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Girl Scouts Earn Silver Award

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From left, front row: Anna Cain, Susie Bush, Jamie Wendt, and Isabella Wentzel; back row: Molly Wendt (leader), Olivia Cannizzo, Cate Goodman, Serena Singh, Janene Goodman (leader), Nicole Palamountain, Mindy Bush (leader), Olivia Heyman, Cate Combi, Deanna Wentzel (leader), Margot Zoger, Sophia Douglas, and Theresa Nevins
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huge success with approximately 400 girls and parents attending.

The girls of Lafayette Girl Scout Troop 31488 recently completed the work required for their Silver Award. They brought the documentary "Finding Kind" to the Lamorinda community this past fall. The screening was the final part of a two-year journey which included many hours of hard work, fundraising and marketing. The troop began their project in sixth grade when they completed their Media Journey by exploring how women and girls can be negatively portrayed in the media and the lasting effects of such images. They then decided to participate in "Operation Beautiful" with a goal of spreading the word that "We are all beautiful. You are enough ... just the way you are!" The girls made simple, anonymous messages which they distributed in local stores. They then broke off into small groups where they created their own videos covering the lasting effects of bullying. After much fundraising, educating and marketing, they were able to bring the award-winning documentary "Finding Kind" to Lafayette at the end of last year. The film explores the "mean girl" phenomenon and the lifelong emotional scars caused by girls mistreating each other. It promotes uniting to take a stand against this behavior and, instead, be kind to each other. The screenings of the film were a

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