



## Saskatchewan Council

### Saskatchewan Prairie Lily

February 28, 2019

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**Friday of long weekend: early closure at 3:30 p.m.**

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The final count is in and Saskatchewan is growing! Here are the official “stats”!  
Saskatchewan

Girls 0-15		Rangers		Total Girls		Adults		Total	
2017-2018	2018-2019	2017-2018	2018-2019	2017-2018	2018-2019	2017-2018	2018-2019	2017-2018	2018-2019
2,484	2,694	83	87	2,567	2,781	779	774	3,346	3,555

I am beyond excited with seeing this increase, especially since the 2017-2018 year saw a 3% decrease. The National Office will provide additional information that might better explain the increase shortly. I will gladly share some of that information once it is shared with me. What I do know is that SK GGC increased by 210 girls. That is a huge increase. We also increased our Ranger members. That is superb! I think it is important for us all to know where we increased, why we increased and how to keep the momentum going. I know that the success of GGC is due to passionate GGC adult members providing wonderful programming for girls in their communities. Thank you for being our best promoters of GGC. If the girls get what they want out of the program, they “share and tell their friends!” and the excitement snow balls.

I hope that as we roll out the new Girls First program more girls will identify with the program. I am 110% confident that as girls recognize their voice and choice, they will not only remain in GGC for a long time but will share that feeling with other girls in their communities. This will not only increase our membership, but more importantly, increase the impact of girls on their communities in Saskatchewan. A win-win for everyone!

Laurie Lanovaz  
SK GGC PC



**2019 Provincial Dates**

- March 22-24 Pathfinder Ranger Conference (Regina - facility TBC)
- March 29-31 District Commissioner Retreat (Watrous)
- April 5-7 Lady B-P Weekend (SH GG Building - Regina)
- April 10 International Day of Pink
- April 14 Provincial Council Meeting (Saskatoon)
- May 3-4 Spring Fling (DC Forum, Adviser Meeting - Regina)
- May 4 Clean-Up Saskatchewan
- May 4 Provincial AGM
- May 5 Provincial Council Meeting (Regina)

May 10-12 OAL - Tenting (Trefoil Trails)  
May 24-26 OAL Adventure (Trefoil Trails)  
June 8 Provincial Strat Planning (TBD)  
July 2-7 Southern Horizons Area Camp (Glen Harbour Kids Camp)  
August 15-18 Wilderness Weekend at Heritage Lake (Brownies and up)  
September 6-7 Provincial Council Meeting (Saskatoon)  
November 15-16 Provincial Council Meeting (Regina)

## ACTION ITEMS FOR YOUR ATTENTION

**Saskatchewan Council** provides a discount for **new girl members** joining February 1 to March 30. The cost is \$60 (National portion).

A “Try Now, Join Later” program starting April 1 will allow **new girl members** to join at no cost for the remainder of the current Guiding year; girls can try out a few meetings or special events (like camps!).

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### National Scholarships 2019

The National Scholarship program recognizes the achievements of members in Girl Guides of Canada, while supporting them as they pursue their educational goals and careers.

Scholarships are open to girl and adult members who are pursuing post-secondary education at a recognized college, university or vocational program.

Whether you're a full-time or part-time student, studying engineering, education, political science, or anything in between, there's a scholarship that's right for you!

**Application deadline: April 1, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. EST.**

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## NEW PROVINCIAL EMAILS

[Please click here for new email addresses for SK Council/Advisers/Staff.](#)

Our IT company has it set up that anything being sent to the 'old' email address will forward to the 'new' email address automatically, so there should be no loss of service.

**Please check your junk mail to make sure the new emails are not ending up there. You can approve the domain @girlguides.ca**

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## PHOTOS:

Thank you to all who have shared photos and articles for the *Prairie Lily*. We encourage more groups to consider submitting photos of your events along with a small written article.

For more photos and articles, please [click HERE](#)



To **Iris Keindel** (member of 2nd Saskatoon Trefoil Guild) in the passing of her husband.

To **Ann Carr** (member of Regina TAG) in the passing of her husband Raymond Carr and father-in-law to **Shirlanne Carr** (member of Regina TAG).

To **Shelley Matsalla** (Regina) in the passing of her father-in-law.

## AREA NEWS

**BRIDGNG RIVERS AREA - [sk-bridgingrivers@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-bridgingrivers@girlguides.ca)**



3rd Saskatoon Rangers made up a basket for the first World Thinking Day baby girl born in Saskatoon.

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### Unit Meeting Idea

If anyone would like Jennilee to come to their meeting and talk to girls about self-care in the skincare department, or do a mini facial and/or lip scrub, she enjoys volunteering her time to local Girl Guides. She can be contacted at Green Tree Beauty <https://www.greentreebeauty.com/> or email [info@greentreebeauty.ca](mailto:info@greentreebeauty.ca)

**Thoughts from your Southern Horizons Area Commissioner -  
Christa Morhart**



When I decided to apply for the Area Commissioner (AC) role I had an idea of what I thought the role would entail. I envisioned myself attending weekly meetings and events to mingle with the girls and Guiders. The idea of making a larger impact in the organization, specifically on girls was very enticing. Going into my third year as AC, I have come to the realization that physically attending every meeting and special Guiding event in Saskatchewan sometimes just isn't feasible. Life gets in the way and plans change. [To read more on Christa's thoughts click here.](#)

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**Southern Horizons Area seeking Area Treasurer**

**For more information, please contact Area Commissioner Christa Morhart  
[sk-southernhorizonsac@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-southernhorizonsac@girlguides.ca)**

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**Southern Horizons Area Camp**

**Where:** Glen Harbour Kids Camp (South of Rowan's Ravine)

**When:** July 2 at 4 p.m. to July 7 at 1 p.m.

**Why:** To have fun, meet new friends and learn new skills!

**Cost:** \$200 (includes GST)

**Register:** by May 31 with forms and payment to Regina Girl Guide Centre 1530 Broadway Ave, Regina SK, S4P 1E2

**Guides:** [click for registration forms](#)

**Pathfinders:** [click for registration forms.](#)

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**International Day of Pink:**

**April 10, 2019** Please join us for the International Day of Pink in Regina wearing your pink shirts with your banners and signs.

**6:20 p.m.** - Meet at Royal Saskatchewan Museum parking lot.

**6:35 p.m.** - Walk to Legislative Building.

Laura Ross, MLA will host us again this year.

We will be done around 7:30 p.m.

**To register email [Tara](#)**

**Please register by Monday [April 1](#).** Include contact Guider's name, number of girl members, number of adult members and number of family members expected.

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**Cydney Weir Memorial Camp Fund**

This award is in memory of Cydney Weir, a girl member and Guider from Southern Horizons Area who had a passion for Guiding, camping and the environment. This \$150 award is to acknowledge a girl who consistently shows kindness, helpfulness and caring for the environment. The \$150 is to be used towards a Guiding camp of the recipient's choice and must be used in the year it is awarded.

[Click to see the application.](#)

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Ralph Goodale @RalphGoodale · 2d

A big crowd attended today's annual Girl Guide Tea in Regina. Enrollment numbers going up in this community in which Girl Guide Cookies were first invented! @girlguidesofcan



A tweet from Ralph Goodale

## SK COUNCIL NEWS - sk-provincial@girlguides.ca



We are still celebrating Girls First and have Girls First Launch crests for all SK members (girls and adults). Crests were distributed at the September 22 Launch Party. If your unit did not attend the Launch Party or you haven't previously ordered these crests, please contact the Provincial Office.

Contact by phone 306-757-4102 / 1-800-565-8111 or by email: sk-provincial@girlguides.ca

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## PROVINCIAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**MAY 4, 2019**

**SOUTHERN HORIZONS AREA BUILDING  
REGINA, SK**

## UPCOMING VACANT PROVINCIAL POSITIONS

All positions, with the exception of the Provincial Treasurer, are three year terms.

Please keep in mind there is also a huge need for women to fill vacant or upcoming vacancies for District Commissioners or District Treasurers, Safe Guide Assessors, Provincial Fundraising Approver, and Trainers.

[Click here for the Provincial Council Flow Chart](#)

Currently we have the following roles to be filled prior to our May 4, 2019 AGM. Contact sk-pc@girlguides.ca if you want more information on any of these opportunities. Position descriptions and the application form for a provincial position are noted below.

[Deputy Provincial Commissioner](#)

[Elected Member - Youth Adviser](#)

[Girl Engagement Coordinator](#)

[International Adviser](#)

[Membership Adviser](#)

[Provincial Treasurer](#)

[Link Liaison](#)

Apply by submitting [Provincial Position Application](#)

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**MEMBER SERVICE COORDINATOR-Megan Clark, sk-memberservices@girlguides.ca**

**Recognizing Great Volunteers**

As the end of our Guiding year starts to be in sight, now is a great time to consider nominating that great Guider (or non-member volunteer) that you work with! Anyone can nominate a Guider for an award, and awards can be presented at any time of the year. [Here are some awards you may consider:](#)

**PROGRAM - Joyce Schmalz, Program Adviser sk-program@girlguides.ca**



**Pathfinder/Ranger Conference**

**March 22 - 24, 2019**

**Location: Regina**

[Click here for Registration Form](#)

**Registration and fee payment deadline is March 8, 2019.**

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## Lady B-P Weekend

When: April 5 - 7, 2019

Location: Southern Horizons Girl Guide Building - Regina

[Click for Registration Form](#)

### Attention all 3rd year Girl Guides and Guiders!

Please join us for a fun-filled weekend focused on the Lady Baden-Powell Award.

What can you expect:

- Gain knowledge about Lady and Lord Baden-Powell
- Participate in a service project
- Fun outing with your peers
- Games and food
- Make new friends in Guiding

This is an excellent opportunity for 3rd year Girl Guides to complete some of the activities required for the Lady Baden-Powell Challenge.

We would love to have you join us for the fun!

**Registration and fee payment deadline is March 25, 2019.**

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**INTERNATIONAL - Melissa Gartner, International Adviser [sk-international@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-international@girlguides.ca)**

### Trip Assessors Needed!

Do you want to learn more about what it takes to plan a trip with girls? There is no better way than to become a trip assessor! You will partner with the International Adviser to review trip paperwork and help Guiders navigate the related Safe Guide sections. The more involved you are in assessing trips, the more you learn for planning one of your own! Are you intrigued? Send Melissa an email at [sk-international@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-international@girlguides.ca) to inquire for more information.

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**CAMPING - Amanda Guldiman, Camping Adviser [sk-camping@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-camping@girlguides.ca)**

**Wilderness Weekend at Heritage Lake** is tentatively scheduled for August 15 - 18 and will be offered to **Brownies and up**, provided the appropriate Safe Guide ratios are covered. Email [sk-camping@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-camping@girlguides.ca) **if you are interested in volunteering**. We are also looking for Guiders who could also provide their expertise in canoe instruction, life guard, archery, Adventure Smart/Hug a tree programming or any other skill you'd like to share.

**Guiders who volunteer at provincial camps receive an exclusive swag!**

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## Guiders - It's time to get ready!

Have you booked your slots for camping at Heritage Lake this Spring and Summer? Well, you'd better hurry up as the dates on the calendar are filling up fast. For those of you Guiders who were at January Conference you know what I'm talking about – Shirley and her Guiders did a fantastic Heritage Lake camping presentation. And for those who couldn't go, we're still here to help make your camping plans work.

We want every girl and Guider in Saskatchewan to get a chance to camp at Heritage and to experience the awesome feeling of the boreal forest and more. Outdoor cooking, building camp gadgets, sketching and watercolour painting, and a chance to see the Northern Lights, are some of my personal favorites. Make up your own plan, the program design is endless, just get ready to go!

Phone 306-757-4102 or toll free 1-800-565-8111, or email Provincial Office today at [sk-provincial@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-provincial@girlguides.ca), to find a date that will work for you!

Good Camping for 2019! Susan Prakash, Heritage Committee Chairperson

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**TRAINING - Lisa Wilde, Training Adviser [sk-training@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-training@girlguides.ca)**



### OAL Tent Camping Training

May 10 – May 12, 2019

Trefoil Trails, Pike Lake

Cost: \$80/person

Are you a camper wanting to know more about how to get your girls out camping in tents? Not sure where to start? Come join us for a weekend and learn what you need in order to become confident in taking your girls tenting.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND [REGISTRATION FORM CLICK HERE!](#)**

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER: APRIL 4, 2019**

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## Leap Into Adventure

OAL Adventure Camp Training – Part B

May 24-26, 2019

Trefoil Trails, Pike Lake

Cost \$80/person

Are you a camper that wants to gain the skills and knowledge to take your girls backpacking, canoe tripping, cycle camping, or more? Come to this weekend training and make your “leap into adventure”.

(Note – Part A and Part B can be taken in any order. We will alternate parts each year!)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND [REGISTRATION FORM CLICK HERE!](#)**

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER: [APRIL 22, 2019](#)**

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## GIRLS FIRST



As we embark on our new program journey, Guiders are strongly advised to review two essential program components of Girls First to prepare them for success:

1. All About Girls First: explore the program structure and guidelines; learn how badging works; and understand why GGC developed a new girl program

2. Girl-Driven Approach: practical tips on how to give each girl choice, voice and action in defining what she wants to get out of her Guiding experience

To review these program components, Guiders have options! Girls First Champions can cover each of these topics informally (e.g., at a coffee shop or on a phone call) or more formally at a Girls First session. Alternatively, Guiders can access two e-modules. These online sessions are free and flexible and contain helpful handouts for reference afterwards. Both in-person and online formats offer Guiders the option of receiving iMIS credit.

If you're interested in connecting with a Champion, email us at [sk-girlsfirstchampion@girlguides.ca](mailto:sk-girlsfirstchampion@girlguides.ca) and we'll put you in touch! Or, you can learn more about Girls First by completing the following e-modules at home:

All About Girls First: <https://www.girlguides.ca/girlsfirstmodule1>

The Girl-driven Approach: <https://www.girlguides.ca/girlsfirstmodule2>

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## Sing Into Spring With the Arts

"Spring is when you feel like whistling, even with a shoe full of slush." -D. Larson

Earth Day is celebrated annually on April 22. It calls for environmental awareness to protect our Earth. One of the Guiding Laws is to protect our common environment. Get outside for part of a meeting to enjoy nature "singing" to you.

**Sing:** "Listen to the Earth" in *Celebrate With Song* page 54 (can be sung as a 4 part round). Sing "The First Tulip" in *Sing A Song With Sparks and Brownies* page 26 or Google *Sue's Virtual Campfire Songbook* for words and tunes.

**Craft:** Guiding Family Tree: Hand out 8.5" X 11" white paper with pre-drawn tree trunk with bare branches. Girls dip thumb into ink pad and press onto branch for one leaf. They print their first name under leaf with fine tipped black marker. Each girl does thumbprint and name. Each girl takes one home in a frame bought from Dollar Store or they buy own frame.

## Public Relations - Amanda Lang, PR Adviser sk-prcomm@girlguides.ca



### Girl Guides Clean-Up Saskatchewan 2019

As in past years, the first Saturday in May will be the traditional province-wide Clean-Up day. But clean-ups can occur throughout the spring season, or really any time of year. For information to assist units, districts, and communities in planning a clean-up please click on this link: [Clean-Up 2019](#)

The new crest is available to pre-order. Please consider ordering now as extra stock will not be kept at the office. If need arises, a second order may be considered. **Deadline is March 22** – see link above for the order form (which follows the Clean-Up Guidelines). Crest design is subject to change pending brand standard approval and crest company mock-ups.

You may also consider registering your Clean-Up with The Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup ([shorelinecleanup.ca](http://shorelinecleanup.ca)). After the event when you submit numbers of trash items collected and people who attended, they'll send you a free crest! (Delivery timelines vary.)

## Contest Winners

We gave away another 'vintage' Trefoil Charm necklace when the facebook page reached over 1,000 likes! Kristen Baars was the lucky winner.

There was also a special crest prize pack given away across all of our saskgirlguides social media platforms for World Thinking Day. These crests were specially donated by Jenn Kirby! Thanks so much Jenn! Plan to see many more giveaways coming up! And the winner of the World Thinking Day giveaway was Megan Loessl (aka Meggle)!

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