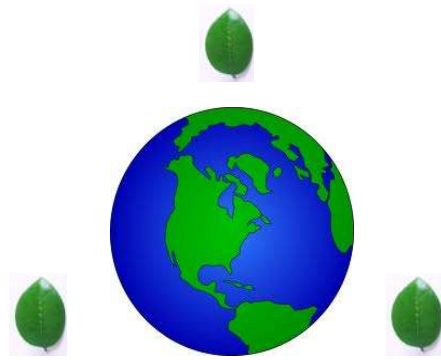


Places Planet People



Eagan GS World Thinking Day 2012

DATE: Friday, February 24, 2012

TIME: SET UP 6:30-7:00 p.m. EVENT 7:00-8:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Dakota Hills Middle School/Eagan High School Cafeterias

What is Thinking Day

Thinking Day is celebrated worldwide each year on February 22. It's a day for Girl Scouts and Girl Guides to remember each other and reaffirm their commitment to international friendship and understanding.

What is Places, Planet, People Eagan GS World Thinking Day 2012

Eagan Girl Scouts will come together to celebrate Thinking Day and learn about a variety of different countries and cultures. Each attending troop/group of girls will select a country, research that country and the people that live there, and create a booth to share what they have learned. During the event, girls will take shifts from their booth and have the opportunity to visit other country booths. By designating shifts at booths, all girls will have the opportunity to walk "Around the World" and explore the other countries.

Every girl will receive a passport, pencil, and purse to hang around their neck when they check-in (purses must be returned at the end of the night for reuse). As countries are visited, their passport will be marked by the booth hosts with a symbol (stamp or sticker) representative of that country and they can then write down an interesting fact they learned about that country. A Thinking Day patch will be given to all attendees.

International Buffet and Marketplace

Booth visitors will have an opportunity to sample food and obtain trinkets from the countries they visit. Each troop/group should make and bring a food item or make and bring a trinket/SWAP representative of their country. Servings should be a small sample size. In the past we have had approximately 275 attendees. Food and trinkets will be sold for 10¢ each. Bring LOTS of dimes and a container for collecting the dimes at your booth. Dimes will be collected from the booths at the end of the night and donated to an organization(s) yet to be determined.

Choosing Your Country

Each troop/group should pick their top three choices and list them in order of preference. COUNTRY CHOICES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO DOREEN GLOEDE VIA EMAIL AT DGLOEDE@COMCAST.NET NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 9. Every attempt will be made to give troops/groups their first choice. Following are the countries to choose from:

Antigua	Guinea	Peru
Argentina	Guyana	Philippines
Aruba	Haiti	Poland
Australia	Honduras	Portugal
Austria	Hong Kong	Romania
Bahamas	Hungary	Russia TAKEN
Bahrain	Iceland TAKEN	Rwanda
Bangladesh	India	St. Christopher and Nevis
Barbados	Indonesia	Saint Lucia
Belarus	Ireland	St. Vincent & the Grenadines
Belgium TAKEN	Israel	San Marino
Belize	Italy TAKEN	Scotland TAKEN
Benin	Ivory Coast	Senegal
Bolivia	Jamaica	Sierra Leone
Botswana	Japan TAKEN	Singapore
Brazil TAKEN	Jordan	Slovakia
Brunei Darussalam	Kenya	Slovenia
Burkina Faso	Kiribati	Solomon
Burundi	Korea	South Africa
Cameroon	Kuwait	Spain
Canada	Latvia	Sri Lanka
Central African Republic	Lebanon	Sudan
Chad	Lesotho	Suriname
Chile	Liberia	Swaziland
China, Republic of	Libya	Sweden TAKEN
Columbia	Liechtenstein	Switzerland
Congo	Luxembourg	Tanzania
Cook Island	Madagascar	Thailand
Costa Rica	Malaysia	Togo
Cyprus	Maldives	Tonga
Czech Republic	Malta	Trinidad & Tobago
Denmark TAKEN	Mauritania	Tunisia
Dominica	Mauritius	Turkey TAKEN
Dominican Republic	Mexico	Tuvalu
Ecuador	Monaco	Uganda
Egypt TAKEN	Namibia	Ukraine
El Salvador	Nepal	United Arab Emirates
Estonia	Netherlands	United Kingdom
Fiji	Netherlands Antilles	United States of America

Finland	New Zealand	Uruguay
France TAKEN	Nicaragua	Vanuatu
The Gambia	Nigeria	Venezuela
Georgia	Norway TAKEN	Western Samoa
Germany TAKEN	Oman	Yemen Republic
Ghana	Pakistan	Zambia
Greece	Panama, Republic of	Zimbabwe
Grenada	Papua New Guinea	
Guatemala	Paraguay	

Presenting Your Country

Each troop/group will have an Eagan HS round lunch table (Eastern Hemisphere) or 1/2 of a Dakota Hills MS folding lunch table (Western Hemisphere) for their country. They should create a display board to showcase their chosen country. Following are ideas of information to present on the display boards. Troops/groups may also display items, showcase a song or dance, and wear clothing from that country. Whatever you do, be creative and have FUN!!

General: Country name, flag, maps, pictures

People: Population, life expectancy, official language/common spoken language, major religions

Government: Type, leadership

Economy: Name of money, major industries

Geography: Size of country, climate, natural resources, special geographical features

Scouting/Guiding: Official name of Scouting/Guiding organization, year they became a member of WAGGGS (World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts), number of Girl Scouts or Girl Guides (% of female population), special activities they participate in, interesting facts

Traditions: Cultural groups, clothing styles, music, arts and crafts unique to the country, special ceremonies

Research Resources

*Library

*Encyclopedia

*Travel Agency

*Websites

The World Factbook
[factbook/index.html](http://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html)

[https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-](https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html)

United Nations

www.un.org/en/index.shtml

WAGGGS

www.wagggsworld.org/en/world

Scouting Organizations

www.scout.org/index.html

International Recipes

www.easy-kids-recipes.com/international-recipes.html

www.epicurious.com/recipesmenus/global/recipes

<http://allrecipes.com/recipes/world-cuisine>

International SWAPS

www.makingfriends.com/scouts/swaps_international.htm