP by June 14 online at [nmgirlscouts.org](http://nmgirlscouts.org)

Event registration is \$25

Questions? [GoGold@nmgirlscouts.org](mailto:GoGold@nmgirlscouts.org) 505.343.1040



# 96%

of Gold Award Girls credit  
Girl Scouts with providing  
leadership opportunities they  
couldn't get elsewhere



### Delanie Montoya, For the Love of Art 2016 Gold Award Project

Delanie's project addressed the loss of art in elementary schools. She worked with elementary school students and teachers at Lydia Rippey Elementary School in Aztec, NM. My using her love of art and her leadership skills, she introduced various art projects to the students.

With support from the school, they hope to keep this program sustainable by using high school art students to teach art classes in the future.



# STEM

## (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics)

This year, our STEM programs are focused on delivering multisensory learning experiences. STEM isn't about just reading, or seeing. STEM is about being a part of the learning and experiencing it. Our programs are designed to build lasting memories and unique experiences. For example, Chicas Got Game is a revolutionary series that teaches coding through girls' love for video games. Girls have made and experienced different game types, coding languages, and have had fun doing it.

### Meet our STEM guru

Anthony Salvagno has been our STEM Program staff member for over a year. We are constantly impressed by his unique approach to creating programs for girls and his enthusiasm for getting girls involved in STEM. Following is Anthony's story--how he got interested in science, why STEM is important for girls, and his suggestion for bringing STEM activities to your kids at home or your troop.

I was always interested in science. I remember reading books that just had questions about science topics, with our current understanding of those answers. I used to use our school library time to read the encyclopedia (before the internet was invented) about outer space and dinosaurs. I grew up in NY and I would force my parents to take me to the Museum of Natural History (specifically the planetarium) and the Queens Hall of Science. I also watched a lot of Bill Nye the Science Guy.

Once I got to college, I knew I wanted to study astronomy, but my school didn't have an astronomy program so I took physics as the next best thing. I slowly moved from astronomy (still a passion of mine) to biology, as I became deeply interested in the science of genetics and our brains. I decided to go to graduate school to pursue my PhD where I studied the physics of our DNA and how something as simple as water can affect our DNA.

During my schooling I was always willing to speak with students about science and to get them as excited about science as I was, and still am. I began doing a lot of science outreach and became very passionate about science education. There is just so much more out in the universe, than what can be learned in school. So I joined Girl Scouts to introduce New Mexico girls to everything the world has to offer.

I also became a vocal advocate for equality of women in science, especially women of color. There is so much exciting research happening here in NM, it is a shame there is such a large disconnect between our research labs and the surrounding community. Additionally, I see girls being turned off from science at such a young age. Through Girl Scouts, I want to be a force for change. Girls love the programs we do, and all the time I hear "I didn't know science could be so fun." I want to create experiences for our girls that will last a lifetime and lead them to pursue careers in science. I know that our girls can change the world. I just want them to see it that way too.

STEM is so important because it is a part of everything we do in the world today. In fact, even fields that aren't typically thought of as STEM related will become more STEM integrated as organizations begin to value statistics. Our world is becoming extremely data centric and science education builds the mindset and toolset to be able to handle this new way of thinking.

Yet I hear all the time that, "STEM is too difficult," or even, "I can't do STEM." The truth is anyone can do STEM. There is no right way to do STEM. If you've ever been skeptical, you've used a science mindset. Like any sport, STEM takes practice. We don't expect our girls to be professional athletes when they first pick up a ball. We shouldn't expect the same when they first learn about quantum chromodynamics (that's a real thing!). It takes time to build the understanding and skills needed to understand something that complicated, much like it requires time and practice to be able to score a goal in soccer. To this day, I still have "Aha!" moments, as I learn about new principles and theories and better understand concepts that I only barely grasped just a few months or even years ago.

**The best thing you can do when trying to do STEM activities with your girls (or children) is to fearlessly participate with your girls. They'll make mistakes, you'll make mistakes. I make mistakes all the time! But showing that it is ok to make a mistake is the best thing you can do for them. It'll help build a fearless attitude that will serve them well for the rest of their lives. And who knows... maybe they'll be explaining quantum chromodynamics to me in a few years.**



### Try it at home:

What you'll need: watercolor paints, paint brushes, salt, rubbing alcohol, paper (preferably watercolor paper), a cup of water, and a get messy attitude!

Get your paper slightly damp, and begin to paint with your watercolors. Draw whatever you'd like. Immediately after completing your masterpiece, try to sprinkle some alcohol drops on your canvas. Do you notice anything strange happening? Try to play with the amount of water and paint you use and try to achieve different effects. Let your painting dry for a few hours, then take a picture and send us your work!

You can also sprinkle some table salt on your wet work. You may not notice any effects until the paint is dry, but when it does, what do you notice? Try a few different paintings and sprinkle on salt in different ways and patterns. Try different sized salt crystals and see what happens. What do you notice? How does the size of the salt crystal affect your outcome? Take notes, and share your results and your work with us!



# 2016 Innovate & Create Day Camp

FOR: Girls entering grades 6 - 12 Fall 2016

COST: \$100 per session.

WHERE: New Mexico Museum of Natural History & Science

TIME: 9 am - 4 pm, Monday - Friday

The Innovate & Create Camp is an engaging four week STEM experience. Each week features a different theme that bridges art and technology in fun and innovative ways. Participants will leave with the start of a design portfolio for use in college admissions and job interviews. Register for all 4 sessions and receive a \$100 discount!

**Session 1: June 13 - 17 Design Yo' self:** Web, graphic & musical design

**Session 2: June 27 - July 1 Maker Moves:** Design & 3D print a board game

**Session 3: July 11 - 15 Chicas Got Game:** Craft your personal narrative

**Session 4: July 25 - 29 Game Jamboree:** Combine all the skills you've learned to make your own video game

Each week will be a different experience. This year, we include a 4th week that will build from the skills learned in the first 3 weeks to create a collaborative video game. It's our Game Jamboree.

Week 1: We show girls how to create narratives from their personal experience and share them through different media. This week we'll be focusing on graphic design, web design, and music composition. For the graphic design section, girls will make posters with professional software, led by professional graphic designers. In the web design section, girls will have the opportunity to make their own websites and tell their stories using pseudonyms through their own blog. And finally, girls will be able to express themselves musically and create their own theme music, interpret their story through sound, and record it.

Week 2: Girls will work together to understand the maker movement by creating their own board game. We'll be experiencing lots of board game styles and girls will decide what game they will make. It's their rules, their way. They will get to use a 3D printer, work with print and music, and learn from professional makers and experience the inventions that are being developed right here in New Mexico.

Week 3: Chicas Got Game returns to the Innovate and Create Camp. Girls will learn the basics of coding and video game design using Scratch. We will create our own video game community, collaborate, remix, and share our work with the world. The girls will also get to interact with and play professionally made games and share their love of gaming culture.

Week 4: Our Game Jamboree will combine all the skills from our first three weeks. Girls will work together to create the Girl Scouts' first ever video game. We will work on storytelling, music, coding, character creation, animation, and much more.

**MakerGirl, July 9.** MakerGirl is a start-up non-profit out of the University of Illinois. Our mission is to inspire girls to be active in STEM and we do this through 3D printing sessions for young girls. Our sessions connect STEM and 3D printing to topics that young girls like and can relate to, such as fashion, sports, food. During the course of the session each girl designs a 3D object on the computer and watches it come to life on the 3D printer.



***"Because of Chicas Got Game,  
my daughter only wants to do camps that are like this.  
She is having so much fun and she really loves the experience."***

## Where are they now: The Atomic Flying Pickles

Summer Bronson and Catherine Rousculp represented their FIRST LEGO League (FLL) team, the Atomic Flying Pickles, at the 2013 White House Science Fair. The Pickles had devised and tested a new way to battle insomnia, with a gel-filled cooling headband. Their LEGO robot, cooling headband project and strong Core Values earned them top honors in New Mexico that year. They were invited to attend the 2013 World Festival in St. Louis, Missouri. The following competitive season, the Atomic Flying Pickles earned another spot at a national tournament, and their "Cool Embers" research project earned them the Research Award at the North American Championship. In 2015, the Atomic Flying Pickles invented an under-desk exerciser for students, which they presented to judges at their local qualifier, state tournament and Legoland FLL Championship.

The Pickles' Girl Scout troop held a Lego Robotics Day for Brownie Girl Scouts and for several years, demonstrated their robot at local events, such as Science Fest and Bradbury Science Museum's Robotics Night. Inspired by the Atomic Flying Pickles' success, more students in Los Alamos now participate in FLL. For two years, Los Alamos has fielded enough teams to hold local qualifying events. The girls on the team are now freshmen in high school and continue to excel in science and participate in STEM outreach. In March of this year, Catherine and Summer spoke to 300 participants at Expand Your Horizons, sharing their experiences in STEM activities with younger girls. The EYH event hosted by women in science is designed to encourage girls by sharing strong role models. The Pickles continue to work on their projects to improve on them and hope to continue innovating and inspiring girls in computer coding and science.



# Outdoor Programming



## Chaco Canyon Camping Adventure!

September 2-4

Our state is rich in culture and beauty. Chaco Canyon is one of those gems. Enjoy a weekend of camping, hiking, star gazing, and learning about the canyon. Learn outdoor cooking techniques as we cook new meals and desserts.

**Who can attend:** Juniors, Cadettes, and Safety wise adults only. Attendees must be registered Girl Scouts.

**Cost:** \$30 per person.

**Minimum number of attendees** is 10, maximum is 50.

**Registration deadline** is Aug. 23, 2016.

**Join the adventure!**



## Troop & Family Camp Adventures

**Wonder what the benefits of Troop Camp are? Check out what a troop leader for Troop 12 shared:**

*Extreme Outdoor Fun was a blast. They enjoyed sledding, playing games by the fire, and of course learning how to snowboard was amazing. Our troop has a wide range of girls starting in 6th grade to 12th grade. This was the first time our girls really bonded. It was great to see them all finally becoming sisters. Now at meetings they are engaged and having a great time with each other.*

### Rancho Family Camp

Family Camp 1: June 3-5

Me & My Guy: June 17-19

Family Camp 2: July 8-10

Me & My Gal: August 5-7

### Rancho Troop Camp

Saddles & Spurs: June 12-15

Tack & Trails: June 26-29

Outdoor Badge Bonanza: July 17-20

Galloping Gals: August 12-14

### Barker Family Camp

Me & My Guy: July 22-24

### Barker Troop Camp

Ropes & Saddles: June 24-26

Outdoor Badge Bonanza: July 14-17

### Combined: Barker Troop & Family Camp

Troop & Family Camp: Aug 12-14

### Share your camp story!

[nmgirlscouts.org / about / Our Council / Share Your Story](http://nmgirlscouts.org/about/OurCouncil/ShareYourStory)

## Are YOU registered for camp?

There is still time to register for resident camp sessions at Camp Elliott Barker and Rancho del Chaparral!

**[nmgirlscouts.org / CAMP](http://nmgirlscouts.org/CAMP)**

## National Park Service: Kids in Parks Program

"Explore, Learn, and Protect!" The Junior Ranger motto is recited by children around the country; each taking an oath of their own to protect parks, continue to learn about parks, and share their own ranger story with friends and family. The NPS Junior Ranger program is an activity based program conducted in almost all parks, and some Junior Ranger programs are national. Many national parks offer young visitors the opportunity to join the National Park Service "family" as Junior Rangers. Interested youth complete a series of activities during a park visit, share their answers with a park ranger, and receive an official Junior Ranger patch and Junior Ranger certificate. Junior Rangers are typically between the ages of 5 to 13, although people of all ages can participate.

Which #JrRanger do you want to be? An underwater explorer, a night explorer, an paleontologist, or perhaps a cave scientists? #FindYourPark and find out how you can earn your badge.

Learn more about the Junior Ranger Program: <https://www.nps.gov/kids/jrRangers.cfm>



# Great Outdoor Month Celebration with Governor Martinez & the New Mexico State Parks

This month, we are challenging our girls to get outside and get moving! Girls can do that through bringing friends together for a game of tag, playing soccer or basketball, jumping rope, or going for a jog around the park.

This June we are celebrating Great Outdoors Month. New Mexico is blessed with outstanding opportunities for safe and healthy fun in the great outdoors and we should take every opportunity to get outside and explore! Great Outdoors Month allows us to celebrate the partnership of federal, state, and local agencies, the recreation and tourism industries, and recreationists that make outdoor recreation opportunities available.

Learn more about and make plans for your summer adventure to a New Mexico State Park.  
<http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/>



## Meet the Camp Directors

It isn't a requirement that we hire camp directors who have extensive Girl Scout history, but it sure is nice when they have the traditions and songs and memories in their hearts and minds when making those tough decisions.

Clemmentine (Danielle) and Bongo (Traci) were both Girl Scouts in New Mexico. Clemmentine was a Girl Scout in Albuquerque and spent many summers as a camper and then counselor at Rancho del Chaparral. Bongo was a Girl Scout in Santa Fe and spent her summers as a camper, counselor, wrangler, and camp director at Camp Elliott Barker.

This summer, Clemmentine will be directing Rancho del Chaparral. We asked some close to Clemmentine to share some stories and photos:

Clemmentine's mom and GS leader shares: My favorite memory was watching Danielle as a little GS camper; how she would latch onto the counselors and how she would just think they were the biggest thing ever, the most amazing people. And now seeing how the new campers react that same way to her.

Some of the things she's learned from GS are how to be more organized. She's an amazing event planner. GS taught her how to supervise, give directions, and delegate.



Her best friend and longtime Girl Scout Sister Molly/Charli shares: My favorite little memory of her is the way that she names things, pretty much anything that she can. For example she nicknamed the different steep hills at Rancho after different action movie actors based on their level of difficulty while climbing; the only two I can remember right now are Jackie Chan and Samuel L. Jackson.

And Bongo will spend another summer directing Camp Elliott Barker. Bongo shares: *My earliest memory of camp is my first Camp Elliott Barker experience, which was in 1988. My father, sister and I went to "Daddy Daughter", a weekend camp (which we now call "Me and My Guy"). I was eight years old. We stayed in the Cabins and I quickly made friends with several of the other girls in our cabin. I remember being nothing but excited about everything we experienced that weekend. The camp was beautiful, I had never seen anything like it! Opening campfire was amazing! We were introduced to all the staff at the campfire, and they were so cool, funny and welcoming, you couldn't help but love them. That was the only time I spent at camp that summer, but I knew I would be back.*

*Throughout the school year, I was a pretty reserved and quiet person. I was often called "weird" and "shy". I found that at camp, I was not afraid to participate, voice my opinions, or just be silly. Being accepted for who I was, and recognizing that, made me cling to camp. It was so easy there. I was invited to let loose and enjoy discovering me. I didn't know it at the time, but it was at camp that I learned that I have a choice. I can sit back and let the world go on with little involvement from me, or I can participate in life, and perhaps make a difference in people's lives, however small or large it may be.*

*In 2007 I became the Camp Director at CEB. It is still amazing to me that I have done all this, the shy girl inside is still there. If I had never gone to camp, I not sure I would be the person I am today.*

*Which is why I am still so involved with camp. I believe every girl should experience the positivity, love, support and acceptance I experienced. I've been fortunate enough to see campers grow and become camp staff, and then move on to be strong leaders, and successful women in their communities. I know camp had a positive influence on their lives, and it is a blessing to be a part of that. As a leader at camp, my current goal is to help new camp staff understand how important it is to perpetuate that. Long live camp!*



**Did you know:** You can rent our camps for troop camping, service unit encampments, family camping, family reunions, corporate retreats, and more! To learn more, go to [nmgirlscouts.org](http://nmgirlscouts.org) camp / rent our camps

# Older Girl Programming & Announcements

Camp CEO is a three-day camp experience that brings together teenage girls with some of the state's most accomplished women executives. The 2015 program, which took place at Camp Elliott Barker, provided girls an opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities while networking with and getting career advice from these professional women. They participated in activities like: personality tests, resume writing, interviewing skills, negotiation skills, budgeting skills, presentation skills, and entrepreneurial skills, ropes course and listening to and learning from each other and their mentors.

Friday August 5, 2016 - Sunday August 7, 2016

Camp Elliott Barker, Angel Fire, NM

10th-12th grade girls Application deadline: July 5, 2016

For more information or to register, go to our website: [http://www.nmgirlscouts.org/en/events-repository/2016/camp\\_ceo.html](http://www.nmgirlscouts.org/en/events-repository/2016/camp_ceo.html)



## Board of Directors Highlights & Thanks

Casey Hoyt joined the Board as a girl member three years ago and Delaney Montoya joined two years ago. Their presence on the Board has been invaluable; they have shared their insight, experience, learned to share their thoughts and their voices, always advocating for the girl. We thank them both greatly for their service on the Board of Directors!

### Casey Hoyt

#### 2014-2016 Girl Board Member

*Girl Scouts has shown me leadership through many things such as aiding younger girls, planning and leading events, and being on the Board of Directors.*

*My future will be even brighter with the help of Girl Scouting experience. Many people expressed to me that I can do anything that I want to do. I will be able to put my experience with Girl Scouts on college applications as well as workforce resumé. My Girl Scout experience will also help me throughout my life.*



### Delanie Montoya

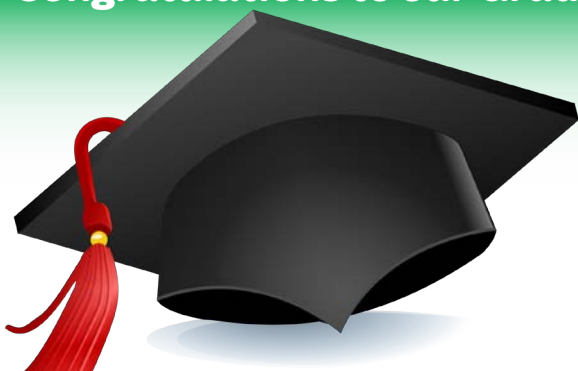
#### 2013-2015 Girl Board Member

Delaney Montoya will be attending Utah State University in the fall. She is planning to double major in music therapy and music performance.

*I've been in Girl Scouts for a total of 13 years, kindergarten through 12th grade. Girl Scouts has offered many experiences, memories, and events. It has taught me many life lessons and skills; such as, courage, confidence, leadership, communication, and how to make a difference in my community. To all young Girl Scouts, there may come a time that you think about quitting, but stay in and you will be glad that you did.*



## Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors



Ailyn Arroyos  
Alaura Hopper  
Alysa Nandin  
Amber Vialpando  
Ariel Whitten  
Casey Hoyt  
Celestina Lopez  
Delanie Montoya  
Dulcy Scott

Hope Zupfer  
Jacklyn Mishos  
Jazmin Novak  
Jennifer Acosta  
Jessica Kessler  
Kylie Candelaria  
Laura Christian  
Lauren Kelley  
Madisen Mason

Mahalia Hunt  
Mary Coleman  
Montana Hull  
Nicole Penners  
Nizhoni Redmond  
Paulina Gomez-Legarreta  
Riley Hammon  
Victoria Rodriguez

## Bullying is definitely not cool.

That's why Girl Scouts everywhere are participating in the "Be a Friend First" (BFF) program. They're determined to stop bullying whenever and wherever they see it.

The BFF series is designed to work with the aMAZE! Journey, our highly acclaimed leadership program.

- The aMAZE! Journey enables middle school girls to build the valuable skills they need to develop healthy relationships, prevent bullying behavior, and become peacemakers in their schools and communities.
- In BFF, girls explore thorny issues like peer pressure, stereotyping, gossip, and cliques through role playing, creative writing, games, and discussion exercises. Girls can also do projects in their schools and communities to tackle bullying issues on their own terms and turf!
- BFF easily integrates into existing health education classes, or can even serve as an after-school program in the community. Healthy relationships are the key to bullying prevention. BFF inspires girls to lead one another—with friendship!

**BFF Rio Rancho**  
Sponsored by the City of Rio Rancho

GSNMT partnered with local director Christopher Boone for a special screening of Cents as part of a FREE all-day "Be a Friend First: The Twists & Turns of Getting Along" event for 6th-8th grade girls in Rio Rancho, New Mexico.

The event was Saturday, January 23 at Eagle Ridge Middle School, made possible by a grant from the Rio Rancho Community Foundation. The event was focused on the BFF (Be a Friend First) program, an innovative, anti-bullying experience for middle school girls.



**Beckey and Vanessa W. with the completed BFF quilts.**

One of the activities at the BFF event was for girls to write words of affirmation, words that described how they feel about themselves. Examples include, "I am": amazing, outstanding, hilarious, wonderful, enough, unique, smart, and kind.

Pictured above is a girl who attended the BFF program picking out the words she wrote, sharing with her school principal.

Girls from the five Rio Rancho middle schools attended the BFF event. For this activity, the girls from each school wrote their words of affirmation on a piece of fabric with girls from the same school. Girl Scout volunteer, Becky Haulenbeek then took the fabric pieces and made quilts for each of the school principals, in their school colors.

In May, GSNMT staff and Beckey were able to present to the Rio Rancho School Board the importance of the BFF program to middle school girls. They then presented each principal with quilts representing the BFF program with words written from their students.

Friendships can be complicated. Whenever girls form cliques, certain types of behavior can turn a good thing bad, and even lead to bullying. But when you decide to become a Peacemaker, you realize that you have the power to change attitudes. By focusing on being honest, supportive, and compassionate, you make a stand for what you know is right. You'll not only improve the friendships you have, but also gain the confidence and uplifting spirit that empower you to branch out and make new friends. The first step is to ask yourself: Do I keep the peace or feed the drama? Take the quiz to find out how you're doing—and how you can be a leader who's also a great friend.

<http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/bff/>

**GSNMT received the following letter from Dr. V. Sue Cleveland, Superintendent of Schools for the Rio Rancho School District:**

*Many of our Rio Rancho Public School students are involved in the Girl Scouts Program. We see a tremendous benefit in our students participating in programs that provide opportunities to gain leadership skills in addition to building confidence and character. The skills our students are learning through their participation with the Girl Scouts are better preparing them for life.*

*Last year, the Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails held an event for our 7th and 8th grade girls where the movie, Cents, was shown. This was a powerful opportunity for our students to learn and reflect on bullying and discuss their own experiences. The program was well planned and executed and our students in attendance were truly impacted by the message.*

# 2016 Recognition Ceremony

April 16, 2016 Indian Pueblo Cultural Center



### Council Service Awardees

Randall Davey Audubon Center (Santa Fe)

### Community Service Awardees

Big Bear Furniture (Gallup)  
Church of the Holy Spirit (Gallup)  
Cibola Beacon newspaper (Gallup)  
Community Bible Church (Los Lunas)  
Community of Joy Church (Rio Rancho)  
Dion's of Los Lunas  
Elks Lodge 2500 (Rio Rancho)  
First Baptist Church (Gallup)  
First Baptist Church (Bosque Farms)  
Furr's Cafeteria (Albuquerque)  
Future's Foundation Family Center (Grants)  
Gal-A-Bowl (Gallup)  
Gallup-KcKinley County Schools (Gallup)  
Grizzly Graphics (Albuquerque)  
Knights of Columbus (Gallup)  
Pueblo of Laguna – K Center  
Laguna Public Library  
Mary Alice Wichell  
Paradise Hills Community Center (Albuquerque)  
Perlyn Tomosie (Santa Fe)  
Red Rock 10 (Gallup)  
Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church  
Rio West Mall (Gallup)  
Santa Claran Hotel and Casino (Espanola)  
Security Storage (Los Lunas)  
St. Felix Pantry (Rio Rancho)  
St. Stephens United Methodist Church (Abq)  
Tractor Supply (Bosque Farms)  
Twirl Taos  
Public Relations Department, UNM– Gallup  
Physical Plant & Facilities, UNM – Gallup  
Veterans Memorial (Albuquerque)  
Village of Milan Parks and Recreation Dept  
Walmart (Belen)  
Walmart (Los Lunas)  
Westminster Presbyterian Church (Gallup)

**Why we recognize our volunteers.** Formal awards are offered through GSNMT to recognize exemplary service of adult Girl Scout volunteers and community partners who go above and beyond expectations.

### Trails of Leadership

Marcella Armijo  
Teresa Buck  
Michael Crabtree  
Rebecca DeBerry  
Deaubry Dubois  
Eangeline Leslie  
Franny Lee Leyba  
Jean Mason  
Megan Mora  
Sarah Olguin  
Cena Reaves  
Turner Reaves  
Barbie Shawn  
Kimberly Steiert

### Circle of Achievement

Daniel Padilla

### Circle of Excellence

Triana Kennington  
Katie McGill-Peters  
Andrea Overton  
Kyle Paques  
Amber Richetti

### Volunteer of Excellence

Gary Boyd  
Tyree Boyd  
Diana Galey  
Elizabeth Gooch  
Chris Hayes  
Danielle Meyer  
Tracie Mollett  
Mary Pate  
Carla Tafoya  
Mark Williams  
Jennifer Wilson

### Appreciation Pin

Cory Ann Johnstone Meyer

### Thanks Badge I

Claudette Gentry  
Marcy Montoya

### Teola Artman

Annette Hatch

*Individually,  
we are one drop.  
Together,  
we are an ocean.*

Ryunosuke Satoro

### Claudette Gentry 2016 Thanks Badge

For over 24 years, Claudette has always been willing to help all volunteers as well as each of the girls. She became a trainer so she could offer training to new leaders in the Los Lunas area. She is exceptional in dealing with children of all developmental levels and has a clear understanding of how to reach people of all levels. Over the past year, she has been willing to work with whichever leader needed the most help, sometimes taking over an age group when the leader was unable to make it. This has allowed for a continuum of program the area would not normally have had.

### Marcy Montoya 2016 Thanks Badge

Marcy's dedication to the Girl Scout program has been phenomenal. She has mentored many volunteers to be the best volunteers they can be. Her leadership and example has been a steadfast anchor that Service Unit 186 was built around. Marcy has lead and organized programming in a SU in a rural area in our council that would otherwise have had none. The programming she provided was the center on which this service unit was founded. Now the area has a thriving program calendar and other people who have learned from Marcy in order to keep it going.

### Annette Hatch 2016 Teola Artman

Annette is one of those rare individuals in Girl Scouting that actually knows and understands what it means to be a scout. Annette is always willing to help lend a hand where needed, even when her personal schedule is overflowing. This past year, after recruitment, SU156 had many girls wanting to participate in scouting, but we did not have enough troops to take the girls. Annette, formed a "non-troop" with all the displaced girls and has been holding events and activities for them to keep them interested in scouting until a troop opens up. Annette's dedication to the GIRLS is what sets her apart. She spends countless hours making sure that the next generation of scouts has a great experience and that they understand what the Girl Scout Movement is all about.

# Support GSNMT while Shopping!


## Coming soon!

Great News! We just made donating to Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails easier with a mobile "rounding" solution called CaringCent! That means you can contribute to our fundraising goals by donating your spare change when you use a credit or debit card!

## When can you sign up?

By mid June, you will be able to sign up! That means your spare change can be a powerful part of our fundraising!

We will share more information by email, in our bimonthly newsletters, on our website, and on Facebook. Stay tuned!



caringcent™ small change, BIG impact

TRAVEL TOTAL: \$275.16 → ROUND UP TO: \$276.00 → \$0.84 DONATED!



**AmazonSmile** is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. **How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?** On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

**Smith's Rewards Program.** Support the Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails while shopping at your local Smith's Food and Drug Stores. Just follow the instructions below and start supporting today! Visit the Community Rewards page on Smith's website. Sign in or create an account if you have not done so, provide an email address and password. You will then be asked to enter your rewards card number. Then, enter Girl Scouts of New Mexico Trails: 36596. Now just make sure and scan your Smith's rewards card every time you shop and you will be contributing to GSNMT.

## In Memory of Mary Ann Thorpe



**I hope many girls will get to have this same kind of experience because that's what Girl Scouts do: they go on adventures and make memories forever.**

It is with heavy hearts that we share the passing of Mary Ann Thorpe. This would have been Mary Ann's 60th year with Girl Scouts. She received various awards, including the Thanks Badge. She was on the service unit team for North West Mesa for over 23 years, a Council Trainer, Council Delegate, and was on the planning committee for the inaugural year of Camp Smitty in 1994.

She worked every year at Camp Smitty until her illness a few years ago. In lieu of flowers, a scholarship fund for a girl attending Camp Smitty has been set up by the family. Donations can be sent to the GSNMT office with a memo of Mary Ann Thorpe / Camp Smitty on the check.

Several years ago, Mary Ann shared her Girl Scout history with us:

*I joined Girl Scouting in 1947 when I was ten years old, living in Barstow, California. Then, we were called "Intermediate." Today, they are Juniors and Cadettes. I have been involved in Girl Scouts for fifty-five years.*

*I became a Junior Leader in 1968 in Alamogordo, after my training as a Leader and my Camping and Outdoor Skills. I had about thirty girls and two Assistant Leaders. The girls were from low-income families and appreciated everything we offered.*

*Two girls became Medical Doctors. Most of them are now in their fifties. They say that Girl Scouts did a lot for them.*

*I moved to Albuquerque in 1973. I helped a Brownie troop, and in the fall became a Junior Leader. I did a lot of camping in town and at the Scout camps. I worked three summers at camps as a helper and leader of Mother and Daughter weekends. It was a lot of fun. I often run into some of my girls. They remember the fun they had. I feel grateful for the girls I've worked with.*

*I work at a Day Camp for the North West Mesa, Camp Smitty. My favorite group is ten- and eleven-year-olds. My favorite activities are camping outdoors and hiking. But still I do some dry runs training, and speaking about camping. One of my earliest memories was of sleeping under the stars in Barstow, California.*

*I did a lot of community service with my troops. I believe that girls need to do more now, so that they can learn to do more for others, and not just for themselves. Never say, "I can't." Say, "Yes, I can do it!" I have always wanted my girls to live by the Girl Scout Laws.*

*My favorite badges were Cooking, Canning and Sewing. I learned how to teach girls to do the badges and have fun while doing them. I also love the life skills, crafts and SWAPs.*

*Roles, positions and honors  
Junior Leader; Assistant Leader, Daisy, Brownie, and Junior troops; Trainer for thirty years; Southwest Service Unit Team; Neighborhood Team in 1968-1980s; Q.S.P. for fourteen years.*

# Thank you to our Sponsors & Donors

## Individual Donors

Anonymous  
Appello, Adrienne  
Arceneaux, Linda  
Arner, Betty Ann  
Asbridge, Karen  
Asbridge, Marilyn and John  
Baca, Christina  
Ball, Ron and Jean  
Benac, Robin  
Berglund, James  
Bergren, Kenneth and Karen  
Biondo-Ly, Stephanie  
Blemel, Okmi  
Brandt, Kathleen  
Brown, Carolyn  
Brown, Linda  
Bryant, Nancy  
Burnett, Brian  
Bustillos, Edward  
Calkins, Carolyn, Julie and David  
Carlson, Wayne & Shirley  
Casey, Paula D.  
Cavalluzzo, Virginia  
Chambliss, Gail  
Chavez, Cecilia  
Chrissinger, Jill & C M  
Clink, Joann  
Cochran, John & Carol  
Cole, Ann D.  
Cordeiro, Patricia G.  
Cordova-Montoya, Dara  
Couture, Madison & Jennifer  
Czuchlewski, Kristina & David  
Damran, John  
Dash, Zora  
Dean, Michael  
Deenihan, Amber  
DeGuzman, Sonia  
Del Toro, Gwyn & Armando  
Dickinson, Virginia & Robert  
Drury, Donald & M. Lois  
Dunne, Dan and Susan  
Eagle, Stephanie  
Edwards, Mark & Savannah  
Elliott, Mr. & Mrs. Russell  
Emkes, Molly  
Ewing, Frances K.  
Feldman, Karl  
Felsch, Colleen and Robert  
Fidel, Frances Eckert  
Finkel, Valentina T.  
Fournier-Revo, Marti & Terrence  
Frain, Christina & Christopher  
Frederickson, Rosmarie & Paul  
Froelich, Peggy  
Gallegos, April  
Garcia, Chris & Caroline  
Garcia, Dan & Marilyn  
Gardenhire, Susan  
Garley, Katrina  
Garza, Mary (Molly)  
Genne, Ellen  
Gibbs, Karen & George  
Glaser, Ronald & Roberta  
Gold, Sandy  
Gonzalez, Hilario C.  
Goodson, John & Gail  
Graff, Patricia  
Grose, Vanessa (Shoe)  
Grothey, Mina Jane  
Gutierrez, Vanessa  
Haines, Nancy  
Haist, Janet  
Hall, James and Janet  
Hamilton, Marianne

Hammon, Kimberly  
Hart, Patricia  
Hartson, David & Nancy  
Haulenbeek, Kimberly  
Heffron, Warren and Rosalee  
Heikes, Reagan  
Herndon, Pamela  
Himebrook, Roberta L.  
Hirschfeld, Deidre  
Hirt, Flavia  
Hockaday, Mary Y.P.  
Homan, Mary  
Huddleson, Judith J.  
Hughes, William and Linda  
Johnson, Barbara  
Johnson, Lucinda E.  
Jones, Becky & Curt  
Kalbfell, Charlene  
Kelley, Lori  
Kelley, Nicole and Patrick  
Kelley, Virginia  
Kenemuth, Barbara  
Kennedy, Kathryn  
Kestner, Gregory  
Koenig, Barbara  
Kontny, Rod  
Krebs, Marcia  
Krenek, Carol  
Krohn, Burton J.  
Lagasse, Robert & Ginger  
Lambert, David and Marguerite  
Larson, Lydia  
LeFebre, Annette  
LeFebre, Donald  
Leiby Jr., George & Carol  
Leppala, Rebecca  
Lopez, Modias  
Love, Gail  
Luscombe, Sara  
Lyle, John and Robin  
Maguire, Patricia and Richard  
Maheras, Jolyn  
Mahfouz, Gina  
Maitland, Claudette  
Marcus, Wendy and Allen  
Marquez, Emily  
Martin, Joanne (Jo)  
Martineau, Rick  
Martinson, Lesley  
Martinson, Robert  
Maxon, Eric  
McCormick, Cornelia  
McDonald, Eileen  
McGowan, Laura  
McHugh, Susan  
Mecklem, Sharon  
Michels, Barbara and Gary  
Milnes, Esther & Ralph  
Miner, Sharon  
Molina, Cindy, Daniel & Deandra  
Montoya, Tim  
Morgan, Christine A.  
Morrison, Dee & Robert  
Napolitano, Janet  
Nemes, Lewis  
Nevera, Nora & Edward  
Nicholas, Nancy Jo  
Nokes, Anne  
O'Brien, Wendy & Terry  
Oldenborg, Carole & Richard  
Ortiz, Amber  
Painton Swiler, Laura  
Parker, Denise  
Pass, Kathleen  
Paster, Janice & Stuart  
Patrick, Susan L.  
Pennington, Marie

Peterson, Klaus and Barbara  
Peterson, Marjorie  
Pickering, Susan  
Potter, Sara  
Powers, Edi  
Rau, Bruce W.  
Renner, Zana  
Rightley, Maria & Paul  
Rogers, Lisa  
Ruiz, Sarah  
Rumsfeld, Donald  
Salayandia, Dayanara, Luis & Jasmine  
Salvagno, Anthony  
Sanchez Mills, Peggy & Jim  
Sanchez, Lauren and Armando  
Sanchez, Novie  
Sanchez, Rozzlynn, Holly and Shane  
Sauer, Nancy  
Sayler, Brandon & Angela  
Schantz, Marny & Joel  
Scheer, Nancy  
Schillinger, Leslie  
Schmidt, Kevin  
Schroeder, Marne  
Schultz, Stephanie  
Schulz, Sherry Lynn & George  
Senn, Frances  
Sheppard, Marilyn  
Shinholser, Charles & Dianne  
Sides, Kim  
Slaby, Jill E.  
Smith, Brian & Carolyn  
Smith, Cheryl & Michael  
Snider-Bryan, Cirelda  
Snyder, Nancy  
Solano, Patricia  
Spivey, Terry & Richard  
Spray, Jessica & Paul  
Stahl, Edwin  
Staump, Jowanna  
Strohacker, Conrad and Mary  
Supple, Anne M.  
Sydoriak, Stephanie  
Swinderman, Alisa  
Tafoya, Christy & Steven  
Talkington, Susan  
Teague, Rebecca & Weldon  
Terrill, Shirley Phyllis  
Thayer, Nina & Gary  
Thornton, Maribeth & Christopher  
Thorp, Arthur  
Tighe-Smith, Kathleen  
Tucker, Gary & Helen  
Ulibarri, Kristin & Ross  
Vandelinder, Virginia  
Vianco, Karen  
Vincent, Ameer  
Walker, Laurie and Robert  
Warshawsky, Tammy & Stuart  
Waterman, Roger  
Weiland, Phyllis  
Welker, Deborah  
Wenk, Colleen  
Wheeler, Vanessa  
White, Ralph & Mary Ann  
Wiggins, Nancy & Bryan

Wiley, Bill  
Wood, Margaret  
Wood, Nancy  
Wrage, Marian  
Yatsattie, Clarissa  
Zientara, Gary S.  
Zoppe, Franchesca

## Corporations & Foundations

Adelante Development Center  
Albertsons LLC Community Partners Prog  
Alpine Lumber  
AutoZone  
Bank of Albuquerque  
Benevity Comm. Impact Fund  
Cafe Castro  
CFC - NCA  
Committee to Elect Nate Gentry  
Dekker/Perich/Sabatini  
Desert Southwest CFC  
Dion's Pizza  
Felipe's Tacos  
Gap  
GSUSA D-Pass  
Intel Corporation  
Jemez Mountains Electric Cooperative  
Kirtland Spouses Club  
Kohl's  
La Fonda on the Plaza  
Letter Press Service  
Lockheed Martin/Sandia National Labs  
Los Alamos National Security, LLC  
Merrion Family Foundation  
New Mexico Municipal League  
Northrop Grumman Corporation  
P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Inc.  
Pizza 9  
Ralph L. and Beatrice R. Griffis Living Trust  
Rebel Donut, LLC  
Resort Properties of Angel Fire  
Rio Rancho Community Foundation  
Santa Fe Baking Company  
Security Storage  
Smith's/Kroger Community Partners  
Souper Salad  
Sweetwater Harvest Kitchen  
Tarbox  
The Pantry  
The Printer's Press  
Troop 10213, Shannon  
TRUIST/TARGET #356  
United Way of Central New Mexico  
United Way of Northern New Mexico  
United Way San Juan  
Walmart Foundation  
Waste Management  
Xcel Energy Foundation

\*The Fund Development staff have made every effort to ensure that this list is accurate. The list reflects donations received from October 1, 2015 – May 31, 2016. If you find an error or omission, please contact Charlene Kalbfell at 505.923.2513 [CKalbfell@nmgirlscouts.org](mailto:CKalbfell@nmgirlscouts.org)

**The work of today  
is the history of  
tomorrow  
and we are its makers.**

**Juliette Gordon Low**