

## Reading Girl Scout receives Gold Award

READING - Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts is proud to announce Reading Girl Scout Rose Barrett received her Girl Scout Gold Award pin at a ceremony at the Holiday Inn & Suites in Marlborough. The event was attended by family, friends and Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts' CEO Ruth N. Bramson and Board President, Peggy Stevens.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest award that a Girl Scout can achieve. The Gold Award is something that fulfills a need within a girl's commu-

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nity whether local or global, creates change, and is something that becomes ongoing. The project is more than a good service project—it encompasses organizational, leadership, and networking skills. Only about 5 percent of all Girl Scouts earn this award each year.

Rose Barrett's project titled *Los Libros son Universales, Books are Universal: Promoting Literacy and a Love of Learning*, collected and created material to donate to Horizons for Homeless Children. The goal was to create enrichment materials that will be used to help children prepare for school. Barrett and her team of volunteers collected books written in Spanish as well as art supplies. She worked with volunteers to decorate art smocks to be used in the children's classroom and created a folder with contact information for the vacation bible program at her church that will ensure that the program is ongoing.

