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8 GIRL GUIDES & 13 VENTURE SCOUTS RECEIVE THE HIGHEST AWARD FROM PRESIDENT S R NATHAN

Eight Girl Guides from Girl Guides Singapore (GGS) and Thirteen Venture Scouts from the Singapore Scout Association (SSA) will be honored with the President's Guide Award and the President's Scout Award respectively at the ISTANA on Monday, 11 Oct 2010 at 1600 hrs (4 pm).

The recipients will receive the awards from President S R Nathan who is also the Chief Scout of Singapore.

The citation for the recipients read:

"The President's Guide Award and the President's Scout Award are presented to our nation's most all-rounded Girl Guides and Venture Scouts in recognition of their excellent performance, dedication to the movement and service to the community. The award represents the pinnacle of achievement for these Girl Guides and Venture Scouts and indicates their preparedness for a lifetime of service to God, nation and mankind."

The tremendous support these recipients received from the schools, the Principals, their Guiders / Venture Scout Leaders and parents has made it possible for them to overcome the rigours of various stringent tests in order to attain the Award. Those who make it to should be held up as role models for other Girl Guides & Scouts to emulate.

GGS and SSA congratulate all recipients of the Awards for having overcome their own odds and achieved the respective award.

(Please see Annex 1 for the list of recipients)

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Girl Guides Singapore

Started in 1917, Girl Guides Singapore (GGS) is a non-profit Uniformed Group that is part of the World Association of Girl Guides and Guide Scouts (WAGGGS). It has over 10,000 members in Singapore and is the largest and choice Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) group for girls. There are more than 10 million members in 145 countries today.

GGS teaches leadership, promotes resourcefulness and supports cultural diversity in today's world, for today's girls. We offer opportunities and challenges that shape each girl into a leader of courage, confidence and character. As she takes her place and makes her mark in the world, the Girl Guides experience is something a girl will carry with her for life.

Be Prepared. Think it. Say it. Live it

This is a reiteration of the Girl Guide Motto - "Be Prepared", which shares the Founder's initials (Baden-Powell) and is a practical reminder of the basis of the Girl Guide training.

The President's Guide Award (PGA)

There are three stages of tests that a PGA candidate has to go through before the selection. She is being tested in Knowledge, Ability to lead and Ability to think and execute on the go.

Stage 1

The Panel interviews on Guiding and Singapore Knowledge, chaired by the Chief Commissioner/Deputy Chief Commissioners.

Stage 2

The Planning & Organization Test Camp at Camp Christine. The candidate is required to run a 2-night, 3-day camp for 24 to 36 new Guides. At this camp, each candidate is required to plan and execute a 2 1/2 hr lesson on camping skills such as, tent-pitching, gadget-making, outdoor-cooking, wide games, Guides Own and conducting a campfire based on a chosen theme.

Stage 3

The 'Be-Prepared' Test @ Guide House Tasks include crafting ways to help an autistic Guide participate in her Guide unit activities, helping an aged couple plan their meals and manage their illness such as diabetes or running a 2-hr program for a group of 5-yr olds at KK Hospital in their mothers' absence.

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The Singapore Scout Association (SSA)

The Singapore Scout Association (SSA) is grounded on time-proven values and practices. These are: a culture of peace, developing socially committed members, inclusiveness and gender balance. These are significant values that contribute to nation building and maintaining harmonious relationships in the community. SSA exemplifies this by maintaining unity within the diversity of membership. These values and practices have prepared our members to contribute to the peace of the world, people-to-people relations and racial harmony in the community.

Over 28 million boys and girls in over 216 countries and territories have discovered and enjoyed the Scouting way of life, its Promise, Law and Motto. Through its fun-filled, exciting and empowering activities/programmes, members discover, learn and put into practice essential life-long skills. This is achieved through learning by doing, adult support, and team work, which some of the key elements of the Scout Method.

Mission of Scouting

The mission of Scouting is to educate and develop young people, through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law, and to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society. This is achieved by

- Involving them throughout their formative years in a non-formal educational process which develop them physically, intellectually, socially and spiritually
- Using the Scout Method that makes each individual the principal agent of his or her development as a self-reliant, supportive, responsible and committed person
- Inculcating in them a value system based upon spiritual, social and personal principles as expressed in the Promise and Law.

Our Vision

“Better Scouting for more young people”

Our vision is to provide quality scouting so as to remain relevant and attractive to more young people as one of the premier uniformed organizations.

Our Motto - “Be Prepared”

It is a constant reminder to all scouts that they have to be prepared for any contingency and to face the uncertainties of the future.

Our Recent Initiatives

To complement the national efforts, SSA has been encouraging the involvement of parents and the community in scouting as we promote the theme **“Scouting builds Families”** and **“Scouting builds Communities”**

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SSA also reaches out to the seniors in the community and encourages active ageing and life-long learning through “***Developing Seniors as resources for Community Scouting***” funded by the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports (MCYS) and administered by Council for Third Age (C3A).

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Girl Guides
Singapore

NAMES OF PRESIDENT'S GUIDE AWARD RECIPIENTS 2010

No	Name	School
1	Li Jia En Nicholette	Dunman High School
2	Heng Li Cheng	Methodist Girl's School (Secondary)
3	Aurelia Chan Hui-En	Nanyang Girls' High School
4	Evie Wong Oi Ling	Nanyang Girls' High School
5	Kwek Shi En, Michelle	Nanyang Girls' High School
6	Leong Kah Mun	Nanyang Girls' High School
7	Lee Su Wen Joanna	Raffles Girls' School (Secondary)
8	Nusaiba D/O Nambiarkandy Abdulla	Seng Kang Secondary School



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NAMES OF PRESIDENT'S SCOUT AWARD RECIPIENTS 2010

No	Name	Scout Unit	School
1	Juno Cho	Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)	Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)
2	Boey Yi Heen	Holy Innocent's Hornet Scout Group	Nanyang Junior College
3	Kenii Takashima	Hwa Chong Scout Group	Hwa Chong Institution
4	Lim Jing Xi	Hwa Chong Scout Group	Hwa Chong Institution
5	Jerrold Soh Tsin Howe	Hwa Chong Scout Group	Hwa Chong Institution
6	Lim Kwan Hong	Catholic High Scout Group	National Junior College
7	Ong Kong Ying	Catholic High Scout Group	Hwa Chong Institution
8	Li Kexin	01 Raffles Scout Group	Raffles Institution
9	Tan Koon Chong	02 Raffles Scout Group	Raffles Institution
10	Kegan Lim Jianhong	Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)	Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)
11	Li Ming Yang	Hwa Chong Scout Group	Hwa Chong Institution
12	Gao Chuanyu	Hwa Chong Scout Group	Hwa Chong Institution
13	Chow Zheng Jie	Hwa Chong Scout Group	Hwa Chong Institution