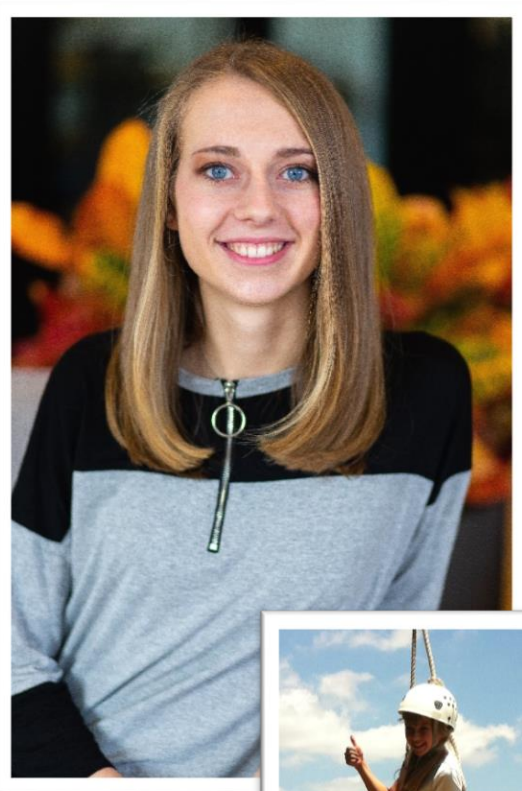




Regan Schmidt

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Reuse, Recycle, Refine

Regan Schmidt has been a Girl Scout for 11 years as a member of Troop 32 in Service Unit 601. She is currently a senior at Smithville High School.

Regan's Gold Award project addressed the issue of deforestation. To combat this global issue, Regan looked locally and donated more than 50 trees to plant including a reservoir in Platte Falls, MO. In addition, she created an online tutorial for creating biodegradable pots out of newspaper and shared that information online to encourage people to join her mission.

Regan worked with the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Arbor Day Foundation and volunteers to gather trees and get them planted. She made her own instructions using Pinterest as a research space. Sharing her tutorial allowed her to also draw attention to the global issue of deforestation with a limitless audience. She faced challenges with limitations on what could be planted within conservation areas, but eventually was able to identify a healthy tree species to plant. By utilizing online resources to share her message, and making change in her own state, Regan was able to do something about an issue that impacts the entire planet.

Because of Girl Scouts... I have learned how to be independent and take care of others. I have learned how to be an adult and properly socialize and become a role model for younger Girl Scouts.

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