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Next E-News – Sept 27, 2013  
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This e-newsletter is designed to forward information to Guiders on a bi-weekly basis.

# ENEWS Calgary Area

SEPTEMBER 13TH 2013



## A Note from Calgary's New Area Commissioner

By now I hope everyone has started planning for their units and that perhaps some of you have already started meeting. Planning is key to making dreams come true. It might be a Teddy Bear Picnic for the Sparks, a sleepover at the Science Centre for the Brownies, a fall camp for the Guides or a Nite Trek for the Pathfinders and Rangers . . . whatever it is, dreams cost money unfortunately. Why not take some of the burden off our parents by using our minty cookie money to make some of those dreams

**come true? Didn't order enough cookies?**

Ask around your district first and if you still need more, try Area. Happy dreaming!



Yours in Guiding,

Leeanne

## Heritage Park 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party

Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

You can still join us for everything but the lunch. It is past the deadline to get our special tickets that include the lunch but you can come to the campfire, the opening of the time capsule and joining us in the tent to see the archives and take part in some activities. You can use your pass or buy a regular ticket at the gate.

The schedule of activities are:

10:00 am Tent open to Public (in Chautauqa tent)

12:00 pm Lunch-for those with tickets (in Celebration tent)

1:30 pm Greetings and campfire (in Celebration tent)

2:00 pm Opening of Time Capsule (in Celebration tent)

3:00 pm Tents close

## Camp Orientations

Are you thinking about tent camping this Year with your Guiding group/and or Friends & Family? We have several site orientations scheduled. Call the Guide Centre to register. To camp at any of Calgary Areas sites you must complete an orientation first. Guiding fees are applicable in the summer months.

### Jubilee Orientation

Sunday **September 29th at 1:30pm** Meeting at the Centennial Parking Lot. Contact us at the Guide Centre to register & for Maps/Brochures & more information.

### Mockingbird Orientation

Saturday **October TBA** Meeting in front of the Lodge. Contact us at the Guide Centre to register & for Maps/Brochures & more information.



Please Note: If you are considering booking a Spring camp you must attend a Fall orientation.

## Camp Availability for 2013

Are you considering camping this fall/Winter? The following residential sites are available at Jubilee : Oct 4-6 weekend Pallesen House, Oct 11-13 weekend all residential available, Oct 18-20 Pallesen House, Oct 25-27 Namiyi, Nov 1-3 Centennial North & South, Nov 8-10 weekend all residential available, Nov 15-17 Pallesen, Namiyi, Nov 22-24 Centennial North, Pallesen, Nov 29-Dec1 Centennial North, Pallesen, Namiyi.

Tenting sites as well as Mockingbird & IASG have availability throughout. Please contact Sommer at the Guide Centre to book. Email: [Marketing@calgarygirlguides.com](mailto:Marketing@calgarygirlguides.com)

## 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](mailto:commissioner@calgarygirlguides.com)

## Marketing Adviser

Are you the right person to take the lead with publicizing events and the media? Interested in making the public aware of our organization, and finding ways to advertise what we do and who we are? This role involves attending area council meeting 10 times a year, chairing meetings as needed, attending the provincial PR meetings attending public awareness events. Apply by emailing [commissioner@calgarygirlguides.com](mailto:commissioner@calgarygirlguides.com)

## Girls in Uniform for Kids Help Phone Event

The Guide Center is looking for a few girl representatives in Uniform to attend the Share Bear event. Please contact Sommer at the Guide Center for more details. 403-282-8348 ext 226

*Released on behalf of Kids Help Phone*

The Calgary Police Service, Kids Help Phone and Girl Guides of Canada are teaming up to provide countless hugs to victims of crime during the Annual Share Your Bear Event.

On Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2013, at 9 a.m., young Girl Guides will present 3,000 bears to the Calgary Police Service Victim Assistance Unit.



These huggable stuffed animals are collected each year from caring Calgarians and corporations like MaxWell Realty, Calgary Real Estate Board and Shell Canada. They are taken to Girl Guides Headquarters where they are affixed with logos and contact information for the Kids Help Phone and the CPS Victim Assistance Unit.

Victim Assistance Volunteer Advocates then give the bears out to children and youth in the community who experience trauma as the result of crime.

The Calgary Police Service is grateful for this program, which enhances the ability of our officers to reach out and assist victims of crime.

Representatives from all partner organizations will be in attendance, as well as several Girl Guides volunteers.

## Program Committee

Events offered by Area Program Committee.

Between September 2013 and May 2014, Area Program Committee will be offering several events. Watch eNews closer to dates of events for more information. Mark your calendars now.

1. Youth Awards: to Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 at 2:00 pm Inglewood Community Hall 1740-24<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE. We will be honoring Lady BP Pin (Guides) recipients; Canada Cord, Commonwealth & Chief Commissioner recipients.

Refreshments served following ceremony. Please kindly RVSP by October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 via email to: [program@calgarygirlguides.com](mailto:program@calgarygirlguides.com), the number of attendees to ensure seating and refreshments. E-invite will be coming out shortly to Guide Guiders, Pathfinder Guiders and Ranger Guiders with more details.



2. Growing Up Money Smarts for Guides: Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> (2 hrs) evening and Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> (4 hrs) day at the Guide Centre. More information regarding cost and exact times will be in the next eNews. This a program put on by Frogskinu and First Calgary. This ties into Business Communication Badge as well as Cookies Rising part of Program.

3. Sparks & Brownies Arts Day: March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Centennial House, Camp Jubilee. Morning sessions for Sparks and afternoon sessions for Brownies: Arts: Music, Crafts and Dance. Watch for more information in January 2014.

4. Pathfinder & Ranger Geocaching Event: May 10, 2014 downtown Calgary park location to be announced.

## Scout & Girl Guides Night Out at McMahon Stadium

### Saturday Oct 5th at 4:30

\$20 all taxes and fees included (reg. price \$35)

Girl Guides of Canada invite you and your family to cheer on the Calgary Stampeders as they take on the Winnipeg Blue Bombers.



Tickets must be pre-purchased at the Guide Centre prior to Friday September 27th. Tickets will be available for pick-up at the game, one hour prior to kick-off. For more info contact Pat Istead at [isteads@telus.net](mailto:isteads@telus.net)



# TRAINING

The Training Committee wants to challenge you! Sessions will be offered at Guide Centre unless otherwise indicated. Anyone taking a session will get a nifty crest – so sign up today! Call the office at 403-283-8348 or email at [ggcinfo@calgarygirlguides.com](mailto:ggcinfo@calgarygirlguides.com) to register. Provide your name, iMIS number, branch that you lead, District, your phone number, your email address. 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 assist you with that!

### Safe Guide Refresher

Has it been a while since you took your Safe Guide Training? Are you aware of all the changes that have occurred since its inception? Get up to date on the latest changes to Safe Guide and bring along those questions you would like answered!

### 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.



**Some Sessions have a minimum number required so register now.**

### 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!

### Roles of a Guider/Unit Dynamics

Are you overwhelmed by all the tasks of a Guider? Do you know how to use your Guiders and parents to help complete those tasks? This session you will get a breakdown of all the "positions" that can be broken down as a Guider that will not only help you but the way your unit operates.

### Outdoor Cooking

Come out and learn how to make a variety of simple outdoor cooking tools, and prepare food that you can have the girls preparing and cooking themselves.

### Sleepover Planning

Never planned a sleepover for the girls before, or maybe you did and there was room for improvement. We will spend our time making a checklist on the do's to making sleepover planning a breeze (and the actual night too). These skills will also translate when you are ready to go camping!

### Crafts to Enhance your Program - Sparks, Brownies, Guides

Join us and discover how to use crafts to complete program in a fun way. You will leave with ideas and samples that will help you to add fun to your meetings.

### 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.**

### 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.

### Safe Guide

Wednesday, September 25 – 7:00 – 9:30 pm

Thursday, October 24 – 7:00 – 9:30 pm

Monday, October 28 – 7:00 – 9:30 pm

Saturday, November 16 – 9:00 – 11:30 am

OTHERS:

Tuesday, September 17 – Safe Guide Refresher – learn about all the new amendments to Safe Guide 7:00 – 9:30 pm

Thursday, September 19 – Roles of the Guider/Unit Dynamics 7:00 – 9:30 pm

Saturday, October 5 –Outdoor Cooking Noon – 4:00 pm

Thursday, October 10 – Sleepover Planning 7:00 – 9:30 pm

Saturday, October 26 – Crafts to Enhance your Program – Sparks, Brownies, Guides Noon – 4:00 pm

Saturday, November 23 – Crafts to Enhance your Program – Pathfinders, Rangers 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

We have scheduled a full day training session on **Saturday, October 19** for new Guiders, Guiders who are changing branches for the 2013-2014 Guiding **year as well as a session for unit and District treasurers. Don't forget your lunch** if you are registering for both morning and afternoon sessions! A fridge, stove and microwave are available.

Saturday, October 19

9:00 – 11:30 am

Safe Guide (for new Guiders)

Financial Management (for Treasurers or anyone interested in keeping the books)

Lunch from 11:30 – 12:00 (bring your own)

12:00 – 2:00 pm

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

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

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

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

Break

2:30 – 4:30 pm

Building Unit Guider Skills (for new Guiders)

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](mailto:training@calgarygirlguides.com)



## Babysitters Class

Girl Guides: Love playing with kids?

Earn your [childcare badge](#) by taking a [Red Cross Babysitters class](#).

Learn Basic first aid/care-giving skills for:

Babies, Toddlers, Preschoolers & Elementary School Kids

Call: 403-670-5406 or Visit: [www.safetyped.ca](http://www.safetyped.ca)

\$65.00 per person. Or buy 5 get the 6th one free.

**Our first class starts September 15, and we'll be running them two Sundays a month going forward. We also do private bookings on and off site.**

**For private bookings it's a minimum of 5 students.**



## Fall Cookies



Well it is that time of year again!

Our delicious chocolatey mint cookies will be arriving in September and just a reminder that they sell for \$5.00 a box and have a 8 month self life - check the front panel of the box for the production code to get the best before sell date. If you are unsure how to read the date please email me at [czuidema@shaw.ca](mailto:czuidema@shaw.ca)

Any cookies that are stale dated should not be sold.

## Updating our Blue Boards

Marketing is looking for new pictures of all Unit & Guiding events for our Blue Boards. If you have any pictures you would like to submit for our promotional materials please email them to [marketing@calgarygirlguides.com](mailto:marketing@calgarygirlguides.com)

## Guider SWAP MEET for Guiders September 28th 10am-5pm

Drop into the Guide Center Sept 28, anytime between 10am and 5pm for a Guider resource swap meet. Craft materials, games and resources of all kinds are available for you to swap and enjoy. Bring your old Guiding material your no longer need so we can find it a **new home with someone who thinks it's wonderful.**



# Calling all Pathfinders

## NITE TREK 2013

**Mission: Impossible**

**October 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Camp Mockingbird**

**Registration beginning September 1<sup>st</sup>**

Deadline for all registration and paperwork is September 27<sup>th</sup>.

No late registrations will be taken.

Email us at: [calgarynitetrek@gmail.com](mailto:calgarynitetrek@gmail.com)  
for registration forms and more information including Station information for Rangers and adults, as well as trail information for other volunteers.

Upcoming for Guides:  
Watch for your very own Nite event in  
the spring!

