

## Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois presents Pearl of the Month Award for November to Danielle Hurley from Hardin

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Glen Carbon, Illinois – Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois (GSSI) is pleased to announce that Danielle Hurley from Hardinhave been named GSSI's November Pearl of the Month. GSSI's Pearl of the Month Award recognizes a Girl Scout volunteer who has delivered service beyond expectations and helped to ensure that the approximately 14,000 Girl Scouts in southern Illinois benefit from a premier Girl Scout Leadership Experience. Nominees must meet several criteria, including completion of all required training for his or her volunteer position as well as providing outstanding service to his or her Service Unit or the Council.

Danielle is a troop leader for 28 girls from Daisy through Junior Girl Scouts. Even though the girls are different levels, Danielle provides fun and challenging activities for

each girl. In addition to working with her own troop, she coordinated a movie night at the community park to recruit more girls and planned a community food drive. Even while living in a rural area, she takes advantage of the opportunities around her and makes sure that each girl gets a premier Girl Scout Leadership Experience and has opportunities they may not otherwise have.

The mission of Girl Scouting states: *Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.* Girl Scouts is the world's preeminent organization dedicated solely to girls - all girls - where, in an accepting and nurturing environment, girls build character and skills for success in the real world. In partnership with committed adults, girls develop qualities that will serve them all their lives - like strong values, social conscience, and conviction about their own potential and self-worth.

Today's Girl Scouts not only enjoy camping and crafts, but they also explore math and science and learn about diversity, good citizenship, leadership and teamwork. Girl Scouting is the place where girls experience the fun, friendship and power of girls together. Girl Scouting has inspired more than 50 million girls and women since its founding in 1912.

Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois is a not-for-profit organization supported by various United Ways throughout the region. Girl Scouts is a Proud Partner of United Way.

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