

## Girl Scout Service Unit #56 Annual Awards Ceremony

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The opening ceremony of the annual awards for Girl Scout Unit #56 began with a flag ceremony conducted by Troops 87 and 225.

The ceremony then started with recognition of all of the outstanding adults and leaders throughout the year. Rhonda Mouraske, Celina Martin, Mary Ann Johnson, Miriam Hamm, Marsha Wood, Carey Hensen, Amy Grove, Sherri Genna and Calvin Wood were all leaders who had volunteered many hours of hard work and dedication to each of their troops. The Rookie of the Year Award went to Heather Owsley with Troop #34. As a first year leader Heather's outstanding performance was also recognized.

Various awards were then presented throughout the evening. There were Troop Awards, individual girl recognitions, Outstanding Daisy Awards, Outstanding Brownie Awards, and Junior and Cadettes Awards.

The Silver Award is the highest honor a Cadette Girl Scout can earn and this year

congratulations goes out to Alex Olson, Nikki Barish, Dusty Ginner, Monica Daggett, and Maddie Hanousek for earning this achievement. The Award is a two year process where the girls have put in over 30 hours on their projects and learned about leadership and communication. They also learned valuable lessons in time management, planning, organization, and follow up. Once this award has been received by a Cadette she is then eligible to pursue the Girl Scout Gold Award, which is the highest honor a Girl Scout can earn, and each of the girls plans on completing this award by the end of their junior year of high school. A Girl Scout Gold Award it is an automatic scholarship at most colleges, so it will be a worthwhile endeavor. Congratulations to the Silver Award winners and to everyone for their hard work this year.

To learn more about Girl Scouts please visit their national website at [www.girlscouts.org](http://www.girlscouts.org) and their website can direct you to a Girl Scout Unit nearest you.



The Most Girl Scout Cookies Sold by a Troop award went to Troop #194 who sold 3,084 boxes.

Pictured are Troop Leaders Patricia Olson, Carol Rinehimer, and Staci Dowell with the troop.



Congratulations to Tiffany Hazard, who sold the most Girl Scout Cookies by an individual. Tiffany is with Troop #194 and sold 1,250 boxes - way to go Tiffany!



The 2010 Outstanding Daisy Award went to Natalya Moraske with Troop #139. Natalya created a recycling program at her school.



Congratulations to Alex Olson, Nikki Barish, Dusty Ginner, Monica Daggett and Maddie Hanousek for earning the Cadette Girl Scout Silver Award.