



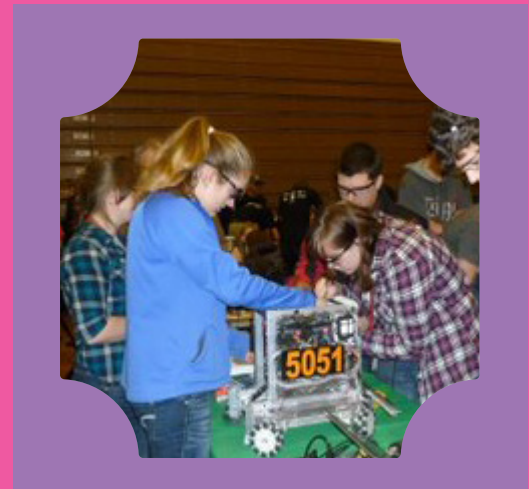
Meet Alumna Betsy Speare

As a Kindergarten Daisy Girl Scout, Betsy didn't realize the impact Girl Scouts would have on her future. She enjoyed troop meetings, attending programs, and going to Girl Scout camp. In 2012, as Betsy was in high school, she joined a FIRST Tech Challenge Girl Scout robotics team. She had always been interested in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) and was thrilled to be a part of the team. She learned how to design, build, and program competitive robots and how to strategize and problem solve using real engineering principles. Her team was the first Girl Scout robotics team to earn a spot at the world championship competition. Through this experience, Betsy learned valuable technical skills along with teamwork and leadership skills that helped pave her career path.

Girl Scouts provides countless opportunities for young girls to jump into STEM and explore their interests and passions with fun, challenging activities like building robots, designing apps and video games, and collecting data to help scientists protect the environment.

Betsy's Girl Scout experience led her to become an Environmental Engineer. She currently works as an environmental consultant in Spokane, WA where she helps clients understand and comply with complex environmental regulations. Betsy has experience with wastewater permitting, storm water management, and spill prevention but has the most experience with air quality permitting. Her favorite projects usually involve air dispersion modeling, which is used to predict concentrations of a pollutant.

She's a licensed Professional Engineer in Montana, Idaho, and Washington.



Betsy building her robot with teammates, and Betsy's winning robotics team.

<p>How it Started</p> <p>Girl Scout Summer Camp</p>			<p>How it's Going!</p> <p>Environmental Engineer</p>
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We would love to catch up with you too! Please contact Missy at missyl@gsmw.org so we can tell your story.

