

Postings from the PC..... NS Council

Please note: due to the long weekend, the Provincial Office will be closing at 3:30 on Friday May 17th and will re-open on Tues May 21st at 9am.



April showers bring May flowers.

Most people are familiar with this saying, but in Guiding the month of May is filled with camps, finalizing program requirements for girls receiving awards, advancement ceremonies and recognition for Guiders and girls. So many things are happening, with what seems like so little time to complete them all!

Around the Province: April

April saw Young Guiders come together for a weekend of fellowship and learnings, the Trefoil gathered for their Annual meeting, and interested Guiders participate in Outdoor Leadership (OAL) and STREAM Training opportunities. It is rewarding to see all members gather to feed their Guiding spirit and enjoy a variety of Guiding gatherings.



NS is very fortunate to have our members recognized, by their communities, for their contributions.



Congratulations to Emma Little, left (Harvest Trail), and family, and to Jennifer Thornton right (Tri-Waters) on their achievements. And to all those members recognized by your Communities, we also say a huge Congratulations!



The 2019 Women of Excellence Award recognized Jenn Priske, left (Harbourside) for the Entrepreneur/Business Award, and Cheyenne Hardy, right (Dartmouth Shore) Young Women of Distinction Award.

Hannah Kosick saw a need and acted on it! NS is pleased to launch the **Aquatic Ambassador Challenge** which encourages our members to learn more about the ocean and our connection with it.



More Info:
www.girlguides.ns.ca

And then we were in May!



We held sending this PC Posting until after our hugely successful **All SySTEMs Go** event this past weekend!

Over 680 girls and Guiders gathered in Halifax to experience an amazing STEM event co- hosted with the Atlantic Association for Research in the Mathematical Sciences, also known as AARMS.

During this event Guide, Pathfinder, and Ranger aged members, along with Guiders, participated in mini-workshop sessions aimed at increasing awareness and engagement in Science - Technology - Engineering - Mathematics (STEM) disciplines. Everyone got to experience residence life, eat in meal halls, and attend several STEM workshop sessions on Saturday and Sunday. Workshops were run by faculty, graduate students, and others, and covered a wide range of topics and activities related to the Mathematical Sciences. Guiding provided the girls and looked after the admin and logistics and AARMS provided the program and funding! As you can see, the girls learned lots and had a blast!

To the Organizing Team and Guiders who assisted on the day....
Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

These simple words can not begin to explain how thankful I am for each and every one of you and all the tasks you helped with before, during and after the All SySTEMs Go event. Without each and every one of you, the event would not have been the wonderful success that it was. Your ability to work together to achieve this success is so greatly appreciated.

As PC, I sincerely thank you for all your time and efforts, it did not go unnoticed. As a Guider, thank you for providing this opportunity for my girls as they made memories for a lifetime and had an awesome weekend! As one girl said when she met her mom, "Mom- this weekend was awesome, I now want to be a chemist more than ever!"





So, what's coming up?

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General meeting is all set. If you have registered for the event, you would have received an email confirming your attendance and any special requests. If you registered and didn't receive an email – please reach out to ns-officemanager@girlguides.ca ASAP so we can make sure you are included.

Youth Recognition Ceremony

June 8th will see Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers be recognized at the Provincial Youth Recognition Event. Guiders are asked to submit the girls applications forms ASAP so we can include these well deserving girls recognized with their Lady BP, Canada Cord or Chief Commissioner Gold / Trailblazer Awards.

Unified Banking Champions

Do you love balancing the books? Are you comfortable with technology? Do you enjoy mentoring fellow Guiders? Are you an excellent communicator?

If you've answered **YES** to the above, GGC needs you! Currently, GGC is recruiting a small but mighty team of **Unified Banking Champions** to assist with the implementation of the Unified Banking program. As a Unified Banking Champion, you will support current and future Unit Treasurers get ready for their new roles and unit banking processes. You will also be a key advocate for the Unified Banking implementation – showing active and visible support throughout the duration of the project. Want more info-> ns-officemanager@girlguides.ca

Summer Camps

Spark Brownie Camp, Kwahee and Quest are on the horizon. June will see the Sparks and Brownies come together, while July will bring the Guides out camping and end of Sept launches the Pathfinders into Quest!!

Membership Challenge



How cute is this? All members who attended one of the Roadshows to meet and discuss Membership, and all things Guiding, with our Membership Team should have received the "I ♥ Nova Scotia" crest in the mail.

Want the other side too? Then simply spread the word, volunteers are needed, and the experience is worth it! Recruit a new adult member and you both receive the "NS Member".

Provincial Council and Committees Volunteer Opportunities

We have been very fortunate to have some great women step forward to accept provincial roles, but we are still in need of the following.

Because members serve a period of 3 years in a Provincial role, there are several positions that will be available this May and we are looking for interested individuals to join the team.

Currently we have the following roles to be fill prior to our May 25th, 2019 AGM. Time commitment averages 5-10 hours a month. All positions with the exception of the Provincial Treasurer, are three-year terms.

Provincial Treasurer – oversee financial matters of the Nova Scotia Council, works closely with our Provincial Accounting Administrator, Office Manager, and Provincial Council to create budget, complete compliance, complete annual review, and work with Area Treasurers. *(This is a 1 year renewable term up to 5 years).*

Member Services Coordinator – provides assistance and support to the Membership, Public Relations, Training, Link and Trefoil Advisers – experience as an adviser is ideal but not necessary.

Elected Member: Property MGMT – provides assistance and support to the Area Commissioners and Camp Committees for Compliance relate issues. Working with the National office, assists Council with the implementation of the National Property Strategy and Framework.

Elected Member: Youth – works with the Youth Forum to bring the voice of our girls forth to Provincial Council. Planning the Provincial Youth Recognition Event and Ranger events are in this portfolio.

International Adviser – provides oversight to international trips, interprovincial trips and develops resources for international aspects of GGC.

Training Adviser – provides oversight to training needs for all levels of adult Guiding, working with her team assists with coordinating Provincial and Area level trainings.

Please keep in mind that there is also a huge need for women to fill some of the vacant or upcoming vacancies for District Commissioners or District Treasurers, Safe Guide Assessors, Provincial Finance Committee Members, etc.

Please don't hesitate to email me at ns-pc@girlguides.ca if you wish to speak to me about any of these opportunities.

Volunteer Application for Provincial level positions can be found at [Forms](#).

And finally Thank You for all you do,

Lorena

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