

March International Program Idea

International Women's Day

Each year around the world, International Women's day is held on March 8th. This year the theme for International Women's day is: Equal access to education, training and science technology; Pathway to decent work for women. This March, take some time at one of your meetings and promote education, science and technology to your girls.

Here are some ideas on how to incorporate this theme into your meetings:

- Contact your local High School or Post Secondary institute and see if a teacher or professor can come in and talk about the great options that science and technology can offer to girls and women, ask if they can bring some hands on activities so the girls can experience science and technology, and not just hear about it
- Set up a tour of a science or technology work place : a lab, hospital, airport, wilderness rescue facilities, observatories, and park interpretive centres could all be options—check your local area for other areas to visit
- If you live close to Science Centre arrange for a visit
- Ask girls to invite a mom, sister, aunt, or other female role model in to a “Career Night” at your meeting.
- Create some science in your meeting—check out the TechnoWhiz Challenge on the Alberta Girl Guide Website <http://www.albertagirlguides.ca/challenges.html>
- Older girls might enjoy working on the Girl Guides of Canada National Day of Remembrance Challenge found here (memberzone log in required): http://www.girlguides.ca/whats_new?news_id=346&uniqid=1732