

MONASHEE AREA COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS June 4, 2011



Notes from National:

- ▶ **Funded Units Initiative:** National has funding from a third party that will help with newly created units. 100% of the costs for the first year will be covered (uniforms, books, etc.)
- ▶ **National new position:** Communications Adviser
- ▶ **National membership fee** is now \$50. (BC fee is \$95.)
- ▶ **PEI Council** is now an Area within New Brunswick.

Notes from BC Council:

- ▶ **Cookies:** Effective 2012 classic cookie campaign cost will go from \$4.00 to \$5.00/box. National will take \$4.00/case (first time National has taken anything). The Board has not made a decision on the remaining \$8.00 profit from this increase. More information will follow.
- ▶ **Adult Membership Fees:** BC Council passed a motion to pay the membership fees for all adults in the province. (Districts will have more funds!) If Guiders want to pay their own fees, they should make a donation to GGC – BC Council and get a tax receipt.
- ▶ **Online Registration:** By this time next year, it is anticipated that we will be doing all girl registrations online. Please ensure that all unit information is correct, including location and capacity. [Default is as follows: Sparks –16, Brownies – 20, Guides/Pathfinders/Rangers – 24. You need to change the number if your capacity is different.] Three provinces are working with online registration now to work out bugs; 3 more will go on in the fall.
- ▶ **Sept 22 – National Day of the Girl.** Suggestion to do a “Flash Mob” at Orchard Park.

Monashee Area Business:

- ▶ **Area Conference:** A Monashee Area Conference was approved for the fall of 2012. A planning team is needed.
- ▶ **Project Proposals for 2012** were presented and approved as follows:

Arts Training	\$700.00
Cupcakes & Candles	\$980.00
GFSC	\$382.00
Global	\$1,395.00
Guider Conference	\$4,000.00
It's Magenta	\$345.00
Let's Camp S'More	\$900.00
Nite Trek	\$2,500.00
OAL Training	\$1,650.00
Rock N Roll Camp	\$1,530.00
Spark Spree Brownie Revel	\$1,890.00
Under The Boughs	\$532.00
Total	\$16,804.00

- ▶ **Area Treasurer:** Roni has been unable to find a person to replace Brenda Anthony as Area Treasurer. We will look into hiring person to do the Area books. In order to do this, the Area portion of the fee was increased from \$5.00 to \$10.00.

From Your Advisers:

- **International – Teresa Watt**
 - Monashee would like to issue a challenge to the other areas to raise money for CWFF. All units are challenged to raise \$5/girl.
- **Camping – Patrice Schoepfner and Colleen Aven**
 - Crests for the BC Camping Challenge (“Slice of Spring”) are available directly from Patrice for \$1/crest.
 - Scouting will be invited to join us for the next Nite Trek.
- **Training – Sheila Fergusson**
 - The new OAL has been added to the TEAM chart on the National Website. There is a new tracking form.
 - Choices is planned for November 2011. No Choices for 2012 because there will be the Area Conference.
 - Guiders will be asked to send personal cheques to pay for TEAM trainings. These will be returned if you attend the training and will only be cashed for no-shows.
- **Membership – Gail Rose**
 - Recruitment letters are available on the BC website.
 - Check out the “One by One by One” Challenge in the April *Pipeline*.
 - New Challenge: “Heart to Heart Community Challenge” will have a 6-part crest for participation in community projects. Watch the Monashee Area website and “Program Jewels” for more information.
- **Program – Julie Thomson**
 - The new STEM Challenge is on the BC website.
 - Districts are requested to purchase 5 GPS units for use in future GPS workshops.
 - There will be Patrol Leader training in the fall.
- **iMIS – Michelle Somerville**
 - A5 and A5Rs should be sent to Michelle as soon as they are completed. Don’t wait for the whole unit!
 - Please note that camps and events are NOT entered for girls other than provincial level and above. The system cannot handle that amount of data!
- **Awards – Judy Surkon**
 - Check the BC website for information about awards:
<http://www.bc-girlguides.org/resources/about-awards/>
 - *Spirit of Monashee*, a special award to honour a Guider of Monashee Area, was approved by Council. Roni will take this forward to Province.

Upcoming Dates: (Keep checking the Monashee Area Website!)

June 18-19	Vancouver Aquarium trip for Brownies
July 23-30	SOAR – Agassiz
September 17	First Meetings & Programming for the Girl Training – Armstrong
Weeks of Sept 19 and Sept 26	First Meetings & Programming for the Girl Training – Kelowna and West Kelowna (weekday evenings)
September 23-25	Outdoor Activity Leadership (OAL) Training – Camp Tillicum
September 23-25	Mix It Up (provincial event for Guides & Pathfinders in Aldergrove)
October 15	First Meetings & Programming for the Girl Training – Summerland or Keremeos
October 28-30	Let’s Camp S’More – Camp Arbuckle
November 5-7	Provincial Trainings for DCs and District Treasurers, Richmond