

FEBRUARY
2025

NORTH STAR MUSEUM
OF BOY SCOUTING & GIRL SCOUTING
Museum News

Inside this issue:

Join Us for the Call to History Luncheon — March 29 (continued) 2

Join Us in Preserving Scouting History: Become a Sustaining Donor 2

Honor a Legacy: Make a Tribute or Memorial Donation 3

Memorial 3

Meet Your New Board Members and Officers 4

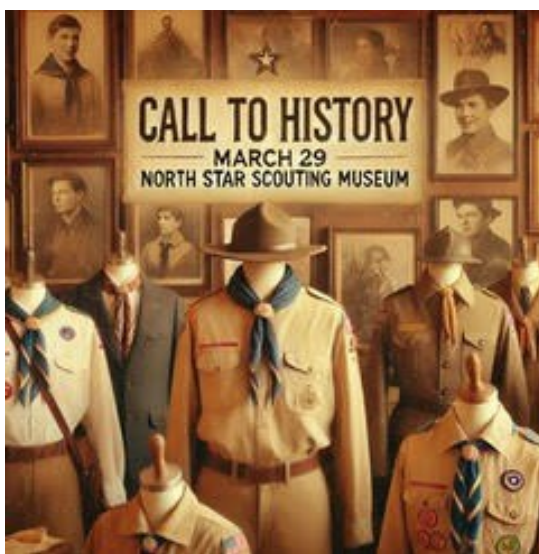
Meet Your New Board Members and Officers (continued) 5

Join Us at the "Sow and Grow" – The First of Many Sunday Samplers at the Museum 5

Schedule of Sunday Samplers 6



Join Us for the Call to History Luncheon – March 29



Step back in time and join us on Saturday, March 29 at the North Star Museum's Call to History Luncheon. Our 2025 Call to History will be a memorable celebration of the rich traditions of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting! This unique event will transport you through the decades as we explore the fascinating evolution of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting uniforms and the stories they tell.

The highlight of the luncheon will be our **Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting Uniform Showcase**, featuring a carefully curated collection of uniforms from different eras. You'll see how the attire of both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts has changed over time, reflecting shifts in culture, design, and outdoor functionality. Each uniform on display represents a chapter in the Scouting story, ranging from the earliest days of Baden-Powell's

influence to Juliette Low and the beginning of the Girl Scout uniform to the modern styles worn by boys and girls today.

As we journey through history, you'll hear **engaging stories** about the individuals who wore these uniforms - stories of adventure, leadership, and personal growth. Discover how these uniforms represent a sense of belonging, achievement, and the enduring values of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting.



Image from the North Star Museum Photo Archive - the identity of the Scouts is not known.

Join us for an afternoon of **nostalgia, inspiration, and camaraderie**, where we honor the past while looking forward to the future of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting. Whether you're a former Scout, a supporter of youth programs, or simply a history enthusiast, this event is sure to leave you with a deeper appreciation for the legacy of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting.

Continued on Page 2

Join Us for the Call to History Luncheon (Continued)

Mark your calendar and be part of this extraordinary tribute to the timeless tradition of **Scouting uniforms and the spirit they represent!** The cost is only \$35 per person and it includes lunch. The details are below:

Date: Saturday, March 29

Location: North Star Scouting Museum

Cost: \$35 per person

Event Schedule:

11:00 AM – Registration & Social

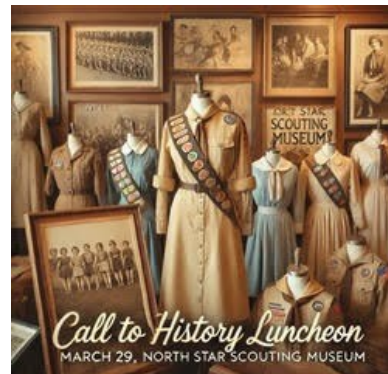
11:30 AM – Welcome

11:30 AM – Lunch Served

12:00 PM – Program: Scouting Uniform Showcase

1:00 PM – Closing & Final Remarks

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to explore Scouting history, enjoy a delicious lunch, and connect with fellow Scouting enthusiasts.



Reserve your spot today at www.nssm.org!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Join Us in Preserving Scouting History: Become a Sustaining Donor

The North Star Scouting Museum is dedicated to preserving the rich history and traditions of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting. Our exhibits, artifacts, and programs celebrate the legacy of Scouting and inspire future generations. But we cannot do it alone.

By becoming a Sustaining Donor, you provide critical ongoing support to ensure that the Museum continues to thrive. Monthly giving allows us to plan for the future, maintain our collections, and expand educational programs that engage Scouts, families, and the community.

Why Give Monthly?

Reliable Support – Your recurring donation helps us budget effectively and plan ahead.

Convenient & Flexible – Set up a donation that works for you and change it at any time.

Greater Impact – Small monthly gifts add up to a significant contribution over time.

Exclusive Benefits – Sustaining Donors receive special updates, invitations to Museum events, and recognition for their generosity.

Your Monthly Gift Makes a Difference

\$10/month – Helps maintain our Scouting artifact collections.

\$25/month – Supports educational workshops and Scout advancement programs.

\$50/month – Aids in the development of new exhibits and community outreach.

\$100/month – Ensures that the Museum remains a vibrant resource for future generations.

Becoming a Sustaining Donor is easy! Visit www.nssm.org to set up your monthly gift today. Go to **SUPPORT: Make a Donation** then click on **Become a Sustainer**. Here is the link:

https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/NorthStarScoutingMemorabili/Become_A_Sustainer.html

Your support keeps the spirit of Scouting alive. Thank you for being part of our mission!

Honor a Legacy: Make a Tribute or Memorial Donation

The North Star Scouting Museum offers a meaningful way to honor loved ones, friends, and colleagues while celebrating their passion for Scouting. By making a tribute or memorial donation, you create a lasting legacy that supports our mission to preserve the history and values of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting.

Why Make a Tribute or Memorial Gift?

- **Honor a Loved One, Friend, or Colleague** – Celebrate the life of a Scout, a leader, or a supporter who made a difference.
- **Create a Lasting Legacy** – Ensure that the person you memorialize continues to inspire future generations.
- **Support Our Mission** – Your donation helps maintain exhibits, fund educational programs, and expand community outreach.
- **Personalized Recognition** – Tribute donors receive acknowledgment in our Museum, the *Museum News*, and special recognition opportunities.

Ways to Give

- **One-Time Gift** – Make a donation in memory or honor of someone special.
- **Sustaining Tribute Gift** – Provide ongoing support in their name with a recurring donation.
- **Legacy Giving** – Include the Museum in your estate plans as a lasting tribute.

Your gift, no matter the size, makes a difference. To make a tribute or memorial donation, visit www.nssm.org today.

Thank you for helping us honor Scouting legacies and preserve their impact for years to come.



Memorial in Honor of Barbara Bonifas

- Sandy Craighead

Know of anyone
interested in joining?

Contact:

Carissa Meyer at
651-748-2880 or

carissa.meyer@nssm.org

Meet Your New Board Members and Officers

North Star Museum members elected new officers and board members in December. The new board took office on January 1. The 2025 version of the board includes some new faces and some familiar faces in new roles.

Joe Glenski was elected to the position of Board Chair. Joe has been a Boy Scout leader over 45 years, and a member of the Museum for over 15 years. He has been a Museum Board member for two years. He is an Eagle Scout and he is active on multiple BSA levels. He has served as a Scoutmaster, District Commissioner, Council Activities Chair, and NOAC Lead Adviser, among other roles. Joe works as a Senior Distinguished Technologist at Hewlett Packard Enterprise, leading a team focused on supercomputer performance.



Joe Glenski

Joe Glenski has big shoes to fill following Lorena Palm's exemplary service as Board Chair for

multiple terms. Thank you, Lorena! Lorena remains on the board as Immediate Past Chair.

Current board member Bonna Scherer was elected to the Vice Chair position. Our volunteers are quite familiar with Bonna, a long-time member of the Museum's board. Her activities include the Exhibit Committee, Membership Committee, docent volunteer, and Volunteer Coordinator. She has also served as a Girl Scout volunteer for over 30 years and she has over 15 years of service as a member of the River Valleys Heritage Group Committee. Bonna replaces Sandy Craighead who remains on the Board as a Director.

Terri Anderson was elected to a second term as Board Secretary. Terri has a long history of serving the Museum and was a long-time employee of Northern Star Council and its legacy council before retiring in 2024. In addition to her Board Secretary duties, Terri is active in the following roles: Marketing/Communications Committee Chair, webmaster, production specialist, editor of the *Museum News*, and eTapestry consultant.

Beth Voermans joins the board as Treasurer. She replaces outgoing Treasurer Jim Stevenson. Jim was a multi-term Treasurer who played the leading role in tightening up the Museum's accounting practices and financial reporting. Thank you, Jim!



Beth Voermans

Beth is no stranger to the Museum and she is a Lifetime Girl Scout. As a ten-year girl member, she earned her First-Class Award. Thirty years ago, she returned to Girl Scouting to help lead her daughter's Daisy troop and has been involved ever since serving in various capacities at the service unit and council level and ultimately as a board member of Girl Scouts River Valleys. She retired from Securian Financial at the end of 2018 after 36.5 years. A member of the Society of Actuaries, she was the Director of Group Financial Operations leading various financial reporting-related teams when she retired. Since retiring she's been an active volunteer, recently completing a six-year stint as the Treasurer of the Roseville Area Schools Foundation. In 2021 she began volunteering at the Museum working with the Collections team entering donations into PastPerfect and creating donor documents. Since January 2024,

Continued on Page 5

Meet Your New Board Members and Officers (Continued)

she's been entering the Museum's financial information into QuickBooks.



Kim Andreas

The Board of Directors also welcomes Kim Andreas as a first-time director. Kim is a lifelong Girl Scout, joining as a first grader nearly fifty years ago when her mom, Founders Hall inductee Midge Andreas, started

Brownie Troop 463. Her troop was very active and loved the outdoors. They did both summer and winter camping and she and other troop members trained under Don Lee to be outdoor skills trainers. Her troop also did a lot of baking and catering. They fundraised for years so they could travel to New York, and eventually embarked on an amazing six-week backpacking trip through Europe after graduating from high school. Kim remained active in Girl Scouting as an adult. She co-created a high adventure troop for girls without troops that wanted to camp and travel. Later, she became the council's youngest Service Unit Director, working with the Mahtomedi and White Bear Lake troops. For many years, she worked as a volunteer helping troops with

their outdoor experiences. She also served as an adult volunteer with her daughter's troop. Kim is now ready to get back into volunteering by helping the Museum as her mom and father did before her. Kim is currently employed with Century College as Media Production Coordinator for Marketing & Communications. Welcome, Kim!

We also welcome several returning board members who are back for another term or are returning to the board after a year off of the board. Tom Welna and Emily White, welcome back. All supporters and patrons of the North Star Museum look forward to working with and assisting our 2025 Museum Board of Directors as they continue to further the Museum's mission.

Join Us at the "Sow and Grow" – The First of Many Sunday Samplers at the Museum

Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting are all about developing skills and putting those skills to work throughout your life. In that spirit, the Museum is implementing a series of Sunday Samplers to help people of all ages learn new skills or rediscover old skills. As advertised in the title, these programs take place on Sundays – in the afternoon, more specifically. The programs are all free of charge and will be presented by experts in the field.

The first Sunday Sampler will be on Sunday, March 9 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Museum. It is entitled "Sow and Grow." It is the perfect program for anyone interested in starting a garden. Are you looking for ideas on what to plant? Do you need help in creating a garden-growing plan? At the "Sow and Grow, you will learn how to start seeds indoors and when to start your project. Learn what kind of containers you need and when to start your seeds. Bring your

questions about growing a successful garden. All ages are welcome and there is no cost.

Other Sunday Samplers are being planned. These programs are on the Museum web site. They are all scheduled for Sundays from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Museum. Look at the web site and in future issues of the *Museum News* for more details. The schedule as currently planned is shown on the next page.

[See Schedule on Page 6](#)

DATED MATERIAL



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

**FEBRUARY
2025**

North Star Museum
of Boy Scouting
and Girl Scouting
2640 East 7th Avenue
North St. Paul, MN 55109
Phone: 651-748-2880

**We're on the web
www.nssm.org**



Schedule of Sunday Samplers at the Museum

March 9 – Sow and Grow
April 13 – Song Fest
May 9 – Backyard Cooking
June 8 – Packing for Outdoors/Orienteering
July 13 – Rope making/knots
August 10 – Shelters
September 14 – Fingerprinting
October 12 – Fire Building
November (TBD) – Winter Stuff
December 14 – Leather



**Lean to “Sow and Grow” on
March 9**

As you can see, the Sunday Samplers have something for everyone. Come for all of them or pick out something you have always wanted to do or brush up on. See you on these Sundays!

Museum News Editorial Team: Terri Anderson, John Guthmann, and John Raymond.

North Star Scouting Memorabilia Inc. is a Minnesota non-profit corporation, a member of the American Association of Museums, Association of Midwest Museums, and the Association of Scout Museums International. We are a 501(c)(3) with the mission to collect, preserve, share and interpret the history and significance of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting in the upper Midwest. We adhere to the Code of Ethics of the American Association of Museums and the Donor Bill of Rights.

© 2025 North Star Scouting Memorabilia Inc.