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Girl Scouts new racial equity training set to further indoctrinate children and adults alike, says AHG founder Patti Garibay

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CINCINNATI, Ohio — Girl Scouts of the United States of America, the once revered and honorable scouting institution for girls, turned heads in the summer of 2023 by releasing a <u>Camp Culture Code</u> that outlined the organization's "commitment to DEI/RJ (diversity, equity, inclusion and racial justice)," as well as the expectation that leaders would adhere to these woke Marxist ideologies and "embrace a youth-centered approach to notions of sex and gender" by allowing biological boys to share a cabin with biological girls. Now, a recent report unveiled the next stage in the Girl Scouts' plan to indoctrinate impressionable girls across the nation. The organization is set to provide a four-part "racial equity" training series based on Marxism to volunteers and parents titled "Foundations in Racial Equity." Starting on December 13, this training will include discussions on "internalized racism" and "white supremacy culture."

"Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of the Girls Scouts of the United States of America, must be rolling in her grave right now," said Patti Garibay, founder and executive director of American Heritage Girls (AHG, <u>www.americanheritagegirls.org</u>), the premier faith-based, scout-type leadership development program in America. "I thought their LBGTQ patches and Camp Culture Code was bad enough, but now they are ensuring that all volunteers, leaders, and parents adhere to this radical Marxist agenda. The Girl Scouts have become an indoctrination tool for the Marxist movement for decades, and they aren't even hiding it anymore."

American Heritage Girls has been developing age-appropriate, girl-focused programming for nearly 30 years. Founded by *AHG Executive Director Patti Garibay* as <u>a direct response</u> to the Girl Scouts taking God out of their organization, *AHG* offers programming that helps build character, cultivate leadership skills, experience fun outdoor adventure, and raise godly girls. More than 60,000 girls and their families in all 50 states have found friends, fellowship, and fun through *AHG's* unique programming.

"All of this DEI education can be directed back to Jeff Bezos' ex-wife, MacKenzie Scott, who gave the Girl Scouts of the United States of America a jaw-dropping <u>donation of \$84.5 million in 2022</u>, the biggest donation in the organization's history," said Garibay. "That money was given with <u>a promise to use it for</u> <u>DEI education within the organization</u>, and now we are seeing the results. Scouting should not be about raising little soldiers of the state, but rather instilling traditional American values in children that help guide them towards being productive, valuable members of society. "This is why American Heritage Girls was created — as myself and a small group of dedicated parents saw the direction the Girl Scouts were headed, we knew that there needed to be a Christ-centered alternative for families unwilling to indoctrinate their daughters with the Marxist ideologies overtaking America. Parents must be informed of what the Girl Scouts are actually doing and how to best protect their girls from these harmful ideologies. At American Heritage Girls, girls are guided by skilled leaders and mentors through our carefully cultivated program. Our program is designed to adapt and change with a girl as she grows up, ensuring that she never is exposed to material that is unsuitable for her stage of development."

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 <u>a single</u> 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 <u>local communities</u> 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 <u>a new</u> Troop. To hear more about the purpose, mission, and vision of *AHG* from *Founder and Executive Director Patti Garibay*, <u>click here</u>.

Today, there are <u>Troops</u> 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 <u>Trailblazer</u> and enjoy the *AHG* program alongside their parent. A variety of Christian denominations are also represented as <u>Charter</u> <u>Organizations</u> 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 <u>Raising Godly Girls blog</u> 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 <u>"*Raising Godly Girls Minute*" with Patti Garibay</u> airs on 1000+ Christian radio stations across the country.

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