Troop 5384: Second Meeting for 2010-2011

6:45pm - 7:00pm Pre-Meeting

The girls that need to complete their nametags can use this time to work on them. Note: we've applied fraycheck to the ribbons so they shouldn't fall apart on us this time! Parents who have not yet registered their children will be asked to complete their paperwork as well. Toys and coloring pages will be available for the girls that are done with their nametags.

7:00 - 7:25pm Daisy Circle and Troop Business

To transition into the Daisy Circle, we will sing the "Make New Friends" song as we are sitting and settling in.

Make new friends, but keep the old, One is silver and the other's gold.

The Leader will then show the girls the possible pictures/symbols to put on our canvas bags and the girls will vote on their favorite.

The Leader will review the Girl Scout Promise and Introduce the Girl Scout law:

The Girl Scout Law

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, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and

be a sister to every Girl Scout.



- Responsible For What I Say & Do
- Respect Myself & Others
- Respect Authority
- Use Resources Wisely
- Make The World A Better Place
- Be A Sister To Every Girl Scout
- Honest & Fair
- Friendly & Helfpul
- Considerate & Caring
- Courageous & Strong

The Leader will explain that today the girls are learning about what it means to "Respect Authority", and talk about the field trip to the police station. She will also explain that we will be learning about what each part of the law means, and earning the petal that goes with that part of the law at the same time. In two weeks we will learn about being "friendly and helpful," and at the meeting after that "honest and fair."

The Leader will then explain that the Troop will be doing a very special project for the last part of the year in order to earn their "Using Resources Wisely," "Making the World a Better Place," and "Considerate and Caring" petals, and to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Girl Scouting across the world. Together, the Troop will be assembling 100 gift bags for the Children's Inn, a place that critically ill children and their families can stay together while the children receive treatment at the National Institutes of Health. The initial flyers will be distributed to the



girls, and the girls will be asked to spread the word to their families and friends. Donations toward the gift bags can be brought to Troop meetings at any time.

7:25-7:35 Bathroom Break!

7:35pm - 7:55pm Book and Main Activity

The Leader will read *Officer Buckle and Gloria* to the girls, and discuss what it means to "respect authority". Then the girls will play "Simon says" with a twist – the girls only listen to the Leader when she says "Simon says" *and* she is wearing a "hat of authority!"

7:55pm - 8:00pm Closing Activity

Friendship squeeze and reminder about November 13 field trip!



Troop 5384: Second Meeting Make-up Lesson (to be completed at home)

The main items from this lesson are introducing the Girl Scout Law, working toward the "Respect Authority" petal, and introducing the Troop Community Service Project.

1. The Girl Scout Promise and Law:

Have your child make the Girl Scout Salute and Practice the Girl Scout promise with your child a few times:

On my honor, I will try to serve a higher cause and my country, to help people at all times, and to live by the Girl Scout Law.

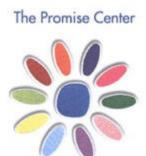
Explain to your child that the last part of the promise is about a special set of rules called the Girl Scout Law, and that we are going to begin learning about it right now! Then read the Law to her:



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Have her practice saying the law with you by saying one line at a time and having her repeat the line. Then explain that for the next several meetings, our Troop will be earning their "petals", which are the main patches earned by the Daisies. Show here the picture here and explain each petal goes with a different part of the law. Today you will be helping her earn the magenta petal, which stands for respecting authority.

2. **Respect Authority:** Attached to this plan is a coloring sheet about respecting authority that focuses on fire fighters. Before starting the coloring sheet, ask your daughter what "authority" means and who has "authority" (i.e., police officers, fire fighters, crossing guards, teachers, parents, her Girl Scout Troop Leader). Ask her if she understands what it means to respect authority (i.e., to follow the directions of crossing guards when crossing the street, to listen to what police officers and fire fighters tell us we must do during an emergency, etc.).

Then ask your daughter what the people in authority have to do – that they are supposed to take care of us, make our environment safer, and make decisions that help people instead of harming them. If you are comfortable with the topic, you can discuss times **not** to listen to authority here – that a person in authority should never hit or call people names, or touch people in private areas (anywhere a bikini bathing suit covers).

Finally, go over what is happening in the picture with your child – that the Daisies in the picture are visiting a fire station and learning what fire fighters do, and that they write a thank-you note to the fire fighters because the fire fighters are taking care of the community and keeping them safe.

3. **2010 Community Service Project:** You can just read this part to your daughter:

Part of being a Girl Scout is helping others at all times, just like it says in the promise. One of the ways Girl Scouts help is through community service projects, and even though our troop is young we are going to do a community service project right away! In fact, while we are doing our community service project we will be earning three daisy petals: the "Use Resources Wisely" petal, the "Make The World A Better Place" petal, and to "Considerate & Caring" petal. We are also going to be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the world-wide Girl Scout movement, and earning our



2010 World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts Centenary Patch at the same time!

Here's what we are going to do: we are going to make gift bags for a special group of children and families that will be staying at a place called The Children's Inn over the holidays. The Children's Inn provides families of very sick children a place to stay while those children are being taken care of by the special doctors at the National Institutes of Health. Because their children are so sick, the families staying at the Children's Inn need to spend all of their time with them, and they don't have time to buy presents or sometimes even simple things that they need to take care of themselves. And the children and families come from all over the United States, so they don't know where local stores are and they don't have friends here to help them. So we are going to keep our Girl Scout promise "to help people at all times" and we are going to be their friends while they are here. And because it is the 100th anniversary of the world-wide Girl Scout movement, we are going to make 100 gift bags, one for each year of the Girl Scouts!

Making 100 gift bags is a lot of work, and we need a lot of things to put in the gift bags, so we are going to ask other people in Takoma Park to help us. At the very end of this packet is a flyer explaining our community service project and asking for particular items that the families at The Children's Inn need the most. We need to get brand new items, to make sure that there are as few germs on the items as possible. Ask your family if you can contribute something to the gift bags. Some of the things on the list might be things you have sitting around in your house! If your family is comfortable doing so, you can tell your friends and neighbors about our project and ask them to contribute things as well. If everyone helps just a little bit, then we can do it!

Have your child bring her colored picture of the fire station scene to the next Troop Meeting for her to receive credit toward her "Respect Authority" Petal Patch.



I appreciate our firefighters. I respect authority.

One Hundred Gifts of Caring and Compassion

Girl Scouts of the Nation's Capital Daisy Troop 5384, in earning our Considerate and Caring Petal Patch and honoring the Centenary Celebration of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, will be assembling 100 gift bags

to be given to the children and families staying at The Children's Inn during the holiday season. But we need your help! Please consider contributing a small, new, unwrapped item toward the gift bags.

Desired items are:

Gift Cards

- Target, Best Buy, Walmart, Old Navy, The Gap, Sears, Bed'Bath'Beyond, iTunes
- Grocery Stores: Giant Foodand Shopper's Food Warehouse
- Metro transportation cards
- Gift cards in smaller denominations (\$10,\$15,\$25)



Gifts for Children of All Ages

- Card games
- Baseball caps
- Puzzles
- · Travel-size games

Gifts for Parents & Caregivers

- Scarves, mittens, gloves
- Pajama pants
- Men's grooming products
- Beauty baskets
- Watches/jewelr
- Stationery sets
- Address books/journals
- Postage stamps for cards
- Purses/wallets

Gifts for Teens & Young Adults

- Nail polish kits
- CD/DVDs & players
- Small hand-held electronics
- Sports-related items
- Video games (family friendly) for:
 - -Nintendo Wii
 - -Playstation 3
 - -Xbox 360

The Children's Inn at the National Institutes of Health is a residential "place like home" for sick children and their families. Children come from across the country and around the world to stay together with their families in The Inn's healing environment while receiving groundbreaking medical treatments at the NIH, the world's leading biomedical research center. While the NIH takes care of the child's medical needs, The Inn tends to the child's heart, soul and spirit.

Items must be received by December 17th, 2010. Drop-off locations:

StatAid, Takoma Business Center, 6930 Carroll Ave., Suite 416/420, Takoma Park, MD 20912 (free parking in back of building). Can mail gift cards here as well; postmark by 12/10/10 and address to "Daisy Troop 5384 c/o StatAid).

More locations to be added – stay tuned!



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