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Alberta, Northwest Territories and Yukon

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Welcome

Welcome to the November 1st edition of ANY_GuideNews. We hope you enjoy this publication with its brief, up to the minute information.

GGC's Dove Woman of the Month

After 10,000 votes and much excitement, the top three GGC Dove Women of the Month have been revealed. To read about the winners and all of the inspiring nominees [go here!](#)

Mint Cookies continue, \$4.00 a box!

Just a reminder the mint cookie sales campaign is still going on and these cookies sell for \$4.00 a box. Unit Guiders please remember to keep track of your units' cookie sales for Cookie All-Stars: please check out member zone at <http://www.girlguides.ca> for information. If you have any great cookie stories or best practices please forward them to cookies@albertagirlguides.com we love to share success of the girls in our publications. Thank you all for your great work on the Mint Cookie Campaign!

Chocolate Mint Cookies Guaranteed Freshness dates have been extended from 6 month to 8 months!

Scholarships- 2012

The National Scholarship Program is one of the ways that Girl Guides of Canada recognizes girl and adult Members who embody the Mission and Values of the organization. This program supports our "registered Members" who continue in Guiding, while they pursue their education / training at a recognized post-secondary institution.

All applications must be completed and returned to the National Office by mail or courier only, by April 1, 2012. Members who have applied previously, but did not receive a scholarship, can re-apply.

For more information and to access the application forms visit the [scholarship page here](#).

International Travel Opportunities

Are you looking for the chance for international travel? Are you 11 years old or older? There are many wonderful trip opportunities for you to apply for! The facts sheets for both the Nationally sponsored international trips as well as Provincial trips can be found on the [Alberta Provincial website](#). There are three different camps in the United States, a service trip to Costa Rica, and a camp in Scotland. If any of these interest you please check out the information and send in your application today. All of these travel opportunities are for the summer of 2012.

Provincial Web Coordinator needed

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

Envirothon

Envirothon is an annual environment-themed academic competition held by the United States and Canada. The competition is open to students in grades 9-12. The students are tested on four core subjects: forestry, soils and land use, aquatic ecology, and wildlife, with the addition of a current environmental issue, the subject of which changes every year. Teams may be sponsored through their school or a youth group such as Junior Forest Wardens, Guides, Scouts, 4-H, etc.

The application deadline for this event is March 15, 2012.

For more information about Envirothon, please see [the background and rules document](#) or go to [their website](#).

Alberta Girls' Parliament Facilities Adviser needed

Duties: To arrange appropriate accommodation, catering and transportation for the annual session of Alberta Girls' Parliament (AGP); to ensure all AGP equipment and supplies are delivered to the site(s) of the event. The Facilities Adviser is an important part of the team as they also look after the snacks at the event which are always eagerly anticipated by the delegates and staff.

AGP is held in late March/early April each year at Providence Renewal Centre in Edmonton, Alberta.

For more information regarding this position please contact agp@albertagirlguides.com

To apply, submit the "Standing Committee Adviser application" form found [here](#), to the Provincial office.

Alberta Girls' Parliament 2012

Calling all Rangers!

Looking for an opportunity to complete some of your program challenges? Working on your Duke of Edinburgh Award? Come join us, this event qualifies for the Residential Project component of this program. If you are looking to grow both as an individual and as a team player, AGP is the place to go!

When: Wednesday, March 28, 2012 to Sunday, April 1, 2012 at the Providence Renewal Centre in Edmonton, Alberta.

For more information about this event, contact agp@albertagirlguides.com

Girls for Safer Communities training

Attention: All Pathfinder/Ranger guiders

Upcoming Girls For Safer Communities Trainings for Pathfinder/Ranger age group in Alberta.

Sessions are 9:00am-4:30pm

November 12, Strathmore

November 13, Calgary

For more information about these training sessions please contact gpsc@albertagirlguides.com

Pizza Party Time!

The [information and entry form](#) for the 2012 Pizza Party challenge is now available on the Alberta Girl Guide website. Get your unit working on exciting new ways to raise funds for the CWFF and win one of two parties.

WAGGGS Millennium Development Goals

MDG 3:

Promote gender equality and empower women

Fact: Women work two-thirds of the world's working hours, produce half of the world's food, and yet earn only 10 per cent of the world's income and own less than one per cent of the world's property ③.

Activity: Collect or draw pictures and quotations from women leaders in your community and worldwide.

Make a poster and display it at your centenary celebration. Take it further by organizing a community art project to celebrate the women of the community. This could be by painting a mural, making banners for a festival or setting up an art exhibition.

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

③ World Development Indicators, 1997, Womankind

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](#).

iMIS

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

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Camping opportunities

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

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.*

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

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 Thursday before the first and third Tuesday of the month. The next deadline is **November 10th**.

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.

The Provincial Office always acknowledges emails within 2 days. If you have not received a reply within two days please call as we do have intermittent problems with valid emails being considered Spam and then being put into the deleted folder.

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