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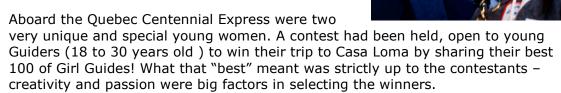
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### The Piccolo

February 2010

### Our Casa Loma Contest Winners

The Casa Loma Launch event in Toronto welcomed our Quebec contingent, an extraordinary group of Guiders, some spanning a 60 year range of age, and others over a 70 year range of Girl Guide membership years. We all came together to share a slice of our history.



Amber Lebrun and Jessica Reid were selected as the winning contestants, and two young Guiders who had never before met, were delighted to realize that as different as they were, their underlying passion for their experience of Girl Guides brought them together as great roomies for the weekend, and friends for the future.



"I went there knowing nothing of (Casa Loma) and left amazed at how much history is there," wrote Amber. "I really enjoyed it. I thought we were greeted warmly and it was nice to see some of the National Guiders talking with the girls. It was awesome!... I would do a trip like this again in a heartbeat.

Said Jessica: "My co-winner Amber is an amazing woman. Spending the weekend in a strange city and sharing a room with someone you've never met before was quite the experience but everything

turned out so well. Amber and I have a lot in common, and we had a great time in Toronto together.

Spending time with grown up Guiders was nice too. Outside of District meetings I have never participated in an all-adult GGC trip, so I'm used to having to chase after children. Spending time with women who are also in Guiding allowed me to make great contacts (for GM/songs) and get a peek at who I might be in 20 years."

Congratulations Jessica and Amber – you represented us well!

### **Congratulations Quebec Guiders!!**



Our current membership count shows an increase of 3.47% over last year's Quebec membership numbers. For the first time in many years Guiding in Canada has increased membership across the Country by 1.18%. What a great way to celebrate our birthday.

Let's keep up the good work, we are all making a difference!!



### The St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held Sunday, March 14th

This has always been a popular event for Girl Guides and once again this year we will have a walking unit in the Parade. It is a great opportunity to show off our flags and be seen. We can let the city know that **GGC** is **100** years old and still going strong.

We are permitted a maximum of 200 participants so if you would like to walk in the Parade with your unit, please register with us so that we can keep track of the number of participants. Parents and siblings are welcome but no pets. Wagons are useful for Sparks, it is a long route.

So polish off the brass on your flags and unfurl your banners, everyone loves a parade! A St. Patrick crest will be available for a cost of 2\$. The money will be collected at the parade where the crests will be distributed. Those registered will get more info about where and when the line-up is on parade day. **Please send to:** 

kidjenny111@hotmail.com by Feb. 19th

Unit name: Name of Contact Guider:

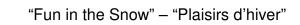
Phone number: e-mail:

number of participants: number of crests @ 2\$:

SEE YOU THERE! Susan Sayer and Jen Robert

The registrations are filling up quickly so we will accommodate up to 200 on a first come first serve basis. Thanks





On Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, in Mount Royal park in TMR, the membership team in conjunction with the Provincial Council and

Liesse District are holding a fun filled afternoon of activities. The aim of this event is to attract new girls and Guiders in a community that was once a strong supporter of Guiding. Activities will include skating, active games, hot chocolate, a sing along and more. Any Guider interested in lending a hand for the afternoon should contact Joanne at joannemillette@gmail.com. The more the merrier!!



#### REMINDER TO ALL GUIDERS

Guiders' Social Event on Saturday, March 13, 2010 from 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Royal Canadian Legion, 1622 rue Roberval, St. Bruno

Bring all your pins/wear them on a vest or on your camp hat. Show off your camp blanket and your badges

RSVP before March 5th: annettelevasseur@yahoo.ca / 450.461.1085

From Pincourt: SR-20 East / Autoroute des Souvenir 31.8 km

At exit **68-S**, take ramp **right** for SR-15 South / SR-20 East toward Pont Champlain / USA/Québec15.1 km At exit 11, take ramp right for SR-30 East / Autoroute de L'Acier toward Sorel / Québec 9.1 km

At exit 118, take ramp right for SR-116 East / Boulevard Sir-Wilfrid-Laurier toward St-Hyacinthe / Beloeil 3.5 kmTurn left onto Boulevard Seigneurial W 1.3 km, turn left onto Rue Roberval 0.2 km, arrive at Legion.

From Laval: Autoroute des Laurentides toward Montréal 0.7 km

Take ramp **left** and follow signs for SR-15 South / Autoroute Transcanadienne East 5.8 km At exit 1-O, take ramp left for SR-40 East / Autoroute Transcanadienne East 11.3 km

At exit 80-S, take ramp right for SR

-25 South / Autoroute Transcanadienne East toward Tunnel L.-H.-Lafontaine 15.4 km At exit 98, take ramp right for SR-30 West / Autoroute de L'Acier toward Brossard 7.0 km At exit 118, take ramp right for SR-116 East / Boul. Sir-Wilfrid-Laurier toward Beloeil 3.3 km Turn left onto Boulevard

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From Sutton: SR-139 / Rue Principale S 12.8 km Turn **left** to stay on **SR-104** / **SR-**139 / Chemin de Knowlton26.2 kmPass MAZDA in 7.9 km Take ramp right for SR-10 West / Autoroute des Cantons de l'Est toward **Montréal** 55.4 km At exit 11, take ramp right for SR-30 East / Autoroute de L'Acier toward Aéroport St-Hubert / Québec / Sorel-Tracy / Tunnel Louis-H.-la Fontaine 8.1 km At exit 118, take ramp right for SR-116 East / Boulevard Sir-Wilfrid-Laurier toward St-Hyacinthe / Beloeil3.5 km Turn left onto Boulevard Seigneurial W 1.3 km, Turn left

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### Saturday, May 15th 2010

is the day that Canadian Girl Guides, from the very youngest to the most senior, from coast to coast, will set aside to celebrate the 100th anniversary of GGC. Across the nation, each province will be marking the day with their own special event. In Newfoundland they are holding a sunrise ceremony to welcome this special day, and in British Columbia they will watch the sun set on it.

Here in Quebec your Centennial Committee has been doing their best to put together a memorable day for all our sisters in Guiding.

The theme of our event is Rally Décou-verte - Guides Go Green and the goal is for everyone to have some fun exploring the wonderful city of Montreal, on public transportation and on foot. We want to be out there to see and be seen. Let's let the world know we are alive and well and still going strong, ready to meet the next 100 years.

Our central meeting place will be the elegant Therese Casgrain Hall in the Villa Maria School, just adjacent to the Villa Maria Metro. It has easy access by public transportation as well as limited parking. Everyone will be pre-registered, and depending on the schedule the participants choose for their group, they can come to the Villa to check-in in the morning and head straight out for their adventures. Thanks to an agreement with the STM, groups will be provided with event day passes good for multiple trips by metro and by bus, enabling up to 5 girls under the age of 13 to travel with an adult for free. Other passes will cover girls 13 and up.

The various mission options available for the day include a visit to the McCord Museum (our downtown event hub, where past and present members can share some of their Girl Guide memories), exploring the Redpath Natural History Museum on the beautiful McGill Campus, a scavenger hunt in Old Montreal geared for different age groups, and route sheets to find your way around the underground city, the shopping jungle, China Town and other areas. The Canadian Centre for Architecture will run tours of their current exhibit for Guide aged girls too! There will be lots of fun activities and challenges along the way.

All these places are very easy to access by the metro, in relatively little time. Groups will choose their destinations, as ambitious or as easy-going a plan as suits the age and interest of their girls. From your choices, an itinerary and schedule for the day will be assembled, one that will also help to manage traffic in popular sites or where capacity is limited. Detailed instructions will be provided prior to the event regarding getting about on the metro, and enjoying the missions on your Décou-verte tour. Even those with little or no experience using Montreal's fabulous metro system will be able to navigate with ease.

Part of your rally package will include procedures to use in order to keep everyone safe. All registered participants will be issued a bracelet which will identify them as part of our groups. It will be printed with an emergency phone number to access our support team.

The Trefoil Guild will host a tea party for Guiding alumnae at the Villa in the afternoon. They are also putting together a Fashion show to display their extensive collection of uniforms from the past.

Early to mid afternoon, all the travelers will congregate at the Villa where there are several activities lined up. Everyone will have an opportunity to mingle with the tea party attendees. Perhaps today's leaders will meet up with their old Brown Owl or Captain. The girls will have a chance to meet and chat with some of our past leaders who remember when....

National is providing us with a Video presentation which in part, will reveal the winners of the uniform of the future contest, and feature clips from "Show Us Your GGC" video contributions.







What would a party be without cake, so naturally we will all be enjoying 100th 1910-2010 Girl Greatness anniversary cake together. The festivities will close with a campfire.

Watch for the registration forms in late February; they will be appearing online as a special addendum to the Piccolo. Due to the complex nature of this event, and many special surprises in store, please be very sure to respect the registration deadlines issued so that you won't miss out on the fun.



### Guiders thoughts on The Quebec

### Centennial Express and what being a member of Girl Guides means to them during our centennial means to them.

On the weekend of January 15th, 48 merry women from Québec boarded a shiny red bus and went rolling down the 401 on their way to enjoy the 2010 Launch Party at the historic Casa Loma. Naturally a guiding event is not complete without an evaluation and so the revellers were asked to let us know what they thought about the event.

Overall, the event was seen as a success. It was great to see so many people there and to see all the kids. Some said they could feel the sisterhood of Guiding alive and well in the air. "All in all it was great to be able to participate in our 100 year celebrations and I am looking forward to participating in our own (Quebec) celebrations on May 15th!" "I enjoyed the friendliness of the occasion."

The Guiders on this excursion represented a wide range of experience in the movement. Some were "newbies" and many have been involved for many, many decades. Here are some excerpts from their comments:

"It has been a wonderful 37 years plus for me....I looked at each girl in my unit as a daughter and each Guider as a sister....if the girls got half as much out of Guiding as I did, they would have taken a great start to their adult lives...."

"I am constantly amazed and inspired by what a group of women and girls can accomplish.....having an opportunity to mentor girls is...one of the most satisfying things I do..."

"Guiding has so long been a part of my life (72 years) that it is part of who I am....

Most of my closest friends I met in Guiding....there were many years of fun, of adventures, of camps, of honing skills, of laughter; I never laughed more than at Guide events..."

"I feel excited that I am able to be part of Guiding's 100th Anniversary. I

started as a Brownie many years ago....when I had a daughter I couldn't wait for her to join Brownies and have the same fun I had.....I now have a granddaughter who is a Brownie.....Guiding has given me many opportunities...I have learned many things and made friends here and around the world as a result of being a member of Girl Guides of Canada."

Some Districts have shared their ideas for celebrating our 100th. Do you think you would like to try some of them? Do you have ideas of your own to share? Let us know at guiding100quebec@gmail.com

- Tie 100 blue ribbons along a bridge with the 100 logo so that passers-by can see them
- Post 100 reasons to join Girl Guides in your local community centre, library or schools
- Submit the Rally day invitation to your local papers
- Hold a camp with a 100 theme, play a wide game with 10 stations, one for each decade of Guiding
- Have a tea party and invite seniors who may have been Girl Guides in their youth. Talk about the way things have changed.
- Have a parade
- Plant a floral display in your city
- Have a sleepover with a 100 theme
- ATTEND THE MAY 15TH RALLY!





If you were ever involved with Girl Guides of Canada - Guides du Canada you are invited to our 100th Anniversary Party!

Were you a Brownie or a Guide, a Brown Owl or a Captain? Do you remember going to camp and singing around the campfire?

If Girl Guides was ever a part of your life, mark this date on your calendar:

#### SATURDAY MAY 15TH, 2010

The Québec Council of Girl Guides of Canada will hold a Provincial Rally that day for all our girls and Guiders, but a special part of that day will be for past members.

There will be a tea party and fashion show of uniforms from days gone by, hosted by the Trefoil Guild. The McCord museum welcomes Guiding that day, and is open to everyone on the guest list.

Don't miss this opportunity for a stroll down memory lane and a chance to meet up with old friends. For more information please contact us at: guiding100quebec@gmail.com or phone: 514.933.5839

### 100 ans, Ça se fête en grand Appel à toutes!!!

Avez-vous été impliqué dans les Girl Guides of Canada Guides du Canada? Si oui, soyez des nôtres pour notre grande fête du centennaire.

Brownies, guides, « Brown Owl » ou cheftaines; avez-vous de bons souvenirs de camps et de chansons autour du feu?

Dans le cadre des célébrations du 100e anniversaire des Guides du Canada, un « rallye provincial » sera organisé à Montréal pour les filles, les animatrices et toutes celles qui ont déjà fait parti de l'organisation.

La guilde « Trefoil » vous offre un après-midi de thé ainsi qu'un défilé d'uniformes des années passées. Ouvrez votre agenda et réservez le samedi 15 mai, 2010 car beaucoup d'activités vous attendent lors de cette journée!

Toutes celles qui seront inscrites à la liste d'invités pourront bénéficier d'une activité spéciale qui aura lieu au musée McCord.

Quelle belle occasion de pouvoir revivre de moments inoubliables en compagnie d'amies de longue date! Contactez-nous pour plus d'information ou pour vous inscrire à la liste d'invités soit par courriel au : guiding100quebec@gmail.com ou par téléphone au (514) 933-5839.







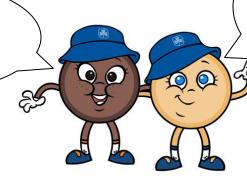






# FORE I FORMATION

Lets get excited about selling cookies!!!



Yum! The Classic cookies are back! A special box design celebrating 100 years is out too!

# Cookie Sears Selling Date: April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010



Take part in this partnership by calling the participating Sears near your location and making your own arrangements

Check out this link for information on the Cookie All Stars program <a href="http://girlguides.ca/cookieallstars">http://girlguides.ca/cookieallstars</a>



Please find the Sears Locations as an attached PDF file...

## PROVINCIAL-LEVEL POSITION OPPORTUNITIES

The following positions are open – please consider applying for one today!

### **Public Relations Adviser**

As this is our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, it would be very beneficial to Guiding in Quebec to have a PR Adviser who could spread the word that we do exist and that Guiding is a great opportunity for all girls and adults. The goals of the PR Adviser are to develop a comprehensive public relations plan for Guiding in Quebec and to provide support to district councils in their advertising efforts in the areas of recruitment and cookies. The PR adviser is a Member of the Provincial Advisers Committee (PAC).

### **Cookie Adviser**

The goals of the Cookie Adviser are to provide each girl Member with a meaningful cookie selling experience, to provide every Unit Guider and parent with access to pertinent cookie selling resources and to develop a plan for a "cookie program" that will capitalize on the "business experience" of the girls. The cookie adviser is a Member of the Provincial Advisers Committee (PAC).

### **Ranger Coordinator**

This is an awesome position as you get to work, plan, camp and have fun with a group of young ladies who already know how to pitch a tent and cook. The Ranger coordinator position falls under the program adviser and would be part of the program adviser's committee.

### **Link Coordinator**

The main purpose of this position is to give girls (many in college or university from out of town) an opportunity to get together and stay in touch with Guiding. The Link Coordinator position falls under the program adviser and would be part of the program adviser's committee.

### **Lones Specialist**

The main purpose of this position is to be a Guider to a girl(s) who is not able to attend meetings. You would be required to help this girl through her program work and, if possible, ensure that she would be able to camp with a district within her geographical location. The Lones Specialist position falls under the program adviser and would be part of the program adviser's committee.

OR



If you feel that you do not have the time to take on an adviser, coordinator or specialist position, please consider volunteering to help with PR and the many aspects of cookie selling – there is always something that needs doing.

Also, the Travel/International Adviser and the Program Adviser would love to have members on their teams – many hands make light work!

For information, position descriptions and application forms, please contact:
Anita Scott at frank.scott2@sympatico.ca.

### **Staff Positions Available**

Camp Wa-Thik-Ane is currently looking for qualified lifeguards, boating specialists, and animators for weekend employment contracts. All applicants must be a minimum of 17 years of age and hold current Standard First Aid and CPR certification. For more information or an application, please contact Lori at 514-933-5839 or email

guides-quebec.camp@bellnet.ca



### Staff Announcement



Due to the changes announced recently about Camp Wa-Thik-Ane, we are pleased to announce that Lori Labelle is changing her focus and is now Manager of Membership Development and Recruitment.

With this change Lori is no longer the Camp Manager however she will still be handling some administrative responsibilities related to Camp Wa-Thik-Ane.

### Spring Registration 2010 2,010 girls in 2010!

Start to plan your Spring Registration Event

We currently have 1,762 girls and our goal is 2,010 in 2010

2010-2011 membership fee is \$105.00 (\$5.00 discount will apply again this year)

Full details will be in the March 2010 Piccolo

(Deadline will be May 28, 2010)

### GGC-QUEBEC COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Guiders and girls, now is the time to consider applying for the \$1,000 GGC-Québec Council Scholarship. The deadline is June 1, 2010.

The Criteria, Application Form and Personal Financial Plan form can be found on the GGC-Quebec Council website at:

www.guidesquebec.ca or contact the Provincial Office.



Unit and District Treasurer's Calendar
Check your Treasurer's Handbook for more specific information; this is a brief outline only

January	February	March	April
Prepare financial books for review; complete reviews for Units	Collect and remit donations for the Canadian World Friendship	Classic chocolate and vanilla cookies delivered	Fundraising blackout ends one month after delivery of
January 31: District Annual Financial Reports and supporting docu- ments to be sent to Quebec Council Office	rund (suggested at per member minimum) to Quebec Council Office	Fundraising blackout starts	COOKING
Unit Annual Financial Reports and completed Financial Review Checklists to be sent to Quebec Council Office			
Мау	June	July	August
Payment due for cookies	GST / QST rebate requests due to Quebec Council Office	Go hiking, camping or whatever	Relax, you've earned it
Deadline for District surcharge requests (for high rental costs) District Meeting: Appoint financial reviewers for Units if necessary (changing unit treasurers only)	Prepare financial books for mid-year review, review and forward Annual Financial Reports and completed Financial Review Checklists for Districts and Units (as necessary) to Quebec Council Office by June 15		
September	October	November	December
District Meeting: Update bank account signing officers	District Meeting: Districts should prepare annual budgets for the next calendar year. Submit to	Payment due for cookies	District Meeting: Appoint financial reviewers for Units
Visit bank to change the signing officers Chocolatey Mint Cookie delivery	Council by <b>October 31</b> Fundraising blackout ends one month after delivery of cookies		Year-end is <b>December 31</b> for Units and Districts
Fundraising blackout starts			

Calendrier des Trésorières des Unités et Secteurs Vérifiez votre manuel de la trésorière pour les détails spécifiques; ce tableau est un bref résumé.

Janvier	Février	Mars	Avril
Préparation des documents pour la révision financière	Collection des fonds pour le pour « Les fonds d'Amitié Mondiaux Canadiens » (\$1 minimum par	Livraison des biscuits classiques: chocolat et vanille	Activités de financement permises un mois après la livraison des biscuits
31 janvier : le Rapport annuel du secteur et les documents justificatifs doivent être envoyés au conseil québécois	membre est suggéré) au conseil québécois	Aucune activité de financement	
les Rapports annuels des unités et les Listes de vérification de la révision financière doivent être envoyés au conseil québécois			
Mai	Juin	Juillet	Août
Payement des biscuits au conseil québécois	15 juin: Date limite pour la demande de remboursement	Camping, marche, excursion, etc.	Détendez-vous, vous l'avez mérité
<b>31 mai :</b> la demande d'autorisation de percevoir des frais supplémentaires doit être soumise au Conseil québécois	Préparation des documents pour la révision financière mi-exercice pour le 15 juin	Profitez du temps chaud pour la baignade et les plaisirs de la plage	
Conseil du secteur: résolutions désignant les responsables de la révision financière pour les unités s'il y a changement de trésorière			
Septembre	Octobre	Novembre	Décembre
Conseil du secteur: résolutions désignant les signataires autorisées pour les comptes du secteur et pour les unités	Conseil du secteur: approbation du budget annuel du secteur, pour l'année prochaine. A	Payement des biscuits au conseil québécois	Conseil du secteur: résolutions désignant les responsables de la révision financière pour
Signataires autorisées se rendent à la banque pour s'identifier et signer	québécois pour le 31 octobre		La fin de l'exercice financier à tous les niveaux des GGC est
Livraison des biscuits chocolatés à la menthe	mois après la livraison des biscuits		fixée au <b>31 décembre</b>
Aucune activité de financement permise pendant un mois			



The Québec Provincial Council Invites All Guiders to the 2009 Annual General Meeting Thursday, May 6, 2010 Crowne Plaza Hotel Dorval 6600 Cote de Liesse Montreal, QC H4T 1E3

Registration and Cocktails: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Dinner and Meeting to follow.

The cost for the dinner is \$40.00 per person.

Information and deadline for tickets will be printed in the March Piccolo



Alison Dunn - She's not a Guider but a great friend to Guiding

Thank you for the great shots!