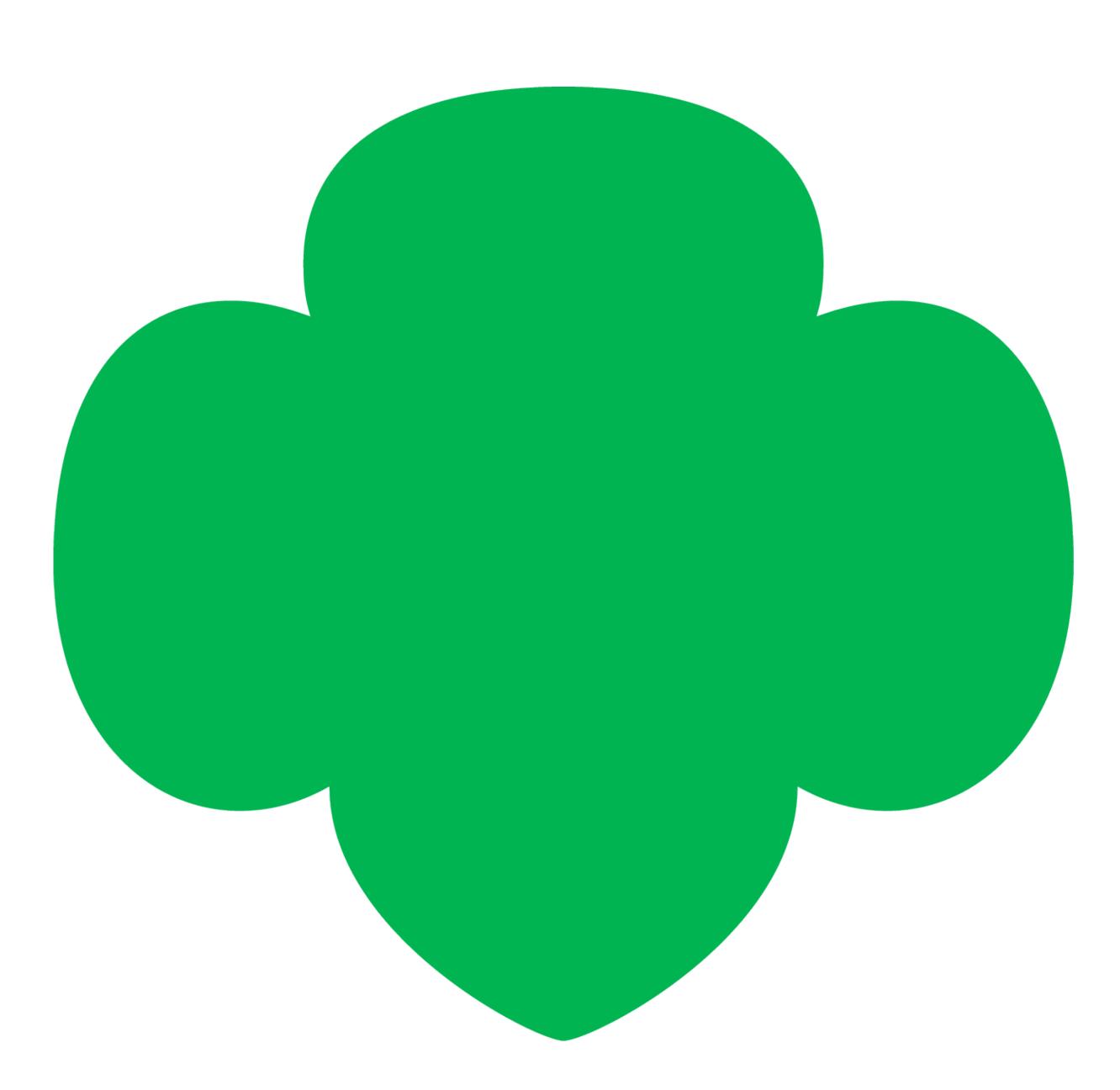


Celebrate Gold

Maggie Howard Weston, MO







Cleaning the Past, Preserving the Future

Maggie Howard has been a girl member for 13 years in Troop 760 in Service Unit 601. Maggie currently attends United States Air Force Academy and recently completed her freshman year. She is majoring in Foreign Area Studies.

Maggie's project aimed to preserve local history by restoring grave sites. Over time, gravestones deteriorate due to exposure to the environmental, and often critical historical information (names, dates and ages) are lost. To combat this, Maggie cleaned headstones, specically from the 1800s and restored them to the best of her ability.

Preserving history is critical to the human experience and local history is especially important for many communities. By restoring headstones, Maggie is helping ensure the people who built her beloved community are remembered.

"Because of Girl Scouts, I know what it means to be a leader and an example to others."