

**SUMMER  
"BLASTS OFF!"**



**FOR  
BLOOMSBURG  
GIRL SCOUTS**

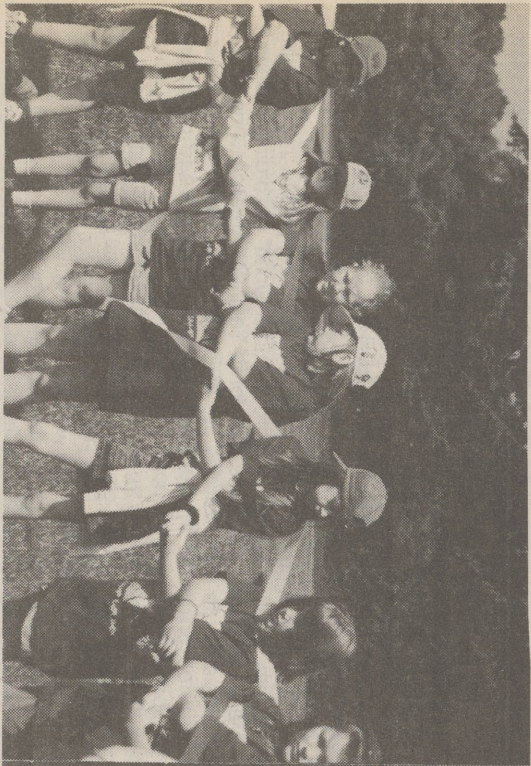
It was up, up and away for 150 Bloomsburg Girl Scouts who attended "Blast Off '99" at Camp Louise in June. This two-day camp out gave girls lots of opportunities to spark their interest in space exploration and dispelled the notion that girls are not interested in science.

Brownies and Juniors made and tested various paper airplane designs, created bubble rockets, played space related word games, and made kites. A highlight for these girls was a Moon Rock Relay Race (combining sports and science) where girls donned "space suits", "moon boots" and "jet packs" then had to retrieve a "moon rock".

Cadetets and Seniors observed light through prism glasses, made miniature hot-air balloons, kites and model narovovers - a version of a moon buggy for Mars exploration. To simulate a Mars mission, girls in one tent with photo and directions communicated via walkie-talkies to girls in another tent and instructed them on how to construct a little moon buggy with Legos. Older girls shared reports and displays about female astronauts and scientists. The entire group successfully launched several "girl made" rockets.

After sunset, the older girls set up a "star walk" for younger girls using glow-in-the-dark stars to build their constellations. They told stories about some of the constellations and showed the younger girls how to spot them in the night sky. Finally, the girls constructed a "space station" out of pieces each Troop had designed and brought to the event.

Girls worked on activities toward earning the Brownie Try-it - Space Explorer, the Junior Badge - Aerospace and the Cadette/Senior Interest Project - Space Exploration. Tricia Kallnowski, SU 103, coordinated this event and will make the outline and activities available to other Service Units. It was a BLAST!



Blast Off '99 came to a close in true Girl Scout style with a Friendship Circle woven together with ribbons representing the colors of Girl Scouting.

**COUNCIL  
SALES SHOP**

Your place for books, badges, pins, sashes, t-shirts and more.  
**Monday to Friday:**  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm  
10 South Sherman Street, Wilkes-Barre.

**PENN'S WOODS  
WEB PAGE LAUNCHED**

Penn's Woods is on the world wide web thanks to Nicole Craze, Troop 970, Luzerne, who designed our WEB page as her Gold Award project. Thank you Nicole! Watch the WEB page for new and updated information on program and training opportunities and more.

**THE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP: GIFTS FOR GIRLS**

Dear Girl Scout Parent,

What is Girl Scouting? It is a wonderful place where your daughter can be exactly who she is, surrounded by other girls who share her discoveries and fun, supported by skilled and caring adults who believe she can be whoever she wants to be.

The Girl Scouts put your daughter first. When you give a gift to the Family Partnership, you help the Girl Scouts provide the types of experiences and influences that will help your daughter develop into a young woman with strong values, self-confidence and skills for success in tomorrow's world.

I have seen my own daughter grow into someone who makes her own decisions, plans events, works with others, stands up for herself and takes advantage of opportunities. I cherish some of the memories Girl Scouting has given to our family and I appreciate the way it has enriched all of our lives.

Please support the Family Partnership by making a gift today to Penn's Woods Girl Scout Council, a place *Where Girls Grow Strong.*

Sincerely,  
*Julie Morgan*  
Julie Morgan  
Girl Scout Parent & Family Partnership  
Campaign Chair



These Brownies, Troop #258, Sugarloaf, had a great time feeding and learning about the animals at Trexler Game Preserve's Explore and Snore sleepover.



Life on a Coast Guard Cutter was the main attraction for Junior girls who visited the Maritime Museum on a recent trip to Baltimore's Inner Harbor in May. Girls visited the Baltimore Aquarium, the Maryland Science Center and enjoyed the sea and sites of this historic harbor.

**STEP  
FORWARD**

**SUPPORT THE  
FAMILY  
PARTNERSHIP**

The Family Partnership offers families the opportunity to support Girl Scouting by making a financial contribution to Penn's Woods. Family Partnership materials will be available this fall from your Troop Leader or Troop Family Partnership Chair. All gifts are confidential and in no way influence a girl's ability to fully participate in Girl Scout activities. Funds raised through the Family Partnership actually make it possible for Penn's Woods to extend Girl Scouting to more girls.

You may send your gift in the envelope you receive with your materials this fall or you can wait for a call from a Girl Scout volunteer during our Family Partnership phonathon in February. All gifts, no matter the size, are important and will go to work immediately, providing Girl Scouting for all the girls in Penn's Woods.

**GIRL SCOUTS & BOY SCOUTS  
TEE OFF AT HUNTSVILLE**

The Times Leader/ALTELL Girl Scout/Boy Scout Golf Classic, held at the beautiful Huntsville Golf Club, raised close to \$30,000 to support programs offered by the Penn's Woods Girl Scout Council and the Northeastern Pennsylvania Council of the Boy Scouts of America. The two organizations together serve over 14,000 girls and boys. Our sincere thanks to the tournament sponsors: The Times Leader, ALTELL, Nabisco and WBRE TV; to Kathy and Bob Lawrence who Co-Chaired the event; to the Tournament Committee Members - Dave Fritz, Carol Husa, Jerry Konder, Pat McHugh, Al Manzi, Norm Morris, Stephen Peterson, Margaret Petty, Victoria Popple, Jean Saurina, Don Simpson, Bill Thiede, and Roberta Wisniewski; to the 144 golfers who played; to the hole sponsors and to the prize donors. Together, they made the day a huge success.



"SCOOOP", the Times Leader mascot keeps an eye on the chipping contest the day of the tournament. A special thank you to Girl Scouts Hillary and Murrel Adams, Kira and Kasia Szuborski, and Erin and Sara Swepston, all of Dallas, who helped to greet and register golfers.

**FALL SALE  
PROGRAM  
PROMISES BIG  
REWARDS**

Troops will enjoy greater returns with this year's Fall Product Sale Program. In addition to great Hershey's Candy and the "Be A Reader" Magnet program, girls will be able to earn additional dollars for their troops by selling subscriptions. This new addition allows girls to sell Readers Digest directly to customers. For every subscription sold, a girl will earn \$1.00 for her troop and a cute Koala Bear Key Chain. Pursue for herself. In addition, girls will be selling the Hershey's Candy Shoppe Assortment: Kit Kats, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, Hershey's with Almonds and Krackel Bars and will realize a Troop profit of \$14.00 for every case sold. In addition, Troops which sell candy can also participate in the "Be A Reader" program which gives girls the opportunity to offer relatives, parents and friends the chance to subscribe or renew magazines at greatly discounted rates. Girls will earn a "Jump Into Reading" patch and \$2.00 for their troop when they complete one Magnet Coupon book. Troops with 100% participation in both the candy and Magnet program will earn the "How The Body Works" book they can use to earn the "Be A Reader" patch. The "Be A Reader" program is designed to encourage reading and this year, girls will be able to "Jump Into Reading" by reading all about sports as they work on their patch.



Holand Wiggins, US Navy veteran, helped Brownie Troop #42, Pine Grove, earn the "Hardi Care" Try It by demonstrating how a handicapped person overcomes the challenges of everyday life and giving the girls a tour of his specially equipped van.

**THE DAWN OF A  
NEW MILLENNIUM!  
YUMMYUM!**

Animal Treasures, a new fudge-dipped shortbread cookie is joining the all-ready winning Girl Scout cookie team. This mouth watering shortbread cookie is dipped in rich fudge and embossed with endangered animals. This year's theme "Step Forward" speaks to the essence of the Girl Scout Cookie Sale where girls plan their Troop's activities, set goals for themselves then "step forward" to accomplish those goals. The success of last year's Cookie Sale can be seen in the stories and photos on the pages of this issue of SPLINTERS. Last year, 5,197 girls sold 383,033 boxes of cookies - a 6% increase over the 1998 sale. All of the money raised from the Cookie Sale stay here in Penn's Woods with 55¢ per box remaining with the Troops and the balance going to provide Girl Scout program and pay for the cookies.

THANK YOU to everyone: girls, Leaders, volunteers, parents, delivery site donors, booth sale location providers and customers, who "stepped forward" to make the sale a success.



**A NEW  
GIRL SCOUT  
COOKIE  
YOU'RE SURE  
TO BE WILD  
ABOUT!**

**INTRODUCING  
ANIMAL TREASURES.**

**COOKIE SALE 2000  
DATES TO REMEMBER**

November 2 & 4: Service Unit Cookie Chair training  
November 4 to 24: Troop Cookie Chairs trained by Service Unit Cookie Chairs  
December: Troops train girls and plan their Cookie Sale  
January 8 to 30: Cookie Kick-Off Rallies and girls take orders  
**REMEMBER** - Customers pay for cookies on delivery

**NEW FOLDERS KEEP PARENTS  
ORGANIZED**

This year, every registered Girl Scout will receive a Parent Folder. Sporting the new Girl Scout look and color, these folders are for parents to keep throughout the year as a place for all of their daughter's Girl Scout information. Each folder has a information about Girl Scouting, a Temporary Membership Card, ways parents can support their daughter's Girl Scout experience, how to contact the Council, Camp and Service Centers as well as inserts on various aspects of Girl Scouting in Penn's Woods.

Parents - keep these folders and use them to keep your daughter's Troop and Girl Scout information in one place. If you have more than one girl in Girl Scouting, use one folder for each girl. These folders were made possible, in part, through the support of the Caring Foundation of Northeastern Pennsylvania that provides low or no cost health insurance for uninsured children.



Outdoor Sampler at Camp Louise in April. Making the pies was fun, eating them was even better.



**Girl Scouts®**  
Where girls grow strong™

**YOUR DAUGHTER & GIRL SCOUTS**

**FALL SALE  
DATES**

9/11 & 12: Service Unit Fall Chairs trained  
10/13 - 31: Service Unit Fall Sale Chairs  
11/8-12: Candy delivered to Chairs  
11/20 - 12/5: Direct sale period  
12/6-10: Sale over. All returns, reports and materials due back to Troop  
Fall Sale Chairs  
All Troop returns, reports and materials due to Service Unit Chairs.

