



Girl Scouts

THE GIRL SCOUT PROMISE

On my honor, I will try:
To do my duty to God and my Country;
To help other people at all times;
To obey the Scout Laws.

THE GIRL SCOUT LAWS

1. A Girl Scout's Honor is to be Trusted.
2. A Girl Scout is Loyal.
3. A Girl Scout's Duty is to be Useful and to Help Others.
4. A Girl Scout is a Friend to all, and Sister to Every Other Girl Scout.
5. A Girl Scout is Courteous.
6. A Girl Scout is a Friend to Animals.
7. A Girl Scout Obeys Orders.
8. A Girl Scout is Cheerful.
9. A Girl Scout is Thrifty.
10. A Girl Scout is Clean in Thought, Word and Deed.

The Girl Scout Motto:
"BE PREPARED"

The Girl Scout Slogan:
"DO A GOOD TURN DAILY"

To these the Girl Scout voluntarily subscribes when she becomes a Girl Scout. They form the Girl Scouts' standard of endeavor.

WHO ARE THE GIRL SCOUTS?

Girl Scouting is essentially a game for many girls to play together. It is a game whose playing takes from the time we are children until we are grown up, and one of the reasons for inventing it was to provide a means for numbers of girls to work and play together during these years. Thus it will have become quite habitual for them to work and play together when they are full-grown citizens, so that they not only can accomplish more good by friendly co-operation but they can have very much better times.

Happiness is the birthright of every child and good health contributes to happiness. Girl Scouting takes the girls out into the open, hikes with them, teaches them woodcraft, camping and swimming. It teaches them certain fundamental rules of hygiene, such as eating wholesome food, going to bed early, exercising in the open air, and cleanliness. The outdoor life brings with it more than health in the ordinary sense—it brings quiet, steady nerves, and the peace and delight that come as the intimate knowledge of woods and birds and stars increases.

Every girl should have sane, practical (and interesting—don't forget that) preparation as a homemaker. "She should get this training in her own home," you may reply. Well, does she? Can you cast out the bugaboo "housework" in the observance of homemaking? You see, you can't supply her with several jolly chums of her own age, as a working unit, to begin with. You can't supply the group competition, the normal "gang spirit" that all healthy youngsters have at her age. You can't give her "merit badges" for cooking, sewing, home nursing and child care, to sew on the sleeve of her uniform. And so, naturally, you can't have the reward of seeing her work like a beaver to get those badges! But the Girl Scout leader sees her.

Girl Scouting is a game played for one's side and never for one's self. Girl Scouts learn this game by doing, not by being told how, and they teach it to one another, through their work in Girl Scout troops and patrols.

WORKS, WAYS AND PLAYS

The activities center around four interests—Home, Health, Nature and Citizenship.

These provide incentive for practicing woman's world old arts by requiring a working knowledge in cooking, housekeeping, first aid, and the rules of healthful living for any Girl Scout passing beyond Tenderfoot work. Of the forty-odd subjects for which merit badges are given, more than one-fourth are in subjects directly related to the services of woman in the home as mother, nurse or home-keeper.

Into this work, so often distasteful, is brought the sense of comradeship, effected partly by having much of the actual training done in groups. Another element is the public recognition and rewarding of skill in this, woman's most elementary service to the world, usually taken for granted and ignored. The spirit of play put into the simplest and most dull of household tasks banishes drudgery.

Handicrafts of many sorts enter into the program of the Girl Scouts. In camping, girls must know how to set up tents, build lean-tos, and construct fireplaces. They must also know how to make knots of various sorts for use for bandages, tying parcels, hitching and other purposes. Among the fields in which proficiency badges are awarded are business, handicrafts, home-making, home-nursing, nature, outdoor skills, photography. Girl Scout leaders believe that both the habits formed and the information acquired in these activities contribute to preparing the girls to meet intelligently most of the situations that are likely to arise in their later life. This is expressed in the Girl Scouts' motto, "Be Prepared."

ORGANIZATION

The Girl Scouts, a national association, is non-sectarian and non-partisan. Any girl over ten years of age who voluntarily accepts the Promise and Laws may become a Girl

Scout by passing the Tenderfoot Test and paying her annual dues of 50 cents to National Headquarters. The governing body is the National Council, composed of representatives from local councils throughout the country, and of other members elected by the National Council. A National office is maintained to carry out the policies of the National Council and to supervise and encourage the growth and development of Girl Scout troops all over the country.

A local council may be organized in any community to promote and supervise the welfare of Girl Scouting in the district.

The unit of organization among the girls themselves is the patrol of eight members each. From one to four patrols form a troop, and both patrol and troops are grouped, whenever possible, according to the age and congeniality of the girls. Each patrol has a leader chosen from among its members and each troop has a captain or adult leader who is more or less trained in the leadership of girls. The captain may choose lieutenants to assist her. Troops may be formed in connection with any church, school, play-ground, settlement or other organization or they may be entirely unattached.

TROOP I

The Girl Scouts of Troop I met last Tuesday at the Oak Terrace School. They played games and sang songs. Then it was announced that they would hold candy and bakery sales to raise money to send the girls to camp.

The patrol leaders took charge of the signalling tests. Four groups were formed. Molly Kehrwald took the whole troop to her corner, including those who had all ready passed their signalling test. She then gave out a series of letters. Those girls who named the letters correctly went to Bernice Swan's group—the second group. Those who did not name them correctly stayed in Molly's corner until they knew them and then were sent to Bernice Swan. From Bernice Swan they went to Lena Callri's corner and from there to Marie Baracan's corner—thus passing the test. Then the captain gave out messages in the Morse code. The patrols studied the messages and hurried to carry out the instructions. Bernice Swan's patrol carried out the first message—get your captain a glass of water—first, Lena Callri's patrol carried out—Sing your patrol song—message first. The meeting was then adjourned by the singing of the lullaby song Miss Swan taught the girls. —Troop I Scribe

TROOP III

Last meeting was spent in advanced signalling and in discussion of badges.

Registration blanks now given out to the girls interested in going to Camp Hickory this summer and plans were completed for the bakery sale held last Saturday in the A. & P. and in the Lincoln market. The sale was a grand success and the girls made \$44.94. They wish to thank all those who patronized and helped make this a success, especially the mothers and girls who made and donated all the delicious things on sale.

BROWNIE PACK I

Did you big folks ever make cunning little wash cloth dollies? You should have seen the cute array of dolls made at our last week's Pack meeting and in so many lovely colors. Before making our dolls we played some nature games.

TROOP 5

The Ravinia Girl Scouts held their regular meeting March 16 at the Ravinia school. Twenty-three girls attended. Three of these were new girls. Allison Phillips, Betty Wile and Susan Tolden were invested as Tenderfoot Scouts.

The girls are getting ready for a movie and bazaar which will take place in April. The exact date has not been set. The girls are making many lovely things and we hope you will all watch for the date and pay us a visit.

Our bakery sale was held on the seventh of March, which was a very poor day, seeing it snowed all day. But we managed to get a few customers and made \$13.30.

Expect Over 6 Millions of Taxes in Lake County

Close to \$6,089,092 will be collected by County Treasurer Jay B. Morse in taxes this spring, or \$70,000 more than a year ago, according to County Clerk Lew A. Hendee.

Work of assembling the valuation and computing the tax rate was completed three weeks earlier than usual this year, according to Hendee. The department was under the direction of Robert J. Pearsall and Chet Huston. This time advantage will bring the actual collection date that much earlier, possibly within the next month.

The anticipated increase in collections will come in spite of a reduction of close to \$56,000, ordered by the board of review.

Revaluation of property throughout the county is being advocated this year by real estate boards and civic leaders to decrease the tax burden.

Do Not GAMBLE in 1931

Resolve in 1931 to understand your automobile policy better. Do you know whether you are insured in a Stock, Reciprocal, or Mutual Co.? How is your policy signed?

Do you know that certain policies do not protect you against the claims of persons that may be injured while riding in your car? Do you know that certain policies exclude the operation of cars by children under eighteen years of age unless accompanied by an adult member of the family?

Do you know that certain policies include the costs of defense in their liability limits thereby reducing your protection?

Do you know why reciprocals operate by an attorney in fact?

Do you know that when you insure in a reciprocal you give some stranger power of attorney?

Do you know that the power of attorney is so worded that in an emergency he can confess a judgment against you without your knowledge?

Do you know that the solvent members of a reciprocal may be held for and made to pay the entire losses of the reciprocal? While the fellow who has nothing pays nothing.

Do you know that in a reciprocal you are gambling all your assets with a lot of unknown partners?

Do you know that in a reciprocal if your car should burn or be stolen you cannot sue the reciprocal?

Do you know that over twenty-five hundred members of a reciprocal in Chicago, Ill. awoke one day to find judgments of record against them for over fifteen thousand dollars?

Do you know that a judgment of a record is a lien on your home? Do you know why reciprocal policies are signed by an attorney in fact?

Do you know that the policy holders are about the only ones to lose when the reciprocal goes smash?

Do you know that over 70% of all casualty insurance in the U. S. A. is carried in Stock Companies?

Do you know why in a reciprocal you are called a subscriber and not a policy holder?

Do you know why your premium is referred to as a deposit and not a premium?

Do you know that stock companies do not ask you to sign an application when you insure your car?

Do you know that certain reciprocals promise you a yearly saving of about 20% but that if the Reciprocal should become involved financially the Court may order you to return the savings for four of five years. What is saving about that?

Do you know that in a reciprocal the policy holders lose and in a Stock Company the stock holders only lose?

Do you know that a little carelessness in settling a claim with a minor for personal injury may involve you in legal entanglements and cost you heavy damages when the minor reaches legal age?

Do you know that you are always liable for the unpaid claims of a Reciprocal Company for the years you were a member?

Where will the reciprocal be when you have reached retirement age?

Who will pay them? Will you have to bear your assessment and return to labor?

Will your home be taken to pay the claims of your partners?

Can you conscientiously buy reciprocal insurance with entanglements?

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