



# LINKED UP



Link Newsletter  
January/February 2012

Link is **FUN!**

Link is **FLEXIBLE!**

Link is **FRIENDSHIP!**

Link is **FOR YOU!**

**Link** is for dynamic **young women 18 to 30 years old** who want to remain connected with Guiding but may not have the time to devote to a regular meeting. **Link Members** are encouraged to support Guiding in whatever capacity they can and are a **vital** branch in the Guiding movement!

**Linked Up** is a way for **Link** members across Alberta to **connect** to each other **and** Guiding in their **Area**, in **Alberta**, across **Canada** and even **Internationally**. This is a publication that is intended to make **YOUR Link** experience even better, so feel free to send me any feedback you have to improve it. **Submissions** about **YOUR** Guiding experiences or information on Guiding Events that you think **Link** Members may be interested in participating in are welcome!

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## Message from your Link Adviser

Happy New Year, Ladies! I can't believe how quickly the last year has flown. To be honest, it hasn't felt much like the Holiday Season, but here in Barrhead we received about a foot of snow over the last 24 hours, so I think I can finally say it feels like Winter!

Did any of you make a New Year Resolution? I can't say that I made a personal one...I never seem to keep them anyhow. My Link Resolution for the New Year, however is to get us Link Members connected through Link events twice a year. So mark it on your calendars, ladies! Let's see how many Link Members can meet up at Multi-Faceted March 16-18, 2012 in Penhold, so that you can tell me in person what Link can do for you!

## Provincial Events

### Multi-Faceted

Come out to Penhold, March 16-18 to take part in Multi-Faceted 2012 and meet with Link and non-Link Members alike. Sessions include Crafts, Branch specific sessions, Car Maintenance and Quilting. No matter your interest, there's a session for you!

Email me if you've not received the information hand-out and registration form so that I can forward it to you! The application deadline is **February 20, 2012** so don't wait too long to get your forms in!

## National Events

### National Diversity/Inclusivity Specialist Needed!

Girl Guides of Canada—Guides du Canada is looking for a volunteer **Diversity/Inclusivity Specialist** to help make activities, events and programming inclusive. If you're interested in Cultural Awareness and Disability Legislation, this may be the volunteer opportunity for you. This position involves providing expert advice on approaches to being inclusive and on implementation of actions to ensure compliance with provincial or territorial legislation.

The deadline to apply is **February 8, 2012**. Visit [http://www.girlguides.ca/volunteer-opportunities#inclusivity\\_specialist](http://www.girlguides.ca/volunteer-opportunities#inclusivity_specialist) for more information.

### Scholarship Opportunities

National Scholarship Application time is in full-swing. There are 35 scholarships to apply for by **April 1, 2012**. Whether you are going to school full-time or part-time, or your field of interest is Education or Engineering, there is a scholarship for you!

Visit [http://www.girlguides.ca/uploads/File/opportunities\\_for\\_girls/scholarships/scholarship-application-guide.pdf](http://www.girlguides.ca/uploads/File/opportunities_for_girls/scholarships/scholarship-application-guide.pdf) for Eligibility Information for each award.

### Girl Guides of Canada Tree Planting Program

Volunteering with a unit? Want to do something for the environment? Apply for a Tree Planting Grant at [http://www.girlguides.ca/challenges\\_and\\_activities?news\\_id=83&uniqid=1594](http://www.girlguides.ca/challenges_and_activities?news_id=83&uniqid=1594) to help make your community greener and more liveable.

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## International Events

### Volunteer Opportunities

**Volunteer at the World Centres:** Each World Centre has an international team of volunteer and professional staff. Active members of WAGGGS can volunteer to work for between six weeks and ten months, organizing events and being involved in the World Centres' programmes and house duties. Applications must be endorsed by Girl Guides of Canada's International Commissioner: send your completed World Centre Volunteer application form to the International Commissioner at [ic@girlguides.ca](mailto:ic@girlguides.ca). Upon successful completion of the World Centre Volunteer work term, a subsidy is available from the Canadian World Friendship Fund through the national office.

**Internships:** WAGGGS occasionally has internships available in areas such as Fund Development, Public Relations and Advocacy. If you are interested in becoming an intern at WAGGGS, please send your details to [waggggs@wagggsworld.org](mailto:waggggs@wagggsworld.org)

For more information, visit <http://www.wagggsworld.org/en/about/volunteer>

### Closing

Want to feel more connected to Link at a National level? Log on to Member Zone with your iMIS number and check out the Link Connections Newsletter to find out what other Link Members from across Canada are getting up to.

For more information on Link, please contact me at [link@albertagirlguides.ca](mailto:link@albertagirlguides.ca).