



Welcome to SVI News!

The SVI News is sent to every adult member and Ranger in SVI Area. It comes out after Area meetings and it contains information that is time sensitive or that Guiders need to know or can use to develop programming for the girls. We are making a change in the distribution of materials, so that all upcoming events and programming material will be in the SVI News and the success, highlights and community connections will be in the Lamplighter, which will also become an E-Newsletter. To ensure that all guiders are receiving current and relevant information, this change means that our SVI News issues may have more attachments and be longer than 2 pages. It is important that members make sure that their current email address is listed in iMIS.

All issues of the SVI News can be found on our website www.svigailguides.bc.ca under *Guiding in SVI*.

On line registration update...

Unit Guiders should remind their parents that online registration is coming to BC this spring for fall 2012. At the very least Parents will need to know their daughter's iMIS number and the correct name or iMIS number of the unit they want their daughter to attend. SVI Area Council and iMIS advisers are working on a way to get the information formerly contained on the A5R forms to the hands of parents in a confidential manner without the expense and waste of printing thousands of sheets of paper. Further information will be coming from Province before the late April launch of registration.

Area Treasurer needed...



Treasurer wanted for the area. Starting as soon as possible but end of April at the latest.. Term is renewed annually in May up to a maximum of 5 years.

Duties include overseeing the financial health of the area, mentoring district and unit treasurers, compiling annual reports and compliance documents and working with the bookkeeper and day to day deputy to manage the affairs of the area. Communication with the Area Council members and the Provincial Council as needed.

Qualifications include a knowledge of accounting principles, an understanding of Guiding's Mission and Vision and Guiding culture, good communication skills (written and spoken) and an understanding of Simply Accounting.

Average time commitment is 2 to 3 hours a week on email, phone calls, cheque signing and meetings, 4 hours a month related to Area Council meetings, 6-8 hours on budget preparation over the months of September and October every year, 5-7 hours in February and March for the annual consolidated report and 10 hours in May with the Area Commissioner(s) for preparation of the compliance documents.

There is a conference every other year in Vancouver which is extremely useful and there could be other orientation visits to the mainland. Interested applicants are invited to contact the SVI Area Commissioner Team at svicommissioners@gmail.com

DID YOU KNOW? That non-member unit assistants must now sign a Code of Conduct and have it recorded in iMIS? This requirement is new as of September 2011. Any non-members without a recorded Code of Conduct will be cancelled at the end of the month. Non-members who have been cancelled can be reinstated as soon as a date of signature of the Code of Conduct is entered in iMIS.



SAVE THE DATE - Friday Feb 17, 2012

Girl Guide/Scout Night at Royals Hockey Game

Ticket prices are less this year- only \$11 for our special rate. Units are encouraged to order tickets together as you will be then seated as a group. The ticket order code to receive the special rate will be released next week so watch for an email flyer or call the SVI office for info.

Upcoming Trainings -

Jan. 27 & 28 2012

RESIDENTIAL OAL

7:00pm Fri. & Sat. Kingswood

Still space but you must register by Jan 23

March 2 – 4, 2012

REKINDLE- Retreat Weekend and Super Saturday Training at KINGSWOOD

Renew Guiding friendships and have some fun as well as the opportunity to take a couple of modules of training if you wish or just come out to camp. SEE INFO SHEET AND REGISTRATION FORM on following pages.

Sat. Apr 28 - 29 2012

TENTING OAL at Jubilee

9:00 am Sat-noon Sun

For more information on the above please email svitraining@gmail.com

Sunday February 12

Flatwater Solo Level II- Second Level of the Basic Flatwater Canoeing Courses. This day will include the Level 1 tandem rescues at a local pool which will complete the Flatwater Tandem course for those who took it earlier this year. Then the rest of the day will be held at the Gorge VCKC Canoe Club for the Solo Flatwater Canoe Course: a course that will help you really understand your boat and improve your stroke technique. Approximate cost (subject to change) is ~\$10 for the pool session plus \$25 for the Solo Course. All participants must have taken Basic Tandem to participate.

Those interested in participating please send an email to Chloe to register. chloe.faught@gmail.com

Deadline Jan 31.

UPCOMING EVENTS -Keep these dates free

Saturday April 14- Camp Clean-up Day at both Jubilee and Kingswood

Sat Apr 21 and Sun Apr 22- Camp Skills Days for 2nd year Brownies and 1st year Guides at Kingswood.

Programming information and opportunities

BC Program Committee Roadshow- as part of the REKINDLE training event members of the BC Program Committee will present lots of great program ideas to use in your units. Session is on Saturday March 3 from 7:00 – 10 pm at Kingswood. See REKINDLE information sheet on following pages. If you can't attend any other part of REKINDLE, this is the session to attend to help you with programming for your unit.

THE SVI GIRL GUIDES COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS CHALLENGE



All of information as well as the Crest order form and an evaluation for each Challenge section is available from the office or on the SVI Website:

Please complete the **CREST ORDER** form and the appropriate evaluation form for the section complete with pictures if possible (ensure the members involved have a Yes on the IR.1 and that that you have permission from non-Guiding persons) and return to:

Guide House, 938 Mason Street, Victoria,
V8T 1A2 in a envelope, marked
"SVI Community Connections Challenge"
OR fax to 250-384-1934 OR email
svigirlguides@uniserve.com

New International Challenges



World Thinking Day is February 22. WAGGGS theme this year is "We can save our planet". Activity package is at www.worldthinkingday.org

2012 WTD crest is available from the online store.

More International.....

CWFF Pizza Challenge- is a challenge from BC International Committee. The challenge can be found on the BC website at : www.bcgirlguides.org/resources/international/canadian-world-friendship-fund-cwff/

Deadline for entry forms to Area International Advisor, Merlane Quon, is March 31, 2012. Email the challenge form or send or drop to Guide House during office hours and put on outside of envelope, "CWFF Pizza Challenge".

Twining Country Challenge- Grenada and Curacao information from BC Province out soon.

SUPER SATURDAY TRAINING DAY- MARCH 3RD, 2012

9:00-4:00

Offering you the opportunity to experience training modules:

- Building strong teams
- Leading active games
- International Guiding
- Event Planning



This training day is now part of a larger event known as **REKINDLE 2012**

REKINDLE 2012

SVI Training Team is offering the opportunity for you to escape the rush of life and come and join us at Camp Kingswood for the Weekend (March 2-4, 2012) - or any part of it. You can choose to take the module training or not.

It is a chance to unwind and celebrate Guiding, and Guiding friendships while enjoying the outdoors and beauty of Kingswood Camp. It is a chance to renew your commitment to Guiding and create a greater sense of sisterhood.

The weekend will unfold as follows:

Friday night: 7:00pm and on- a chance to visit, share, and campfire- no organized program

Saturday: Breakfast

Module Training: 9:00-4:00pm

– **OR- do your own thing** (knit socks, read a book, finish a project, etc)

Lunch

Dinner

Program Committee Road Show- 7:00-10:30pm – lots of great ideas

Sunday: Breakfast

Clean Up

Conversation- Questions and Answers What Next?

Overnight spaces are limited to the capacity of the building. First come, first served.

REGISTRATION form on next page. **PLAN** to join us for any or all of the weekend.

REKINDLE 2012 March 2nd-4th

Name _____ IMIS #(if known) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Branch (age group you work with or...) _____

District _____

Do you have any previous Guiding experience? Youth _____ years

Adult _____ years

Fees: Enclose cheque for the amount tallied.

Cheques are to be made out to "Girl Guides of Canada-SVI Area."

If paying for more than one Guider, this needs to be noted on the cheque.

Registration form and cheque may be dropped off at Guide House or mailed to:

SVI Area Training, 938 Mason St., Victoria BC V8T 1A2

Deadline for registration is FEBRUARY 24.

Questions? SVI Training Adviser svitraining@gmail.com

CHOOSE YOUR OPTION:

TRAINING MODULES- 9:00am - 4:00pm (includes lunch and snacks) \$15.00 _____

You may choose to do 1, 2, 3 or all modules. Indicate the ones you are interested in:

Building Strong Teams _____
Leading Active Games _____
International Guiding _____
Event Planning _____

WEEKEND EVENT including modules chosen above \$35.00 _____

WEEKEND EVENT –NOT including modules (do your own thing) \$25.00 _____

OR- an a la carte menu of choices

Evening only \$ 1.00 each Friday night \$1.00 _____

Saturday night \$1.00 _____

Saturday dinner \$4.00 _____

Overnight plus breakfast Friday \$7.50 _____

Saturday \$7.50 _____

TOTAL: _____

TOTAL COST: _____