

BETTY JEAN BOYD'S GIRL SCOUT TRAIL THRU THE YEARS

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The Beginnings

Began Girl Scouts in second grade at Leedom Estates School, Ridley Township, Pa. Became an Intermediate Scout in Ridley Park, Pa. Continued into Senior level until 11th grade and stopped when I was in 12th grade. During the Intermediate and Senior level I camped many times at Sunset Hill, Chadds Ford, Pa. Enjoyed day camp at Indian Orchard off Middletown Road, Pa. Learned to swim at the Chester YMCA because in the 1950's troops were encouraged to get swim lessons.

Hiked the Appalachian Trail, visited Rockwood in Washington DC for a week and made a trip to Gettysburg. I remember many times doing square dancing and hiking and making crafts. Our leader was Mrs. Scarborough when I was an Intermediate Scout to the best of my knowledge.

During the summer I went to Camp Borton, in French Creek Park, a Delaware County GSC camp where we were sleeping in cabins and then tents and swimming in the lake with a buddy and hanging a tag on the board and singing and eating in dining hall. As an older Scout I camped at Camp Wanderlust in French Creek Park that included road trips. Spelunking (cave exploring) was part of one summer camp and had a great time. I went to established camp, Borton and Wanderlust for 4 or 5 years. During my Senior Scout years I was part of the Senior Board and represented my troop at meetings in Upper Darby Girl Scout office.

Next time I became involved with Girl Scouts was when my daughter became a Brownie and they needed a leader.

As of 2019 I have 42 years of volunteer service and 50 years of membership

Roles held during the volunteer years:

Brownie Leader 1978 to 80 in Brownie 347

Daisy Leader Troop 1391 in 2003

Service Unit Manager for SU 25 1980 to 1988

Council Trainer 1983 to 2006

Annual Council Meeting Committee Chair

Association VI Chair 1991

Family Partnership Chair for SU 25. 1991/2003/2018-19

"It's a Shore Thing" Committee (Our Council's Wider OP in 1994)

Organizer 1978, 2004

Cadette Leader Tr. 357 1985-87

Treasurer for SU 1991

Secretary for SU 25

Association Delegate 2000-2002

Training Co-ordinator for SU 25

Juliettes 2009

Camp Consultant

Adult Recognitions 1989 to present

Fall School of Scouting Trainer and participant

Gold Award Advisor for Heather Coleman and one other girl

Member of Alumnae Friends and Chair of group for number years

Washington, DC – King Tut Exhibit at the National Museum of Art

Other camping trips:

GSCB Council Camps – Grove Point – Earleville, MD

Country Center – Hockessin, DE

Todd – Denton, MD

Sandy Pines – Salisbury, MD

Snedeker – C & D Canal (Council no longer owns this)

Numerous Service Unit Encampments (one every 2-3 years)

Killen's Pond Council-wide GS Outdoor Skills Round-Up - 1977

Nearby PA – Camp Sunset Hills – Chadds Ford, PA (no longer a camp)

Outside Washington, DC –Rockwood National Girl Scout Camp (no longer exists)

Cape Henlopen State Park

Assateague/Chincoteague National Seashore, VA and Ocean City, MD

Elk Neck State Park

French Creek State Park

Hickory Run State Park

Special Activities:

GSUSA National Convention delegate to Portland, OR in 1986

GSUSA National Convention visitor in 2008, 2011, 2014 to Indianapolis, IN;

Houston, TX; and Salt Lake City, UT

GSCB Fall School of Scouting – many years as participant and trainer

Edith Macy Conference Center – Briarcliff Manor, NY - GS History Weekend 2013

Sharing by the Sea – adult GS weekend

Girl Scout Alumnae Friends – Birthday Chapter – monthly luncheons - many years

Honors Received

Honor Pin – 1988

President's Award – (Service Team Meeting Certain Criteria) - 1990

Seagull Pin – 1990

Green Angel – 1992

Volunteer of the Year – 1992

Master Trainer Pin – 1993

Thanks Badge I – 1997

Outstanding Volunteer - 2002

Thanks Badge II – 2007

Friends Emblem -(Friends of Scouting Adult Religious Award)(Quakers) - 2011

“Pearl of Wisdom” – Women of Distinction banquet (GS 100th year) – 2012

Appreciation Pin – 2013

Outstanding Volunteer - 2016

Other Girl Scout Activities or Trips

Attended Program Conference in Hershey, Pa

Attended Program Conference in Wilmington in 1986

Staff for Wider Op in Texas 1996 "

Staff for Philadelphia Wider Op

Attended every National Council Meeting from 1990 in Miami to 2014

Started the Archive Committee in 1988 for the Council

Worked as Volunteer Staff at the Birthplace 2 times for event called "Passport to the Past" and was a participant one other time. 1991 ✓

Camped at Grove Point, Country Center and Camp Todd

"Pearl of Wisdom" – Women of Distinction banquet 2012 for GS 100th Anniversary

Macy for training about Archive collections in 1994, 1988, 2000, 2013

Attended every Singing on the Mall in Washington, DC including the 100th event called "Rock the Mall"

1983 delegate with a girl to the Avon Conference in Washington, DC for Girl Scouts.

"Leadership 1983" Representatives from every state attended.

Chaired Leadership 85 for CBGSC in Ocean City, MD for girls in the Council.

Participated in 3 weekends at Rockwood Park (it was National GS Camp but had been sold by then) for Archive Committees 1993.

Visited the 4 world centers and returned to Our Cabana for their 50th Anniversary for a 2nd visit

Participated and trained for the Fall School of Scouting for many years

2006 Ohio Trainers Conference

2016 helped to gather items for time capsule at Old Baltimore Pike

Attended grand opening of Council Office on 896 in and Office on Old Baltimore Pike 2016

Visited 4 World Centers

Our Cabana, Mexico 1987

" " " 2007 for the 50th Anniversary of Our Cabana with a visit to place where all the butterflies return to in the winter.

Our Chalet, Switzerland

Pax Lodge, London

Sangam, India

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Outstanding Volunteer

Honor pin 1991

Sea Gull 1990

Appreciation 1988

Thanks Badge 1993

Thanks Badge II 2007

50 year membership pin

40 year volunteer years