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Saskatoon Area Council

Girl Guides of Canada

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**A NEW GUIDING YEAR BEGINS –
GET READY TO HAVE SOME FUN!**

Did you know?...

Saskatoon Area Girl Guides is a funded agency of the United Way of Saskatoon and Area.

Guiding in Saskatoon would be far different without their support! At this time of year when the United Way is campaigning (for a record \$4.3 million) please consider supporting them as you will also be supporting Girl Guides.

Saskatoon Area Office

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: CLOSED

Thursday: 10:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday (to October 10): 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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Phone: 652-3275 Fax: 652-4450

E-mail: gguides.stoon@sasktel.net



Website: www.saskatongirlguides.ca

Fairy Working Magic in Guide House Gardens!

The tidy perennials were ecstatic to see the weeds and over-exuberant perennials removed, thinned and contained over the summer months. Thanks to **Ruth Anne Rudack**, local Garden Fairy, the Guide House garden landscape has taken on a much neater appearance. Saskatoon Area Guiders are very appreciative of her hard work and time given to the gardens.



GUIDE HOUSE GARDEN CLEAN-UP

Help us put the perennial garden to bed for the winter!

When: Sunday September 27
1:30 p.m. - 4:00 pm

Rain Date: Sunday October 3
Same time

Bring your own hand tools and a water bottle, we'll bring the fun!

Fall Into Guiding.... The Saskatoon Area Way!



Saturday, November 7, 2009
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Guide House
801 Preston Ave, Saskatoon



Fall into Guiding is back! So..... Come on out and join us on November 7 for a Guiding Survivor adventure. This day is a great opportunity to meet the other Guiders in the Area, to bounce around ideas for a meeting or a camp, to make contact with other units, to find out what's happening in Saskatoon Area this year and to see what resources are available to assist you with planning your meetings.

Remember to pre-register by October 30 so we can plan the lunch menu. If you aren't able to pre-register you are certainly still very welcome to attend, you'll just need to bring your own lunch. Watch for registration forms in the next few weeks.

Mindy - mg.beaver@sasktel.net (283-4227) or
Heather - heatherlandine@hotmail.com

AREA COMMISSIONERS

This is not just a welcome to Girl Guides but to the beginning of a Guiding year which will be celebrating our 100th year Anniversary. When B-P encountered “those girls” 100 years ago I’m sure he had no idea they would become “these girls” today. She is different in what she did or was allowed to do but she is still a strong, independent young woman who faces challenges head on just like the girls who marched in behind the Scouts at the Crystal Palace. She is eager to learn and do to better herself and the world around her. This year, help her realize her potential and celebrate along with thousands of other girls... **100 Years of Girl Guides.**

The **Fall 'Toon Up** kick off to the Guiding year will have already happened but we would like to thank Mindy Beaver, members of Area Council and the 3rd Ranger Unit for the active role they had in making this event happen.

New to our office staff is **Yvonne Turnbull**. Yvonne will be helping **Cathie Drinkwater** in the office with all the administration of Guiding. **Ellen Saunders** will be returning to attend to the cleaning of Guide House; a job which is greatly appreciated. **Cathie** deserves a big thank you for all the work which happened over the summer with closure of the store (thank you to **Ali Peters** for her assistance), re-arranging the office and getting the new computers in the office ready.

Everything is in place to make Guiding happen. Promote Girl Guides whenever you can and wherever you are so every girl has an opportunity to be part this great organization because

“Girl Greatness Starts Here”!

Carolyn Oleniuk and Kathy Palmer
Area Co-Commissioners

AWARDS

These awards were either presented or acknowledged at our annual awards banquet at the end of May. Many thanks to the dedicated service of these, and all our Guiders.

LONG SERVICE MEMBERSHIP PINS

60 YEARS

May Lumbis
Pat Melnychuk

55 YEARS

Shirley Byrnes
Phyllis Ellis

50 YEARS

MaryAnn Assailly

35 YEARS:

Gillian Hooper

30 YEARS:

Judy Cherwenuk
Diane Eckl
Heather Giesbrecht
Carla Punshon

AREA AWARD

Claire Brown
Shirley Byrnes
Cathie Drinkwater
Terry Johanson
Megan Loessl
Vicki McDougall
Ali Peters
Kay Peters
Angela Rioux
Erin Schimpf
Susan Sully
Karen Wallace
Alexis Williams

GOLD THANKS PIN

Debbie Beye
Laurie Lanovaz
Cailey Muirhead
Jennifer Obchansky
Cara Pete

BRONZE MERIT AWARD

Heather Landine
Cathryn Wood

SILVER MERIT AWARD

Trina Braid
Gillian Hooper

GOLD MERIT AWARD

Mindy Beaver
Lorraine Fowler

UNIT GUIDER AWARDS

NEW

Aurora DS

Alanna Debusschere
Paige Gignac
Laura Glass
Sandra Klassen
Natalya Mason
Susan Smith

Day Lights DS

Amy Janzen
Tiffany Kuntz
Alexandra Martin
Kira Olfert

Freedom Star DS

Crystal Slusar

Northern Points DS

WARMAN

Kristi Dennison
Janet Giesbrecht
Hollie Logue
Debbie Remeshylo

MARTENSVILLE

Tracy Edmison
Tara Nordmarken
Teena Remlinger
Dorinda Strueby

Northern Stars DS

Jess Glasman

Starfire DS

Kim Fraser-Saddleback

Twilight DS

Megan Dodds
Janna Ridley

BRONZE

Aurora DS

Karen Amundson
Laurie Lanovaz
Casey Leszynski
Jill Thode
Kelly Yanz

Day Lights DS

Cari-Lynn Issitt
Lisa Galbraith
Megan Loessl
Tracey Thoen

Freedom Star DS

Janis Danino
Corene Glover
Jacki Primeau

Morning Lights DS

Gail Cassidy
Kendra Danielson
Ginevra Foglia
Cailey Muirhead
Alexis Williams

Northern Stars DS

Debbie Beye
Cara Pete

Twilight DS

Rebekeh Bennetch
Nancy Litwin

SILVER

Aurora DS

Colleen Alexson
Jenn Christian
Jenna Drinkwater
Lorraine Fowler
Victoria Hall
Ruth Skinner
Cathryn Wood

Day Lights DS

Megan Hardy
Angela Rioux
Erin Schimpf

Freedom Star DS

Denise Bowden
Tara Brychun
Stefanie Foster
Danielle Pilon

Morning Lights DS

Sharla Daviduik
Kathy Hauser
Maygen Kardash
Kelly Macsymic
Jennifer Obchansky

Northern Points DS DALMENY

Krista Houk
Jody Thompson
Terri Troupe-Logue
Northern Stars DS
Denise Blue

Mary Harrison

Shelley Witt

Starfire DS

Trina Braid

Twilight DS

Shelley Fergusson
Sarah Helston
Jennifer Molnar
Adrienne Starks

GOLD

Area

Joelle Haffermehl

Carla Punshon

Day Lights DS

Beverly Rodowski

Northern Stars DS

Gillian Hooper

Twilight DS

Kelly Dersch
Tammy
Sutherland
Crystal Wigton



COMMISSIONER AWARDS

District noted

Trina Braid – **Starfire**

Tara Brychun – **Freedom Star**

Jo-Ann Cote – **Northern Points**

Daviduik, Sharla – **Morning Lights**

Kelly Dersch – **Twilight**

Lorraine Fowler – **Aurora**

Laurie Lanovaz – **Aurora**

Tammy Lemay – **Day Lights**

Cathleen MacPhee – **Northern Stars**

Tammy Sutherland – **Twilight**

Shelley Witt – **Northern Stars**

Cathryn Wood – **Aurora**



The Cookies Are Coming! The Cookies Are Coming!

The Chocolatey Mint cookies will be delivered between September 28 and October 2.

You may start selling immediately, but I would strongly advise that you don't bombard your parents with cookies at your first meeting.

Cookie receivers - Remember to refuse all damaged cases:

- Document on the Proof of Delivery Form (all copies) and you and the delivery person both sign it.
- Report all damages/shortages or incidents to me as soon as possible. If these are not reported, your units may be responsible to pay for them.

NEW THIS YEAR! Mint cookies may be sold door-to-door!!!

Cookies sell for \$4.00 per box.

Great Big C and the national **All Stars Contest** will be continuing this year.

The **All Star contest** keeps track of the cookies the girls sell by themselves. Check the national website www.girlguides.ca for the All Star contest tracking sheet. It is under Cookies, then under All Star contest.

The **Great Big C** is an Area contest for the girls. The Great Big C uses the totals of the cases the girls sell individually and the cases they sell with the unit. Keep track of the cases the girls have sold with their units as we use this total for our Great Big C. (e.g. The unit does a mall cookie selling event and sells 10 cases. There were 5 girls in attendance. These 5 girls get to add 2 cases to each of their totals.)

We do not yet know of the prizes for each contest but we will keep you informed.

The Rainbow and Roxie theatres are still available for unit cookie sales. Contact Mindy Beaver to book a time for your unit/district at mg.beaver@sasktel.net

When you are developing program ideas for the year include some activity ideas for cookies. There is a Chocolatey Mint Cookie Challenge or Spark/Brownie activity book all available online at **www.girlguides.ca** Go to Member Zone and click on "Cookies". There you will find all sorts of cookie ideas, games, recipes and clip art.

If you do not have internet access please call me and I can retrieve the information for you.

Kay Peters, Saskatoon Area Cookie Adviser

petersrkam@sasktel.net

239-4735

GUIDER LIAISON TO COUNCIL (GLC)

This position was created to allow all Guiders to communicate with Area Council.

- If you have any concerns, questions or even praises please let me know and I will pass this on to Council.
- If you do not wish to let your name be known to Council, I will present your concern anonymously.

I will get back to you after Council meetings.

Council meetings are open to any Guider. Council meets on the first Wednesday of each month at Guide House at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending a Council meeting or even being on Council, please let the office know.

Kay Peters, Guider Liaison to Council

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MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees for the upcoming Guiding year 2009-2010 remain at \$125 per member. The breakdown is as follows:

National	\$ 45.00
Provincial	35.00
Area	34.00
District	1.00
Unit	10.00

Parents often assume that the \$125.00 fee they pay stays in their daughter's Unit.

Please let them know (early) that only \$10.00 is kept at the unit level. The remainder is forwarded to Area, Provincial and National levels of Girl Guides to help provide quality programming, facilities and resources for their daughters.

Your District or Area Commissioner can speak with parents if this is a concern for them.



RENTAL AGREEMENTS

Did you know that YOU cannot sign a rental agreement on behalf of Guiding to use a park, building, camp or other facility (including your weekly meeting place)? These must be signed at an Area Level or the insurance becomes void?

Contracts may be mailed, faxed or dropped off at the Area Office.

PROJECT

“LEND A HAND”

- Girl Guides offers this financial assistance subsidy to assist families with payment of registration fees (only).
- The Provincial and National portions are paid when parents complete the LAH form (obtained upon registration) **and submit the form to the Area office within 60 days of registering – this is a new procedure for 2009.**
- Parents are encouraged to make a co-payment of \$10 to go to the unit, as the subsidy does not include any money for the unit, but this is not a requirement.
- The co-payment will be collected by the Area office and remitted to with the other girl payments to units.

Please note this detail of the project:

- **Outside supporters CANNOT be members of Girl Guides.**



Membership Pins

All members of Girl Guides receive their pins at the **beginning** of the Guiding year.

- Unit Guiders receive their pins either from their District Commissioner or Area Commissioner (these are supplied by Area at no cost to the District).
- Girl members receive their pins from their Unit Guiders (these are supplied and paid by the Unit/District).

The Enrollment Ceremony would be a great time for girls to receive these!

Be sure to place your order early for the pins for your girls (from the Provincial Store: 1-877-694-0383)!

\$\$ Fundraising

Each unit in Saskatoon Area is expected to sell a minimum of four (4) cases of cookies per member [combination of mint and sandwich]. We rely on revenue from cookie sales to provide the programs, facilities and equipment for our membership.

Other fundraisers are welcome and will be approved after the cooking selling expectation is met. Fundraising forms (included in the unit package you received from your District Commissioner) are to be filled out for **all** fundraising endeavors [other than cookies]. Parent awareness and approval is required before proposals for additional fundraising are submitted to your District Commissioner. **She must approve the proposal and forward to the Area office, BEFORE the fundraising begins.**

SPRING REGISTRATION DRAW

The winner of the spring registration draw was **Claire McKenzie** of the 44th Guide Unit.

Her family won back the complete registration fee for Claire.



PUBLIC RELATIONS

Welcome back to an exciting new year of Guiding in Saskatoon Area. We are definitely off to a running start with advertised ongoing registration daily at Guide House as well as additional evening registration options offered at Father Vachon School, Warman High School, Prairie View School in Dalmeny and in Martensville.

We have had our `Toon Up, a kickoff to Guiding for our families and friends, and coming up soon is Fall into Guiding, a chance for Guiders to connect and find out what awesome events are being planned in the Area for this year. The mint cookie campaign begins in October with another terrific Great Big C contest, and this is just the beginning!

This year every community association in the city was contacted with an advertisement for their newsletter. Many placed our ads and some we have not heard back from yet. If you would like to advertise in your District, contact Mindy and we'll be more than happy to give you a hand with newsletter or pamphlet distribution.

Don't forget to keep checking out our website for updates on events and happenings in the area as well as tips and resources to use in your weekly planning: **www.saskatoongirlguides.ca**

Have fun and remember...."**Girl Greatness Starts Here**"!

Mindy Beaver: **mg.beaver@sasktel.net**

NEED SOME HELP TO SING GUIDING SONGS?



Check out the following sites:

<http://www.bc-girlguides.org/resources/music/index.html>

<http://tuneguide.e-guiding.com/>

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1ST SASKATOON TREFOIL GUILD



Funding Fun and Friendship in Saskatoon Area

The Saskatoon Area Fun and Friendship Fund is designed to assist girls and women with financial needs to actively participate in Girl Guides of Canada. This fund was made possible by donations from the United Way, Soroptomist International of Saskatoon, and the estate of Dr. John McKay.

This fund may be accessed by any member of Guiding (girls, Unit Guider, Member) to help with activities such as, but not limited to:

- Camp and activity fees for girls for unit events
- Uniforms, program books
- Training fees for leaders
- Registration fees (if avenues such as Lend A Hand have already been tried)
- Program materials

Applications for things such as uniforms and program materials may be provided for from a pool of gently used uniforms and supplies collected from closed units.

For more information, contact any F³ committee member (as listed on the application form) and they would be happy to help you. Application forms are available on our Area website, or from the office at 801 Preston Avenue, 652-3275.

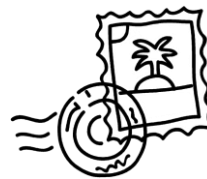
Welcome back everyone and a special welcome to newcomers. I hope everyone had a good summer, in spite of the weather.

Our sympathy goes out to Win Parker on the death of her husband, Don. Don and Win spent a lot of time over the years doing maintenance work at Trefoil Trails.

The Provincial Trefoil Gathering is being held in Regina this year. Registration will be Friday evening, October 2. Saturday, October 3, begins with a breakfast and events run until 3:00 p.m. If anyone would like to go to the Gathering, please contact me at 374-8701.

Our next meeting will be September 28 at 1:30 p.m. at Guide House ~ it will be good to see everyone again.

Shirley Byrnes,
President




NEED A SERVICE PROJECT?


Save used commemorative postage stamps and donate them to the 1st Saskatoon Trefoil Guild, c/o Ellen Saunders. Please trim stamps with a ¼" margins; pop them into an envelope and when the envelope is full, bring to the Guide House office.

Thank You!

SASKATOON AREA CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

September 	27	Guide House Garden Clean-up
	28	1 ST Trefoil Guild Meeting

October 		Mint Cookie Campaign begins- Door-to-door sales allowed!
	2	District Roster/Committee Information to Office
	2-3	Provincial Trefoil Gathering - Regina
	3	Rain Date for Guide House Garden Clean-up
	12	Office/Store Closed for Thanksgiving
	16-18	Camp Clean-up at Trefoil Trails (tentative)
	30	Deadline: Pre-registration for Fall into Guiding Event

November 	6	Deadline: Mint Cookie Money - Unit to District
	7	Fall into Guiding Event
	15	AC/DC Meeting
	15	Deadline: Mint Cookie Money - District to Area
	15	Deadline: District Leader Fees due to Area

****Deadline for NAPSAC contributions - 10th of each month - reverts to last weekday workday prior if the 10th is a day on which we are closed****