



# NORTH STAR MUSEUM

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### Museum News

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### Join the Call to History Road Show

Who does not like a chance to join an adventure to find hidden treasures? The Museum's *Call to History Road Show* is your opportunity to be part of such an adventure. The *Call to History Roadshow* is the Museum's primary fund-raising event in 2021 and it is set for Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. It is a remote event. Base admission is \$15 per device. We also hope that you will be generous with additional gifts to the Museum during and after the event.

The *Call to History Roadshow* features the story of four hidden treasures in the collections of the Museum. Each of the stories is separately narrated and each takes you to another place and time. These stories are sure to open a flood of memories, for regardless of your knowledge of these treasures, the stories are sure to remind you of your own stories. After all of the hidden treasures are revealed, Dan Stoltz, President/CEO of SPIRE Credit Union, will close the

show. There is no better way to learn about and appreciate the Museum you have supported over the years, while having a great time.

Advance registration for the *Call to History Roadshow* is required. Most of our Museum News recipients received an email invitation with the link. However, in case you missed it the link is <https://nssm.regfox.com/2021-call-to-history-roadtrip>. You can both register and pay through the link. You can also access the link through our website at [nssm.org](http://nssm.org). Prior to the *Call to History Road Show*, all registrants will be sent the Zoom link for the event. If you have trouble with the link or if you have a question about registration, just call Diana



Foss at the Museum (651-748-2880). If you would like to pay by check, just send it to Diana's attention at the Museum (2640 Seventh Avenue East, North Saint Paul, MN 55109) but be sure to include your email address so we can send you the Zoom link for the event.

If you are unable to attend the *Call to History Roadshow*, your financial support of the Museum is most welcome. Use the same link to donate.

Register now for the *Call to History Road Show*. See you on May 6 on Zoom, I mean "on the road" to history!



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## Enjoy a Thursday Evening Campfire at the Museum

The Museum is gradually returning to programming as the weather permits us to move outdoors.

We have three fun Thursday night campfire activities to offer around the Museum's fire ring. Each program is different so pick the one that interests you most or come to all three. Campfire at the Museum programs are all on Thursdays: June 10, July 8, and August 12 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30

p.m. Programs are for youth along with adult leaders, and the cost for all programs is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members. Bring a lawn chair to sit on. The registration limit is 15 persons per evening so act quickly to be sure you get a spot. Of

course, keep your COVID protocols in mind and bring your mask.

The first outdoor campfire is on June 10. The theme is outdoor cooking. We will be cooking with a Dutch oven, a box oven, and pie irons. Eat dinner before you come but the price includes samples of the food you make. So, save some room.

The second outdoor campfire is on July 8. We will be working with jack knives. See some basic carving techniques will be demonstrated. Then, learn how to sharpen and use a jack knife safely. If you do not have a jack knife, one will be provided.

The third and final campfire is on August 12. Since the evening is so close to the anniversary of the invention of s'mores, we will be making s'mores. Of course, s'mores will make you so happy that you will feel like singing. We can accommodate you! The theme for the evening is S'mores with Songs. Make and eat delicious s'mores while singing the night away. The registration fee includes s'mores.

These are can't miss programs for fun and learning. Sign up on line at [nssm.org](http://nssm.org) or call Diana Foss at the Museum to register (651-748-2880). See you around the fire ring!

## Skunk Reunion Set for August

The April *Museum News* traditionally promotes the June Skunk Reunion and solicits nominations for Skunk of the Year. Well, as you know, COVID-19 has put a damper on a lot of traditions. In 2020, there was no Skunk Reunion. This year, we are planning an in-person Skunk Reunion but it will not be in June. Instead, put **August 21 at 11:00 a.m.** on your calendar. The 2021 Skunk Reunion will be at the Swanson Lodge at Fred C. Andersen Camp.

Tell your friends and look for the full promotion in the June *Museum News*. The issue will contain a registration form for the event and a nomination form for Skunk of the Year. Around that time, you will also have the option to register and pay on line through our website at [nssm.org](http://nssm.org). Get ready for the Skunk Reunion. You have plenty of time to get vaccinated before August.



*Kent York was the featured speaker at our last Skunk Reunion in 2019. We expect to return to a live reunion this August.*

## Do Your Service Project at the Museum

Kids are always looking for service project ideas for every rank in their program. The Museum provides great opportunities for service projects.

A couple of potential projects come to mind. If you and your friends are handy, we have the service project for you. Our fire ring could use some benches. So, for your service project, why don't you plan and build those benches. Or, the fire ring could use a container that holds fire wood. Designing, procur-

ing the materials, and building the container would be a great service project.

If you would like to discuss service project ideas beyond the immediate needs mentioned in this article, just call Diana Foss (651-748-2880) and let her know that you would like to talk to someone about doing a service project at the Museum. Believe us when we tell you that there is plenty that needs to be done. Thank you in advance for your service!

## Scenes from the Museum



*“Winter Camp”, the Museum’s winter camping exhibit is now open right next to the original camping exhibit. Plan your trip to see both of these exciting exhibits. Remember, due to COVID restrictions, the Museum is presently open only by appointment, except we are open for walk-in visitors from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. every Saturday.*

*Things are slowly normalizing. Late in March, we provided a Museum tour to the Scouts from Troop 7626 of St. Oldilia Church in Shoreview, MN. The troop members are posing with their leaders Karen Rafter (SM), Suzanne Carrington (ASM), Ken Lillemo (ASM), and Mary Lillemo (COR). Don’t worry, the guy in the back right with no mask is a mannequin and not a troop member.*



*Here is a view of the Winter Camp exhibit taken from the opposite direction*



### New Member

- Karen Rafter

### Returning Members

- Mary & Ken Lillemo

### Tribute in Memory of Scott Degel

- Mary Degel

### Tribute in Memory of Don Craighead

- Barb Herrmann
- Scott & Diana Foss
- Lorena Palm

### Tribute in Memory of Joan Henry

- Lorena Palm

**Know of anyone interested in joining?**

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## Super Merit Badge Weeks Expect to Return Live

This summer, the Museum's most popular educational program, Super Merit Badge Weeks, will be back. Due to COVID, the program only ran a few live sessions in that year we are all trying to forget—2020. As of right now, the plan is to run all of the sessions live at the Museum with our COVID safety protocols in place.

Write down the dates now so you are ready when the available classes are announced. June merit badges will be scheduled during the week of June 14-19. July merit badges will be scheduled during the week of July 12-17. The last

summer week of Super Merit Badge Week will be scheduled during the week of August 9-14. Each week of programming will be announced about 30 days before the scheduled week. As always, you can register and pay on line at [nssm.org](http://nssm.org). Once small step toward normalcy.



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