



Saskatchewan Prairie Lily

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HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS ISSUE:

Important Deadlines:

June 3 - Pride T-shirt orders due [link here](#)

June 10 - Mildred Baldwin Scholarship Award applications due [link here](#)

June 10 - Cynthia O'Connor Scholarship Award applications due [link here](#)

July 26 - Heritage Canoe and Wilderness Camp applications due [link here](#)

July 29 - Heritage Lake Serenity Camp deadline to register [link here](#)

August 15 - Adult Application due for SOAR 2020 [link here](#)

September 15 - Girl Application due for SOAR 2020 [link here](#)

Oct 15 - Outstanding Youth Award applications due [link here](#)



Greeting Guiders, girls, and parents!

Spring is always an exciting time for me. I love getting outside and enjoying time in my garden and yard. I also love planning the year end fun with my Guiding unit, which usually means camp! As I haven't had the privilege of meeting everyone in Guiding in Saskatchewan, I thought I'd briefly introduce myself. Who is Saskatchewan's new Provincial Commissioner?

My name is Christa Morhart and I was raised in Estevan, Saskatchewan. I am a typical woman just like all of you – I work full-time and I am a part owner of a local business. Family is number one in my life and I love spending time with my husband of 22 years, our three kids and one granddaughter, as well as our extended families. We enjoy travelling, camping, hanging outside on our acreage, and time socializing with our friends.

I was a girl member in the early 80's and that experience was very meaningful for me as it was one of the only extra-curricular activities I was involved in. Some of my fondest childhood memories are due to Guiding: Camping in our Guider's farmyard, doing skits, making hat crafts, and hanging out with the best group of girls. As cliché as it sounds, it really was my safe place and one of the only places where I really felt accepted for who I was. I joined as an adult member as soon as my oldest daughter was old enough to join. I quickly bonded with the girls and my co-Guider and that nostalgic feeling of belonging quickly returned and my heart was truly full. I have enjoyed different roles in Guiding and am currently a Unit Guider with the 1st Estevan Girl Guides.

As Provincial Commissioner, I see my role as being the face and voice for Guiding in Saskatchewan. ***Working collaboratively with Provincial Council, National, and all Guiders in Saskatchewan to be genuine catalysts for "Girls to be Everything They Can Be" is how we will reach our common goal of wowing the girl and growing our membership. We know that girls want to have a voice and they are looking for experiences and a place where they belong. How do we give girls a voice and provide those experiences for them? By embracing change with a positive attitude!*** Our outgoing PC, Laurie Lanovaz, put her heart into the PC role and used her voice to lead Guiders and girls through changes with an exceptionally positive attitude. I hope to follow in her footsteps, although they will be tough to fill! These are exciting times for Girl Guides of Canada and Girl Guides in Saskatchewan!

In closing, I wanted to leave you with this - Just imagine how wonderful this would be:

Girls & women have a place to go where they can:

- Be free to genuinely be themselves, without judgement
- Be free from judgement based on what they wear or what they look like
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- Be free to relax, laugh and share their ideas openly, without being judged
- Belong without having to prove themselves to anyone
- Plan fun, meaningful, and engaging experiences to share with their friends
- Be encouraged to embrace who they truly are and find their inner voice to have the confidence to speak up
- Feel uplifted and supported by everyone around them
- Be a part of an organization that promotes inclusivity and diversity.

This is what Guiding is all about, ladies. It's about belonging, feeling safe, and being part of a sisterhood. It's not about our uniforms, the accolades we have received, or even the badges. It's about being open-minded, welcoming, and being part of an organization that doesn't judge.

It's important to appreciate and value the members for their contributions. I would encourage you to take a moment to say thank you to your co-Guiders and our staff. A kind word and a simple thank you will go a long way. I sincerely want to thank each and every one of our members for your time and dedication. Every role comes with a list of commitments and is important to the success of Guiding in Saskatchewan. Thank-you for embracing the Girls First program, being open to change, and listening to the girls in Saskatchewan! Thank-you to the Guiders who have taken on leadership roles and given your time so generously. Thank-you to our staff, the backbone of Guiding in Saskatchewan! Thank-you to the families for trusting us with your girls. Thank-you to the girls for having a voice and sharing your time and energy with us!

On June 8, our Provincial Council will be meeting for our annual strategic planning session. We will be brainstorming and sharing our thoughts and ideas to come up with a plan to continue growing membership and ***provide ALL GIRLS across the province with an equal opportunity to enjoy a safe place where they not only feel like they belong but also feel confident to be everything they can be!*** I want to encourage you to share your ideas with myself or any other Council member – free of judgement! My email is sk-pc@girlguides.ca and I want to hear from you! Our Council members and Advisers are excited to hear from girls across the province so we can plan fun, meaningful, and engaging experiences that girls want. We really want to hear from the girls, so please send in your ideas of what you would like to see in Guiding in Saskatchewan: more camps, programming support, training, swag, big events, bridging events, and more. The sky is the limit and all ideas will be considered and shared with our Council!

We all bring something to Guiding and it's important that we respect and value our co-Guiders. The PC is not your "boss". I am here to provide leadership and mentorship, but I'm also here to listen and be a voice for YOU – the girls and the Guiders. We will only reach our goals by working collaboratively within our units, districts, areas and as a whole. I look forward to meeting every one of our amazing dedicated members in person over the next three years!

Christa Morhart
SK Provincial Commissioner



2019 Provincial Dates

July 2-7 Southern Horizons Area Camp (Glen Harbour Kids Camp)
June 8 Provincial Strategy Planning (TBD)
June 10 Mildred Baldwin Scholarship and Cynthia O'Connor Scholarship Applications Due
June 15 Regina Pride
June 22 Saskatoon Pride
July 19-21 Training the Trainer
July 24-August 1 - SOAR 2020 (BC)
August 9-12 Heritage Lake Serenity Camp (ladies)
August 15-18 Wilderness Weekend at Heritage Lake (Brownies and up)
September 6-7 Provincial Council Meeting (Saskatoon)
September 14 Training dates TBD (Regina, Saskatoon, etc.)
September 20 -22 Trefoil Trails camp (more info to come)
October 15 Saskatchewan Outstanding Youth Award Applications Due
October 27 Youth Recognition Ceremony (Regina)
November 15-16 Provincial Council Meeting (Regina)

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](#)

AREA NEWS

[CLICK HERE](#) for the 2018-2019 Saskatchewan Membership Review Report (in PowerPoint)

Registration for the 2019-2020 Year

Online registration for the 2019-2020 year began April 17.

Girls returning to the same unit: April 17.

Girls moving to a new unit: May 8.

New members: June 5.

Early registration cost, **until June 30** is:

*** \$125 for the first girl

*** \$115 for the second girl

*** \$105 for each additional girl in the family after that.

After June 30 the cost goes up by \$10/girl.



Used Uniform Sale

Hosted by the 1st Saskatoon Trex

At the Guide House in Saskatoon

September, exact date TBD

If you have any uniforms, books, any Guiding clothing that you would like to sell, please drop them off at the

Guide House.

The Trex will keep a percentage from each item they sell for their fundraising.

TREFOIL TRAILS

Our busy season of camping is in full swing after a successful spring cleanup at the end of April. Many thanks to our hardworking cleanup volunteers: Heather and Maia, Erin, Nicole, Tara and Chris, Jill and Cammy, Amanda, and Megan!

Most weekends are well booked until the end of June. Summer bookings remain available if your group is looking for a site for summer adventures - contact the Area office to book.

Acceptance of bookings for events from September through to April 2020 begins June 1. All sites are available for use in September, while B-P Lodge is bookable October - April. Email the Area Office to make bookings. Remember that day events can be booked - might be a great way to start the new Guiding season!

Happy Camping!
Tara and Megan

Girl Guides do it with PRIDE!

Bridging Rivers will be walking in the Saskatoon Pride Parade on June 22!

Members are invited to bring their friends and families to celebrate diversity in Guiding. Please wear your uniform and accessorize with rainbows!

New this year is a T-shirt! An order form with T-shirt image/price is [HERE](#) - All orders need to be in by **June 3**.

Please click the link for registration so we can anticipate numbers on the day.

Check the Saskatchewan Girl Guides Facebook Page for up-to-date information and a link to the registration form.

At Girl Guides of Canada we believe we have a responsibility and obligation to ensure that every girl, woman and person feels welcomed, safe, and valued for who they are and for what they can contribute. Girl Guides strives to ensure environments where girls and women from all walks of life, identities, and lived experiences feel a sense of belonging and can participate fully. We support the 2S-LGBTBQI+ community and value the richness of human diversity in its many forms. To this end, we support Guiders and girls who choose to participate in Pride events. For more information on inclusivity standards for Girl Guides of Canada please visit our website.

SOUTHERN HORIZONS AREA - sk-southernhorizons@girlguides.ca

Queen City Pride Parade June 15!

Individuals or groups planning to attend the parade and participate in the Girl Guide walking entry, please register at this link.

Staging location will be emailed to addresses provided a day or two before the event.

Arrive between 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. with parade beginning at noon. Parade ends at Wascana Park around 1 p.m. Pick-ups at the band shell unless other arrangements have been made.

Guiding with Pride T-Shirts - We're excited to offer some Guiding with Pride in Saskatchewan T-shirts for sale for Pride this year. (Apologies to Prince Albert for not having this ready in time for June 1, but hopefully everyone will still consider ordering them so you'll have one for next year or other Pride events happening all over throughout the summer!)

T-shirts are being sold on a cost recovery basis, with some of the extra costs (like shipping, art labour and set-up) being covered.

COST - \$27.57 (includes \$2.73 in PST/GST).

Orders due no later than June 3. Please order them with this form ASAP!

The Cydney Weir Memorial Award

Southern Horizons Area is pleased to introduce this year's winners of the Cydney Weir Memorial Award:

- Ashley Ewert
- Hana Lopez Kawasora
- Amélie Laforge

The Cydney Weir Memorial Award is presented annually to girl members who show kindness, helpfulness and caring for the environment. It is to be used towards a non-residential Girl Guide camp with a minimum of two nights. Recipients are selected by Southern Horizons Area Council. Watch for announcements in the *Prairie Lily* calling for award applications in 2020.

CLICK HERE for pictures and write-up.



On May 4th Regina hosted the Provincial AGM.

Many awards were accepted and for those that could not be in attendance -- more awards and photos to come.

Pictured here is Alice Gaveronski being awarded the Life Membership by Laurie Lanovaz.

Congratulations to all recipients!

SEE ALL PHOTOS & LIST OF RECIPIENTS HERE

Mildred Baldwin Scholarship Award



For active members of Girl Guides of Saskatchewan who are enrolled at any post-secondary institution, no less than 60% of full time for the fall semester.

\$1,000 annually

Must be **25 years of age or younger** to apply

Click here for eligibility information and how to apply

Deadline to apply: June 10

Cynthia O'Connor Scholarship Award

For active members of Girl Guides of Saskatchewan who are enrolled at any post-secondary institution, no less than 60% of the time for the fall semester.

\$1,000 annually

Must be **26 years of age or older** to apply

Click here for eligibility information and how to apply

Deadline to apply: June 10

UPCOMING VACANT PROVINCIAL POSITIONS

All positions 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](#), and [Trainers](#).

Click here for the Provincial Council Flow Chart

Currently we have the following roles to be filled. 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.

Provincial Council Members

Risk Compliance Adviser

Girl Engagement Coordinator

Membership Adviser

Apply by submitting Provincial Position Application



Heritage Lake Girl Guide Camp is ready for summer!

And there's a couple of prime spots just waiting for you:
June 7 - 9, or June 14 - 16.

Come experience great hiking opportunities in the boreal forest, or go canoeing on crystal clear waters and golden sand beaches.

Maybe you want to go camping in July or August? It's the best place to be in the heat of the summer!

Don't want to go alone? Double up with another group as Heritage has a lot of room to spare with tents, a sleeping lodge and more. No money to travel? Ask Provincial Office for travel fund qualifications and assistance. It's not too late to book your fun at Heritage, so check it out real soon!

For more information, [click here](#).



Saskatchewan Council is pleased to announce the creation of a new award for youth! **The Saskatchewan Outstanding Youth Award** recognizes and celebrates the accomplishments of Rangers and Pathfinders who exemplify their dedication to Guiding and their community.

The Outstanding Youth Award is presented based on the following criteria:

- The nominee is currently a registered member of Girl Guides of Canada, Saskatchewan Council, at the Ranger or

Pathfinder level

- Displays exceptional leadership qualities within Guiding and in her community at large; enthusiastically brings her personal talents and skills to Guiding
- Has demonstrated qualities of dedicated service to Guiding and her community
- Lives by the ideals of the Guiding Promise and Law; is a positive role model within and out of Guiding; actively promotes Guiding and its benefits
- Is well respected by her peers, Guiders and other members of the community
- Has contributed significantly and has had a positive impact to her unit and community.

The award requires one letter of support and completion of the R.3 (select Provincial Award) to be sent to Provincial Office. While this award can be presented at any time, ideally it should be awarded at the Youth Recognition Ceremony.

[Click here for application](#)

Applications are due by October 15 to be awarded at the 2019 Youth Recognition Ceremony.

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

Stay tuned for some amazing events and programming coming up!

How does an event to celebrate 40 years of Pathfinders sound?
We will be working on some new instant meeting kits, rally's and more!

Oh and Guiders...we've got something special for you, too! A badge just for Guiders! More to come in the next edition of the *Prairie Lily*!



**Provincially
Sponsored
Interprovincial
Trip**

July 24 – August 1, 2020

Provincial Council is pleased to announce that we are sending a provincially sponsored patrol to:

Spirit of Adventure Rendezvous, SOAR for short.

SOAR is a week-long provincial 'back to basics' outdoor camp sponsored by the BC Council of Girl Guides of Canada that has been running since 1995. This year the camp will be hosted at Camp Barnard in Sooke located in the Southern Vancouver Island Area.

Girls will be able to select adventures specific to them will at camp and through Out trips or Day trips ranging from water activities, tours, arts & crafts, sports & recreation and other opportunities to explore the area, as well as meet other Canadian Guides and some international Guides as well!

SK Council will be sending ONE PATROL consisting of one of the following options defined below:

One full Guide & Pathfinder patrol consisting of

- Two (2) Guiders.
- Eight (8) Guides and Pathfinders.
- Girls born in 2008 or 2009 who will be Guides at the time of travel.
- Girls born in 2005, 2006, 2007 who will be Pathfinders at the time of travel.

One full OR half patrol consisting of

- Full Patrol – Two (2) Guiders | Half Patrol – One (1) Guider.
- Full Patrol – Eight (8) Rangers | Half Patrol – Four (4) Rangers.
- Girls born in 2002, 2003 or 2004 will be Rangers at the time of travel.

For more information click [SOAR 2020 - SK FACT SHEET](#)

Click here for link to Adult Applications (due August 15, 2019)

Click here for the link to Girl Applications (due by September 15, 2019).

Patrols will be announced in October 2019.

Heritage Canoe and Wilderness Camp

Looking for a fun and exciting camp this summer? Want to try canoeing? Interested in Archery? Have you learned how to "Hug a Tree"? Love camping and the great outdoors?

Come join us for four days of fun in the sun (and the water) at Heritage Lake Provincial Girl Guide for this year's 2019 Canoe and Wilderness Camp. Open to Brownies and older girls!

Click here for registration forms or contact sk-provincial@girlguides.ca

Heritage Lake Ladies Serenity Camp – August 9 -12, 2019

"A Pampered Introductory for Camping Guiders and Gals!"

Cost:

Guiding Member: \$135

Non-Guiding Member: \$215.

One Day Fee: \$90.

Tentative Deadline to Register: Monday July 29, 2019

For more info/sessions [CLICK HERE](#)

For registration form [CLICK HERE](#)

TRAINING - Lisa Wilde, Training Adviser sk-training@girlguides.ca

Interested in Dynamic Presentations? Enjoy working with adults, helping them connect with the girls? Then you might be interested in becoming a Trainer with Girl Guides!

The next "Training the Trainer" will take place **July 19-21**, in Regina at the Girl Guide office. Interested? Contact the Provincial Office to register (306) 652-3275! For more information, please contact Lisa at sk-training@girlguides.ca



This fall, we will be offering province-wide trainings for both new and "old" Guiders. Dates and locations to be confirmed, but we are looking at September 14 in Regina, Saskatoon and other locations around the province. [More details in next month's Prairie Lily - watch for it!](#)

January Conference Planning Committee has room for another member or two. Join us as we plan for Conference in Regina 2020! Contact Lisa if you are interested in joining the Team!

Saskatchewan Arts Challenge

A new crest is about having fun with song, dance, drama and crafts while learning about Saskatchewan.

To earn the crest:

- Sparks and Brownies complete one from each category.
- Guides, Pathfinders, Rangers and adults complete two from each category.

A complete list of challenges to be announced in August.

The crest looks like *hint* the Saskatchewan flag. Pictures to follow.

PROVINCIAL COOKIE ADVISER - Laura O'Hanlon sk-cookies@girlguides.ca



Hi, my name is Laura, and I love Girl Guide Cookies!

I enjoy the Chocolatey Mint most, but the Classic are just so nostalgic for me and my youth as a Brownie some 30+ years ago.

As of Saturday May 4, 2019, I became the newest Provincial Cookie Adviser.

I join a long line of women who have filled this volunteer position in the past and I feel like I have some big expectations to live up to, but I am up for the challenge!

[Click here for rest of Laura's letter](#)

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Amanda Lang, PR Adviser sk-prcomm@girlguides.ca

Girl Guides Clean-Up Saskatchewan - Thanks to those who participated in Clean-Ups and sent in photos!

2019 Hike crests are slightly delayed, but I'll keep everyone posted as to when they're ready.

TREFOIL GUILD - Lorraine Thibeault, Provincial Trefoil Guild Liaison



On May 4, 24 Trefoil Guild members met in Regina for their Annual General Meeting with most staying to join in the Provincial Guiding AGM and Appreciation Banquet.

We discussed how to get more Trefoil Guild members. Ideas included extending an invitation to join Trefoil Guild through the Provincial Office to Guiders who are 30+ and have chosen to retire as unit Guiders, putting ads in newspapers, contacting mothers at registration events, sharing about the Trefoil Guild at service projects, sharing about Trefoil Guild on social media.

For the rest of letter, click [HERE](#)



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