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Legislator Browning Honors Girl Scout Mackenzie Sorgie Upon Receiving Gold Award



(Legislator Kate Browning, left, Gold Award recipient Mackenzie Sorgie, right, and Mackenzie's great grandmother Laurretta Schneider, center.)

Smithtown, NY - On Monday, June 2nd, eighteen-year-old Mackenzie Sorgie of Shirley was awarded the Girl Scout Gold Award at the Watermill in Smithtown. Legislator Kate Browning (WF-Shirley) was proud to join fellow Girls Scouts, friends and family to honor Mackenzie for her achievement.

Mackenzie's project entailed making activity books, 1500 craft kits and 60 spa bags. She then organized a Mad Hatter Tea Party to raise funding for the replacement of video games in the media room at the Pediatric Ward at Stony Brook Hospital. Mackenzie's inspiration for her project came from watching a former troop member battle cancer. Because of all the time cancer patients spend in treatment, they miss out on a lot of the things other children their age take for granted. Mackenzie decided to do something for the kids in the hospital to help take their minds off of their difficult challenges.

Mackenzie is currently going to college to become a Recreational Therapist and is a Girl Scout leader to 28 Daisies.

"Mackenzie is a great leader to her peers and is setting an amazing example for her generation to follow," stated Legislator Kate Browning. "I was proud to help celebrate her award and I know she will continue to be a tremendous asset for our area."