

Cambrian Corner

Commissioner Message

344 girls and guiders strong! Cambrian Area, be loud and proud. We move into 2016 obtaining already some of our objectives for the year. Start thinking about our area camp which will be for Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers. You will be hearing from me to volunteer. Don't worry Sparks and Brownies, we will start plans for an event for you. The announcement for the new programs was introduced in last month Guide Post. It would be wise to start downsizing your badges and not to invest in too many new program books. Start connecting with other groups in our Area to share and exchange badges.

Why do bells at Christmas ring? Why do all the children sing? To thank our volunteers for EVERYTHING! Thank You and Happy Holidays

Gayle

Welcome Snow Lake to our Area. They are up and running 10 girls and 4 Guiders.

NEW CAMBRIAN CREST CHALLENGE

We had a few entries for our new crest challenge. Thank you to everyone who submitted.

Challenges & Crests to do

Violence Challenge

*Words in Action National Service Project

Check out National site for instant meetings

November Happenings

In November Jackie, Nikki, Gayle & Marcia went to AC/DC training in Winnipeg. A lot of information was learned for everyone. One of the ideas that Nikki liked was that if you are having issues finding adults to help, why not have a bring a friend night where the leaders bring a friend so they can see what we do which then might get some thinking about joining.

Here is a team building photo taken at AC/DC training.



Area Meeting

Are Camp May 27-29, 2016

Area camp was discussed. The fee for each girl is going to be

*Say
No to

around \$125. Some committees have been started, we have a committee for crafts and a committee for food. The ladies in these groups have exchanged info. If you would like to join a committee, or start another committee to help with the planning of the camp, please contact Gayle.

Please keep in mind that when you travel to Area meeting, only one car will get paid fuel by Area.

Also on the agenda was just a reminder that all units and districts and area need to do up budgets. Units hand your budgets into your district commissioner and Districts hand yours into Area. This is something that needs to be done at beginning of guiding year.

Next area meeting to be determined.

Guiding Mosaic 2016 all patrols have completed their first and second phases. So things are moving along nicely for them. I think they are all getting excited!



FYI

Area as of November 20, 2015

236 online registration and 20 paper registrations 256 Total members.

Total Members in Manitoba is 2500



Leader Spotlight Loretta Makela

Loretta is a Brownie unit leader in Flin Flon, and I was able to ask her a few questions.



Tell us a little about yourself, years in guiding etc.

Loretta has spent her life in Guiding from first year of Brownies all the way through to last year of Senior Branches. She is also an Assistant Director/Preschool Teacher at smiling hearts. And her hobbies

include love scrap booking, music, cooking, reading and traveling

What do you like about Girl Guide organization?

Open and accessible to all girls; no matter race, religion, families' financial status, transgender, etc.

What is one of the memorable things that has happened to you as a unit leader?

Taking the Sparks and Brownies camping in the yurts at Bakers Narrows. The girls had so much fun. The best part was sitting on the beach after geocaching and playing in the sand

What keeps you as a leader returning each year?

Memories of the great leaders I had as a girl.

The lack of volunteers in our organization and community. I want to see this organization continue in our community and would hate to see girls missing out because there wasn't enough volunteers.

Thank you Loretta for all your years in Guiding and helping make a change in the lives of every girl that you have in your unit



Unit happenings from Our Area

Flin Flon Guides had a sleepover and the girls learnt how to use smooshing skies.



Flin Flon Brownies visited the Norva Center and learnt about making plates and used a machine to make prints.



The Pas girls making Bannock



The Girl Guides of Thompson made their way around the City leaving candy canes on parked cars. Leader Nadine Vokey says 7 Girl Guides gave out around 450 candy canes.



The Pas District collected 178,000 bags to be recycled which earned them 3 benches for their Girl Guide Cabin



Pathfinders and Rangers from The Pas and Thompson attended WE Day and 6 Rangers were invited onto the stage!



The Pas Guiders at their Christmas party made 20 Blessing Bags to be handed out to homeless at Christmas



Here's to a great 2016 ladies!

