

# Centennial Patch Program

Approximately six years after Juliette Gordon Low and the first Girl Scouts blazed the trail of redefining what was possible for themselves, the first official Girl Scout troop in Nassau County was established circa 1918 in Lynbrook. Girl Scouts of Nassau County will be honoring this amazing milestone by celebrating all that Girl Scouts can do throughout the year.

This Centennial Patch program will enable girls to explore the opportunities Girl Scouting unlocked for girls in the PAST, the opportunities it opens for themselves today and in the FUTURE, and finally how Girl Scouting enables them to make a positive difference in their COMMUNITY and beyond.



## Instructions for Earning the Centennial Patch

In order to earn the core Centennial patch, either as a troop or as an individual Girl Scout:

- Have the girls tell their story about how Girl Scouts has impacted their lives.
- For the younger girls (Daisies and Brownies), they can tell their stories to their leaders and have the leaders document them *OR* they can draw their Girl Scout stories.
- For the older girls (Juniors through Ambassadors), they can document their stories in a traditional manner and if they wish, utilize multimedia tools to enrich their presentation.
- Submit stories to a Wufoo form online. <https://gsnc.wufoo.com/forms/tell-your-story/>

Patches and the four bars will be available for purchase in the GSNC Shop. Satisfactory completion of patch requirements with troop leader or parent will be "On My Honor."\*

*\*NOTE: The only activities that will be tracked will be those submitted through a Wufoo Form (the Tell Your Story activity for the Centennial patch, and the seven service hours for the Community bar)*

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## Instructions for earning Centennial Patch –Past Bar

The Past bar focuses on how Girl Scouting was created 100 years ago to provide opportunities for girls to redefine what was possible for themselves at that time. In order to earn the Past bar, girls should take the lead as to which requirements they want to complete.

- All Girl Scouts must attend at least three events/programs designated as relevant to the focus of this bar. (Please refer to Appendix.)
- Complete a troop or service unit event that focuses on a historical component such as attending a women’s history program or speaking with a Girl Scout from a different generation.

### PLUS

- **Girl Scout Daisies:** Have the girls learn about Juliette Gordon Low and listen to stories about girls growing up in the early 1900s. Have them reflect on, discuss, and draw a picture of what it must have been like to be a Girl Scout at that time.

### OR

- **Girl Scout Brownies:** Have the girls learn about Juliette Gordon Low and listen to stories about girls growing up in the early 1900s. Then invite a Girl Scout Cadette, Senior, Ambassador, or adult outside of your troop to speak to the girls about their experiences in Girl Scouting.

### OR

- **Girl Scout Juniors and Cadettes:** Have the girls learn about Juliette Gordon Low and listen to stories about girls growing up in the early 1900s and interview a Girl Scout Senior, Ambassador or adult member from outside of the troop about their experiences as a Girl Scout.

### OR

- **Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors:** Have the girls learn about Juliette Gordon Low and listen to stories about girls growing up in the early 1900s. Have them share what they’ve learned about Girl Scouts of the past, as well as share their own Girl Scout experience with a younger troop or another school/community group to highlight the impact/influence their Girl Scouting experience has had on their lives.



## Instructions for earning Centennial Patch—Future Bar

The **Future bar** focuses on the positive impact Girl Scouts make in the world for the future. In order to earn the Future bar, girls should take the lead as to which requirements they want to complete.

- **All Girl Scouts** must attend at least three events/programs designated as relevant to the focus of this bar. (Please refer to suggestions.)
- Complete a troop or service unit program/event that focuses on a future component such as Robotics, Girl Speak, Girl Squad, STEM activities, International Day of the Girl, etc.

### PLUS

- **Girl Scout Daisies through Juniors:** Have the girls write letters to their future self and create a time capsule with the collection of your troop’s letters.

#### *Consider including the following in your letter:*

- What does your future Girl Scout self look like?
- How does your future self interact with others?
- What has your future self achieved?
- What are some of the challenges your future self might encounter?
- How will Girl Scouting enhance your future self?

### OR

- **Girl Scout Cadettes:** Have the girls write letters to their future self and create a time capsule with the collection of your troop’s letters.
- Complete one of the following: the Camp Aid program, earn Silver Award, or work with younger Girl Scouts in a mentoring role and document mentoring experience.

### OR

- **Girl Scout Seniors:** Have the girls complete the Sisterhood Time Capsule as described in the Mission: Sisterhood Journey.
- Participate as a member of Girl Squad, Girl Speak, Shop Girl, Delegate, complete CIT program, OR participate in a career or college activity.

### OR

- **Girl Scout Ambassadors:** Have the girls earn the GSNC Leadership Pin, complete CIT program and/or the Girl Scout Gold Award.
- Participate as a member of Girl Squad, Girl Speak, Shop Girl, Delegate.
- Participate in a career or college activity.



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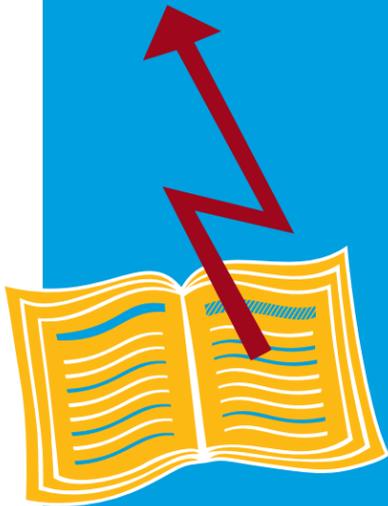
### Instructions for earning Centennial Patch – Self Bar

The **Self bar** focuses on how Girl Scouting provides numerous opportunities to develop Courage, Confidence and Character resulting in a strong sense of self.

- **All Girl Scouts** must attend at least three events/programs designated as relevant to the focus of this bar (i.e., Pen Pal Project, Fitness Party, Camp Activities, Healthy Living programs, Critical Issues program, etc.). (Please refer to suggestions.)

**PLUS**

- **Girl Scout Daisies and Brownies:** Set four goals and share the results with a friend; such as learning a new game or sport, trying a new food, making a new friend or taking up a new hobby.
- **Girl Scout Juniors through Ambassadors:** Have the girls write in a journal about a personal goal that they set and document how they achieved it. Try to have your troop or girl break a record or start a new record (i.e., most cans collected for a food pantry, etc.).



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### Instructions for earning Centennial Patch—Community Bar

The **Community bar** focuses on how Girl Scouts make a difference in Nassau County and beyond by taking action to help our community.

- **All Girl Scouts** must complete the Centennial Service challenge. The Centennial Service challenge is a council-wide challenge to complete 100,000 service hours. Each registered Girl Scout must complete no less than 7 hours of service to complete this challenge. These hours should be level appropriate. Upon completion of the service hours, each girl will complete a Wufoo form describing what she specifically completed and submit electronically to council. <https://gsnc.wufoo.com/forms/centennial-service-hour-challenge/>
- **All Girl Scouts** will participate in at least three events/programs designated as relevant to the focus of this bar (i.e., Bowling Bash, Mags and Munchies and More, Girl Scout Cookie Program, Family Appreciation Day, National S'mores Day, troop/service unit volunteer efforts, NY Jets Game, Forever a Girl Scout Campfire, Savannah Speedway, etc.). (Please refer to suggestions.)
- Bring a non-Girl Scout girlfriend to an event to show them the importance of what Girl Scouts is all about.



# Centennial Patch Program Suggestions

PAST

### Activities for Past Bar:

- Photo Recreation
- Dinosaur Daisy's Paleontological Adventure
- Juliette Gordon Low Celebration
- Camping/Outdoor Activities
- Jurisprudence: North Shore Historical Museum Mock Trial Program

FUTURE

### Activities for Future Bar:

- Any event under the STEM category in *Possibilities*
- Girl Speak
- Girl Squad
- Robotics
- Higher Award Achievement

SELF

### Activities for Self Bar:

- Any events under the Healthy Living category in *Possibilities*
- Pen Pal
- Financial Literacy
- International Day of the Girl

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### Activities for Community Bar:

- Bowling Bash
- Family Appreciation Event
- National S'Mores Day
- Cookie Celebration Volunteer Training
- Juliette's Legacy: Community Service Opportunity