



# DIFFerENT Shoe Day

## February 22, 2012

**Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines**  
6901 Pinecrest Road, Raleigh, NC 27613  
1-800-284-4475 or 1-919-782-3021



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# World Thinking Day: The National Girl Scout Way of Celebrating Diversity



Girl Scouts of the United States of America actively promotes pluralism, or the belief that it is socially beneficial for numerous distinct ethnic, religious, or cultural groups to be present and tolerated within a society. Each year around February 22nd, Girl Scouts throughout the Nation can demonstrate their appreciation and acceptance of this diversity during “World Thinking Day”.

This special day was chosen because February 22nd is also the birthday of Lord and Lady Baden Powell, who are the founders of the Scouting movement. Girl Scouts and Girl Guides in countries throughout the world take time on this day to learn about each other, think of each other, and exchange greetings. Historically, this has also been a time for girls to contribute to the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund. The Fund supports:

- International wider opportunities for girls in the United States to travel overseas or for girls from other countries to come to GSUSA events;
- Activities and maintenance of the WAGGGS Four World Centers;
- Mutual aid to other WAGGGS member countries, helping them to afford new equipment, training, and the hiring of new staff; and
- The annual GSUSA contribution to the WAGGGS World Thinking Day Fund, which helps to improve Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting around the world in many ways.

Send your contributions to:

Girl Scouts of the USA  
Juliette Low World Friendship Fund  
P.O. Box 19611A  
Newark, NJ 07195-0611

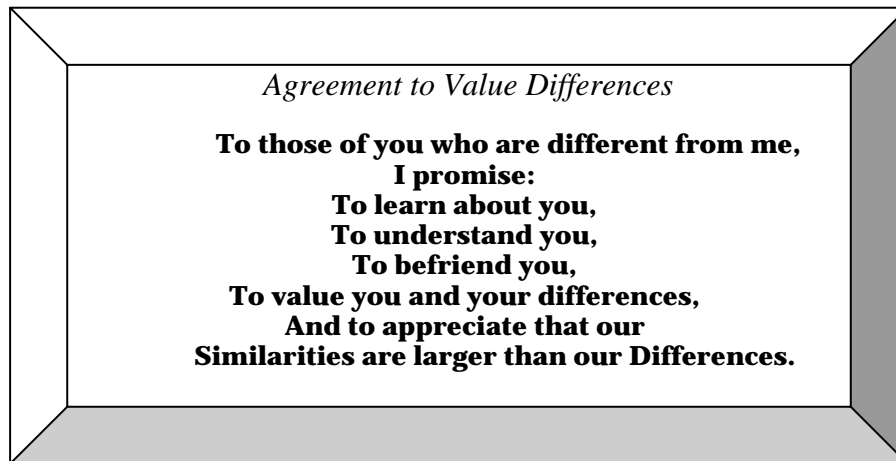
Please make checks payable to Girl Scouts of the USA. All checks should note that the money is designated for the JLWFF.

World Thinking Day reinforces the importance of diversity and acceptance, which truly are the core values of our organization. Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines appreciates World Thinking Day and we encourage girls to participate in a variety of activities that promote learning about diverse cultures, backgrounds, nationalities, and ethnicities on this day and throughout the year. One resource we offer in celebration of World Thinking Day and diversity awareness is the Different Shoe Day patch program.

## Different Shoe Day for Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines

The Girl Scout family not only consists of members of a troop, an area, or a council; but also includes a network of people from all over the world. This family unit makes Girl Scouting a unique place for girls to grow and understand not only themselves but others around them. This booklet contains many activities that girls of all ages can use to learn about and appreciate cultural diversity. On February 22nd, Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines can celebrate diversity by participating in Different Shoe Day. This activity encourages girls to demonstrate their commitment to accepting and valuing others by wearing two different shoes to school, to work, or to play. This symbolic gesture may cause an onlooker to ask why you are wearing two different shoes. This is an opportunity to communicate the importance of valuing people of all cultures, all ethnic groups, all races, and all abilities. Participating in any of the Different Shoe Day activities can do so much to spread positive feelings of goodwill and acceptance. We can make a difference in our neighborhood and our community. It's truly a "step" in the right direction!

The program guidelines and other pertinent information regarding Different Shoe Day are contained in this packet. Spend a moment or two reading through the pages and then join Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines' celebration of World Thinking Day and Different Shoe Day.





## **Different Shoe Day**

### **GUIDELINES and ACTIVITIES**

Participation is easy and the activities are FUN! Simply do at least two of the activities on or before February 22, 2011. Through these interactive activities girls will enjoy celebrating the diversity of people. To receive the Different Shoe Day patch, complete your activities then send in the enclosed evaluation, patch order form, and payment to the Raleigh council shop.

1. Wear two DIFFERENT SHOES to school on February 22, 2012.
  - a. Ask school principals in your area for their permission for children to wear two different shoes on February 22nd.
  - b. Girls and adults sign their own “Agreement to Value Differences” card. These can be copied as needed. Cards are provided with this packet.
  - c. Using the agreement sheet (English and Spanish versions enclosed), girls and adults collect as many signatures as possible from friends, family members, and fellow Girl Scouts and encourage others to participate. Persons who sign should be given their own “Agreement to Value Differences” card to carry on February 22nd. Girls and adults turn in their agreement sheets so troop leaders can tally number of participants.
  - d. **Each participant should wear two different shoes on February 22nd.**
  - e. Sign and date your personal agreement card and carry it with you on February 22nd.
  - f. Use the information from completed agreement sheets to complete the tally sheet on the back and mail to:

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2. Host an international food festival. Cook dishes from around the world. This event could be a community event or held for just Girl Scouts.
3. Create a culture collage: girls can work on this collage either about one culture they have studied or about various cultures. The collage should demonstrate the similarities and differences of the culture(s) to their own. Have a discussion about similarities and differences in cultures around the world and talk about tolerance, understanding, and appreciation.
4. Dare to mix it up! At lunch, during church, or at another event sit with a different group of people that you don’t know. Learn about their favorite music group, their ideal vacation, their favorite animal, etc. Ask them questions like “You’re the principal, what is the first class you drop? First class you add?”.
5. Hold a cultural game day. Girls can either bring games that they play from their own culture or study a specific game from a country in which they are interested. As each game is being played, the significance of it should also be discussed. This is a great way for girls to have fun while learning about other people!
6. Get together with your troop and plan a trip to a farm to discover how various crops are produced and how animals are raised for food. Ask the farmers about food production and their “best practices” for producing healthy food for consumption. Keep a record of your experiences and share this with your troop.

7. Make a friend(s) with people of other cultures through a pen pal program, international exchange program, community events, or cultural organization. If possible, have this person visit your troop meeting.
8. Ask each girl to identify an older person or a person from another country who has positively impacted her life. Through a drawing, poetry, story telling, or acting, have girls express how this person positively enriched their lives. Have girls answer questions such as: How is the world a better place because of this person? What contribution has this person made to your family or community?
9. Learn different dances and explore music from around the world. You could ask each girl to bring in music they like to listen to and then listen to music from other countries. It would be great to talk about the different musical sounds the girls hear.
10. Find out what organizations are working in your community to address hunger and which people are affected by it the most. Work with an organization to organize a food drive or contribute to one that is ongoing.
11. Attend a community event to learn about different cultural dances, food, clothes, or costumes, traditions, history, etc. At the end of the event, share with your group or family at least two things you learned and your favorite part of the day. If your family was asked to participate in a cultural community event, are there any family traditions you would want to share? If your family doesn't have any traditions, can you think of one that you might want to start? If so, share it with your family!

Did you know the Brownie Girl Scout Try-It, Junior Girl Scout badge, and Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scout interest project books are resources that can be used to help earn the Different Shoe Day patch and Try-Its, badges, or interest projects or parts of them? Check out page 8 of the Brownie Girl Scout book for the "Brownie Girl Scouts Around the World" Try-It. Junior Girl Scouts could work on the "Global Awareness" or "Humans and Habitats" badges on pages 14-17 of the Junior Girl Scout Badge Book. There are many parts of interest projects that Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts could complete, such as "A World of Understanding", pages 108-109, or "Folk Arts", pages 122-123.

For all girls who complete at least two of the above activities, Different Shoe Day patches are available and a patch order form is enclosed. A patch may be purchased for each troop participant. For those who participated during the past several years, there is a "2<sup>nd</sup> year", "3<sup>rd</sup> year", "4<sup>th</sup> year", "5<sup>th</sup> year", "6<sup>th</sup> year", "7<sup>th</sup> year", and "8<sup>th</sup> year" strip that goes below the patch.

To assist in our efforts to publicize this council-wide event, please contact the Communications & Marketing Director at (800) 284-4475 or your area Media Coordinator to inform her of your plans for Different Shoe Day. We want to hear all the wonderful things you are doing to celebrate diversity!

We urge you to complete the evaluation form on the back of the patch order form and mail it to the Raleigh Service Center. It is our only method of tracking how many people agreed to value differences and measure the participation on Different Shoe Day.

***Have Fun and Enjoy our Celebration of Diversity!***

**Troop Leader:  
Return by March 26, 2012**

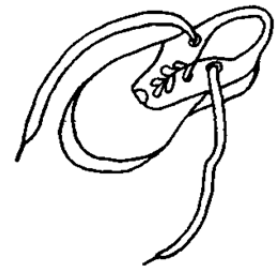
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*Festejen*

# *El Día de Zapatos Distintos*

**Es un tiempo para mostrar nuestra dedicación a apreciar a todas las personas.**

## Acuerdo de Apreciar Nuestras Diferencias



*A aquellos quienes  
son diferentes que yo,  
a tratar de conocerte y  
entenderte, ser tu amigo,  
apreciar a tí y a tus  
diferencias, y reconocer  
que nuestras semejanzas  
exceden nuestras  
diferencias.*

El día 22 de febrero de 2012, yo, \_\_\_\_\_, llevaré dos zapatos distintos en apoyo de mi acuerdo de apreciar diferencias. Trataré de hablar con mis amistades sobre **El Día de Zapatos Distintos**.

Kinder- Grados 1 (Daisy)

Grados 6-8 (Cadette)

Grados 2-3 (Brownie)

Grados 9-10 (Senior)

Grados 4-5 (Junior)

Grados 11-12 (Ambassador)

Adulto

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firma

**Me gustaría participar!** Acepto el Acuerdo de Apreciar Nuestras Diferencias y me gustaría participar en **el Día de Zapatos distintos el día 22 de febrero de 2012.**  
**Usaré dos zapatos distintos y llevaré mi tarjeta de acuerdo.**

**Nombre**

**Firma**

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Favor de completar y devolver esta forma a tu Troop Leader.



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Celebrate

# DiFferEnt Shoe Day

## Agreement Sheet

A day to demonstrate our commitment to embracing all peoples.

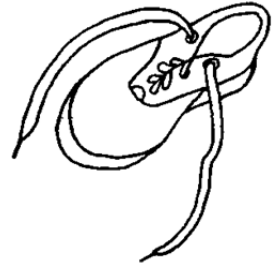
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On February 22, 2012, I, \_\_\_\_\_, will be wearing two different shoes as a symbol of my support to value differences. I will try to spread the word about *Different Shoe Day*.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kindergarten- Grade 1 (Daisy) | <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 6-8 (Cadette)      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 2-3 (Brownie)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 9-10 (Senior)      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 4-5 (Junior)           | <input type="checkbox"/> Grades 11-12 (Ambassador) |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Adults                    |

*Signature*

***I'd like to participate!*** I accept the *Agreement to Value Differences* and would like to participate in Different Shoe Day on February 22, 2012. I will be wearing two different shoes and carrying my *Agreement* card.

**Name**

**Signature**

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. _____</li> <li>2. _____</li> <li>3. _____</li> <li>4. _____</li> <li>5. _____</li> <li>6. _____</li> <li>7. _____</li> <li>8. _____</li> </ol>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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Please return the completed agreement sheet to your **Troop Leader**

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TALLY SHEET - DIFFERENT SHOE DAY 2011

Complete and mail to: Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines, 6901 Pinecrest Road, Raleigh, NC 27613

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_

Level (circle one): D B J C S A

Area/County: \_\_\_\_\_

Leader's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-leader's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of troop participants \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of participants (including family, friends, community, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

If your school participated, list name of school \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Multiple horizontal lines for writing comments.



Please complete the evaluation on the back side of this form.



# Different Shoe Day Evaluation

*Please have each girl in your troop vote and record their answers to the following questions about their experience with Different Shoe Day. Your comments are an invaluable part of our patch program. Thank you for taking the time to fill out this form.*

**Troop Information:**

How many girls in your Troop are:

\_\_\_\_\_ African-American    \_\_\_\_\_ American Indian or Alaskan native    \_\_\_\_\_ Asian or Pacific Islander  
\_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic; regardless of race    \_\_\_\_\_ White    \_\_\_\_\_ Other

**Grade Level of your troop:**

Daisy                  Brownie                  Junior                  Cadette                  Senior                  Ambassador

Which Activities did you participate in: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Activity Information:**

*Please tally the girls' responses and put the number on the appropriate line. Thank you.*

1. The topic and activities for Different Shoe Day were interesting to me:

\_\_\_\_\_strongly agree    \_\_\_\_\_agree    \_\_\_\_\_uncertain    \_\_\_\_\_disagree    \_\_\_\_\_strongly disagree

2. The activities made me think about things that I never thought about before:

\_\_\_\_\_strongly agree    \_\_\_\_\_agree    \_\_\_\_\_uncertain    \_\_\_\_\_disagree    \_\_\_\_\_strongly disagree

3. The activities helped me better understand and value people of different backgrounds:

\_\_\_\_\_strongly agree    \_\_\_\_\_agree    \_\_\_\_\_uncertain    \_\_\_\_\_disagree    \_\_\_\_\_strongly disagree

4. I liked this program:

\_\_\_\_\_strongly agree    \_\_\_\_\_agree    \_\_\_\_\_uncertain    \_\_\_\_\_disagree    \_\_\_\_\_strongly disagree

5. I will continue to promote positive attitudes toward people of all backgrounds after Different Shoe Day:

\_\_\_\_\_strongly agree    \_\_\_\_\_agree    \_\_\_\_\_uncertain    \_\_\_\_\_disagree    \_\_\_\_\_strongly disagree

**\*\*\*\*\*Please include this evaluation with your PATCH ORDER FORM or mail it to the Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines\*\*\*\*\***

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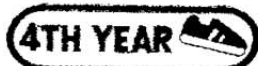
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**Different Shoe Day 2011**



*Patch Order Form*

1<sup>st</sup> Year



Please send me:

- \_\_\_\_\_ # of 1<sup>st</sup> Year Different Shoe Day patches
- \_\_\_\_\_ # of 2<sup>nd</sup> year segments
- \_\_\_\_\_ # of 3<sup>rd</sup> year segments
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- \_\_\_\_\_ # of 6<sup>th</sup> year segments
- \_\_\_\_\_ # of 7<sup>th</sup> year segments
- \_\_\_\_\_ # of 8<sup>th</sup> year segments



Total 1<sup>st</sup> year patches ordered # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$1.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Additional year segments ordered # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$.75 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 NC Sales Tax (6.75% of subtotal) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping and handling: = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (see chart below)

Total amount enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Patches are available at the Fayetteville, Goldsboro, and Raleigh Council Shops. Mail and phone orders are also accepted. For Mail Orders, send order form with check to:

Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines  
 6901 Pinecrest Road  
 Raleigh, NC 27613  
 Attn: Council Shop

Make checks payable to: Girl Scouts – North Carolina Coastal Pines

**Mail patches to:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Area \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level D B J C S A

**Shipping & Handling Charges**

Purchase Amount	Shipping Charge
Up to \$25.00	\$ 5.95
\$25.01 to \$50.00	\$ 7.95
\$50.01 to \$75.00	\$ 9.95
\$75.01 to \$100.00	\$ 11.95
\$100.01 to \$200.00	\$ 14.95
\$200.01 to \$300.00	\$ 20.95
\$300.01 to \$500.00	\$ 25.95
Over \$500.00	\$ 45.95

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