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ENEWS CALGARY AREA



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

Message from our Area Commissioner

So I was sitting at that "Bomber" of a game vs the Stamps, enjoying the game but feeling pretty soggy when it hit me that I have to start planning Christmas parties pretty soon. Gee whiz, wasn't it yesterday that we were getting set up with our units? Given that, I know it won't be long before I have to start writing our Area's Annual Report. Did you know we even have one? If you have ever read an annual report you'll know they can be pretty dry so I am looking for your help in making it come alive. I need pictures, tidbits of fun things your unit has done or where girls have shown leadership from Jan 2014 to Dec 2014. The more the merrier. For some of you who do not work with units, I'd love to hear what you have been up to. Write me at commissioner@calgarygirlguides.ca. I look forward to hearing from you.

Leeanne Smith

Remembrance Day, November 11 Girl Guide Members from across Canada will be taking time during Remembrance Day to reflect on the achievements of our veterans and recognize the sacrifices made by so many, both at home and overseas. Across the country, girls from 5 to 17+ in Sparks to Rangers will be recognizing what Canadian veterans and soldiers have experienced. From participating in the National Ceremony of Remembrance in Ottawa on November 11, to laying wreaths at local Remembrance Day observances, offering thank you cards to veterans and inviting soldiers from local Canadian Forces bases to speak at their Unit meetings, Girl Guides will be showing their thanks for all that our Canadian soldiers and veterans have done for our country.



Calgary Area has residential campsite availability!

Thinking about taking your unit to camp?

"To book & go camping at any of the Calgary Area Campsites, you must attend a site orientation first"

The next Jubilee Orientation will be held: **Sunday, November 30th at 1:30pm**

Please meet at the Jubilee site in Cochrane at the Centennial house parking lot. Contact the Guide Centre to register.

Camp Jubilee has the following residential sites available these weekends.

December 5-7th weekend, Centennial South is currently available.

December 12-14th weekend, Centennial North, South & Pallesen currently available.

January 9th-11th weekend, Centennial North

January 30-Feb 1st weekend, Centennial North & Pallesen

February 13-15th weekend, Centennial North & South

February 20-22nd weekend, Centennial North, South & Namiyi

Feb 27th-March 1st weekend, Centennial North & Namiyi

Please contact Sommer at E: marketing@calgarygirlguides.com or P: 403-283-8348 ext 226.

STEM Help Wanted

Program Committee is looking for enthusiastic, science-minded women to help lead stations at our STEM Days for Sparks on January 31 and Brownies on March 7. You can help for the morning and/or afternoon on either day. We have station topics already prepared or we can work with you to plan a station to match your personal area of expertise.

Please email program@CalgaryGirlGuides.com to express your interest in helping. If you know someone outside Guiding that would be a good fit, please pass on their information to us as well.

STEM Day Announcement

Program Committee will be running STEM Days for Sparks and Brownies early in the new year. Please watch eNews for the registration form in early December. You will have the choice of registering for the morning or afternoon session.

Sparks STEM Day held Saturday, January 31

Brownie STEM Day held Saturday, March 7



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 ggcinfo@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

No sessions are currently scheduled. Contact the training committee at training@calgarygirlguides.com to let us know you need something scheduled.

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!

Financial Management (new and experienced Treasurers
Tuesday, November 18 – 7:00 – 9:30 pm

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.

Trainers will come to your District to give sessions to you closer to home. Contact the training committee at training@calgarygirlguides.com to book a training day for your District! Be sure to give about a month's notice so the best trainers can be found for your sessions.

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

ZOOLIGHTS

The Calgary Area Girl Guides Zoolight Celebration

When: December 1st, 2nd OR 3rd, 2014
from 6-9pm

Where: The Calgary Zoo

Private function, Kitambe Café back rooms have been booked FOR YOU to come in and warm up. We will have indoor crafts,

games and stories available for all Girl Guide ticket holders. There will be a space for you to sit and have a hot cup of hot chocolate and cookie, this is included in the ticket cost.

Why: For the fun of it!

Who: All Calgary Area Girl Guide members, family and friends.

How: Purchase your ticket(s) at the Girl Guide Centre during the month of November, and only during office hours. There is a limited quantity of tickets, 500 available each night. In context, we have over 5000 registered Calgary Area Girl Guide members. So, please don't wait to secure your tickets for the night of choice. Don't worry about the cold, you can come in and warm up on and off during the night in our private indoor venue.

Cost: \$15 per ticket for children 3-18 and \$17 for Adults

Still have questions, contact Shannen Hoffman at rainbowhoffman@netscape.net



Emergency First Aid

FULL AND RECERTIFICATION class. Held Sunday, November 16th from 9:00-4:00pm. Cost: \$85.00pp
Held at the Crossroads Hall 1803-14 ave. NE

Safe Guide accepted . Email elainelingnau@yahoo.ca or call 403-828-1575

Ranger Camp

CALLING ALL RANGERS! JOIN US FOR CALGARY AREA RANGER CAMP!

Held on November 28 -30, 2014 at Camp Jubilee. Please register on your own or with your unit

Please contact calgaryrangercamp@gmail.com for more information and registration forms.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Y-Knot Trefoil Guild Thanks You

The Y-Knot Trefoil Guild would like to thank all of those volunteers who have helped us over the last 5 years to give our Camp Mockingbird some TLC by cleaning the buildings, painting cupboards and lat interiors, staining picnic tables and performing various maintenance tasks along the way.

We truly appreciate your assistance in our annual work parties and hope that another group will take on this challenge as we bring our term as 'site reps' to a close. Our ladies have poured their heart & soul into this camp that we love and it is with mixed feelings that we pass this task on to someone else who hopefully will carry-on our vision of keeping the camp a place where our girls will learn to love to camp, enjoy the outdoors and make lasting memories, as we have.



International/National Selections for 2014

The 2014 information on Selected National/International Trip opportunities is out on the National and Provincial website along with the application form and process information,

If you are interested in one or more of these trips, please get in touch with your Calgary Area International Committee as soon as possible.

The International Committee will be holding a session on how to fill in the application forms on **Sunday October 26th from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m...** Please let us know via email if you will be attending this session. **We can assist you filling these forms in correctly. The deadline is November 9th to have all your forms, application and reference letters to the International Committee via email (or drop off in the International mail box at Calgary Area GG). Late applications will not be considered.**

Please let us know if you are attending (adults and girls or units) at: ekhanna@telus.net and cc to leenareynolds@gmail.com