



Recap – May 7, 2019 Luncheon Mtg
Barbara Hill - Girl Scouts
Noon-University Club

Meeting started at 12:15pm with the Pledge and Prayer
Broke for lunch
Reconvened at 12:48pm



Announcements:

1. No guests
2. Happy Bucks
3. Legacy Pledge is for the G.R. Lions Foundation. This pledge is included in your Will, Trust or Life Insurance Policy. At our annual meeting, June 12 at the Cascade Country Club, those Lions that have designated \$25,000 or more will be recognized. Any questions or comments can be directed to Pat Mullen pmullen@mullencoins.com
4. Choose Your Coast Raffle is Trip for 2!!! Airfare, four days, three nights with hotel in New York, San Francisco, Miami or Seattle. \$20/ticket or 6/\$100 **Need not be present to win!!!** Deadline is June 7, 2019. Contact: ABVI for more details. Phone: (616) 458-1187.

Program:

1. History of Grand Rapids Lions will be the years of 1990-1999 including the start of golf outing fundraiser, presented by Lion Jamie Junod.

2. Speaker: Barbara Hill, Girl Scouts



Ms Hill has a master's in Social Work. She has been in Grand Rapids for 8 years as the Chief Executive Officer of Girls Scouts. She was born in a small town outside of Pittsburgh, PA. and moved to Chicago, where she first became a girl scout and her Mom was her leader. In high school she was a runner/hurdler and very introverted. Being in the girl scouts, gave her confidence and leadership that lead her to apply for a job on the board of Girl Scouts in Chicago after college. Her first position on the board was in Saginaw MI. Her territory went all the way from Saginaw to Alpena. When she first started on the board, there were 13 counselors and they merged their duties and territories down to just 3 in the state. These mergers had Ms Hill moving all over the world. She worked in Japan, S. Korea and Okinawa working with the military and corporate families. A fun fact, 47% of girl scouts never lived in the United States and another fact is that the Girl Scouts are now a part of United Way. Today, Ms Hill is now in charge of all of Michigan, shore to shore. (17,000 miles of Michigan). There are 7,000 girls and 1800 volunteers here in Michigan. Today, the Girl Scouts are 107 years old and there are 1.7 million Girl Scouts nationally. The Girl Scout Mission is to help build girls confidence that apply to real world situations. The skills and patches they earn are still the basic life skills for girls. It promotes confidence with the 3 C's of G.S.: Confidence, Character and Courage. The girl scouts were recently part of the S.T.E.M. robotics/legos contest and came in fourth. The automotive companies are looking at these girls as someone in the future to hire. Even selling the cookies promotes entrepreneurship showing money skills, planning how and where to sell. It makes them feel that they are the CEO of their own life. Currently, there are 72% of the female senators that were girl scouts. 100% of the female that have been Secretary of State were Girl Scouts. Several were astronauts and many other occupations.

Adjourned 1:32
Respectfully Submitted
Lion Cheryl Anderson