

New Jersey Scout Museum Newsletter

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President's Message

At the New Jersey Scout Museum, we are always working to justify our mission statement:

OUR MISSION

To preserve artifacts relating to the history of Both Boy and Girl Scouting 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.

Your New Jersey Scout Museum started the year with an open house and continued to host Scouts and Scouting groups who came to see our exhibits, artifacts, patches and to 'talk Scouting history'. But as the program at Monmouth Council BSA grew, we were informed that our friends needed 'their space' back, so NJSM moved out of their Service Center in Morganville and we began to plan for 'NJSM 3.0'.

We can only relate the beginnings of that adventure to you now, so we ask you become a member, ask some Scouting friends to start a membership, and join us. Other parts of this newsletter will hint at what's to come, and show you where the NJSM is exhibiting parts

of our collections that relate the history of Scouting in the Garden State.

We plan on exhibiting at history events and meetings around New Jersey in the coming year, please be sure to stop by and say hello. And if you'd like us to attend one of your programs or Scouting activities, give us a call. See you on the trail.....

Frederic C. Pachman

President, New Jersey Scout Museum

Follow us

By Matthew Kaufman

You now have more ways to keep in touch with us.

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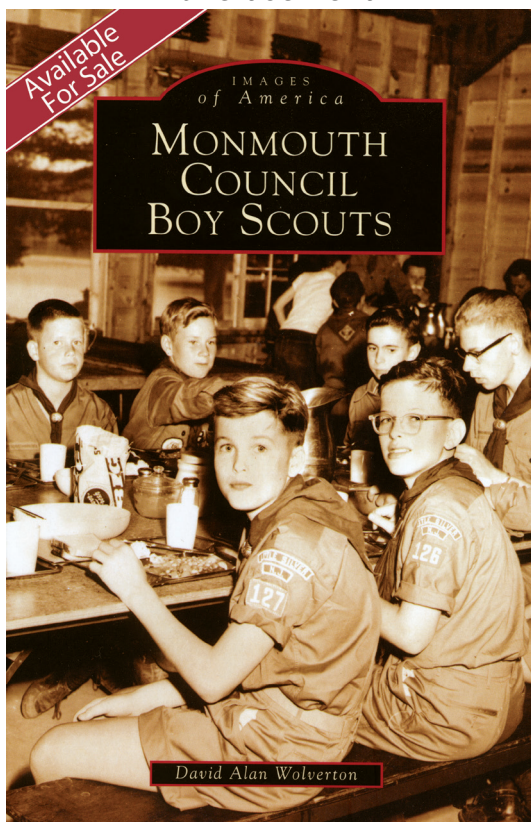


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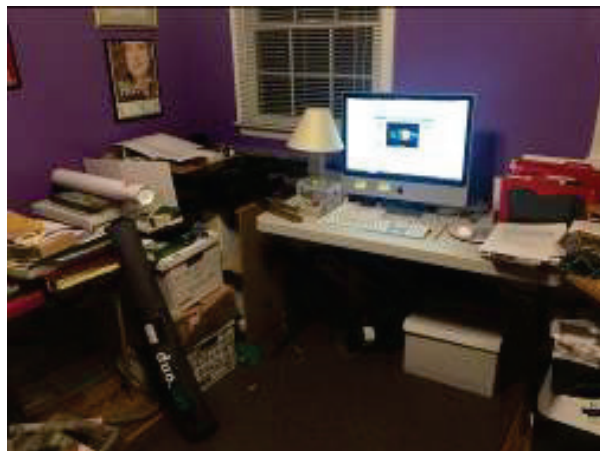
Another shipment has just arrived!!!

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This is your museum and 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. If you know of a person or family that does not know what to do with their Scouting artifacts suggest to them that the NJSM might be the perfect place. The NJSM would like to assist anyone in any way we can to preserve their treasured items and perhaps donate them to our current collection where they used for the benefit of future generations of Scouting or to support the work and mission of the Museum. I would be very happy to discuss Donations to our collection with anyone.

We are an independent non-profit organization. We are incorporated with the State of New Jersey. We have Federal 501-3-C status so people who make gifts can get a tax deduction.

I would like to summarize the donations that we received during 2016. We are very grateful to each donor that provided us with 34 individual Accessions of Objects, Books, Photos or Archive paper items. These Accessions cover a very wide range of subject matter. I have grouped each accession by category depending on what constituted the major portion of each Accession.

Curators Corner

By Steven Buckley, Curator and VP NJSM

2016 in Review

As you read this news letter you will see that the NJSM is no longer located at the Monmouth Council Service Center. I'm the Curator and the NJSM office is in my home, see the picture.

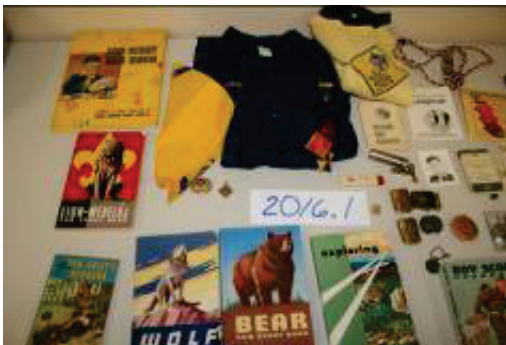
Boy Scout Accessions

- Books (4 each)
- Archive Paper (2 each)
- Objects (13 each)
- Photos & Archive paper (2 each)

Girl Scout Accessions

- Archive Paper (3 each)
- Objects (8 each)
- Books & Objects (1 each)
- Photos (1 each)

Here are some photo samples of donations in 2016:



BS Cub items



BS Items



BS Merit badges



GS Sashes / Patches



GS Books / Patches

As is the case every year, and 2016 was no exception, gifts come in as small as a shoe box to very large gifts encompassing many boxes of items. We are grateful for the small and the large. We have found some great treasures even in the smallest of gifts. Even if the gifts do not fit our collection we may donate them to another museum where they will find an appropriate home

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.

Please consider how you might fit into our Mission Statement. It's a lot of work, but also it's a lot of fun.

Steven Buckley
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New Building Chair

By Steven Buckley

Progress in late 2016

We would like to bring everyone up to date because 2016 was a very different year for the NJSM as we have gone through many changes affecting a lot of our operations. One major change, perhaps our biggest, is our new building program.

What follows is the first in a series of News Letter Articles over the next two years that will keep you informed on the progress towards the time of the Grand opening of our New Museum Building which we hope will happen by November 2018.

The Monmouth Council BSA service center in Morganville New Jersey had been our visible home for the last 12 years, but due to their increased need for additional floor space we were asked to leave. On May 1, 2016 we moved out our collection some of which and other property was placed in storage.

The first good news is that the NJSM collections continue to have a public presence at three locations as follows:

1. Boy Scouts displays at Quail Hill Scout Reservation in Manalapan, New Jersey owned by Monmouth Council BSA in their Lawrence & Lass Lodges.
2. Girl Scout Displays at Camp Sacajawea in Farmingdale, New Jersey owned by the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore Council in their Program Activity Center (PAC).
3. Girl Scout Displays at the Westfield Service Center of the Girl Scout of the Heart of New Jersey Council in their new council focused museum.

Contact each of these councils for information on how to see these exhibits.

Monmouth Council BSA has donated to us a piece of land at their Quail Hill Scout Reservation to build our first ever free standing Museum building. We are also fortunate to be working with a very Scout friendly architect, Kurt Kalafsky, a past president of MCBSA on the project.



The museum design is a two level building 40 x 40 feet. The main entrance to the Museum is the upper one which faces the parking lot. This level contains rest rooms, a stairwell to the lower level, our store and 1,300 sq ft of usable space for the display gallery. The lower level has its own entrance at the rear and a parking area. This level will contain our back office operations, room to work on building displays, a sizable storage area, and stairwell to the upper level, utility room, pantry, some space for holding our committee and board meetings in about 1,300 sq ft of usable space.

Our old museum space was 1,000 sq ft along with 200 sq ft of offsite storage. Our new facility we will have about 3,200 sq ft which is about 2 ½ times more space than what we previously had. We are excited about the future.

We hope that many of you would find this project something you might be interested in helping us with in any manner you choose. One area I would like you to consider right now is helping us to identify possible sources

of funding. If you have any ideas let me know by e-mail sbuckley@monmouth.com. Another area for you to consider is locating gifts in kind. The NJSM will be developing a list of items that are part of our construction budget that you or the company you work for might be able to donate that will offset part of our constructions costs, these are gifts in kind. We will have a list available when we start the Construction Capital Campaign Early in 2017. More details on that campaign will follow in the next issue of the news letter and in a separate publication.

Before I close here are the major mile stone dates we hope to achieve:

2017

- Early in the year the start of Construction Capital Campaign

2018

- Mid winter award contracts for the construction
- April – May start construction (projected 4 months to build)
- Certificate of occupancy issued by the local town in September
- NJSM to begin set up of displays and move in to the new building late September – October
- Grand re opening November

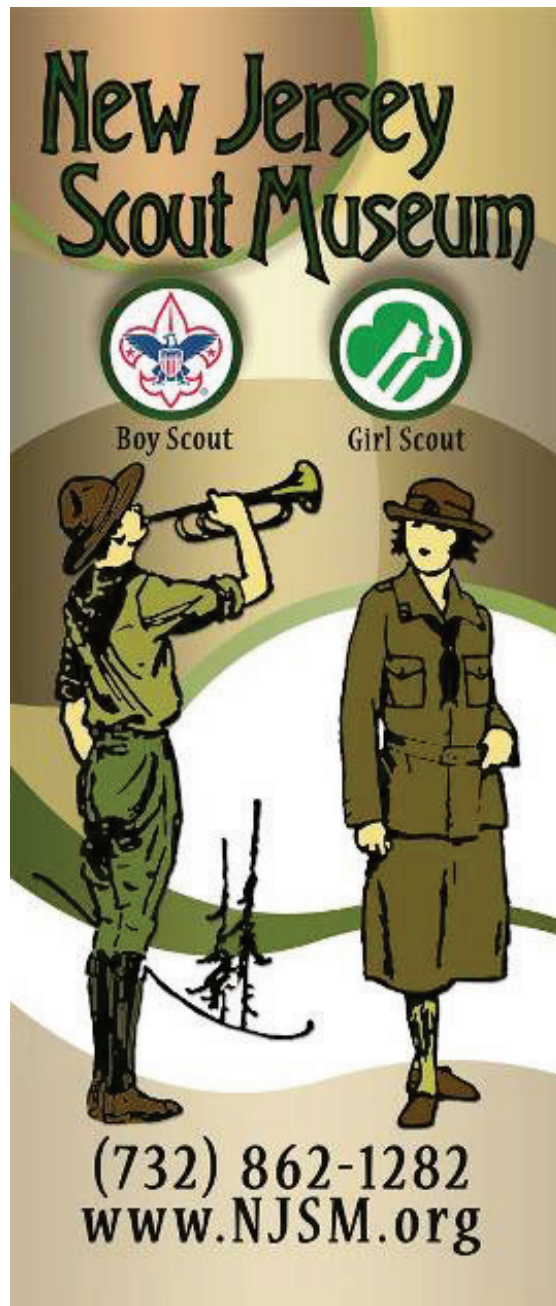
The NJSM has put forth a big idea and a plan to give us a bright future. I hope you find all this interesting.

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Advertising & Marketing

By Matthew Kaufman

The NJSM received a free used zippy banner stand that is useable when we are at Scouting or Public events. The board has approved the purchase of a new vinyl graphic 33 inches wide and 80 inches high to use with the stand, art work as shown below:



Membership

By Spencer Morasch

Yes folks it's 2017 and time to renew or start a membership with the NJSM.

The NJSM would like to encourage all of the Friends of the NJSM, both donators of artifacts /memorabilia and both past and current financial givers, to consider a membership in 2017 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.

In these modern times we can't stress enough the need we have to send information out by e-mail to reduce our costs of course but more importantly increase our ability to send out information quickly and more efficiently so please include that on our form enclosed. It's surprising to us that we have very few e-mail addresses for all of you so please include yours.

Renewals include the current year 2017 NJSM dated patch, so please make sure you renew or start to keep up with your NJSM patch collection!



If you have a question concerning NJSM Membership, please contact:

Spencer Morasch - NJSM Membership Chair

E-Mail (best way): smorasch@firstenergycorp.com

Or by Phone (day): 732-212-4133

Remember - All membership donations received over time, accrue towards Life Member status!

Please complete the enclosed NJSM "Friends of the Museum" Membership Application, and send it in with your payment as per the instructions.

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