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## Nominations sought for Girl Scouts of Central Illinois Women of Distinction Celebration

Community members are invited to nominate women who inspire others, who stand out in their field, or who have had an impact on their community. Girl Scouts of Central Illinois will celebrate and recognize the accomplishments of the recipients at an event to be held on March 15, 2012 at Hilton Garden Inn in Champaign. The annual event will also celebrate 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Girl Scouting.

The award recognizes women from Champaign, Ford, Iroquois, or Vermilion counties who have made a difference by providing outstanding leadership and who have lived the Girl Scout Law by demonstrating honesty, caring, courage, responsibility, and respect. Honorees are selected by a panel of community members. Over 100 outstanding women have been recognized during the lifetime of the award.

Girl Scouts of Central Illinois in partnership with Altrusa International - Champaign Chapter will also present Young Woman of Distinction recognition. Nominees must be age 15-21 from Champaign, Ford, Iroquois, or Vermilion counties and reflect the Girl Scout mission –We build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

**The deadline for submitting nominations is Friday, December 16, 2011.** Nominations forms are available at [www.girlscouts-gsci.org](http://www.girlscouts-gsci.org) or by contacting Susan Gentry at 217-423-7791, ext. 1301. Those interested in becoming a WOD sponsor or in supporting the Women of Distinction program can contact Girl Scouts of Central Illinois at the above.

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### About Girl Scouts

Founded in 1912, Girl Scouts of the USA is the preeminent leadership development organization for girls with 3.2 million girl and adult members worldwide. Girl Scouts builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Girl Scouts of Central Illinois serves 20,000 girls and 5,000 adult members in 38 counties throughout central Illinois. For more information, visit [www.girlscouts-gsci.org](http://www.girlscouts-gsci.org) or call your local Girl Scout Service Center at 877-231-1446.

