

NORTH STAR MUSEUM NEWS

July- August-September -2000



Brad Haddock, National OA Chair, pointing to the OA Handbook that he used as National OA Chief.

Outreach: Over 5,300

In July, August and September we have had many of our displays out on exhibit. This included the National Order of the Arrow Conference at Knoxville, Tennessee, The Order of the Arrow Section C-1A Conclave at Camp Mitigwa in Iowa, and the Section C-1B Conclave at Phillippo Scout Reservation in Minnesota.

4,600 see NOAC display

In late July North Star had displays at the Order of the Arrow Museum at the National Order of the Arrow Conference in Knoxville, Tennessee thanks to invitation from the youth chair, Dominique Baker from Winona. Thanks to him we received tremendous publicity.

There were over 6,800 Order of the Arrow participants and staff present. By actual count 4,600 went through the O.A. Museum. North Star had three uniforms mannequins along with 40 feet of additional displays. We had our new **5 Step Flyers** available. The visitors picked up over 900 of each flyer. An additional 600 of our brochure and membership applications were picked up.

Thanks to Steve Granger for doing the flyers on Protect Your Paper and Preserve Your Photos. Dick Carroll authored the third one on Living History Interviewing.

A very **Special Thanks to Betty and Paul Bartyzal** who drove a full van of our exhibits to and from Knoxville. Thanks to the following for their help during set up and take down. Members of the NOAC Museum staff, Paul and Betty, Bill Lenker, Jonathan Empie, Paul Empie, Alex Kahler, Joanthan Kahler, Sue Ketel and Ross Yost for help in takedown.



Part of the displays we had at the National Order of the Arrow Conference



Visitors view our exhibit at the Minnesota State Fair.

Minnesota State Fair

By Richard E. Carroll, Curator

It was another great year at the Minnesota State Fair. Terri Anderson, Vice Chair of North Star, served as the staff-recruiting chair. And did she do a great job. She recruited over 80 people to serve as the volunteers at the booth. Staffing required three people a shift for ten hours a day for 12 days. Thanks a lot Terri!!!

Over 1,000 people signed our Adult or Eagle Guest Books or filled out cards for more information on Scouting. Some 3,000 stopped and talked to the volunteers who worked the booth. An estimated 350,000 visited the Education Building.

Visitors came from across the World. They came from Brazil, Canada, Nigeria, and Latvia. We also had visitors from across the U.S. Requests for information on how to join Scouting came from eight councils including one from St. Louis who wanted information on how to join Scouting there.

Special thanks are due to Marge Carr for taking care of all the forms needed for the booth. Thanks also to all who helped prepare, set up staff, or take down the booth.

More New Shelving

Additional shelving has been purchased with a special donation by Bob Pettitt, Dan Knuth, Morrie Nicholson, and Joe Reding. We now have 38 shelving units, housing 470 boxes of items. We are still looking for funding for additional units to hold 300 more boxes. These units will cost \$80 each. For additional information contact Vice Chair, Terri Anderson at tanderson@indianhead.org

Accessions

Thanks to the generous donations we have had over **2,900** items donated from 78 donors since January. Some of the more unique included metal badges of rank from 1937 including an Eagle badge along with a merit badge sash and the rank certificates for all his awards. We also had a merit badge sash from the 1940s, pinewood derby cars, Girl Scout books and pamphlets, Many *Viking Log(s)* from the 1970's and a framed Norman Rockwell Calendar from 1952. A unique gift was the three Scout medals from the 1910's. There were also many Order of the Arrow items, including Sashes, books and many other items from the 2000 National Order of the Arrow Conference.



A Visitor Signing our Eagle Visitor Book at the Minnesota State Fair. In the Background is one of our new display cases. Two of them are in the dining hall at Phillippo Scout Reservation with a third will soon join them.



Section C-1B Order of the Arrow Conclave

Our displays at OA Section Conclaves

Again this year North Star received an invitation to have displays at the Area 1 Section Order of the Arrow Conclaves. Section C-1A held their Conclave at Camp Mitegwa in Iowa, and Section C-1B held theirs at Phillippo Scout Reservation in Minnesota. Attendance was about 750.

Thanks to Gary Reisdorph and Peter Johnson for handling the transportation and staffing at C-1A and to Roy Nauertz for covering C-1B.

Opportunities Available

Seven additional members recently volunteered to give some time to help your Museum. If you have some time available and would like to help get your Museum in better shape, we are looking for assistance. As they say, "Hours are very flexible and training is available." If you might like to give some time for any of these areas, it is always appreciated - no matter how much or how little.

Areas include: Accessions, Data Entry, Collection Cataloger, Facilities Maintenance, Exhibitor, Display Scheduler, Exhibit Builder, Phone Calling, Grants Writer, Mailing Assistant, and Researcher.

Coming Exhibits

In October we will be having an exhibit at the Indianhead Scouting Cub Pow Wow. We will also be hosting the Twin City Archive Roundtable (TCART) fall meeting. Dick Carroll is currently the President of TCART. In November we are scheduled to participate in the Viking Council College of Commissioner Science.

We still have openings so contact us if you want an exhibit for an event. Staff and time permitting we will do our best to accommodate any request.

In the first months of 2001 we will be looking forward to having displays at Order of the Arrow Events, District Dinners and Blue and Gold Banquets along with the Indianhead Scouting Show and Do.

Web Site

Check our web site at www.nssm.org. It's been up since August and is currently being updated monthly

Thanks To Eric Smith for hosting the site and to John Raymond for posting the material and Dick Carroll for providing the content. .



Our displays at a Cub Pack Blue and Gold Banquet.



Arrowman viewing our displays at the Section OA Conclaves

provided much support and knowledge to the museum. He was 77 years old. He is survived by his wife Mary and family. Cards may be sent to 849 N. Cope St., Roseville, MN 55113

He will be missed.

Deadline for the October-November-December issue is November 20, 2000. Mail your news to Editor, *North Star Museum News*, P.O. Box 18341, West St. Paul, MN 55118.

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In Memory of Bill Arnold

Past board member Bill Arnold passed away unexpectedly this past Thursday October 12. Bill had been active with North Star for many years. He had served two terms as a member of the Board. He helped build displays and

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