



TREFOIL GUILD NL Trefoil Guild Newsletter

NEWS FOR YOU

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Greetings!

By now I hope that your enthusiasm has led to action and that all Guilds are busy "Keeping the Spirit Alive." As your newsletters come in, I chuckle to read just how alive you are keeping it - belly dancing certainly sounds exotic and athletic! Go ladies !

I had the great pleasure of attending the opening of the new archives room at Provincial Headquarters in December 2006. Six present and past provincial commissioners attended, as well as many ladies who had contributed a great deal to Girl Guides in Newfoundland and Labrador. The Guiding history present that afternoon would fill a library of books....not dry ones either.

I came to a great appreciation of the importance of recording and documenting Guiding history when I visited the Guide/Scout Museum in Belleville, Ontario . But I have learned archival material can be found in the most unusual places. Florence Pink and I visited a former Gander Bay Guider, Mrs. Edna Gillingham, at Nightingale Manor, Gander. Before leaving there that evening, the lady pulled out her treasures of Guiding pictures and papers carefully stored in a plastic bag. There were the Guiding patrol books - over fifty years old - carefully recording the finances of the Guides at Gander Bay. There were pictures of the girls and even one of Baden Powell himself. What a pleasure to share Mrs. Gillingham's memories!

On to our future.... the Baccalieu Babes are planning an exciting and interesting gathering for us at Max Simms Camp this June. Included in our newsletter is a copy of the application. If you wish, come on out and have a fun weekend with us. Complete the form and send it, along with your cheque by March 2, 2007.

News of the Violet Explosion has arrived and the second amount of money is due. A list of those attending from this province is included in this newsletter. Go Ladies!

Jane, Provincial Guild Advisor



Around the Province

The Golden Girls Trefoil Guild had a busy year. Four of their members were involved in the general planning committee for the 2006 Guider's /Commissioners Conference in Gander.

As a group they attended the District's Mother Daughter Banquet in Norman's Cove where they were pleased to once again donate the cake.

They have had two meetings, that of course involved food, one at Monty's restaurant in Whitbourne and their Christmas Pot Luck. They included a Chinese Gift Exchange as part of the Christmas festivities. They had a wonderful time at the home of their president .

The guild continued the tradition of serving a meal to the workers at the Blood Donor Clinic. This is a service project and it is much appreciated by all.

The members had a craft table at Norman's Cove/Long Cove Christmas Craft Fair and they were invited to attend the Guider's Christmas Party and the Green Mountain District Memory Tree lighting ceremony. They are looking forward to a new year of growth and continued friendship and fun.

Members of the Crossroads Trefoil Guild were quite busy with ongoing projects such as caring for the garden that was planted in the spring and collecting pennies for the World Friendship Fund. In the fall they participated in a clean-up of the surrounding grounds.

The group welcomed two new members this year. As a challenge they decided to do a form of "Celebration Tag". They celebrated one member's successful eye surgery! The celebration continues to another member at the next meeting.

The Guild helped out at the registration desk at the Guider's Conference and was also asked to provide cookies for the lunch meal. The ladies rose to the challenge and in a very limited time 40 dozen cookies were made and delivered. They were also invited to attend the Banquet .

November's meeting focused on Remembrance. They had a guest from the Military speak to the group about the difficulty of being deployed and leaving family behind. Each member brought in items to send to Canadian soldiers serving in the Middle East .The next day, three boxes of goodies were sent to the overseas shipping depot.

In December several of our members got together at Sandra's house and made Christmas centerpieces while snacking on Christmas tidbits and listening to Christmas music in the background. It was very relaxing and enjoyable. In all, the past few months have been very busy and exciting.

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..... that a Spring Tour of New Zealand is happening in November 2007? The tour will be escorted by Ex-Asst. Chief Commissioner Jennifer Mayer.

For more information and to receive a registration form, please contact your Trefoil Guild advisor at:

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or by calling 256-2654

....that there soon will be an information pamphlet available from your Trefoil Guild Advisor? This pamphlet will be an excellent promotional item for any woman wondering about joining or forming a Guild!!!

Look for it soon!!! about the challenge issued by Crossroads Guild to collect a penny for each person in your community? This challenge was picked up by a group in British Columbia who read about it on the Guide website where our newsletter was published last Fall.

....that the women listed on page 4 all have more than 50 years of service?

Congratulations ladies on keeping the spirit alive!

Anyone having special Guiding celebrations to advertise, please e-mail Jane (jabussey@hotmail.com) or snail mail to:

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