



Changing the lives of girls and young women





## Message from the President



Charlotte Christ-Weber

### “Girls worldwide say: Celebrate 25 years of OB-PS support to WAGGGS!”

What a powerful message to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Olave Baden-Powell Society! Thanks to our Host Committee in Korea for organizing such an unforgettable event to celebrate our anniversary.

Who would have thought at the time when courageous women and men created the Society in 1984, that OB-PS will be such a success story! Especially for WAGGGS! A warm thanks goes to H.R.H Princess Benedikte for her outstanding support and commitment over the last 25 years.

The girls and the young women are always our focus – to give them a chance to develop leadership skills in a tailored learning environment and to gain self-esteem. OB-PS makes this possible by helping financially to support these goals.

The Coordinators were busy working in their countries and I thank them for their valuable and important work, which is a big support to the Board. We also nominated new Ambassadors in Nigeria and USA.

In 2010 the WAGGGS’ Centenary will be launched and we are part of the celebrations over the next three years. We’ll start in Bath/UK this May and will end with the event in USA in 2012. In 2011 we’ll meet in Australia. In 2009 WAGGGS has invested a lot of time in building its Fund Development Team. Under the new structure OB-PS is part of it – but still retains its independence.

In June we had to say good-bye to Janet Hopkins, OB-PS Executive Director, due to her retirement. She has worked for 7 years for OB-PS and we profited so much from her knowledge and experience. Thanks go to Janet for her very professional work for OB-PS and for having been ready to keep up with the changes over the years. With Joanne Joyce we found a very good new Executive Director and we welcome her to OB-PS. The overlapping time between Janet and Joanne really went well and I appreciate very much the smooth handover. Thanks goes to both and a warm welcome Joanne! Annelise our Administrator is coordinating with passion all the issues around our members, she takes care of the website, which actually has just been newly launched (<http://www.ob-ps.org>), and is part of the team preparing our events.

We had to say good-bye in Korea to our Board Member Makiko Nagahashi (Japan). During her term on the Board she has successfully organized a promoting tour for OB-PS in Japan. Unfortunately during the year Ellie Ferdon (USA), Vice President and Thomas Roderick (USA) have resigned for different reasons. Therefore we have asked Kathryn Duncan-Brown to stay until Bath, when the new Board will be elected.

This is my last report in the context of the Annual Review as your President. It has been a most interesting and challenging work in the last 5 years. It is indeed a privilege to serve in that role. We have really moved forward in the last years, mainly due to the support of the members of the Board, of H.R.H Princess Benedikte, of Janet, Joanne and Annelise; and of course the 2 Chairmen Elspeth Henderson, Marg Treloar and the 2 CEO’s Lesley Bulman, Mary McPhail, with whom I had the pleasure to work with. I think it’s understood, what OB-PS has done in the last 25 years for WAGGGS and the culture of acknowledgement and donor care has really improved. It has turned out to be a good and respectful collaboration for the cause of girls and young women, for Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. I am very confident, that OB-PS was, is and will be a stable partner for WAGGGS in all the changes around Fund Development.

Thank you for your support, friendship and all the warm welcome around the world – not to forget the fun we shared!



Margaret Treloar

I am delighted to have the opportunity to write to all the members of the Olave Baden-Powell Society at the beginning of the centenary celebrations of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. I am honoured and privileged to be the Chairman of this dynamic organization at this very important moment in our history – the celebration of 100 years of international Guiding.

We are moving into the centenary celebrations after a very busy and successful year in 2009. It was an exciting year of preparations with many achievements and celebrations. I only have room to mention one or two here!

For the first time, we were able to have our Juliette Low Seminar in Africa! The Juliette Low Seminar is the preeminent leadership opportunity for young women members of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting. It brings together participants from as many of our Member Organizations as possible to develop new skills, share experiences, enhance their leadership abilities and make new friends from around the world. They and we were very grateful for support from the Olave Baden-Powell Society – making it possible for several young women to participate.

Several other WAGGGS Leadership Development Programme events took place across the globe, continuously building our capacity for leadership across our membership. Many other young women participated directly in WAGGGS' delegations in important global policy setting arenas, including the Commission on the Status of Women at the United Nations (New York), the International Colloquium on Women's Empowerment, Leadership Development, International Peace and Security (Liberia) and the UN Climate Change Conference (COP15, Denmark), to name only three. Each of these events provided opportunities for young women to learn and to take an active part in influencing issues affecting their lives – today and tomorrow. Support from the Olave Baden-Powell Society has continued to make it possible for us to offer more opportunities like this to young women. Thank you very much for your support.

You all know that in 2009 we celebrated the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Olave Baden-Powell Society. And what a celebration we had at the meeting in Korea. I was honoured to join in the excitement, to share stories about what is happening in WAGGGS today, and to meet so many of you! It was particularly thrilling to see so many new members joining the Society and helping us in our work.

Another exciting moment in Korea was the introduction of our new and exciting fund development initiative - the Global Girls Fund. We anticipate the Fund will gain momentum during the centenary years, supporting our vital work with girls and young women. This fund will increase our capacity to equip girls and young women with leadership skills across the world; it will grow the global voice of girls and young women; and it will enable WAGGGS and its Member Organizations to invest in girls and their communities. Our Member Organizations are providing opportunities that help girls and young women to develop their potential and to become contributing citizens in almost every country of the world. Across our Member Organizations, there are millions of women leaders and other supporters who are devoting time, energy, skills and enthusiasm to provide opportunities for girls and young women to grow. I can not thank you enough for everything you are doing to provide opportunities for girls and young women, their families and communities. Because of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting, girls and young women are leaders and agents of change, determined and able to make the world a better place.



*"We will continue to put the girl at the centre of everything we do because we have witnessed the transformative effect this has on her, and her local and global communities"*

Margaret Treloar, Chairman, World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) is the world's largest voluntary movement dedicated to supporting girls and young women to develop their full potential as responsible citizens. We support 10 million girls and young women in 145 countries worldwide through innovative global education, community and advocacy programmes.

## Leadership Development

Leadership is at the core of the Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting Movement. It runs through everything we do, from succession planning for our Member Organizations' national boards to empowering girls and young women to stand up and speak out on issues affecting them, to being a leader within one self to make positive choices. Through Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting, girls, young women and leaders are given the opportunity to realize their full potential and contribute to the development of their communities, nationally and globally.

Leadership development in WAGGGS is about ensuring leaders realize their full potential and have the necessary skills, knowledge and experience to be effective leaders.

*"I've always dreamt about being an example of strength, friendship, leadership and commitment. My role as a Guide has always been to be a leader to change the world, somebody that gives everything so the next generations realize that all together we can achieve much more."*

Monica Marilu Miranda, a Girl Guide from Peru



### Strong and Growing Membership

WAGGGS supports its Member Organizations to build capacity and have more impact on their individual members and their communities. Improving the quality of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting at all levels is key to recruiting and retaining membership, enabling more girls and young women to take part in leadership and self development and to help build a better world.

As well as these specific capacity building programmes, WAGGGS supports its Member Organizations to better engage with girls and young women, to continually assess the Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting experience to ensure it addresses the needs and aspirations of the girls and young women of today. By understanding and responding to youth culture, WAGGGS and Member Organizations are better able to empower girls and young women to strive for personal growth and truly to discover their potential.

### Advocacy - the voice of girls and young women - building a better world

WAGGGS' Vision is to be the voice of girls and young women to build a better world. Advocacy is about speaking out and taking action to influence others and bring about positive change.

We aim not only to speak out on behalf of girls and young women everywhere, but also to empower young women to advocate for themselves.

For WAGGGS, advocacy is about influencing people to take decisions that will improve our lives and the lives of others.

We speak out about important issues that affect girls and young women; we develop projects which directly improve people's lives; and we educate girls and young women so they can positively change the world around them.

*"I have had the privilege and honour to be the voice of 10 million Girl Guides and Girl Scouts worldwide. Girls and young women belong to the most vulnerable groups affected by climate change, especially in least developing countries and rural areas."*

Gabriella Heller from the Association of Hungarian Girl Guides of her experience at COP 15

## How you are making a difference

### Juliette Low Seminar, 23 – 29 August 2009, Kenya

A group of young women from 64 countries gathered in Nairobi, Kenya for the Juliette Low Seminar (JLS) 2009. This year, for the first time ever, the JLS was held in the Africa Region. With 'A safari... in leadership' as the theme, activities included exploring the savannah and learning some leadership traits from the Big 5 (lion, buffalo, rhino, elephant and leopard). The young women also took part in the community development projects spearheaded by the Kenya Girl Guides Association (KGGA).

OB-PS provided bursaries to 3 young women from Peru, Belize and the Gambia to enable them to attend the Juliet Low Seminar in Kenya.

*"I went to a safari in Kenya, one known as the JLS. I got to see several types of animals. I saw giraffes that showed me their vision. I saw elephants from which I learned strength and determination. I saw cheetahs that taught me how to find quick and efficient solutions. But above all, I started discovering my very own animals, and in the way I made friends with other animals in the herd, who I'm sure are going to last for a lifetime. When I get back home, I'm going to show everyone pictures, so that they all can enjoy what I have learned...so that together we can change our world".*

Franca Mazzotti, Asociacion Nacional de Guias Scouts del Peru



### International Women's Colloquium on Empowerment, Leadership Development, International Peace and Security March 4 - 8 2009, Liberia



The Colloquium brought together female leaders including Heads of State and Ministers as well as female business and NGO leaders from all over the world with the most significant representation from Africa. The main goal of the event was to empower women to be more effective leaders by linking with their international peers to share best practice.

Three young WAGGGS delegates, Girl Guides Annesofie Bjerre from Denmark and Lilian Itenga Asutsi from Kenya, and World Board member Nadine El Achy from Lebanon participated in the Colloquium and were among 90 delegates from around the world to represent the voice of youth at a dedicated Youth Forum. OB-PS funded the attendance of the two Girl Guides

*"I will never forget my trip to Liberia ..... it gave me so much! In terms of new knowledge, ideas and contacts, but also in terms of new energy! It is such a good feeling to see that our world organization is working! I met girls living in a completely other world than me - but still we have guiding in common. And by having guiding in common we strike for the same goals in life - becoming independent leaders of our own life!"*

Annesofie Bjerre, Girl Guides of Denmark



### Anne Scott Fund

Many OB-PS members continue to give financial support to girls and young women by donating to the Anne Scott Fund. Their generosity has meant that the Fund has been in a position to support many girls and young women to attend events and training and to continue to grow and develop their potential.

Thank you to those who have given to the fund and please continue to contribute if you can!

### Projects for 2009

OB-PS members will recall that the projects we chose to support for 2009 supported Guiding on the ground in Honduras, Jordan and Portugal.

**Honduras** - helping to train young women as advocates

**Jordan** - helping Girl Guides develop handicraft skills to support income generation

**Portugal** - helping to improve the lives of young women in two local communities facing problems with unemployment, alcoholism and domestic violence.

OB-PS members contributed in excess of £10,000 to help fund these projects - thank you for your generosity.

### Opportunities for Giving 2010 - Global Girls Fund

The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, through its Centenary Appeal is creating the Global Girls Fund - dedicated to empowering all girls and young women to reach their full potential and take action to change the world for the better.

The Global Girls Fund will:

- Equip girls and young women with leadership skills
- Grow the global voice of girls and young women and support them in making a difference
- Invest in girls and their communities and enable the development and delivery of global education, training and support.

All donations made to the Global Girls Fund by OB-PS members will be recognized as part of OB-PS' overall contributions to WAGGGS.

## How can you support the Global Girls Fund?

### Become a Centenary Supporter

OB-PS created the Centenary Supporter Award to coincide with the WAGGGS Centenary Celebrations.

Members are invited to become Centenary Supporters by making a further donation of £4,000 in addition to the OB-PS membership donation.

This donation can be made as one donation or over a four year period. All donations to other parts of WAGGGS will be counted towards achieving this award. This award will only be available for a limited period of time from now until 31 December 2012.

*"I joined OB-PS in 2007 having been involved in Guiding in New Zealand for many years both as a Ranger Leader and on the National Board. I was able to see the amazing opportunities guiding offered and joined OB-PS to help offer those chances to girls and young women around the world. This year I have decided to become a Centenary Supporter – I can see WAGGGS has ambitious plans to reach even more girls and young women through the launch of the Global Girls Fund and want to be part of that and help make it possible. I hope other members will join me in making this commitment and help WAGGGS."*

Fiona Harnett, OB-PS member and Centenary Supporter, New Zealand



We are delighted to announce that 26 members have decided to become Centenary Supporters since the scheme launched in 2009.

### Sponsor a young woman

Members are invited to make a one off donation to sponsor a young woman to attend the WAGGGS Leadership Development Programme (WLDP).

The WLDP aims to empower young women to develop their skills in the local as well as the global society – encouraging them to develop their fullest potential and to become future leaders.

Your donation could help in the following ways:

**£50** would cover the costs for a young woman to attend one day of the WLDP

**£400** would cover the costs for a young woman for the entire programme

**£1,000** would cover the travel costs for a young woman from Africa to attend

Donations such as the above will be cumulatively applied to an OB-PS membership. Further details on all these opportunities for giving are outlined in the enclosed donation form.

*"I very much hope that you will decide to join me in investing in the future of girls and young women - the girls and young women of today will be the leaders of tomorrow, in their families, their communities and in the world."*

H.R.H Princess Benedikte, Patron for the Centenary Appeal - Global Girls Fund

## Annual event in Korea



**The Olave Baden-Powell Society (OB-PS)** celebrated twenty five years of supporting the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts with an event in Seoul, Korea, from 10 to 13 September 2009.

Over 260 participants attended the event, making it the biggest ever, with significant representation from Korea, Nigeria and Japan. 48 new members were presented alongside 4 Princess Benedikte Awardees and 11 Centenary Supporters.

The Gala dinner took place on 12 September with over 400 guests. H.R.H Princess Benedikte, Patron of OB-PS, participated in an interview with Mary Ellen Snow, an OB-PS board member talking about the origins of OB-PS and her thoughts for the future of the Society.

**OB-PS has now over 990 members** worldwide in 55 countries. The Society has raised over £3.5 million for WAGGGS over 25 years.



“ A wonderful warm happy event – one to always remember ”

“ A wonderful event truly celebrating our 25th anniversary ”

“ The Koreans couldn't have been more helpful and friendly – they thought of EVERYTHING! ”



### Honorary doctorate from Seoul Women's University

On 9 September, H.R.H Princess Benedikte received an honorary doctorate from Seoul Women's University for her contribution to the Girl Guide and Girl Scout Movement and to girls and young women all over the world.

H.R.H Princess Benedikte of Denmark said about the Honorary doctorate: "Thank you so much for the honour you have bestowed on me. It makes me feel very humble and indeed privileged to receive this high recognition from the Seoul Women's University. This honorary doctorate is personal but the Olave Baden-Powell Society had a great and worthy part in it."



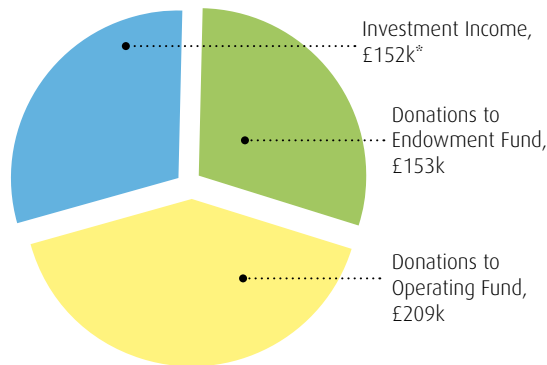
### Bronze medal awarded to Ginny Radford

Ginny Radford, former Chairman of the World Board and Vice-President of OB-PS, was presented with the Bronze Medal of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts for her outstanding service to the Movement. Margaret Treloar, Chairman of the World Board said in her speech: "Your 50 years of involvement in the Movement have had a significant impact, Ginny. I am delighted to inform you that the World Board has decided to award the Bronze Medal to you in recognition of your unwavering dedication and exceptional contributions to Guiding worldwide."

The accounts of the Olave Baden-Powell Society form part of the overall accounts for the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts as OB-PS is not a separate entity in its own right. It does however function as a distinct part of WAGGGS with its own Board and membership. Please note that financial information relates to 2008 due to timing of this review.

The full WAGGGS accounts for the year 2008 are available on the WAGGGS website [www.waggsworld.org](http://www.waggsworld.org)

#### OBPS Income for year to 31 December 2008 £514k



#### OB-PS income - 2008

All donations received by the Olave Baden-Powell Society are for the benefit of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. The total income raised by the Olave Baden-Powell Society in 2008 was £514,000. Where specified by a member, donations are allocated to the Endowment Fund providing security for the future otherwise all donations are allocated to the Operating Fund allowing WAGGGS to fund their current projects and activities. Any income generated from the Endowment Fund is also directed to the Operating Fund.

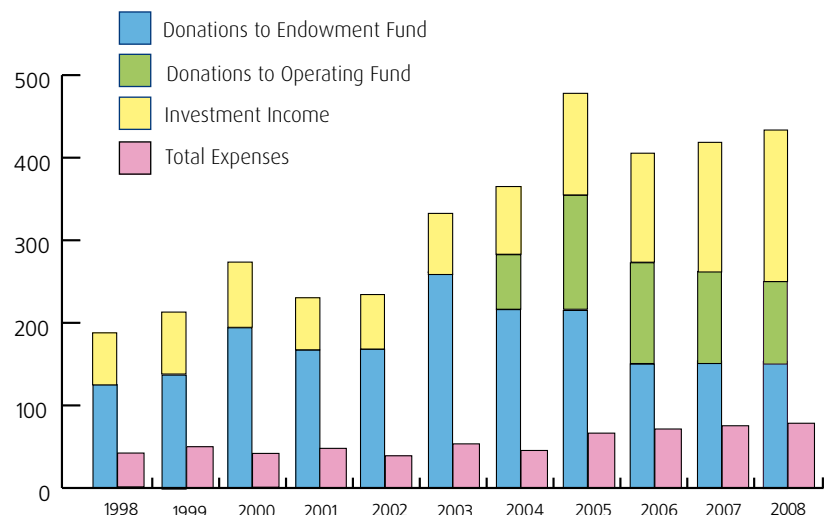
#### OB-PS expenditure - 2008

As always, the OB-PS Board monitors expenditure very closely, and during 2008, this was kept to a figure of £78,000. This figure includes an amount to cover the fees of WAGGGS's investment managers in an amount proportionate to the OB-PS contribution to the Endowment Fund (£24,000). Administration, publicity and staff costs account for the remainder (£54,000). OB-PS Directors pay all their own costs to attend meetings and to represent OB-PS.

#### OB-PS Income and Expenditure 1998 - 2008

The summary financial information presented here has been extracted from the full Audited Trustees' Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2008. The Trustees' Report and Financial Statements were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf, and submitted to the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

This summarized financial information may not contain sufficient information to gain a complete understanding of the financial affairs of the Charity. The full Trustees' Report, Auditors' Reports and Financial Statements may be obtained from the Finance Director at the World Bureau. The full report for the year to 31 December 2008 may be viewed on our website.

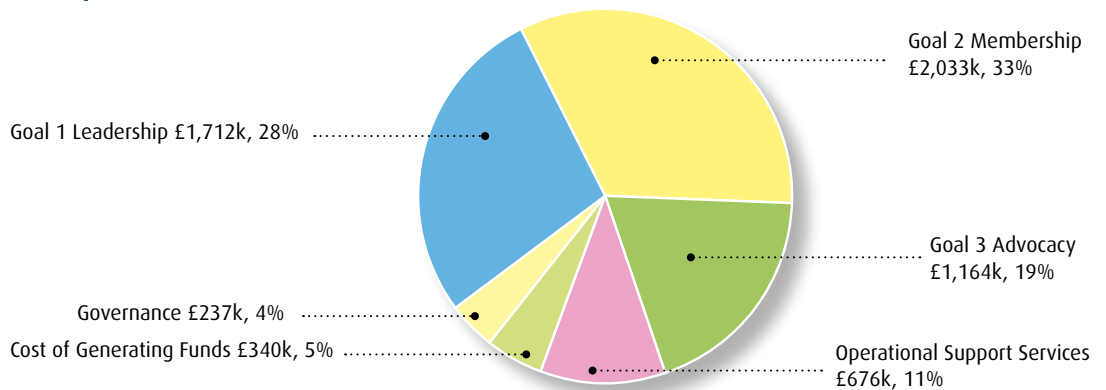




### WAGGGS Income - 2008

The total income of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts in 2008 was £5,970k. This is a combination of income derived from our Member Organizations and World Centres (£3,341k 56%), voluntary income (£2,266k 38%) and investment income (£363k 6%). The Olave Baden-Powell Society is responsible for generating 6% of WAGGGS voluntary income. In addition £152K of the £363K generated through investment income is attributable to OB-PS contributions to the Endowment Fund.

### WAGGGS Expenditure - 2008



## New Members



**Australia** Beverly Hill • Jane Scarlett AM • Margaret Devlin • Rosemary Yeap

**Canada** Diane van Dusen • Enidd Isaac

**Denmark** Beate Bille • Birgitte Brinch Madsen • Carina Axelsson • Charlotte Idin Sørensen • Christine Thorsen • Claude Lützen • Ellinor Sæther • Johanne Stryhn Hørby • Kathrine Friis Binzer • Mikkel Emmertsen • Palle Skov Jensen • Pia Lolk Wolff-Sneedorff • Suzanne B D Lassen • Ulla Krossteig • Vibeke Sehested Juul • Margrethe Lyngs Mortensen

**Hong Kong** Annette Woo • Delia Pei • Emmy Sham • Pansy Ho • Tsui Kwai-Wah

**Japan** Hiroyuki Nishimura • Masako Kajjura • Masako Matsui • Michiko Nakamura • Osamu Hirose • Yoshiteru Suzuki

**Korea** Bongsuk Park Chun • Eul Ju Kim • Eun Hee La • G Hwang Pahk • Hyon Ja Kim • Im Soon Jung • Jeong Ae Park • Jungsook Kim • Kyung Hee Kim • Mina Park • Moon Hee Kim • Myong-sook Yun • Sang Im Kim • Shin Ja Kim • Shin Won Whang • Simon Hang-Bock Rhee • So Kyung Park • Soo Jin Ahn • Suk Won Kim • Sung-Hee Nam • Young M'young Kim • Young Suk Kim • Bun Ok Noh • Sun Chae Kim • Yun Ja Lee

**New Zealand** Lyn Robertson • Paula Stevens • Susan Gallagher

**Nigeria** Adefemi Taire • Olajumoke Funmi-Adeshina • Hon (Mrs) Adefunmilayo Tejuoso • Adetoun Agnes Ajomale • Ajibayo Akinkugbe • Bola Badmus-Olujobi • Dame Tumi Akogun • H.E Mrs Ene Akawor • Hajia Bintu-Fatima Omosefe Tinubu • Jumoke Okoya-Thomas • Hon. Sulola Fibisola Akande • Idowu Adejumo Senbanjo • Chief Modupe Mary Oseghale • Olayinka Olaniyan • Oluyemisi Eludoyin • Mayowa Ikuforiji • Aregbesola Sherifat Abidemi • Olayinka Adijat Ayanwale • Adedipe Oluyemisi Modupe

**Norway** Marit K Jansson

**Philippines** Susan Locsin

**Switzerland** Anita Marx • Dr Robert M Kunz-Oeri • Leonie Pünter • Eva Juhasz • Madeleine Weber-Schmid • Simone Rudiger

**United Kingdom** Anna Astin • Janet Hopkins • Olive Harrison • Pat Aste • Ruth Sara • Wendy Jarvis • Linda Chartrand • Margaret Ann Fry • Susan Betts Davison

**United States of America** Gail K. Cleary • Susan Drew Thomas

**Obafunke Akinkugbe** of Nigeria joined the OB-PS in 2004. Dedicated to the advancement of Girl Guiding, she became OB-PS coordinator in Nigeria in 2005 and OB-PS membership in her country thrived under her guidance. She received the Princess Benedikte Award in memoriam in 2009. A legal practitioner, Obafunke gave outstanding service to her country, to women and to girls.

**Letty Aranilla** was gifted membership of the OB-PS in 2004. A member of Girl Scouts of the Philippines and Regional Executive for the Asia Pacific Region from 1981 to 2004, Letty, together with Dr JuSeon Byun initiated the Friends of Asia Pacific Regional WAGGGS, the first Friends Group of the five WAGGGS Regions. She was Chairman of this group from 2004 to 2008.

**Anna Berthelsen** of Denmark was gifted membership of the OB-PS in 2004 by a member who had herself been gifted membership earlier. Anna joined the Girl Scout Union in 1930, was elected to the Board of Governors and became later on Chairman of the Danish Girl Scouts in Denmark.

**Armaity Dastur** of India joined the OB-PS in 1998. She served on the OB-PS Board of Directors from 2000-2004 and was also an Honorary Associate of WAGGGS. A great supporter of Sangam, WAGGGS World Centre in India, Armaity hosted the Society's Annual Event in 2006 and Sangam was one of the venues.

**Mrs William Harrison "Bonnie-Jean" Fetridge** of the United States joined the OB-PS in 1984 and was its first President. Dedicated to Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting, she was a Vice-Chairman of the Friends of Our Cabaña Committee and Chairman of the Juliette Low Friendship Committee. She was a recipient of the Juliette Low World Friendship Medal and the Medal of Recognition from WAGGGS.

**Irene "Irre" Graevenitz** of Finland joined the OB-PS in 2005. A long-standing and generous supporter of the Movement, Irene was General Secretary for the Girl Guide Association of Finland and member of the International Committee of the Finnish Girl

Guide Union. She worked as trainer on behalf of WAGGGS in Germany and later in Jordan. Irene was awarded the Princess Benedikte Award.

**Kathleen Hannah** of the United Kingdom was gifted membership of the OB-PS in 2000 by her daughter Lesley Bulman-Lever, WAGGGS former Chief Executive, who is also a member of the Society. Kathleen lived and demonstrated the values and principles she learnt as a Guide.

**Sisko Karpelin** of Finland was gifted membership of the OB-PS in 1999 by many of her Guide friends. She was a true Guide and worked very much with Kata Jouhki in developing the leader training system in the Finnish Girl Guide Union.

**Sachie Morikawa** of Japan joined the OB-PS in 1999. She was involved with Girl Scouting for many years. She established a troop in Tokyo, became troop commissioner and chaired many councils and served Girl Scouts of Japan in many roles.

**Sophie Stamer Nielsen** of Denmark joined the OB-PS in 1997. She had been involved with YWCA Girl Guides in Denmark as a member, then a troop leader and district/division Commissioner.

**Norma Osler** of Canada joined the OB-PS in 1993. A retired high school administrator and teacher she had given years of service to Girl Guiding in many capacities: guider, commissioner and camp adviser.

**Lady Price CMG OBE** of Australia joined OB-PS in 1985. A guiding light for young girls, her national and international leadership of the Girl Guides Movement was outstanding. A member and Chairman of the World Committee, Lady Price also chaired the 21st World Conference in Canada in 1972. She was involved in the establishment of Pax Lodge, and the World Bureau offices. A Vice President of the Olave Baden-Powell Society from 1985 to 1994, Lady Price was awarded in 1996 WAGGGS' Bronze Medal. Lady Price was an Honorary Associate of WAGGGS.

**Sita Rajasuriya** of Sri Lanka was gifted membership of the OB-PS in 1997 in recognition of her service to the Movement. She was a Chief Commissioner of the Sri

Lanka Girl Guides, a member of WAGGGS World Committee and the first Chairman of the Asia Pacific Region. Apart from Girl Guiding, one of her special interests was community development and services

**Hortense Rakotoanosy** of Madagascar joined the OB-PS in 2001. She was an Honorary Associate and a National Training Commissioner for Skotisma Zazavavy Eto Madagasikara. She had been a member and a Chairman of the Africa Committee. Hortense was also a member of the World Committee from 1987 to 1996 and the Promotion Committee from 1990 to 1996.

**Charlotte Renshaw-Jones OBE** of Australia was gifted membership of OB-PS in 2002 for her dedication to Guiding. Born in England, Charlotte moved to Australia in 1949 where she held many distinguished positions in Guiding and was awarded the Red Kangaroo for exceptional service to Guiding.

**Helvi Sipilä** of Finland joined the OB-PS in 1986. A global advocate for the empowerment of women, she was the first woman to hold the rank of Assistant Secretary-General of the UN. She was also very involved with Guiding in Finland and at international level.

**Commodore D Smyth AO** of Australia joined the OB-PS in 1989. A member of the Baden-Powell family, he joined the Scout Movement and became a member of the Scout Foundation and of the B-P Fellows. He spent nearly 40 years in the Royal Australian Navy and became an artist and an author in his later years.

**Dr Laila Taib** of Malaysia joined the OB-PS in 1997. Wife of Sarawak State Chief Minister, Dr. Laila Taib was involved with Guiding since childhood. She was also involved in social and charity work, dedicated to the welfare of women and orphans.

**Masami Tomomatsu** of Japan joined the OB-PS in 2000. A member of Girls Scouts of Japan for over 40 years - leader, trainer and chairman of various committees of Oita Council - her dedication to Girl Guiding was recognized by Japanese authorities at local and national level.



The Olave Baden-Powell Society supports the mission of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts to enable girls and young women to develop their fullest potential as responsible citizens of the world.

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