

## Katrina Schwab Pine-Richland HS, Grade 12

## 2021 Honorable Mention Girl Scout of Distinction

For her Gold Award, Kat partnered with the Latodami Nature Center of North Park to build habitats for wood ducks. Part of her project included organizing an event instructing participants on how to build their own wood duck boxes and educating them on the benefits that the boxes bring to wood ducks. Due to the pandemic, Kat had to create a new activity to replace a previously planned event in a large group setting. Kat instead made an instructional video of her constructing the boxes that was posted on the Latodami Nature Center Facebook page. After building six boxes she worked with a group of volunteers to install the boxes in different nesting areas within North Park.

Kat is a senior high school yearbook editor and has been in yearbook all four years of high school. In addition, she created the theme for the 2021 yearbook and designed the cover as well as layouts for many of the sections. She helped new staffers learn about the program used to design the yearbook. Kat also designed the image used on her competitive cheer team's apparel.

Kat is a varsity cheerleader at Pine-Richland High School and does competitive cheerleading outside of school. She coaches and holds gymnastics lessons for younger athletes because she wants to share her love for cheerleading with others and help them improve their skills. She also plays violin in the school orchestra and is in student government.

Being a Girl Scout for 11 years helped Kat make new friends and participate in activities which helped her gain leadership skills and confidence in herself.

