

Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson, Inc. 2023 Board Director Candidate 1st Vice President



Name: Kim Barnett

City of Residence: Poughkeepsie

County of Residence: Dutchess

Introduction: "Live Well, Laugh Often, and Love Much" is definitely a motto for describing Kim Barnett. Kim is passionate about Girl Scouts, enjoys ballroom dancing, is an active volunteer both on stage and behind stage for a local community theatre, a member of the Dream Team Volunteers at Valley Christian Church, and enjoys spending time with her family, especially her 8 year old granddaughter and favorite Dalmatian dog, appropriately named, Tango. Although Kim grew up in the South, she loves spreading a little "Southern hospitality" everywhere she goes

Education Background:

Marist College - Currently pursing a MPA (Masters in Public Administration) - estimated graduation Spring 2024

University of Toronto - Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification - June 2000

University of Alabama at Huntsville (UAH) - BA in Communication Arts - June 1989

Professional Experience: Kim Barnett has over 25 years experience as a Project Manager, in both the US and Canada in a variety of industries, with the last 14 years in the healthcare arena. She is currently employed as the Assistant Director - PMO Project Delivery and Value Management for Montefiore Information Technology, which is part of the Montefiore Health System.

As an experienced PMP (Project Management Professional), Kim truly enjoys what she does as managing projects is never boring, there is always something new to learn, and most importantly, there is a deep sense of satisfaction once a project is completed or "goes live." Kim is an active member of the PMI (Project Management Institute) and the International Association of Women. She is a 2015 graduate of the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Dutchess program and has continued to serve on The Chamber Foundation's Professional Development Programming Committee



for the last 8 years. Kim has also served as a presenter/facilitator at both the Leadership Dutchess and Youth Leadership programs. Finally, Kim also serves on the Finance Committee for the Board of Directors for the County Players Theatre.

Besides project management, Kim brings the skills of communication, facilitation, leadership, event planning, and information technology to the GSHH Board of Directors.

Girl Scout Experience: Kim's love for Girl Scouts began in Alabama where she was an active Girl Scout up through high school, earning the Gold Award, participating in an International Wider Opportunity by attending a World Conference in 1984 in Tarrytown, NY, working at the Girl Scout National Center West in Wyoming, and serving a 3-year term on the GSUSA National Board as a girl member. Kim continued her Girl Scout involvement as an adult in GSHH Council in a variety of roles including Troop Leader, Service Unit Recruiter/Organizer, Service Unit Manager, and Gold Award Mentor. Kim has been an active Girl Scout for over 30 years.

Kim's mother, Pat Port, who was also an active Girl Scout volunteer was her leader growing up. One of Kim's most favorite memories as a Girl Scout was traveling to Savannah, GA with her troop and seeing her mother receive her Thanks Badge which was personally presented to her mom by Rosalynn Carter.

Interest in this Role: Kim has always believed it was important to give back to the community in which you live. As an active Girl Scout volunteer, Kim's mother Pat was instrumental in developing not only her daughter's love for Girl Scouts but the importance of leading by example and with kindness, care and compassion. Kim wants to continue this tradition by serving in a leadership role as a Board Director for the GSHH Council and by sharing her own love and enthusiasm for Girl Scouts with her fellow Girl Scout sisters.