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Scholarship Awarded to Outstanding Orthodox Scout



The Metropolis of Atlanta is pleased to cogratulate one of our young people, Elizabeth Schisler (Annunciation, Montgomery, AL).

Elizabeth has been awarded a scholarship of $1,000 after being selected from a nationwide group of young women who received both the Gold Scout Award from the Girl Scouts, as well as the highest Eastern Orthodox Christian Scouting religious award, the Alpha Omega medal.

Elizabeth has faithfully served her parish, helping to clean the church after Sunday Liturgy and (for her Girl Scout Silver Award project) renovated key facilities. She attended Northside Methodist Academy in Dothan, where she received significant academic distinctions and excelled in athletics. This February, she organized a community “Leap Day” run that raised thousands of dollars for a local children’s hospital, and recently organized a successful fund-raiser for a teacher with cancer, by running a half-marathon.

Elizabeth was a member of Girl Scout Troop 9124 in Ozark. Along with engaging in many outdoor, civic, and leadership activities, she carried out a Gold Award project to build literacy among a large group of elementary-school children. The organization plans to run the program again in summers to come. This autumn, Elizabeth will be attending the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, majoring in Athletic Training with hopes of going on to medical school after graduation.

The EOCS is an agency of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the USA. Formed in 1960, it coordinates the Eastern Orthodox Christian Scouting program in America and serves as the officially recognized representative of the Eastern Orthodox Church for both the Boy Scouts of America and Girl Scouts of the USA. For more info visit the EOCS website at www.eocs.org. Applications for the 2021 Scholarship will be accepted from January 1 – May 1, 2021; see www.eocs.org/scholarship or contact Dr. Miriam E. Kotsonis, EOCS Scholarship Chairman, , (908) 672-0001.
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