

Dispatches from a Girl Scout Abroad

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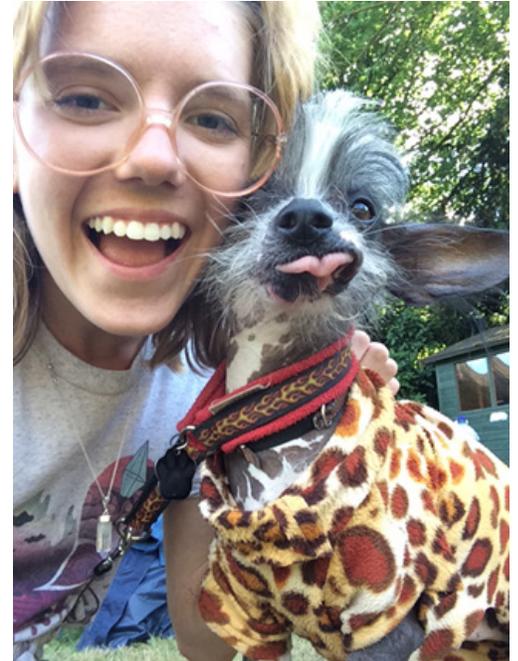
Dispatch #6 Archaeological Digs



Hi,

Hi, this is Nicole Popp again with my 6th dispatch telling you about some of the international travel opportunities you can have as a Girl Scout and also filling you in on my Gap Year. This year I have had many great opportunities that I never would have expected. The weirdest opportunity would definitely be digging up dead people and meeting Megan Fox.

To be a bit more specific I worked on two archaeological digs this year, one of which Megan Fox did a short travel special on. I got this opportunity via my father who is a chemist and has done isotopic analyses of artifacts and one of his coworkers had two digs this year. The first dig was in the beginning of the summer in Derbyshire, an area in the midlands of England. On this dig we found quite a few interesting artifacts and an Anglo Saxon burial. The second dig was a bit less exciting but we found some Viking game pieces. Both of these digs were also recorded by NOVA and a documentary, the "Lost Viking Army" will soon be released showcasing the digs.



You should always take opportunities that come your way even if they are not necessarily what you want to do in your career path. I don't want to be an archaeologist. While this was an interesting job it is not a career I want to follow but if I had never taken this opportunity, I would not have known this is the wrong career path for me.

This is my final blog post. I have a week left in Albany at Five Rivers, a visit my older sister in Colorado and will then be returning home after 11 months and 25 days. I will spend the summer at home and will go to Portland State University in the fall to study environmental science.

