



Saskatchewan Council

# Saskatchewan Prairie Lily

December 1, 2018

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The Saskatchewan Provincial Council has just approved its 2019 Strategic Action Plan and Budget. Our discussions and decisions were based on keeping the girl at the center of all things, and working on a Customer Service model of "Wowing the Girl", "Making it Easy" and "Providing a Safe Space". To that extent, there are two changes I would like to update our membership.

- 1. Adult Membership Fees Since 2011 the Saskatchewan Provincial Council has paid the national portion of the adult fee for each adult member and did not charge an additional provincial (or other levels) fee. Many provinces do not cover adult membership fees to National and do add on a provincial or even area amount to fees. It has been a great benefit to SK Guiding to be able to support this for our adult members that have direct impact on the girls. All adult members that are noted in iMIS with an activity or role in Guiding such as a Unit Guider, or hold a leadership role at the Provincial or Area Council (DC,AC, council member, provincial Adviser, active Trainer, standing committee member, Trefoil Guild member and/or LINK) or are noted as an active District Guider, would continue to have the membership paid. Adult members who do not have an activity or role but still wish to maintain their membership, would only be required to pay the \$60 National fee. Letters to those this may impact will be mailed out shortly and will include a list of roles and activities that would qualify. If you do fall into this category and wish to take on a leadership or adviser role or pay your own membership fee, please contact the Provincial Office for assistance.
- 2. Discount for girl members between January and April The Saskatchewan Council has decided to provide a discount for families between February 1 April 30. The cost would be just the National portion of the fee (\$60). The Provincial (\$55), Area (\$12) and District (\$3) would not be charged. A "Try Now, Join Later" program starting in April through August would allow girls to join for free, try out a few meetings or special events (like camps!) and put them in the cue for Phase II registration for the fall. Data from Ontario reflects a 70% retention rate of all girls that have utilized the program. Our hope is that girls that join due to the discount between February April will reflect that retention rate as well. Small adjustments to how we can WOW the girl and make it easy could have a big impact!

Saskatchewan Council also has noted that we have not recently noted what support is provided from the girls' registration fees. The Saskatchewan Council utilizes the \$55 provincial portion of the girl registration fee for the following opportunities:

- 1. Subsidizes camping opportunities
- 2. Develops program resources and events
- 3. Subsidizes rental fees for regular meeting spaces
- 4. Provides subsidies for girl registrations and uniforms
- 5. Provides two \$1,000 scholarships
- 6. Supports and subsidizes training and education opportunities for adult members
- 7. Covers costs of adult member Police Record Checks
- 8. Subsidizes girls selected for National Sponsored Trips
- 9. Subsidizes girls and Guiders selected for Provincially Sponsored opportunities
- 10. Plus more.....

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish all Saskatchewan Guiding members a very Happy New Year! May 2019 be a year of joy, health and happiness to everyone!

SK Provincial Commissioner

Girl Guides of Canada

Lauri Lanovez

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Click HERE for the list of 2018-19 Council Members and Advisers.

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

GGC is migrating all pertinent positions within Girl Guides to Office 365 to be more consistent. Saskatchewan has started moving forward on this, but are in the middle of the migration. Some of the emails for these positions are completely migrated and others are not.

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.

Therefore, if you are noticing new email addresses – its valid. Example – the Provincial Commissioner email is now <a href="mailto:sk-pc@girlguides.ca">sk-pc@girlguides.ca</a>. An updated list will be advertised once all accounts are migrated.

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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#### **2019 Provincial Dates**

January 25-27 January Conference (Saskatoon)

January 27 Provincial Council Meeting (Saskatoon)

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 12-13 Provincial Council Meeting (Regina)

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)
September 6-7 Provincial Council Meeting (Saskatoon)
November 15-16 Provincial Council Meeting (Regina)

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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

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To Brenda Wilson and her family in the passing of her Mother-in-Law.

# **AREA NEWS**

BRIDGING RIVERS AREA - bridgingrivers@sasktel.net

### TREFOIL TRAILS REMINDERS:

Bookings for all sites at our Area camp in Pike Lake Provincial Park are now being accepted for May-August, 2019. Book early for best choice of dates!

Groups may book:

**Lodge** - residential (sleeping in building/ dining in building or on deck)

**Pixie Glen** - semi-residential (sleeping in three eight-bunk cottages/ dining in building or on deck)

**Nyeri** - tenting (provide own tents or rent from Area/ cook outdoors - equipped dining shelter provided)

**Pathways** - tenting (provide own tents or rent from Area/ cook outdoors - basic dining shelter provided)

or, choose a combination of sites!

For more details, or to book, contact the Bridging Rivers Area office by email. Note that Lodge bookings are still available to April 2019 for your winter camping adventures!

Megan and Tara, Camp Operating Co-Chairs

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### JANUARY CONFERENCE SUBSIDY:

Bridging Rivers Area offers a \$50 fee subsidy to any Guider or Ranger registered for the 2019 January Conference. You are required to submit an individual request to the Bridging Rivers Area office by email (sk-bridgingrivers@girlguides.ca) or by letter to be reimbursed, along with a copy of the receipt as proof of registration for the conference. Reimbursement will be to the Guider herself, unless other instructions are clearly given. Requests must be made by February 28.

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## SOUTHERN HORIZONS AREA - southernhorizons@sasktel.net

#### **Southern Horizons Annual Awards Dinner**

Southern Horizons Annual Awards Dinner, "Women Supporting Women" was held Thursday, November 15, 2018 at Holy Trinity R.C. Church in Regina hosted by N x NW District. It was wonderful to see the approximately 95 women who attended enjoying an evening of food, fun and fellowship together. Awards and recognition were given to 37 women for their long service and contributions to Guiding in the Area. The Trish Murphy bursary was awarded to Kaylee Dodds of Lumsden. We collected 79 bras to support women and teens who need the services of women's shelters in Regina. Entertainment was provided by the Ya Rayah Belly Dance Tribe who shared some history of their dancing along with the graceful moves they have learned. Audience participation was enjoyed by all.

Bonnie Jean Low, Deputy Provincial Commissioner and Yvonne Harrison, Deputy Area Commissioner brought greetings from their respective councils.

Congratulations to all those who were recognized! Thanks to everyone who attended. We hope that you feel supported by your Guiding sisters moving forward.

# Iron Chef for Pathfinders and Rangers



Sunday April 7, 2019

**Guide House in Regina** 

Watch for more information to come in the January *Prairie Lily* 

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# SK COUNCIL NEWS

provincial@girlquides.sk.ca

Click on If You're Going To Ask Me...Then Listen To Me Reflection submitted by Laurie Toews, Bridging Rivers AC

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### Awards our members have earned:

In October and November we have many members being recognized. October 21 was the Youth Recognition Ceremony held in Saskatoon, October 28 was the Duke of Edinburgh Award Ceremony in Regina, and on November 6 we had a member in the Saskatoon Star Phoenix for a lifetime achievement award. For names and pictures please click on the link.

The Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers recognizes living Canadians who have made a significant, sustained and unpaid contribution to their community in Canada or abroad. Non Canadians of

contribution to their community, in Canada or abroad. Non-Canadians are also eligible if their contribution brings benefit or honour to Canadians or to Canada.

For more information on the Sovereign's Medal, please click here. Girl Guides of Canada have been allotted a number of conditional awards to be distributed across Canada. Saskatchewan Council is collecting nominations of SK GGC adult members to put forward for this award as SK has been allocated one of these awards.

Please send your suggestion of a nomination to sk-provincial@girlguides.ca and include:

- Name of your nomination
- A description of the nominee's volunteer service and the impact their volunteer service has had on the organization, the community, and/or Canada

Once a volunteer is identified, SK Council will complete the nomination form.

Deadline: January 7, 2019.





# Are you planning on fundraising?



If your Unit, travel group, District or Area are fundraising, you need to complete a FR.1.

All FR.1 forms go to the Provincial Council - submit to sk-provincial@girlguides.ca

Any travel over 72 hours requires an SG.8.

	SG.8	FR.1	SK Cookie Incentive
Under 72 hours in Canada	No	Yes	No
Over 72 hours In Canada or any international trip	Yes	Yes	Yes

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TREFOIL GUILD - submitted by Lorraine Thibeault Provincial Trefoil Guild Liaison



This year, 2018, marks the 100th Anniversary of the end of WWI on November 11, 1918. Girl Guides throughout the country join together in their communities to honor those who served. The war began just a few years after GG's was formed, and women and girls helped in the war effort in many countries. It seems appropriate to honor this day in a special way. Ten TAG members met at the Royal Canadian Legion Regina Branch 001 after the Remembrance Day Services. They joined the servicemen and their families for a hotdogs and chili lunch, followed by a tour of the Legion War Museum.

Click Here for more 2018 TAG Adventures

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PUBLIC RELATIONS - Amanda Lang snapchat & Instagram: @saskgirlguides

### 12 DAYS OF GIVING

Reminder that the annual 12 Days of Giving starts on December 1 on facebook, instagram, twitter, and snapchat. Be sure to follow all those social media channels (saskgirlguides) to increase your chances of winning a crest from the collection of Peggy Roettger or some other GGC swag. This contest is open to everyone (Guiders, girls, parents, etc.) from across the country, so be sure to share our posts so your Guiding friends can play along!

For those who didn't know Peggy, she was a long-time dedicated Guider who passed away in July 2015. Thanks again to her co-Guiders, who have made it possible to win some crests to add to your own camp blanket. The stash of Peggy's crests have been dispersed through this contest and to members in her district that have gone on trips and camps where traders were a must. If anyone has some crests (vintage or discontinued) they'd like to donate to this annual giveaway, please let me know!

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

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# Hike to Grey Owl's Cabin

By Denise Waldner

Do you like to be outside, have fun and go on adventures? Do you want to learn about dehydrating food, filtering water and navigation? Do you think your Pathfinders or Rangers would like to go on multi-day hikes or canoe trips? Do you want to "Leap into Adventure" and learn the "Bear Necessities"? If you answered "Yes!" even once, then the OAL Adventure Training is for you!



Click HERE to read more about the 'adventure' and more photos.

Driving into the Future

January Conference 2019

January Conference January 25 - 27, 2019 Saskatoon Online registration is now open! Please click on the link below to register. Please submit payment to the Provincial Office by cheque/credit card. The office will follow up with any outstanding payments. Pick your First Choice for each session, as well as your second and third choices, in case for some reason your original choice is full, or gets cancelled. We'll be "Driving Into the Future!" Won't you come, too?

# Click: January Conference 2019 Registration

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#### **Girls First Training Reminder**

If you haven't attended an In-person Training yet, please consider joining us at January Conference as we have multiple sessions. We have sessions by branch, Safe Space and Navigating the Platform.

If your District or a group of Guiders is interested in hosting a training session, please contact us and we will work with your timelines and location to connect you with a Champion.

If you have questions please email girlsfirstchampions@girlguides.sk.ca and we'll get you connected to a Champion to provide answers and guidance.

If you're looking for a refresher there are E-Modules available to all Guiders through the platform. You can find the e-modules at <a href="https://experience.girlguides.ca">https://experience.girlguides.ca</a>. If you have not registered, please register with your email address (not IMIS number). If you are already registered, log in and navigate to the "All About Guiding" section. You will find e-modules for the platform, Girls First including Safe Spaces. GUIDER TIP: This is also where you can find the equivalencies, badges, tracking sheets and other tools that you may find helpful.

Reminder that all Guiders working in Units need to complete the Girls First Training either in person or online by September, 2019.

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## PROGRAM

**Calling All Pathfinders and Rangers** 



You are invited to the Mighty Minds Event Are you ready to build positive mental health skills you can use in your daily life? Do you want to use your creativity to spread awareness and fight the stigma that surrounds mental health and illness in our communities?

Build your understanding of the importance of mental health, your own

resiliency, and the effects of mental health stigma in society.

Saturday January 12, 2018 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saskatoon Guide House

Look for registration information coming soon!
Registration fee \$10 per girl
Transportation subsidies may be available



# Pathfinder/Ranger Conference

March 22 - 24 2019 Location: Regina More info to follow

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**April 5 - 7, 2019** 

**NOTE: CHANGE OF DATE** 

**Lady B-P Weekend** 

Location: Southern Horizons Girl Guide Building - Regina



# KLONDIKE HIKE - JANUARY 12, 2019 Dallas Valley

Klondike Hike is fast approaching and groups need to start thinking about attending and making teams. We will also need some volunteers to help run events to make this a success.

Klondike Hike is a winter challenge that involves Scouts and Venturers and now Girl Guides with 5 - 7 youth per team.

For more registration and challenge information click HERE

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### Pathfinders 44 will be hosting a sleepover in conjunction with the Scouts' Klondike Hike this year!

Sleepover will begin at 7 p.m. on Friday, January 11 at the Southern Horizons Area Girl Guide Office in Regina. The group will travel to Dallas Valley Ranch Camp for the day on Saturday, January 12 and then return to Regina as a group. The sleepover will officially end at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 12.

For more information on this sleepover click here.

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If you would like to receive the *Prairie Lily* as a hard copy in the mail, please contact the Provincial Office to request it. Call 1-800-565-8111 or email provincial@girlguides.sk.ca.



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