

World Thinking Day

I confess. Despite being a Girl Scout as a girl, and despite being a Girl Scout leader to some of my daughters, I never heard of World Thinking Day before coming to GSCWM as CEO.

I did hear Girl Scouts referred to as a "sisterhood". But as a Girl Scout member, girls are literally connected to other girls across the world as part of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

Since 1926, every year on February 22 Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from 150 countries celebrate **World Thinking Day**. It's a unique and special day when girls explore the global dimensions of Girl Scouting and celebrate with girls all over the world by exploring activities around a shared theme. This year's World Thinking Day theme is **Peacebuilding**.

What I find so fabulous about World Thinking Day is that I'm part of an organization that cares enough about the world, about the global community, that they have their very own

holiday to celebrate our connection. It's important and it's easy to be wrapped up in your own community but how cool to take the time, on a special day once each year, to pause and think about what the rest of the world is up to. It says a lot about our organization.

I hope you will take some time to think about what you can do to make your home, your community and the world a more peaceful place. And definitely check out the World Thinking Day 2021 activity pack.

Happy World Thinking Day!

Sincerely,
Pattie Hallberg, CEO
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