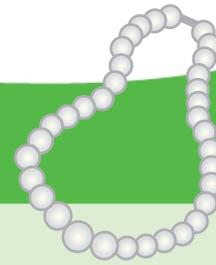


Invest in You

Pearl Necklace Activity - Celebrating 100 Years of Girl Scouts



Girl Scouts learn the importance of setting goals to help others inspired by Juliette Gordon Low's dedication to Girl Scouting, as brought to life in the story about selling her magnificent pearls.



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... reflects on the story of Juliette Low (Daisy) selling her precious and valuable pearls to keep the Girl Scout organization alive. Each girl will get a "pearl" necklace to help them remember that Daisy sold her necklace to invest in each one of them! Then, each girl will be encouraged to follow in Daisy's footsteps by committing to keep Daisy's dream alive by "giving back" through a Girl Scout service or Take Action project. Girls write their project on a giant paper pearl, which they will tape to the wall to form a giant pearl necklace that Daisy would be especially proud of.

Supplies:



- ◆ Inexpensive faux "pearl" necklaces (from a party supply store - or search online for "plastic pearl necklaces bulk"). One per girl.
- ◆ Giant paper pearl (see art below). One per girl.
- ◆ Daisy's Pearls (Story provided below)
- ◆ Pens, Colored Pencils or Markers
- ◆ Tape
- ◆ Scissors



Daisy's Pearls

Juliette Gordon Low was the lady who started Girl Scouts back in 1912. Her nickname was Daisy. When she started Girl Scouts, Daisy used her own money to pay for everything, including paying the office workers who helped her with Girl Scouts. In the year 1915, she really needed more money to keep running the Girl Scouts. To get the money she needed to run it for another year, she sold a magnificent pearl necklace that she dearly loved. No sacrifice was too great. She gave generously of her time and money so that girls could experience everything Girl Scouting has to offer.

As a Girl Scout, you can continue her legacy by giving back to others, or to your community, through Take Action projects using your time along with some of your Girl Scout cookie earnings to fund your project. Today, we want to create a Giant Pearl Necklace in honor of Juliette Low's inspiring story. Think of a Take Action project that your group/troop is working on (or could possibly work on) and write it on the giant paper pearl. Then let's add your pearl to the giant necklace on the wall. (Encourage girls to offer suggestions for Take Action projects, or to share stories with the group about Girl Scout projects that their group/troop is involved with, to get some ideas flowing).

Source: GSUSA Website (http://girlscouts.org/who_we_are/history/low_biography/)

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Juliette Low's Legacy

- ◆ Invite girls to sit at tables or in a circle on the floor.
- ◆ Hand each girl a faux pearl necklace along with a giant paper pearl and a pair of scissors and pencils or markers.
- ◆ Suggest that girls cut out their giant pearl, while you share a story about the pearls. Read ***Daisy's Pearls*** to Girls.
- ◆ Emphasize the example that Daisy set by investing in them and helping others. Invite girls to share examples of things they have done, might do, or are planning to do that involve helping other people, or helping their community.
- ◆ Encourage girls to write one of their ideas or plans on their giant pearl using the colored pencils or markers.
- ◆ Show girls where they can tape their pearl to the wall, to help form a giant pearl necklace that would make Daisy proud!

Group/Troop #
