Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan
2013 Mackinac Island Governor's Honor Guard
Patrol # 7901 - Leadership Application

For Girl Scouts currently in 8th through 12th grades with a minimum of two years of service in the M.I.H.S. program.

The Mackinac Island, Michigan State Commission has selected Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan to serve as the Governor's Honor Guard. Our group, known by the Commission as Patrol #7901 will serve from August 25-Sepember 3, 2012.

Eligibility and Selection:
If you are currently in 8th through 12th grade with a minimum of two years of service in the M.I.H.S. program and are a registered Girl Scout with Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan, you are eligible to apply for the Governor's Honor Guard. Girl Scouts who attend Mackinac Island Honor Scout Service Camp must be trustworthy, responsible and mature.

In order to become a member of the Honor Guard, you must be willing to dedicate yourself to serving the State of Michigan and representing Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan. Your flag duty, guide duty, your service project and even kitchen duties come before personal free time and other selected activities. You will have plenty of free time, but we want you to know **SERVICE** comes first.

Program Fee Information:
The program fee is $275 per girl to cover expenses such as weekend training sites and food, transportation by charter bus to and from the island and food while on the island. If you are selected as a member of this year's Mackinac Island Honor Scouts, you will be able to apply for financial aid if needed.

Girls are required to purchase a dress Unit A uniform and a causal Unit B uniform. Exact uniform requirements will be provided at the orientation meeting in January. The cost is approximately $190 for all items except shoes.

After a girl has been selected and part or the entire total fee has been paid, refunds will be made only if: (1) a replacement girl is available or (2) if we are notified as soon as possible that illness or injury make cancellation necessary. You must follow up with a written request from parent/guardian and provide a physician's statement. Refunds, if given, will be made after our service on Mackinac Island.

Honor Guard Dates to Remember:
If you are selected you must be committed to attending each of the training sessions in addition to Patrol Leader meetings and trainings (dates TBD). If after reviewing your schedule and current commitments, you have verified that you can make a commitment to the program, please apply. If you cannot make the commitment required please reconsider your application.

2013 Training Sessions

Sat., Jan. 20, 2013	Leadership/adults only
Sat., Jan. 26, 2013	Parents and all girls/alternates
Fri., Feb. 22 to Sun., Feb. 24, 2013	All girls including alternates
Sat., Mar. 16, 2013	All girls including alternates
Fri., Apr. 19 to Sun., Apr. 21, 2013	All girls including alternates
Sat., May 18, 2013	All girls including alternates
Sat., June 15, 2013	All girls including alternates
Sat., Aug. 10 to Sun., Aug. 11, 2013	Leadership/adults only
Wed., Aug. 21, 2012 - 6-9 p.m.	Prior to leaving for the island only for girls attending the island.

Optional Reunion: Fri., Nov. 8 to Sun., Nov. 10, 2013

Application Process:
An application and two reference forms(three for Senior Patrol Leader) must be submitted by the deadline for those who wish to apply. *The references must be from non-family members.* They should be from adults to whom you have demonstrated your level of responsibility and maturity. A stamped, addressed envelope should be given to each person you are requesting a reference from. These should **NOT** be returned to you, but mailed directly to the M.I.H.S. Staff Advisor as indicated on the reference form. It is advised that you check with the people in a week or two to be sure that they have not forgotten to send a reference for you.

If you have any questions about the M.I.H.S. program, feel free to contact the M.I.H.S. Co-Directors, Sally Ashley at (248) 627-9286 or Jacquline Jeffery at (734) 660-5921 or Erin S. Mattimoe, Program Specialist, at (800) 497-2688 ext. 7461.

Interviews will be held on November 30 (Friday), December 1 (Saturday) and December 2 (Sunday), 2012. You will receive a phone call to set the time and location for your interview. Please reserve this weekend in your calendar. This is the only time interviews will be conducted.

Deadline: Application & references must be received by November 2, 2012

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Please type or print. Use black or blue ink only.

Attach Current School Photo Here

Name: _____ Current Grade: _____

Street Address: _____ Birth Date: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____ County: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail Address: _____

Troop Leader(s): _____ _____

Troop Number: _____ or ☐ Juliette

Names of Parents/Guardians: (1) _____

(2) _____

Additional sheets may be attached for more information.

1. List previous Girl Scout experiences (Mackinac Island, *destinations*, Great Escapes, etc.):

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2. List community service activities you have participated in (Mackinac Island, food drives, etc.):

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3. Briefly list Girl Scout awards and recognitions received (Silver Award, Gold Award, etc.):

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4. I want to serve as a Mackinac Island Governor's Guard because: *(Attach a separate sheet as needed.)*

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5. Do you have any physical, mental, medical conditions or disabilities that might affect your involvement in this program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

   If "yes," please describe how the condition or disability might affect your involvement, and what can be done to enhance your participation: _____

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6. List the MIHS Interest Project Patches you have earned including American Patriotism and Harbor Lights: _____

7. Do you play an instrument? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "yes," please list: _____

8. Have you served as a Governor's Honor Guard in the past? ☐ Yes ☐ No If "yes," how many years and include dates: _____

9. List your leadership roles outside of MIHS that you think help demonstrate your qualifications for this leadership position and state why:

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10. I would like to apply for the following:

    ☐ Senior Patrol Leader ☐ Patrol Leader
    ☐ Assistant Patrol Leader ☐ Assistant Patrol Leader Relief/Patrol Activity Leader

11. I would like to be in a leadership position for the following reasons: _____

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12. Please list any experience as a Patrol Leader in other troops, or as a leader or officer of another group. Include troop number or group name, length of service, years served and a brief description of your duties.

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13. Explain what you feel should be the duties and responsibilities of the position for which you are applying.

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14. Two references (three for Senior Patrol Leader) must be obtained. One reference should be from a Girl Scout adult. **None** may be from a family member. **Each should be mailed directly to the Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan Staff Advisor, by your reference, no later than November 2, 2012.**

    I have asked the following persons to provide references for me (name and phone number):

    (1) _____

    (2) _____

    (3) _____

15. Attendance is extremely important. Are you fully aware that you will not be allowed to miss Patrol Leader meetings or trainings? ☐ Yes ☐ No

16. If you are not chosen for the position you applied for, will you still want to participate in the M.I.H.S. program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

***Girl Commitment*:** I am interested in being a member of the Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan Mackinac Island Honor Scouts Patrol #7901. I understand, if selected, I will be required to participate in training sessions to prepare for the event. I agree to be a responsible group member and abide by the group decisions and work with the girl and adult leadership for the event. I understand that service is the main responsibility of this program.

Girl Signature: _____ Date: _____

***Parent/Guardian's Permission*:** I give _____ my permission to apply for the Mackinac Island Honor Scout program. I understand that it is the parent/guardian's responsibility to attend the orientation meeting; to provide transportation to trainings and to become familiar with Mackinac Island Honor Scout policies and procedures in order to assist my daughter in carrying out her responsibilities. I also understand the projected expenses. I understand that a complete medical history and physician's physical is also required within the 24 months preceding September 2013 for my daughter to participate.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

This application must be returned to:

Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan
Ann Arbor Regional Center
M.I.H.S. Staff Advisor
1900 Manchester Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Mackinac Island Governor's Honor Guard
Reference Form 2013

Please type or print. Use black or blue ink only.

You will be of great help to both the applicant and the adult staff by answering the following questionnaire in a candid manner and returning this to the address listed on the reverse side by <u>November 2, 2012</u>.

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Reference: _____ Date: _____

The above-named applicant has applied to become a member of the Mackinac Island Governor's Honor Guard program for seven to ten days during next summer. The duties of the Honor Guard are to raise and lower all island flags, assist as guides at the historic buildings and participate in a service project. In addition, the girls will have free time to explore the island and participate in group activities.

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____

   What is your relationship to the applicant? _____

2. Describe the applicant's special strengths and/or skills as they relate to the Mackinac Honor Guard program. Please give specific examples. You may use additional sheets if necessary.

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3. Why would you or would you not recommend this applicant for potential success as a participant in this Mackinac Honor Guard program?

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4. Check one rating in each category to assess the following qualities of the applicant:

5=Exceptional; 4=Above Average; 3=Average; 2=Below Average; 1=Don't Know

	5	4	3	2	1
Is dependable and responsible					
Has poise and ease in meeting people					
Accepts differences in people					
Is able to share ideas/feelings					
Is able to relate well to younger children					
Is able to relate well to peers					
Is able to relate well to adults					
Is adaptable and flexible					
Shows humor and spontaneity					
Is physically fit					
Is able to work well in a group					
Takes initiative/is self-motivated					

Signature: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

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