

Your Guide to the 2020 Women of Distinction Event #GSNEOWomen



Our Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

What You and Your Guests Can Expect

3:30-4:00pm | Pre-Event Networking*

4:00-5:00pm | Virtual Awards Program*

- Tin to Win: raffle drawings
- Text-to-Donate: support Girl Scout scholarships and financial aid
- Presentation of Honorees
 - **Women of Distinction Award:** Honors women who go above and beyond to make our communities better places to live, work, and raise a family.
 - **Advancing Women Award:** Recognizes a company or organization that demonstrates a proven commitment to promoting the advancement of women in the workplace.
 - **Leaders of Tomorrow Award:** Presented to Girl Scouts who demonstrate high scholastic achievement, creativity, and initiative, and who embody the council's belief that young women with promise today will become tomorrow's leaders.

**For pre-event networking, cameras are encouraged. For the virtual awards program, attendees will not be on camera.*

Tuesday, September 22
4:00 PM EST
VIRTUAL

2020 Women of Distinction Award Honorees

Women of Distinction:

Ramona Hood – FedEx Custom Critical
Nancy Kachmarik – Avient Corporation
Andrea Margida, MS – The Valentine Project & TechGrit
Sandra L. Reid – The Davey Tree Expert Company
Tari S. Rivera – Regency Construction Services, Inc.
Sara Shookman – wkyc studios
Ellen M. Stephens, SHRM-SCP – The Sherwin-Williams Company
Gina Vernaci – Playhouse Square
Elizabeth Walters – Summit County Council
Amy Zell – Youngstown Area Goodwill Industries & Oak Hill Collaborative

Leaders of Tomorrow:

Olivia Johnson – Homeschool, North Canton
Ava Kress – North Royalton High School
Megan Ward – McDonald High School

Advancing Women Award:

Hyland
Women's Endowment Fund of Akron Community Foundation

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Women of Distinction Awards Event

The annual GSNEO Women of Distinction event was established to celebrate and recognize women in Northeast Ohio who go above and beyond to make our communities better places to live, work, and raise a family. GSNEO's Women of Distinction embody the core values of Girl Scouts and provide girls with positive role models.

In 2014, the Advancing Women Award was added to honor organizations demonstrating strong commitment to advancing women in the workplace.

In 2015, three annual Leaders of Tomorrow scholarships were added to recognize GSNEO Girl Scouts who display exceptional promise to become tomorrow's leaders.

Tin to Win

Prior to the event, attendees had the opportunity to purchase a "Tin to Win" for a chance to win exciting raffle prizes and a guarantee to receive exclusive goodies. Raffle winners will be drawn during the program - tune in to see if you won!



Show Your Girl Scout Spirit!

You can wear what you'd like, but may we suggest Girl Scout gear? Think vests, sashes, t-shirts, or just some Girl Scout Green! Whether you wear Girl Scout gear and/or fancy on top, PJs on the bottom is completely acceptable! It looks like Chris Venditti, GSNEO Board of Director's Vice Chair, has the right idea!

Don't forget to set up your Zoom background for the 3:30-4:00 networking! We love to see your Girl Scout spirit and creativity. [Click here](#) for an album of Girl Scout-themed Zoom backgrounds to download and use.

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Registration

If you haven't already, use [this link](#) to sign up for event updates and to receive the event link beforehand. The program will be live-streamed and recorded for sharing, but you must register to receive the participation link for the 3:30-4:00 pre-event networking!

Networking Rooms

Before the Women of Distinction awards event starts at 4:00, we will be hosting networking rooms starting at 3:30pm.

You must register for the Women of Distinction event to receive the networking room links.

Food and Drink

We have you covered! Below we've provided a few easy-to-prepare recipes to make at home and enjoy during the event. For dinner, we've provided a fun twist on a classic - chicken parmesan casserole. For a simple, refreshing drink to go with dinner, we've provided a recipe for a frozen mint lemonade.



for dinner recipe
[click here](#)



for drink recipe
[click here](#)

Kendra Scott Code

Starting 12:00am on September 22, and going through midnight on September 23, 20% of proceeds that use the code **GIVEBACK8255** on Kendra Scott purchases will go to GSNEO.

GSNEO Photo Booth

Take a photo on our [virtual photo booth](#) and share it with us before, after, or during the event! Post to social media, tag Girl Scouts of North East Ohio, and use the hashtag #GSNEOWomen, or post it to our Facebook LIVE stream throughout the event.

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A special thank you to Rock the House Entertainment Group, Ashdon Farms, Heidelberg Distributing, Kendra Scott, and Bonnie Speed. We're so grateful for your support and assistance to make our 2020 Women of Distinction Awards event a success!

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