

## The Piccolo

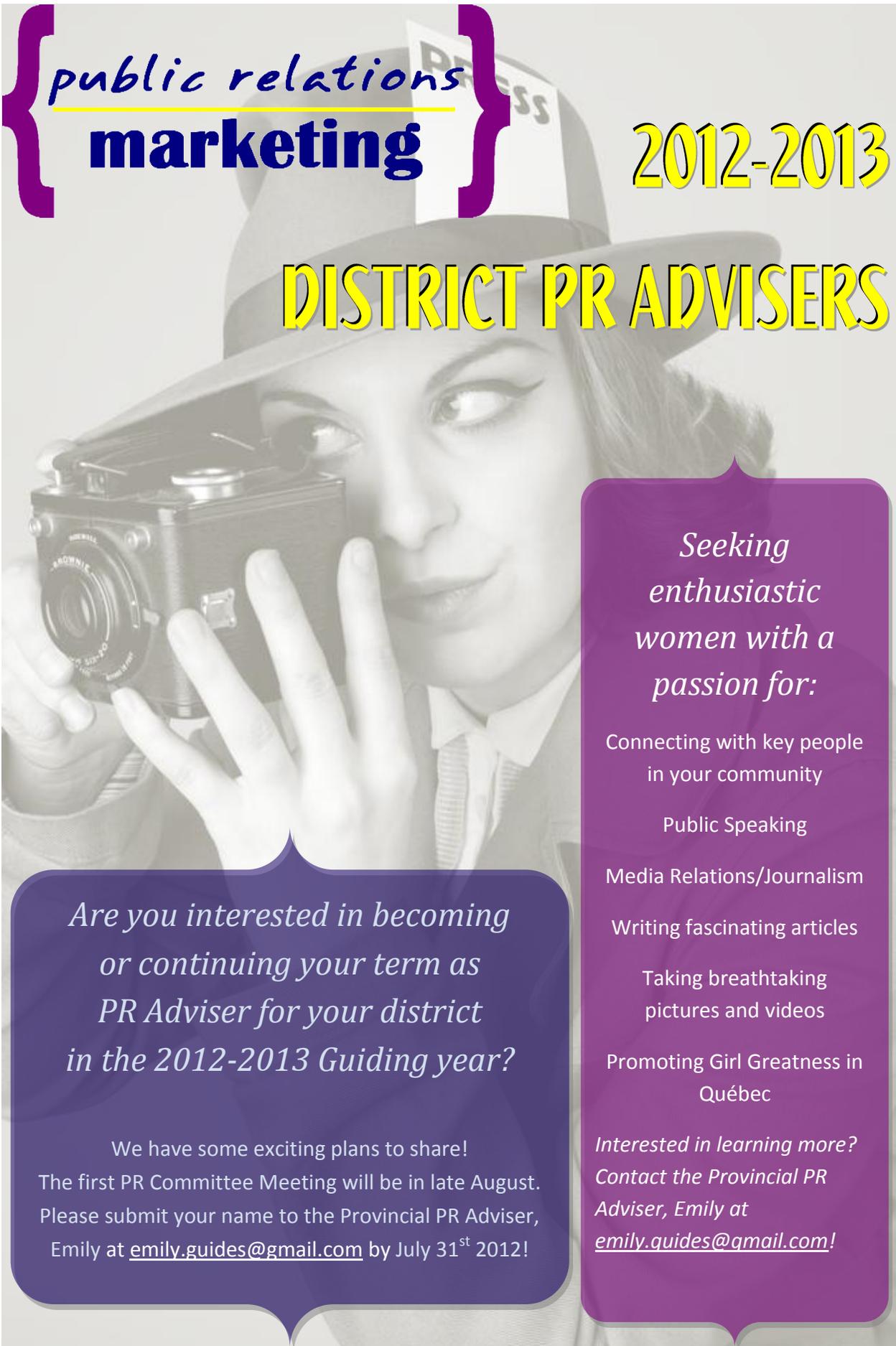
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Take a look at what's in store!

### 2012-2013 Québec Guiding Calendar (page 12)

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*public relations*  
**marketing**

**2012-2013**

## **DISTRICT PR ADVISERS**

*Are you interested in becoming  
or continuing your term as  
PR Adviser for your district  
in the 2012-2013 Guiding year?*

We have some exciting plans to share!  
The first PR Committee Meeting will be in late August.  
Please submit your name to the Provincial PR Adviser,  
Emily at [emily.guides@gmail.com](mailto:emily.guides@gmail.com) by July 31<sup>st</sup> 2012!

*Seeking  
enthusiastic  
women with a  
passion for:*

Connecting with key people  
in your community

Public Speaking

Media Relations/Journalism

Writing fascinating articles

Taking breathtaking  
pictures and videos

Promoting Girl Greatness in  
Québec

*Interested in learning more?  
Contact the Provincial PR  
Adviser, Emily at  
[emily.guides@gmail.com](mailto:emily.guides@gmail.com)!*

## Wonderful World of Wa-Thik-Ane Day Event September 29, 2012

**What:** Camp fun at our Guide Camp in Morin Heights, camp skills, games, outdoor cooking and lots of fun

**When:** Saturday, September 29, 2012 – 9:30am – 7:30 pm; transportation by bus from several locations (tba)

**Who:** Guiders of all branches and their girls. Each Guider may bring 2-5 Sparks/Brownies or 2-7 Guides/Pathfinders

The goal of this event is to encourage new campers and Guiders to visit the camp and try camping without the concerns of the overnight or required planning, and to give those who love camping already another chance to enjoy it before the winter.

- We will be offering different camp-based activities
- We will be allowing time for Guiders to learn and play with their girls
- We will be encouraging everyone to visit and explore our provincial campsite
- We hope everybody will be able to share in the sisterhood of Guiding

Look for the registration forms in the August *Piccolo*, but mark this date on your planning calendar now!



### CAMPING CONNECTIONS



*Make new friends through camping!*

*Don't forget to place a free 'ad' that will appear in this space!*

- Would your District/Unit like to go to camp but you don't have the numbers?
- Is your District/Unit having a camp that has room for a few extra girls or Guiders?
- Would your Unit like to camp but you do not feel comfortable taking the girls on your own?
- Does your District only have one Guide Unit (for example) and you would like to camp with another Unit?

If you answered 'yes' to any of these questions, then the Camping Committee would like to help *connect* Districts/Units so they can help each other to **make camping possible for all!**

This is what we need:

If you want to camp:

- Branch, number of girls, number of Guiders, preferred dates (or season), contact email address

If you have room at your camp:

- Branch, number of spaces available for girls, number of spaces available for Guiders, location, dates, contact email address

Send your postings for Camping Connections to Angie Kruller at:  
**[camping@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:camping@guidesquebec.ca)**

## \*\*\*VOLUNTEERS NEEDED\*\*\*



**Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Summer camp at Wa-Thik-Ane runs from July 15-21. The committee organizing the camp, along with the Property Committee, thought it would be nice, when the parents come to pick up their campers on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> at 1pm, if some volunteers could help out as tour guides and answer any questions the parents may have about the camp.



We are extending an invitation to the parents to bring up a picnic lunch for their family (the girls will already have eaten) when they come to pick up their girls. We would like them to stay and visit the camp and have a swim at our waterfront. The Guiders who are up at camp will be busy cleaning up after a busy week and thought it might be nice to have some fresh faces to greet parents. If you are interested, please contact the Property Committee at: [qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com](mailto:qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com)



## WATER FOR WA-THIK-ANE

The Property Committee organized two fundraisers this past month for the Wa-Thik-Ane Well Fund.

The first was held on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> as the Lakeshore Players put on a benefit show of their performance of “Picasso at the Lapin Agile” by Steve Martin. What an enjoyable evening and we raised \$772.00. The Committee is hoping to host another benefit show next season so please keep reading your *Piccolo* for more details!



The second fundraiser was held on Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at Dix Mille Villages in Pointe-Claire. A portion of the purchases made that evening went towards our well fund and we raised \$470.00.



We would like to thank everyone who came out to either event for your continued support.

*Fundraising efforts have been a priority for the Provincial Property Committee since it was announced that an artesian well needed to be built in order to comply with government regulations for drinking water.*

## THE QUÉBEC SPIN

THE NEW QUÉBEC CHALLENGE

*A TOOL TO PUT  
YOUR OWN SPIN ON  
ALMOST ANY  
CHALLENGE  
ACTIVITY*



The content of this challenge is entirely your own! Girls and Guiders together set the four spinner wheels to line up the kind of goal, event or activity you want to choose, with whom you want to do it, with your choice of how to share the results, and the kind of learning, personal growth or community contact you want to explore as you do it.

*Go ahead – mix it up!*

Then build your plan to meet your challenge.

This challenge adapts to all age groups, with support, guidance, mentorship or facilitation by Guiders, as is appropriate for the Branch. There is even a Guider option for adults to choose a Challenge for and among themselves!

You can work toward existing program goals, hold special events, adventurous outings, undertake new experiences or projects – girls and their Guiders build their own challenge, and see it through as

they plan it.

Upon completion, your sharing medium is passed along to the Challenge address. Then you will be able to purchase the Quebec Spin Challenge crest, and additional spin segments – a new segment for every Spin!

*Program with your own  
spin, built for and by  
today's girl – YOU!*

### THE SPINNER

#### WHEELS

#### RED

##### The Action Circle

What? The Challenge Goal

#### GREEN

##### The Partners' Circle

Who? Connect with Guiding sisters, near or far

#### TAN

##### The Sharing Circle

Show how we did it – and really show!

#### PINK

##### The Side Benefits

What we get out of it on the way to the Goal

*Watch for your spinner and challenge resources in the fall – and it's still not too late to give your name to have girls invited for the promo video to be filmed this summer –*

Contact

[gqccqprogram@gmail.com](mailto:gqccqprogram@gmail.com)



## BON VOYAGE

to our international travelers for this summer

**Stacie Bouchard** from Lakeshore District is going with the National group to **Costa Rica**

**Elaine Keeble** from Pincourt District is going with the National group to **Oregon**

**Katie Murphy** from Valois-Dorval District is going with the National group to **Oregon**

**Talia Leger** from Northshore District is going with the National group to **Scotland**

The **Kirkland Pathfinders** are doing an independent trip to **The Netherlands, Our Chalet** and **Munich**

The following girl members will represent Québec at the **Irish Girl Guide Camp:**

- Christine Black** - Baie d'Urfé
  - Kelsea Fitzpatrick** – Île-Perrot
  - Kayla Hepworth** - Vaudreuil-Dorion
  - Kelly Johnson** - Greenfield Park
  - Erica Lesiak** - Pointe-Claire
  - Alexandra Nudo** - Montreal
  - Daphne Sauvé** - Dorval
  - Marisa Solazzo** - Dollard-des-Ormeaux
  - Cassidy Swetland** – St-Bruno
- Accompanied by Guiders:
- Patty McCann** - Dorval
  - Valerie Zaloum** – St-Bruno

*Watch for information on an **International Day** to be held in late October for Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers.*

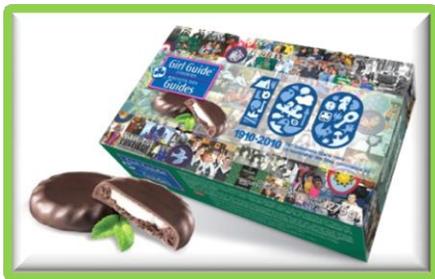
*They will be available in the fall to talk about their adventures!*

**Congratulations, you have all helped with the increase of 3%**

**in cookie sales across Canada. Good job for ordering. Keep it up!**

I am looking for some stories about how you sold cookies and what activities you did with the money raised from cookie sales - French or English stories. I would like to add them to the Canadian Guider. Please send them to: [cookies@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:cookies@guidesquebec.ca)

Kellylee Bourget  
Provincial Cookie Adviser



## Chocolately Minty Cookies

The cookies will be arriving  
between September 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>.

Stay tuned for more information!

### Cookie Reminders –

- You can still send in your number of BOXES sold to the Provincial office for the Québec cookie ribbons
- Keep track of your numbers for the next campaign and submit them for the National Cookie All Stars program
- Check out the Cookie Finder Map on the National website. This is where you can indicate where you will be selling your cookies by adding a particular selling location
- Have fun! Why not try a Tic Tac Toe cookie game. Find the images for each cookie campaign online and make a Tic Tac Toe game board. Your District Commissioner should have a template as well





There are no further First Aid courses scheduled until the fall. They will usually take place towards the end of October and in November.

If, however, you have gathered twelve Guiders who would want a course before the fall, we will be very happy to schedule the best time and place for the group.

To be put on the waiting list and be notified of the next scheduled course, or for general information about First Aid training, contact **Pulse Aide Inc.** at:

pulseaideinc@gmail.com

*\*\*\*Remember, upon completion, GGC–Québec Council will reimburse 2/3 of the cost for an adult Guider*

## Treasurer's Trove

### Mid-Year Reviews

Please don't forget to get your books done soon! Details are in the May *Piccolo*. Then you can relax for the summer. Have a great one!

If you have questions, I can be reached at [dsn@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:dsn@guidesquebec.ca)

Dawn Coffey,  
Treasurer Support Specialist

## Announcement:

## Election of

## New District Commissioners!

In recent months, the following candidates have been elected as District Commissioners:

RoseAnna Cirino – Northern Lights

Stacey Thomas – Northshore

Sophie Bacchi – Co DC – Laval

Gabrielle Gaudreau – Co DC – Laval

***Congratulations and welcome to the DC Circle!***

Recently moved?  
New phone number or  
email address?

Don't forget to send us any new  
contact information so we can  
make the updates in the  
membership database.

> [guides-quebec.imis@bellnet.ca](mailto:guides-quebec.imis@bellnet.ca)

**UPDATE**

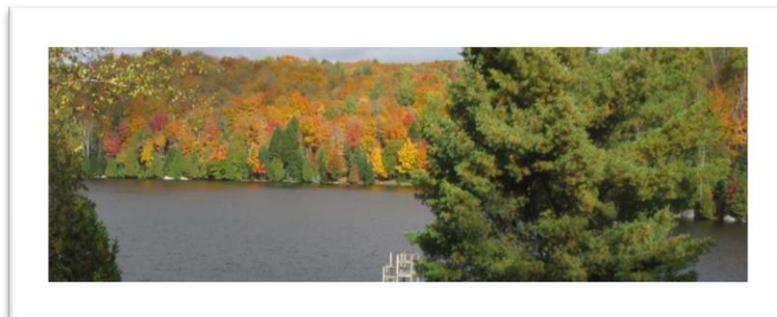


## REMINDER:

There is no *Piccolo*  
published in July.

Keep your eyes peeled  
for the August issue –  
it's sure to be jam-packed with  
good stuff to help get the new  
Guiding year off to a fantastic  
start!

## Camp Wa-Thik-Ane Family Camping in August



During the month of August,  
families are invited to experience the beauty of nature in the unspoiled surroundings on  
Lac Bouchette. Many sites are still available.

For more information, email [qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com](mailto:qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com).

To reserve a spot for you and your family, call the Provincial office at 514-933-5839.

## Congratulations to the Girl Greatness Award Nominees from Québec!

- Roxane Blais** - La Prairie
- Madison Brown** - Lachute
- Marnie Epstein-Atkinson** - Montreal
- Ava Mammarella** - Laval
- Robin Richard-Shaw** - Vaudreuil sur le Lac
- Marisa Sollazzo** - Dollard-des-Ormeaux



*It is wonderful to have so many nominees from our Québec Guiding Community!*



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**WAGGGS** @waggs\_world 11 Jun  
Need financial support for a Girl Guide or Girl Scout environmental project? Grants are available from WAGGGS [bit.ly/GG4JLp](http://bit.ly/GG4JLp)  
Expand

**Girl Guides Qc** @guidesquebec 7 Jun  
Suite à un incendie, les familles de la #Montérégie s'organisent pour envoyer une #fille au Camp des #GuidesQuébec [wp.me/1O4ut](http://wp.me/1O4ut)  
[View media](#)

**Guides Québec Blogue**

**GirlGuidesCANBlog**

**Girl Guides of Canada** @girlguidesofcan 18h  
The end of the Guiding year is a great time to consider: What I Would Tell a New Guider [wp.me/p11QTx-JZ](http://wp.me/p11QTx-JZ)  
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# Piccolo Survey Results



A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who took time to complete the *Piccolo* Readership Survey last month. Your comments are always welcome to help us help you get the information you're looking for. Here's a summary of what you had to say...

*I really appreciate receiving the newsletter every month. I do not always take the time to read it all right away, but I make sure to have read it before my next District Meeting.*

## **WE ASKED:**

What do you want to see more of? What could be added to make your life easier as a Guider?

## **YOU SAID:**

- Things other Units and Districts are up to and how they did it, with photos!
- Program ideas and tips
- Ideas for meetings, events, community projects, etc.
- Tips for camping, like new recipes
- Trefoil news
- More Guider profiles recognizing award recipients
- Links to other useful resources, websites
- Reminder of national and international initiatives
- Tools, such as checklists, to help plan meetings and activities

- 90% of respondents read the *Piccolo* every month as it's considered the 'best way to know what is happening in the Province'
- Readers consider it an important and comprehensive overview of everything from camp information to First Aid training to District events and personal stories

*I'd like more for the Trefoil, to help encourage new members and to let Unit Guiders know that we are here and would love to help them*

We want to showcase all the great things going on in your community! Please send us your stories and photos to share with the rest of the Province. We're always looking for new contributors!

We look forward to a revitalized Québec website in coming months. This, along with our blog, will make it easier to exchange ideas and tools for programming and events.

In the meantime, please send further comments or questions to [communications@guidesquebec.ca](mailto:communications@guidesquebec.ca)

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