



GSHPA National Delegate Candidates

2025-2028

Jillian Scholl

Girl Delegate



Jillian Scholl is a freshman at Wallenpaupack Area High School, in Pike County, with a strong passion for academics, athletics, and community service. A Bronze and Silver Award Girl Scout, Jillian has been an active troop member since 2016. Dedicated to fundraising for her troop, and committed to meeting her personal goals, she has been a member of the S'mores Executive Club for the past five years.

Beyond Girl Scouting, Jillian is a well-rounded student-athlete, participating in her school's tennis, unified bocce, and unified track and field teams. Her hard work in the classroom has earned her a place on the honor roll, highlighting her dedication to academic success. Outside of school, Jillian is an avid bowler, participating in a bowling league as well as competing in local and regional bowling tournaments.

Looking ahead, Jillian plans to enroll in her high school's Childcare CTE program, where she will explore career opportunities in childcare and early childhood education. With her strong leadership skills, community involvement, and passion for helping others, Jillian is excited to make a positive impact on young children's lives.



Jeanette Varrassa



Girl Delegate

Jeanette Varrassa is a National Delegate candidate from Centre County. She started Girl Scouts as a Daisy and is now in her tenth year. Throughout her time in Girl Scouts, she has earned the Bronze and Silver Awards, the Counselor in Training Award, the Cadette Torch Award, the Senior Torch Award, and even participated in an international Destination trip. Jeanette treasures her experience in Girl Scouts, as it has provided her with numerous valuable opportunities.

Leadership has been a constant in Jeanette's life. She served on her middle school's Student Council for all three years and is currently vice president of her freshman class. Additionally, she holds the position of choir officer. Academically, Jeanette is a high honor roll student and a student-athlete in softball. Her passion for music is evident through her involvement in her school's musical programs, where she is part of Treble Makers and Master Singers (advanced choirs), the 9th-grade band, the marching band, as well as serving as dance captain and choreographer for the school musicals.



Angie Dobson



Adult Delegate

Angie Dobson, of York County, serves as a Service Unit Lead and has been a troop leader for 3 years. She fully believes in the girls, their success, and lessons learned as youth are the secrets to building a strong community. She joined Girl Scouts with her daughter as a first year Junior volunteer and later became a troop leader and cookie mom. Her favorite Girl Scout tradition is cookie booths and watching the girls come out of their shells to interact with customers.

Angie has lived in South Central Pennsylvania for over 20 years. She was born in West Virginia and moved to Western Pennsylvania as a teenager. As an adult, she has spent many years in Pennsylvania as a front facing advocate for children and youth. She was a founding member of the Spring Grove Exchange Club where she currently serves on their board. She also helped create a parent involvement committee for the Social Security Administration's childcare centers and served on the board of directors for SSA Kids for 6 years. Angie believes that youth are the future, and that they should be the biggest priority.

Working as an Office Operations Manager in Baltimore for more than 20 years, she learned the ins and outs of small business and brings that to Girl Scouts as she teaches girls to run their own cookie business. She currently works for a start up tech company, that is growing year after year.

Now a leader of a large multi-level troop of 23 active Cadettes and Seniors, Angie is working with girls to earn their Silver and Gold awards. She has mentored more than 30 girls through their Bronze Award and 7 through their Silver Award. She looks forward to seeing her girls achieve all their dreams.



Maggie Roat

Adult Delegate



Maggie Roat has been a Girl Scout for 12 years in Union County. She started off as a young Daisy, eager to make friends and have fun. Throughout her years as a Girl Scout, she has earned her Bronze, Silver, and Gold awards and has been a member of the S'mores Executive Club since its inception. Currently an Ambassador Girl Scout, Maggie will bridge to adult in May 2025. If elected, Maggie would go into the 2026 National Council Session as an adult delegate.

Maggie's Girl Scouting experience has given her the opportunity to travel to Belize in 2023, and she will travel to Iceland this summer. She loves attending her regional day camp, Camp Thunderboomer, where she been a camper and a program aid for 9 years. Maggie also regularly helps with service unit events such as mall events, PJs and movies, and even a cookie/ fall product rally.

Outside of Girl Scouts, she belongs to her school's chapter of the National Honor Society and participates in various community service projects including Toys for Tots. She also has been a member of the Technology Student Association (TSA) since 2018 and currently serves as the PA state region 7 lead representative. In this role, Maggie communicates and help engage her region to a higher level to be more involved with TSA.

Maggie is from the SUN county area (Sydney, Union, Northumberland), which she notes is comprised of many lower-income families. She is passionate about making Girl Scouts an accessible experience for everyone as she has seen enrollment decline in areas like hers.



Siobhan Shadle



Adult Delegate

Siobhan Shadle, of Lycoming County, proudly serves as a current National Delegate for the Girl Scouts in the Heart of Pennsylvania (GSHPA). With her previous experience as an Alternate Delegate at the 2023 National Council Session in Florida, she was appointed to Delegate for the Special National Council Session in 2024 because of her exceptional commitment to elevating the voices of GSHPA members.

As a strong advocate for lower-income girls in her community, Siobhan works diligently to ensure they have access to the same opportunities as their peers. Leading one of the largest troops in Lycoming County, she inspires girls from Daisy through Cadette levels. Her tireless efforts guarantee that all girls in the area have access to a troop and the necessary supplies to excel as Girl Scouts.

In her role as Service Unit (SU) lead, Siobhan effectively collaborates with her SU and others in the region to build a vibrant sisterhood. She is committed to making sure that every Girl Scout and leader in her area feels supported and knows that their voices will be heard and valued. Siobhan is a true champion for the values of Girl Scouts, fostering a community where all can thrive.



Sandra Sollenberger

Adult Delegate



Sandra Sollenberger has served as a leader to her daughters' two girl scout troops for three years in Central PA. In addition, she has planned the service unit's Spring Camporee for the past two years. Sandra has a passion for helping young Girl Scouts experience the outdoors and learn about the various camping experiences in the local Centre County region. She is an active Service Unit member and is always eager to help pitch in for planning events like Troopsgiving and Fall Recruitment events. She is looking forward to completing her Archery certification to help facilitate for troops in her area.

Helping to establish three Daisy troops over the last three years, Sandra believes that all girls should have an opportunity to participate in Girl Scouts. She was an active Girl Scout through sixth grade when a shortage of leaders left her without a troop to continue. She enjoys collaborating with fellow Daisy and Brownie leaders in her Service Unit and is enthusiastic about helping to improve the onboarding process for new leaders.

Sandra serves as the Associate Director of Analytics and Planning for the Penn State University College of Liberal Arts. In her role she uses analytics to help identify barriers to student success, helps to drive policy decisions via data driven methodologies and collaborates with analysts across the University to improve the student experience. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from Juniata College and is currently completing her Masters of Applied Statistics at Penn State University.



Belinda Stefl

Adult Delegate



Belinda S. Stefl, of Northumberland County, is a lifelong advocate for the Girl Scouts, with an impressive 59 years of dedication to the organization as of 2025. She recently received the Thanks II Badge. Belinda has served as a leader at every Girl Scout age level, a Service Unit Lead for a decade, and a key contributor to volunteer recognition efforts. Her impact includes designing council awards, leading 14 camporees, and training volunteers in ceremonies, traditions, and Girl Scout history. She earned the title of Master Trainer in both outdoor and indoor skills. Belinda is also an archery facilitator and a passionate collector of vintage Girl Scout memorabilia.

Beyond her Girl Scouts involvement, Belinda has been an active leader in her community. She resides in Milton, PA with her husband, Jamie. She served eight years as a Milton Area School Board Member and represented the district on both the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit 17 Board and the Pennsylvania School Boards Association. She currently serves as President of the Watsontown Area Business Association and Corresponding Secretary of the Milton Historical Society Board.



Carol Thornton

Adult Delegate



Carol Thornton is the Service Unit Lead for Service Unit 154 Cumberland Valley in Cumberland County, spanning five municipalities and two school districts. She has served in this role since 2017, after being a leader for five years for her daughter's troop. This year marks 19 years as a member, including 15 years as an Adult Volunteer. She is a current National Delegate and represented the Girl Scouts in the Heart of PA at the 56th National Council Session in July 2023 and the 57th Special National Council Session in October 2024. Carol has been recognized with the Appreciation Pin in 2021 and the Heart of PA Pin in 2024. Last, but not least, she is the proud mother of a 2022 Gold Award Girl Scout.

As Executive Director for the Partnership for Better Health (a local public charity health foundation in South Central PA), Carol leads strategic initiatives, drives organizational growth, and fosters collaboration to support the mission of the foundation to champion and invest in ideas, initiatives, and collaborations to improve the health of the people in its communities.

Carol's commitment to public service is evident in her previous roles, including her 11 years at the Pennsylvania Department of Health, where she oversaw statewide injury prevention activities in collaboration with local health departments and community-based organizations. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration from La Salle University and a Master of Public Administration from Penn State University.

In addition to serving with the Girl Scouts in the Heart of PA, she is a Board member for both the Eastern PA Coalition on Housing and the Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania.



Laura Trout

Adult Alternate Delegate



Laura Trout has been a Girl Scout leader for her daughter's Lancaster County troop for twelve years. During that time, she served as a service unit manager for three years and as council delegate for two years. She has enjoyed organizing service unit events such as STEM Night, Outdoor Skills Day, and Outdoor Art Day.

Laura's goal in being a Girl Scout leader is to provide girls a chance to feel empowered. Be it planning and cooking a meal at camp or removing an invasive plant from a hillside, Girl Scouts provides opportunities for girls to test their skills, lead others, and learn things that are not taught at school. They find ways to make the world a better place.

Laura is a chemistry teacher at Lancaster Country Day School. She has taught for 31 years in both elementary school and high school. She also works for The POGIL Project, a non-profit organization that develops activities and trains teachers in guided inquiry. Her philosophy in the classroom is very similar to her philosophy as a Girl Scout leader – give them the opportunity to grow and let them discover things on their own with gentle guidance. The joy they feel with discovery is what fuels her to keep teaching and leading.

Laura is ready to serve Girl Scouts in a wider capacity. She has never attended a national conference but is very excited to attend next year. She wants to represent our Council by listening carefully to the community and using her years of experience with girls to set new goals for Girl Scouts USA.



Ellen Kamps

Girl Alternate Delegate



Ellen Kamps is currently a Senior in her eighth year of Girl Scouting with Troop 10360 in Cumberland County. She has earned her Bronze and Silver Awards and is now working on her Gold. Through the completion of both awards, she has learned transferable skills that include, communication, organization, and budgeting. Through Girl Scouts, Ellen has expanded upon business and entrepreneurship skills, selling over one thousand boxes of Girl Scout cookies and counting! In addition, Ellen has led and taught badges to other girls in her troop.

As an honors student at the Ninth Grade Academy in the Cumberland Valley School District, Ellen advocates for her peers as a part of Student Council and appreciates being involved around the school. As an active member of school clubs such as Health Occupations Students of America, Academic WorldQuest, Sounds of Healing, and Kits for Kids; Ellen loves engaging in fun and educational ways to give back to her community. Soon, she will be volunteering at UPMC West Shore.

Ellen plays the cello not only in her school but also as a member of the Harrisburg Symphony Youth Orchestra. Along with the cello, Ellen enjoys playing the piano, performing numerous concerts in places including Messiah University's Parmer Hall.

Ellen also competes in Hunter classes as a part of the Central Pennsylvania Junior Horse Show Association.

