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1st Dorval Sparks visit Light a Dream and help shine a light on its program for young people with special needs View the CTV News story here



1st Dorval Sparks at the 'Light a Dream' store in Dorval

Guider Angela Whelton brings her Sparks to this Dorval store every year. It's an outing that's paid for with cookie money and this year their visit was filmed for CTV News! Their involvement and national exposure on Canada AM is an inspiration to us all.

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Highlights:

- <u>Design a Crest Contest</u>
- <u>Upcoming trainings</u>
- LINK new year kick-off
 event
- <u>Staff position available</u> <u>at provincial office</u>



Symposium registration deadline is Friday, January 11!

Don't delay—send us your Symposium registration form today to secure your spot!

REGISTRATION FORM

Already registered? Expect a registration package by email the week of January 14.

The 2013 Guider Symposium will take place on **January 19**, at Champlain College—Saint Lambert. It is a full day event that will bring together Guiders from across the province, featuring guest speakers and stimulating workshops. Sessions will cover a wide variety of topics including embracing and managing differentlyabled girls, innovative programming ideas, conflict management techniques for girls, an introduction to online collaboration tools, and so much more!

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Property Committee News

The Property Committee invites you to a camp fundraising event on January 29 with the



DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2013

- **TICKET COST:** \$20, all profits going to Camp Wa-Thik-Ane
- LOCATION: Louise Chalmers Theatre, Pointe-Claire

Bring your family and friends! Tickets will be available through the Property Committee or by filling out an order form <u>here.</u>

Once your order is processed you will receive an email confirming your ticket reservation. Tickets will be held at the theatre for pick-up on the night of the performance.

Any questions can be sent to the Property Committee at qcpropertycommittee@gmail.com



Driving directions to the Louise Chalmers Theatre - 501 Boulevard Saint-Jean, Pointe-Claire, QC H9R 3K6 from the **Provincial Office:**

1. Head southeast on Boulevard Alexis Nihon toward Voie de Service N	91 m
2. Turn right onto the ramp to Autoroute Côte-de-Liesse/Autoroute 520 W	170 m
3. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for Autoroute 520 O/Autoroute Côte-de-Liesse/Pierre E	liott Trudeau and merge
onto Autoroute Côte-de-Liesse/Autoroute 520 W	7.5 km
4. At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto the Autoroute 20 W ramp to Dorion	120 m
5. Keep left at the fork to continue toward Autoroute 20 W	400 m
6. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for Autoroute 20W/Dorion & merge onto Autoroute 20W	4.7 km
7. Take exit 50N toward Boulevard Saint Jean N	450 m
8. Continue straight	250 m
9. Turn right onto Boulevard Saint-Jean N. Destination will be on the right	800 m





Snow Trails 2013

February 15-17 LAST CALL TO REGISTER!



PATHFINDERS, TREX AND RANGERS AND THEIR GUIDERS:

Don't miss this fantastic weekend – the plans are in place and, for the moment at least, the snow has been delivered!

Please encourage girls to register for this awesome winter adventure!

Final registration <u>deadline is January 30</u>, but spaces are limited, so don't wait and risk disappointment! Click <u>here</u> for the registration form. Contact camping@guidesquebec.ca for any questions.

CAMP:	Centre de plein air du Cap-Saint-Jacques
	215, chemin du Cap-Saint-Jacques
	Pierrefonds, Québec, H9K 1C8
DATE:	February 15-17, 2013
TIME:	7 p.m. on Friday to 2 p.m. on Sunday
COST:	\$75 per Pathfinder/Trex/Ranger
	\$50 per Guider



Link Connection



LINK New Year Kick-off Event!

WHEN: Friday, January 25, 2013 TIME: 8 p.m. - 3 a.m. WHERE: Jimbo's Pub for Comedyworks 1238 Bishop St. (corner Ste-Catherine) Near Guy-Concordia Metro

It's time to kick-start 2013 with some fun and lots of laughs! Join me and the rest of the LINK crew for a fun night out in Montreal to celebrate the beginning of a new year. What better way than with a little comedy! Headlining the show is JR Brow who is well known internationally and has shared the stage with Bill Hicks, Ray Romano, Wanda Sykes, Drew Carey and many others. Be sure to check him out! www.jrbrow.com

> Tickets are \$15 and \$10 for students with a valid ID. *Please note there is also a one drink minimum (of your choice)

> > Hope to see you all there! For any questions feel free to contact me:

> > > Amber LeBrun LINK Specialist amberlebrun@hotmail.com 514-296-8811



Hello Guiders!

A LITTLE MEANS A LOT THROUGH GIRL ENGAGEMENT ...with Best Practices



IDEAS FOR FEBRUARY



"Glitter's" aCtivity idea!

February 22nd is World Thinking day!!

Play a matching game where girls are given Cards that represent symbols of countries (example flag) and have to find another girl that matches the same country with a different symbol (example food)

Learn about member organizations and the World Centres

5 World Centres.

"WORLDWIDE GUIDING"

PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN ABOUT WAGGGS, OUR GUIDING AND SCOUTING SISTER ORGANIZATIONS AND THE WORLD CENTRES

Girls can share a cultural and inclusive experience with other girls from other countries!



Hi! Happy Adventures!

Want to try a dance to welcome people which is performed on many holidays and celebrations throughout Africa, this dance is

named the 'Fanga". It is a cultural experience for all ages! <u>www.pecentral.com</u> see lessons, click dance or check it out on You Tube.



and sending e-cards and

more! <u>www.worldthinkingday.org</u> Create a passport, have a world map on hand, check out the weather in different countries, try a craft, go shopping in different markets, try all kinds of food, find pen pals, learn 10 new words in a different language, celebrate a holiday in that country or send an e-card. Design a whole meeting around one country!

Travel Opportunities - go to <u>www.girlguides.ca</u>. Under *Programs* in drop box, select *International Guiding* and select *Travel Opportunities* and/or *Pen Pals*



Training News

Two Upcoming Training Sessions:

- 1. **RESIDENTIAL CAMPING—LEADING MODULE February 23**
- 2. UNDERSTANDING THE ADULT LEARNER date TBD

See below and the next page for details.

Residential Camping—Leading Module

Saturday, February 23, 2013

This training covers **basic planning and technical skills** needed to take girls on an overnight adventure in a residential facility. (8 hour module)

It is recommended **for new leaders** or **inexperienced campers** to acquire all the skills and knowledge needed to take girls on a one or two night residential camping experience, and to ensure that they have the skills and confidence to deliver a **fun, safe, age-appropriate camp**.

If you want to learn new skills and be better equipped to take girls on outdoor activities and to residential camp, this training is for you. Be better prepared, and take the stress out of finding adventure in the world around us, with girls of all ages.

REGISTRATION

Please send an email to training@guidesquebec.ca with the information below

or fax this page to 514-933-7591

Subject: OAL Residential Camping Feb 2013

Name		iMIS #	(if available)
Spark O	Brownie O	Guide O	Pathfinder O
District			
Telephone number:		email address:	





Understanding the Adult Learner

INTRODUCTION TO ADULT LEARNING (IAL)

Date and time to be determined based on interest

Guiders who love working with adults and want to know more about it are invited to join us for a session on Adult Learning.

Understanding the Adult Learner is intended to provide you with an introduction to:

- principles of adult learning
- learning preferences
- your role in facilitating learning
- how to evaluate learning

Understanding the adult learner is integral to how successful we are in facilitating their learning. By the end of this session, you will be familiar with the basic principles of adult learning, how we learn and what helps us to learn.

Who can benefit from this training?

- \Rightarrow Unit Guiders
- ⇒ District Commissioners (Enrichment Training and Admin)
- \Rightarrow New Trainers (a Pre-requisite)

So why not join us for a few hours to learn more about the topic.

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or fax this page to 514-933-7591

Subject: IA	AL Training		
Name		iMIS #	(if available)
	Guider O	Commissioner O	Member O
District			
Telephone	e number:	email address:_	





DESIGN A CREST!

Spring 2013 Contest



Are you creative?

Want to be a part of history?

Design your very own crest!

For the upcoming 2013-2014 guiding year, each girl who pre-registers during the spring pre-registration period will receive a *Québec Guiding 2013-2014—Guidisme Québec 2013-2014* crest, possibly created by **you!** Interested? Here are the rules:

- 1. There must be a trefoil in your design.
- 2. The following bilingual text must appear: 'Québec Guiding 2013-2014— Guidisme Québec 2013-2014'
- 3. Email your crest design to <u>communications@guidesquebec.ca</u> <u>before</u> <u>March 29, 2013</u>

And that's all. For the rest, use your creativity and let the spirit of Guiding inspire you! (The winning crest may be adjusted to comply with GGC Brand Standards.)

The winning entry will be featured in *The Piccolo* and the winner will receive \$30 to spend shopping at the Girl Guide store!





Program News



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FVebgsnvdpE&feature=youtube_gdata_player

Girl GREEN-ness Starts Here

Check out nationalserviceproject.ca

Why not bring our project to your community, or your school, and make a greener earth near you!

NOTE: tree planting grant funding is still available, and can be used for the planting of trees or shrubs and other large perennials

Cookie News

For District Commissioners and Cookie Advisers:

 Please submit your spring 2013 cookie orders to <u>cookies@guidesquebec.ca</u> no later than January 15



For All Guiders:

- Thank you for all your cookie-selling efforts! Remember, this is how we can continue to offer great programming for the girls and other provincial initiatives.
- <u>Send us</u> your cookie stories, including cookie box craft ideas so we can share them in *The Piccolo*





International News



Thinking Day 2013

Please see the <u>December 2012 *Piccolo*</u> for links to information on **Pen Pals** and the **WAGGGS World Thinking Day Challenge**

GGC Twinning Challenges

Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada has been "twinned" with two countries: Curaçao and Grenada. Challenges, with crests, have been created for you to work on with your girls. There are fun activities to learn more about these two small Caribbean countries. Read more <u>here.</u>



Canadian World Friendship Fund Pizza Challenge

As mentioned in the December 2012 *Piccolo,* we have a new challenge:

It is never too soon to plan how to raise money for the Canadian World Friendship Fund and to start raising the money. There will be two pizza parties awarded up to a value of \$100 each. The first will go to the Unit that has the year's most novel way to raise the funds so get those creative juices running! The second party is for the Unit that raises the most per person registered in the Unit, including the Guiders.

Get your girls thinking about how they can raise money. There will be an entry form in the February *Piccolo*. We will compile and share a list of great ideas. The deadline will be April 30, 2013.

Camping Connections

Whether it's for camping or another type of activity, if you're interested in connecting with another Unit, keep watching this space!

* The 1st Ste-Geneviève Pathfinders meet Tuesday nights and are interested in joining up with other Pathfinders Units to do activities, including on the weekend. They are a group of 14 girls (including 2 Rangers) with 3 leaders. <u>Contact us</u> if you're interested in connecting with them!



First Aid Courses







REMINDERS:

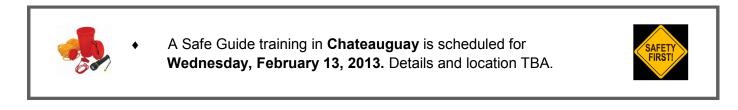
- It's time to check your First Aid certification expiry date! Now is the time to find your First Aid Certification Card and check when it expires. All cards should carry an expiration date, and all qualifications should be in iMIS including this date. If your certification will expire before the end of this Guiding year, start planning the time to take a course to update your knowledge and skills. There have been many changes over the past three years! Be aware that there is NO period of grace if you wish to be the First Aider for an upcoming Guiding event. You either have a <u>current</u> certification, or you do not. One day can make a lot of difference to your Unit's plans!
- All Pulse Aide Inc. courses include the Canadian Red Cross First Aid and CPR/AED Revised Program Standards for 2012, and the new Red Cross Manual. Certification is valid for 3 years from the date of the certification.
- Details of First Aid requirements for Safe Guide activities are found in the <u>Safe Guide document</u> in the *Guider Resources* section of the GGC website.
- Upon completion of a recognized First Aid training, GGC-Québec Council will reimburse 2/3 of the cost for an adult Guider.



Safe Guide News

Safe Guide, our risk management program, must be completed within six months of becoming a registered Guider. Many new Guiders will need to complete this training by March 2013. So why wait until the last minute? Contact your DC to arrange a training.

DCs: To avoid any panic, book a Safe Guide training for your district NOW. Contact <u>safe-</u> <u>guide@guidesquebec.ca</u> or <u>louise.triggs@rocler.com</u>. Give us two dates to choose from, book a location, and we'll get rolling. It will be advertised in the next *Piccolo*.



Note: If a Guider is interested in joining another district's Safe Guide training, please contact Louise at 450-247-2430 or send an email to the addresses above so the trainer can be notified.





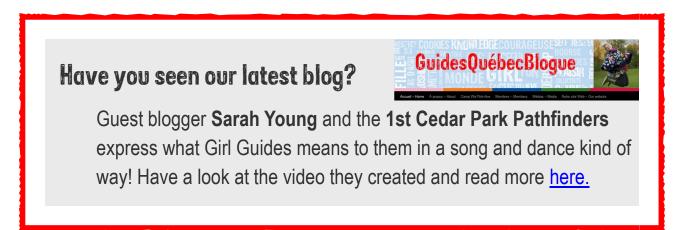




WINTER ACTIVITIES: toboganning / skating / skiing / sledding / nature walks / winter camp...

It's a wonderful time of the year to take your girls outside and have fun in a safe way. Guiders, please check Section 4 of *Safe Guide* for activity guides about the above-mentioned activities. The section on TPSPs (Third Party Service Providers) on page 72 also provides some helpful information where applicable. Enjoy the winter season!

- Louise Triggs, Safe Guide Adviser





Treasurers' Trove

January; a time of quiet recovery after the hectic holidays. The children are back at school, snowflakes drift softly down, and you've got peace and quiet to get your Guiding finances in order before the end of the month! But of course that will only take an hour or two at most if you've kept up to date all year, as I am sure many of you have!

Please make sure you include all supporting documents with your financial books when you give them to your District Treasurer (Units and Trefoil Guilds) or the provincial office (Districts) for review. This is the biggest cause for delays in getting the books back to you, especially as we review the District books.

The deadline for submitting your books for review is January 31. This applies to both Unit and District books.

Remember that you must use independent reviewers (no signing officers, relations or business connections) for the Unit books. Usually this can be done at a book review party of all the Unit Treasurers.

This year, we will have the District Treasurers review each other's books in a similar format as we have had in the past. We will probably meet at the same time as the DCs; sometime in February would suit most people. Those who attend will be able to take their books home with them. Hope to see you all then!

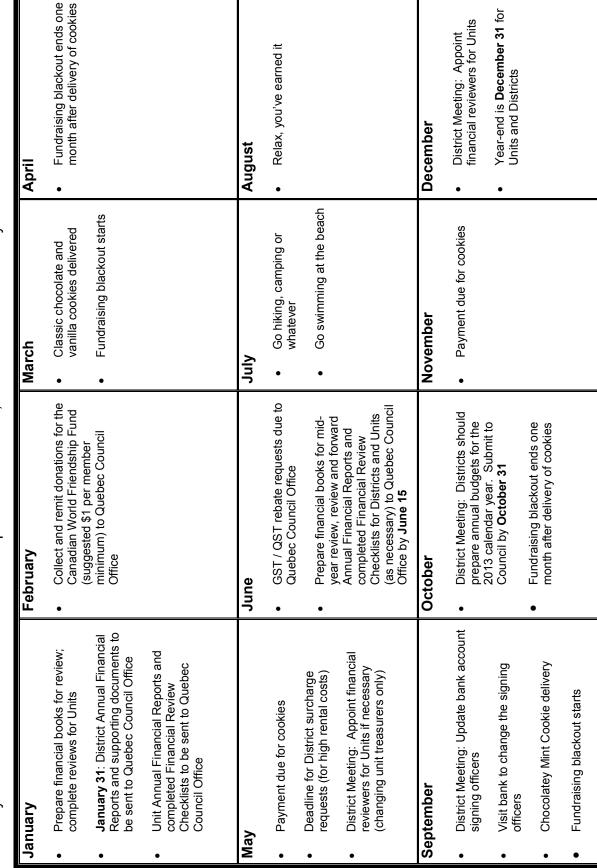
Check out the <u>Unit and District Treasurers' Handbooks</u> for help and the complete list of what must accompany your books when you send them for review. They are on the GGC Quebec website under <u>'Forms'</u>. The updated 2013 Financial Package will be available on the website as soon as possible. In the meantime, you can access it <u>here</u>.

Financial Training

If anyone wishes to attend or host a Financial Training, please let me know. This training will give you all the information you need to help you use the electronic forms and keep your books up to date.

If you need help, as always, you can find me at: dsn@guidesquebec.ca

Dawn Coffey Treasurer Support Specialist Check out the next two pages for the Unit and District Treasurer's Calendar in both English and French.



Check your Treasurer's Handbook for more specific information; this is a brief outline only. Unit and District Treasurer's Calendar





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Jŝ	Janvier	Février	Mars	Avril
•	Préparation des documents pour la révision financière	Collection des fonds pour le pour « Les fonds d'Amitié Mondiaux Canadiane » (& 1	Livraison des biscuits classiques : chocolat et	Activités de financement permises un mois après la
•	31 janvier : le Rapport annuel du secteur et les documents justificatifs doivent être envoyés au conseil québécois	monuaux canauens » (Aucune activité de faccoración activité de 	
•	les Rapports annuels des unités et les Listes de vérification de la révision financière doivent être envoyés au conseil québécois		pendant un mois	
Mai	ai	Juin	Juillet	Août
•	Payement des biscuits au conseil québécois	• 15 juin: Date limite pour la	Camping, marche,	 Détendez-vous, vous l'avez
•	31 mai : la demande d'autorisation de percevoir des frais supplémentaires doit être soumise au Conseil ouébécois	remboursement de TPS/TVQ	 Profitez du temps chaud pour la baignade et les 	
•	Conseil du secteur: résolutions désignant les responsables de la révision financière pour les unités s'il y a changement de trésorière	 Préparation des documents pour la révision financière mi-exercice pour le 15 juin 	plaisirs de la plage	
Ň	Septembre	Octobre	Novembre	Décembre
•	Conseil du secteur: résolutions désignant les signataires autorisées pour les comptes du secteur et pour les unités	Conseil du secteur: approbation du budget annuel du secteur, pour l' annot 2013	 Payement des biscuits au conseil québécois 	 Conseil du secteur: résolutions désignant les responsables de la révision financière pour les
•	Signataires autorisées se rendent à la banque pour s'identifier et signer	annee 2013. A sourneure au conseil québécois pour le 31 octobre		 La fin de l'exercice financier à tous los airocurs dos CCC out
•	Livraison des biscuits chocolatés à la menthe	 Activités de financement permis un mois après la livraison des hiscuite 		fixée au 31 décembre
•	Aucune activité de financement permise pendant un mois			

Calendrier des Trésorières des Unités et Secteurs



News from the Provincial Office

INTRODUCING... Nina-Marie Bournival

I'm thrilled to start off the new year by being welcomed into the Girl Guide family. I am also honored to take on some of the responsibilities of our beloved Emily Koehler-Lemaire (Membership, Marketing and Public Relations Coordinator) while she is on maternity leave until April 22, 2013. For the next few months I will be avidly working on the Girls Leading Tomorrow Provincial PR Campaign, helping with the launch and maintenance of our new website, I will continue to chair the PR Adviser Committee, and maintain our social media outlets: Facebook, Twitter, blogs. I will also be working on the Spring Recruitment Campaign



and we will have the pleasure of meeting as I will be the emcee at this year's Guider Symposium next week!

As Public Relations Assistant I will be your go-to person over the next four months for the following:

District PR Adviser support Social media Blog submissions PR materials Recruitment event support Provincial PR Campaign Spring Recruitment Campaign Festi-Guides promoting

Never hesitate to contact me at <u>medias.guides@gmail.com</u>. I have been interning with Emily since August 2012 on the Provincial PR Campaign and feel confident that she has passed on her infinite wisdom. I look forward to getting to know all of you in the exciting new year of 2013!

Staff Position Available: BOOKKEEPER

It is with regret that we announce the resignation of our bookkeeper, Carol Deschenes, to pursue another career opportunity in February.

We are therefore inviting applications for the position of Bookkeeper at GGC–GdC, Québec Council. As knowledge of Guiding is a definite asset, we are advertising first within the Guiding community. If no suitable applicant is found, we will advertise more widely.

The bookkeeper's responsibility is to ensure that accurate and up to date financial information is available to the Québec Council and that all obligations are met on a timely basis.

We are looking for a mature person who has an understanding of the importance of confidentiality. This person should have a varied accounting background. A good knowledge of Simply Accounting (SAGE) is required. The person should be conscientious and show initiative. Guiding experience is a definite asset. The work schedule will be one day a week; this is a paid position, salary to be discussed.

All applicants should forward a CV to Susan Welsh, Director of Operations: <u>guides-quebec.manager@bellnet.ca</u>.

Would you like to order Québec Spin or Chocolate Challenge crests?

Write to us at programsupport@guidesquebec.ca, include the number of crests you'd like and your mailing address. Payment can be made by cheque or credit card. Here are some links to remind you of what the challenges are all about:

Québec Spin Challenge EN | FR

Spin centre crests are \$1.50* each Spin outer segments are \$0.85* each

Québec Chocolate Challenge

Crests are \$1.50* each

*plus tax and shipping—or use the option of picking up your order at the provincial office

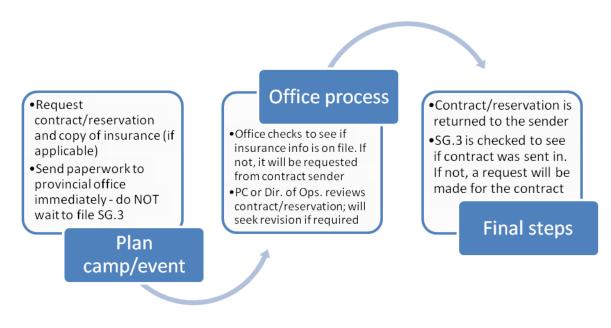


News from the Provincial Office

Important Information for Contracts, Agreements, Reservations and Insurance

As a reminder, all contracts (for meeting space, sleepover locations, camp locations, etc.) **must** be signed by the PC or her designate (Director of Operations) - <u>no exceptions.</u> The agreement should include a summary of terms and conditions. Send them as early as possible to <u>programsupport@guidesquebec.ca</u>.

GGC also requires **proof of liability insurance** in order to sign contracts. For facilities or service providers not regularly used by GGC, please request a copy of their general liability insurance (certificate or summary of policy) at the time the contract or rental agreement is negotiated. (The provincial office will then keep a copy for future reference.)



Camp Wa-Thik-Ane site bookings for the 2013 season are filling up quickly



Don't be disappointed—reserve your favourite site today!

- * Camp Wa-Thik-Ane General Information_2013
- * Camp Wa-Thik-Ane Rental Rates 2013
- * <u>Camp Wa-Thik-Ane Reservation</u> Form and Policy_2013

Call us at 514-933-5839 to inquire about availability.





GGC-QC 2012-2013 Event Calendar

DATE	EVENT
JANUARY 19	Guider Symposium
FEBRUARY 15-17	Snow Trails
FEBRUARY 23	OAL Training and DC/Adviser/Council Meeting (1/2 day Saturday)
APRIL	Pre-registration for returning girls begins
MAY 2	GGC-QC Annual General Meeting
MAY 11	Young Women's Forum
MAY 28	DC/Adviser/Council Meeting (Tuesday, 6 p.m. – 10 p.m.)
MAY (TBD)	Festi-Guides: Adventure Trek
JULY 7 - 27	Summer Camp at Wa-Thik-Ane

Reminder: Summer Camp at Wa-Thik-Ane set for July 7 - 27

- * Are you interested in volunteering? You can complete an application form <u>here.</u>
- Camp Wa-Thik-Ane is looking for waterfront staff for 2013 including a Waterfront Director, lifeguards, lifesavers, and a Boating Specialist. Details about this and about summer camp can be found in the <u>December Piccolo</u>
- Questions? Contact Angle at <u>camp-</u> ing@guidesquebec.ca or Nissa at <u>nis-</u> sagrant@hotmail.com

