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Celebrate Our Roots: National Gathering a Great Success

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June 22, 2010, began a journey across Canada to participate in the National Trefoil Guild Gathering in Kamloops, B.C.

Nine Provincial delegates representing three Trefoil Guilds from Newfoundland and Labrador registered on Wednesday June 23rd for the 7th National Trefoil Guild Gathering "Celebrate Our Roots". As Trefoil Guild Members this was our opportunity to share experiences, discuss the role and needs of Trefoil Guilds, sing, play and have fun, renew old friendships while making new ones and strengthen our belief to "Keep the Spirit Alive".

In this the 100th Anniversary year of Guiding in Canada, the theme "Celebrate our Roots" was both timely and relative and the B.C. Planning Committee went all out to provide us with a program of events that highlighted both past and present. We celebrated with our Sisters in Guiding from the U.S., Australia and the United Kingdom to create memories for our next 100 years. We were also fortunate enough to meet

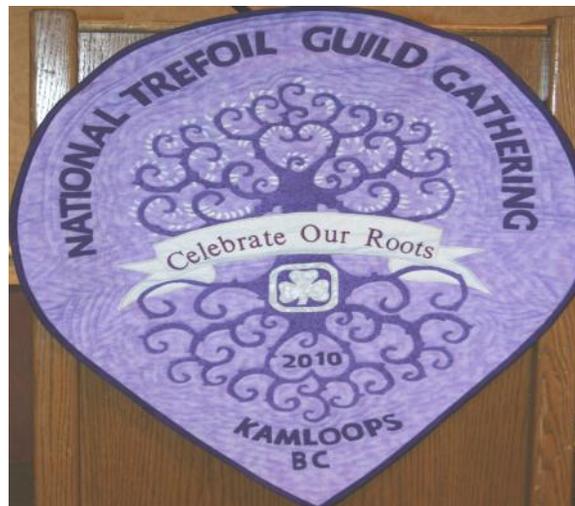
the composer of a very popular Guiding Song "Sisters in Guiding" Jane Darby from Australia who shared her many talents throughout the week.

From the opening ceremonies led by our home grown National Trefoil Guild Spe-

entertaining and memorable. From belly dancing to glass etching, basket weaving and Gem Tree's, Genealogy and Computer Photo Editing, as well as out trips including a ride on the "Heritage Train 2141" bringing us through the city of Kamloops with its history as well as an off site trip for "Cowboys, Wine and Cheese". These were just two of the out trips we participated in with friendship and memories we will have for a lifetime.

One big highlight of the gathering was a 1910 - 2010 Uniform Fashion Show. Girl Members as well as Adult Members participated in a well displayed pres-

entation of uniforms throughout the century direct to present day style. The highlight for our provincial delegation was when we were able to showcase our Province with a power point presentation of music and scenery as well as Trefoil activities presented by members of the three representative Trefoil Guilds Bac-calieu Babes, Can-ta-ka-ye and Centennial Embers. Pro-



vincialist Wanda Garrett, our Province was led in to the ceremonies by Margaret Breen, NL Provincial Trefoil Adviser carrying our Provincial Flag. With a very strong round of applause from many compatriot NL's as well as our own Provincial delegation our pride and emotion was very strong.

The B.C. team brought skills to the Program Sessions that were fun filled, challenging,



Greetings from the Provincial Adviser

Greetings Trefoil Members:
Welcome back! I hope everyone had a relaxing summer and are fully charged ready to begin another great year of “Keeping the Spirit Alive”.

For those Members who attended the Gathering at Max Simms Camp in May and from all reports, I heard everyone had a great time. As I was unable to attend the Gathering, I would like to thank Pat Hapgood for chairing the President’s Meeting, Jane Bussey for chairing the AGM and

Gloria Learning for coordinating both meetings.

In June I, along with eight other Trefoil Members attended the National Trefoil Gathering in Kamloops, BC. Can you imagine sitting in a room where there is 12,214 Service years of Guiding? It was electrifying to say the least. We indeed did “Celebrate our Roots”. The 2013 Gathering will be held in Saskatchewan. Ladies now’s the time to start saving those loonies and toonies.

Don’t forget there is still time to complete the 2010 National Service Project—Eradicate Hunger and Poverty. When you do, log your activities—Every Action Counts.

I look forward to hearing from you, reading about your many activities and meeting more of you. Best wishes for a wonderful and challenging Guiding year.

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Margaret Breen
Provincial Trefoil Adviser

Many Thanks!
On behalf of the eighteen Trefoil Guilds within Newfoundland & Labrador, we would like to thank Wanda Garrett for all of her support and dedication during her term as National Trefoil Specialist.

AND

Welcome!
We would also like to welcome Joyce Perrie of Merritt, British Columbia, our incoming National Trefoil Specialist. We look forward to working with you.

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vincial Tourism pins were distributed to all delegates.

The days passed quickly and our Gathering was soon coming to an end. After days of excellent sessions and evenings of hospitality culminated with sing a longs and a traditional campfire, Keeping the Spirit Alive was never in question as Trefoil Members came together in the true spirit of the meaning of “Celebrating Our Roots” as

we move forward into our next 100 years.

The memories and friendships gained through my participation in this event will stay with me forever and I believe given the opportunity, everyone should experience the feeling of sisterhood and friendship at a National Trefoil Gathering.

KUDO’s to the B.C. Planning Committee for such a well planned and executed event.



News From National

Our 2010 National Service Project is Still Going Strong!

We've been blown away by the response to our 2010 National Service Project. So far, Units across Canada have taken nearly 53,000 actions against hunger and poverty! And don't forget, your Unit has until the end of December to take part and take action. September is a great time for girls to choose how they

want to participate—from collecting can goods at a Halloween party to making scarves for a local shelter. Don't forget to log your activities—every action counts!

Look for details soon on a special wrap-up event that will be held in November.



New! Collecting Diapers for Food Banks



From September to December, we're partnering with HUGGIES® Every Little Bottom program to help raise awareness of diaper need in Canada. Through this year's National Service Project: Eradicate Hunger and Poverty,

GGC is asking our Members to promote diaper collections and diaper drives for local food banks. The diapers (both opened and unopened packages) will be donated to local food banks, and distributed to those in need.

The groundbreaking Every Little Bottom Study, commissioned by Kimberly Clark's Huggies Brand, reveals diaper need is a critical issue in Canada. Nearly one in five Canadian families struggle with diaper need, having to cut back on basics such as food, utilities or even childcare in order to provide enough diapers for their babies.

[Click here](#) for more information on HUGGIES® Every Little Bottom program. And be sure to log your diaper donations on the [National Service Project](#) website to make your actions count!

Announcements

Congratulations and Thank You to the **Heritage Trefoil Guild Trefoil Central Area**, for hosting the 14th Provincial Gathering of Newfoundland and Labrador.

A fabulous time was had by all!

The **Killick Trefoil Guild**, Con Ba Su Area, has accepted the challenge to host the 2011 Provincial Gathering. Expect to hear from them with pertinent information.



Celebrating 100 years of Guiding in Canada

2010 marked the 100th anniversary of Guiding in Canada and all of our Trefoils were hard at work developing creative community projects incorporating 100 - 100 items, 100 good deeds, 100 pennies and the list goes on. Others groups chose to marry this special anniversary with the 2010 National Service Project to the benefit of their home towns and Guiding Community.

Gander Crossroads Trefoil Guild, never afraid of hard work, decided they would like to do both. They took on and met their goal of knitting 100 teddy bears which they in turn donated to James Paton Memorial hospital. These beautiful bears are sure to delight a child in need of the comfort of a cuddly friend. In addition, the Guild members collected hats, mittens and socks for distribution to local schools, made a donation of used blankets to the local SPCA, and made a donation to WAGGGS for Haitian relief. A fabulous display of lending a hand...definitely some former Brownies in this group!

Members of the Big Land Trefoil Guild in Labrador began the wonderful tradition of bringing 100 pennies to each of their meetings to celebrate 100 years of Guiding in Canada and you can rest assured that these ladies will be putting those pennies to good use.

Heritage Trefoil Guild Trefoil Central Area made a donation of 100 plus items to their local food bank in honour of our milestone. This goal also fulfilled service objectives to assist in the eradication of hunger and poverty. This was obviously something important to the Centennial Embers Trefoil Guild as well for they made a substantial donation to the food sharing network too. Fantastic work ladies!

Over 200 household items were collected and donated to Mental Health and Addiction Services in Stephenville by the Sou'wester Trefoil Guild. This surely has made an impact on this organization's ability to be able to provide for its clients.

Cindy Stone of LOL Trefoil Guild summed it up nicely by saying, "friendship is not one big thing, but a lot of little things." The many acts of caring reinforce the importance of Guiding within our communities.



Gander Crossroads Trefoil Guild collected hats, mittens, and socks for distribution to local schools and made 100 teddy bears for their local hospital.



Members of the Heritage Trefoil Guild Trefoil Central Area make a donation to their local Food Bank as part of their 100th Anniversary Celebration.

Rallies: Highlighting 100 Years

Trefoil members took part in numerous Rally Day Celebrations throughout Newfoundland and Labrador this past May.

Groups such as the Gander Crossroads and Fireside Friends Trefoil Guilds braved the cold and dark to participate in sunrise ceremonies in their areas.

Sharron Callahan of the Fireside Friends Trefoil Guild summarized, "Despite the weather drawback, being the first to see daylight on a day of nation-

wide activities was awesome and it was a day that memories were definitely made."

The Stephenville Chickadee Trefoil Guild donated 170 cupcakes for the Rally Day Lunch in their area and adorned purple scarves, made by fellow Chickadee Annie Coombs, to help serve the meals. A fabulous mark of Trefoil pride ladies, keep up the great work!

The Baccalieu Babes weren't about to be left out of the action either, they were on hand for celebrations in Blaketown while the Caribou Trefoil Guild

attended festivities in Con-Ba-Su Area held at Villanova Parish Hall. Caribou ladies enjoyed a "fun-filled" afternoon and even got the chance to make some bookmarks. Caribou member, Margaret Greeley also helped two of the Spark girls cut the 100th Anniversary cake.

Engaged and visible...our Trefoil Members are always happy to help, teach and guide. Thank you so much for your involvement and leadership.



In May Gander Crossroads Trefoil Members joined with Girl Guides and their leaders from Gander, Gambo and Glenwood/Appleton to celebrate "Rally Day" with sunrise ceremony at Cobb's Pond.

Girls Just Want to have Fun!



Trefoils ladies are known for being a fun-loving group who can get any task completed by simply injecting a healthy dose of humour, friendship and fun.

Each group tends to have activities that are near and dear to their heart. We thought we would take this opportunity to introduce you to them as a source of inspiration, possible ideas for your own meetings, or suggestions for community-based projects you might be interested in doing in your area.

The Golden Gems have paired with the Bell Aliant Pioneers on a project to help fill stockings for the Christmas Season—having completed a total of 53 so far....go ladies, go!

Members of the Sou'wester Trefoil Guild continue to volunteer at Stephenville Primary School where they do accelerated reading with the Grade 2 classes. What a positive way to impact the community in your area! They are also involved in their Guiding district to help with fundraising efforts for girls wanting to travel to National Camps.

Iris Kirby house in St. John's benefits from the sewing skills of the Caribou Trefoil Guild. The group has been working together to create quilts which they donate to the Women's Shelter. These ladies gladly share the warmth and love of the Guiding community with those who need it most.

One of our newest Guilds, Sisterhood of the Travelling Trefoil Guild have developed their mission which is firmly rooted in the belief that as sisters, they can "grow, learn, enjoy life and make positive differences" in their own lives, "and the lives of others" they encounter throughout their travels. What a fabulous outlook and mission. This group of ladies are devoted to the support of each other to ensure that every member understands they will never walk alone. The power of sisterhood is an amazing thing and as our newest group, we will follow them with interest to see what wonderful things happen in their group. Welcome ladies!

The Baccalieu Babes are very involved in their community and participate in annual events such as the town tree lighting and Mayor's Walk. The Babes love to learn new skills such as glass etching, home decorating and staging, wine tasting and....belly dancing!!! Maybe we could get a demonstration at the next Provincial Gathering? You never know your luck.

LOL Trefoil is comprised of some very social women. They like games, dinner, bowling and dinner theatre...and, if asked, they would be happy to perform a song or two. LOL ladies are fabulous hostesses and their garden parties are very memorable events. They make friendship a priority, so if you have an opportunity to hang out with them be sure you do. You are guaranteed a good time.

If diversity is what you seek, speak with the ladies of the Big Land Trefoil Guild. Their skill set is varied. You can learn needle felting, decorating cupcakes with fondant, and stamping—as in making cards and gift tags. If you are the outdoorsy type, have no fear for these ladies can show you how to build a lean-to, snare a rabbit and cook up a storm. This Guild is very active within the local Guiding community and is always ready to lend a hand.

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Can-te-ka-ya is small but mighty. There is a lot of Guiding experience in this Guild. They are very proud of their roots in Guiding and are a wealth of information for those who want to learn. They take pleasure in good food and great company and are always willing to help out a sister in Guiding.

Busy bees is probably the best way to describe the Fireside Friends. They are a large group that loves a good laugh. They aren't afraid of looking foolish and are always willing to try something new. They have held tea parties for 150 Sparks, learned the art of healing touch

and the benefits of a Winter retreat to share in relaxation, quiet, fun and friendship. They love to cook and have taken classes to learn new skills. Fireside ladies will happily stand beside you in the dark, with the rain pouring down just to celebrate Guiding and the bounty of opportunity it provides.

Gander's finest are eager to help where they can. The Gander Crossroads Trefoil Guild are devoted to their Guiding community and their town. They are great friends who work hard to make a difference.

They knit teddy bears for sick children, gather blankets for the SPCA and always remember those less fortunate than themselves.

As you can see the Trefoil Guilds within our province are active, fun-loving and always there when needed. You have many sisters throughout our wonderful province just waiting to meet you. Make sure, if given the opportunity, to get to know every one you can. You won't regret it!



Celebrations

Many of the reports sent in by our Trefoil Guilds indicated special events for Members within their group. We thought we would include these.

Elizabeth Barnes of the Soiree Trefoil Guild was recently installed as a Canon within the Anglican Church. This was a very important occasion that Members of the Guild were honoured to participate in. Congratulations Elizabeth!

Olga Pieroway of the Stephenville Chickadee Trefoil Guild celebrated her 91st birthday. We wish you much happiness.

The members of the Fireside Friends Trefoil Guild would like to welcome

Roberta Ross to their Group. They are delighted she has become part of the Guild.

Can-te-ka-ye would like to thank Wanda Garrett for her dedication as the National Trefoil Specialist. Wanda is finishing up her term.

The Baccalieu Babes wish all their Trefoil Guild Sisters a Happy 100th Anniversary and a hundred happy more!!

Members of the Caribou Trefoil Guild want to acknowledge Margaret Greeley (90 years of age) and thank her for representing their group by cutting the cake at the Con-Ba-Su Rally Day Celebrations .

Gander Crossroads Trefoil Guild wanted to acknowledge Hazel Newhook who has a birthday on Christmas Eve. Hazel will be 96....wow!



Provincial Gathering: A Labour of Love

As you might have read earlier in this issue, this past Provincial Trefoil Gathering was hosted by the Heritage Trefoil Guild Trefoil Central Area.

With only 10 Members, this group of ladies worked diligently with every member giving one hundred and ten percent devotion to plan and organize the event.

Their dedication and care resulted in a wonderful weekend of fun and fellowship for the fifty-one ladies in attendance.

By all accounts, everyone had a fabulous time and the ladies of the Heritage Trefoil Guild Trefoil Central Area then passed the torch along to the Members of the Killick Trefoil Guild of Con-Ba-Su Area.

In the coming months you will

receive details of the 2011 Provincial Trefoil Gathering from the Killick Trefoil Guild.



We would like to challenge Trefoil groups throughout the Province to help us increase attendance at the coming Gathering by ten to fifteen percent. That would only mean another

five to eight people and is certainly an attainable task.

We look forward to working with our new organizing committee to help in any way needed .

Our thanks are extended to those members of the Heritage Trefoil Guild Trefoil Central Area for creating memorable weekend. We would also like to wish you every success in your goal of increasing your group membership. If your work ethic is any indication you will have little trouble meeting your objectives - in turn helping meet our attendance challenge!

Until next year, stay safe and see you at Max Simms where we will once again work together on "Keeping the Spirit Alive!"

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes
for a Wonderful New
Year!

Marg, Gloria & Jackie

