



## *“Getting Your Unit Out There!” Public Places to Hold Guiding Meetings*

The trick to all of the following is to wear your uniform –

Some public places to meet include:

- Public libraries (for younger girls maybe the librarian could read to them)
- Parks
- Recreation centers
- Fire halls (where they have tours)
- Parking lot of their meeting hall/school—anywhere where they’re outside and seen
- On public transit—have a meeting on skytrain/bus while doing a challenge
- Travel by bus/skytrain as part of the activity – going to...
- Walk (as part of the activity) to or between places
- Even litter chases are in the public!
- Hold a meeting in a mall – either in an open area (often the part where Santa is at Christmas) or in a vacant store.
- Attend a community event together
- Go for ice-cream/popsicles together
- Although not an actual “meeting”, the older girls can volunteer at McDonald’s, Tim Horton’s, etc. for special fundraisers.
- Art galleries – have a tour and learn about the artwork.
- Join in community “events”- some places – small communities in particular may have annual “banner painting” activities to create banners for the summer season (in some communities the banners may later be auctioned off for charity)
- Tour your local newspaper – maybe you’ll get your picture in the paper! This is fun & educational.
- Get involved with other organizations, e.g. Cancer Society – assisting with Run for the Cure, Relay for Life – a Senior Branches Unit or Pathfinder unit could put in a team
- In Vancouver every year, one of the radio stations sponsors a breakfast that requires you to bring a new toy to distribute through the Christmas bureau.