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AHG Honors and Celebrates the Stars and Stripes Year-Round

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Reverence and respect for the American flag and all that it stands for is key to the experience for girls and young women ages five to 18 nationwide who participate in ***American Heritage Girls (AHG, www.americanheritagegirls.org)***, the premier faith-based, scout-type leadership development program in America. As the country prepares to celebrate the Fourth of July, ***AHG*** is reminding families across the nation that its hands-on badge programs, service projects, leadership opportunities, outdoor adventures, and more—all with an emphasis on Christian values and family participation—share a deep and abiding patriotism every day.

"Our program provides girls with a deeper understanding of their country and their heritage," says AHG Founder and Executive Director Patti Garibay. "Girls cultivate honor for our nation by participating in patriotic events, flag ceremonies, community service, and badge work. Becoming active citizens within their Troop fosters a lifelong love for America. The outcome? An honoring girl who cares for her community through service and patriotism."

AHG's many programs and projects include its distinguished Stars & Stripes Award, the highest recognition available to a participant in ***American Heritage Girls***. The award teaches girls perseverance, self-respect, and a strong sense of satisfaction. Stars & Stripes Award candidates complete a substantial service project, which they plan, lead, and implement. Girls have the opportunity to exercise servant leadership, project management, communication skills, time management, and organization—all while blessing their communities in

outstanding ways.

Says Garibay, "The Stars & Stripes Award is not for the faint of heart! By the close of the journey, girls will have demonstrated their leadership ability to identify a cause or need for which they have passion, managed a large project, recruited volunteers, publicized the need for fundraising, documented their journey, participated in a Board of Review—and reflected on the impact of AHG on their life and the growth of their spiritual walk during those years."

The numbers associated with ***AHG's*** Stars & Stripes Award in a recent year are impressive:

- 25: states represented by award recipients
- 105: benefiting organizations served
- 227: average service hours per project
- 23,840: total service hours performed

AHG Troops are located in local communities across the nation.

One AHG member and Stars & Stripes Award recipient shared her thoughts about the award: "It means so much to me. What matters are the steps you take to get the award: perseverance, hard work, dedication, community impact, ability to have peer leadership, and the list could go on. I know I put in the time, hard work, and dedication to complete something worthwhile."

Said another AHG member and Stars & Stripes Award recipient, "American Heritage Girls has made an incredible impact on my life. It has made me into a woman of God as well as a leader, a public speaker, and an ambassador for Christ."

AHG's mission is to build women of integrity through service to God, family, community, and country. It is dedicated to providing authentic, positive, and values-driven character and leadership development opportunities and outdoor adventure for girls across the nation.

American Heritage Girls was founded in 1995 by a group of parents who wanted a faith-based, scout-type character development program for their daughters. ***American Heritage Girls*** across the nation and the globe participate in badge programs, service projects, leadership opportunities, and outdoor experiences, all with an emphasis on Christian values and family involvement.

In addition to the biblically based parenting advice shared in the Raising Godly Girls blog and Raising Godly Girls radio features that are heard on 770 radio stations, ***American Heritage Girls*** provides a community experience in a Troop setting. Girls benefit from Christ-centered friendships and mentors to assist them in becoming godly girls.

Today, there are Troops in all 50 states and girls being served in 15 countries around the globe. Girls can join a Troop at any time; if a Troop is not available nearby, they can become a Trailblazer and enjoy the ***AHG*** program alongside their parent. A variety of Christian denominations are also represented as Charter Organizations for Troops. Thousands of volunteer members across the country are helping girls grow in their faith, cultivate a heart for service, enjoy the great outdoors, and have more fun than they can imagine.

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