



Announcing the birth of our new Québec website ...

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Yes... it's really, really here

Enjoy! Make this your one stop shopping location for Québec news, activities, programming ideas and beyond!



et puis il est en français!

Bienvenue | Welcome
Continuer en Français | Continue in English

- check it out!
- venez voir!

Highlights:

- [Happy Volunteer Week!](#)
- [Design a Crest contest winner](#)
- [Two new trainings scheduled for this spring](#)
- [Québec representatives for national trips this summer](#)

Many thanks to Simon Lemaire who donated his time to bring bilingualism to our website. There are still some forms and Québec documents that need translation and this will be undertaken in the coming months.

This is only the beginning of more content to come!

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How did the Sparks and Brownies in Knowlton earn their Québec Spin?

Look inside to find out!



Guiders in Knowlton take delivery of their QC Spin crests



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Our new website includes a photo gallery, an introduction for parents, GGC Québec Council Scholarship information, Guider resources including updated training session dates, open provincial positions, the Québec Awards Booklet, everything you need to know about booking a site at Camp Wa-Thik-Ane... and so much more! Here are some snapshots to give you a sneak peek:

Who We Are	Branches	Support Us	Quick Links
Our History Mission, Vision, Values, Promise & Law Code of Conduct/Child Safety	Sparks (ages 5-6) Brownies (ages 7-8) Guides (ages 9-11)	Ways of Giving Become a Volunteer	Provincial Websites Shop Online National GGC Publications

Twitter Feed

about 34 seconds ago we were checking out RT @eklemaire RDV au Parc Michel-Chartrand à #Longueuil le #5mai pour un événement gratuit pour toute la #famille <https://t.co/JSMvqFBM0A> @guidesquebec

Challenges & Activities

Programs

- Core Programming
- Challenges & Activities**
- Awards & Recognition

In addition to core programming, their particular interests. The range from international issues and self-esteem to achievement.

Challenges

- Québec Spin
- Chocolate Challenge
- National Service Project
- Tree Planting
- Twinning
- Girls For Safer Communities

Activities

- World Thinking Day
- HerStory
- Crafty Tuesdays

Upcoming Events

- Shopping Fundraiser at Dix Mille Villages
April 25, 2013
- GGC Québec Council AGM
May 2, 2013
- Festi-Guides - Adventure Trek
May 5, 2013
- Young Women's Conference
May 11, 2013
- Wa-Thik-Ane
May 11, 2013

Join Us

Are you looking for a place to do fun things with your friends? A way to get involved within your community? A chance to try a bit of everything?

It's very easy to join!

- Find a Unit
- Register Online

Liens rapides

- Wa-Thik-Ane**
- Localisateur d'unité**
- Formulaires**
- Biscuits**

- * You'll soon see some of the regular items in the *Piccolo* with links directly to the website in order to shorten our monthly publication and house more information directly on the site.
- * For more stories of Great Guiding in Québec and all the very latest news...

Follow us!



We welcome your comments and suggests at communications@guidesquebec.ca



GGC Québec launches an online advertising campaign!

Girl Greatness
Starts Here!



We are beside ourselves with joy to announce the launch of the very first online advertising campaign ever done by Girl Guides of Canada, and it's happening right here in Québec!

In the coming weeks, keep an eye out for us on:

- www.Châtelaine.qc.ca
- www.Chatelaine.com
- www.Divine.ca/en/
- www.Divine.ca/fr/
- www.thekidscoop.ca/montreal
- www.thekidscoop.ca/montreal/fr



DESIGN A CREST contest winner!

Congratulations to: LISANNE TURCOTTE

Lisanne is a member of the 2nd Northwood Brownie Unit in the Northshore District. She'll receive \$30 to spend shopping at the Girl Guide store.

All members registering during the spring registration period will receive this brand new crest!



National Volunteer Week

April 21 to 27, 2013



Je tiens à remercier toutes nos cheftaines au nom du Conseil du Québec, et au nom de toutes les filles du Guidisme, pour vos efforts inébranlables. Les liens privilégiés entre les générations que nous créons et les compétences que nous construisons chez les filles et les jeunes femmes durent toute une vie. Et de plus, les préparer à ce que la vie y apporteront et leur enseigner à prendre les devants dans leur vie n'a pas de prix.

Nous sommes des femmes extraordinaires qui se présentent pour faire une différence dans la vie des filles et, ce faisant, nous «prenons des mesures pour un meilleur monde».

Merci et bonne semaine des bénévoles!

Pamela Rice
Commissaire Provincial

I would like to extend a thank you to all our Guiders on behalf of Québec Council, and on behalf of all the girls in Guiding, for your tireless efforts. The special intergenerational connections and skills we build with girls and young women lasts a life time. Preparing them for what life will bring their way and helping them to take the lead in their lives is priceless.

We are a special breed of women who have stepped forward to make a difference in the lives of girls and in doing so we are 'taking action for a better world'.

Thank you and happy volunteer week!

Pamela Rice
Provincial Commissioner



An invitation to all Units, Districts, members, friends and families

Festi-Guides May 2013



Sunday, May 5

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Parc régional de Longueuil

(Parc Michel-Chartrand)

1798 rue Adoncour

(parking off Curé-Poirier)

Come out and be part of an end-of-year celebration like no other! Drop by for a few hours or make a day of it and participate in a wide range of challenges and activities showcasing the many sides of Guiding.

This is a great opportunity for your girls to meet new friends, broaden their skill set and complete another Québec Spin challenge as well!

*Stop by the **Science booth** and experiment with the things around you.*

*Trek on over to the **Camping station** and test your camping skills.*

*Want to learn more about Guiding around the world? Visit the **International station** to learn about the World Centres and discover some of the amazing travel opportunities Guiding has to offer.*

*Make a difference in your community by participating in the **Earth Action Challenge**.*

*Try out the **games, Geocaching, Zumba**—a lot will be going on!*

*Perhaps you're more the explorer type? Then be sure to visit the **Exploration booth** and set out on a hike around the park and discover the plants and wildlife along its trails.*

Bring a picnic lunch and make a great day with family and friends. Everyone is welcome to discover all that Girl Guides has to offer!

Are you planning to attend as a Unit or District?

Keep your eyes peeled for an email with more details on the day and a registration form for you to submit ahead of time—this way you'll save time at check-in! You'll also have the opportunity to order your Québec Spin crests in advance and pick them up on the day!



WHEN: Saturday, May 11, 2013
from 10 a.m.—4 p.m.

WHERE: Mountainside Church,
687 Roslyn, Westmount

WHO: ALL Pathfinders, Rangers
and Guiders aged 18-35

You are One in Ten Million: Inspiring You to Make Connections with the World

We are happy to announce that this year's guest speaker will be:

Katelyn Bateman – Founder of Amélioration Jeunesse Internationale

The Young Women's Forum is back for another year of sharing and inspiring one another to make a difference in the world. This year's forum is more interactive than ever before, challenging you to look beyond yourself and your community.

The day is all about sharing your knowledge, your skills and is an opportunity for you to help shape the future of Guiding in Québec.

Register now at: ywf.ggc@gmail.com

PATHFINDERS & TREX:

Don't forget to register for the **acoustics and sound workshop** -

Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2013

Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Where: Palais des congrès de Montréal

Fee: FREE, except for parking costs

Check out the [March Piccolo](#) for all the details

Registration deadline: May 1, 2013 - space is limited! Email programsupport@guidesquebec.ca to register

Upcoming Training Session:



OUTDOOR ACTIVITY LEADERSHIP (OAL) -

Residential Camping—Leading Module

It's a go!

Saturday, April 27, 2013

9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Summerlea United Church

225 - 50e avenue, Lachine

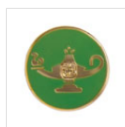
*****IMPORTANT: Please fill out the registration—see below**

This training covers **basic planning and technical skills** needed to take girls on an overnight adventure in a residential facility. (8 hour module)

It is recommended **for new leaders or inexperienced campers** to acquire all the skills and knowledge needed to take girls on a one or two night residential camping experience, and to ensure that they have the skills and confidence to deliver a **fun, safe, age-appropriate camp**.

If you want to learn new skills and be better equipped to take girls on outdoor activities and to residential camp, this training is for you. Be better prepared, and take the stress out of finding adventure in the world around us, with girls of all ages.

Recognition: Training in iMIS and a green pin



REGISTRATION

Please send an **email** to training.formation@guidesquebec.ca with the information below:

Subject: OAL Residential Camping

Name _____ iMIS # _____ (if available)

Spark

Brownie

Guide

Pathfinder

District _____

Telephone number: _____

email address: _____

Another Upcoming Training Session!

A session on ADULT LEARNING -

'Understanding the Adult Learner'

When: **June 7, 2013, 6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.**

Where: **Summerlea United Church**

225 - 50e avenue, Lachine

This session provides an introduction and insight into:

- Principles of adult learning
- Learning styles and preferences
- The role of a learning facilitator
- How to evaluate learning



Understanding the adult learner is the key to success in effectively sharing skills and information. We will examine the basic principles of adult learning, how we learn and what helps us to learn.

Who can benefit from this training?

- * **Guiders** with skills to share with other adults (both inside and outside of Guiding)
- * **District Commissioners** (recognized under Enrichment or Admin)
- * **New Trainers** (a pre-requisite to other training topics)

REGISTRATION

Please send an **email** to training.formation@guidesquebec.ca
with the information below:

Subject: Understanding the Adult Learner

Name _____ **iMIS #** _____ (if available)

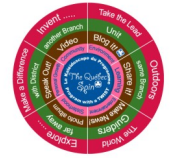
Spark

Brownie

Guide

Pathfinder

District _____



Knowlton Sparks and Brownies get spinning

Submitted by Donna Houseman

Their story...

We decided as a group, Sparks and Brownies, that we would enter the Knowlton Lion's Club Santa Claus Parade which took place Saturday, December 1, 2012. We planned to wear animal hats that were on sale at the dollar store. A couple of the girls were wearing animal hats to school around that time.

Entering the parade would be supporting a community event and we could show the community that Sparks and Brownies are alive and growing in Knowlton.

When Brown Owl (Brenda) and Sparkle (Donna) went to buy the hats, there were none to be found. There were, however, red cowgirl hats... so that's how we became "Santa's Cowgirls".

Originally we planned to ride on the Oddfellows float, but insurance was a problem and we decided to walk in the parade instead. We were not sure we would be able to walk the entire parade route, so we decided that we could make a detour half way and take a side street rejoining the parade just before arriving at the school where it ends.

Brown Owl should have been a costume designer because she jazzed up those cowgirl hats with stars and garlands and we looked amazing. We also wore red plaid neckies and black mittens with bells so that we jingled when we waved at the crowd.

Sparkle turned four mops into horses. We attached our Spark and Brownie flags to the mop handles. We used ropes with hand loops for the girls to hold between the two sets of mops; making a corral for the girls to walk inside on route.



KNOWLTON'S QUÉBEC SPIN:

The parade took place **OUTDOORS**

The Knowlton Sparks and Knowlton Brownies participated in the parade together- **ANOTHER BRANCH**

We gave all participants a DVD of photos with some short movie clips- **PHOTO ALBUM** (thank you to Lara-Twinkle, our resident techno expert)

We participated in a **COMMUNITY** event giving us some PR, while having fun and getting some exercise



New Guiders in Knowlton—Brown Owl and her sidekick Sprinkle

14 out of 17 girls participated in the parade. We reached the half way point and Brown Owl said... "We can do this... let's keep going!" We surprised even ourselves and walked the entire parade route, no detours... We even made it up the "BIG HILL", very slowly... but we did it! We even won third prize in the group category... Yahoo!

The parade was given top marks by the Sparks and Brownies when we did 'Two Stars and a Wish' sheets in the New Year. We plan to try this activity again in 2013. We will need to carry a Girl Guide banner out front, because not everyone recognized our Unit flags.

Would you like to put your own Spin on programming?
[Read more here!](#)

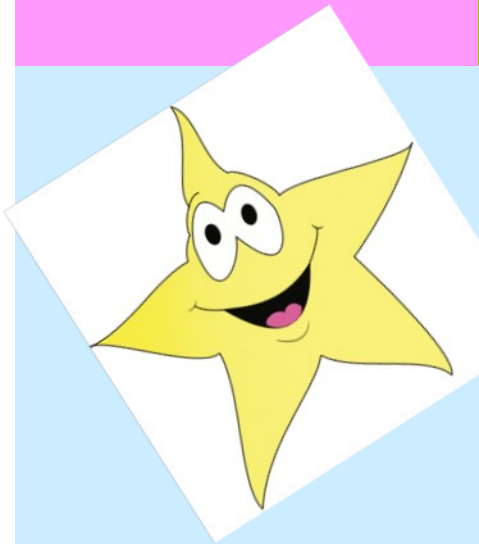
Hello Guiders!
A LITTLE MEANS A LOT
THROUGH
GIRL ENGAGEMENT
...with BEST PRACTICES



IDEAS FOR APRIL

“ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS”

PARTICIPATE IN AT LEAST ONE ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS
ACTIVITY DURING THE GUIDING YEAR.



“Glitter’s” activity idea!

Destination

INTERNATIONAL BIODIVERSITY DAY

May 22, 2013

Reconnect with your local park by using a BioKit. Check out the BioKits here and take action!

<http://www.ec.gc.ca/biotrousses-biokits/default.asp?lang=En&n=C0269262-1>

Make a difference in your community by making a promise for a greener tomorrow.

Watch for pledge forms coming soon on the Québec website.



Spring has Sprung! What to do?

- * Use those longer days to get out of your meeting place more often
- * Come to Adventure Trek and enjoy the nature trails of Michel-Chartrand park in Longueuil on Sunday, May 5
- * Make Mother Nature the star in your upcoming camp planning
- * Want some new ideas for enjoying the outdoors? Check out the **WAGGGS Biodiversity Challenge** booklet at <http://www.wagggsworld.org/en/grab/21432/1/1biodiversity-challenge-badge.pdf>

It offers an amazing range of activities for all ages, but requirements to complete the Challenge are friendly and manageable—have a peek and get inspired! **Badges** available at wagggsworld.org, about 1\$

Canadian Environment Week

E-Week 2013 will take place from June 2-8, 2013. Mark your calendars!



Best Practices are presented in every month's Piccolo. This is for leaders to use when planning and evaluating engaging programming. Check off the monthly themes as you and your Unit accomplish them. You will be delivering a program that allows girls to discover, explore and be adventurous.

Program News from the GGC National Network meetings



Program Advisers from across Canada met in Toronto on March 23 and 24 to exchange ideas and plans, and look at future directions in programming within GGC.

An obvious resource we all rely on is talented Guiders who share their innovations. Provincial website program links are the places to find excellent resources built from all these great ideas.

One such example is the **Unit Guider Program Resources** from the British Columbia Council site, a gateway to great program ideas and activities:

<http://www.bc-girlguides.org/resources/program/unit-guider-resources/>

BRAND NEW! Girl Guide Challenge Crests from Across Canada

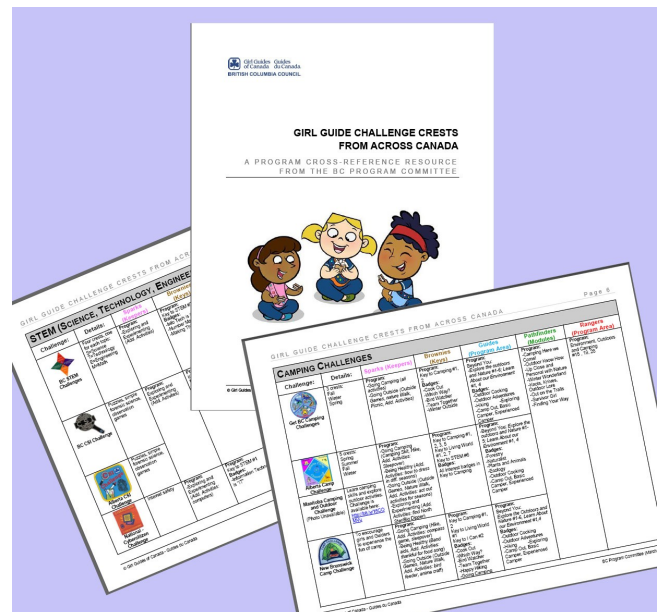
After months of hard work, members of the BC Programming Team have unveiled a brand new resource to share: an amazing **cross-referenced compilation of ALL the current Challenges available across Canada.**

They are all sorted by topic, and reflect the wide range of activities that spin off from our core program!

<http://www.bc-girlguides.org/wp-content/uploads/GGCChallengesCanada.pdf>

National will be linking to this document shortly from within Member Zone, upon the recommendation of the Program Network, so that all Guiders in Canada can have easy access to this great resource.

All Provincial websites are being re-designed to align with the National website in order to improve access and communications. This conversion has just been completed for the Québec website. A goal for the future is to make our wealth of resources easier to find for everyone.





CANADIAN WORLD FRIENDSHIP FUND PIZZA CHALLENGE



The challenge is on until April 30! We have a challenge for Units who have raised money for the CWFF. There will be **two pizza parties** awarded up to the value of **\$100** each to:

1. the Unit that has the year's more novel way to raise funds
2. the Unit that raises the most money per person registered in the Unit, including Guiders

Please send the information below to pam.brown.godfrey@gmail.com. You can copy and paste the text into the body of an email or click here for a form and send it as an attachment.

Your funds will be sent in the usual way, via your District Treasurer. **The deadline is April 30, 2013!**

Unit Name _____ District _____

Number of registered members (including Guiders) _____

Amount of money raised _____ (Please forward your money to your District Treasurer)

Contact Guider Name, e-mail and phone number _____

How the funds were raised. Did the girls come up with the idea?

QUÉBEC REPRESENTATIVES FOR NATIONAL TRIPS THIS SUMMER

Huge congratulations to the following girls who have been selected to be part of the National patrols travelling this summer:

WS 2013 International Camp, England:

Alexandra Meredith, Northern Lights District

Kenya Adventure:

Natalie Kennedy, St. Lazare District

Swiss Adventure, Our Chalet, Switzerland:

Daphné Sauvé, Valois-Dorval District

Alternate: Olivia Makinson, Pincourt District





WAGGGS has a new challenge badge out for **Water!**

Click [HERE](#) to get you where you need to go.

The challenge booklet is full of information and activities about water.

You probably have activities planned till the end of the year, but maybe at camp?

Did you know that 783 million people do not have access to clean water?

Learn other facts about water co-operation

in this [film for International Water Day 2013.](#)



A World Water Day message from WAGGGS



Cookie News

Recognize your girls' cookie selling efforts with some amazing rewards!

Click [here](#) for all the details, but don't delay—the deadline for registering for the 2012-2013 Guiding year is **May 1!**



Questions should be directed to cookieallstars@girlguides.ca



Property Committee News

Wa-Thik-Ane Weekend Positions Available:

Camp Wa-Thik-Ane needs to fill some key weekend positions. Weekend rental groups are entitled to a resident Guider-in-Charge as well as lifeguards and boating specialists in season. Interested individuals can apply for as many or as few weekends as they are available. These are paid positions. If you would like a job description and more information please contact the Property Committee at: qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com.



Clean-Up Weekend:

Set aside **Saturday, May 11** for camp opening and clean-up day at Wa-Thik-Ane. Spring always brings a lot of fix-up and clean-up projects for the camp. This year's opening tasks include; repairing beams, changing floor boards, opening marquees, pitching tents, clearing fallen branches, small carpentry jobs, small electrical jobs (licensed electrician required), small plumbing jobs, and many more projects. This is a very important day for the camp and we count on your volunteer support to get a head start at preparing the camp for the season ahead.



As usual we will supply a BBQ lunch for our hard working volunteers, so in order for us to plan for and purchase food we would ask you to let us know if you are coming and how many you will be. Please RSVP as soon as you can to: qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com. Questions can also be sent to this e-mail address. We look forward to seeing many of you on **Saturday, May 11**.



Shop for our cause, Thursday April 25, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Back this year, better than ever! We have expanded this wonderful fundraising opportunity to include two Dix Mille Villages locations, Pointe Claire and NDG. Monklands District will be supporting us by hosting the NDG event. Dix Mille Villages is a Fair Trade store with handicrafts from around the world. A percentage of all profits will be going to camp Wa-Thik-Ane. Please see our [full page bilingual flyer](#) for details and coupons in [English](#) and [French](#). This is a great opportunity to expose our girls to the concept of Fair Trade and the difference this makes in the lives of many women around the world. Any Unit interested in booking a brief introduction to Fair Trade at one of their April meetings can contact Kirsti Harris at: harris.kirsti@gmail.com



LOOKING FOR SMALL RECYCLING BINS for our campsites

If you don't need them, we'll take them. Please e-mail the Property Committee at qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com if you have any to donate.



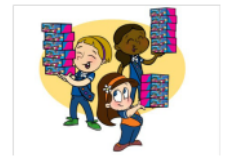
Safe Guide: our risk management program!



April is the most important month for Guiders who joined in September as it is their deadline for the Safe Guide Training. Phone the provincial office at 514-933-5839 and get a PIN and instructions on how to do it **online**.

Safe Guide for your Cookie Blitz:

Guiders, please refer to [Safe Guide, Section 4: Activity Guides](#) (pages 62 and 63) to ensure the safety of your cookie selling activities.



Camping:

This time of year we're talking about more outdoor activities, nature activities, residential camping and under canvas camping. You have started your planning and you're getting all excited about being in the outdoors. You're thinking about the safety of your camp for your girls and leaders.

Consult your [Safe Guide, Section 4: Activity Guides](#)

- ⇒ **Camping: Residential** - pages 56, 57, 58
- ⇒ **Camping: Tenting in an Established Campsite** - pages 59, 60, 61



REMINDER: SG.4

The EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN (SG.4) should be given special attention. GGC has prepared situations in Appendix H of the Safe Guide. Photocopy Appendix H and bring it with you. Your Guiders should be aware of the situations in Appendix H .

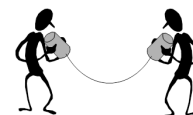
On the SG.4 form, write down situations that might occur during the specific activity you are doing. Make sure that ALL your Guiders have read your Emergency Response Plan specific to your activity.

COMMUNICATION PLAN GUIDELINES are part of the Emergency Response Plan. Read your Safe Guide on page 142 and 143. The plan covers a number of functions that need to occur to smoothly manage emergency communications.



For any questions, contact:

Louise Triggs
Safe Guide Adviser
sg.gs@guidesquebec.ca



Cookies:

Keeping track of cookies isn't as easy as buying some cases from your supporting council and then selling them in your community. When you buy 20 cases at one price and 15 cases at another, you need to show that price difference. When you give them as gifts, eat them in your Unit or offer them as a promotion during a blitz, you need to show where those cookies went. How do you do this?

The first thing you have to do is ensure you are keeping track of the cookies you buy and the cookies you sell. Use a separate piece of paper like the Cookie Tracking Sheet with the other forms on the [GGC Québec website](http://www.ggcquebec.ca).

Cookies that are used by the Unit, rather than being sold, must be shown on the spreadsheet. Cookies are often eaten at camp or in the Unit as a snack, or given away as gifts or publicity. When you eat five boxes at camp, that fact should be recorded as a Camp expense, rather than as a Cookie expense. Calculate how much each box costs the Unit. At the moment, Units are paying \$48.45 per case, so dividing by 12 boxes per case; you get \$4.04 per box. Five boxes will cost the Unit \$20.20. When you write the cheque to pay for the cookies, put the full amount of the cheque written to your district (say 10 cases at \$48.45 equals \$484.50) in the Bank Cheques column, \$20.20 under the Camp expense column, and the remaining amount for the cookies which you actually sold ($\$484.50 - \$20.20 = \$464.30$) in the Cookie expense column.

In the same way, you will show the use of cookies in the Special Events or Gifts, Awards & Badges or Public Relations columns and so on, or in all of these if you have used cookies for all of these purposes. Subtract the total spent on your cookies used in the Unit from the total amount you paid for cookies to get the amount spent on cookies used for fundraising. Then fill in the Cookie expense column last.

Note that this does not show on the line when you make your deposit of cookie money collected; it only shows when you pay for the cookies.

If you have any questions about this or other Guiding finances, please contact me:

Dawn Coffey
Treasurer Support Specialist
finances-support@guidesquebec.ca

First Aid Courses

Upcoming courses offered by Pulse Aide Inc.:

(tailored to the needs of GGC as per Safe Guide - July 2012)

***Note:

- ⇒ These will be the last courses offered for the 2012-2013 Guiding year.
- ⇒ The two-thirds reimbursement from Québec Council is intended for those planning to return as a Guider for the 2013-2014 Guiding year

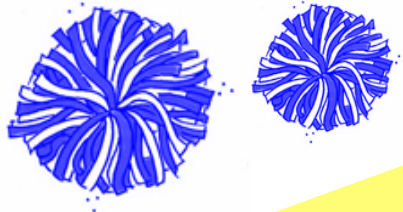
Location: NDG

- ◆ **Emergency First Aid Course** (8 hours) Saturday, April 20, 2013, 8:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. \$100
- ◆ **Standard First Aid Course** (16 hours) Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21, 2013, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. \$120

For more information or to register in a scheduled course, please email **Joan Lax** at pulseaideinc@gmail.com



News from the Provincial Office



GGC Québec Council Annual General Meeting
Growing Leadership: For Today and Tomorrow
May 2, 2013



Tickets are \$45. Email info@guidesquebec.ca to reserve your spot! Cheques should be made out to 'GGC Québec Council' or you can call us at 514-933-5839 with credit card details.

Come and share your great moments with the girls this past year - bring pictures, program ideas and more, to celebrate your successes. Bring your note book to collect great ideas for the new Guiding year!

Thursday, May 2, 2013
Crowne Plaza Hotel
6600 ch. Côte de Liesse
Montréal, QC, H4T 1E3

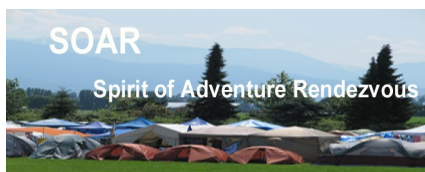


July 16 to July 27, 2014

Riverside Park, Enderby, BC

GGC Québec Council has accepted the invitation to send a patrol to this camp, held next year in the Okanagan Region of British Columbia.

Stay tuned for details and information on how to apply. There will be up to 2500 participants from BC, Canada and abroad!



FAQ for April - *Can new girl members register before June 1st?*

While online registration opens for new members on June 1st, if a new girl would like to pre-register before then, she can do so by filling out an A5.P form. She will also be able to take advantage of the spring registration membership fee of \$115.

Summer Camp at Wa-Thik-Ane July 7 to 27, 2013

Find all the info you need including full camp descriptions and registration forms on the [Camping page](#) of our new Québec Council website!





News from the Provincial Office

NEW! GGC National Fundraising Guidelines

The following appeared in the April edition of The Guidepost—the national e-newsletter for adult Members of Guiding.

What you need to know about fundraising for your activities:

GGC policy states that the Cookie Program is our official fundraiser. Cookies are essential in generating funds for the support of GGC programming and operations. We know that other types of fundraising activities occur to support Guiding activities. However, in recognition of the importance of cookies sales, effective immediately, a minimum of 25 per cent of the total amount you hope to raise through fundraising must be done through cookies sales.

For example, if your fundraising goal is \$2,000, then a minimum of \$500 of that must be raised through cookie sales.

As always, members must request approval for any fundraising above and beyond the sale of Girl Guide Cookies by using the [Fundraising form \(FR.1\)](#). The FR.1 has been updated to reflect the new requirement.

If you are fundraising for any trip – domestic or international – then the fundraising guidelines must be followed. For example, if the trip costs \$2,000 per member then each member would be required to pay 10% as their personal requirement. The remaining cost, \$1,800 per member, is the portion to be fundraised; 25% of that, \$450 would need to be raised through cookie sales.

For those who are already fundraising and have approved FR.1 forms in place, the 25% of funds raised through cookie sales is encouraged, but not required.



Spring re-registration Incentive for Districts



Districts with 1-10 re-registrations for 2012-2013 Guiding year (Your DC has your 2012-2013 number) –
Grow by 5 more re-registrations compared to 2012-2013 and receive **\$50** to put towards a girl event

Districts with 11- 40 re-registrations for 2012-2013 Guiding year (Your DC has your 2012-2013 number) -
Grow by 10 or more re-registrations compared to 2012-2013 and receive **\$75** to put towards a girl event

Districts with 41+ re-registrations for 2012-2013 Guiding year (Your DC has your 2012-2013 number) -
Grow by 12 or more re-registrations compared to 2012-2013 and receive **\$100** to put towards a girl event

Incentive ends June 1, 2013

GGC-QC 2013 Calendar

April 30	Deadline for Canadian World Friendship Fund Pizza Challenge
May 1	Deadline for WWWTA Summer Camp registrations
May 2	GGC Québec Council Annual General Meeting (AGM)
May 5	Festi-Guides: Adventure Trek
May 11	Young Women's Forum
May 11	Wa-Thik-Ane Camp Opening and Clean-Up
May 28	DC/Adviser/Council Meeting (Tuesday, 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.)
June 1	Deadline for GGC Québec Council Scholarship applications
June 5	Science workshop for Pathfinders, Palais des congrès, Montréal
July 7-27	Wonderful Week at Wa-Thik-Ane Summer Camp, Morin Heights
October 5	Provincial Day Camp, Wa-Thik-Ane, Morin Heights
November 1	Deadline for National trip applications



The 2nd Northwood Brownies made friendship bracelets along with tags for India (Sangam).

They also made bookmarks (tray favors) for the Lakeshore Hospital.

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