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## ***American Heritage Girls* staff to receive leadership, relationship and stewardship training at Christian Leadership Alliance conference**

CINCINNATI, Ohio —*American Heritage Girls* (*AHG*, [www.americanheritagegirls.org](http://www.americanheritagegirls.org)), the premier faith-based, scout-type leadership development program for girls and young women ages five to 18 in the country, offers more than hands-on badge programs, service projects, leadership opportunities and outdoor adventures for girls. It also emphasizes Christian values and family participation and provides *AHG* staff and leaders with superior training opportunities.

*American Heritage Girls* is proud to be a Silver Member of the [Christian Leadership Alliance](#) (CLA). The CLA convenes, trains and resources Christian nonprofits and their employees across all levels of experience. *AHG* will be attending the CLA's "Outcomes Conference" in Louisville, Kentucky from April 26-28, bringing its full Leadership Team, including managers. The theme of the conference is "You Belong" and will equip attendees with leadership, relationship, and stewardship training.

*AHG Founder and Executive Director Patti Garibay stated, "AHG always strives to better equip our staff with the best tools and resources available. We are so thankful for our relationship with the Christian Leadership Alliance and are thrilled to have the conference so close by so that our full leadership team can attend and glean new tips to enhance their skill sets to do God's work."*

*Garibay* recently completed the [Credentialed Christian Non-Profit Leader](#) (CCNL) Program through the Christian Leadership Alliance and has achieved her certification. According to the website, "the program is designed to promote biblical principles and professional standards in Christian nonprofit organizations. This program exists because Christian nonprofits need leaders who have proven expertise and certified excellence in their professional fields."

Training for this credential covers all the critical areas of professional practice: executive leadership, resource development, financial management, tax and legal, board governance, people management and care, marketing and communication and technology.

*American Heritage Girls* was founded in 1995 by a group of parents who wanted this faith-based, scout-type character development program for their daughters. At *AHG*, girls ages five to 18 meet together as [a single Troop](#) at the same time and then break out into Units by Levels. This gives *AHG* girls the important social experience of interacting with friends and godly mentors of various ages; members also learn leadership skills within a group setting. *AHG* Troops are located in [local communities](#) across the nation. If none exists in a given area, families can bring the *AHG* Program to their own area. An *American Heritage Girls* Troop Development Coach is available to provide resources to potential Charter Organizations and other families to form [a new](#)

[Troop](#). To hear more about the purpose, mission, and vision of *AHG* from *Founder and Executive Director Patti Garibay*, [click here](#).

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. The “*Raising Godly Girls*” radio feature and [Raising Godly Girls blog](#) shares guidance and biblically based advice on many key topics affecting girls today—from bullying and identity to anxiety and body image issues. It gives parents, educators, and faith community leaders a set of tools, resources, and Scripture-based advice to assist in raising girls after God’s own heart. The “*Raising Godly Girls Minute*” with [Patti Garibay](#) airs on 900+ Christian radio stations across the country.

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To schedule interviews with spokespersons from *American Heritage Girls*, contact [Media@HamiltonStrategies.com](mailto:Media@HamiltonStrategies.com), Beth Harrison, 610.584.1096 ext. 105, or Deborah Hamilton, ext. 102.

To inquire about airing the “*Raising Godly Girls Minute*” with [Patti Garibay](#), contact [Michael Hamilton](#), 610.584.1096, ext. 101.