

GENERATIONS TOGETHER

Generations Together, a GSMBC patch program, may be earned by Brownie through Senior Girl Scouts. Through participation in the **Generations Together** patch program girls will gain:

- Increased understanding of social consciousness for people of all ages
- An understanding and an appreciation for the differences in generational attitudes
- Development of communication skills
- An understanding of the past as related by people who experienced those times

Patch Requirements: All three of the following requirements (#1- #3) must be completed.

1. Girls must complete at least four of the following activities that demonstrate signs of aging.
 - Cataracts and other eye conditions may result in blurred vision. Place a pair of eyeglasses (smeared with petroleum jelly) onto the lens, try to write a check.
 - Older people tend to get bunions and other foot conditions that make them unable to with comfort. Place 10-15 uncooked pinto beans into your shoes and try to walk.
 - The elderly tend to get arthritis in their hands and joints. Place a pair of gloves on and button a shirt.
 - Some older people may have slurred speech. Stuff marshmallows into your mouth and try to say a poem to them trying your best to make them understand what you are saying.
 - With a walker, try mopping the floor. This symbolizes how a person feels after a stroke or car accident.
 - Finger movement can be restricted by the use of large rubber bands. Take a blank check and write a check to yourself. This is to heighten awareness of disabilities that may restrict mobility.

2. Talk about the appropriate language that should be used when relating to elderly or disabled people.

Passing Language	Failing Language
She walks with crutches	She has to use crutches or is on crutches
Disability	Handicap, crippled, challenged, differently abled
He has multiple sclerosis	He is a victim of multiple sclerosis
She has cerebral palsy	She's spastic or crippled
He has a head injury	He is brain damaged or an invalid
She has AIDS or tested HIV positive	She's and AIDS victim
He has a speech impairment	He's a mute, stutters, or talks funny
She has a learning disability	She's learning disabled or stupid
He has a psychological disability or or a mental case	He's crazy, psycho, wack-o, looney, a mental case.
She has had her disability since birth	She has a birth defect or has been deformed since birth.
He is deaf or hard of hearing	He's deaf and dumb or a deaf mute
Sign language interpreter	Deaf interpreter or she talks for him
Non-disabled or able-bodied	Normal or whole person
She has a seizure disorder	She's an epileptic or has fits
He has a spinal curvature	He's a hunchback or humpback
She has arthritis	She is arthritic or suffers from arthritis
He has mental retardation	He's retarded, stupid or slow
She uses a wheelchair	She's wheelchair-bound, confined to a wheelchair, or can't walk

3. Adopt an assisted living facility, a nursing home, or an individual Senior Citizen or do a service project for the facility or person. Let the council know which one you selected, person talked to name and address and phone number of facility.

After these requirements have been met please submit the following participation list and patch order form to:

Girl Scout of Moccasin Bend Council, Inc.
Attn: Program Director
PO Box 15969
Chattanooga, TN 37415-0969.

Patches must be earned between October 1, and May 1 of the current Girl Scout year.

If you have any questions, please call Program Director at (423) 877-2688 or 1-800-446-2472 ext. 224 or email me at: cbrady@mbgsc.org