UnPack-It

Fall 2026

A bi-annual resource designed to help Girl Scouts of Orange County leaders and parents better understand aspects of the Global Girl Scout program

WELCOME to our first edition of UnPack-It. Watch a short video here that explains the goals and value of this amazing resource! Meet your resource experts Christine and Lisa. This issue focuses on a very special Girl Scout event that happens every February 22... World Thinking Day!

HERE'S THE 411 ON WORLD THINKING DAY (WTD)!

- Held every year on February 22 because that was the birthday of both Lord and Lady Baden-Powell, the founders of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides.
- It is a day to celebrate international friendship and take action to make our world a better place.
- 2026 marked the 100th anniversary of World Thinking Day.
- WTD is celebrated by Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world.
- Girls can earn the World Thinking Day Award.

UNDERSTANDING WAGGGS

Perhaps you have heard of WAGGGS...the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. As Girl Scouts in Orange County, we are part of the more than 11 million Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world living in 153 countries! WAGGGS just celebrated its 100th birthday last year. Its headquarters are in London, England. Click here to learn more about WAGGGS.

WORLD THINKING DAY RESOURCES

Each year, the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) selects a theme for World Thinking Day. This year's theme (2027) is "Our People". Both Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) and the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) create annual resources to help girls and volunteers learn about and participate in World Thinking Day activities.

World Thinking Day 2027 Activity Guide for Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors created by GSUSA

World Thinking Day 2027 Activity Guide for Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors created by GSUSA

Global Action Days Toolkit (pages 12-13) created by GSUSA

HOW TO EARN THE WORLD THINKING DAY AWARD

Four easy steps, all of which can be found in the World Thinking Day Activity Guide:

1. Explore what World Thinking Day is all about.
2. Experience it with purpose by taking part in meaningful activities (found in the guide).
3. Investigate this year's theme "Our People".
4. Share what you have learned and commit to building a better world.

After you have completed these four steps, you can purchase your World Thinking Day 2027 Award either through the GSOC shop or through GSUSA.

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? THOUGHTS?

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