



## Girl Scout History Society

### News from Cultural Assets

Alison recently attended a Greater Hudson Heritage Network workshop about pest management at the Rockland County Historical Society. Below are the top **5 Pest Management Tips**:

1. Sticky traps are a way to monitor and determine what pests you have within your space. They are not a treatment.
2. Best time to look for issues is during the spring and fall as things are preparing for the change of seasons.
3. Limit windows being open and check seals to prevent pests from being able to enter.
4. Keep areas clean – dust can bring pests!
5. If you think you have a bug or pest problem, call a professional!

Click [HERE](#) to access a great website about pest management with prevention, monitoring, and solution tools. It is also a community with resources for museum and collection people.

If you're in the Hudson Valley area and are interested in attending the next GHHN workshop on July 31st about water damage, you can find more information [HERE](#).

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## Updates

Our next virtual meeting will be Tuesday, July 9th at 4pm EST. The link to join the meeting and agenda will be sent a few days in advance.

To access the Resources web page, click [HERE](#)



Cassie Lee is our summer Collections and Archives Intern at the GSUSA office in New York City. She is a senior at Smith College, pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Art History. Cassie is actively involved on Smith College's campus. She has been elected as House Treasurer twice and has recently been promoted to IT Service Manager at Smith College's Neilson Library. Cassie's favorite course at Smith College is Contemporary and Cultural Art Parks in Brazil, during which she traveled to three cities in Brazil to explore and contextualize the local art within the country's history. She believes that art history is crucial because it offers insights into the imagery we encounter in our daily lives. Cassie is enthusiastic about applying her global art historical knowledge to the Collections and Archives team at the GSUSA. After college, Cassie plans to attend law school to specialize in Commercial Law. In her free time, she enjoys long-distance running, reading books, and exploring different restaurants.

## Collection Highlight



The June summer sun is shining in Savannah!

This month, we're highlighting Juliette Gordon Low's fabric parasol with a carved wooden handle. Before sunscreen, many ladies used parasols to protect their complexion. Parasols were also fashion statements and were sometimes elaborately decorated with lace and tassels. Juliette may have chosen this versatile white parasol because it reflected the sun well, matched any dress, and would not noticeably fade from sunlight. The photograph below shows a young Juliette with a different parasol.





## Katie Finken Gold Award Nebraska

**Girl Scouts of Citrus** opened brand-new Gold Award exhibit in their Women's History and Cultural Center (WHCC). The exhibit, titled **"Going Gold: A Celebration of Girl Scouts' Highest Award,"** is an exploration of the Gold Award. Visitors can discover the history behind the century-old award, as well as the importance it serves in the lives of those who earn it. Featuring the Class of 2024 Gold Award recipients, the exhibition immerses you in the impact Girl Scouts have on their communities and the steps they take to make the world a better place.

Going Gold officially opened on June 6<sup>th</sup> with a grand opening celebration for the 2024 Gold Award Girl Scouts and members of the local community. The exhibit is free to visit and will remain in the WHCC until August 31. After August 31, the exhibit will start traveling out into the community. The banners, which feature the Girl Scouts and their projects, will be located in businesses and organizations around our six counties to help spread awareness about the Girl Scout Gold Award.





## A creative use for excess GS books!

The team from **GS Southern Appalachians Daisy's Place Museum** have a great idea for how to use excess books: make tote bags to offer to leaders at Volunteer Workshops. For example, the "Junior Leader Resources" tote will have a copy of each of the Junior Handbooks from the past. "Outdoor Resources" and "Ceremonies Resources" are also well received. They use excess GS totes, and ask for \$5-\$10 donation per tote, depending on how many books they contain. Hope this helps you find homes for your excess books!

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