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aw suit against Girl Scout leaders arouses many

This week Oral Quarrel asked a theory: Will the lawsuit against the first Scout leaders discourage to the scouts?

lawing are the responses:

the suit. I quote "There was over supervision leading to play" without stating the on how the accident occurred. His when the accident occurred every girl in the troop was 1 and working quietly on a 1 There were three adult estanding around the table. Standing around the table who was a standing around the table who was a supervision of the standing around the table.

my opinion there are too lawyers looking for work, too lawsuits, just too many. I they should stop all this non-the back to basic values.

Think this is going to mage some people to volun-ing some people to volun-think it is really a shame, terrible thing to happen and I people like that should take of their own kids and not send at if they are going to sue.

an ex-Girl Scout leader I I of ways had the concern that it he put in a legally liable in. I think this incident will way affect all scotting and volunteer programs.

on a mother of a Brownie at a state parallegal by profession. I found this incident very disillusioning to the extend that I have seriously questioned my own career conce. Accidents happen. I feel stry for the injured child but there are to many lawsuits today. Our barriety bemoans the fact that no-hody gets involved and then sues

oral quarrel

those that do. I hope that that is not what all these little girls are going to learn from their scouting expe-rience.

I have been a Girl Scout leader in the past and I wouldn't do it again after this.

Sure it will discourage others. There are enough disincentives already. For most people this is the last straw. This suit has to be thrown out as a matter of public policy or we are looking at the collapse of scouting in volunteer youth organizations in this country.

Of course it will discourage oth-

This suit could well be the end of Scouting. There are very few mothers that stay at home now to take care of their children and to volunteer to have programs like Scouting and if the other parents who are not willing to help sue over every incident then the volunteers will just dry up. You cannot mortgage your family's future to volunteer to lead an activity for other people.

Yes, of course it will discourage volunteers.

Of course it will discourage vol-unteers. It is a sad state of affairs when the money little girls raise selling cookies must go to pay for a

There is definitely a doubt the lawsuit against the vonteer leaders will discourage sople from volunteering to help ith the Girl Scouts and Boy Scoutifthere must be an overall insurae coverage that will guarantee th volunteers are fully covered by the area's council insurance and an individuals cannot be name as defendents or cannot be suevy anyone.

I am on the Execute Board of the Boy Scouts of Améca and this in no way would distu me as far as continuing my wk with the Scouts.

I am a Girl Scout hader and I have been a Girl Scot Lender for 15 years. No, I do nothink it will stop us from voluntring. Very simply if you live in it society. You own a home, if y walk into the street, you are liab to be sued. This is a littigous socily and it is a risk we all take and I n not about to let the threat of st. get in my way of doing somether that has been very valuable tene most of my life. Absolutely not

Yes, it certainly will was a Girl Scout Leader for six ears and I know how many hours' sweat and tears I put into the pgram. Recruiting good leaders as always been a problem but rw who will spend their time ar then risk being sued. I think:he council stinks in this attitude.

No. I don't think sol think Girl Scout Leaders will cathout to be glad to be of service whe girls in the community.

myself. Yes, I think Girl Scout Leaders will be very discouraged to volunteer to help out.

I don't think it should discourage rout timb it should anscorrage people from volunteering. As a vol-unteer in everyday life, you can get sued for anything you do. In this society I think people will continue to volunteer in many, many areas.

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No.

No. I don't think it will make any difference to people who want to

No. I don't think it will discourage leaders from participating in Girl Scouts, however, I know that this is an unfortunate situation but this could happen to anyone as has happened to many people when their children are involved they let them participate freely until something happens and then they bombard individuals with lawsuits. That is very unfortunate and it is the sign of our times.

Absolutely no.

No, I don't feel it will affect the volunteering of the leaders.

Leaders should not be fearful. No matter what you do in life there is always a dread of being sued so it should not discourage Leaders from volunteering.

After hearing about the prob-lems with insurance in Farmington I checked with my own council to know their policy. I am a new lead-er. I am not looking for things to happen but when following all guidelines they still can If a person believes in Scouting they may take extra precautions but it will not stop them.

I hope this won't discourage vol-unteers. We need more Girl Scout-ing in Farmington not less. You can be sued anywhere. In a grocery store or Sunday school. Girl Scout-leaders should not be deterred from volunteering. We need Girl Scout-ing in Farmington.

I think it is absolutely a shame. Yes, I think it will affect a lot of people, not only Grif Scouts but Cub Scouts and all other volunteer organizations will suffer for this. I feel very sorry for the family whose little girl is injured but I am sure it was an accident. The Girl Scouts are a very good and positive reinforcement to so many people, it's a shame it will have to suffer.

No, it will not affect the Girl Scouts in the area. There are lots of suit-happy people in the worls so this won't affect them.

Of course it will. I see this as a dangerous precedent for the welfare of Scouting and all volunteer programs. This precedent was made possible by the courts liberal entertainment of nuisance suits.

I certainly hope not. Glrl Scout-

ing has been going on for years. If you volunteer, for your church or school you are going to have the same liability, Girl Scouting must go on and I think these ladies are being very inconsiderate of the rest of the organization.

Of course not.

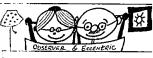
No. Girl Scout Leaders become leaders to improve the life of girls and there are risks in everything you do. There will always be wom-en who will be willing to improve the life of girls and become lead-

Oh absolutely. I would be most careful of any type of volunteerism where I could be possibly sued. My car and house are insured for hundreds of thousands of dollars because of lawyers advertising on TV and having these mental midgets come in and sue, sue, sue.

Yes, regretfully it will discourage Girl Scout volunteers; Unless Michigan Girl Scout Councit provide adequate legal liability, protection and is willing to take a stand and back up the volunteers during the lawsuit. I am certain finding Girl Scout volunteers in this area will be difficult.

Yes, it would discourage me from being a leader when you don't have the backing of Metro Detroit Council as far as liability.

I feel it is a shame that my daughter's troop has lost all its leaders and so therefore it looks like this year she will not be able to



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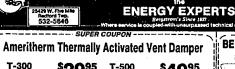
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