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A new Twinning Project with El Salvador 2014-2016

Girl Guides of Canada has partnered with the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) or more specifically the Western Hemisphere Committee to develop a model for twinning that may be transferred and used by other Member Organizations. Girl Guides of Canada has demonstrated a history of successful twinning projects' partnerships.

Saskatchewan and Manitoba have been twinned with the member organization in El Salvador. El Salvador, located on the west coast of Central America, borders Honduras to the east and Guatemala to the north; with Nicaragua to the south.

Our Provincial Twinning Leads are Ashley Geddes and Melissa Gartner. Melissa recently attended a workshop in Toronto to launch the twinning project. El Salvador sent a Lead to the workshop to represent their country. Planning work has begun!

Girl Guides of Canada also has four other twinning partnerships: British Columbia and Quebec with Peru; Alberta with Guyana; Ontario with Chile; Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland/Labrador with St. Vincent and Grenadines.



From left to right: Melissa Gartner (SK Co-Lead), Charlene Mclean (SK PC), Wendy Lopez Cornejo (El Salvador Lead), Heather MacFadyen (Manitoba Lead), and Marlo Jurkowski (Manitoba PC)

Happy Thinking Day to all our sisters in Guiding, at home and around the world!



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Upcoming dates...

January 30-Feb. 1 January Conference (Saskatoon)

February 10 *Prairie Lily* deadline February 22 **Happy Thinking Day!**

March 6-8 Pathfinder/Ranger Weekend (Strasbourg)

March 13-15 Lady B-P Weekend (Moose Jaw)

March 21 Wilderness/Remote First Aid Recertification

Training (Pike Lake)

March 27-29 Wilderness/Remote First Aid Training

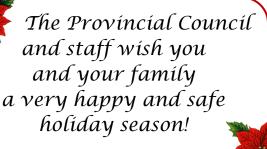
(Pike Lake)

April 10 Prairie Lily Deadline

May 2 Tim Hortons Community Clean-Up
May 8-10 OAL Adventure Camp Training

(Pike Lake)

May 22-24 Spring Camp @ Can-ta-ka-ye
June 5-7 Spring Camp @ Can-ta-ka-ye
August 7-10 Serenity Retreat (Heritage Lake)



Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Kendra Banman was presented with the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award Certificate by Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, in Regina on September 18, 2014. Congratulations, Kendra!



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2015 WAGGGS theme

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Message from the PC





Hello All,

As I write to you, snow is falling. A clean sparkling white blanket covers everything. The view is

bright and truly beautiful. I know once I step outside to the cold and ice I will not be so enamoured. But for now from my current perch I am content just to relax and enjoy the arrival of winter.

Guiding in Saskatchewan appears to be up and flourishing. We continue to empower, challenge and inspire girls all over the province for another year. We started new Units and welcome the new members to our Guiding circle. It is exciting to see Guiding grow enabling girls and young women the opportunity to belong. I think this may be the best year yet!

I stress the importance of ensuring all our girls attending our meetings are registered. Belonging is important and you can only belong if you are registered. I encourage you to check your rosters and confirm who you think is a member really is a member. If you find a girl not registered take the time to ensure it happens. Encourage the parent to apply online or collect the paperwork and submit to the Area Offices yourself. If the barrier is a financial hardship, inform the parent/guardian of the sponsorship options. If a girl wants to be a member, we as an organization need to do everything we can to make that happen.

Our membership has increased each of the last three years. Well Done! The Provincial Council set a strategic membership goal that would continue to increase our membership. We hope to reach 3250 members – very doable. If we retain the girls we had last year and only add one or two new girls to each Unit, we would meet and exceed our goal! Let's try ©

Everyone Counts – This is more than a final membership number but a reminder that each and every one of us is a vital part of the organization. We make a difference in the communities where we meet. Each of us has a role in equipping girls and young women to become self-confident leaders. You mentor our girl and youth members generously, share your time and talents while creating memories and friendships that will last a lifetime. Your involvement counts! We cannot be successful without you.

We have two new projects about to begin. Watch for the details to be released. The National Service Project has shifted focus to literacy. We have recruited Literacy Agents that will support your involvement in the project. We also have an exciting new Twinning Project. Saskatchewan and Manitoba Council will work with El Salvador. Provincial Twinning Leads have also been recruited and will support you in the cross cultural learning opportunities involved in this project. Both of these projects will enhance programming options for our girls.

I do look forward to connecting with you at the January Conference. I hear it will be a good one.

It is time to replenish my cup of hot chocolate so ...

I will close wishing you a happy safe holiday season filled with family, friends, your favourite treats and traditions.

Charlene

Charlene McLean
Provincial Commissioner
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BRIDGING RIVERS AREA NEWS STREAM...

Training Day in Saskatoon

Seven Guiders completed their First Aid course and over 15 Guiders completed their Safe Guide and/or Building Unit Guider Skills and All About Your Branch Modules. Congratulations! Thank you to the Team of Trainers: Heather Levy, Sara Horseman, Jackie Peacock, Ali Peters, and Laurie Lanovaz. A special thank you to Dorothy Hyde, Executive Director, Radius Community Center for facilitating the first aid course!



Youth Recognition Ceremony

A Special thank you is extended to:

- 1st Saskatoon Trefoil Guild,
- 2nd Saskatoon Trefoil Guild
- Saskatoon Highland Dancers with River City School of Irish Dance
- Pianist, Jade Cyrenne
- Guest speakers Jennifer Lyster, Megan Van Buskirk and Claire Brown
- The YRC Committee for helping with the 2014 Youth Recognition Ceremony.

Your time and talents were greatly appreciated!

Kavia Draw

A huge Thank You goes to **Kavia Autobody** for their donation of an iPad Mini as a draw prize for girls who participated in cookie selling during the fall campaign. The draw will be made on Friday, November 14. The winner will be asked to participate in a photo with Mr. Kavia and will be highlighted in an ad at a later date.

We want to thank Kavia Autobody for the generous support of Girl Guides of Canada by purchasing over 80 cases for their customers.



ZOMBIE WALK

Thank you to the 3rd Saskatoon Rangers for hosting the Zombie walk which benefited the F3 fund. Over 90 children attended this event and over \$300 was raised!



REGISTRATION UPDATE

As of November 10 (date our news was submitted!)
we have 1235 girls registered – only 35 away from last year's official count.
There are girls still in the process of being registered and we are
on track to exceed last year's official count.
Keep up the great work!

Thank you, Unit Guiders, for checking your online rosters and letting us know of discrepancies.





Spotlight On Members – Unit Guiders



<u>Brenda Lee</u> is a Guider with the 1st Red Wing TREX in Prince Albert and a member of the Taiga Trefoil Adventure Guild. She has been in Guiding for 20 years.

What opportunities have you had in Guiding? I have had many travel opportunities within GGC. Some of these include visiting England, Switzerland, being out in the Hudson Bay with beluga whales all around a zodiac, and spending four hours underground slithering, climbing, crawling, and repelling in Rats Nest Cave. My most recent travel was this past summer with the 1st Red Wing TREX Unit to an extremely impoverished village in Ghana. The Unit partnered with the Me to We organization. And we are not done yet... the 1st Red Wing TREX has been approved for travel to the USA in 2015 and Ecuador in 2016! My biggest opportunity is being able to work with so many young girls and women and watch as they gain skills and confidence.

How did you get involved? I joined Guiding 20 years ago when my daughter wanted to join Brownies and there were no leaders.

Why have you stayed in Guiding? I have stayed because of the multitude of opportunities for both girls and women, the many friendships I've made along the way, and the reward of making a difference in the lives of the girls we work with, and the community we live in.

Two Stars and a Wish for GGC:

1st Star – The Guiders! I admire their passion and commitment towards the girls in their Units. They spend countless hours preparing and offering a challenging and varied program for the girls while often juggling work and family life.

2nd Star – GGC provides the platform for girls to try new things, to travel and to provide service. By doing so, girls discover new interests and passions.

A wish: That all Guiders would be recognized by parents and sister Guiders for the hours (and hours!) of work they put into planning, doing paperwork, preparing and running Units. We are all doing our best!



Welcome to two new staff members!

- Rebecca Henderson, Administrative Assistant and
- * Tara Arcand, Aboriginal/Outreach Coordinator!

Welcome!

If you have something you'd like to see included in our Bridging Rivers Area Girl Guides section of the next Prairie Lily, please send to the Area Office no later than January 31, 2015. Notices of condolence, postings of achievements or other news of wide interest are welcomed.



Southern Horizons Happenings

RUN FOR THE GIRLS 2015

Southern Horizons Area will once again join together with the Running Room (as well as SaskTel, Peter Scoular Photography, and other wonderful sponsors yet to be determined) to hold the second *Run for the Girls.* It will be **Saturday, April 11, 2015** at 9 a.m. Last year we raised over \$4500 for the <u>Ethel Peart Fund</u> giving underprivileged girls and women in Southern Saskatchewan a chance to participate in Girl Guides of Canada. But this year, to do it again, we need **more help**!

If you don't plan to participate, we are looking for VOLUNTEERS! Would you be interested in setting up water tables; having your Unit hand out badges at the finish line; being a cheering squad along the route; or cleaning up the race route (flags/posters) afterwards? The truth is we desperately need more early morning set-up help, and more people to help with our post-race clean-up. If you would like to volunteer for this wonderful event, please contact sarah@truszkowski.org. The first volunteer meeting will be Friday, December 12, at 7 p.m. at the Southern Horizons Area Girl Guide Centre, 1530 Broadway Avenue, Regina.



1st Balgonie Guiding Unit

The 1st Balgonie Guiding Unit participated in the Hike Around Saskatchewan. This was only their third meeting as a NEW Guiding Unit made up of Sparks, Brownies, and Guides. The girls were so excited! There were 37 girl participants, five Guiders, several parents, and a volunteer "trail guide" with them. The hike took place at White Butte Trails just outside of White City. They left on a sunset hike for about 45 minutes and the girls completed a nature scavenger hunt while they walked. Everyone loved the beautiful weather and had a great time – some of the girls wanted to keep walking in the dark! They hope to go on another hike at White Butte in the spring.



Congratulations to the following award/pin recipients:

20 Year Pin Joyce Hodder Sarah Van Nes Amanda Witow 25 Year Pin Irene Bushell Megan Clake Sue Schmiedge Cheryl Dodds Lorri Alfoldy Mary Ann Hueser 30 Year Pin Sheila Fahlman Myrna Furo Pat Abd-Elmessih Raylene Harley

35 Year Pin
Joyce Kellington
Marion Patterson Smith
Marion Tudor
Michelle Gibney
Shelley Matsalla
Laura Elsaesser
Lisa Sykes Jonasson

40 Year Pin Arlene Berbenchuk <u>45 Year Pin</u> Marian Clark

50 Year Pin Irene McFarlen Jo Szostak Sheila Wilson

Gold Thanks Pin Irene McFarlen Bronze Merit
Linda Schmidtheisler
Madelaine Michell
Samantha Safinuk
Breanne Booth
Allison Stinson
Kris Elsner
Cydney Weir (Posthumously)

Silver Merit
Judy Dolff
Shelley Fergusson
Risa Erickson
Lois Kulach

Gold Merit

Sharlene Donauer Yvonne Harrison Amanda Lang Darlene Fehler Trish Murphy Bursary

Leta Perepeluk

Sask. Appreciation Pin

Lisa Wilde

Area Award
Melissa Gartner

TEAM AWARDS

<u>2014 Area Camp</u>: Gwen Harper Gwen Gibney Maura Landry Sue Schmiedge Kris Elsner Michelle Gibney Patty Maloughney-Herbel

<u>NxNW 2014 Winter Camp</u>: Gwen Harper Gwen Gibney Kris Elsner Marnie Green Allison Stinson Madelaine Michell Michelle Davidson Kelsey Macklin Yvonne Harrison

<u>2014 Run for the Girls Committee</u>: Sarah Truszkowski Vanessa DiCicco Karen Meagher Marian Clark Kathy Szarkowicz Violet Smotra-Cook Arlene Berbenchuk



Condolences are extended to the family and Guiding family of Cydney Weir. Cydney grew up in Guiding and was a valuable member of Guides #27 and Southern Lights District. She will be very much missed.



Wishing each and every one of you the happiest, most peaceful, and joyful of holiday seasons. May you find time to sit and take in all the wonder of this magical time of year. May your New Year know only joy, good health, and prosperity. **Michelle Brenda Carol**

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Congratulations to Megan Clake who has recently accepted the position as National Program Adviser. Have fun in your new role, Megan!

Wanted: Provincial Cookie Adviser

The responsibility is to promote and support the two provincial cookie campaigns. Anyone interested, please contact the Provincial Office for the full job description. This role is to start immediately.

Welcome to the new Provincial Bookkeeper

Erin Rudd comes to us well qualified with a Business Administration - Accountancy from SIAST. She is presently working online on her University Accounting Certificate /Bachelor of Commerce through Athabasca University with the goal of obtaining her CPA I designation.

Erin was a member of Brownies and Guides and then she chose Sea Cadets and Navy League of Canada and participated in an International Cadet Exchange Program to Belgium as a youth. Erin is married and a mother of two young sons. Welcome, Erin!





Treasurer's Tool Box

Submitted by Glenda Eden, Provincial Treasurer treasurer@girlguides.sk.ca



Attention: All Treasurers

There are several TOOLS available to assist you in your role or to provide a resource to answer some of your questions:

Treasurer's Handbook

This is an in-depth document for the Area and District Treasurers and speaks to the governance and financial stewardship policy of Girl Guides of Canada as well as providing valuable details required to successfully meet expectations or responsibilities of your job as Treasurer on the following:

- Banking Issues
- GST/HST
- Tax receipts
- Fund Development and Fundraising
- Financial Recordkeeping
- Budget
- Investments
- Capital Investments/Real Property

Even as a Unit Treasurer there are still nuggets of information in the handbook that can help you in your role, particularly under Financial Recordkeeping.



Revenue – Expense Form

Particularly useful for the Unit Treasurers, this is an electronic variation of the form under "Financial Recordkeeping" in the "Treasurer's Handbook" all set up and ready for you to fill in.

GST/HST Guidelines – Guider Toolkit

For all Treasurers, this document provides GST/HST reporting tips, answers to frequently asked questions, examples of forms, etc. and much more.

These documents are available on the Saskatchewan Girl Guides of Canada website under: www.girlguides.ca/SK using the file path: Volunteers/ Guider Resources/ Forms/ Treasurer's Tools. If you would like a paper copy of these forms please contact the Provincial Office.

Remember Glenda is also a resource if you have any questions or concerns, and feel free to contact her at treasurer@girlquides.sk.ca

Serenity Camp 2015



Howdy Guiders!

It's going to be "Pioneer Days" at Serenity Camp, Heritage Lake 2015! Yep, just got a letter delivered by the "Girl Guide pony express" to tell you all to mark your calendars for next year's Serenity Camp – **August 7 to 10, 2015**. Leave the boys at home to look after the "youngins" and do the chores, while you ride up north with your girl friends to the best ladies' retreat camp for miles around. Yes sir, I can tell ya, you're not going to want to miss this one!

Funds

Submitted by Phyllis White, Deputy Provincial Commissioner dpc@girlguides.sk.ca



Are you planning on fundraising?

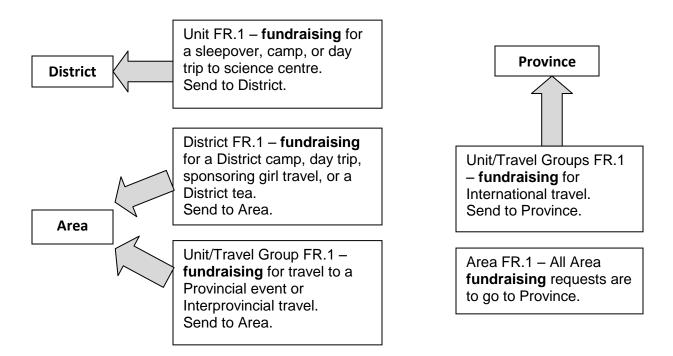
Just a reminder: Is your Unit, travel group, District or Area fundraising? If yes, please remember:

- ✓ Have you filled out your FR.1?
 - All FR.1 forms related to International travel and Area fundraising are to go to the Provincial Council for approval.
 - All FR.1 forms related to any travel to a provincial event, Interprovincial travel and district fundraiser (i.e., teas) are to go to the Area Council for approval.
 - ❖ All FR.1 forms related to Unit fundraising (i.e., sleepover, camp, trip to the zoo) are to go to the District Council for approval. District Commissioners, please be sure to forward a copy to your Area Office.

PLEASE NOTE: A commissioner cannot approve any fundraiser in which she is directly involved to avoid conflict of interest.

✓ Have a parent, girls and the Guider read and signed a SK-FD1 (Fundraising for Event and Trips Form)?

This form can be found on the provincial website. www.girlguides.ca/SK/



PLEASE NOTE: Ensure that a copy of the approved SG.8 is submitted with your FR.1. If the appropriate forms are not completed correctly the approval process will be delayed.

GRANTS: If you are applying for a grant please submit a FR.1 to the appropriate Area Office. Also contact the Provincial Office as we may be able to help you.

Are you contacting businesses and/or organizations for funds? Please submit a list of your contacts with your FR.1.

Sisters to Sisters



This Christmas give the gift of Guiding. A donation to the Sisters to Sisters Fund will help a girl from an underprivileged family belong to Girl Guides and be able to participate in all activities.

Send your donation to the Provincial Office and we will provide you with a charitable donation receipt.

Thank you to the Community Initiatives Fund for their ongoing support



Community Initiatives Fund (CIF). Over the past years they have supported our groups in Northern Saskatchewan as well as the Inner City groups in Regina and Saskatoon. With CIF assistance these girls have experienced the benefits of participating in our programs and memorable camping experiences at our Provincial Campsite.

Girl Guides of Saskatchewan would like to express a big THANK YOU to the

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Arts

Submitted by Ali Peters, Provincial Arts Adviser <u>ali.music.geek@gmail.com</u>



It's time for a new Arts/Music Challenge! BUT...I need your help! I want this Challenge to be as accessible to girls (and Guiders!) as possible. So I'm asking for Guiders to email me answers to the following:

- Two songs your Unit ALWAYS wants to sing (other than an Opening, Closing/Taps)
- Favourite type of craft (or art project) that was successful in the last two years
- Do you do any drama other than skits?
- What's your Unit's favourite way to dance?

Please take a minute and answer any (or all!) of the questions and email ali.music.geek@gmail.com

Hope you all have a wonderful winter – see you in January!







January Conference for Guiders

"Blue is the Colour - Guiding is the Game"

January 30 – February 1, 2015 Saskatoon Travelodge 106 Circle Drive Saskatoon, SK

Pre-registration is being used for the 2015 January Conference. See the next four pages that have a brief description of the sessions offered, and then use the January Conference Choices Form on page 17 to indicate the sessions you want to attend. Send your Choices Form, Registration Form and fee to the Provincial Office to register.

If you are unable to attend the whole conference, you are cordially invited to attend the reception & banquet at 6 p.m. on Saturday. Contact the Provincial Office to RSVP. Cost \$30. Dress is GGC uniform – Guiding blue!

For the Silent Auction you are welcome to donate items and the proceeds will go to the Canadian World Friendship Fund. Contact Brenda Wilson at training@girlguides.sk.ca ahead of time so that forms and space can be arranged.

Reminder: if you want to do any fundraising at the January Conference you need approval prior to the event. Fill out the <u>Fundraising at a Special Event Form</u> on the provincial website <u>www.girlguides.ca/SK/</u> and send the form to the Provincial Office for consideration. See October 2014 *Prairie Lily* page 25 for more information.



Warm Hands, Warm Feet, Warm Hearts Service Project for the Lighthouse



The Lighthouse, located in downtown Saskatoon, provides affordable housing units, supported living units, and emergency shelter for 20 women and 17 men. It provides community outreach services that include work training programs, a nurse's station, an employment centre and budget management services. Many of us take for granted the simple things like socks, mittens and underwear. For people struggling with homelessness, addiction, or mental illness, those items may just be out of reach and would be greatly appreciated. We invite all Guiders to bring warm mittens (handmade, purchased or gently used) and/or warm socks (new) as well as toiletry items or underwear as listed below. Small travel size items are perfect. At January Conference, Guiders will be asked to take some time to help us fill the socks and mitts with toiletry items and decorate with ribbon. These will then be taken to the Lighthouse following the conference.

We also challenge each Unit Guider to invite their Units to participate in two ways:

- 1. Ask girls and families to donate toiletry items and/or mittens and socks that you can bring to January Conference.
- 2. Have your Units make small heart shaped messages of encouragement and good thoughts that can be put inside each mitt or sock.



List of items needed:

- Mittens (new, handmade or gently used)
- Socks (new)
- Underwear (new) all adult sizes (men and women)
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste

- Combs & brushes
- Small hand soaps and or body wash
- Small face clothes & towels
- Deodorant
- Small Shampoos

For more information please contact Laurie Lanovaz at bridgingriversac@girlguides.sk.ca.

January Conference Sessions - "Blue is the Colour"

Pick <u>ONE</u> session for each time slot – <u>note</u> some sessions are for a whole morning, afternoon or evening while others are for a shorter time and you could take two sessions during these time frames.

Friday ALL Evening 7 – 9:15 p.m.

- Archery Basics (Carpool to Cabela's) Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Barb Atkinson & Heather Neufeld Want to see what all the hype is about and to see what it's like to be Katniss? Come and learn the basics of archery.
- Astronomy "The Guider's Guide to the Galaxy" Minimum 3 Maximum 30 Melissa Gartner Aimed at astronomy beginners, come explore the planets, stars and constellations from multiple cultural perspectives.
- Campfire Planning
 Sue Boxall
 Come and learn how to plan a great campfire with some FUN elements. Be confident so you can show your girls how to plan the next Unit, town or District Campfire. Be involved with Saturday's Campfire.
- Multi-branch Guiding
 Minimum 5 Maximum 20
 Sara Horseman

 Are you leading a multi-branch Unit? Join us for some discussion and ideas on how to make the most of the program for everyone involved.
- OAL: Residential Camping Module Minimum 10 Maximum 25 Laurie Lanovaz & Heather Levy Help! I don't camp! Come learn about residential camp planning so that you feel more confident in yourself and your skills! It is easy to take girls camping and it does not always need to be in a tent! We will look at planning templates and tips, menu planning, budgets and how to have lots of fun (girls and Guiders alike!)
- Service Project Capes for Kids Minimum 1 Maximum 20 Kristin Shantz

 Help kids recognize their special powers and show them they are super, no matter what! We will be making super hero capes from t-shirts and donating them to pediatric wards in Saskatchewan and the Autism Society. Take-home instructions will be available for participants.

OR Friday evening 7 – 8 p.m.

- Silly Songs
 Come sing and share some silly songs to sing in your Units. Let's add some fun to this Guiding game we play.
- Sparks Games and Activities
 Come and learn games and activities for Sparks that you can adapt to any theme.
- Swaps Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Sue Christiansen Learn to make simple swaps for trading with other Guides or for hat crafts.
- Yoga Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Janice Graessli
 Join, balance and harmonize the mind, body and emotions. Do yoga on your own, at a meeting, sleepover or at camp, with girls or adults.

Friday evening 8:15 - 9:15 p.m.

- Bells and Chimes
 Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Janice Graessli
 Come to play for fun. These can be used with all age groups. Use at Enrolment, Advancement, World Thinking Day, Campfire.
- Belly Dancing Minimum 10 Maximum 20 Jackie Peacock Come and Shimmy with us and find your inner Goddess.
- Brownie Crafts and Music Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Jo Ann Scott-Hodgins Need some new craft ideas or want some music geared toward the Brownie program? Learn music and create some crafts in this session suited for Brownie aged girls. This is a hands-on session and participants will make crafts related to each of the Brownie Keys.
- Duct Tape
 Learn to make simple projects using duct tape.

 Kay Peters

Saturday ALL morning 9 - noon

- All about Your Branch for Sparks Module Minimum 6 Maximum 18 Evelyn Steciuk & Brenda Laliberte Learn about Sparks through hands on activities that you can take back to your Unit.
- All about Your Branch for Brownies Module Minimum 10 Maximum 25 Laurie Lanovaz & Sara Horseman Want a peek into the mind of a Brownie? Join us to learn about the Brownie aged girls and how to engage them in your program. We will look at their wants and needs, developmental milestones and how to use their enthusiasm to create a girl-centered program that both you and the girls will enjoy!
- All about Your Branch for Guides Module Minimum 5 Maximum 25 Jackie Peacock & Peggy Roettger Everything You Want to Know about Guides. This session will be active, informative, and fun. This is your opportunity to find out about: how and why patrols work; what Horseshoe is; other Ceremonies for Guides; the ins and outs of the Guide Program, and how to complete Program work while the girls have fun.
- All About Your Branch for Pathfinders Module No limits Melissa Gartner
 Thinking of Pathfinders? Already working with Pathfinders and looking for some more information? Come and learn all about Pathfinders.
- **Dramatic Arts Module** Minimum 5 Maximum 25 **Carrie Morrison**Come and earn the Dramatic Arts Module and learn how to use different forms of the dramatic arts in your program.
- Understanding the Adult Learner Module Minimum 5 Maximum 25 Shelley Matsalla Identify your preferred learning style and how you learn best and work with other learning styles. Any council members, advisers or those interested in Training would benefit from this session! Help the team win! Go Blue Go!
- Cross Country Skiing

 Joelle Haffermehl

 New or experienced, spend the morning cross country skiing, classic style. Lessons will be provided for new skiers.

 Bring your own skis or rent. (Note: rental skis cost \$15; bring cash that morning). Dress for the weather. Carpooling.
- Outdoor Cooking
 Spend a three hour session at the Guide House learning the newest ways of outdoor cooking. Tired of hot dogs? Well this will be a tasty outdoor cooking session that will enhance your Unit or District camps with a tantalizing twist. Great for Pathfinders and Rangers or any Guider who likes to spice up outdoor cooking at camp!

Janice Graessli

OR Saturday 9 - 10:15 a.m.

Guide Songs
 Minimum 5 Maximum 20
 Sing your heart out with friends!

• Social Media

Want to tweet or hash tag along with the girls in your Unit? Come & learn what all the modern day IT jargon is about.

Saturday 10:45 - noon

- Dance, Dance, Dance

 Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Janice Graessli

 Dance for fun & exercise: great for Thinking Day, audience participation at Enrolment & Advancement; or sleepovers.
- Member Zone Minimum 6 No Maximum Desire White Member Zone: It's your friend! Tired of needing something on Member Zone and not knowing where to find it? Come to this session and get a little tour around Member Zone and learn how to use it to your advantage. Bring your laptop and Member Zone login information for the maximum benefit!

Saturday ALL afternoon 1:45 – 5 p.m.

- Sparks & Brownies: Building Unit Guider Skills Module Min.10 Max. 25 Laurie Lanovaz & Sara Horseman Sparks & Brownie Guiders Unite! Now that you are a Spark or Brownie Guider, what do you do with this group? Gain new insight & tips on how to help develop a program that makes you and your Sparks or Brownie Unit exciting & fun! Learn easy and practical tips to manage the group, how to do girl-centered programming, and gain many new ideas.
- Guides: Building Unit Guider Skills Module Minimum 5 Maximum 25 Jackie Peacock & Peggy Roettger This Module covers the basic skills for supporting Guides. It includes group management, girl leadership, communication and team building, planning, games and using the arts for active learning.
- Pathfinders: Building Unit Guider Skills Module Minimum 1 Maximum 25 Heather Levy & Jenna Hehn This Module covers the basic skills for supporting Pathfinders. It includes group management, girl leadership, communication and team building, planning, games and using the arts for active learning.

- Facilitation Skills Module from the Trainer's Stream Minimum 5 Maximum 25 Shelley Matsalla
 Trainers and Advisers are the coaches and encourage participation, ask questions and provide direction, give feedback, and will respond in many different leaders' situations. This session will help you be the coach and cheerleader all rolled into one role! Go get 'em Blue!
- Leading Active Games Module Minimum 5 Maximum 25 Carrie Morrison

 Come and earn the Leading Active Games Module and learn how to lead games and use them in your programming.
- OAL Adventure Camping, Navigation Module (possible extra fee) Min. 10 Barb Atkinson & Heather Neufeld Feeling lost...Me too! We've got an expert to facilitate this course so you'll be ready to get your girls on the trail soon.
- Western Development Museum & Scavenger Hunt Maximum 20 Kay Peters

 This is an opportunity to visit the Western Development Museum and enjoy a scavenger hunt there. Cost \$9.50.

OR Saturday afternoon 1:45 – 3:15 p.m.

- Member Zone Minimum 6 No Maximum Desire White Same session as offered on Saturday 10:45 noon. See previous page for description.
- WAGGS and India Advocacy
 Minimum 2
 Ali Peters

 So, you've heard about different volunteer and service projects from WAGGGS especially at Sangam. What makes Sangam so different? What projects are they working on and how does this connect to our programs?
- WAGGGS: Beyond World Thinking Day Minimum 3 Maximum 30 Melissa Gartner
 Did you know that WAGGGS has partnered with the United Nations to create a series of crests for global issues, or
 that you can access free leadership modules on their website? This session will look at some of these resources and
 at how to use them with different age groups.

Saturday 3:30 - 5 p.m.

- Drumming
 Minimum 2 Maximum 20
 Ali Peters

 Drumming Stress relief AND programming! Don't want to sing with the girls, but want some easy music for your meeting? Easily find different ways of incorporating music into the program & release some stress beating the drums.
- Heart and Stroke
 Minimum 5
 Sue Boxall

 Heart attacks and Strokes don't only happen to "OLD" people! Come and find out about the anatomy of your heart and your blood vessels and what can cause the problems that lead to various vascular diseases.
- International Travel Minimum 5 Maximum 30 Karen Litke & Ashley Geddes Ever considered taking a group of girls on an International Adventure? Feel intimidated by the paperwork and planning? Don't be! The Guiders of Parkland Prairie took the plunge and the end result far exceeds the hard work involved. Come and hear about planning a trip from scratch, with no previous experience, and learn some of the tips and tricks (and pitfalls to avoid) that might increase your confidence in putting together a trip of your own.

Sunday ALL morning 9 – 11:45 a.m.

- Communicating with Girls Module Minimum 3 Kay and Ali Peters
 This Module is how girls communicate with each other and different strategies to break up issues such as gossiping and misunderstanding. We don't have all the answers but we'll share, listen and a try a few new things.
- Outdoor Activities Leadership Getting Outside Module Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Sara Horseman

 Are you wanting to get outside more in your program? Learn more about how to prepare and what to do with girls outside. It is easier than it seems!
- Safe Guide Module Minimum 4 Maximum 20 Janice Graessli & Ev Steciuk
 The Safe Guide Module is a required training for all new Guiders. Come to learn how to be safe and have fun.
- Crafts with a purpose
 Minimum 5 Maximum 25
 Carrie Morrison

 Come ready to share, learn and craft. Crafts are not just a time-filler. They are a hands-on way to learn every aspect of the program. You will take home a few crafts as well as many more ideas.
- Millennium Development Goal 8: Develop a global partnership for development Min. 6 Max. 24 Shelley Matsalla For the first time, WAGGGS has created a board game to help Girl Guides and Girl Scouts celebrate on World Thinking Day. During this session, we will play the game and learn more about all of the MDGs and our world-wide organization! WAGGGS is something to cheer about! Go Guides Go!!

OR Sunday 9 – 10:15 a.m.

- Google and Guiders

 Minimum 3 Maximum 30

 Melissa Gartner

 This session will show you how to use Google Drive an online storage space to collaborate and communicate with other Guiders, your girls and their parents. It is highly recommended that participants bring a wi-fi enabled device to this session (i.e., laptop, tablet, smart phone).
- Healthy Body Image Minimum 5 Maximum 30 Karen Litke Healthy Body Image: It Starts with Us. Ever been on a diet? Know anyone who has? Ever declined to participate in an activity because you were self-conscious of your size, shape, height, or weight (or some other physical characteristic)? Know anyone who has? Self-concept, including health body image, is a core component of the Girl Guide program, but how can we foster this in girls and young women when we struggle ourselves? Using discussion, media, and activities, Guiders will explore the development of healthy body image, with a focus on themselves and their sister Guiders. Ideas for Girl programming will also be shared.
- Knots
 Minimum 5 Maximum 20
 Jo Ann Scott-Hodgins & Carol Skaar
 This is a hands-on session to help you learn to tie knots. Participants will complete a knot booklet with examples of the most commonly used knots, as well as getting some ideas of how you can make knots a fun part of your program.
- OAL Adventure style

 Minimum 8 Maximum 20

 Barb Atkinson & Heather Neufeld

 Are you ready to take your camping to the next level? Do you want to take your older girls adventure camping –

 backpacking, canoeing, horse packing, winter camping, cycling? This is an introduction to the Girl Guides OAL

 Adventure Training and let you know how you can start learning and challenging yourself to get ready for your girls.
- Travel Tips
 Minimum 5
 Sue Boxall

 Planning for your own trip find out how to travel safely, intelligently and wisely wherever you plan to go. Learn what to do and what NOT to do when going abroad; what to pack and what NOT to pack; how to plan your own tour or what to expect from a tour company. This session will not cover Girl Guides of Canada travelling regulations.

Sunday 10:30 - 11:45 a.m.

- Ban Bossy Minimum 6 No Maximum Desire White
 Encourage girls to lead. Explore the Ban Bossy program that GS USA has developed in partnership with Lean In.
 This program encourages girls to be leaders, rather than labeling them with negative connotations. Learn how to implement the program goals, find resources and put them into practice!
- Dealing with Difficult Children Minimum 5 Maximum 30 Karen Litke
 The girls we guide with all come to us with a different profile of strengths and weaknesses. Like us, they have their good days, and not so good days! But once in a while, we are challenged with a girl whose behaviour is pervasively difficult and disruptive. In addition to being extremely frustrating, difficult behaviour is time and energy consuming, disrupts group functioning, interferes with programming, and decreases everyone's enjoyment of activities. Through discussion and activities, this session will explore skills and strategies for managing difficult and disruptive behaviour. All ages will be covered, but strategies for Sparks, Brownies, and Guides will be covered in greatest detail.
- Gadgets Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Jo Ann Scott-Hodgins & Carol Skaar Did you ever wish you had a table, shoe rack or a place to hang your pots while out camping? This is a hands-on session to learn how to make some camp gadgets. Come make "mini" examples of commonly used camp gadgets.
- Water Bottle Carrier Minimum 5 Maximum 20 Jackie Peacock Make a string water bottle carrier to attach to your camping backpack.

Wow! What a lot of choices! The 2015 January Conference will be a great opportunity to gain new ideas and skills to help you in your role as a Guider as well as to have fun meeting new Guiders.

- If you are a new Unit Guider, the recommended All About Your Branch Modules and Building Unit Guider Skills Modules (which are Branch specific) plus the required Safe Guide Module are offered at January Conference. By completing these three national Modules, you will earn a red pin. This is your opportunity to do this while sharing with Guiders in your Branch.
- For those who have been in Guiding a little longer, there are several other national T.E.A.M. Modules offered (wherever the word Module is used) that can be used towards obtaining T.E.A.M. pins. If you have any questions, contact the Provincial Training Adviser, Brenda Wilson at training@girlquides.sk.ca
- > Some sessions will fill up quickly. Register as soon as possible so that you will not be disappointed!



January Conference Choices Form

Choose the sessions you want and check the box with <u>one choice per time slot</u>! Send the form to the Provincial Office. Note: if there is not enough interest shown in sessions, those sessions may be cancelled.

Name:		Contact information:		
Registration: 6 – 7:30 p.m.				
Friday evening January 30: 7	՛ – 9։15 բ	o.m. Choose one:		
□ Archery Basics		Campfire Planning		OAL Res. Camp Module
□ Astronomy		Multi-Branch Guiding		Service Project Kids' Capes
<u>OR</u> 7 – 8 p.m. Choose one:				
□ Silly Songs		Swaps		
□ Sparks Games & Activities		Yoga		
8:15 – 9:15 p.m. Choose one:				
□ Bells & Chimes		Brownie Crafts & Music		Duct Tape
□ Belly Dancing		Car Care		·
Saturday January 31: Morning	9 a m -	Noon Choose one: (All m	ornin	na)
All About Your Branch Modules:		Pathfinders Module		Cross Country Skiing
□ Sparks Module	П	Dramatic Arts Module		Outdoor Cooking
□ Brownies Module	_	Understanding the Adult	ш	Oddoor Gooking
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<u>OR</u> 9 – 10:15 a.m.				
☐ Guide Songs		Social Media		
10:45 – Noon				
□ Dance, Dance, Dance		Member Zone		
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Saturday Afternoon:				
1:45 – 5:00 p.m. (All afternoon)	Cho	ose one:		
Building Unit Guider Skills		Pathfinders Module		OAL Adventure Camping,
Modules:		Facilitation Skills Module		Navigation Module
□ Sparks & Brownies Module		Lead. Active Games Module		West. Dev. Museum \$9.50
□ Guides Module				·
<u>OR</u> 1:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Cho	ose one:		
☐ Member Zone		WAGGGS & India		WAGGGS Beyond World
		Advocacy		Thinking Day
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Cho	ose one:		
□ Drumming		Heart & Stroke		International Travel
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9 – 11:15 a.m. (All mornir	•		_	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
□ Comm. with Girls Module		Safe Guide Module	Ш	WAGGGS 2015 Millennium
□ OAL Get. Outside Module	Ц	Crafts with a Purpose		Development Goal
<u>OR</u> 9 – 10:15 a.m.	Cho	ose one:		
□ Google and Guiders		Knots		OAL Adventure Introduction
☐ Healthy Body Image		Travel Tips		
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□ Ban Bossy		□ Gadgets		
□ Dealing with Difficult Children		□ Water Bottle (Carrie	er



January Conference Registration Form

January 30 - February 1, 2015

Name:				iMI	S #:		
Phone (home):	(work)	:		(cell): _		
Position(s) in Guiding:		N	umber of	years as a	a Guide	er:	
Currently working with (circle your group	s): Sparks	Brownies	Guides	Pathfind	ders	Rangers	Adults
I prefer to receive information by: □ E-mail: □ Fax:		City	//Town:				
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Prices are per person (includes GST)	Early Bird before Nov		gular Pri ter Nov. 3	ce s 30 s	session	nd check off t ns you would like	d like to
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 After December 15, registrants we their own accommodation. The hotel check with the Provincial Office first in the No registrations can be accepted after the Price includes: Saturday and Sunday and evening hospitality. 	l will not guara as we may ha er January 20,	antee the r ve a few s , 2015.	oom rates pots to fill	s or availa within the	bility a	fter that dat s we have b	te! Please ooked.
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OR fax 306-347-0995



Program

Submitted by Carrie Morrison, Provincial Program Adviser program@girlguides.sk.ca

2015 Provincial Rally Packages

The Program committee is again offering rally packages for your Units this year. These packages will be \$1 per person and will include a crest and craft for each person registered as well as one package of information for you to run the rally. The package includes games, songs, stories, science and activities for you to use to put on an event.







You can choose to do this as a Unit, District or maybe a few Units together...the options are yours. As well, you can add your own activities; perhaps do the event over a few weeks at your meetings, or at a sleepover, or in an afternoon, or expand it and use it as your camp. This is a package to help you with your programming.

<u>December 10</u> is the deadline to register your girls. Please keep in mind that deadlines are firm. Packages will be handed out at the January Conference. You may want to order a few extras in case you have new girls join, as there will not be extras ordered after the deadline.

2015 themes are: Sparks - Underwater, Brownies - Western, Guides - Pioneer

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Registration Deadline: <u>December 10, 2014</u>	2015 Spark Spree, Brownie Revel or Guide Rally
Contact Name:	Unit name:
Phone:	
I prefer to receive information by:	
□ E-mail:	☐ Mail (address):
□ Fax:	City/Town:
	Postal Code:
Number of girls registered: Number of add	ults registered: Branch of Rally:
1. Did you participate in the 2014 provincial rallies?2. If yesDid you find the package easy to use?	
Total number crests @ \$1 per person:	Payment enclosed:
(Cheque payable to Girl Guides of Canada, Sask. Cound OR Credit Card #	cil) _ (VISA, MC only) Expiry Date:
Please Return Registration Form to the Provincial On the registration form. Girl Guides of Canada, Saskatchewan Council 200-1530 Broadway Ave., Regina, SK S4P 1E2 OR e-mail provincial@girlguides.sk.ca	ffice: If registering by email, please indicate all particulars listed in

December 2014

OR by phone 306-757-4102

Toll free 1-877-694-0383

OR fax 306-347-0995

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All Pathfinder and Ranger age girls

Who:

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Pathfinder and Ranger Weekend

March 6 - 8, 2015

Where: Strasbourg Bible Camp When: March 6 - 8, 2015 For an awesome weekend of fantastic winter fun! Why: Survive this.... Survive cooking, relationships, outdoors, etc... What: \$35 plus \$1.75 GST = **\$36.75** / girl Cost: Registration deadline: February 6, 2015 More details and a kit list will be provided following receipt of registration. **×**-------Pathfinder / Ranger Weekend March 6 - 8. 2015 Strasbourg Bible Camp Name: _____ iMIS #: _____ Phone: _____ Unit: _____ Address: Email: Food / Allergies and / or physical restrictions: Payment enclosed: (\$36.75 / girl) _____ (Cheque payable to Girl Guides of Canada, Sask. Council) Please return Registration Form to the Provincial Office. If registering by email, please indicate all particulars listed on the Registration Form. Parks and Recreation Girl Guides of Canada, Saskatchewan Council Association Recreation 200-1530 Broadway Ave., Regina, SK S4P 1E2 An investment for life OR Email provincial@girlguides.sk.ca OR Credit Card # **OR** Phone 306-757-4102 Toll free 1-877-694-0383 (VISA, MC only) Expiry Date: _____ **OR** Fax 306-347-0995

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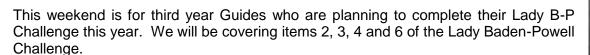
event. Within two weeks a written request must be sent to

the Provincial Office for consideration of any refund.



Lady Baden-Powell Weekend

March 13 - 15, 2015



When: March 13 – 15, 2015 (Friday at 7 p.m. to Sunday at 11 a.m.)

Where: Moose Jaw Wildlife Federation Building, Moose Jaw

Who: Third year Guides

Cost: \$10.00 plus \$.50 GST = \$10.50 / girl

Registration and fee payment deadline is February 13, 2014. Registration is limited to 50, so register early!

There is no charge for adult supervisors to attain ratio for girls attending. Each Unit sending girls is to provide their own ratio for supervision and provide their own first aider. We will have one first aider on site for the activity, but the medical administration etc will be left to the Unit first aiders. Any Units with three or less girls attending who are unable to provide ratio should contact Nicole Drover at nicole.drover@sasktel.net for alternate supervision to be arranged.

An itinerary and kit list will be provided upon receipt of registration.

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Lady Baden-Powell Weekend		Moose Jaw
Name:	iMIS	#:
Phone:	Unit:	
Circle if: girl or adult		
Address:	City/Town:	Postal Code:
Email:	F	=ax:
Food/ Allergies/Diet and/or physical	restrictions:	
Payment enclosed: (\$10.50 / girl)	(Cheque pay	able to Girl Guides of Canada, Sask. Council)
Please return Registration Form to		istering by email, please indicate all
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Prairie Lily



The provincial newsletter, the *Prairie Lily,* is published four times a year. Deadlines for submissions of articles are:

September 10, November 10, February 10 and April 10.

- Submissions of articles may be sent to the Provincial Office at provincial@girlguides.sk.ca
- A colour version of the *Prairie Lily* is on the provincial website at www.girlguides.ca/SK/
- If you prefer to read the *Prairie Lily* online and would like to discontinue receiving a paper copy, please inform the Provincial Office and they will contact you when the current *Prairie Lily* is posted online.
- If you have any suggestions, please contact Marg via the Provincial Office.
- Many thanks to all those who have sent in submissions! Guiding is great in Saskatchewan!

Marg Stewart – *Prairie Lily* editor, Trainer (Weyburn; girl member four years, adult member 32 years)

- Marg is blessed with a dear husband, two daughters, two sons-in-law, and eight grandchildren who live in Saskatoon, and a son living in Australia.
- Marg loves family times, quilting, playing bridge, reading, or puttering in the yard, depending on the season.
- The best parts of Guiding: Wonderful friendships; the values and skills Guiding teaches; and singing.

Be part of the 16 Days of Action campaign

November 25 to December 10 marks the "16 Days of Action Against Gender Based Violence" campaign. This year, Girl Guides of Canada has developed an Instant Meeting that focuses on conflict and peace. The meeting guide, developed for all branch levels, includes fun activities that explore the connection between violence and conflict, teach communication and conflict resolution skills, and encourage girls to promote peace in their lives. The meeting guide is located on the national website: www.girlguides.ca under Programs.



Learning Objectives

- To learn about the meaning of conflict and violence
- To learn about the importance of verbal and non-verbal communication and effective listening
- To learn and practice effective ways of communicating and resolving conflict
- To envision peace and commit to doing a peaceful act

Related Programming

• Brownies: Key to Me, #4 Respecting Others, page 35.

Guides: Youth and Others, Building Skills in Communication, pg. 62, 63

Peace (interest badge) page 105

Pathfinders: Girls Stuff, Relationships, Values & Choices, page 123.

Rangers: Community Connections, #24 Social Aggression and Bullying, page 40

Healthy Living, #13 Healthy Relationships Page 91



Keeping the Spirit Alive!

Submitted by Mary Lynne Golphy, Provincial Trefoil Guild Adviser p.golphy@sasktel.net

We actually have four Guilds in Saskatchewan celebrating their 25th anniversary this year: 1st Moose Jaw Trefoil Guild, 1st Saskatoon Trefoil Guild, Regina Trefoil Guild and Evergreen Trefoil (who will be starting their 26th year in December)







The 1st Saskatoon Trefoil Guild celebrated their 25 years anniversary by co-hosting the Provincial Trefoil Gathering with the 2nd Saskatoon Trefoil Guild on October 3 - 4 in Saskatoon. Friday evening started with a welcome from Win Parker and greetings were brought by Charlene McLean, Provincial Commissioner. festivities continued in the setting of a British Pub - The Trefoil Arms. A traditional pub quiz kicked off the evening, testing our knowledge and wit in four categories: Food-Comedies-Guiding History-Pot Luck. Our evening ended with a pub lunch and sing-along. The hosts provided continental breakfast the next morning and then we put our hands to two service projects. Fleece blankets were made for the Crisis Nursery, and tote bags were made from Tshirts which will be given to women shelters. Between the two sessions we had a yoga break and an introduction to belly dancing. With the wonders of technology we received greetings from Ireland after they saw postings of our event on Face book. Our annual meeting was held after lunch, and then it was time for the 25th anniversary/birthday celebration with cake and gifts. (See photo on left with Iris Keindel (left) and Wylma Orosz (right) cutting the cake.)

Regina Trefoil Guild held their 25th anniversary celebration at

the home of Elaine Andreas on October 27. Everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch consisting of fancy sandwiches, pickles, cheesecake, fancy Dairy Queen Ice Cream cupcakes and chocolate favours.

Moose Jaw Trefoil Guild have an original Registration Form – two, actually, so one was sent to Provincial Archives for safe keeping. The Registration shows that the date that the Moose Jaw Trefoil Guild was formed was February 18, 1989 with Dagny Marshall as the first Chairman. It was signed by Lillian Firth, Secretary, on February 22, 1989 and further, was signed by Twiy Shiffner for Cypress Area Council and approved on April 15, 1989. Membership Fees at that time were \$4.50 per person, and there were eight members.



Leap Into Adventure OAL Adventure Camp Training - Part B

May 8 - 10, 2015

Friday, 7:30 pm – Sunday, 2:00 pm Trefoil Trails, Pike Lake

Cost: \$75

(Note: price correction from previous ad in October *Prairie Lily*.)



Are you an experienced 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 "leap into adventure". (Note – Part A and Part B can be taken in any order! We will alternate parts each year!)

Content will be from the OAL Adventure Camping program:

- Module 2 Risk Assessment
- Module 3 Leadership Styles, Group Dynamics, and Management
- Module 7 Campsite Management AND
- You will earn Paddle Canada Lake Canoe Skills Introduction Tandem certification

You will then plan for a canoe trip which will occur in the summer of 2015 (date and location to be chosen by the group at this training). Want more details on this OAL Adventure program? Follow this.... go to Member Zone, Program Resources, Camping and Outdoors, Adventure Camping.

Deadline to register: April 15, 2015

If you have any questions, please con		<u> </u>	
XOAL Adventure Camp Training	Pike		May 8-10, 2015
Name:		iMIS #:	
Mailing Address:			
E-mail:	Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
Special Dietary Needs:			
Cost: \$75 Payment enclosed:	(Cheque	payable to Girl Guides of Canad	a, SK Council)
Please return registration form to the lf registering by email, please indicate		gistration form.	
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OR email provincial@girlguides.sk.ca

OR register by phone 306-757-4102

Toll-free 1-877-694-0383

OR fax 306-347-0995

Safe Guide

Submitted by Megan Loessl, Provincial Safe Guide Adviser

We're a few months into the Guiding year now and that means that Units are getting busy planning events, sleepovers, camps and outings. Don't forget to submit your Safe Guide paperwork **ON TIME!** 14 days for **Yellow Level** Activities and 21 Days for **Red Level** Activities.



Remember if you're planning an activity for your Unit outside of your regular meeting time/place that is *Green Level* you are still required to provide parents/guardians with the details of your activity. Providing the Activity Plan (SG.1) form to parents/guardians will assist you in ensuring that they have the information they need. All activities require an Emergency Response Plan (SG.4).

Do you know what to do with your Safe Guide paperwork after your activity?

H.1 and H.2 Personal Health Forms are to be securely destroyed or given back to the parent/guardian or adult member at the end of the Guiding year or after the event for which it was provided.

WA.2 and WA.3 forms for Swim and Boat tests are forwarded to the member's iMIS home so the qualifications can be entered into iMIS.

All other forms are to be packaged in an envelope with the *Forms Retention Sheet* completed and affixed to the front of the envelope. The Forms Retention Sheet can be found on the Saskatchewan Girl Guides of Canada website www.girlguides.ca/SK/ under Forms. Seal the envelope and return it to your iMIS home (Bridging Rivers Area office, Southern Horizons Area office or Provincial office) immediately following the event/activity for which they were created.

For more information on this and how to "Protect Your Paperwork" see page 45 & 46 of Safe Guide.

The full Safe Guide document and all forms are now available in French and the Safe Guide document is also available in a large print version. Find all Safe Guide documents/forms at www.forms.girlguides.ca/SafeGuide

I am pleased to welcome Sharla Daviduik to the Safe Guide Assessing team!

Reminder: Volunteer Safe Guide Assessors are needed!

Qualifications:

- ✓ Have taken the Safe Guide Training.
- √ Have regular access to a computer
- ✓ Have experience completing the Safe Guide paperwork

Mentorship will provide you with the additional training required.

The hours are flexible and you can work in the comfort of your own home!

If interested, contact the Provincial Office and provide a recommendation from your commissioner.

Program idea – Last Mountain Bird Observatory

Where: Last Mountain Regional Park (15 km west of Govan)

Open: May 9 – 31 and August and September

Great facilities for spending a day: nature trail, picnic sites and beach, campsites, pool, canteen.

An opportunity for all ages of girls to see many bird species up close... to observe catching, handling and banding techniques, and to learn about our natural heritage! Girls can help bring captured birds to the banding station, and release the birds once they are banded!

Girls can earn badges related to Conservation, Bird Watching and the Outdoors.

To arrange a visit contact Nature Saskatchewan at 306-780-9481 or 1-800-667-4668 or email lweekes@naturesask.ca

Wilderness and Remote First Aid

Recertification

Canadian Red Cross First Aid & CPR

Dates: Saturday, March 21 – Arrive at 9 a.m. – Depart at 9 p.m.

Note – we can help you find a place to stay on Friday / Saturday if needed.

Location: Trefoil Trails Girl Guide Campsite, Pike Lake (near Saskatoon)

Description: Attend a one day recertification course with 10 hours of teaching/learning time. You must

already have a current Wilderness First Aid Certificate and be willing to read / review your previous course manual and complete a study guide before attending the training day. If you need a new text book, let us know. There will be an added charge for this.

Cost: \$80.00

This covers the course fee, materials, and lunch and supper on Saturday. Note that the instructor is donating her teaching time to keep costs low.

Numbers: Minimum 6 participants to a maximum of 12.

Questions? Carla Punshon \$\alpha\$ 381-7863 or

■ carla@punshon.ca





Registration Deadline March 1

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5 -	PR <u>Recertification</u> Registration Form	Marc	h 21, 2015
Name	Help me find a place to stay on	□Friday	□Saturday
Address			
Phone	Email		
Guiding Unit	Expiry date of my current WFA cert		
Fee \$80 Payment enclosed:	(Cheque payable to Girl Guides vincial office by March 1, 2015.	of Canada,	SK Council)
If registering by email, please indicate all			
200 – 1530 Broadway Ave, Regina, SK S OR email <u>provincial@girlguides.sk.ca</u>	ouncil OR Credit Card # S4P 1E2 (VISA, MC only) Expiry	/	

REFUNDS: The fee is refunded less \$25 administration fee prior to March 1 (due to materials being ordered). Cancellations after March 1 require a written request be sent to the Provincial Office for consideration of any refund.

OR register by phone 306-757-4102

Toll free 1-877-694-0383

OR fax 306-347-0995

Wilderness and Remote First Aid Canadian Red Cross First Aid & CPR

Dates:	Friday, March 27 – Sunday, March 29 - You will sleepover a		me is 20 hours.		
Location:	Trefoil Trails Girl G	uide Campsite, Pike Lake (nea	ar Saskatoon)		
Description:	This course is a basic level of Wilderness & Remote First Aid that covers material in Standard First Aid & CPR, plus special material on techniques for wilderness and remote areas. This course also offers strategies for providing extended care for up to 24 hours. Be advised that part of the course is taught outdoors and requires greater physical activity and endurance than typical first aid training.				
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Camping

Submitted by Heather Neufeld, Provincial Camping Adviser camping@girlguides.sk.ca



Guiding Mosaic 2016 frequently asked questions

1. Can our patrol fundraise for GM2016?

Yes!, Remember that cookies are the primary fundraiser for Girl Guides and the Cookie All Stars program has camp credits as rewards for the next couple of years. All fundraising must be done in accordance with the GGC fundraising policy – you must apply for permission to fundraise before undertaking any method other than selling cookies. The Fundraising Form, FR.1 can be found on the Girl Guide website on Member Zone.



http://forms.girlguides.ca/SitePages/Home.aspx#fundraising

2. Will Guiding Mosaic 2016 use catering services for meals?

All meals and snacks will be catered for GM2016. No cooking options will be available. GM2016 will have varied meal options to suit dietary requirements.

3. Will the patrols be responsible for bringing all of their gear?

Patrols are responsible for bringing their own tenting equipment and personal gear. Any additional requirements will be communicated to patrols that are registered as well as on the GM2016 website.

4. What is the size of the patrol we need to send to camp?

Normally patrols of Pathfinders or Rangers and their Guiders will register together to attend Guiding Mosaic 2016. Each patrol must have a minimum of two Guiders, and meet the Safe Guide ratio for supervision. Normally a patrol will have a minimum of eight girls. Partial patrols may be combined to make up full patrols.

5. What are the camp's prerequisites?

Prerequisites for camp: a minimum of 4 (four) nights in tents, with at least two consecutive nights in tents prior to the camp. It is strongly encouraged for girls to have five consecutive nights in tents prior to GM2016. Please encourage your girls to attend provincial summer camps to help them obtain this.

6. What volunteer positions are available?

www.guidingmosaic.com will periodically post the volunteer positions available.

7. What can you tell me about the Guiding Mosaic skills camp?

There is a mandatory "pre camp" that will be held in May – June of 2016 for all registrants for GM2016. Saskatchewan will have our own provincial camp. It will give girls and Guiders information and resources on the many things needed to make such a large event enjoyable. More information will be available towards the end of 2015 or early 2016.



Cookie Chatter



Submitted by Megan Clake, Provincial Cookie Adviser cookies@girlguides.sk.ca

I hope that the beginning of your Guiding year has gone great. I was very happy to hear that Chocolatety Mint cookies were flying off of the shelves (so to speak) and that so many of you had fantastic cookie campaigns! Thank you all for your hard work. If you are one of the few Units with group sales events still planned, don't forget to use the Cookie Finder Map on the Girl Guides of Canada website to let cookie fans know where you will be selling.

If your Unit still has cookies left for sale and no more events planned, contact your Area Office with the following information – location, number of cookies remaining, a contact name, email address and phone number, and whether you are willing to deliver. This information will be used to match customer enquiries (including Twitter and Facebook) with available cookies.

Unit Tracking tool

Now that the mint campaign is over, you can register your girls' sales with the new Unit Tracking tool. To access Unit Tracking you will need to go to the cookie website (https://cookie.girlguides.ca) and register:

- Establish your username and password this may take a day or two to confirm
- If you don't have an email attached to your iMIS record you will need to add it ask for assistance from your home iMIS administrator (your Area or Provincial Office).

Once you have registered, you will be able to log in and click on "Cookie All Stars". From there, click on "Unit Tracker". In the Unit Tracker, you must choose your area, district and Unit. Once you are into your Unit you will be able to:

- Enter in the number of cases sold at group events/door-to-door
- Track the number of cookies each girl took home for individual sales
- Track when money is returned for individual sales
- Track cookies transferred from other Units. Area or Province
- The Unit Tracking tool makes it easier to register for Cookie All Stars. By clicking the "Send to Cookie All Stars" button, your mint sales information is automatically transferred to the Cookie All Stars registration site.

The Unit Tracker tool should streamline your cookie sales, and allow you to (if you wish) track all of your cookie information electronically!

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions about cookie ordering, sales, promotions, Cookie All Stars or anything else to do with cookies, contact cookies@girlguides,sk.ca.

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Wanted - New Provincial Cookie Adviser

The responsibility is to promote and support the two provincial cookie campaigns. Anyone interested, please contact the Provincial Office for the full job description.

This role is to start immediately.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Submitted by: Alice Gaveronski, Provincial PR Adviser publicrelations@girlguides.sk.ca

"GUIDING IS GREAT IN SASKATCHEWAN"

PLEASE NOTE - PR has a NEW email address: publicrelations@girlguides.sk.ca



Our "brand" GIRL GUIDES OF CANADA-GUIDES DU CANADA (GGC) is the conveyance of the positive attributes of GGC as expressed through the Mission, Vision, and Promise (that is, core purpose and values). The related term "brand image" is how an organization or a product is perceived by the public.

New PR Promoter

Congratulations to Leah Yelland (1st Yorkton Guides) – our first Saskatchewan PR Promoter! She has been in Guiding since she was eight and is a Broadcaster at Foxfm in Yorkton. She knows how to photo shop and is a web/social media coordinator. Welcome Leah to the Provincial PR Committee. Note: We are looking for more PR PROMOTERS!

2014 Girl Guides of Canada Photo Contest

Did you send a Saskatchewan Photo for the National Photo Contest? If you did, please send a quick email to publicrelations@girlquides.sk.ca with your photo attached, so that your photo can be used for the January Conference PR Display.



Girl Greatness Awards



Do you know a girl in Guiding who is filled with courage, resourcefulness, confidence or who is making a difference? NOW is the time to start thinking about the National Girl Greatness Award Nominations. The nominations take place February to March. Girl members are encouraged to nominate another girl in Guiding for one of the award categories. Girls can also nominate themselves. Recipients are notified in April. Each of the Girl Greatness Award recipients receive an Award pin and a certificate signed by the Chief Commissioner. Go to www.girlguides.ca for all the information and be ready to nominate!

Let's put Saskatchewan on the map & have a GIRL GREATNESS AWARD from each Guiding Branch!

THINK PINK on FEBRUARY 22!



Do you have a hospital that delivers babies in your District?

If so, start plans now to celebrate the World Thinking Day baby girls that are born on February 22 in your district.

This is a great way to celebrate the birthday of our Founders, Lord and Lady Baden-Powell.

Be creative and think **PINK**. Please let PR know of your special event!



GIRL GUIDES & TIM HORTONS COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP Saturday, May 2, 2015



Start planning <u>now</u> for another annual province-wide community clean-up in helping reduce litter and keeping our neighborhoods looking beautiful. Your District Commissioner will be receiving all the information soon. Let's make a DIFFERENCE!

Find a great location in your district and make it a BRIDGING event or have it as a great SERVICE project for your UNIT and...it is part of your PROGRAM!

The Clean-up Saskatchewan Guidelines will be circulated in the March Prairie Lily.

HIKE AROUND SASKATCHEWAN 2015

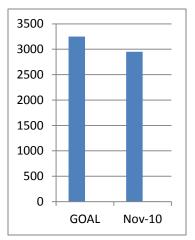
Hiking events can take place anytime in 2015! Start planning now for your 2015 hike! Units determine their own hiking activity. Make it FUN and a Learning Program Activity. When the hike has taken place, send in the registration form to the Provincial Office and \$2 per participant for crests (to cover the cost of the crests).

Remember to take photos of your hiking event and send them to: publicrelations@girlguides.sk.ca or provincial@girlguides.sk.ca.

Unit Participating:	Nur	mber of Participants:	
District:	Area:		
Date of Hike:	Location of Hike:		
Complete mailing address for crests:			8
Crests @ \$2 each = \$	Amount Enclosed:		200
Girl Guides of Canada-Gu 200-1530 Broadw	uides du Canada, Saska ay Avenue, Regina, SK		

Recruitment and Retention

Submitted by Heather Levy, Provincial Recruitment and Retention Adviser membership@girlguides.sk.ca



Saskatchewan Membership Goal: 3250 members Current members registered November 10: 2950 Where are we going? **HIGHER!**



The official count is coming up in January. Saskatchewan membership numbers are looking strong. The next few weeks are crucial as we work to ensure that everyone is counted. Please check your roster reports to make sure that they are accurate! Together we can make sure that we report an accurate count of those participating in Guiding in Saskatchewan. Together we make Guiding strong in Saskatchewan.

Thank you for all that you do!

Awards

Submitted by Megan Clake, Provincial Awards Adviser meganl@sasktel.net

As Provincial Awards Adviser, part of my role is increasing awareness of awards that are available for members of Girl Guides of Canada. Today I'd like to focus on **Merit Awards**. The Merit Award is presented to adult Members for service to Guiding above the basic requirements of the position held. This award is granted by the council concerned and is given in three categories:





- ★ Bronze Merit: for dedicated service to Guiding
- ★ Silver Merit: for excellent service to Guiding
- ☆ Gold Merit: for outstanding service to Guiding

An adult Member may receive any or all of the Merit Awards during her tenure in Guiding. These awards require a completed R.3 form (available on the National website) and two letters of support.

Tips for Writing a Letter of Support

So, you'd like to nominate someone for an award, or have been asked to provide a letter of support. Many people are intimidated by this aspect of the awards process. Here are some tips that will help you write the perfect letter of support:

- Begin with an introduction which identifies the Member being nominated, the award being applied for and a summary of the Member's role(s) and accomplishments.
- In the body of the letter, explain why the individual is deserving of the award. Use specific examples within the letter. You can break the examples down into paragraphs and refer to her accomplishments in any or all of the following areas:
 - Guiding
 - Family / Home life
 - Work
 - Personal (illness, disability, challenges)
 - Community life (other volunteering)
- Use clear, concise language that states, in your own words, why you think this person should receive this particular Award.
- Try to tie in as many Guiding examples as possible. You can include:
 - positions held
 - mentoring roles
 - creativity of Unit meetings
 - support of girl greatness
 - Link or Trefoil Guild involvement
 - special events or committees
 - parent, girl and other Member feedback
- Letters can come from: Guiders, parents, girls, friends, other volunteer agencies, employers/colleagues, professors, etc.

For more information on these or other awards which are available, on the process for applying, or for a template for letters of recommendation, please feel free to email Megan at meganl@sasktel.net. As some awards need a fair bit of lead time, it is good to get in touch as soon as possible. Don't forget that a little bit of appreciation goes a LONG way!



Youth Recognition 2013 - 2014

The following lists include the girls who have received awards during the past Guiding year. Those with an asterisk * attended the Youth Recognition Ceremony held in Saskatoon on October 26, 2015.

Congratulations, girls!

Canada Cord

The Canada Cord is the highest award a girl can earn as a Pathfinder.

Bronze Chief Commissioner Award

This award is presented to Rangers after completion of nine challenges from at least four different program areas.



Jamie Krip	Prince Albert	*Cassidy Brychun	Saskatoon
Kendall Horan	Prince Albert	*Kristen Braid	Saskatoon
Megan Moody	Prince Albert	Marlanis Deptuch	Saskatoon
Rebecca Grimwood	Prince Albert	Quinn Melenchuk	Swift Current

Silver Chief Commissioner Award

This award is presented to Rangers after completion of nine additional challenges from at least four areas.



*Natashia Apangchan Strasbourg *Vanessa Pratchler Govan Quinn Melenchuk

Swift Current

Gold Chief Commissioner Award

This is the highest award a girl can earn as a Ranger.



Amanda Bone Prince Albert Kailey Pochipinski Prince Albert *Catherine Thompson Regina Alexis Abello Regina *Bailey Wachniak Saskatoon

Duke of Edinburgh Award: Bronze

Commonwealth Award

Rebecca Grimwood Prince Albert
Megan Moody Prince Albert

This award is awarded by the Unit Guider for completion of the challenge.
Quinn Melenchuk Swift Current

2014 Scholarship Recipients

*Natalya Mason Saskatoon Aleina Haines Saskatoon

International

Submitted by Ashley Geddes, Provincial International Adviser international@girlguides.sk.ca

The World Thinking Day (WTD) 2015 Activity Packs are now available to download!

www.worldthinkingday.org



The 2015 WTD theme is Millennium Development Goal (MDG) 8: Develop a global partnership for development.

This is the last in a series of WTD themes focusing on the MDGs, and the last element of our Global Action Theme, "together we can change our world". Through our Global Action Theme, WAGGGS members have been taking action on the MDGs since 2009.

For the first time, WAGGGS has created a board game to help Girl Guides and Girl Scouts celebrate on World Thinking Day. It is perfect for playing together at a group meeting, or as part of a World Thinking Day party or special event.

World Thinking Day 2015

"Toke action together"

The Activity Pack is free to download. If you'd like to purchase the board game rather than print it yourself, you can do so along with the 2015 badges from the WAGGGS online shop.

Have you checked out the WAGGGS Shop lately?

The WAGGGS Shop has new UN Challenge Badges. Forest, Water, Ocean, Nutrition, and Hunger are the new challenges available. (See samples on right.) These exciting new challenges extend on the FAO Climate Change and Biodiversity badges that were previously available. They are a great way to incorporate many different topics into your programming, while giving the girls the opportunity to become responsible global citizens. The challenge booklet is included in the purchase of the badges. Go to www.wagggs-shop.org





Did you know? The 2015 Nationally Sponsored Trips application deadline has passed. Check out the next *Prairie Lily* to find out who our successful applicants are!

Training for Trainers

Submitted by Marg Stewart

IKEA – **I Know Exciting things About Training** – the theme used for the Training for Trainers held October 24-26 provided fun and learning for all. Putting pizzazz in training was a focus and the facilitators, Jo, Sheila and Marg, found many ways to do this. The 12 participants were enthusiastic and found the training to be very hands-on, including trying a variety of training techniques. Photo on the right (by Jo) indicates teamwork – how many trainers does it take to assemble a step stool? The four stools assembled will be available to bid on at the January Conference and the money raised will go to the Canadian World Friendship Fund!



Journey Through London 2014

Submitted by Tammy Sutherland, 3rd Rangers Saskatoon

It is challenging to say the least to try to summarize my travel experience this August into a couple of paragraphs. What an amazing journey it was! For those of you who have travelled on a nationally sponsored trip, you are aware of what a unique experience it is to travel with girls and Guiders that you have never met. It's like speed-Guiding! There were 10 of us on this trip to London: one other Guider from Ontario and eight girls (one from Alberta, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, two from BC and one from right here in Saskatoon). Bailey Mundell (a Pathfinder in an Extra Ops Unit) and I acquainted ourselves on our flight to Toronto where suddenly we were a part of something bigger. We were 10 strangers representing Girl Guides of Canada at Pax Lodge with less than 24 hours to get to know each other. Interestingly enough it was soon realized that no matter where you were from, whether you lived in a big city or a small town, whether you came from a large family or small; all that really mattered is that we were united with a single purpose and we were all Girl Guides. We met awkwardly at the airport as strangers and went our separate ways 12 days later as friends.

We had the privilege of spending three days on our own in London before going to Pax Lodge to begin our programmed event. The highlights of those first three days included viewing the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace (from inside the gates!), a tour of Windsor Castle, Bath & Stonehenge as





well as The Making of Harry Potter at Warner Brothers Studios. We all agreed that after those first three days it seemed unimaginable that there could be more! There was a time in my Guiding career that I would never have been able to imagine that I would set foot through the doors of a World Centre yet here I was at Pax Lodge. We were treated very well by the staff and enjoyed every moment of the Journey Through London programming. It seemed that there was always something new and exciting to do including riding the London Eye, touring the Tower of London and of course, eating a traditional pub style meal before a night at the theatre.

It was a privilege to have been selected to represent Girl Guides of Canada at this event. I am a better person for having experienced it and encourage all Guiders and girls to consider applying for a national or international trip. Even if it seems a little outside your comfort zone you will be amazed at how quickly you can form a bond when you dare to try your hand at speed-Guiding.

Link News

Submitted by Erin Spinney, Provincial Link Adviser erin.spinney@usask.ca

Thank you everyone for your continued patience as I transition into the role of Link Adviser! National has organized a Link Program Review Task Force of which I am a member. Check out *Link Connections* for more information. Please let me know if you have any suggestions/opinions for what you see as the role of Link. I encourage you to fill out the survey if you have not already done so: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DMKQRCJ

I am also actively seeking service project ideas for us to perform in conjunction with January Conference. I look forward to seeing many of you in Saskatoon this January!



Upcoming Link events:

- Link Food Drive University of Saskatchewan Friday, December 5 from10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Arts Tunnel
- Breakfast Gathering at January Conference Saturday, January 31

Youth Recognition Ceremony October 26, 2014

Youth award and scholarship recipients are pictured with Saskatoon Mayor, Don Atchinson (right); Jennifer Campeau, MLA for Saskatoon Fairview (upper right); and our PC, Charlene McLean (left) at the Youth Recognition Ceremony in Saskatoon. See page 33 for the list of award and scholarship recipients. (Photo by Ali Peters)





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