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YOUR GUIDE TO NEWS, INFORMATION AND HAPPENINGS AT GIRL SCOUTS OF NORTH EAST OHIO.

Observatory Coming to Camp Ledgewood

Girl Scouts of North East Ohio (GSNEO) has secured a grant from the Hershey Foundation for \$15,000 to build a new observatory at Camp Ledgewood. First viewings from the observatory will take place this fall.

Currently, GSNEO has observatories at Camp Timberlane, in Wakeman, and Camp Sugarbush, in Kinsman, as well as portable equipment that is used for stargazing parties and service-unit training throughout 18 counties in Northeast Ohio.

At least 1,500 girls and adults have viewed the night sky through Camp Timberlane's telescope. The telescope is housed inside the observatory, which is permanently mounted to a cement pad, and has the power to view stars, planets, moons, galaxies and star clusters.

"Having the observatory is a fantastic way to expose girls to science, technology, engineering and math (STEM)," said GSNEO



Observatory at Camp Timberlane in Wakeman.

Program Specialist Suzie Dills. "By having this hands-on opportunity, their curiosity and excitement for space science is enhanced and the girls want to learn more."

Approximately 50 girls and 30 adults have gone through training to use the observatory and telescope. Three girls and five adults have been certified to operate the telescope and teach GSNEO astronomy programs to younger Girl Scouts and adults.

"Through our astronomy programs, girls build strong, hands-on foundations to meet the growing need for skilled science and technology professionals," Dills said. "It is absolutely awesome to see the confidence these girls have as they interact with younger Girl Scouts and even adults. They spur excitement and share their knowledge of space science."

GSNEO is one of 10 councils in the United States selected by NASA to receive a grant to launch an Astronomy Club; two Girl Scouts and two adults also were invited to attend training at the Goddard Space Flight Center this past July. The Astronomy Club meets on the second Sunday of every month at Camp Timberlane.

For more information about the Astronomy Club and astronomy programs, contact Suzie Dills at 440-233-6112 or via e-mail at sdills@gsneo.org.

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Girl Scouts of North East Ohio is the preeminent leadership development organization serving nearly 40,000 girls and 14,000 adults in an 18-county region. Membership is extended to all girls and adults who accept the Girl Scout Promise and Law. Counties of coverage include Ashtabula, Carroll, Columbiana, Cuyahoga, Erie, Geauga, Huron, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Sandusky, Seneca, Stark, Summit, Trumbull and Tuscarawas.

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Letter from the CEO...



Daisy L. Alford-Smith, Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer

For nearly 100 years, Girl Scouting has made a difference in the lives of girls and in the neighborhoods we serve. Girl Scouts of North East Ohio (GSNEO) provides diverse opportunities for girls, much more than many might associate with Girl Scouting.

Today's Girl Scouts are focused on leadership experiences, new adventures and challenges, and lasting friendships. Our Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs give girls an opportunity to view the moon and stars at our campsite observatories and build robots that are programmed to perform specific tasks, while reinforcing teamwork skills. From a very young age, we begin building self-sufficiency in our future leaders. Just as we are educating children about such topics as healthy living, environmental awareness and community engagement, we also help them establish early financial habits such

as saving, earning and giving. The Girl Scout Gold Award is a culmination of all the girls' leadership experiences, and it is the highest honor in Girl Scouting. This year, we will celebrate the accomplishments of 68 young women.

Without volunteers to provide leadership and resources, we would not be able to advance our mission of building girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place. Our volunteers lead by example and instill values in our children that will remain with them throughout their lives. Today, there are more female leaders than ever, but still too few at the very top. The leadership gap begins in girlhood, and that's why Girl Scouts is relevant and necessary. With this edition of the Shout Out newsletter, we hope to open doors to more girls, volunteers, donors and community partners by sharing with them what Girl Scouting is all about.

Girl Scouts of North East Ohio presents

15th Annual

Dessert
FIRST

October 23, 2010, 6:30 p.m.
Sheraton Suites, Cuyahoga Falls
A Benefit for Girl Scouts of North East Ohio

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Girls Learn Money Skills

Cleveland Public Library partners with GSNEO to provide financial literacy programming.

Girl Scouts of North East Ohio has partnered with the Cleveland Public Library (CPL) to give girls the foundation they need to build a solid financial future.

"The Cleveland Public Library shares our mission and values, which is to build girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place," said Chief Executive Officer Daisy L. Alford-Smith, Ph.D. "We would like to see every girl in Northeast Ohio learn to prepare a budget and manage credit to develop self-sufficiency skills."

Many girls go through school and never learn what to do with their money after they earn it. They learn by trial and error. In fact, many kids growing up are getting themselves into debt before they turn 21. GSNEO is working to change that through financial literacy programming. Programs such as The Penny Project, Cent\$Ability, SaSS (Savvy and Successful Scouts), and Teen CEO teach girls to balance a checkbook, save and invest, and ultimately run their own business.

"Girls need access to new, creative and quality programs that will provide them with the tools they need to enhance their life learning skills," said Felton Thomas Jr., director of the Cleveland Public Library. "We are very excited about this partnership. The GSNEO Financial Literacy Program will help us fulfill a need in the community, which ultimately, I believe, will result in these girls leading boardroom discussions and appearing as community role models."

The GSNEO/CPL partnership serves to maximize resources, expand services and support the community. The Cleveland Public Library will facilitate the financial literacy programming developed and supervised by GSNEO's program department. The additional space and staff will enable GSNEO to serve more girls in more places.



Saving Money is Serious Work!

About 30 Brownies learned money management skills in the Penny Project program during a visit to the Macedonia Service Center in early May.

Once a Girl Scout, Always a Girl Scout!

Calling all Girl Scouts, past and present!

As our 100th anniversary quickly approaches, we are reaching out to our alumnae and asking you to share your contact information so we can keep you informed about upcoming alumnae events. We look forward to reconnecting with you! E-mail gsalumnae@gsneo.org.

100th Anniversary Volunteers Needed!

If you would like to be a part of the planning for the 100th Anniversary of Girl Scouts in 2012, committees are forming now! Send your name, address, email and phone number to marketing@gsneo.org.

Making Friends Around the World

GSNEO, through the contributions of its members, is the largest contributor to the GSUSA Juliette Low World Friendship Fund.

Juliette Gordon Low had friends around the world and was committed to offering the benefits of Girl Scouting to girls around the globe. To honor Juliette's love of travel, of experiencing different cultures, and of making new friends, Girl Scouts of the USA created the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund (JLWFF) in 1927.

This is fund supports girls' opportunities to connect globally. In 2009, GSNEO donated over \$17,000 to the fund.

Donations to the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund are used to support girls' international travel and participation in training and other international events. These unique opportunities for fostering international friendships connect Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from 144 nations.

For more information about the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund, visit: www.girlscouts.org/juliette_low_fund

Volunteer Spotlight

Each Shout Out edition we will introduce you to one of our outstanding volunteers.

Meet Willa Keith,
Girl Scout Troop
Leader, Service
Unit Director and
National Delegate



About Willa Keith.

As a child growing up in Dublin, Georgia, Willa Keith wanted to be a Girl Scout so bad that she used to sneak to the meetings. She was never officially a Girl Scout. When her oldest daughter was in elementary school, she became a volunteer driving on field trips and helping with events. Now, she is a Girl Scout Leader for her youngest daughter's troop, a Service Unit Director, and a National Delegate.

"I truly believe that because of all our rich experiences as women, we need to give it back to the girls. But Girl Scouts has taken our leadership experiences and put it together in a nice package. They have provided us with direction to teach the girls in a fun way for them and for me."

What are your favorite memories of Girl Scouting?

Willa's first camping experience was as an adult volunteer for Girl Scouts.

"I believe in try it, just like our Brownies. So, that's what I did with my first camping experience... [laughing]. We were in a cabin, and a loud noise woke me up scaring me half to death! I let out a scream before I realized it was the heater turning on. All the girls were asking, 'Who's screaming?' They thought it was one of the girls, and it was actually me."

Embarassed, Willa said she had never confessed that until now. She also said how much she now enjoys

camping and actually has graduated from cabins to tents. For those not familiar with Girl Scouting, it's the best opportunity, not only for girls, but for adults too, to learn courage and the confidence to try something new and find out what you have the character to finish.

Will you continue volunteering for Girl Scouts after your daughter graduates from high school?

"I see myself championing for more inner city Girl Scouts. I'm from Akron." Willa stressed the need for more volunteers in Akron to offer more Girl Scout programs after school.

If someone said to you that Girl Scouts is nice, but not a necessity – what would you say?

"Nice, but not a necessity? That's because people don't know what we do in Girl Scouting! It's up to us as Girl Scout Volunteers, as Girl Scouts to let them know all the opportunities for girls. One of the things they don't realize is that we do have a highest honor in Girl Scouts, which is the Gold Award. All the scholarship opportunities for girls who obtain that level, it's just so astronomical, it's wonderful. Once you start telling people about that and understanding that we have a financial literacy program, and that we actually do prepare these girls to enter college and to enter the business world – they get it."



GSNEO Honors Volunteers

GSNEO and its Board of Directors honored 120 women, men, and volunteer service units for their strong commitment and dedication to Girl Scouting at an Adult Recognition Celebration on Saturday, May 22, 2010 at Cuyahoga Community College in Warrensville Heights.

"Without volunteers to provide leadership and resources, we would not be able to advance our mission of building girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place," said Chief Executive Officer Daisy L. Alford-Smith, Ph.D. "The adult recognition celebration is about demonstrating to everyone that by working together, we have the fortitude to meet our challenges and accomplish our goals."

Volunteers with Girl Scouts not only work as leaders and co-leaders, but also sit on the Board of Directors and committees, assist with special events, and train and mentor both adults and girls.

To offer your skills, resources, or to become a girl or adult member of GSNEO, contact membership@gsneo.org or call 800-852-4474.

A complete list of volunteers and service units that were honored is available on our website, www.gsneo.org.



Congratulations!

Ambassador Girl Scout Cassie Pyles, Louisville High School senior, has been awarded a full scholarship to Mount Union College in Alliance. Cassie said that all they did was ask her about her Gold Award and Girl Scouts.

She is in the process of finishing her Gold Award, so look for her in 2011!

Photos top left, clockwise for the 2010 awards: Appreciation Pin recipients; Board Chair Dan Bragg (left) and CEO Daisy L. Alford Smith, Ph.D. (right) presents the Thanks Badge to Board Treasurer Lynda Rossiter; Honor Pin recipients, Thanks Badge recipients, and Thanks Badge II recipients.

Cookie Sale Super Sellers!



This year Girl Scouts of North East Ohio had an Outstanding Sale! We had 5 girls reach the Top Seller level of 2010 boxes and they will receive a brand new laptop computer. We also have 33 girls in the String of Pearls Club this year; 7 of them received their 3rd Pearl! The String of Pearls Club is for any girl who sells 1000 packages; we believe she is following in Juliette Gordon Lowe's footsteps in her support of Girl Scouting. Juliette Gordon Low sold her string of matched pearls to fund the first Girl Scout troop so we recognize these top achievers by giving them a pearl every time they reach 1000 boxes in the cookie sale. We can't wait to see how high these girls set their goals next year!

This year we recognized these Top Sellers at the Q for a Day event in April. Their names were listed on the scoreboard and announced to their peers. They were also selected to be part of the Caves Crew, work the siren and even ride the zamboni!

We had over 26,000 girls participate in the 2010 Cookie Sale and their efforts show What Every Cookie Can Do! Proceeds from the cookie sale fund everything from reduced memberships to lower program costs. The cookie sale benefits every girl in North-east Ohio and we are so proud of all of our girls who helped support their sister Scouts!

2009 Girl Scout Gold Award Girl Receives Spirit of Community Award

At the March 18 Westlake City Council meeting, mayor Dennis Clough recognized Elizabeth "Lila" Greco for receiving the prestigious Prudential Spirit of Community Award, and proclaimed March 19, 2010, as "Elizabeth Greco, our Prudential Spirit of Community Award Honoree" Day in Westlake.

Of the more than 21,000 students nationwide who applied for the 2010 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, Lila was chosen by the state-level judges as "one of the top eight runners-up" for Ohio, earning her a bronze Distinguished Finalist medallion.

As a Girl Scout, Lila worked with Building Hope in the City, an outreach ministry of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church on Cleveland's west side. She collected 700 gently used uniform items and started a "school uniform closet," where disadvantaged Cleveland school children can obtain their required school uniforms free of charge.

Lila, a junior at Westlake High School, also coordinated the sewing of 250 re-usable waterproof nylon drawstring bags for the homeless. She collected winter hats, gloves, warm socks, toiletries and children's books and toys to put in the bags.



Mayor Dennis Clough presents a proclamation to Elizabeth Greco for receiving the prestigious Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

She also purchased items using money she raised by selling crafts at the St. John Westshore Festival of the Arts and with donations from the Cleveland Browns, Vietnam Veterans Fairview Park Post and individuals. Lila and her volunteers distributed the bags at two of Building Hope in the City's community meals in December 2008.

This is the 15th year of the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, which are awarded by Prudential Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals.



Sixty-Eight Girls will be Awarded Girl Scouting's Highest Honor: The Gold Award

GSNEO will honor 68 outstanding Girl Scouts who will receive the Gold Award on June 19, 2010.

that come from "going for the Gold" set the foundation for a lifetime of active citizenship.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest award that Girl Scouts between the ages of 14 and 18 may earn. For many, the leadership skills, organizational skills, and sense of community

GSNEO is proud to announce the following Girl Scouts will receive their award this year.

Annemarie Balfe, North Olmsted
 Heather Benya, Wadsworth
 Sarah D'Nelle Beres, Hartville
 Rachel Betz, Fairlawn
 Alisa Blumenthaler, Brecksville
 Kory Brady, Cortland
 Kelsey Brax, Bay Village
 Elizabeth Bucklen, Chesterland
 Anna Bumgardner, Leavittsburg
 Lauren Buser, Uniontown
 Jamie Caldwell, Warren
 Megan Capitena, Uniontown
 Rebecca Carmen, Uniontown
 Sarah Coyne, Medina
 Esther D'Mello, Brecksville
 Amanda Dobson, North Canton
 Betsy Dobson, North Canton

Margaret Elkanick, North Ridgeville
 Lisa Gillmore, Fairview Park
 Allison Gray, Westlake
 Victoria Gruber, Bay Village
 Megan Hach, Medina
 Lydia Hakola, Uniontown
 Julie Haumschild, Olmsted Falls
 Christina Herbst, Avon
 Lyndsey Herman, Hinckley
 Christianna Holmes, Olmsted Falls
 Maria Hughes, Tallmadge
 Emily Kardamis, Strongsville
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 Susan Lee-Mayer, Mineral Ridge
 Olivia Lemley, Canton
 Heather Martin, Newton Falls

Alyssa Mauser, Ravenna
 Kayla McMinn, Farmdale
 Emily Mills, Olmsted Township
 Lindsay Mudrak, Sheffield Lake
 Rachel Murry, Novelty
 Cassandra Nix, Elyria
 Kate Okrez, Chagrin Falls
 Katherine Paydo, Wadsworth
 Melissa Paydo, Wadsworth
 Sarah Pelger, Rocky River
 April Porter, Northfield Center
 Heather Pownell, Leavittsburg
 Brittany Ranchoff, Columbia Station
 Lauren Raymond, Massillon
 Kayla Marie Reardon, Conneaut
 Danielle Reddinger, Lorain
 Maria Reibestein, Newton Falls

Sarah Ritchie, Orwell
 Lara Schoeffler, Northfield Center
 Emily Steffan, Westlake
 Rena Steiger, Canton
 Rachel Stone, Bay Village
 Hillary Stradtman, Bay Village
 Abigail Tanner, Akron
 Brittany Trout, Medina
 Mary Walter, Solon
 Natalie Weekley, Wadsworth
 Kyleigh Whitsel, Sheffield Lake
 Amber Wiley, Sheffield Lake
 Nora Wisor, Clinton
 Rebecca Wolf, Macedonia
 Brianna Ziganti, Chesterland

Girl Scouts Earn Prestigious Service Award

By Troop Leader Candice Ward

Girl Scouts in Troop 80344 received The President's Volunteer Service Award for outstanding community service.

Since all girls in Troop 80344 attend Roosevelt Elementary School in McDonald, a special surprise ceremony was held for the girls, led by the school principal. After morning announcements, Mrs. Kowach congratulated the troop and gave an overview of our service activities.

Each troop member was called to the office for the ceremony where Assistant Troop Leader Adrienne Deak and myself were waiting with the awards. Each member of the troop was presented with The President's Volunteer Service Award,

which consisted of the Bronze Level Service Pin, a letter signed by President Obama, an Official Service Certificate, and a certificate stating the activities each girl participated in to earn the award.

As a troop, we accumulated 260 volunteer hours to earn the bronze level award. Some of our activities during 2009 included: Nike grind collection, Girl Scout suitcase collection, Second Harvest Foodbank collection, reverse trick-or-treat, Make a Difference Day, Goodwill collection, Angel tree donation, Austinwoods Nursing Home bingo, Someplace Safe collection, USO cookie collection, and grocery shopping for local families to provide Christmas dinner - just to name a few.





Girl Scouts Lead Summit!

It's a fact! Teen Girl Scouts are ready for more challenges, excitement and independence than ever before. In Girl Scouting, it's not just "what girls do" (activities), but "how" they do them. GSNEO encourages girls to play an active part in figuring out the what, where, when, how and why of their activities. Girls lead the planning and decision-making as much as possible. This ensures that they are engaged in their learning and experience leadership opportunities as they prepare to become active participants in their communities.

The Cadette Summit, held April 30 - May 1, at Camp Ledgewood was an entire weekend of Girl Scout activities planned by the girls for their peers (6th-8th graders). This leadership opportunity allows girls to discover what they love and where they excel. The all-girl leadership team brainstormed ideas for activities and planned everything from what meals they would eat, to traditional flag ceremonies. Then they bring to life the real fun and real adventures of Girl Scouting! This year, more than 230 Girl Scouts joined the leadership teams in activities such as rock climbing, pinhole photography, and lotion-making, just to name a few.





Basketball Court built for Women's Shelter

West Park Cadettes gather support to install recreation area

By Margaret Bernstein, Cleveland Plain Dealer

The City Mission of Cleveland had long wanted a basketball court at its women's shelter, but couldn't afford to spend \$45,000 to build it.

Yet it sounded do-able to a West Park Girl Scout troop when they heard about it last fall. So they mobilized volunteers, asked for donations and posted the project on a Pepsi website in hopes of getting funding.

On Saturday, May 15, the vision became reality. Dozens of volunteers -- including the Cavs Girls cheerleaders and mascot Moon Dog were invited to show up at the Laura's Home shelter in Cleveland's West Park neighborhood. They helped the Girl Scouts erect the hoop and build a nearby landscaped play area on a newly paved stretch of asphalt.

They installed benches, flowers and planters, all of which have been donated.

"To see it all come together just puts a smile on my face," said the mission's development director, Jim Whiteman. "When they approached us about it I really questioned whether they were going to be able to pull this off, to be honest."

The girls, ages 12 to 15, have been relentless in recruiting elected officials and local businesses to help out on the project, said



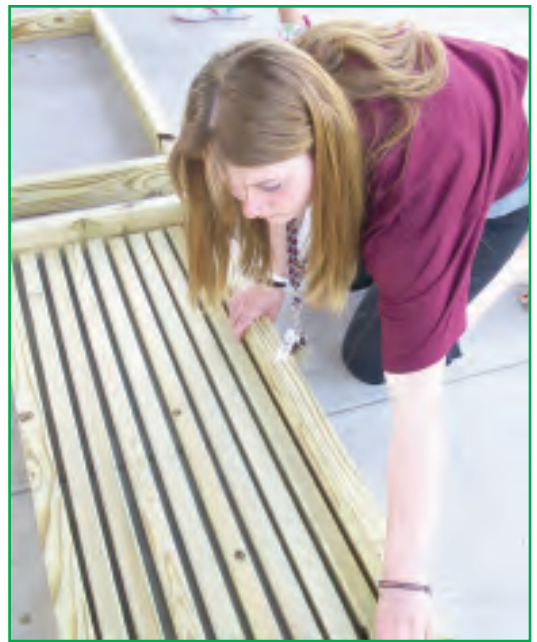
Troop Leader Linda Moore.

Troop 7161 got the idea when they dropped off donated diapers to Laura's Home, a 136-bed shelter serving women and children. After learning the shelter wanted an outdoor play area, they decided to make it the focus of their Silver Award, the highest honor a Cadette can earn in Girl Scouting.

The girls sent letters to merchants, convincing Marous Brothers Construction to do the excavation work for free and Holland Paving to give them asphalt at cost. The Foresters, a Catholic service group, gave \$6,000 for the hoop and other expenses.

"It wasn't just me doing everything. The girls have done an extensive amount of work. They went around to businesses in the area, soliciting donations," Moore said.

Kemmarie will use her artistic talent to paint



the asphalt "so it's not just a plain basketball court." Her idea is to paint a globe, and have each girl sign it with her name and a handprint.

Laura's Home manager Pam Glicker said she expects women residents will use the basketball court as much as their children do." This is something the moms can do and really have fun with it."

The hard-working Girl Scouts on the media committee contacted local news outlets and even entered the project onto Pepsi's Refresh Everything contest, which gives away money to top-rated causes on refresheverything.com.

Slowly they're inching up in the ratings, after giving out hundreds of fliers to friends and neighbors, and posting the Laura's Home project onto their Facebook pages.

If they win the Pepsi contest, the Girl Scouts say they'll do a new project at Laura's Home. "What we're doing is already considered good," said Kemmarie. "If we get the extra money, we can make it like 10 times better. It will be so nice."





Mark Your Calendars! Girl Scout Fun Fest

Girl Scouts of North East Ohio is kicking off its 2011 membership year with the Girl Scout Fun Fest! Events are planned for August and September in five locations throughout Northeast Ohio.

This is a great opportunity for Girl Scouts to showcase their projects, to visit the mobile shop, vendor booths, and interact with community members. People who attend the membership kick-off events can register their daughters or become volunteers, pick-up free GSNEO giveaways, and register-to-win great prizes.

More details coming in the E-news this summer! Sign up for GSNEO E-News Today! Visit www.gsneo.org and click on News

South - Saturday, August 21, 1-4 pm
South Service Center, North Canton

East - Saturday, August 28, 11am-2pm
Canfield Village Green

West - Sunday, September 12, 2-5pm
Camp Timberlane, Wakeman

Central/North - Sunday, August 29, 2-5pm
Camp Lejnar, Leroy Township

Saturday, September 25, 11am-2pm
Macedonia Service Center



Girl Scouts Enter Lego League

For the first time in December 2009, Girl Scouts of North East Ohio competed in the FIRST LEGO® League robotics competition.

GSNEO has been working for the past year developing the program as well as recruiting girls between the ages of nine and 14-years old to participate.

Robots, built entirely out of Lego pieces, come in a kit that can be assembled in a day. After the robot is built, it stands about five inches tall and three inches wide. It has a 'brain' component and is battery charged. The robot is plugged into a laptop so that it can be programmed to perform specific tasks. The girls can add additional attachments, including arms to grab or push something, but the attachments must be Lego pieces.

Each year, FIRST issues a set of challenges that a robot must accomplish in 2½ minutes. The teams must design, build and program the robot to accomplish these tasks using sensors, motors, gearing, general engineering

principals, and computer software. In addition, the teams must do research based on a theme (i.e. transportation) and prepare a presentation about some portion of that topic (i.e. newscast, game show, song or skit). Each team has Girl Scouts as well as coaches.

Coaches include parents, teachers or advisors – anyone that can keep the girls motivated, keep them excited and guide them through the process. It makes a world of difference in their confidence when a girl realizes she can do good things.

“Many girls are never exposed to these types of careers, and women are very much a minority in a lot of STEM fields,” said Amy Bennett, Director of Programs. “We’re hoping to change that.”

Coaches are needed for the LEGO Leagues. For more information about volunteering for the FIRST LEGO program with GSNEO contact programs@gsneo.org.



Photo courtesy of Kent State University Communications and Marketing

Teens Get Sneak Peek at KSU

The jump to college can be stressful. GSNEO is making the transition easier by exposing high school girls to college life, financial aid and careers. Through a new partnership with Kent State University, girls in grades nine through twelve (Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts) participated in a free college preview in April.

“This was an enlightening experience for the girls,” said Chief Executive Officer Daisy L. Alford-Smith, Ph.D. “Watching the excitement build about the possibility of applying for college and interacting with college students and faculty reinforced my belief that we’re making a difference in their lives and their future.”

The “Sneak-a-Peek” Day at Kent State focused on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) career choices. The Girl Scouts got to experience what it is like to put on 3-D goggles and examine DNA

molecules. Girl Scouts also met female faculty members in fields such as chemistry and biology. Kent State Students served as tour guides, visiting campus departments and facilities, including the 3-D Imaging and Visualization Center .

“Having college students lead the campus tour was beneficial to the girls,” said Stacey Gardner-Buckshaw , Ph.D., program manager for the Girl Scouts of North East Ohio. “Our girls got to ask questions and learn first-hand what it is like to be a college student.”

The program is coordinated by Girl Scouts of North East Ohio in partnership with the Pre-College Programs unit of the Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at Kent State . It will be offered again in the fall. Contact programs@gsneo.org for more information.

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