

## Bios of National Council Delegates

### **Susan Brooks**

Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey CEO Susan Brooks was born at Ft. Dix, New Jersey, the daughter of a career Air Force family.

Susan began her career with Michigan Bell in Detroit with several General Motors' divisions as her customers. She transitioned to AT&T where she served in leadership positions in sales, marketing quality, customer care training, contract negotiations major project implementations, and Profit & Loss accountabilities.

Before coming on board with Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey, Susan was Director Customer Advocacy, Training, and Technical Publications at Motorola's Home and Networks Mobility unit in Horsham, Pa. Her organization also encompassed the teams that delivered technical training and documentation for the business unit's products and services.

In addition to holding baccalaureate degrees in English, Advertising and Communications from Michigan State University, Susan earned her Master's degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix and also completed the prestigious Duke University Fuqua School of Business Advanced Management Program.

A lifetime member of Girl Scouts, Susan considers volunteerism and service an important part of her life. She serves on the USO World Board of Governors and as a USO Foundation Director, and she was Co-Site Lead for Motorola's Women's Business Council (Horsham Chapter). Long-time New Jersey residents, Susan and her husband, Rick, are the parents of 19-year-old twins, a son and daughter, who just completed their freshman years of college.

### **Arlynn Katz**

**Arlynn Katz has been a Girl Scout since Daisies and is currently a Senior Girl Scout. She** currently serves on the Board of Directors for GSRHC. Arlynn is a member of the Westfield Aquaducks Synchronized swim team and is a swimmer for her local JCC, where she also works as a lifeguard. In addition to her service to Girl Scouts Arlynn volunteers for the Somerset County Library as well as the Somerset Medical Center.

### **Karen E. Katz**

After graduating from Thomas Jefferson University with a BSN, Karen E. Katz went on to receive her MS from Rutgers University, a certificate in nurse-midwifery from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and began her doctoral work at Columbia University. She recently concluded twenty-six years with UNDNJ as a nurse-midwife and faculty member. Currently she is in her eleventh year as a midwife with Brunswick Hill OB/GYN. Karen has fond memories of her Girl Scout experiences as a child and has been volunteering her services to Girl Scouting for the past twelve years. She has been a troop leader for her daughters' troops and has held many positions on her service unit team. Karen also volunteers her time to the Temple Shalom and is currently the Co-President of Hadassah in Somerset. Karen says, "I feel proud to be a part of the Girl Scout movement and want to continue to serve the Girl Scouts."

### **Allison E. Koury**

Allison E. Koury attends Immaculata High School and is currently working as a Crewperson with McDonald's Restaurants. She is a Senior Girl Scout and an altar server in her church. Her other interests include dance, theatre, school choir and reading.

### **Diane Piraino Koury**

Diane Koury is a McDonald's Owner/Operator with restaurants in Hunterdon County. She has a degree in Business Management from Suffolk College. She is in her twelfth term as a member of the Board of Directors for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Diane was a 2003 honoree of the Girl Scout Women of Achievement Award. She has served as a Girl Scout leader for the past 11 years, is a Lifetime Member of Girl Scouts and has received both the Outstanding and Dedicated Leader Awards.

### **Christine Lawton**

Christine Lawton is entering her twelfth year in Girl Scouting. She is a Junior at Bridgewater Raritan High School. For their Silver Award, she and her troop ran the Mother Daughter Day at Camp DeWitt. Christine is actively involved in community theatre, having appeared in numerous shows. Christine also participates in the Liberty Corner Presbyterian annual Church Christian Acting and Musical Project.

### **Sharon Kay Lawton Martinsville**

Sharon Kay Lawton holds a BA degree in Math from Lebanon Valley College and an MS in Library Science from Rutgers University. She spent 13 years with AT&T in the training organization for computer programmers. After taking time off for children she became a part-time preschool teacher. She has been an active Girl Scout for over 35 years, as a girl, a leader, then as a member of the Board of Directors for Girl Scouts of Rolling Hills Council. She was President of the Board from 1993-1999 and has served on Finance, Fund Development and various other task forces and committees. After spending several years actively involved with her daughters' troops she has returned to the Board of Directors of GSRHC. Sharon is also very active in the Children's Ministry at Liberty Corner Presbyterian Church.

### **Marsha Nagelberg Basking Ridge**

Marsha has a Masters in nursing from New York University. She is currently employed with The Pulmonary Group PA in Basking Ridge as a Vice President. She is a new board member to the Anti-defamation League. Her affiliation with Girl Scouting has been as a Council Delegate, Troop Leader, SU Manager, Organizer, Outdoor Consultant and Adult Leader. She currently sits on the Council's Board of Directors and serves on the property sub-committee of the Council Realignment Committee. She has been recognized as Outstanding Volunteer for 2000, Outstanding Leader for 2001, Appreciation Pin in 2003 and Thanks Badge in 2008.