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## Girl Scouts Raise Money for Masonic Temple

By Jen Bower

The Girl Scouts held a craft day where they made ornaments, painted purses, and made jewelry. They donated the items to a craft and bake sale, where all the proceeds went to the Masonic Temple Pancake Feed. On the day of the Pancake Feed, the Girl Scouts volunteered by serving food, cleaning and setting tables. They also sold their crafts and bake goods. The Girl Scouts raised \$77 for the Masonic Temple. We choose the Masonic Temple for our Fall Service Unit Community Service project because the Masons

donate two rooms at the Temple for all our day camp supplies, event items, and curriculum. It was a success and the girls enjoyed making crafts and donating their time to such a worth while cause.



Nancy and Abby Van Blarcom volunteer at Masonic Temple Pancake Feed

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**COOKIE RALLY**  
JANUARY 19, 2018  
SS. MARY MATHIAS GYM  
5:30PM SERVING FOOD  
6-8PM RALLY  
COST: \$5 (FOR DINNER ONLY)

**MOTHER DAUGHTER TEA**  
FEBRUARY 3, 2018  
SS. MARY MATHIAS GYM  
1-3PM  
COST: \$10 PER COUPLE  
\$5 EACH ADD. SCOUT

## Troop #9360 Works on Journey and Silver Award

By Neely Harris

Cadette Troop #9360 has had some exciting things going on this fall! The troop consists of three girls: Kaitlyn, age 13, is an 8th grader at WMS, who plays softball and loves music; Lexi, age 13, also an 8th grader at WMS, who plays basketball, and is also a singer and artist; and Abby, a 7th grader at Ss. Mary Mathias, who is an actress, writer and singer. The troop also includes two leaders, Neely, who is a par educator, and Nancy, who is a nurse. The group are currently working to earn their MEdia Journey and their Silver Award.

As part of their MEdia Journey, the girls participated in an overnight with their leaders in Coralville. Friday night they explored and found things that were beautiful or made them feel beautiful. They went out for dinner, did a little bit of shopping, went swimming, worked out, experimented with

makeup, and had lots of laughs! They also discussed women's role in media and how women are portrayed in advertising.

Saturday they went to the University of Iowa to attend Girl Scout University and earn three badges. The badge that the girls were most nervous about was public speaking. Each of them had to speak in front of a large group and they were challenged to come up with a strong argument that they believed to be true. Their leaders were very proud of how they mustered up the courage to complete these challenges! It was a great experience for both the girls and the leaders and they made lots of memories

Troop #9360 is also working on earning their Silver Award. All three girls have been helping their leader Neely, at McKinley with different projects around the school and afterschool programming. The girls noticed how much garbage gets left on the play-

ground on a daily basis. They discussed how to help solve this problem and how to make this part of their community better. The solution they came up with is to place permanent garbage receptacles in the playground areas and courtyard at McKinley School. The girls will have to work with McKinley Staff, PTO, Maintenance, and Custodial workers to bring this project to life. The girls plan to raise the money to finance the project through the sale of cookies, a rummage and bake sale, and help from the McKinley PTO.



Girl Scout Troop #9360

# Troop 9414 Donates to Children's Hospital

By Beth Gomez

Grant Elementary Girl Scout Troop 9414 collected items for the UI Stead Family Children's Hospital to honor the memory of fellow Grant Dolphin, Hayden Daufeldt and they would love for you to consider making a donation to the hospital! Criteria for donating items include: All items must be new. All items must come from smoke-free, dust-free, and pet-free environments. All fabric items must be made from new materials and wrapped in plastic for delivery. All pins (safety pins and straight pins) must be re-

moved from all donations. Donations should not be gift-wrapped.

We cannot accept food items past their labeled expiration dates.

Items needed for donation include:

Gift cards, Iowa Hawkeye gifts and apparel, all sizes, Toiletry items, individually wrapped non-perishable snacks, CDs, DVDs, and games rated G, PG, and PG-13, adult-size sweatshirts and elastic-waist sweatpants of all sizes, sweatpants for children ages 3 – 10, underwear and socks for adults and children of all sizes, Halo Sleep Sacks from the UI Stead Family Children's Hospital Safety

Store, craft supplies, toys, gift bags and tissue for wrapping presents (birthday, end of treatment, etc.)

Unacceptable Items – For health and security reasons, we cannot accept: Used Items, anything latex, candy, fleece baby hats, riding toys, violent toys or games or toy weapons, used medical equipment, any food that is not prepackaged, oversized stuffed animals.

Troop #9414 plans to give their items to Hayden's parents on Dec. 7, for donation to the hospital.

For more details on specific donations wanted, visit: <https://uihc.org/kind-donations>

Happy Holidays  
from Daisies & Pearls!



## EXTRAORDINARY GIRL SCOUT

### SAMARA FOOR

AGE: 13

GRADE: 7

Samara Foor is a seventh grader at West Middle School, and a member of Cadette Troop # 2042.

Samara enjoys participating in Girl Scouts by sharing ideas for future trips and activities for the troop. She has been a Girl Scout for seven amazing years!

Samara is member of the WMS orchestra, and she loves to draw, which is her favorite hobby. Her love of drawing will also come in handy in her future, as she plans to become a fashion designer.

Currently, Samara's troop is working hard on planning the upcoming cookie rally for Muscatine County. Her troop is looking forward to teaching the younger girls

to become great leaders and cookie sellers! The girls are learning to plan an event, and that helping others can make you feel good about yourself. They are having fun while making a positive impression on the younger scouts!

Samara's favorite GS memory was singing karaoke with her Girl Scout friends. She says even though they sounded awful, they had a ton of fun doing it!

Samara was nominated for Extraordinary Girl Scout by her leader, Jen Bower, for being considerate and caring, being a friend to all, and because she truly makes the world a better place.



LOOKING FOR EXTRAORDINARY GIRL SCOUTS

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