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**GSNI-M RECOGNIZES OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS AT ANNUAL EVENT**

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**Fort Wayne, IN** — Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana honored the individuals listed below at their recent annual adult recognition event. (Photos of many of them are available; please contact Ruth Strawser to inquire.)

**Membership Years Pin:** for combined girl and adult membership years in Girl Scouts.

* **25 Years**
* Sherrill Juday - South Bend
* **30 Years**
* Ellen Boardman - Rochester
* Dawn Britten - Columbia City
* Connie Frederick - Fort Wayne
* Marihelen Seadorf - LaPorte
* **35 Years**
* Therese Mellor - South Bend
* **40 Years**
* Don Evans - Three Oaks, MI
* **45 Years**
* Terri Geels - Decatur

**Years of service pin:** for years of adult volunteer service to Girl Scouts.

* **20 Years**
* Michelle Becker - Columbia City
* **25 Years**
* Therese Mellor - South Bend
* **30 Years**
* Tracy Lotz - Urbana
* Nicki Nelson - LaPorte

**Volunteer of Excellence Pin:** a national Girl Scout award for volunteers who have given outstanding service, either in direct partnership with girls or in supporting our mission delivery goals.

* **Carol Briney** - St. Joseph, MI
* **Janet Burgess-Banner** -Stevensville, MI
* **Jennifer Cicero** - LaPorte
* **Michelle Copeland** -LaPorte
* **Melissa Cox** -Fort Wayne
* **April Federspiel** - Fort Wayne
* **Marcee Fisher** -Auburn
* **Crystal Friel** - Hamlet
* **Michelle Hatte** - Fort Wayne
* **Amanda High** - Monroeville
* **Sarah Kelly-DeVoes -** South Bend
* **Geneva Maloney Lung** -Garrett
* **Kelly Sistevaris** - Fort Wayne
* **Stephanie Stroh** -St. Joseph, MI
* **Ron Volgewede** - St. Joseph, MI
* **Jennifer Young** - Granger, IN
* **Joy Coffin** -Hamlet
* **Yamir Gonzalez-Velez** -Logansport, IN
* **Angela Hart** -Niles, MI
* **Jon-Mykle Price** - Logansport
* **Jackie Rafter** -Berrien Springs, MI
* **Jay Carter** - Berrien Springs, MI
* **Stephanie James** - Coloma, MI
* **Molly McClish** - Fort Wayne
* **Abbey Mieritz** - Fort Wayne
* **Erin Nestle** - St. Joseph, MI
* **Autumn Penney** - Berrien Center, MI
* **Bethany Rusbasan** - St. Joseph, MI
* **Angela Thompson** - St. Joseph, MI
* **Mary Staples** - Fort Wayne
* **Rita Udvardy** - North Liberty
* **Jennifer Waugh** - Fort Wayne

**Appreciation Pin:** a national Girl Scout award for adult members who have given outstanding service to at least one geographic area or Community.

* **Marci Smith** -St. Joseph, MI
* **Diana Roose** -Michigan City
* **Amy Jo Sites** - Fort Wayne
* **Amanda Herald** - Fort Wayne
* **Heather Buchanan** - New Haven
* **Niki Hinsenkamp** - Fort Wayne

**Honor Pin:** a national Girl Scout award for adult members who have gone above and beyond the call of duty, and whose service has had an impact on two or more Communities in support of our council’s goals.

* **Elizabeth Voglewede** - St. Joseph, MI
* **Sandy Fleming** - Niles, MI
* **Nicole Wiles** - Osceola
* **Chris Miller** - Middlebury

**Thanks Badge II:** a national award that honors Girl Scout adult members whose outstanding service has an impact on the entire council or national movement. These award recipients have received the Thanks Badge award in the past and their service continues to go above and beyond the call of duty.

* **Armanda Turney** - Decatur
* **Chris Myers** - Columbia City

**Heart of Gold award:** honors long-standing volunteers who have provided outstanding service in a leadership role that has significantly enriched the lives of girl and/or adult members, communities or GSNI-M. This award also celebrates those who have embodied the Girl Scout mission by leading through example and have given significant contributions to the organization’s success through volunteer service and leadership to their Community or council.

* **Helen Dickman** - Auburn
* **Cindy Goshert** - Fort Wayne
* **Linda Lindzy** - North Manchester
* **Margaret Sturm** - Fort Wayne
* **Melva Stamberger** - Rochester
* **Angela McIntosh** - Rochester

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Today, as when founded in 1912, Girl Scouts® helps cultivate values, social conscience and self-esteem in young girls, enabling them to succeed as leaders today and tomorrow. Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana provides leadership experiences for more than 6,000 girls ages 5-17. They are guided by more than 3,000 adult volunteers who mentor them and work behind-the-scenes to support Girl Scouts and our mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.