

Scout” or “Good Turn” is mentioned. John also donated an original book from 1911 to the Museum.

Following John’s excellent talk, Jim Rupert recognized the newest Skunk of the Year, Russ Edlund, who has been in Scouting for 47 years. He was recognized with a skunk plaque.

Volunteers

So far this year those hours have totaled over 2,500. Volunteer hours are currently estimated to be valued at \$14.80 per hour. That means North Star received over \$37,000 dollars worth of



volunteer services. That is outstanding for just over 200 members. Because of you, North Star is healthy and growing. Thanks load!!!

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Indianhead Council Show and Do

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Over 600 Scout leaders and youth viewed our displays at the Indianhead Council Show and Do in February. We had over 40 feet of displays. The displays were well received by the youth and adults present.

Thanks to John Guthmann, Steve Granger, Dick Carroll and John Raymond for their help.

Education and Outreach

From January to the end of May of this year we had displays at 21 Scouting activities. There were over 3,600 persons at these events. These events were in many Boy Scout councils in the area. They included council, district and unit events

These included four District Dinners, Metro Lakes and Northern Lights in Minneapolis; and Northwest and Gateway in St. Paul. Total attendance at these District Recognition Dinners exceeded 600 persons.

Order of the Arrow.

We started the year with displays at the Agaming Lodge Winter Banquet. There were over 200 Arrowmen present. Following that we took them to the Section C-1B Council of Chiefs meeting with 49 Arrowmen present. The members of the COC are from seven Lodges in the area.

In February it was the Tonkawampus OA Lodge Winter Banquet and Lock-In at the Dakota Sports and Health Club. With over 200 Arrowmen and their guests present, it was a great event.

In March, we took displays to the Blue Ox Winter Banquet and Lock-In in Rochester, Minnesota. There were over 200 present.



Arrowmen at the Tonkawampus Winter Banquet

We had some new displays at the event, including OA cartoons from the 1998 and 2000 NOAC's, OA Handbooks, old Scout catalog pages, uniform shirts and of course, our 5-step preservation handouts.

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Metro Lakes District Dinner

4,500

At end of December, we had over **4,500** items donated from 106 donors for the year. This is a 50% increase over 1999 and sets a record for the number of items we have received in one year. Just think of the volunteer hours spent classifying the items and typing acknowledgements.

Among the donations was a complete Cadette Girl Scout uniform with hat, sash and books. She also included her First Class Badge, at that time the highest award that a Girl Scout could earn.

Other materials include a lantern (that is what they called this flashlight) from the late 20's or mid 30's, proof editions of manuals from the 1930's, a set of unit records from the late 30's through the 50's, a set of 4 humorous camp postcards from the late 40's, cups, uniforms, and patches, and many miscellaneous items.

A special thanks to all those who have taken the time to help us preserve the history of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting through their donations. .

TCART Visits

In early November North Star Scouting hosted the fall meeting of TCART, the Twin City Archive Roundtable.

The dinner meeting (at no cost to North Star) was followed by their business meeting. Then Steve

Granger and Dick Carroll took them on a tour of the facility. This included all storage and work areas and the 3,500 square feet of displays. We received many favorable comments on our archives and also our displays.

TCART members present were from many archives, libraries and museums from around the state.

Also helping were Julian Plante and Joanne Robbins. Dick is the current President of TCART and Steve, Julian and Joanne are members of both North Star and TCART.

Indianhead Scouting's Council Court of Recognition

In early March, we again had displays at the Council Court of Honor. Close to 500 persons attended the event.

We had over 40 feet of displays including a dressed mannequin, a torso with a uniform and many other displays. The displays were well received.



Indianhead Scouting's Court of Recognition

Web Site

We have been updating and adding more materials to our Web Site. Check at www.nssm.org. Among the many features are the Mission Statement, photos from many of the events where we exhibited, the Donor. Bill of Rights and our 5 Step Preservation flyers

with photos. It also has the current and immediate past issue of the *Museum News*. Other material will be added as it becomes available.



Viewing our displays at the Girl Scout Council of Cannon Valley Annual Meeting Dinner/Dance.

Girl Scouts

In May we had six Girl Scout mannequins and five tables of other Girl Scout items on display at the Girl Scout Council of Cannon Valley's Annual Meeting and Dinner/Dance at the Frey Dining Hall at Phillippo Scout Reservation. This is the first major display of the many items of Girl Scout materials in our collections. It was very well received.

4,000 See Displays at Polar Cubs

In January and February, over 4,000 Cub Scouts, parents and leaders saw many of our items on display at Phillippo Scout Reservation during the Saturday Polar Cub Program. They included four mannequins, a neckerchief slide display, patches and book reproductions. Reports indicate that the Cubs and their parents enjoyed them.

Welcome New Members?

There were fourteen new members who joined North Star Scouting Memorabilia during the period from January 1, 2001 to March 31, 2001. They are: Jon Hoveland, Andrew Huston, Theodore Weilan Dominique Baker, Brian Kelly, Donald Marose,

Patricia Soulak, Michael Kleinschrodt, Tom O'Mara, John Pavik, Jim Rice, Steven J. Kuehn, Peter L. Sanders, and Mike Cleary.

Membership Report

North Star Memorabilia, Inc. currently has 231 members who are dues paid. This includes 14 new members. There are approximately 40 people who paid dues last year, but have not yet renewed their membership. If we are to grow as an organization we need to not only attract new members, but to retain members. If your membership has expired, please renew today.

Veteran Scouter Reunion

On May 22, the Veteran Scouter Reunion (Order of the Odor of Skunks) was held at Fred C. Andersen Scout Camp on the beautiful St. Croix River. The weather was clear for arrival and departure with some rain in between. According to Skunk Jim Rupert, "It was on the cold side for sure."



Phil Zoubek and Axle Olseen Jr. reminiscing.

John Andrews, Indianhead Scouting's Scout Executive, talked about the beginning history of Scouting and how we are still following the basics. He used some wonderful props from his personal collection. He had books from 1910 and from the 20's. He explained that in a book from the 1920's was an original drawing of a Boy Scout helping a little old lady across the street, and how it is still the first thought today that any one has when "Boy