

New Jersey Scout Museum Newsletter

## **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.

On October 3, the New Jersey Scout Museum was privileged to host a program featuring Joseph and Jeff Csatari, as they discussed their new book Norman Rockwell's Boy Scouts of America (Dorling Kindersley, 2009). This title is a must for every Scout library.

A signal feature of the Boy Scouts of America has been the artwork that has inspired and documented the members, history, and traditions of our organization. From the earliest days of the BSA, whether in line drawings or color lithographs, artists have drawn and painted images that have adorned the cover of the Boy Scout Handbook, appeared in pages of Boy's Life, and illustrated the activities of Scouts and Scouters. Just in time for the BSA Centennial, Joseph and Jeff Csatari designed and wrote this book that presents a most impressive collection of BSA artwork, and documents the Volume 7, Number 1 Summer 2011

careers of the two premier artists who combined, have held the title of "Official Artist to the Boy Scouts of America" for the past nine decades.

The NJSM members and friends who attended this event were treated to a photographic program and lecture that will long be remembered. Our thanks and appreciation to Joe and Jeff Csatari for their friendship and fellowship.

.Frederic C .Pachman

President, New Jersey Scout Museum



Lee Marconi, Jeff Csatari, Joseph Csatari, Fred Pachman



Joseph Csatari in his studio

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#### **By Matthew Kaufman**

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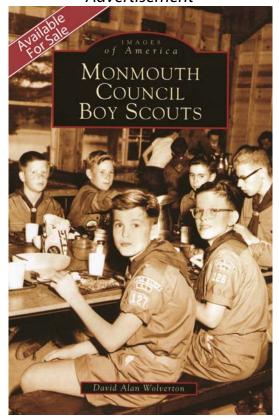
## **New Jersey History Forum By Fred Pachman**

Hosted by the New Jersey Historical Commission, the New Jersey History Forum took place on November 20 in Woodrow Wilson Hall at Monmouth University. A daylong series of lectures and round-table discussions on topics of New Jersey history, were enjoyed by an audience of historians from across the state. NJSM President Fred Pachman represented our museum and displayed our traveling exhibits for viewing by attendees.



Fred Pachman at the NJ History Forum

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Shown are members of Little Silver Bay Scout froop 127 with Mrs. Ella Darling-fon during a four of the newly-acquired Monmouth Council scout came Site at Forestburg, N. Y., on property formerly owned by Mrs. Darlington. The scouts were the first from this area to visit the camp grounds since Monmouth Council acquired the property. Left to right in the first row are Robert Lichter, Arthur Locilento, Michael DeStefano, Norman Cohn, Reggie Thompson, William Hoffmen and Donald Santoro. Rear, Raymond Travis, William Stacener, Brian Bracken, Daniel Firth, David Winfield, Mrs. Darlington, William Wenra, William Yodice, William Merrill and Stanley Johnson. At the extreme rear are Richard Werner, Evan King, Yaldin Lichter and Barry Berdahl. Foresthurg Scoutt Resonvation \_ First Common 9. Mar. Davision

1954 Forestburg Scout Reservation - First Camper & Mrs. Darlington

### Curators Corner By Steven Buckley, Curator and VP NJSM

As I always say this is your museum and I want everyone to consider making contributions of artifacts relating to the history of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in New Jersey. 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 collection where they will be integrated into our current collection for the benefit of future generations of Scouting. 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 had said in a previous article that we were setting up an offsite storage location. During 2010 and into early 2011 that initial task is done. We rented a large off site storage locker and now it's almost full of treasures.

Since last I reported we have received many gifts.

The largest gift received recently was a gift from Dennis Nickel who was storing at his home in VA the Scouting collection of Ann Nally. Ann was a nationally famous Cub Scout person and trainer. While traveling with her husband Air Force Col. James Nally she helped train Scout Leaders in Europe that were part of the Transatlantic Boy Scout Council. Ann also worked with the British Scout Association and the Far East Council. Ann served nationally as the Vice Chair of Cub Scouts and chair of the Cubing 50th anniversary celebration in 1980. Ann was selected and wrote the Golden Anniversary, 50 years, of Cub Scouting. I could say a lot more. Last February we went down to VA and picked up a collection of 150 boxes which were mostly books on scouting which Ann loved as a writer. That collection is currently being sorted at another offsite location. Show below is the collection back in NJ but still in boxes. We hope in the future to set a featured exhibit on Ann Nally and her work in Scouting.



Don't be over whelmed by the size of this gift. We love just as much the old bag or box of scouting memorabilia that you might have stored in the back of a closet. Please don't ever throw anything out let us have it to look over. Your trash might contain a treasure.

Our museum recently acquire through the efforts of Kurt Kalafsky two large 5 drawer flat files which have been needed for quite some time. Many items donated com rolled up. These artifacts need for preservation reasons to be stored flat and now we can do that.

Please remember that the museum is open on most Wednesday evenings from mid September through mid June. If you are coming any distance at all I would ask you to call me in advance at 732-544-1131 / 732-809-7040 to confirm that the museum will be open to avoid any disappointments. Our docents are all volunteers and some nights we just can't find someone to be there. We can try and arrange visits at other times on request. I encourage giving your Scouting Memorabilia to the NJ Scout Museum. I would be very happy to discuss Donations to our collection. Many people ask "What is needed by the Museum?" The answer simply stated is "Anything related to the Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts that will help 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 efforts it's a lot of work but also it's a lot of fun.

## Monmouth County History and Archives Day By Fred Pachman

The Monmouth County History and Archives Day was held on Saturday October 9 at the Monmouth County Library in Manalapan with the theme "World War II: The Home Front in Monmouth County". This is an annual event of programs and lectures, featuring displays by more than sixty county and state historical groups. Your New Jersey Scout Museum exhibited some of our traveling materials alongside the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore Council, and enjoyed meeting Scouting alumni among the attendees.



Patrica Kurz at Monmouth County History and Archives Day

# <u>Membership</u>

#### By Spencer Morasch

Please remember to renew your membership. Renewals include the current year's NJSM dated patch, so please make sure you renew to keep up with your NJSM patch collection!

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

Spencer Morasch - NJSM Membership Chair

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#### 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.

### Masonry and Scouting By David Crow

Freemasons, like Scouts, are a select group of individuals who have joined together to develop their intellects, to practice Morality and Charity and to strive to make a true difference in our world. Masons have also been involved in American Scouting since its establishment.

Daniel Carter Beard, one of the originators of Scouting in America, was a Mason. Other notable Masonic Scouters include Dr. E. Urner Goodman, Founder of the Order of the Arrow, Astronaut Buzz Aldrin, a New Jersey Mason and President Gerald R. Ford.

Many of our founding fathers were also Freemasons, including George Washington, Paul Revere, Benjamin Franklin, 10 signers of the Declaration of Independence and 12 signers of the United States Constitution.

Additionally, fifteen Presidents, dozens of New Jersey Governors, United States Senators and Congressman, and many thousands of notable men from all walks of life have been proud Freemasons.

Masonry is the oldest and largest fraternity in the world, and like Scouting, it has members in every corner of the globe. The motto of Freemasonry is: We make good men better.

There are many fascinating historical ties between Scouting and Freemasonry which are elucidated in a scholarly article by S. M. Adkins found here:

#### http://bit.ly/OA-Masons

Locally an Eagle Scout from Monmouth Council, Douglas R. Policastro (Troop 31 in 1966) who became Grand Master of Masons in New Jersey in 2006 created a Grand Lodge Subcommittee called Masonry and Scouting to expand the recognition and support that NJ Masonic Lodges provide Scouting. One important recognition is a plaque presented to NJ Eagle Scouts at their Court of Honors. The logo incorporating the Scout fleur-de-lis and the Masonic square and approved both compass were by organizations under Grand Master Policastro's leadership. Eagle Scout and Mason Gregory Crow designed the patch shown above incorporating the combined logo for members of Red Bank's Navesink Lodge No. 9 (constituted in 1815) to present to Scouts.



Boy Scout - Masonic Patch

## **<u>Girl Scout...Back to the Future</u>** By Patricia Kurz

Girl Scouts of the USA is getting ready to celebrate its 100th Anniversary with a new look... a new Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting is in late September / beginning of due October. Girl Scouting's new look has reemphasized its focus on developing girls, at every age, to be leaders of today and tomorrow. Every level's focus is on a experience leadership discovering, connecting and taking action. It is girl centered, girl led, experiential - learning by doing and done in a cooperative setting with others.

Yet the essence of what Juliette Gordon Low started in 1912 has not changed from her original message "...l've got something for the girls of Savannah, and all America, and all the world..." Originally, in the United States, named the Girl Guide Movement, by 1913 the name changed to Girl Scout Movement (Girl Scouts of the USA) and a national office in Washington, DC was opened. Juliette G. Low supported the organization completely, financially and personally recruited volunteers. Juliette served as president from 1915 to 1920; after retiring in 1920 she remained active in the development of international Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting. With several international conferences complete, Juliette led the fourth international conference held at Camp Edith Macy in 1926 and helped lay the foundation for today's World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

Juliette Gordon Low died in 1927. Her friends honored her by establishing the Juliette Low Memorial Fund, which was "dedicated forever to good will and cooperation among nations of the world." In 1943 the fund, which finances international projects around the world, was renamed the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund.

## <u>A Good Turn Yearly</u>

#### **By Matthew Kaufman**

In late 2010 / early 2011 the NJSM completed a renovation and beautification project of the lobby of the Monmouth Council Service Center. The main thrust of the project was to increase patrons ability to find the information they were looking for.

The project consisted of removal of all existing fixtures, sanding and spackling of all walls, and a complete painting. Once the base work was complete a set of brochure racks were installed. These racks allow 36 flyers and 18 tri-folds to be displayed at one time in an easy to see manner. Signs were also installed to better direct traffic once inside to lobby. The glass display case that was previously was also fully refurbished and relight. Many of the NJSM members helped complete this project but the NJSM would like to especially thank Spencer Morasch, for his time and dedication to this project.



MCBSA Service Center Lobby

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