

# Local Girl Scout sells 3,421 boxes of cookies, earns trip to Disney World

Aurora resident Brooklyn Czenk, 10, with her parents Kirsten and Billy, will pack up the family car for a trip to the Magic Kingdom in Orlando, Fla., next week.

Czenk earned her ticket to the Disney Park by selling 3,421 boxes of Girl Scout cookies in the 2018-2019 fundraising drive by South Elgin-based Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois. Her closest competitor sold 3,209 boxes.

For a second year, Czenk borrowed the home of her great-grandparents, Fran and Roald Berg of Aurora, to stage her cookies for delivery while the Bergs took an annual vacation to Florida.



Czenk, a fifth grader at Freeman Elementary School, is a member of Troop 765 at Freeman. She has been a Scout for six years.

Czenk earned a trip to Disney World last year by placing second in cookies for northern Illinois Scouts.

## About cookie sales program

According to Girl Scouts, proceeds of cookie sales stay local and are reinvested in girls. Cookie customers help the next generation of female entrepreneurs get an important taste of what it takes to be successful—teamwork, planning, and a positive outlook.

By selling cookies, girls develop five essential skills—goal setting, decision making, money management, people skills, and business ethics—all of which help them succeed today and in the future. They grow their confidence and practice leadership, too.

On March 12, 1912, in Savannah, Georgia, Juliette Gordon “Daisy” Low organized the first Girl Scout troop. Members are 2.5 million strong—more than 1.7 million girls and 750,000 adults.

**PHOTO:** Aurora resident Brooklyn Czenk, 10, is heading to Disney World after earning a trip by selling 3,421 boxes of Girl Scout cookies. (Al Benson photo)