



# SVI News

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### 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. All upcoming events and programming material are in the SVI News and the successes, highlights and community connections are in the Lamplighter that is also 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 attached and be longer than 2 pages.

All issues of the SVI News can be found on our website ([www.svgirlguides.bc.ca](http://www.svgirlguides.bc.ca)) under Guiding in SVI).

Need to contact the office – [svgirlguides@shaw.ca](mailto:svgirlguides@shaw.ca)

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### GUIDE AND SCOUT NIGHT - VICTORIA GRIZZLIES!



Thursday, January 19 at 7:00pm at The Q Centre Arena in Colwood. Tickets are only \$5 for those in uniform!

There will be a collection bin for food donations for Hike for Hunger, so don't forget your non-perishable food items!

### GUIDE AND SCOUT NIGHT - VICTORIA ROYALS!



Saturday, March 4 at 7:05pm at Save on Foods Memorial Arena in Victoria.

### LAMPLIGHTER

Your Lamplighter Editor wants to hear about and see pictures of all the fun you and your unit are having. Send your pictures and write ups to [svilamplighter@gmail.com](mailto:svilamplighter@gmail.com). You don't have to be an author, just send the information and the talented Lamplighter crew will do the rest.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Araina Golding – New SVI Area Camping Adviser  
Can be reached by email at new email address [svicampadviser@gmail.com](mailto:svicampadviser@gmail.com)



### AWARDS

Every Guider is eligible to receive awards and it is a simple process to nominate somebody. If you think there is a deserving Guider in your Unit or District, contact your District Commissioner for help or the Area Awards Adviser, Daphne McGregor-Greer at [dgreer@telus.net](mailto:dgreer@telus.net)



### IMIS NUMBER VS SIGNATURE

For all Girl Guides of Canada internal documents your IMIS Number is the equivalent of your signature and can be used, provided that your name is also clearly indicated.



### FINANCIAL REVIEWS

Unit, District and Property financial records are due in for review as soon as the December bank statement has been received and reconciled. Please ensure that your books are complete, necessary forms provided and all documentation included and forward them to the next Guiding level up for review.

### CAMP CLEAN UPS

If any of your parents want to help out by taking on a task at a camp, please contact Darcy at the office – she will put them in touch with the right person.



### GUIDE HOUSE OFFICE

When coming in during the week to visit the office, please remember that only the first 5 parking spaces in front of the door are for our use at those times. The rest of the spots are rented out Monday to Friday 7:30 to 5:30 and are not available for Guiders during regular office hours. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

### SVI AREA ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Are you doing something fun with your unit? Take a picture (make sure girls have signed image release) and send it with a brief description to Cassandra to post on the SVI Twitter and Facebook!  
Email [girlguidespr@gmail.com](mailto:girlguidespr@gmail.com) or text [250 516-4346](tel:2505164346).

Please let your families know about our Facebook page – Girl Guides of Canada Southern Vancouver Island Area and our Twitter feed @VictoriaGuides.

Also check out the Area website - [www.svirlguides.bc.ca](http://www.svirlguides.bc.ca)

## CALENDAR



The SVI Area Calendar is available on the SVI Area website and contains lots of dates for the coming year. Calendar will be updated as dates are added.

### **DATES TO NOTE**

**January 19** - Guide Scout Night – Victoria Grizzlies

**January 22** – Canada Cord/Chief Commissioners' Gold Award Ceremony

**February 1** – Lamplighter submission deadline

**February 4** - SVI Area Training Day

**February 22** – Thinking Day

**March 4** - Guide Scout Night- Victoria Royals

**April 8 & 9** – Classic Cookie Blitz

**April 22** – SVI Area Annual Awards Night

**May 1** – Lamplighter submission deadline

**May 26-28** – Pre-SOAR camp – remember that attendance at a Pre-SOAR camp is required for girls to attend SOAR 2017.

**June 3 & 4** – Tetley Tea fundraiser for girls on selected travel trips.

**July 22-29** – SOAR – Smithers, BC

Training information available at <http://www.svirlguides.bc.ca/training>

### **MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAYS**

Human Rights Day – December 10

Hunger Awareness Day – May 28, 2017

Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday – July 2017

Check out the list of Special Days we'll be celebrating in the 2016-2017 Guiding year and related programming links at

[https://www.girlguides.ca/WEB/GGC/Programs/Specialized\\_Programming/MAD\\_Days/GGC/Programs/Specialized\\_Programming/MAD\\_Days/MAD\\_Days.aspx?hkey=c763967c-68dd-4511-955f-3217f5a24aaa](https://www.girlguides.ca/WEB/GGC/Programs/Specialized_Programming/MAD_Days/GGC/Programs/Specialized_Programming/MAD_Days/MAD_Days.aspx?hkey=c763967c-68dd-4511-955f-3217f5a24aaa)

## HELP WANTED!

SVI Area is always looking for new faces to work at the Area and Committee level. Some require skills and some just require a passion for the job. If you think you would be interested in any of these jobs, please contact the AC team – we are glad to discuss the requirements with you. Please share these job openings with the parents in your District or Unit – not all of them require membership in Girl Guides of Canada.

We need:

- Members of the Area Camping Committee - passionate about getting girls out camping and helping them to learn camping skills? – this one's for you!
- Members of the Area Program Committee & an Area Program Adviser – love to share program ideas and create activities? We need you here!
- Member of the Property Management Committee to chair the Guide House Committee – help oversee the maintenance of Guide House
- Member of the Property Management Committee to chair the Bowker Hall Committee – help oversee the maintenance and management of Bowker Hall.
- Member of the Property Management Committee to chair the Jubilee Camp Committee – help oversee the maintenance and management of Camp Jubilee.
- Financial Review Team - bookkeepers or accountants to take on unit and District reviews – perfect if you want a job for a couple of days twice a year.
- Members of Area Camp Committees – want to take on maintenance and upkeep of our camps? - terrific job for a handy person.
- Area Membership Adviser – assists with potential members, screening and recruitment – this is a job that can be done from home.
- A skilled building inspector – required once per year for four properties with buildings
- Camp paperwork specialist – if you're interest in management plans, future planning and writing grant proposals this is the job for you.



The previously cancelled meeting for people interested in getting involved in Camping activities in SVI has been rescheduled to Sunday January 22 at 1:30 pm at Guide House. The Program meeting will be rescheduled to a date in February. The SVI office will send out a date once determined.

**WATERSHED WARDEN PROGRAM**

A resource kit for this program has been created for Guiders wishing to do a clean water or watershed themed program with their unit. Details are available on the SVI website at <http://www.svigirlguides.bc.ca/program> . Suitable for all branches.

**MINUTES AND RECORDS**

Are you the keeper of the old minutes of Districts, Divisions or Committees in SVI Area? We are required to keep these minutes indefinitely and would like them all stored at Guide House – eventually old records stored in peoples’ garages get thrown away. If you have any of these minutes, please bundle them up and deliver them to Guide House (or email them to [svicommissioners@gmail.com](mailto:svicommissioners@gmail.com)).

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**FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES IN SVI AREA**

SOAR patrols are busy fundraising for patrol fees and transportation costs. Listed below are the various product sales and other fundraisers taking place. If you are interested in any of the products or supporting them in any way, please contact them directly at the email address noted. Groups fundraising who wish to advertise their products, activities, etc., please email [svicommissioners@gmail.com](mailto:svicommissioners@gmail.com) with details and clip art.

**Portage Inlet District – [portageinletdistrict@gmail.com](mailto:portageinletdistrict@gmail.com)**

Purdy’s Chocolate Bars - Milk Chocolate or Dark Chocolate - \$2 / ea



**Bottle Depot Account**

We’re collecting bottles – can you help? A Bottle Depot Account has been set up for Portage Inlet District for people to make donations. Take your returnables to the Glanford, Queens Ave or Quadra St locations. Sort them and take them up to the cashier. Before they begin the transaction, advise the cashier that you would like to donate your bottles to the **Portage Inlet District** account. It’s as easy as that!



Donate your gently used household items. **Accepted items include:** clothing, shoes, accessories, bedding, linens, bath items, toys and books. Please package your clothing and other small items in kitchen sized bags for ease of movement. We will be collecting items prior to our main collection date (Feb 18). If you would like to donate items prior to February 18<sup>th</sup> please contact us to arrange drop off.

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Spring 2017 - If you are interested in products from these companies, please contact Portage Inlet District

**1<sup>st</sup> COLWOOD PATHFINDERS – [duckoftheworld@hotmail.com](mailto:duckoftheworld@hotmail.com) – 778-587-2817**



#### SPAGHETTI DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION

February 10 2017; 6 – 10 pm at the Langford Legion. Adults - \$12; Child - \$6; Family (up to two parents and four children) - \$25. Tickets available now



**PANAGO PIZZA GIFT CERTIFICATES** – now available for purchase  
\$12 buys a voucher for any medium pizza on the menu. Limited quantities

1<sup>st</sup> Colwood Pathfinders will be at the following locations:

March 5 – Victoria Flea Market – Royal Canadian Legion – 411 Gorge Road East – 9am – 3pm

- Used books, Vesey bulbs catalogue orders

March 12 – Langford Legion Spring Craft Fair, 761 Station Avenue – 10 am – 2pm

- Home baked goodies



Both **Portage Inlet District** and **1<sup>st</sup> Colwood Pathfinders** are participating in catalogue sales of Veseys's Seed Products. <http://www.veseys.com/ca/en/>