



New Jersey Scout Museum Newsletter

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## President's Message

It occurred to me recently that I never introduced to everyone who our current Trustees, Corporate Offices or Operating Committee Members were so here we are.

Board of Trustees and Corporate offices are:

Frederic Pachman, President & acting Secretary / Treasurer  
Steven Buckley, Vice President / Curator  
Spencer Morasch, Trustee / Membership  
Sam Fairchild, Trustee  
Matthew Kaufman, Trustee / Webmaster  
Randall Holden, Trustee / Historian

Along with all the Trustees the following folks make up our Operating Committee

Mary Engelman  
Pat Kurz  
Linda Hassler  
Sandy Reisig  
Jeff Scott  
Wolverton's (Our founder Dave Wolverton's parents)

Even while we are currently without a physical museum location we are working to continue a public presence to promote your New Jersey Scout Museum. Recently we attended the annual Monmouth County Archives & History Day in October. This is a wonderful event where we had an exhibit along with sixty (60) other historical organizations where we make new friends, connect with Scouters, and are often offered donations.

We hope to see you at other history events around the Garden State.



*Frederic C. Pachman*

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## Historian Corner

**By Randy Holden**

Since our last News Letter we are sad to report to all of you that we have lost a dear friend in the collecting community Michael W. Korda who passed away at age 67 from Holmdel, New Jersey on Sunday November 10, 2018

He is survived by his son Adam, daughter Kaitlyn, son-in-law Ryan, beloved granddaughter Annalise, and spouse Joanne. Michael is predeceased by his parents Michael Korda and Anna Romankow



At that time I was in contact with the family and spoke to JoAnne. Mike was a lodge vice chief for Narraticong Lodge 9 as a youth and was a member of Monmouth Council and NA-TSI-HI Lodge 71 as an adult. Mike was the originator of the 'jersey listings' which I now maintain. He had not been active on the trading scene for more than ten years but attended both of the Open Houses we held.

Mike had left instructions for the disposal of his Scouting memorabilia, including the Cowaw OA Lodge 9 jacket patch which he received as a gift from David Wolverton after Dave's death. Mike had graciously requested that it be donated to the New Jersey Scout Museum. Mike's wife plans on honoring that request.

*Steven Buckley on behalf of  
Randy Holden - Historian*

## **New Museum Building**

**by Steven Buckley**

Fellow NJSM Members & Friends - As those who understand construction know the most time consuming process involves all the legal approvals and permits that are required. Actual construction is the least time consuming part of the project! Below is an updated status of the ongoing efforts to construct our new museum building at the MCBSA Camp Quail Hill Scout Reservation in Manalapan, Twp., in Monmouth County.

In the fall of 2017 working groups from the NJSM and our counterparts from Monmouth Council BSA finished a proposed lease for the future museum building which was submitted to Green Acres of the Monmouth County Parks Department.

In May 2018 the underlying structure of the lease was not approved.

The main issue they raised was MCBSA cannot lease property to the NJSM. What they will allow is for us to help MCBSA raise the funds required to build the Museum but MCBSA must own it. Then the building can be leased back to the NJSM.

By November 2018 the revised lease was once again approved in principle by the NJSM Board and was sent to MCBSA. Then it started going through their formal review.

To our surprise by February 2019 MCBSA had a different and grander approach. Instead of just a 40 ft x 40 ft building as planned, see picture below, they wanted to build an 80 ft x 40 ft building. We would share the left side with MCBSA, which they would use for other purposes and we would have exclusive use of the right side and the lower level.

The MCBSA plans are contingent upon them receiving a large monetary grant from a major donor. The request for that gift was made in September 2019 with the hope of it being approved by the end of the year. This will be followed by final architect & engineering plans for the building, permit applications with Manalapan Twp building department with approval expected mid 2020. MCBSA will then go out for bids followed by construction.

At this time we are hoping for occupancy in 2021.

The goal we have is still the same a new museum building, but the path to success would be different than original conceived by both groups.

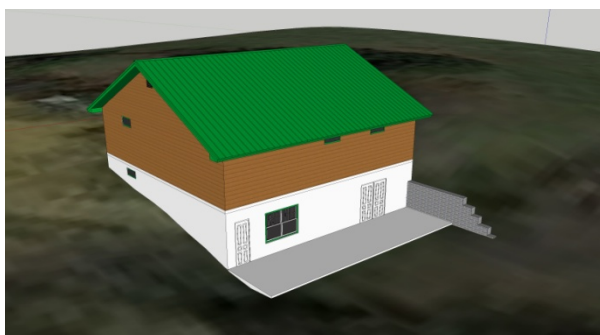
The NJSM has suspended all fundraising efforts until we get a positive response from MCBSA and the Parks Department. We are however ready and waiting patiently to begin the funding campaign again once we get the green light.

The lack of regular news letters in 2019 for the NJSM this year relates to this story.

If this story triggers any more questions please let me know.



*Front Entrance View*



*Rear Entrance View*

The NJSM has put forth a big idea and a plan to give us a bright future.

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## **2019 World Scout Jamboree** **Spirit of Jamboree Museum**

**By Steven Buckley**

This past summer I was very lucky to serve on the International Service Team, the staff, for the 24th World Scout Jamboree in the Support Pillar - Postal Distribution Group. A highlight of my time at the WSJ was the day I was not working and I got a chance to visit the Spirit of Jamboree Museum at the World Point Center. One of the main reasons this was such a great visit was the fact that one of our own Trustees, of the NJSM, Sam Fairchild was an instrumental part of the group that designed the museum space. He helped bring together the artifacts found at the museum and also worked as a docent during the WSJ.



*Sam Fairchild NJSM Trustee*

The Spirit of the Jamboree Museum allowed me to see the origins of World Jamborees and how they developed over the years. It is something I would not want to have missed. The museum helped me understand what the World Jamboree actually means and why its origins are a big part of what being at a World Scout Jamboree means today.

The museum had an beautiful aesthetic interior and by walking around you could have just looked at the beautiful pictures, big posters, old uniforms and other artifacts or if you had more time available you could have read all the descriptions and then you would have really understood everything.

The museum explained how Baden-Powell had created the scouting movement. World Jamborees started in 1920. The museum demonstrated how the "Spirit of Jamboree" keeps living on with every Jamboree. The museum took me on a journey through all the 24 Jamborees and let me understand how each one has kept the spirit burning. There were rare and interesting artifacts from different Jamborees on display and every Jamboree was and is something special and is far more than just a gathering of scouts. We were creating history by being there in West Virginia at the SBR and in a few years the 24th World Scout Jamboree will be a highlight in a museum too.

The following story is an extract of the story of this museum as told by Sam Fairchild.



*This picture is the team of docents with Sam at the far right.*

The team of docents working together created and presented what many believe was the finest on-site scouting museum ever presented. Sam said he would argue from a messaging and impact perspective that the Spirit of the Jamboree Museum was perhaps the finest scout museum ever assembled anywhere and at anytime.

The group of fourteen docents represented more than 750 years of scouting experience. All fourteen are Scout historians and each had

a special set of talents and experiences that provided depth and complexity to the experience that many thousands of Jamboree participants and guests could enjoy.

It was heartwarming and meaningful for Sam to be part of the team. Their unselfishness and dedication to interpreting scouting history powerfully inspired him. Sam was very proud to be a member of this group. He hopes that many of them can be part of the 2021 BSA National Jamboree effort.

The following are just a few pictures of the interior of the museum.



*The Museums Official patch*



*Baden Powell's Hat*



*A few of the 24 display cases one for each WSJ that went around the room on the outside wall*



*The beautiful central display had a stylized globe of the world*

## **Curator Corner**

**by Steven Buckley**

This past year, from February until right now as I write this article in October, I have been very ill. In February I started feeling badly, first Sunday in March in the Riverview Medical Center Emergency Center diagnosed with Congestive Heart failure, end of April open heart surgery at Jersey Shore Medical Center for an aortic valve replacement and to fix an aortic aneurism. I very happy to say I did not have a heart attack, but a heart vascular problem. I just finished 36 visits to the Cardiac Rehab Center over the summer with up to 3 visits a week. With all that being said not much transpired this year for the NJSM as its Curator, but I'm very glad to say I'm feeling much better, 6 months post op.

I always say that this is your museum. I want everyone to consider making contributions of artifacts relating to the history of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts mainly in New Jersey, but also of general interest to the Scouting community at large. I would be very happy to discuss donations to our collection with anyone. Donations are tax deductible. I always tell people to give us everything no matter how unimportant it may seem.

We are always very grateful to each donor that provides us with wonderful Scouting history.

Many people ask, "What is needed by the Museum?" The answer simply stated is; "Anything related to both the Boy and Girl Scout programs that will help us tell the story of Scouting in New Jersey, and to a lesser extent scouting in general" is of interest to us.

I'm so far behind in doing my duties as Curator but I will start working on my paper work which includes many thank you letters for gifts received in late 2018 just before my illness through today.

Please consider how you might fit into our Mission Statement of preserving artifacts relating to the history of Boy / Girl Scouts in New Jersey and to educate the public about Scouting's role in our communities and nation in developing young people into responsible citizens and leaders.

The NJSM is an all volunteer organization which provides an environment where people who have a passion for the history of Scouting in New Jersey can join in. We are always looking for like minded folks to become part of the Operating Committee, help with a specific task, become a docent or join the Board of Trustees. People with many skills are encouraged to help us in our mission into the future.

It's a lot of work, but it's also a lot of fun.

## **Membership**

**By Spencer Morasch**

Yes, there is still time in 2019 to renew or start a membership with the NJSM.

The NJSM would like to encourage all of the Friends of the NJSM, both donors of artifacts / memorabilia and both past and current financial givers, to consider a membership in 2018 at whatever level you choose. It's going to be a very exciting time for the NJSM over the next two years so a membership, with you receiving regular News Letters, is one way to help and to stay informed.

A copy of our membership form is included with this newsletter.

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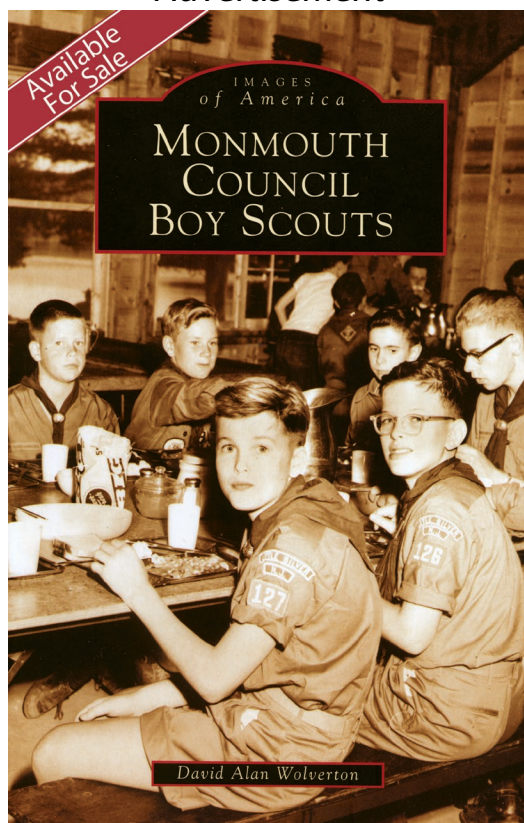
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