



2009 Annual Report

GIRL SCOUTS OF RHODE ISLAND, INC.



INCLUDING: Attleboro, Bellingham, Blackstone, Fall River, Millville, North Attleborough, Plainville, Rehoboth, Seekonk, Somerset, Swansea, Westport, Wrentham, MA and Pawcatuck, CT



Girl Scouts®



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What does your support - personal and financial - of Girl Scouting mean?

To hundreds of girls who otherwise could not afford it, it means two glorious weeks at Girl Scout camp exploring the beauty of nature, learning to swim and boat, and making forever friends at summer camp. It means the chance to experience something we may have taken for granted when we were kids.

To more than 1,200 teenaged girls from our urban communities - at a crossroads in their personal development - it means understanding the rewards of compassionate leadership, the benefits of personal responsibility and the many opportunities that the world has to offer.

To a small group of young girls with incarcerated mothers it means the relief that comes from making friends with girls who don't judge. It means taking the first steps toward regaining confidence and self-respect. It means learning the skills necessary to turn the modest dream of a group horseback riding outing into reality.

To communities throughout our corner of New England, it means that scores of girls who have earned their Girl Scout Gold Award - the highest level of achievement in Girl Scouting - will make a profound and lasting difference by restoring historical cemeteries, creating arts and sports programs for children, reaching out to troubled youth, and enriching the lives of senior citizens.

What does your financial support of Girl Scouting mean? It means that you appreciate the value of helping more than 12,000 girls and young women - your daughters, your granddaughters, your nieces, your friends - become courageous, confident, self-assured young women who will make the world a better place.

And for this we are truly thankful.

Kathryn L. Gann, Ph.D.
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PS - We have transitioned from a fiscal year ending December 31 to a fiscal year ending September 30. This annual report covers the period from January 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009.

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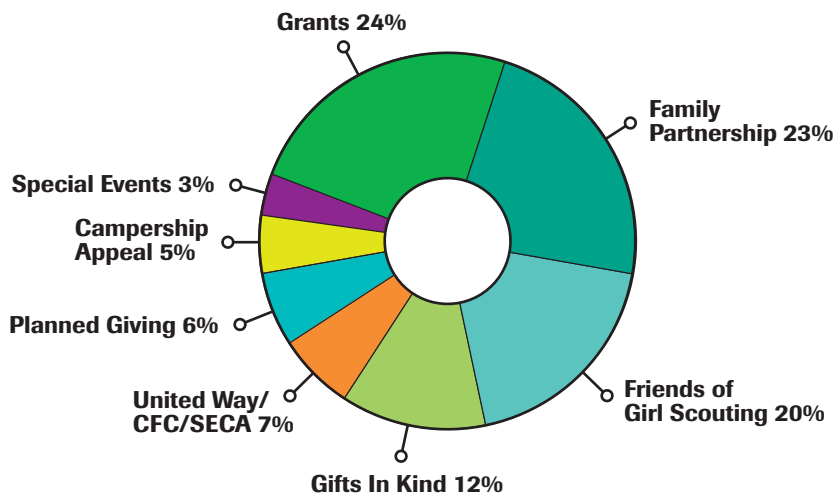
We have made every effort to correctly identify our donors. If omissions or discrepancies are noted, please advise us so we can update our records. Please contact Jill Martens at (401) 331-4500 x 1304 or via e-mail at jmartens@gsri.org.

Contributions to GSRI, Inc

This annual report reflects a nine-month period as GSRI transitions from a fiscal year ending December 31 to a fiscal year ending September 30.

The 11,977 girls and 3,366 adults in our council are grateful to you – the individuals, foundations, civic organizations and companies that financially support our mission of building girls of courage, confidence and character. Despite a tumultuous economy and an uncertain future, your contributions to our annual appeal, **Friends of Girl Scouting**, increased 39% over the same time in 2008. And, your desire to give the gift of the outdoors to girls who spend far too much time inside was clear – giving to our **campership appeal** increased 110%! As a result, we were able to tell 250 girls, “Start packing – you’re going to camp this summer!”

These statistics are all the more impressive knowing that you also help plan programs and trips for our girls, serve on our board, lead troops, haul thousands of boxes of Girl Scout Cookies, and volunteer on our service teams and committees.



To make a secure donation to Girl Scouts of Rhode Island, Inc., please visit us at www.gsri.org.

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\$10,000 +

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Special Donations

In Memory

One way to show how much Girl Scouting has touched a life is to make a donation in honor of or in memory of a relative or friend. Girl Scouts of Rhode Island gratefully acknowledges the following individuals who made a donation in memory of someone they have lost.

In memory of Anthony and Terri Ficca

Woonsocket Lions Club

In memory of Charles Birdy

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In memory of Christine Stella who loved her days at Camp Hoffman

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In memory of Winifred Kelley Sahagian

Mrs. Cynthia S. Cross

In Honor

Girl Scouts of Rhode Island gratefully acknowledges the following individuals who made a donation to honor a family member or friend.

In honor of those who have become Golden Eaglets in past years

Janet Pond Goodman

In honor of her mother, Jeannette Crandall

Ms. Jeannette C. Misuraca

In honor of Peggy Roque

Ms. Sally Cox

In honor of her mother, Betty Cugini

Ms. Betty-Jo Cugini



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Membership Statistics 2009

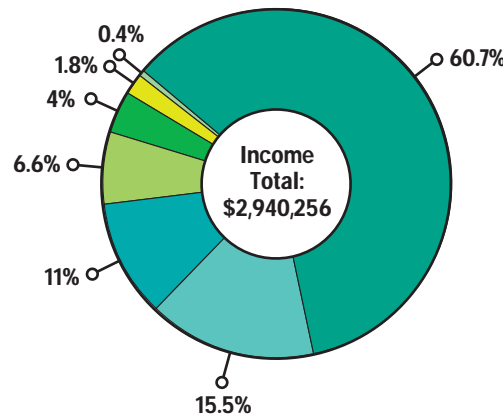
Number of Girls Served – 11,977

Number of Adults Served – 3,366

Cost to Support One Girl Annually = \$226

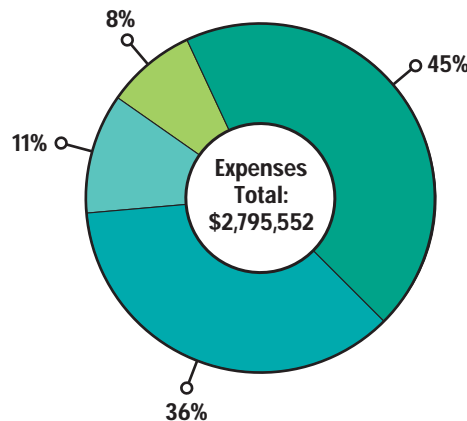
2009 Income - All Funds

● Product Sales	\$ 1,786,785
● Camp & Program Fees	\$ 454,588
● Gain on investments	\$ 323,175
● Gift, grants, other fundraising	\$ 192,618
● Interest/Dividends/Misc	\$ 117,311
● Shops	\$ 54,033
● United Way	\$ 11,746
Total:	\$2,940,256



2009 Expenses - All Funds

● Camping Services	\$1,248,887
● Membership Development	\$1,008,099
● Fund Raising	\$ 308,052
● Management & General	\$ 230,514
Total:	\$2,795,552*



An unqualified audit is available for review during regular office hours at Girl Scouts of Rhode Island, Inc., 125 Charles Street, Providence, RI 02904.

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The Board of Directors has allocated the positive year end balance to fund the future of Girl Scouting.

*Expenses include \$251,084 in depreciation.

\$250 - \$499.99

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Girl Scouts of Rhode Island 2009 – The Year in Highlights

- The 800 attendees at **Go Green Globally**, our council-wide event held on June 7, 2009 at Camp Hoffman, enjoyed fun and informative sessions on how our world is “going green” and addressing ecological challenges. The event was sponsored by Amica Insurance.
- GSRI received a grant from Girl Scouts of the USA and Dove to introduce **uniquely ME!**, the Girl Scout/Dove self-esteem program which helps girls feel better about themselves by helping them develop the skills necessary to face life’s challenges.
- Despite a struggling economy, more than 842,500 boxes of Girl Scout cookies were sold during the **2009 Girl Scout Cookie Program** – just a small decrease from the previous year. GSRI continues to boast one of the highest “per girl” averages in the country; each girl from GSRI sells an average of 117 boxes.
- Generous Girl Scout families contributed \$48,450 to the council’s **Family Partnership** campaign. Family Partnership donations help defray the cost of leadership training for volunteers, council-wide events, financial assistance, and the production of our council newsletter.
- Through **Project Undercover**, GSRI girls – in partnership with the Rhode Island Donation Exchange Program – collected 225,000 pieces of underclothing for children in need in Rhode Island and nearby MA communities.
- After much planning and fundraising, two separate groups of **older girls from GSRI** – accompanied by their leaders -- headed to **Europe** in July. One troop visited the Girl Scout World Centers in Switzerland and England, while the other group traveled throughout France and Spain for trips of a lifetime.
- Thanks to a large number of individuals, civic organizations, corporations and foundations, more than \$41,000 worth of **camperships** was distributed, enabling an additional 250 girls to enjoy a summer out-of-doors!
- **Project Girl Scout**, a fashion show and afternoon tea for 50 alumnae and other “Friends of Girl Scouts”, was held on March 22, 2009 at Providence College. The event was organized by a team of management students from Providence College.
- Girls elected to donate \$5,370 from their Girl Scout Cookie Sale profits to **Greenlock Therapeutic Riding Center**, a non-profit organization in Rehoboth, MA that utilizes equine-related activities for the therapy of individuals with physical, developmental, and emotional differences. This was the **largest amount ever contributed to a Cookie Sale Service Project recipient!**
- The 22nd annual **Senior Girl Scout Leadership Conference** in early March gave 325 older girls from the northeast the opportunity to enjoy presentations on a wide variety of issues -- from caring for exotic animals to exploring a career in engineering. Our keynote speaker was Dr. Kathryn Moran, Associate Dean, Graduate School of Oceanography at The University of Rhode Island. She presented a dynamic look at the effects of global warming.
- Nearly **2,000 girls had a Girl Scout summer camp experience** – at Camp Hoffman, Camp Green Forest, Camp Rocky Farm, Camp Cookie and Camp Promising Acres. Each day camp session featured a different theme allowing girls to focus on painting and drawing; nature and ecology; and outdoor cooking.

Girl Scouts Beyond Bars

Girl Scouts Beyond Bars (GSBB) is a nationwide Girl Scout program that provides relationship-building programs for incarcerated mothers and their daughters. The objective of GSBB is to give families opportunities to reunite and strengthen their relationships. The program uses specially designed Girl Scout curriculum to build self-esteem, improve communication, and develop life skills and good decision making.

Now in its fifth year, the GSBB program in Rhode Island serves 11 girls and 8 mothers at the Gloria MacDonald Medium Security Facility at the RI Adult Correctional Institution (ACI). The girls and their mothers comprise Girl Scout Troop 1506. Each month, Troop 1506 has two mothers-only meetings and two mother-daughter meetings. In 2009, the girls from Troop 1506 also enjoyed field trips to the Animal Rescue League of Southern RI, City Farm in Providence and Sunset Stables in Lincoln. And for the first time ever, four of the girls experienced a new kind of summer at Girl Scout camp and the troop sold more than 500 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies to ACI staff, family and friends!

Girl Scouts Beyond Bars is funded through generous grants from **Hasbro Charitable Foundation** and the **United States Department of Justice**.



"Girl Scouts Beyond Bars gives me a chance to start over with my daughter... it gives us moments we never would have had...we both feel very lucky for the opportunity."

– GSBB Participant

Top Cookie Sellers 2009

Kendra Maille	Troop 900	2472 boxes
Leah Sirmalis	Troop 251	1590 boxes
Jennifer Lepine	Troop 374	1252 boxes
Teresa Mero	Troop 189	1141 boxes
Caitlyn Tiodor	Troop 490	1063 boxes
Alexis Alves	Troop 903	1045 boxes
Emily Foley	Troop 306	1038 boxes
Jianna Hodge	Troop 132	1002 boxes
Maia Costa	Troop 900	1000 boxes
Brianna Boone	Troop 109	1000 boxes



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Adult Recognition Recipients 2009

THANKS BADGE II

Thanks Badge is the highest award an adult can earn in Girl Scouting. Thanks Badge II is for continued service.

Gay Giblin Cranston*

APPRECIATION PIN

For outstanding service beyond expectations of the position benefiting one or more service units.

Judy Lonardo East Greenwich*
Christine Roy Woonsocket

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PIN

For having completed one year in a troop leadership position as well as having successfully completed BLT, First Aid and Troop Camp training; and additional group meetings.

Michelle Kenney Bellingham, MA
Amanda McLaughlin Cumberland
Wendy Valente East Greenwich
Patricia Coutu East Greenwich
Abbie Addington- May North Kingstown/Jamestown
Jennifer Valiente Somerset, MA
Stacey Pride Westerly
Krystle Poirier Woonsocket

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT LEAVES

For recipients of the Leadership Development Pin who have completed 10 hours or more of additional training in one specific area. Training must benefit troop leadership skills.

Maureen Wicker 4 green, 1 silver Bellingham, MA
Elizabeth Lemire 2 green Cumberland

KIT HAMMETT AWARD

Service exceeds expectations in two or more positions for at least two years.

Mary Bouchard Apple Valley
Karen Flanagan Middletown
Lori Loughlin Middletown

GREEN ANGEL

For outstanding service by a registered adult who has worked directly with a troop for at least two years (other than leader/assistant leader).

Linda Lee Choinski Bellingham, MA
Christine Descoteaux Bellingham, MA
Maria Leal-Abreu Portsmouth
Jack Mello Middletown†

OUTSTANDING LEADER

For outstanding service as a Girl Scout Leader.

Kelly Shouse Middletown

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER

For outstanding service as a Girl Scout adult volunteer (other than leader).

Sandra Mussard Apple Valley
Bethanne Shedd Attleboro, MA

MILESTONES OF MEMBERSHIP

Number of years (girl and adult) as a member of Girl Scouts.

Joan Breen	Providence	65 years*
Irma Redman	Cranston	55 years
Carole Ann Young	Pawtucket	40 years*
Diane Konicki	North Providence	35 years
Cathy Swerdlick	Westerly	35 years
Susan Sweeney	Southgansett	30 years

VOLUNTEER YEARS OF SERVICE

Number of years of service as a volunteer.

30 Volunteer Years of Service

Carole Ann Young Pawtucket*

25 Volunteer Years of Service

Robert Young Pawtucket*

10 Volunteer Years of Service

Christina Craig Southgansett
Lisa Beth Sanford Southgansett
Sue Wallace Southgansett

5 Volunteer Years of Service

Leslie R. Deering Southgansett
Barbara N. Hays Southgansett
Lisa Herbert Southgansett
Wendy Riordan Southgansett
Sandra Robinson Southgansett

*Award was presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting

†Deceased



Spotlight on... Gay Giblin

Gay Giblin enriched the lives of everyone in the Girl Scout community. She dedicated over 35 years of service in leadership positions with GSRI. We have received many notes and emails with kind words of tribute that we would like to share:

"As my troop leader, Gay was my mentor -- she inspired me to follow my dreams, to get an education and to be the best I could be." *Jess Tate, Girl Scout, Troop 28*

"Gay brought a fresh perspective to her interactions with the girls -- it was her pure faith in them and their abilities, that allowed the girls to achieve and to grow in self confidence. She was a pioneer herself, nothing got in her way of achieving what she set her mind to. She gently encouraged others to expand their horizons too." *Joanne Toppa, Leader, Troop 28*

"Gay was always an advocate for the young women of this council and always tried to help them find a way to succeed. Her knowledge of the older girl program was, without doubt, unparalleled." *Carole Ann Young, Higher Awards Committee Member*

"With her quiet demeanor and careful manner, Gay was the Rock of Gibraltar for this council. For her consistent contributions in training design and delivery, her acceptance and support of changes in the program and procedures, and her lifelong enthusiasm for all things in Girl Scouting, we will always be grateful!" *Martha Frutchet, Training Specialist, GSRI*



The Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting, represents an extraordinary accomplishment.

Only three percent of Senior Girl Scouts across the country reach this level of achievement each year.

To earn this award, a girl must earn Interest Project Patches, the Career Exploration Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, the Senior Girl Scout Challenge, and plan and implement a Gold Award Community Project that requires at least 65 hours of work.

Gold Award Recipients 2009

Mary Arnold	Troop 172	Johnston	Carissa Ricciarelli	Troop 127	North Scituate
April Arruda	Troop 462	Bristol	Norma Ross	Troop 369	Cumberland
Tabitha Aubee	Juliette	West Warwick	Brittany Sederback	Troop 1095	Chepachet
Ariel Aquilante	Troop 172	Smithfield	Alisha Shankar	Troop 117	East Providence
Shannon Lee Babula	Troop 117	Riverside	Rachel Sowersby	Troop 1004	Somerset, MA
Lauren Baker	Troop 426	Barrington	Jennifer Teixeira	Troop 117	Riverside
Carly Boucher	Troop 680	Portsmouth	Jessica Tereshka	Troop 391	North Scituate
Kaitlyn Boutin	Troop 172	Johnston	Jerilynn Turenne	Juliette	West Warwick
Courtney Buchanan	Troop 4348	Wrentham, MA	Julianne Vasconcellos	Troop 21	Cranston
Karina Carlson	Troop 600	North Kingstown	Tabitha Watkinson	Troop 172	Johnston
Faye Charpentier	Troop 4348	Wrentham, MA			
Rebecca Cochran	Troop 680	Portsmouth			
Allison Cotta	Troop 344	Cumberland			
Michaela Crawley	Troop 369	Cumberland			
Bianca De Angelo	Troop 650	East Greenwich			
Emily Del Ross	Troop 680	Portsmouth			
Jessica Dorney	Troop 28	Warwick			
Caitlyn Doucette	Troop 4348	Plainville, MA			
Laura Durvin	Troop 127	North Scituate			
Justine Durvin	Troop 127	North Scituate			
Leia Dwyer	Troop 214	Providence			
Sarah Ganley	Troop 4954	Attleboro, MA			
Michelle Hersey	Troop 21	Cranston			
Jamie Jancarik	Troop 1004	Somerset, MA			
Laura Johansmeyer	Troop 954	Norton, MA			
Carissa Johnson	Troop 127	North Scituate			
Kelly Katznelson	Juliette	Warwick			
Jessica La Porte	Juliette	Coventry			
Rosa Lancellotta	Juliette	West Warwick			
Chelsea Leonard	Troop 1004	Somerset, MA			
Emma Livingston	Troop 680	Portsmouth			
Christina Martinelli	Troop 172	Johnston			
Jillian Menoche	Troop 213	Glendale			
Katherine Miller	Troop 34	Wakefield			
Jocelyn Monteiro	Troop 1163	Somerset, MA			
Katie O'Gara	Troop 247	Rehoboth, MA			
Kelsie Paquin	Troop 73	Cumberland			
Pennee Parent	Troop 1000	Swansea, MA			
Nicole Petrin	Troop 346	Albion			
Jennifer Pierce	Troop 127	North Scituate			
Jessica Ratcliffe	Troop 21	Cranston			
Ashley Rautenstrauch	Troop 4954	Attleboro, MA			

Spotlight on... April Arruda

I became a Girl Scout in kindergarten. It has been a wonderful experience for me. I met my best friends through Girl Scouts and some of my fondest memories are of things I did through the program – like trying archery for the first time or going to Monkey Trunks to do a high wire obstacle course where I successfully conquered my fear of heights.



My Gold Award Project, although challenging, was my greatest achievement. I wanted to do a book exchange during the grand reopening of my hometown's newly renovated library to help promote the library's great new resources. While planning the exchange, I came up with the idea of hosting a story hour. These Saturday events drew a lot of kids into the library. I read fun stories and we created crafts that related to the readings. The book exchange was also a big hit. Over 400 books were exchanged and all the books that were left over were given to the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center in Newport, RI.

Being a Gold Award recipient, I was eligible to apply for the **Gold Award Achievement Scholarship** offered by **Bryant University**. I won a \$15,000 annual scholarship! I am a freshman in the honors program studying accounting and economics. I continue my involvement in community service by participating in **Colleges Against Cancer** and **Linked Through Leadership**. I plan to continue to use all that I have learned through Girl Scouts to help me with challenges that I encounter throughout college and my career.



Community Collaborations/Organizations

We are proud to partner with these outstanding organizations to build girls of courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place:

Appalachian Mountain Club
 Aquidneck Island Nature Collaborative
 Beacon Communications
 Bryant University
 Cardi's Furniture
 Childcare Connections/Central Falls
 Child Opportunity Zone – Newport
 Child Opportunity Zone – Pawtucket
 Citizens Memorial School
 Connecting Children and Families
 Crossroads of Rhode Island –
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 D'Abate Community School
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 Johnson & Wales University
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 Joslin Community Center
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Spotlight on... PASA

Middle school has never been easy – bullying, self-doubt, confusing choices, peer pressure. Thanks to a partnership with Providence After School Alliance (PASA), Girl Scouts of Rhode Island reaches middle school girls at Esek Hopkins Middle School in Providence with a “Leadership Journey” called aMAZE that helps girls navigate personal relationships in the best and most productive ways. As girls twist and turn through aMAZE, they gain tips and strategies for creating healthy relationships for themselves and those around them and begin to build more positive and peaceful relationships in the world. Girl Scout programming elicits discussion about issues like bullying, relational aggression, cyber bullying and romantic relationships.



“PASA kids have many exciting after-school activities to choose from – swimming, boating, karate, theater – so it says a lot that these middle school girls opt for Girl Scout programming once a week” says Lauren Parmelee, GSRI Manager of Funded Initiatives & Outreach.

Our relationship with PASA is just one of the many community collaborations that help us extend the reach of Girl Scouts’ leadership programming beyond the traditional troop setting by providing access to girls during their after school time.



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