

# GM 2010 UPDATE



**APRIL 2010**

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## UPDATES FROM YOUR PROVINCIAL LIASIONS

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Registration is closed and we only 11 weeks till the start of our Guiding Mosaic 2010 experience! We know you are all looking for more details to get the excitement going and we have some for you!

Current camp stats are: 2,343 girls/adults – 700 of which are adults (400 Patrol Guiders and 300 Core Crew). There will be approximately 30 patrols (300 girls) per neighborhood.

There are 14 countries registered to date: South Africa, Malaysia, Bangladesh, USA, UK, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Jamaica and Nigeria.

The camp mascot has a name: Maddy – be on the lookout for her, as she'll be visiting camp!

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As always, please contact either one of us with any questions or concerns.

## REMINDERS

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### **PAYMENT DEADLINE**

Payment deadline has passed, all final payments are due now for registration fees. If you have not made your final payment, please forward to National as soon as possible.

### **SUBSIDIES**

Any questions or problems with your subsidies, please contact Carla.

### **PROGRAM SELECTIONS**

All Patrol Guiders, girls in patrols and Rangers should have made their program selections on the website. If you have not completed this process, please do it as soon as possible as they are starting to finalize program choices in the next few weeks.

Activities for the theme days at GM2010 are now open on the website, you will need to go into your profile and make selections for the 3 days. They would like this done by the end of April, so please check it out as soon as possible. If you have any difficulties, please let Carla or I know.

### **CORE CREW ASSIGNMENTS**

For any Core Crew or Rangers that have do not have a specific job assignment at camp. There will be a Core Crew/Ranger pool that will be given a schedule when they arrive and you will float where needed, depending on the day's events.

To note: you should be receiving this information soon. They are still looking for adult Core Crew to help specifically with Food Services and Security.

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# FUNDRAISING—COOKBOOKS AND COOKIES

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**Celebrating A Century of Girl Greatness Anniversary Cookbooks** are still available.

All proceeds from the cookbook sales will go to help offset the provincial subsidies to the participants attending GM this summer. Each participant (Girl and Adult) going to GM 2010 is asked to sell a minimum of five cookbooks.

If you have not received your minimum 5 cookbooks, please have your guider contact your District/Area so they can arrange to provide you with the cookbooks from the Provincial office. The cookbooks sell for \$10.

Individuals can also order cookbooks from the office and pay by Visa or MasterCard. Shipping charges will be applied for orders being mailed out.

**Cookie All Stars GM Fundraising Initiative.** All girl participants, including Rangers/Trex, going to GM 2010 will have the opportunity to increase their number of cases of cookies ordered for the fall and spring campaigns for the next guiding year. For anyone selling a combined total of 5 cases or more of cookies you will receive back \$5 per case of cookies sold to go towards fundraising for GM2010. (example 3 cases in the fall – mint, 3 cases in the spring – sandwich cookies = 6 cases total for the year = \$30.00)

**DON'T FORGET TO HAVE YOUR UNIT GUIDER SUBMIT NUMBER OF CASES SOLD** into the Cookie All-star program. The Provincial office will track the number of cases sold by each participant and funds raised will be put towards offsetting their travel costs to the event. **IF NOT ENTERED YOU WILL NOT GET THE CREDIT!**

**Deadline for entries into Cookie All Stars for Fundraising Initiative is April 30, 2010.**

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## FLIGHTS AND TRAVEL INFORMATION

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**PATROLS:** Great news! Patrol Participant Flights are booked! No turning back now J.

Cost of flights:                      Round trip airfare is \$361.00 per person  
   Flight number AC258 July 8, 2010 departure Winnipeg at 7:00  
   Flight number AC273 July 17, 2010 departure Toronto at 22:55

**Payment for flights will be due to the Province no later than Monday, May 10, 2010.** Cheques payable to Girl Guides of Canada, please ensure participant(s) name(s) is included when sent in. Payment may also be made by credit card, by calling Monika Theissen 204-774-4475 ext 2.

For those participants that are having part of their subsidy cover flight costs, and you are unsure of how much you owe, Monika will also have that information.

There will be arrangements made for accommodations for patrols outside of Winnipeg who wish to stay over the night before we leave for GM and the night we return. Please let us know if you require accommodations, if not done so already, so that we are aware of how much space we need. More details to follow.

Please note: With the late return flight on July 17<sup>th</sup>, we are looking into an activity/tour as an option, depending on what time we will be leaving camp. More details to follow, once confirmed.

Important: on the website if you go in under your profile, it will prompt you to enter your travel information, please hold off on completing. We've asked National to enter our group as a whole to simplify things. Much easier for them to enter 85 names with the same flight info, than us do it individually.

**RANGERS:** We have been recently told that any Rangers, not required to be at camp early, will be traveling on the same dates as the patrols. We have sent National our flight information and have asked that any Rangers traveling on those dates, be booked in to travel with the Manitoba patrols. As soon as we have confirmation we will let you know.

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# FLIGHTS AND TRAVEL INFORMATION (CONT'D)

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**CORE CREW:** All Core Crew should now have filled out the travel information form found on the website, indicating when they need to travel. National will be booking your flights, unless you have indicated otherwise re: driving.

**TRANSPORTATION OF PATROL GEAR/CORE CREW & RANGER TENTS:** Great news! Sandi Beaudette, (one of our Guiders from Brandon going as Core Crew) and her husband have graciously volunteered to transport our gear to and from camp.

We will be splitting the cost of gas and overnight accommodations for Sandi and her husband. Our priority is to have enough room for all 10 patrols' gear. We will open up the opportunity to Core Crew/Rangers to send their tents with Sandi.

We are still working out the details and will get them out to everyone as soon as they are finalized. A huge thank you to Sandi for taking this on. **Cost: for patrols will be \$150.00, for Core Crew/Ranger tent only \$15.00**

There are a couple of other Core Crew that are planning on driving, and they are willing to take some gear if necessary, so there may be some other options for getting excess gear to camp. Specifics will come out soon. Anyone that is driving and thinks they will have some room, please let Carla and I know if you have not already.

## CAMP LIFE—EXCITING PLANS IN THE WORKS!

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We thought we would list some of the things we've heard about that are in the works for evening activities. All still yet to be confirmed, but very exciting:

- Open and Closing Ceremonies
- Much Music Dance Party
- International night
- All Camp Campfire
- Daytime concert – possible talent show
- Plus all your exciting daily sessions and lots of surprises in store for everyone!

## NOTES FROM GM PRE-CAMP WEEKEND

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### Attitude

There once was a woman who woke up one morning,  
looked in the mirror,  
and noticed she had only three hairs on her head.

Well," she said, "I think I'll braid my hair today?" So she did  
and she had a wonderful day.

The next day she woke up,  
looked in the mirror  
and saw that she had only two hairs on her head.

"H-M-M," she said,  
"I think I'll part my hair down the middle today?"  
So she did and she had a grand day.

The next day she woke up,  
looked in the mirror and noticed that she had only one hair  
on her head.

"Well," she said,  
"today I'm going to wear my hair in a pony tail."  
So she did and she had a fun, fun day.

The next day she woke up,  
looked in the mirror and noticed that there wasn't a single  
hair on her head.

"Yeah!" she exclaimed,  
"I don't have to fix my hair today!"

Attitude is everything.

Be kinder than necessary,  
for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle.

Live simply,  
Love generously,  
Care deeply,  
Speak kindly.....

Leave the rest to Faith, believe in yourself.

**Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass ...**

**It's about learning to dance in the rain.**

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# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF GUIDING MOSAIC

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### What to expect:

- long days, early start 6:30 wake up, bed 11:00 most days
- everyone will get a name tag and hat that must be worn at all times, will receive upon arrival at camp, along with t-shirt ordered with registration process
- neighborhoods are based on era's – 50s, 60s, 70s etc...
- breakfast with your patrol, then everyone heads to island/buses for entire day, need to pack day pack as are off camp site from 8:30-3:30 daily
- the island is where all the on-site activities are between 8:30-3:30, many activities are off site, which participants will be bused to.
- Girls are responsible for getting themselves to their program sessions on time, make sure to bring a watch
- There will be lots of people around to help girls find where their sessions are, patrols usually walk down to the island together and then disperse to individual sessions
- lots of walking, it is about a 15-20 minute walk to the island, suggest good shoes, already broken in and to do some walking in preparation prior to camp
- discussion of shoes/sandals. Runners/hiking boots mandatory for most sessions. Sport sandals allowed during site time. No flip flops.
- lunch on the island, tip: have a meeting place so girls can find the guiders at lunch if they are on site
- supper together with your patrol
- Need to make sure any dietary concerns/restrictions are on health form and submitted so camp will be prepared for specialty diets
- There is a variety of food choices at each meal time, although good idea to leave pickiness at home
- evening activities, go back to the island for some, others in campsite/town square depending on day
- be open to meet new people, try new things, your experience will be what you make of it
- no running hot water, all showers are solar showers
- port a potties, port a showers on each neighborhood, very clean
- here is running water at each site to fill up pools/brush teeth/water bottles/solar showers
- hydration is the key – drink lots of water
- town square will be the “meeting place” including store, internet café, black's photography, swapping area, laundry facilities, hospital, and much more
- store will have items ranging from t-shirts/sweatshirts/pants/coffee mugs/pins/crests/blankets/necessities – toothbrush/ and more....
- store has interact, will take cash/credit/travelers cheques.
- Bank machines located on site
- Tuck shops available with snacks
- Spending money will depend on how much you want to shop – there will be some items available on line prior to camp, check website for details
- During afternoon free time, this will be the time for showers, it is a good idea to schedule with your patrol, who will be showering when. If used properly 1 solar shower can be used by 2-3 people.
- Suggest bringing buckets to help with washing hair
- Discussion about sit-upons and bag chairs, was recommended even if just for the campsite. Other options mentioned: folding stepping stools