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ENEWS CALGARY AREA



Message from our Area Commissioner

ENEWS Please forward your E-news comments, questions & submissions to marketing@calgarygirlguides.com

Next E-News – May 2, 2014
Please send your requests to E-News to marketing@calgarygirlguides.com

Please note: The cutoff for submissions is Thursday at noon, prior to each E-news.

This e-newsletter is designed to forward information to Guiders on a bi-weekly basis.

Hi everyone. I owe many of you big apologies. Near the end of March, I contracted a very nasty cold and what was very likely laryngitis (as I could hardly croak) from my grandson. I missed a week of work and did no Guiding. The next week (day and night) was spent trying to catch up on my paying job so again no

Guiding got done. Between mailbox capacity issues and other technology issues I have gotten really far behind. If there is a contract that has become desperate or an FR1 in similar straits, please do not resend it but rather send me a quick one line with a short description and date of original email. Your patience as I try to

catch up is greatly appreciated.

Leeanne Smith



LAST CALL FOR AREA DINNER TICKETS

Held May 6th at the Glenmore Inn. Tickets are \$20 each available at the Guide Centre **APRIL 30th** is the last day you can purchase your ticket.

Payment can be made by cheque or cash. No tickets will be reserved without payment being received. Menu: rolls,

spinach salad, serving of roast beef and a chicken breast, potatoes, veg medley, crème caramel custard for desert. Gluten/allergy/vegetarian option available. Please notify when purchasing your tickets.

All Districts are asked to donate a door prize, and drop it to the Guide Centre before the event.

Volunteer Colour party for the Area Dinner? We are looking for a group of volunteers who would be willing to do the Colour party for the Area dinner. Please contact Sommer at the Guide Centre if you have a group that may be interested?

Heartbleed Virus update from National

Hello Everyone,

No doubt by now you've heard a great deal about Heartbleed, the OpenSSL vulnerability that by some estimates affected two thirds of all secure website traffic. Many sites have had to take action to close vulnerabilities.

We're glad to report that the Girl Guides of Canada, National systems, have nothing to worry about. Our systems are not susceptible to the Heartbleed bug. Rest assured we are working hard every day to provide a high level of support and network security to our stake-

holders.

Sincerely,
Arthur

Arthur Doucet
| **Manager, Information Technology** |
National Office
Girl Guides of Canada-
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“To book & go camping a any of the Calgary Area Campsites, you must attend a site orientation first”

Camp Orientations

The next Jubilee Orientations will be held:

Sunday MAY 4th at 1:30pm & Sunday JUNE 8th at 1:30pm

Please meet at the Jubilee site in Cochrane at the Centennial house

parking lot. Contact the Guide Centre to register as well as for camp Jubilee brochures & more detailed information about the site.

Spring orientation for **Camp Westover will be**

held May long weekend times and schedule TBA. Mockingbird orientation will be held Sunday, June 1st at 11am.

Meeting at Mockingbird Lodge site.

Leaders Needed!

LEADERS NEEDED
1st Alberta Pathfinders meet inside the secure walls of the Calgary Young Offenders Centre. The Unit began in April 1999 and serves girls aged 12-18 who are in conflict with the Law. They could be held in custody pending trial, have been convicted and sentenced or have

breached release conditions. The aim of the Pathfinder program is to teach the girls every day skills and show them there is another path to follow than what they have chosen. We meet on Mondays from 6:30pm-8:00pm with a modified Pathfinder program. Our request is for a

group of leaders to rotate on a roster during the year. All leaders must be over 21, have a current Police Clearance, submit to a Child Welfare clearance (arranged by CYOC) attend an orientation at CYOC. You must be non-judgemental with the girls, yes they have committed crimes, however we are there to help them in reha-

bilitation. Over the 15 years the program has been in operation there are many success stories. If you are interested in discussing this opportunity further please contact guilemp@telus.net.

TRAINING

The Training Committee wants to challenge you! All sessions will be offered at Guide Centre unless otherwise indicated. Register by calling the office at 403-283-8348 or email at ggin-fo@calgarygirlguides.com. **Provide your name, IMIS number, branch that you lead, District, your phone number, your email address.** We have a new Training Challenge crest for 2014/2015. Anytime you take a training, you can receive a crest. Ask your trainer!!

SAFE GUIDE

Safe Guide compliance is part of all of our activities! That's why it is a mandatory session for all Guiders within your first 6 months. This session is devoted to understanding our responsibility as Members of GGC in ensuring safety while managing risks in activities. We'll explore the contents of the document – you don't need to know it all . . . you just need to know what to look for and where to find it! This session is geared to assisting you with that!

All About Your Branch – Sparks (for new and returning Guiders)

Are you a new Guider leading Sparks? Or, are you a Guider moving to Sparks from another branch? In this session, we will introduce you to the Spark program and to the characteristics of girls ages 5 and 6.

All About Your Branch – Brownies (for new and returning Guiders)

Are you a new Guider leading Brownies? Or, are you a Guider moving to Brownies from another branch? In this session, we will introduce you to the Brownie program and to the characteristics of girls ages 7 and 8.

All About Your Branch – Guides (for new and returning Guiders)

Are you a new Guider leading Guides? Or, are you a Guider moving to Guides from another branch? In this session, we will introduce you to the Guide program and to the characteristics of girls ages 9, 10 and 11.

All About Your Branch – Pathfinders (for new and returning Guiders)

Are you a new Guider leading Pathfinders? Or, are you a Guider moving to Pathfinders from another branch? In this session, we will introduce you to the Pathfinder program and to the characteristics of girls ages 12, 13 and 14.

Building Unit Guider Skills (for new Guiders)

This session will give you the information you need to successfully run your unit – girl centered programming, working with other Guiders, keeping the unit a safe place, diversity and inclusiveness. A must for new Guiders!

Financial Management

Learn to keep your books so that it is easy to keep them balanced and up to date. We will show the paper and the electronic methods of doing the books. You will leave with the knowledge to meet the deadlines to have your books reviewed with no stress.

TRAINING

GUIDER TRAINING DAY

Saturday, June 7 – 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

9:00 – 11:30 am
Safe Guide (new Guiders)
Financial Management (Treasurers)
Lunch Break – 11:30 am – 12:00 noon
12:00 noon – 2:00 pm
All About Your Branch – Sparks
All About Your Branch – Brownies
All About Your Branch – Guides
All About Your Branch – Pathfinders
Break – 2:00 – 2:30 pm
2:30 – 4:30 pm
Building Unit Guider Skills (new Guiders)

Contact Guide Centre at ggcinfo@calgarygirlguides.com to register for these sessions.

Calgary Area Pathfinder & Ranger Geocache Day

The event will be at South Glenmore Park – 90th Avenue SW to 24 Street, and into the first parking lot. There is a picnic area and playground please meet there. The girls would be going out in two groups – the first group to meet us there for 9:30 a.m., for a half an hour of explanation and getting any GPS units that girls bring with them set up. They would then have 2 hours to geocache, with adults/helpers spread out around the park to assist as required.

Lunch would be from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., with a second group of girls also coming for lunch at 12:00 noon, and then starting Geocaching at 1:00 p.m. with the same process as the morning and ending at 3:30 p.m. Please fill out the registration form below and email to calgarygeocacheday@gmail.com with questions. Registration, should be paid by unit cheque to the Guide Centre no later than Friday, May 2nd, 2014.

Calgary Area Pathfinder and Ranger Geocache Day Saturday, May 10, 2014

Location: South Glenmore Park – 90 Avenue and 24 Street SW

Registration Form

Unit: _____

Contact Guider: _____

Email address: _____ Cell phone: _____

Number of girls attending: _____

Attending: _____ 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. _____ 12:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Lunch: _____ All beef wieners _____ Veggie dog

Cost: \$5 / girl

Number of girls / adults with personal GPS units or apps on cell phone: _____

Relay for Life

On June 21, 2014 the 76th Annual Relay for Life will be taking place at Calgary Rotary Challenger Park (3688 48 Ave NE Calgary, AB). *Relay For Life* is an inspirational, non-competitive, 12-hour overnight fundraising event that brings you and your community

together to celebrate life and fight cancer. As a volunteer for this event you will be asked to help in a variety of areas such as site set-up, site take-down, security, luminary set-up or take-down, team services, food services and/or entertainment. Please email [volunteer.relayfor](mailto:volunteer.relayforlife.calgary@gmail.com)

ife.calgary@gmail.com to volunteer yourself or your unit. This is a great opportunity for Pathfinders, Rangers and Lones/Trex to get those volunteer hours they require! You can also email with any questions or concerns. We hope to see you there!



Camp Mockingbird Annual Clean Up

It's a Work Party!

A new year = a new tactic! This year the Y Knot Trefoil Guild is planning our annual Mockingbird Cleanup Work Party for 2 weekdays so that we leave the weekends for the girls and as requested by previous volunteers:

Monday May 12 & Wednesday May 21

We can use your help in cleaning the camp. We are looking for adults (members or non-members), Ranger or Link members to join us

in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains for a day or two. PLUS we will feed our workers! Sorry - No pets are allowed on our site.

If you can help us with 'spring cleaning' the camp for our girls in any of the following areas we can certainly use your extra hands: Washing dishes, cupboards, windows, bunks, floors, picking up trash, perhaps some minor repairs.

Please contact Anne McSavaney at 403-293-

1991 or email lmcsavaney@hotmail.com to sign up or for further information.

"Do you have photos of your units camping or at Guiding events? Enews is looking for local Guiding photos to feature"



AREA OPPORTUNITIES



In each position you will receive direct support and mentoring from your provincial adviser counterpart and be a part of the national network of adviser.

AREA TRAINING ADVISER Working in close partnership with all district councils, you will lead the team of trainers in designing and delivering exciting training opportunities to support all Calgary Area Adult Members and Rangers.

AREA MEMBERSHIP ADVISER Working in concert with the public relations committee, you will have a lead role in ensuring Guiding is alive, well and growing in Calgary Area.

AREA INTERNATIONAL ADVISER As you and your team promote awareness of the international aspect of great Guiding you will be opening the eyes of all Members towards global issues, international travel opportunities, and the wider world of Guiding.

AREA TREASURER Your interest and experience in the field of accounting, budget preparation and management will be an asset to this role as you ensure that the financial affairs of Calgary Area Council are conducted according to the financial policies of GGC. You will chair the Finance Committee. As you fulfill your role in overseeing and making recommendations to ensure the best financial decisions are made by Area Council, you will be helping to guarantee that our Members continue to enjoy great guiding today and for many years to come.

4 Great Opportunities for you

This is your chance to become a positive, contributing member of Calgary Area Council. Help shape our Area for tomorrow and support our Guiders and girls today. We are accepting applications for all 4 positions until **April 30, 2014**. For more information on these exciting volunteer positions and to access application forms, contact:

Contact Nominations Search Committee
Donna Leonard (403) 280-9467
dlleonard@shaw.ca

Calgary Area is looking for a new Treasurer

Are you an enthusiastic accounting professional looking for a new challenge?

Calgary Area Council is looking for a treasurer. Currently we have a temporary treasurer. Her term has expired and she is looking to train a new person for this role. This is an excellent opportunity to learn the role of Calgary Area Council treasurer in a supportive environment, with the intention of taking on the role as Calgary Area treasurer in May 2014.

The treasurer:

- administers the financial affairs of Calgary Area Council according to the standards developed and approved by council.
- is a member of Calgary Area Council, and the executive committee.
- is expected to attend monthly Area Council Meeting and monthly Executive Meetings (two meetings monthly).
- monitors the annual budget and all financial transactions.
- recommends the investment of funds.
- advises the bookkeeper on financial matters.
- reports to Calgary Area Council and is responsible directly to the Area Commissioner.
- is elected annually at the Calgary Area Council Annual General Meeting and may hold office for up to five consecutive years.
- Prepares and presents the annual budget to Calgary Area Council.
- Prepares annual review or audit working papers and files the annual T3010 Charity tax return.
- Presents the financial statements to Calgary Area Council at the Annual General Meeting.
- Prepares the Casino Financial Report as requested by the Alberta Gaming Commission.

Deadline for applications: April 30th, 2014

Qualifications: Professional accounting designation (CA, CMA, CGA) or equivalent professional accounting experience.