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Next E-News – December 6, 2013
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.



ENEWS Calgary Area

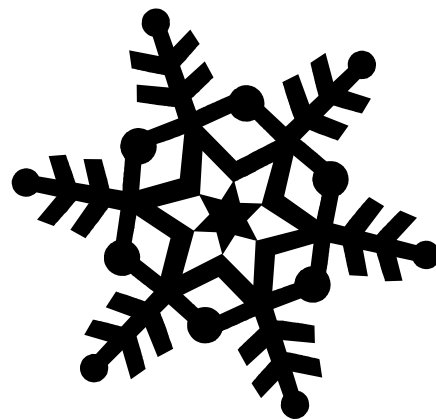
NOVEMBER 26, 2013



Message from our Area Commissioner

Sitting at home watching the Grey Cup and seeing the passion and craziness of the Rider fans reminded me of some of the wild camps I have attended. Ahh the memories . . . What would Girl Guides be without our camps? Currently we have camp advisors in most of our district and we have some Trefoil Guilds who are terrific at being camp guardians but who is tasked with ensuring our camps are thriving and prosperous? It seems to have fallen through the cracks. I am looking for individuals who are interested in forming a committee for our camps. The committee would be responsible for coming up with a long range plan for site development and making recommendations to Area Council on what they would like to see done. They would also be responsible for coming up with ideas to get more of us out camping (more revenues = more money to be spent on our camps) and finding sources of revenue for their plans. So a love for camping and creativity will definitely be an asset. Please drop me a line at commissioner@calgarygirlguides.com if interested.

Leeanne Smith



Membership Adviser

Are you interested in seeing our membership grow? We are looking for someone who is interested in recruitment, This role involves attending area council meeting 10 times a year, chairing meetings as needed, attending the provincial meetings, and finding volunteers for staff recruitment . Apply by emailing commissioner@calgarygirlguides.com

Camp The following residential sites are available at Jubilee this Fall/Winter 2013. Dates AVAILABLE NOW FOR WINTER CAMP: **Dec 6-8** Centennial North, **Dec 13-15** Centennial & Pallesen . Please contact Sommer to book. Email: Marketing@calgarygirlguides.com

In early 2014 the following residential sites are available at Jubilee: **Jan 3-5** Centennial & Pallesen, **Jan 24-26** Centennial North, **Feb 14-16** Namiyi & Pallesen, **Mar 21-23** Namiyi.

Jubilee Orientation **Sunday January 26 at 1:30pm**

Meeting at the Centennial Parking Lot. Contact us at the Guide Centre to register & for Maps/Brochures & more information. Next scheduled orientation will be held January 26th, 2014.



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Calling for Volunteers at Brownie Camp Academy

We are looking for Adult, Pathfinder or Ranger members to assist with the upcoming Brownie Camp Academy to be held on January 11, 2014 at Camp Jubilee in Cochrane. We are looking for energetic helpers to assist with the stations. Calgary Area will provide the supplies needed for these stations...we just need your cheery faces to help us show the Brownies how much fun camping can be! If interested and or have any questions please email Jenn at: jda-vidson1@shaw.ca



Girl Guides and the Calgary Zoo

The Calgary Zoo will be fully reopening at the end of November after the devastating floods of June, 2013. How can we help the zoo? By attending one of the Girl Guide/Zoolights nights! **Due to the success of last year's event, we will have three nights for Girl Guides and their families to attend Zoolights.** Tickets will be date specific for December 3rd, 4th or 5th, 2013. Tickets are \$10.00 per person, adult or child.

Price includes admission (including GST) and a cup of hot chocolate and a cookie. Parking is free. Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Girl Guide office during regular business hours. If purchased at least one week in advance, tickets will be available for pick up at the GGC office during regular business hours. There will also be a Will Call desk at the zoo entrance on the evening of the event for pre-purchased tickets only.

Please note that tickets are date specific. Tickets will only be valid for the night stated on the **ticket. So can we beat last year's number of tickets sold? Let's do our best.**

Tickets are pre-paid at the Guide Centre using the form that has been distributed. The purchaser will be emailed with a notice to let them know when the tickets can be picked up at the Guide Centre or they can choose to pick them up at the Zoo gate on the night they have chosen to attend. The Will Call desk will only be open at the Zoo on the night the tickets are purchased for. For example, if tickets are purchased for December 3, the tickets can be picked up at the Zoo gate on December 3. Zoolights starts at 6:00 pm and the Will Call desk will open just before 6:00 pm and will remain open until all the tickets have been picked up for that evening.

The deadline for ordering tickets is November 29th at 4:00 pm. There will be no extensions. If a purchaser has been notified that their tickets are available at the Guide Centre and the tickets are not picked up at the Guide Centre by the end of business on November 29th, they will be required to pick up tickets at the zoo gate on the night they have purchased for.

Hot Chocolate and cookies will be available all evening with their ticket stub in the back rooms of the Kitamaba Café. Any further questions can be sent to Pat Istead, isteads@telus.net

TRAINING

The Training Committee wants to challenge you! Sessions will be offered at Guide Centre unless otherwise indicated. Call the office at 403-283-8348 or email at ggin-fo@calgarygirlguides.com to register. Provide your name, iMIS number, branch that you lead, District, your phone number, your email address. Register early so session that you want is not cancelled due to low enrollment! Watch for more training sessions scheduled later in the fall.

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!

Crafts to Enhance your Program – Pathfinders, Rangers

For this workshop will be working with the theme of Turning Trash into Treasure in line with Operation Earth Action. Come and give new life to an old book and make an Art Journal, learn **the technique of Zentangle, make a “cofre tortuga” trinket box, and learn “mokume gane”** to make gorgeous Christmas ornaments or jewellery.

Girl Protection and You

Page 20 of Safe Guide 2013 states that all adults must review with all adult supervisors the Girl Protection Procedures, noting that when there are reasonable grounds to suspect abuse, it must be reported. Join us for an informative session on how to recognize incidents that need to be reported as well as how to protect yourself from allegations of abuse.

Safe Guide

Saturday, November 23 – 9:00 – 11:30 am (maximum 8 participants)

Saturday, December 7 – 9:30 – noon (maximum 8 participants)

Others

Tuesday, November 19 – Girl Protection

7:00 – 9:00 pm ***Cancelled due to inclement weather – will be rescheduled in New Year

Saturday, November 23 – Crafts to Enhance your Program – Pathfinders, Rangers

9:00 am – 3:00 pm (minimum 5 participants)

Is there something your District needs? Or, do you have ideas for sessions to be offered centrally at Guide Centre? Please contact the training committee at training@calgarygirlguides.com

Provincial Events

The provincial training weekend known as Multi-Faceted is normally in mid-March. 2014 will be slightly different. There will be a full Guider Conference held the weekend of May 23-25 at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. This weekend will be full of exciting training sessions and will also encompass the Provincial AGM and transition to the new Provincial Commissioner.

Are you an experienced Guider looking for further enrichment? You might consider registering for the Wild Rose session at the Guider Conference.

Are you interested in becoming a Trainer? You can register for the first step at the Guider Conference – the six Trainer Foundation Modules.

Watch for details in the New Year.

Getting Outside with your Girls

TO ALL UNIT GUIDERS

Calgary Area Camping Advisers and Trainers have joined forces and are ready to come to your District to facilitate this great hands-on session for all Unit Guiders and Rangers.

The 1½ to 2½ hour session will provide you with lots of tips and tricks for taking your **girls outside: we'll cover things like day camps, outdoor activities to play at your meetings, safety, planning nature walks and outings, dressing for the weather and hikes.** The emphasis will be on resources you can have at your finger tips to make your role easier.

If you are interested, please contact your District Commissioner and let her know. She has all the details of how to set up your session.

This is one of four OAL (Outdoor Activity Leadership)

sessions you need to complete your OAL training and earn your pin. We'll be providing you with the opportunity to take the rest of the sessions in the late spring and early fall of 2014.

If your District is not able to host this session, watch for a session at the Guide Centre or contact training@calgarygirlguides.com and inquire about a session in another District that you could join.

