

Girl Scout's Own : Why do I stay in scouting?

Speaker 1: What have YOU found that keeps you in Scouting?

Speaker 2: SISTERHOOD - friendship with girls (women) who share my experiences and dreams

Speaker 3: ACCEPTANCE - of me and who I am, not because of my position or name or heritage or money or any material thing, but because of ME, for what I can do and for what I AM

Speaker 4: SERVICE – helping those in need gives me a sense of community and pride that I am giving back. It helps me to remember that we all need to help one another through the difficult parts of life.

Speaker 5: FUN – a chance to play, to laugh, to reminisce about good times and silly things we've said and done through the years.

Speaker 6: ADVENTURE – seeking out new things to try, places to go, people to meet, things to learn. I never want to let go of the wonder of a new adventure.

Speaker 7: HAPPINESS - being in scouting gives me a sense of belonging, like a deep well inside me that is overflowing with delight. It's a place I can be safe to be ME.

Speaker 8: APPRECIATION OF NATURE – learning about the earth, the land, the plants and animals, makes me realize that this world is truly a wonder – how it all works together and replenishes itself. I know there will always be more to learn about how to take care of the earth.

Speaker 9: RESPONSIBILITY – I know I am part of a whole, part of a group that supports one another, and with that knowledge I know I have a responsibility to do my part for the troop and the whole world.

Speaker 1 again: Being in scouting keeps us grounded; gives us a link to each other; frames a larger purpose for our lives. May we all be true to its ideals and share this wonder with other young girls and all women of the world.