

Gold Award Yearbook 2023

### Girl Scout Promise

*On my honor, I will try:* To serve God\* and my country, To help people at all times, And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

### Girl Scout Law

#### *I will do my best to be* honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, *and to* respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.



\*Members may substitute for the word God in accordance with their own spiritual beliefs.

### **Highest Awards Virtual Ceremony**

### Order of Program May 7, 2023

Welcome Sue Else, GSHG CEO

Opening: Flag Ceremony, Promise, and Law Media Girls

> **Greetings** Karen Layng, National Board Chair

Mission Moment - National Essay Contest Winner Olivia Lesak, Brownie

> **Gold Award Overview** Betsy Connell, Senior Director of Program

**Gold Award Girl Scouts 2023** Stephanie Hoon, Emily Trinkwalder, Ellie Wingate

> Adult Awards 2023 Jackie Dudley, Board Member

> **Top Cookie Sellers** Jackie Dudley, Board Member



**Gold Award Girl Scouts 2023** Tia Wilson, Isabel Palacios, Nora Tin, Rebekkah Baccus, Cynthia Barrow

> Adult Awards 2023 Jeff Wilson, Board Member

Adult Awards 2023 Laura Toms, Board Chair

**On My Honor Society** Laura Toms, Board Chair

Little House Capitol Campaign Sue Else, GSHG CEO

Gold Award Girl Scouts 2023 Isabelle Zantow, Elizabeth Fill, Nancy Laughbaum, Bella Marshall, Cherilyn Williams

> Gold Award Scholarships Betsy Connell

**Commendation** Edna Jackson, Georgia State Representative

> **Closing Remarks** Sue Else, GSHG CEO



# Stephanie Hoon

Troop #10849



### Lake Pollution Awareness and Fishing Line Disposal

Stephanie installed 6 fishing line recycling bins at parks in Georgia and Florida, and conducted a public education campaign that encouraged those who fish and the public to recycle their fishing lines to keep the environment healthy and safe for people and aquatic animals.

Park rangers will maintain the recycling bins.



Region 1, Athens North Forsyth High School

# Emily Trinkwalder

Troop #10883



### Middle School Behind the Scenes

Emily worked with teachers and counselors of 5th and 6th graders and designed a presentation for rising middle school students. She lets them know what to expect and shares tools they can use to be successful.

Her elementary school plans to use the presentation for rising sixth graders every year.



Region 1, Athens Cherokee Bluff High School

# Ellie Wingate

Troop #10849



### The Caring Closet

Ellie researched local poverty issues, and set up "Caring Closets" at local middle and high schools which anonymously offer students in need with schools supplies and hygiene items.

Her Key Club will continue the effort and restock closets by conducting supply drives, and the school counselors will point students in need to this valuable resource.



Region 1, Athens North Hall High School

# Victoria Shackelford

Troop #30387



### **Blessed Food Houses**

Victoria and her team addressed poverty and homelessness by building Blessed Food Houses for several local churches, where families in need can obtain food, books or a stuffed animal.

The churches will carry on her project in the future.



Region 3, Savannah Southeast Bulloch High School

# Tia Wilson

Troop #30027



### Online STEM for Grades 5-K

Tia provided an online STEM Challenge program along with needed supplies for elementary school students and teachers in Liberty county. The program gives students and families engaging STEM activities to work on together at home, which reinforces classroom learning.



Region 3, Savannah Liberty County High School

# Isabel Palacios

Troop #30593



### Paddlin' on the Savannah Ogeechee Canal

Izzy marked a traditionally Native Yuchi canoe trail on the Savannah Ogeechee Canal. Her trail markers provide the history of the Yuchi tribe and information about the natural environment of the trail.



Region 3, Savannah H. V. Jenkins High School

### Nora Tin

Troop #30027



### **Pollinator Garden**

Nora designed and installed a demonstration pollinator garden at the local VFW post in Savannah. She also created a website that gives others the information needed to build a pollinator garden of their own.



Region 3, Savannah Savannah Christian Preparatory School

# Rebekkah Baccus

Troop #30665



### Visually Impaired Children Awareness Project

Rebekkah's project raises awareness of visual impairments. She built an activity center for her local community center that shows how Braille works, and has goggles that simulate different types of visual disabilities. She also started Instagram and Facebook pages devoted to spreading awareness about this issue.



Region 3, Savannah Keystone National High School

# Cynthia Barrow

Troop #30065



### Mental Health Matters: The Zen Den

Cynthia's project addresses the mental health needs of teens. She created a calming space in her high school counseling office that gives students a place to come when they are worried, anxious or stressed. There are therapeutic manipulatives, resources on mental health and strategies for living healthier, and information about who to contact for more help.



Region 3, Savannah Glynn Academy High School

# Isabelle Zantow

Troop #30065



### **Church Concrete Construction**

Isabelle and her team increased safety and reduced trash at her church and the surrounding community by replacing and stabilizing concrete, pathways, benches and trash cans on the church property.



Region 3, Savannah Glynn Academy High School

# Cherilyn Williams

Troop #30024



# The Gather Ring: Camp Fire Area for Gathering, Learning, and Memories

With her team, Cherilyn created an outdoor gathering space for events, meetings and social occasions. Her community outdoor area has a 6 foot fire ring, weatherproof outdoor chairs, weatherproof firewood storage, solar lighting, fire tending tools and storage.

She also produced a fire safety video.



Region 3, Savannah Homeschooled

# Elizabeth Fill

Troop #40595

### Music and Academia

Elizabeth's passion for music education inspired her to create a music education program for parents and students that shows how participation in music programs contributes to academic success. She created a website with materials and information and worked with her team to recruit younger students into the high school band.



Region 4, Albany Lee County High School

# Nancy Laughbaum

Troop #50346



### School Community Garden

Nancy's project spread awareness of nature and gardening through the design and building of a school garden. Nancy partnered with the Agricolga Club at Brookstone School, who will teach garden lessons and healthy eating lessons from curricula she provided to students in the future.



Region 5, Columbus Brookstone School

# Bella Marshall

Troop #60043



### Cheer Mini Camp at Campus Clubs

Bella designed and directed a cheer camp for disadvantaged girls at a community center in Macon.

The camp will be continued by cheerleaders from her high school each summer, and promoted through a social media account.



Region 6, Macon First Presbyterian Day School





Congratulations to this year's Highest Awardees! We are all so proud of you and the hard work you've put into your community!

Troop #10849: Monarch Butterfly Garden Rehabitation Rhyan Colegrave Brianna Toth Ashley Hoon

**Troop #13287: School Campus Inspiration Messages** Ariel Brooks

> Troop #12199: Tugalloo Fireplace Sydney Peterson Ruby Frye Clara Pierce

**Troop #11979: Guide to the Oconee River for Kids** Grace Koster & Bonnie Kate Stephens

> Troop #12181: Bench for ESP Sarah Woody

**Troop #13560: Memorial Garden** Sydney Bailey & Ava Simmons





Independently Registered: Church Group Storage Hailey Roberts

Troop #12105: Community Recycling Program Isabella "Izzy" Gamboa

Troop #11979: JES Wetlands BenchAddison BaileyLaynee GroganCaroline GoldingAva Roland

Troop #11840: Statham High Trophy Refurbish Marolyn Holloway

> Troop #12821: Don't Be a Bully Adalin Waddell







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Troop #27315: Fort Gordon Lending Library

Alexandria Fields Lorelei Sampson Sheridan Aleshire Jade Spalding Mikaela Wilson

Troop #20065: Mason Bee Houses

Elizabeth Lewis

Troop #20008: Free Food Pantry Madelyn Simpson

Troop #20131: Lights at Camp Tanglewood

Peggy Taylor Evelyn Zelada Amara McNair







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Troop #30180: Better 4 the BirdsLucy PerryKhloe JessweinKahlan LewisEva O'Donnell

**Troop #30072: Goat Playground** Rebecca Hazlett & Carolyn Hartley

Troop #30385: Mats for Homeless Loom and Video Instructions

Braiden Peternatz Bronwyn Goad Trennon Peternatz Quinn Goad

Troop #30072: Paint the Shed Girl Scout Green Veronica Perry & Racie Zantow

Troop #30204: Picnic Tables for Restoration Food Pantry Savannah Riley & Ambria Bradley





Troop #30235: Buddy Benches for Marlow Starling Marino & Sydney Whalen

#### **Troop #30235: Autism Awareness** Catherine Metroz & Brynna Chronister

**Troop #30396: Breast Cancer Cups** Julie Lowe

Troop #30037: Camp in a Box

Emma Sriratankoul Jaynah Southworth Kayleigh St. Pierre Kaylee Henderson

#### Troop #30055: Period Packs

Emma Dotson, Brooklyn Baker, & Caitlynn Williams



# Silver Awardees 2023 Region 5



#### Troop #50020: Service Area 503 Camping Equipment Binder Rachel Barrera

Rachel noticed that Service Area 503 and their families couldn't go camping due to lack of supplies, so she produced a camping binder that contained equipment that can be rented.





# Silver Awardees 2023 Region 6



Congratulations to this year's Highest Awardees! We are all so proud of you and the hard work you've put into your community!

Troop #60734: Sensory Bottles Emily Greenfeld

Emily made sensory bottles for the special needs students in her school. Emily wanted to help the teachers and helpers in her school have access to more tools for their students. **Juliette:** Little Free Library Milana Novak

Milana created a Little Free Library (LFL) to increase access to books for the children in her community in an affordable way. You can find her library at Macon's Museum of Arts and Sciences.







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> **Troop #30089** Bianca Stolarski Emily Frampton

**Troop #60069** Violet Baker Saralynn Freeman **Troop # 40193** Zy'Kerria Booker

**Troop #40276** Londyn Bobb Ariel Baylis Daniella Okfor





Bronze Awardees 2023 Region 1



Independently Registered: Chestatee Perfect Ellie Enterline

#### Troop #12029: Feel Better Bags for Kids in the Hospital

Ruby McCarron Eliza Menke Violet Smith Violet Stone Vallie Williams

#### Troop #12105:

#### NexTrex School and Community Recycling Program

Ava Allred Paige Aldrich Nessa Avinger Gwendolyn Credle Emma Gamboa Vivian Heath Caroline Hudgens Kylie Katt Harper Lyu Abby Noble Samantha Paramore Peyton Samples Luvlina Singh Sophia Willingham

#### Troop #11727: Animal Adoption Welcome Bags

Tiffany Adams RoseMary Davis Lauren Delamori Harper Jameson

#### Troop #12821: Hart Humane Society Awareness Video

Rachel Burger McKinley Goss Brooke Graham Kenzie McDuffie

Bronze Awardees 2023 Region 2



Troop #20028: First Aid Kits for Camps

Charlee Adams Kaylee Irons Analesa Hageman Emma Pawlak Alexis Whelan Henslee Atwood

Troop #20106: First Aid Kits for Camps Shaianne Dennies & Courtney Morris

Troop #20131: Blankets for Linus Project Evelyn Zelada

Troop #20200: Buddy Bench for Westabou Montessori School Ada Hartmann & Anna Frances Christman

> Troop #20008: Cat Supplies for New Cat Owners Kylie Warren

Troop #20017: Teaching Camping Skills

Falyn Hemingway Beatrix Garza Emmalyn Beeson Riley Hill Aubrey McMaster Kasen Dolan



Bronze Awardees 2023 Region 3



Troop #30544: Fire Department Pole Abigail Casey

**Troop #30180: Birthday in a Box** Takayla Minor & A'Naria Hutchinson

#### Troop #30064: Birthday Bags Give-Aways/Bench Dedication

Nia Ellis Key'Asia Smith Jemiah Leysath-Ellis Reagan Mansir Jasmine Mansir Jayla Coleman

**Troop #30197: Shade for Kids** Aubree Worley & Olivia O'Bryan

#### Troop #30019: Girl Scout Camp Cook Book

Amari Daughtry Jodi Cromwell Darielle Williams Kaliyah Harris Taylor Kay

Troop #30681: Service Area Ceremony and Event Backdrop Elizabeth Hoover

#### Troop #30593 Pollinator Garden

Lillian Aprea S Gabby Duffy

Sophia Heisler Eva Willis





Troop #30072: Blessing Bags Genevieve Carpenter Leah Hendrix Alexa Carbo Amelia McCaulay

Troop #30235: Handmade Bags for Our HabitatAmea LeeElcee CobbAmelia KosloskeEmily Hernandez BautistaCatherine MorganKenya Killingsworth

Troop #30242: Benches for the Elderbirds Lily Winter, Emily Grace Huie, & Morgan Pulliam

**Troop #30418: Archery Benches for RHMS** Sophia Barboza, Blakley Escue, & Aurora Dunivan

Troop #30549: Storage Shed for Local Church Audrey Sturgis, Jillian Crafton, & Alexia Moriarty

> Troop #30055: Birthday Boxes Lillian Harstine

**Troop #30235: Butts in the Benches** Felisa Metroz Jillian Boyers Callie Simpson Savannah Nash

Troop #30364: Bronze Star Military Hero Lauren Smith

Troop #30235: Get Better Buddies Ella-Monica Bishop & Lilly Sllaymaker Celebrate your accomplishments! You took the challenge and made a difference in the world! Bronze Awardees -2023-**Region 5** 



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Troop #50102: Stray Facility Storage Box

Kadee Akers Savannah Coppinger Emersyn Lonteen

Charlie Hottel

Troop #50102: Bench for Animal Shelter Katie Barrera

Troop #50051: London Skye Global Initiative: Book Project

Ella Townsend Emma Turner

Michelle Antony **Riley Sanders** 

Troop #50384: Dog Shelter: Treat Rolls McKenna Allen & Victoria Gray

Troop #50384: Dog Toys for Shelter Savannah Hartline







Troop #60022: Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness and AED Donation

> Ariannah Byrd London Burke Lydia Clark Reagan Towles

Symone Brown ZaNiya Holden Sasha Browne

Troop 60022 worked with the Georgia Arrhythmia Foundation to raise awareness on Sudden Cardiac Arrest. As as troop, the girls learned CPR and were able to earn an AED to donate to their school, St. Peter Claver Catholic School. They plan on providing assistance for CPR training at their school and saving lives in their community with the knowledge and skills they've gained through their Bronze Award Project.





### Council Awardees —\_\_\_2023—\_\_\_ Region 1

Adrienne West Spirit Award Foothills Service Unit

**Kira Miller** Spirit Award River Shoals Service Unit

Laura Seward Spirit Award River Shoals Service Unit

Lisa Hollingsworth Spirit Award River Shoals Service Unit

**Sonya Plunkett** Spirit Award Lake Oconee Service Unit



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**Debra Harden** Appreciation Pin Athens Regional Advisory Board

> **Pricilla Arend** Appreciation Pin River Shoals Service Unit

**Amy Atao** Honor Pin Golden Hills Service Unit



# Council Awardees —\_\_\_2023—\_\_\_ Region 3

**Carolyn Metroz** Courage Confidence Character Award Effingham Service Unit

> **Monica Harris** Outdoor Enthusiast Award Effingham Service Unit

**Tamara Daughtry** Sustained Service Award Marshes of Glynn Service Unit

Pam Sapp Courage Confidence Character Award Marshes of Glynn Service Unit



### National Awardees 2023 Region 3

Shannon Cottle Appreciation Pin Effingham Service Unit

Christine Yarbrough Honor Pin Marshes of Glynn Service Unit

**Jeanine Yarbrough** Honor Pin Marshes of Glynn Service Unit

> ACT, Camp Low President's Award Non-Service Unit

Marshes of Glynn Service Unit President's Award Service Unit **Carolyn Metroz** Volunteer of Excellence Effingham Service Unit

**Eddie Morrison** Volunteer of Excellence

Ashley Hazlett Sullivan Volunteer of Excellence

Juliette Southern Rose Service Unit

Ena Wilson-Armstrong Thanks Badge Sycamore Service Unit

**Julie Lord** Thanks Badge Marshes of Glynn Service Unit



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April Allender Appreciation Pin Concharty Service Unit

Bradley Bodley Appreciation Pin Concharty Service Unit

Sara Jewell Honor Pin Concharty Service Unit

ACT, Camp Robert Lewis President's Award Non-Service Unit

**Concharty Service Unit** President's Award Service Unit

Michaela Coleson Volunteer of Excellence Concharty Service Unit

Melonie Woodworth Volunteer of Excellence Concharty Service Unit



### Adult Awardees 2023 Region 6

**Julie Hoffman** Be a Sister Council Award Heart of Georgia Service Unit

Shannon Jennings

Outdoor Enthusiast Council Award Heart of Georgia Service Unit

**Lima McGuire** Spirit Council Award Macon Regional Advisory Board

**Catherine "Ellie" Smith** Honor Pin Summer Camp Program Director





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