



### Khánh-Anh Nguyễn

At Scout meetings, I get bored with the work books. I am excited to go camping. I had good memories with the games we played, the skits we performed, the cooking contest we competed, the food we ate -"Pho" so delicious that I made it all gone so fast-. In exchange, I must sleep uncomfortably on the cold ground, use the messy bathrooms.

#### Anh Thơ Nguyễn

I enjoy being a leader and going to camp. I don't like the work books and the long meetings!!! At Bridging camp last year 2014, I like the games, the skits and most of all the fried chicken! However, there were some inconveniences like the dirty bathroom, the cold during the night. I wish for a bowl of Kim chi noodles. Sometimes, my team didn't work well together. I'll try to change it.

#### Sharon Phan

I like the feeling of being

together, share the games; perform the Tet Dance at Tet Festival. But I think the meeting is long! Being one of the MCs for the Silver Award Ceremony last year was a special experience for me, too.



### Leyna George

I wouldn't say my first day of Girl Scouts was the best ever. I didn't even want to go, first of all. It was all my mother's idea. I thought she didn't mean it when she said that I would go. I just shrugged and walked away. But on that day when she said we're going somewhere, I kept begging to stay home. But she didn't budge. When I arrived, Tr. Tran led me to Troop 4194 where I saw Girl Scouts about my age. I was nervous, scared and wanted to go home but later on, I realized, scouting wasn't so bad after all.

That day, I've befriended a Girl Scout named Bella. She was really nice and funny. Weeks later, I made more friends like Angela, Emily, Lindsey, Clara, Kate and Jenny. I didn't like it there though. I loved it. Now that I've opened up to a new light. I don't think I'll ever quit. I've become a new sister, waiting for what comes. And yes, I'm waiting for many surprising events and moments to experience, that I'll do my best to not miss those opportunities.



## Isabella Trần

Honestly, I didn't really like Girl Scout when I first came. I told my Mom, "Ew, GS!! they're weird! I don't want to go." But then my Grandma who used to be a GS said that scouting was so fun. She described that she went camping, kayaking, mountain climbing and a lot of others interesting stuff. That sparked my interest. But when I came, it was different. After a while. I became used to scout and started liking it even though the uniforms aren't really swaggy! Ha! Ha! I made bonds I could not break. I also learned things such as don't judge things until you try it. I went from a scout who didn't know how to do a square knot to a scout who know how to put up a tent.



Scouting has a sense of brotherhood. I really like it when we go camping, especially Thieu Camp or Bridging Camp. It's fun when we can hang out with other scout troops. Bridging Camp was one of the most fun camps of scouting I ever had! It inspired me to be a leader to the incoming Juniors. I really liked the games and how it required teamwork. I got to meet different people from different troops I have never met. It was amazing and I am excited to be with new people, like Leyna. I look forward to going to more camps in the future.



Seed ball making at Bolsa Chica Wet Land



#### Minh Tường Lương

In Girl Scout, I can make new friends and have fun! Going to Girl Scout

meetings, I have to come early!

# Christine Nguyễn

My favorite part about Bridging Camp is our sleeping in the tent. We told each other a scary story (Jenny) while munching hotcheetos. It was very scary that I screamed once in a while Kate was so scared that she wanted mufflers to cover her ears. We also recorded a hilarious conversation of our neighbors next door (I meant next tent). Camp was fun!!!



Origami for Kid



Earth Day Clean Up



Silver Project at Aliso Viejo Library





#### Clara Lý

Hi! My name is Clara Ly. I'm in Troop 4194. I love scouts because the leaders are very nice. We do fun things, have camps, sell cookies and have fun. When we have meetings, we are at the park. I like the park because we are outside and not trapped inside a room. At camp, we have campfires and it is super fun. When I sell cookies, I get to learn how to be braver and more out into the community. I also like the scouts because we do fun things, celebrations, and we also get rewards when we are good. Recently, we learned how to tie knots, sing songs, and a 35 vear anniversary for Girl Scout and Boy Scout. I also love how we get to have lots of fun events in scouts such as Christmas carols and lots of other things you get to do with the troop. Later on in scouts, I want to earn my Silver Award, my Gold Award, become a leader. Scout is a fun place to be. Instead of being a couch potato, you can go outside and have fun. Although sometimes you may not want to go to scouts,

you should because your friends can cheer you up there. Also, when you have friends around, it's funnier and you feel less bored so you feel happy that you actually came to scouts today. At scouts, you meet new people and many new friends. Sometimes I feel lazy and don't want to wake up super early to go to scouts. Even though sometimes I have special plans on Saturday, I go to scouts first. Most of the time, I don't feel like doing the flag ceremonies because I feel like it is boring. Also, I don't like waking up early on the weekends or do anything in the morning. I think I have done that for two years now so I am pretty used to doing it. Sometimes, I give up/sacrifice my time with my family. I'm sad to leave my home in the mornings. I think scouts would be a lot better if I could wake up a little later like at 10:00am. Furthermore, I can barely wake up at 7:00am to go to school. Scouts may not be fun sometimes but there are things in life you need to like or learn to like it, especially if you're going to be in scouts for a long time. There are some things I like about scouts and don't, but scout can be fun either way.



Happy Birthday TS



friendship and memories for a lifetime.



## Emily Ngô

I am 11 years old and a member of Cadette Troop 4194. I have been in Scout since I was 6. When I first joined Scout I was shy and afraid. I am now more energetic and outgoing. My brother and sister are in Scout too. What I think about Girl Scout? Well! I can make new friends; bonding with girls of my age and feel I belong. Scout has taught me how to be respectful, responsible and safe. I have discovered a world full of fun experiences and new activities. Scout has helped me to gain more confidence. I love to go camping with my troop. I like to go out and enjoy nature. I learned to be independent and practice leadership



skills, do good deeds and be happy with what I have. Getting up early is a challenge for me but because I do love Girl Scout so I can sacrifice a few hours of sleeping. Bridging Camp was like an adventure for me. This year I bridge from Junior to Cadette. Camp was fun. I felt a little sorry when we had to go home. In conclusion, Scout is a wonderful place to build skills and confidence while making.

# Jenny Trần

Hello to my GS sisters! To me, Girl Scout is a good way to spend your time. You can meet new people that soon becoming like your sisters. You can do the fun activities that the leaders arrange. We spend quality time together. But you have to wake up early to get to the meeting on time. I'd rather spend my Saturday first and then go to GS later.

At Bridging Camp, we were split into separate teams and did pretty fun activities. The best part was eating Vietnamese noodles (Pho). At night, in the tent I slept with Kate and Christine, I told scary stories and Kate freaked out. My favorite place was the lake where we fed the ducks with Doritos. I also liked the part when we go to the campfire and performed our skits. I liked the "Cinderella" skit. After that we had to go home! I am looking forward to the next bridging camp to have more fun with my GS sisters!

### Lindsey Hồ

I have been in Scout for like 3 or 4 years. I like to sell cookies. I have no activity on Saturday, so going to Scout help me to be active and have fun with my friend Clara as well as other girls. If it wasn't for Scout, I'll be at home being the lazy person I am on Saturday. I like my Trưởng there. They are nice. Only that in Cadette we don't get snacks anymore and we have to sing Vietnamese songs. I like camping. Bridging Camp was fun because we had cooking contest, the games, the skits, and the food. The only thing that I did not like was when the other girls in the tent were talking a lot. They woke us up early in the morning.



Các em tập múa

## Wendy Trần

Truong Son brings joy to us all. I remember the camping trips and events we had and all the holidays we celebrate. Truong Son is different, yet similar to other troops. In my opinion, Truong Son is the best troop. In Girl Scouts, all the girls do fun events like cooking or may be sleepovers. All the girls lend a helping hand and same to everyone in Truong Son. Nobody is left out. When my friend is doing her Silver Award project, it is fun helping out. Truong Son is my family. They are my brothers and sisters. It has been a wonderful thirty-five years for Truong Son and a wonderful three years for me. I already feel at home on my first day. The troop leaders encourage me to try my best and my friends are sisters to me. All I got to say now is Happy Thirty Fifth Anniversary!





#### Kate Hoàng

Girl Scouts

When I was in fifth grade, I joined Girl Scouts. Since I didn't know anyone there and didn't know what we were supposed to do, I didn't like it. When I started working on the Agent of Change in the Journey book, it was kind of interesting to me. When I had to work on the Silver Award, I didn't really like it because it seemed like too much work and I'm lazy. It felt good completing the project, though. When I joined Cadettes Troop, it was more fun because I was more connected to my friends. The sleepover at Truong's house was

pretty fun. Overall, I have mixed feelings about Girl Scouts, like one time I don't like it and the other I do.



# Angela Ngô

Cadette Girl Scout? I really like our uniforms, it's cute. Our troop location is nice, too. It's pretty and very shady. I enjoy meeting new friends, the activities that we did with the group, learning new things. Sometimes, our group tend to be somewhat "antisocial"?! However, I like my friends here. They are nice and cooperative.



Lien Doan Camp 2011

