The purpose of this patch is to explore and discover the rich history of GSNMT Council and the opportunities of the Girl Scout organization. These are opportunities to connect with the Girl Scout community and alumni alike to keep the traditions continuing for years to come. Take action projects allow girls the opportunity to be leaders in their communities and to make their communities a better place.

*Daisies complete 3 activities
*Brownies complete 5 activities
*Juniors complete 7 activities
Cadettes, Seniors, Ambassadors complete 9 or more activities

GSNMT FACTS

• When did the GSNMT council begin?
• What was the other previous council called before the merger?
• What city was this council located in NM?
• What are the current names of our Girl Scout camps?
• Where are these Girl Scout camps located?
• What year were these camps developed?
• Research the many opportunities available at these camps? List 3
• Identify the program opportunities available when these camps first developed compared to today’s camp opportunities.
• What is the camp name of the Camp Director?
• Who are the Camp Rangers? Do they have a camp name? What is your camp name?
• What is the name of the current CEO?
• How many girl members do we serve?
• How many counties do we cover? List the counties
• Visit the local council office near you. Interview a Girl Scout staff member. Call for an appointment.
• Make a list of things to do in your area that you think girls your age would enjoy doing for a daytime activity while visiting NM.
• Learn about Girl Scout “destinations” http://forgirls.girlscouts.org/travel/ make a list of to-do activities in your area that you would recommend GSNMT for a Girl Scout “destination”. Does GSNMT currently provide a “destination” for girls? If so, list some details.
• Using a map of the state of NM identify the boundaries of the council. List six prominent trails within these boundaries to explore.
• Draw a picture of the NM state flag. Explain what the colors and symbol stand for.

GIRL SCOUT FACTS

• How old is Girl Scouts?
• What day was the Girl Scout organization born?
• Who founded Girl Scouts?
• Did she have a nickname?
• High Awards when did the Bronze, Silver, & Gold award begin? Discover the requirements of the Golden Eaglet, Curved Bar, First Class, or Gold Award. List some differences.
• Watch the video “The Golden Eaglet” available on YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kSUBGJaeDFM or contact council office to rent a copy. How has Girl Scouting changed? How has it remained the same over the years?
• Learn about the three US postage stamps that recognized Girl Scouts of the USA. When & where were they issued? What was their original value? What did each stamp commemorate? Design your own postage stamp recognizing the Girl Scouts of today.
• Girl Scout cookies were first baked commercially in 1934. In the 1920’s girls sold cookies they baked themselves. Bake Girl Scout cookies from an early recipe or create your own recipe and share with others.
• What do you think Girl Scouting will be like in the future? Write a story, do a diorama, write & produce a skit.
• Design a uniform of the future, outline a future badge or patch, create a future “destination”, or find other ways to express your ideas.
• Juliette Low knew how important it was to feel a part of a group. Girl Scouts & Girl Guides all around the world use special signs and terms. Identify, learn, & demonstrate these Girl Scout traditions.

TAKE ACTION PROJECT IDEAS

Complete a take action project that will help preserve a special part of your Girl Scout history. Once you are done, donate your project to GSNMT.

• Develop a troop or Service Unit scrapbook
• Visit local flea markets, garage sales, thrift stores, social media for Girl Scout memorabilia
• Record an oral history by interviewing a long ago Girl Scout member
• Create a “History of Girl Scout Music” workshop
• Help to create a “Traveling History” resource box
• Develop a scavenger hunt specific to the history of Girl Scouts
• Video record a troop, service unit, or council event showing how Juliette Low’s birthday was celebrated, Thinking Day, & Girl Scout birthday
• Write & produce a video using a segment of Girl Scout history as your theme
• Be a trailblazer, learn some basic trailblazing signs, visit a trail & explore your new skills, make a trail for someone to follow, or coordinate a trail clean-up day
• Create a marketing campaign (flyers, commercial, brochures) to recruit Girl Scouts & Girl Scout volunteers in the future
• Make up your own history related to take action project