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Welcome

Welcome to the September 20th edition of ANY_GuideNews. We hope you enjoy this publication with its brief, up to the minute information.

Mint Cookies are here!

Cookie time has arrived.

Mint Cookies are here at \$4.00 per box! Please review Safe Cookie Selling techniques with your girls and remember to keep track of the sales using AB.Council.14 or AB.Council.15 forms found [here on the Provincial Website](#). Unit Guiders please keep track of your girls' sales for Cookie All-Stars! Also, interested units please sign up for Sears Cookie Day, which will be held in Canada on October 22, 2011. The booking site is [now open here](#). Please check out all cookie resources available at www.girlguides.ca! Happy Selling!

New Blue Print Editor!

Welcome to Bettina McCulloch-Drake as the new Editor for the Blue Print. She is a Guider in Cold Lake, Alberta, with a background in Communications and PR. She is the past Managing Editor and Editor-in-chief for publications for the Department of National Defence. We look forward to what she will bring to the Blue Print.

Pallesen House Sharing Request

Looking to share Pallesen booking - Brownie units in the Westglen District (Calgary Area) have booked Pallesen House from November 18-20th and would like to offer the Saturday night to another group. Please email leannea76@gmail.com

Make New Friends and Keep the Old

The 2011 Commissioners' Workshop is November 4-6th at Harvard Park in Penhold, AB. It is an event for District and Area Commissioners and the cost will be \$140.00. Information will be sent directly to commissioners on how to register. Any questions regarding this training can be directed to cnunemaker@shaw.ca.

6th Annual Pathfinder & Ranger NAIT Event

This is a free event but registration is required - sponsored by the School of Information Communication and Engineering Technologies.

When: November 2, 2011 from 6:15pm sharp to 9:00 pm **Where:** NAIT, Main Campus, Shaw Theatre, 11762-106 Street, Edmonton

This event celebrates National Technology Week and hopes to raise awareness of the incredible career opportunities for females in the technology sector.

It is open to 12-17 year old Pathfinders and Rangers from Edmonton and the surrounding communities.

What to expect: The girls will participate in 3 technology related activities led by NAIT instructors, followed by refreshments. Some activities in past years included Wiring your Telephone; Fun with Computers; Fun with Physics; and Electronics and Chromatography.

Registration begins on Monday, October 3, 2011 and will continue only until 100 spots are filled.

For more information or to register contact: Linda Tutt, Administrative Support, Office of the Dean, School of Information Communication and Engineering Technologies (SICET) by email Ltutt@nait.ca or by phone 780-471-7739.

WAGGGS Millennium Development Goals

MDG 2:

Achieve universal primary education

Fact:

Nearly a billion people entered the 21st century unable to read a book or sign their names.

Activity:

Volunteer to help young members to improve their reading skills, or join a literacy project in your community. Take it further by creating your own literacy project or setting up a reading room in your community. Ask neighbours to donate books and find a local business that can support the project.

Record:

Send pictures of your activity to pr@albertagirlguides.com so we can use them in the AGM presentation.

[The State of the World's Children, 1999, UNICEF](#)

Pathfinder/Ranger Blazet Weekend

When: October 28-30, 2011

Where: Tangletrees

Cost: \$100/girl & \$50/leader

Space is limited; the program being is run by the University of Alberta and can only accommodate 30 participants.

You can also watch the Blazet program in [action here](#).

Registration will close on October 14th. Please contact Dana at GirlYouthEvents@albertagirlguides.com for registration information and forms.

San Francisco is calling

This is for all girls aged 13 to 16 years as of July 24, 2012 and all Guiders. Alberta Council is sponsoring an international trip to the California Dreamin' Centenary Camp in Alameda, California, and a visit to San Francisco.

For more information go to the Alberta Girl Guide website and look under [International Committee](#).

WAGGGS Regions Challenge

There is a new International Challenge out, WAGGGS Regions Challenge. The challenge is set and badges are available from the Alberta Girl Guide office. This challenge has five separate segments, one for each of the 5 regions of WAGGGS. It is posted on the Alberta Girl Guide [website](#).

Adult Arts Event – Time is running out to register!

Theme: SINGING AND SWINGING ADULT ARTS EVENT

Location: CAMP JUBILEE (COCHRANE)

Date: OCTOBER 28 - 30, 2011

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 23rd

Cost: \$150.00

For more information or to ask a question about this Adult Arts Event please contact Kirstin MacLaren at kmaclaren@sharekco.com

Is this your iMIS number? If so, contact the Provincial office (info@albertagirlguides.com), to claim your prize.

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Website Coordinator needed - Blue Print

A volunteer is needed to fill the position of Blue Print Website Coordinator. To apply, submit the "Standing Committee Adviser application" form [found here](#), to the Provincial office.

Camping opportunities

We hope to continue hearing about all the great camping experiences that are being offered!

Pre-registration Forms

Do you want your unit rosters early in the fall? Then get your pre-registration forms in to your iMIS home early so that they can be inputted over the summer months. Be a step ahead of the rest. Do it soon! Then you can be free to take a well-deserved break over the summer months!

Connect

A Link and Young Guiders (18 – 40 yrs) Event Oct 14 – 16, 2011
Meet and mingle with other Young Guiders at the AB Guide House.

Enjoy a fun weekend in and around Edmonton with some great activities to help you get to know one another, the city and Guiding opportunities available. We are currently planning this weekend and would love to get your input on what you would like to do. If you are interested in either attending or helping with the planning please contact Vanessa Padoani at thegirlguide@hotmail.com with CONNECT in the subject line. Thanks and I hope to hear from you soon!

Safe Guide Important Links-

Safe Guide Updates:

- An email informing all Members of this summer's updates was sent on July 22nd. If you were one of many that did not receive the email: the link to the updates is <http://forms.girlguides.ca/SafeGuide/SitePages/Home.aspx>. The National office is aware of the problem.
- As of today the following new forms must be used/submitted for activities.
- **The SG.3** now asks for iMIS numbers of all supervisors of the event.

- **The SG.4** has one change on page two. No longer does the form ask for the phone number of the Provincial Office: it now reads “provincial emergency contact for GGC. The number to insert is the Provincial Commissioner’s cell phone.
- **Third Party Service Providers** (page 69 in the July 2011 Safe Guide): the order of the four questions you are to answer is changed. This change should make this much easier to understand.
- There are two new definitions: Trip Lead and Trip Assist. Adventure trips on land and water (backpacking, canoeing etc.). Safe Guide now outlines the experience required of supervisors on such trips: see pages 14, 25, 26 and 81.
- **Safe Guide Forms: assessor@albertagirlguides.com is the only e-mail address to send your Safe Guide forms for assessment. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your forms within two business days you must follow up immediately by calling 780 424 5510 ext 104. **Your event cannot proceed if your forms arrive after the deadlines stated in Safe Guide.****
- Safe Guide Forms can also be faxed to the office: 780 426 1715.
- Visit <http://www.albertagirlguides.ca/committeesinternational.html> for more information about many of the above activities and events

Cookie All Star’s recognition certificate

Please ensure that all girls who have participated in cookie sales receive a certificate.

A link to download the Cookie All Star’s recognition certificate can be found on Member Zone in the Cookie All Stars section under the heading “**2010 mint/2011 classic recognition certificates**” ([or by clicking here](#))

Cookie All Stars Prizing

Cookie All Stars prizing will be delivered in the summer! Not sure how to get it to the girls? Why not hold on to the prizing and have a presentation night early in the fall? Invite the girls back that have advanced or did not come back. Don’t forget to print the certificates from [here](#) for everyone who sold cookies to thank them even if they didn’t qualify for any of the prizing! Questions or comments concerning cookie prizing can be directed to cookies@albertagirlguides.com

Member Zone Documents

Having problems downloading documents from Member Zone? The following is an explanation from the IT team at National:

- *The documents on Member Zone are only compatible with **Office 2003 or better** and will not support any lower or earlier versions. They are working to convert all word files into fillable PDFs as they have a wider range and tolerance for old software.*
- **Minimum browser requirements:** Microsoft Internet Explorer 7 or higher, Firefox 3 or higher, Chrome or Safari
- *It is highly recommended that everyone should upgrade their Internet browsers to the latest version*

for their own safety, security and ability while surfing the Internet. Most probably don't even know what they are missing or risk using old software versions. A note, many sites consider Internet Explorer 7 obsolete.

Contact information

Guiders are encouraged to work with their District and Area advisers on most matters. Please use the contact information provided in this newsletter only for the purpose described in connected article.

Is there something you would like to see in ANY_GuideNews?

Perhaps you have a question that needs to be answered or you are wondering how to find something? Send your request to ANY_guidenews@albertagirlguides.com and we will do our best to make it happen for you. The deadline for submitting content is the first and third Thursday of the month. The next deadline is **October 6th**.

We hope that you enjoyed this edition of ANY_GuideNews. It is meant to be an informative and efficient way to get the news to you. This forum is open all Guiders to send Guiding information to a broader audience. If you have suggestions or wish to submit something for publication please forward to ANY_guidenews@albertagirlguides.com. All submissions should be no longer than 3 or 4 lines and be relevant to Guiding.