



Parkland Pennings

June 2017

A Newsletter for Guiders published by Girl Guides of Canada - Parkland Area

COMMISSIONER'S RAMBLINGS

Wow, the end of another Guiding year!! Where did the time go?

I would like to thank all the dedicated Guiders for a year well done.

Please have a wonderful summer, take time to relax, feel the sun on your face, and spend time with family and friends.

See you in the fall!

Yours in Guiding
Rose Ward - Parkland Area Commissioner and
Hazel Ray – Parkland Area Deputy Commissioner

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SUMMER HOURS

July **Every Second Thursday**
Open Thurs July 6th and Thurs July 20th 8:30 am – 2pm (closed 11:30am – 12pm for lunch)

August **Every Second Thursday**
Open Thurs Aug 3rd, Thurs Aug 17th 8:30 am – 2pm (closed 11:30am – 12pm for lunch)
Last week of August (except Monday)
Open August 29th, 30th, and 31st 8:30 am – 2pm (closed 11:30am – 12pm for lunch)

Please feel free to use the lockbox for paperwork, leave a message at 403 343 1656, or email ggprklnd@telusplanet.net

I hope everyone has a fantastic summer!

Angela Jones - Parkland Area Administrative Manager

PROGRAM

2017 Parkland Area Girl Awards Recipients

Canada Cord

Elly Brennan, Crimson Star	Elena Kelly, Crimson Star
Angeline Jones, Crimson Star	Chloe Kikstra, Diamond Willow
Samantha MacLeod, Diamond Willow	Rein Kangas, Kuusamo
Janelle Katterhagen, Kuusamo	Mackenzie Gray, Goldenfields
Valerie Moss, Goldenfields	Aubrey Nye, Goldenfields
Kaitlyn Schmitke, Goldenfields	Kayla Brown, Golden Poplar
Bryanna LeBlanc, Golden Poplar	Erin Purcell, Golden Poplar
Bella Cranston, Num Ti Jah	Emily Prevost, Num Ti Jah

Bronze Chief Commissioner Award

Samantha Stemen, Crimson Star	Mataea Armstrong, Goldenfields
Danielle Edwards, Goldenfields	Lauren Guday, Goldenfields
Jasmine LePage, Goldenfields	Paige McLarty, Goldenfields
Jenna Thompson, Goldenfields	Adele Beaudoin, Golden Poplar
Skarlette Bittorf, Diamond Willow	Jada Hutchinson, Num Ti Jah
Esther Koelstra, Num Ti Jah	Trinity Wilson, Num Ti Jah

Silver Chief Commissioner Award

Chloe Brennan, Crimson Star	Alexis Holmgren, Crimson Star
Nicole Kundert, Crimson Star	Sarah Marstaller, Crimson Star
Hailey Hill, Goldenfields	Hope Jacyk, Goldenfields
Tiernan Neufeld, Goldenfields	Siera Wallis, Goldenfields

Gold Chief Commissioner Award

Emily Hill, Crimson Star	Alexis Holmgren, Crimson Star
Cheyenne Ferran, Goldenfields	Faith Wilberger, Goldenfields
Jordyn Stadnyk, Goldenfields	

Commonwealth Award

Chloe Brennan, Crimson Star

Congratulations to all of the recipients of the Canada Cord, Bronze, Silver and Gold Chief Commissioner and Commonwealth Awards in Parkland Area. We honored them at the awards ceremony on May 28, 2017 at Olds United Church.

Yours in Guiding:

Caroline Lobban - Parkland Area Program Adviser



Mark your calendar for
Parkland Area Arts Day!
Saturday, November 25, 2017 at
Innisfail United Church!

INTERNATIONAL

The National 2018 trips have been announced. Applications will open online September 2017

For Girls 14-15 Years of Age (*at the time of the trip*)

SYDNEY JAMBOREE 2018, AUSTRALIA September 26 – October 8, 2018

Girl Guides Australia is hosting an incredible camping event for Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from around the world. Bring your spirit of adventure as you explore the natural beauty, unique history, and cultural diversity of Sydney and surrounding areas Down Under. You'll participate in a wide range of activities including canoeing, hiking, outdoor cooking, crafts, swimming, games, and more!

- 20 Girls
- 4 Guiders

JOURNEY THROUGH LONDON 2018, PAX LODGE, ENGLAND August 8 – August 19, 2018

This is your chance to travel to Pax Lodge and explore London alongside Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from across the world. You'll make unforgettable memories as you tour London's amazing attractions, take the Leadership Challenge and participate in a community service project in the local area. You'll also spend evenings at the theatre, participate in international activities, and celebrate the spirit of Guiding in the city where it all began!

- 20 Girls
- 4 Guiders

For Girls 16-18 Years of Age *(at the time of the trip)*

SWISS CHALLENGE 8 – OUR CHALET, SWITZLERAND August 19 – September 2, 2018

Discover the magic of WAGGGS' first World Centre, Our Chalet! On this trip, you'll explore the beautiful Swiss Alps as you challenge yourself through a variety of adventure activities such as hiking, rock climbing, abseiling, and zip lining. You'll also get to savour Swiss culture as you tour picturesque towns, visit local shops, and even sample authentic Swiss chocolate. Get ready to develop your leadership skills, discover the natural environment and build international friendships that can last a lifetime.

- 20 Girls
- 4 Guiders

SEA ADVENTURE, OUR CABAÑA, MEXICO November 8 – November 16, 2018

This trip has it all! Our Cabaña is offering an amazing opportunity to discover the culture and traditions of Mexico while also helping to preserve the lives of endangered sea turtles. You'll start the trip off exploring Our Cabaña before heading off to Acapulco to volunteer at the Turtle Camp. You'll play games on the beach, visit the ruins of Teopanzolco and celebrate with Girls from around the world during a Mexican fiesta!

- 15 Girls - must still be registered as youth member of GGC at the time of the trip
- 3 Guiders

As GGC is committed to the health and safety of its members at all times, GGC reserves the right to cancel and/or reschedule trips, as might be required.

Applications for the provincially sponsored trip to Ecuador have now closed. We hope to have selections completed by September.

YIG

Stephanie Haas - Parkland Area International Adviser

PUBLIC RELATIONS (PR)

How to Promote Guiding During the Summer It's finally summer, time to relax and rejuvenate! However, we can still promote Guiding through the summer in simple ways.

Wear Guiding Apparel You don't have to walk around in your uniform all the time, but there are many non-uniform options available that you can wear. This year, we have our "150 Ways to Live Your Promise" t-shirts; perfect to wear to Canada Day events, as well as our clothing from Guiding Mosaic 2016. I find that when wearing these I almost always have someone ask me questions about Girl Guides.

Represent Guiding At Community Events If your community has a Canada Day or Rodeo Parade, have a group of Girls and Guiders participate; it can be as simple as walking as a uniformed group or as elaborate as entering a float representing Girl Guides. If you have a Farmers Market, ask to have a table a few times over the summer to sell cookies if you still have them, or just to hand out PR materials and answer questions about Guiding in your community.

Hold an Information Night Have a few of your Guiders available to meet with parents and Girls who are interested in Girl Guides and answer their questions about registration, program, costs, etc. You could set up a computer and show them the registration process and how to shop online for uniforms. It's always good to have photos of local Girls participating in Guiding events, it shows people how much fun we have! Make sure to advertise so that people are aware that you are holding an Information Night, use your local newspapers and radio stations, as well as posters at places such as schools, arenas and libraries. Don't forget to use social media, most communities have pages where you can advertise events for non-profit groups.

Remember, the best advertisement for Girl Guides is you, and all the Girls and women in Girl Guides of Canada.

Yours in Guiding,

Susan Kennedy - Parkland Area Public Relations Adviser

AWARDS

Congratulations to all of the amazing women throughout Parkland Area who were the recipients of awards this year. Over 160 Guiders, Rangers, and non-members were recognized for their service to Guiding at the Area Banquet and within Districts- thank you for all you do! Thanks also to the countless Guiders who took the time to nominate deserving members for awards, your contributions have not gone unnoticed. Any omissions or misspellings are mine- my apologies in advance. I am looking forward to reading about all of the incredible things Guiders are doing across Parkland Area again next year, have a wonderful summer!

Provincial Award Recipient

Nyna Marr- Provincial Commissioner's Promise Award

District Commissioner's Award Recipients

Carol Hannesson	Wolf Willow
Denise Cruz	Goldenfields
Kim Boutestein	Crimson Star
Monica Hamilton	Kuusamo
Rebecca Clark	Diamond Willow

Gold Merit Award Recipient

Jamie Hanson	Crimson Star
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Silver Merit Award Recipients

Amy Jesse	Num Ti Jah
Barb Yost	Crimson Star
Diane Wall	Crimson Star
Jennifer Haddow	Crimson Star
Lynne Kurtz	Kuusamo

Bronze Merit Award Recipients

Angela Moores-Jones	Diamond Willow
Elaine Katterhagen	Kuusamo
Elizabeth Lozo	Kuusamo
Jodi Paulgaard	Goldenfields
Katherine Herron	Goldenfields
Mary Biglands	Kuusamo
Nerissa Pope	Num Ti Jah
Sabrina Miller	Crimson Star
Sara St. Marie	Kuusamo
Sarah Klemm	Goldenfields
Stracey Smith	Crimson Star
Treana Hanger	Wolf Willow
Monique Villagrancia	Crimson Star

TEAM Award Recipients

Golden Poplar 150 Event Team:

Breanna Suk, Casey Bannister, Gidgette Taylor, Hazel Ray, Kim Flinn, Marissa Wilson, Michelle Mooney, Nyna Marr

Gold Thanks Pin Recipients

A.J. Lichty	Kuusamo
Amanda LePage	Goldenfields
Amanda Thorsen	Golden Poplar
Casey Bannister	Golden Poplar
Cheryl Kropp	Goldenfields
Crystal Mackinder	Goldenfields
Darcy Richards	Crimson Star
Donna MacAuley-Forsyth	Crimson Star
Fran Edwards	Crimson Star
Gayle Warwick	Goldenfields
Gina Barlow	Crimson Star
Jessica Neufeld	Goldenfields
Joanne Schatz	Golden Poplar
Jody Rasmussen	Num Ti Jah
Kathleen Warwick	Goldenfields
Kim Flinn	Golden Poplar
Kim Sinclair	Goldenfields
Kristina Mackenzie	Crimson Star
Lana Leonhardt	Wolf Willow

Gold Thanks Pin Recipients Continued

Linda Stadnyk	Goldenfields
Meagan Mowat	Goldenfields
Melanie Marquart	Crimson Star
Michelle Mooney	Golden Poplar
Michelle Spackman	Crimson Star
Monica Hamilton	Kuusamo
Natasha Murray	Golden Poplar
Nicole Daezaeyer	Crimson Star
Nissa Donaldson	Goldenfields
Rose Ward	Crimson Star
Sara Taylor	Golden Poplar
Sarah Stillborn	Goldenfields
Shannon Isaac	Goldenfields
Shauna Wall	Goldenfields
Stephanie de Souza	Goldenfields
Tara May Nielsen	Crimson Star
Tiffany Oszli	Golden Poplar

Gold Unit Guider Award Recipients

Christine Hogan	Num Ti Jah
Gidgette Taylor	Golden Poplar
Ina Rodenburg-Hart	Wolf Willow
Kristina Rohl	Goldenfields
Marlis Rose	Crimson Star
Maureen Funk	Crimson Star
Melissa Dumenko	Goldenfields
Sarah (Kim) Shaffer	Goldenfields
Stephanie Dumenko Alward	Goldenfields

Silver Unit Guider Award Recipients

Kelly Biglands	Kuusamo
Marissa Wilson	Golden Poplar
Stephanie Haas	Goldenfields
Tamie Everett	Diamond Willow

Bronze Unit Guider Award Recipients

Amanda Stemmler	Golden Poplar
Audra Denny	Crimson Star
Christina Longmuir	Num Ti Jah
Georgina (Gina) Goodwin	Goldenfields
Jennifer Reber	Num Ti Jah
Jessica Crook	Goldenfields
Kalie Jacobsen	Golden Poplar
Karianne Garland	Golden Poplar
Kim Bissel	Crimson Star
Kimberley Vander Wal	Goldenfields
Lisa Zandvliet	Goldenfields
Melissa Poulin	Crimson Star
Nicole Savoie	Goldenfields
Nicole Thomas	Crimson Star
Nina Smit	Golden Poplar
Robin Ginter	Goldenfields
Shauna VanDirstein	Kuusamo
Tessa Enns	Diamond Willow
Valentine Bedford	Golden Poplar

Letter of Commendation Recipients

Caroline Lobban	Parkland Area
Casey Bannister	Golden Poplar
Delores Coghill	Parkland Area
Diane Wall	Crimson Star
Hazel Ray	Golden Poplar
Hazel Snyder	Wolf Willow
Joanne Schatz	Golden Poplar
Kathy Cawthorpe	Goldenfields
Melissa Poulin	Crimson Star
Melynda Crampton	Num Ti Jah
Michelle Everingham	Num Ti Jah
Nicole Daezaeyer	Crimson Star
Nyna Marr	Golden Poplar
Stephanie Haas	Goldenfields
Tamie Everett	Diamond Willow

Parkland Area Youth Service Award Recipient

Samantha Stemen	Crimson Star
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Rangers receiving Gold Thanks Pins and non-members receiving Silver Thanks Pins are not listed here, but have been recognized by their Districts. Congratulations to all of you as well!

Yours in Guiding,
Amy Jesse - Parkland Area Awards Chairperson

MEMBERSHIP

Sad to say goodbye to Parkland Area Council. My time has come to an end. I think baby steps were made in membership area; and I do believe in the next year the membership chair will play a larger role. Thanks for your patience as I muddled my way through the unknown. It has been a privilege to have worked with some amazing women. Parkland Area is an amazing Guiding area and working together can only make it better.

All the best in the next few years!

Joanne Schatz - Parkland Area Membership Adviser

COOKIES

COOKIE ALL STARS: Congratulations to all the Cookie All Stars across the country. This year almost 49,000 Girls participated in the program, including 157 Girls that reached the top level of 80+ cases! WOW! We are in the process of packing and sending rewards to Guiders. They should arrive prior to the end of the school year for distribution to the Girls.

What to expect in the next couple of weeks - CAS process for Top cookie sellers:

1. All provincial cookie advisers will receive an email (early next week) with the List of top reward winners for their respective provinces with the request to confirm in writing that all money for cookies has been collected.
2. Girl Helpers - if the girl's home unit has not registered for Cookie All Stars and the girl qualifies for one of the above categories the Guider that entered her sales will receive her reward.
3. 80 + level rewards will be sent directly to the Girls from national, end of June/ July
4. Please make sure that Guiders **include their iMIS number** for all inquiries to Cookie All Stars, regardless if they are being sent to directly to me or to the cookieallstars@girlguides.ca email. This is crucial for the expedition of requests as I have no way of confirming anything without the iMIS number. All requests or inquiries without personal iMIS number are forwarded to the IM department for details which has a direct effect on speed and efficiency.

Package confirmations: As in the past campaigns total individual sales for each girl are combined by her iMIS number and forwarded to her home unit if registered. That means that sales for Girls fundraising for trips, or as a Girl Helper have been added together after the site was closed for registration. Therefore the final confirmation report after the site closing **may differ** from the Guider's record (printed during registration) depending on when each of the Units registered for rewards. Starting **mid-June** the Cookie All Stars site will be available for Guiders to confirm the content of the packages received. In order to access the site the same log in process applies. Make sure that rewards are distributed according to the final sales numbers.

COOKIE DAYS IN CANADA Here is a snapshot of the info received via the Cookie Days in Canada survey.

- 819 Units responded – 233 Units Sears stores, 150 at SmartCentres locations and 436 self-organized events.
- 83.4% found the Cookie Finder Map either very easy or easy to use.
- Cases sold - 49% sold between 6-15 cases Cookie Days in Canada crests have just been mailed out to Guiders via our mailing house. They should receive them over the next couple of weeks.

COOKIE FINDER MAP The 2016/2017 Guiding year may be coming to a close but there are still some Units, especially those fundraising for trips that will be taking advantage of the many summer fairs, festivals and events to sell more cookies. Using the Cookie Finder map to publicise these cookie selling opportunities is especially useful at this time of year when Girls and cookies are not as visible. Remind Guiders to use the sales event form to log their cookie selling events.

www.girlguides.ca/GGC/Cookies/Find_Cookies/Cookie_Sales_Event_Form/GGC/Cookies/Cookie_Event_Form.aspx.

Jessica McLeod - Parkland Area Cookies

CAMPING

Adult Archery Weekend – we had 10 Guiders participate and a good time was had by all.



Fit to be a Spark – we had 19 Sparks participate in a fun filled day. Thank you to all the Guider's that brought their Girls and helped at all the sessions.

Night Trek – we had 50ish Pathfinders and Ranger participate. Thank you to their Guiders that once again ran amazing stations for the Girls.

OAL – we had 9 participants and all were fed well. They also got to view a bit of Fit to be a Spark and Night Trek

Girl Archery Camp – has been cancelled

Survivor Camp – Sep 29 – Oct 1, 2017. The Parkland Area Event Form and SG forms were sent out if you need them contact Kathy or Marlis. Deadline is Sep 14, 2017

WATCH FOR IT – Provincial Archery Competition summer of 2018☺



I would like to thank my team for all their help and support over the last 3 years, without them there would not have been all the camping events we do for Parkland Area. I look forward to Marlis take the reins and keeping our programs going. Thank you.

Kathy Cawthorpe - Parkland Area Camping Adviser

TRAINING

Van Go - October 13, 14 & 15, 2017.

More information to follow... Once the Districts have chosen which dates they would like us to come then we will have all the details.

Reminder to contact the training team anytime, we're here for you.

Thanks everyone for another great year. Have a wonderful summer.

Lorie Coghill - Parkland Area Training Adviser
403-318-9316 delkel@xplornet.com

CAMP SHERBINO

Prices for Camp Sherbino:

Day use - \$2 per person	Tenting - \$3 per person (as of January 1, 2017)
Building use - \$6 per person	Wood (cut wood only) - \$15 per day
Archery - \$2 per person	Frisbee Golf - \$2 per person
Snowshoes - \$0.50 per person per pair	

Bingo dates for 2017 Nov 4th Golden Poplar; Crimson Star

Hazel Ray - Deputy Parkland Area Commissioner

*******SAVE THE DATE*******

PARKLAND AT THE PINES 2

August 12-18, 2018

This Parkland Area camp is for all age groups and their leaders.

Sparks and their leaders – Day only Aug 13

Brownies and their leaders – 2 nights – Aug 12-14

Guides, Pathfinders, Rangers and their leaders – 6 nights – Aug 12 -18

Keep watching for more information on this exciting camp!!

Parkland Area hopes you are looking forward to a wonderful summer!

The Parkland Area crest has been the same for many Guiding years! Parkland Area Council invites you to send in a submission for a NEW crest. Submissions must be received by August 25, 2017. These new crest drawings can be sent by email, fax, mail, or placed into the lockbox over the summer months. You can only submit once!



Do you have any older Spark, Brownie, Guide, Pathfinder or Ranger uniforms? Parkland Area is collecting one of each branch from the previous uniform options for our heritage box (Sparks were pink, Brownies were orange with blue sleeves, etc.) Please let the Parkland Area Office know ASAP if you or someone you know has one of these uniforms.



SURVIVOR CAMP 2017 **for Pathfinders & Rangers**

Friday, September 29 – Sunday, October 1
Camp Sherbino - \$21.00/girl (\$20.00 plus GST)

Register as a Unit on the Parkland Area Event Form. This year each Unit will be responsible for their own meals. Deadline will be Sept 14, 2017. Email questions to bobmarlis61@hotmail.com



**Girl Guides of Canada - Parkland Area Council
Event Registration Form**

Send form **with** fee by date specified to:
Girl Guides of Canada-Parkland Area Council
BSMT 3757 43 Ave, Red Deer, Alberta T4N 3B7
Note: Payment **MUST** accompany Registration Form

Name of Event: _____ Date: _____

Individual Registration

Applicant's Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
Number _____ Street _____ Town/City _____
Postal Code: _____ E-mail _____
Emergency Contact: _____ Phone _____
Guiding District: _____ UNIT: _____ Years in Guiding: _____
Health or _____
Dietary Restrictions: _____
Adult: Applicant's iMIS Number: _____
Girl: Applicant's iMIS Number: _____

Group Registration

Name of Unit: _____
Contact Guider for the Unit: _____
Phone: _____ E-mail: _____
Home Contact Person: _____ iMIS #: _____

Numbers Attending:

Sparks: _____ Brownies: _____ Guides: _____ Pathfinders: _____
Rangers: _____ Trex: _____ Guiders: _____ Other: _____

- *Please attach a list of Guiders and/or Non-members attending event and their iMIS numbers.*
- *Guiders are to bring health forms and Safe Guide paperwork to the event.*
- *Please attach sheet listing allergies and dietary needs for unit if necessary.*

Special Instructions
Items/information requested from event organizer

Payment Method

Cheque (made payable to Girl Guides of Canada) Amount: \$ _____

Note: The Responsible Guider for the Event will notify you when your registration has been accepted. Additional information may be requested at that time.