

Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council  
Faith Based Initiatives

**Observing**  
**ON MY HONOR**  
Celebrating Girl Scout Week



**Girl Scout Sunday, March 7**  
**Girl Scout Sabbath, March 13**  
**Girl Scout Week, March 7 - 13**

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# ON MY HONOR 2010

Hundreds of activities and projects are being planned with religious institutions to celebrate the tradition of Girl Scout Sabbath, Girl Scout Sunday and Girl Scout Week. Once again...troops, groups, and individual members are encouraged to get out, be visible, and do something to honor our organization's birthday week. It is also the perfect time to convey to the religious community that Girl Scouts encourages and supports the spiritual development of girls.

## **Girl Scout Sunday and Girl Scout Sabbath Activities**

*The following are several exciting and fun ways that Girl Scout members can demonstrate ON MY HONOR! Remember to plan early and to obtain permission to participate in the church service.*

- Wear your Girl Scout uniform and attend service together as a troop/group - serve as greeters and distribute a green ribbon to each church member - ask them to honor Girl Scouting by wearing the ribbon
- Pick-up copies of the Council religious insert and stuff the church bulletin
- Do a flag ceremony
- Read a poem expressing the positive aspects of Girl Scouting
- Set up a table to display your troop/group scrapbook and other troop/group memorabilia - share the details of your program activities
- Thank the congregation for supporting the Girl Scout Cookie Sale
- Acknowledge girls who have recently received their religious award, Bronze Award, Silver Award, and/or Gold Award
- Ask all current and alumni Girl Scouts to recite the Girl Scout Promise together
- Find out the worship place of your favorite Girl Scout volunteer. Request permission to honor her/him with an adult religious award
- Meet with church officials. Learn what service project is needed. Share the details with the congregation during the worship service
- Conduct a presentation about how girls can earn their denomination's religious award

*The following is a list of great ideas for service activities at faith based institutions.*

- Adopt a flowerbed for the year or plant a tree
- Clean up church grounds
- Host a coffee for the church office staff or for the church's Seniors group
- Work with the church librarian to organize/ or maintain a book filing system
- Conduct a book, clothing or food drive for the church's outreach ministry
- Offer childcare services during worship or class times
- Volunteer to serve refreshments for a church function
- Make baby blankets for the church nursery
- Provide babysitting services for a Parent's Night Out (great idea for older girls who are babysitting certified)
- Make cakes for the Senior Outreach Ministry
- Conduct a song workshop for the Children's Sunday School and/or Vacation Bible School teachers
- Make a presentation at your church encouraging the youth to earn a religious award
- Mentor a new Girl Scout troop/group at a church
- Recognize the church leaders by hosting an appreciation event
- Recognize church volunteers by hosting an appreciation day
- Host a "bleed green" blood drive at the church and offer refreshments

## Sample Presentation

*The following is a sample script that may be used during worship service on Girl Scout Sunday/Sabbath. After obtaining permission, it can be read to the congregation by a girl or a leader. Feel free to modify the script if needed.*

Good Morning congregation of *(insert the name of the religious institution)*. I am Girl Scout troop leader *(insert your name)* and these are the members of *(insert program level)* Girl Scouts of Troop *(insert troop number)*. Thank you for the privilege of worshipping with you this morning. Also, thank you for wearing the green ribbons and celebrating Girl Scout Sunday with us and with many other girls and congregations throughout the country.

Girls today are facing many pressures and concerns. Contemporary issues such as teenage pregnancy, physical abuse, body image, peer pressure to experiment with drugs and alcohol, gang violence, self-esteem, bullying, and more demonstrates why the Girl Scout organization is just as necessary today, in 2010, as it was when the organization was created in 1912.

Girl Scouts is the world's premier organization dedicated to all girls ages 5 – 17. It offers girls an accepting and nurturing environment to lead, learn, share and serve. In partnership with committed adults, girls develop qualities that will assist them all their lives - qualities like strong personal values and morals, a conscience for the world around them and a conviction about their own potential and self-worth. Through the power of many wonderful leadership experiences, girls' lives are forever enriched with courage, confidence and character to make the world a better place.

May I ask all girls and adults who were former Girl Scouts and all girls and adults who are currently registered Girl Scouts to please stand and repeat the Girl Scout Promise. *The girls will gather around the microphone, lead the promise and those standing will repeat after them.)*

Please make the Girl Scout sign...(demonstrate the sign)

- On my honor (those standing will repeat)
- I will try (those standing will repeat)
- To serve God and my Country (those standing will repeat)
- To help people at all times (those standing will repeat)
- And to live by the Girl Scout Law (those standing will repeat)

Thank you. Happy Girl Scout Sunday!

## **Congregational Litany – The Girl Scout Promise and The Girl Scout Law**

*A litany is a poem, prayer, or reading consisting of phrases recited by a leader and alternated responses recited by a congregation. The following litany is an interpretation of the Girl Scout Promise and The Girl Scout Law as it relates to biblical scripture. After obtaining permission, have the litany printed in the church bulletin so that it can be recited with the congregation during worship service.*

Leader/Girl: On my honor, I will try to serve God and my country, to help people at all times, and to live by the Girl Scout Law.

***Congregation: What does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8)***

Leader/Girl: I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do.

***Congregation: Be strong and of good courage, fear not. For the Lord thy God goes with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. (Deuteronomy 31:6)***

Leader/Girl: I will do my best to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

***Congregation: And thou shall love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart. (Deuteronomy 6:5-6) Thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself. (Leviticus 19:18)***

## ON MY HONOR Week

*To honor Girl Scout Week, girl members can complete one or more activities each day and discuss their participation at their next troop/group meeting.*

- Sunday... **Respect Authority**
- Wear your uniform to your place of worship on Girl Scout Sunday/Sabbath – get permission to distribute the Council religious insert
- Monday... **Respect myself and others**
- Practice good manners
  - Try a new food
  - Exercise
  - Drink 8 glasses of water
- Tuesday... **Be a sister to every Girl Scout**
- Wear your uniform to school
  - Tell a friend at school about Girl Scouts
- Wednesday... **Make the world a better place**
- Recycle something
  - Do a good deed for some one
- Thursday... **Respect Authority**
- Do a chore without being told
  - Give parents a big hug - say "I love you"
- Friday... **Be considerate and caring**
- Say something nice to someone
  - Share something with a friend
  - Thank your teacher
- Saturday... **Be friendly and helpful**
- Do something FUN!
  - Write what you did and share it with others



## On My Honor 2010 Patch/Rocker Request

The On My Honor patch is a commemorative patch that is awarded to troops/groups and individual members for participating in Girl Scout Week/Sunday/Sabbath activities. Patches are limited to one patch per girl member and two patches for the adult leadership team at no charge. Additional patches for adults can be purchased for \$1.50 each. Troops/groups and individually registered members are asked to request the number of patches that are needed. The 2010 rocker is a secondary recognition for celebrating Girl Scout Week during the 2010 membership year. The patch and the rocker are designed to be displayed together. Requests are accepted for the number of rockers that are needed. The cost is 50¢ per rocker. All 2010 On My Honor participants will be acknowledged in The Golden Link.

**\*\*\*Note: Orders for patches and/or rockers will still be accepted after the deadline for the gift card prize drawing.**

**Service Unit:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Troop/Group #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Troop/Group Level:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Patch Order

Number of girls needing patches: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults needing patches (limit 2) \_\_\_\_\_ x \$1.25 per patch = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Year Rocker Order

Number of 2010 rockers needed for girls and/or adults: \_\_\_\_\_ x 50¢ per rocker = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### This request is being made by:

- Individually registered girl member/Juliette
- Troop/Group leader
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

H phone \_\_\_\_\_ W phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Requirement** - Briefly describe what was done to honor Girl Scout Week, Girl Scout Sunday and/or Girl Scout Sabbath. \_\_\_\_\_

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### Submit this form to:

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