# Collections

The completion of a Legacy grant project has allowed the Museum to catch up on the processing of the collections as of the end of 2018. The Museum possesses good intellectual control over its collections. Meaning that we have a computer record to tell us we own it, who donated it, a picture, and a box location. We have worked to keep up with the intellectual control by screening objects we take in for consideration. Forms are filled out when the objects come in and then a temporary custody account is opened in the computer program. We are about a month behind in putting material into temporary custody. (If you are interested, we will welcome your help in moving the material forward in the cataloging process. Contact me to find out the volunteer opportunities here.) Collections is logically an ongoing process which is never completed. The collections are key to the purpose of a museum.



World War I Liberty Bond Sale Medallion



Derby Night at the Museum Race winners Lorena Palm, Tom Welna and Adam Seifert stand proudly with their trophies.

# Exhibits

Our exhibits tell stories about Girl Scout and Boy Scout history. The exhibit schedule is active and looks out to 2021. Upcoming soon is the winter camping component to our In Our Nature: Camping through the Years. Like the camping exhibit, winter camping will describe the experiences of both Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. Moving forward the planning is progressing on the Homefront exhibit. In the future we are looking at the centennial of the Sommers Canoe Base and the fiftieth anniversary of the Museum itself. (If creating exhibits intrigues you, let us know.)

### Program

The Museum offers a variety of programs such as tours, merit badge classes for Boy Scouts, Journey workshops for Girl Scouts, facilitating special events such as Eagle Courts and Pinewood Derbies. We offer six merit badge events a year which are often filled to capacity. We offered a several events for Girl Scouts such a Juliette Low's Birthday celebration, as well as classes such as the leadership program for Girl Scouts supported by the City of Maplewood. We also do workshops for the Webelos Adventures. Many of the programs are developed in response to requests. Next year we will offer Escape Room programming, watch for the announcement. If you have program needs or want to help please contact the office.



Norman Rockwell Camping Exhibit

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Volunteers

Volunteers are crucial to the North Star Museum; at present the Museum is run by a board of volunteers and staffed by volunteers. One paid employee takes care of administrative tasks such as book-keeping and being a contact point. The Museum welcomes members and people who wish to become volunteers.



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# **2018 Balance Sheet**

(For the Year Ended December 31, 2018)

INCOME

ASSETS	
Current Operating	\$23,811
Current Restricted	\$30,925
Investments	\$40,338
Total	\$95,073
Pledges Receivable 2017-19	\$23,350
Inventory	\$1,270
Total Current Assets	\$119,693
Property and Equipment — Net of Depreciation	\$580,780
TOTAL ASSETS	\$700,472
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable and Payroll Tax	\$4,240
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$4,240
Net Assets	\$696,232
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	

### Contributions Individual Donations \$56,362 Foundation Grants \$10,000 **Special Events** \$16897 **Total Contributions** \$83,259 Membership \$17,460 \$22,790 In-Kind **Program Service Fees** \$5,496 **Retail Sales** \$1,556 **Miscellaneous Income** \$709 \$30 Interest Income **TOTAL INCOME** \$131,300 **EXPENSE Salaries and Salary Expense** \$203,612 **Professional Fees** \$11,235 Supplies, Telephone, Postage, \$13,300 Printing **Occupancy (Building Expenses)** \$54,529 **Meetings and Travel** \$1,145 **Cost of Events** \$7,290 **Miscellaneous Expense** \$2,619 **TOTAL EXPENSE** \$293,729 **INCOME OVER EXPENSE** (\$162,429)

**Notes:** Income of \$42,122 was received in 2017 for salaries spent in 2018 Depreciation Expense of \$37,393 was not included in the above totals.



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Please come visit – alone or in a group. Our hours are Wednesday through Fríday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tour groups may schedule a tour by appointment



# **Our Mission**

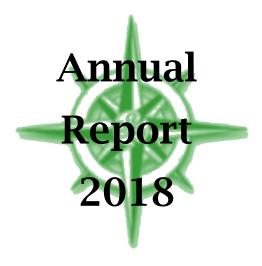
Our mission is to collect, preserve, share and interpret the In 1976 a group of Scouters (adult Boy Scout volunteers) who were also collectors worried about what would happen to their collections and what could be done with them to benefit the BSA and the public formed the North Star Scouting Memorabilia, Inc. The group were largely members of the St. Paul Council which became the Indianhead Council and is now part of the Northern Star Council. The group created traveling exhibits to tell the story of Boy Scouts both to the Boy Scouts and to the general public. For the next thirty years their exhibits were a feature at councilwide events. One volunteer, Dick Carroll, learned the skills necessary to begin to organize the collection made up of the original members' collections. They also continued to collect adding to the base for the present Museum collection. On Carroll's death he left his house to create a fund for the organization. That gift opened the next phase of the Museum's history. In 2005 the Museum moved into its present quarters with its first professional staff. Claudia Nicholson became the Executive Director. She led the Museum into its next stage. The Museum grew, developed programming and built its new presence in the Boy Scout and Girl communities. As with all organizations growing pains occurred.

### Service Range

history and significance of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting in the upper Midwest. **Objectives and Impact** The North Star Museum of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting seeks to place the history of the two organizations in the context of both history and the present. Enabling our audiences to see and understand the importance and contributions of the organizations to youth, adults, and the country. The museum's collections and exhibits cover the area encompassed by the original Region 10. The area ranged west from western Wisconsin into eastern Montana and from the Canadian border to Iowa and Nebraska. We work with a variety of Boy Scout and Girl Scout councils and local troops and packs. **Facilities** The museum located in North St. Paul houses exhibits, offices, and educational spaces. Our collections are housed in warehouse space on Case Avenue, St Paul, MN donated by 3M.

### Partners

The Museum works closely with the Heritage Committee of GSUSA, Minnesota and Wisconsin River Valleys Council and the Archives of the Northern Star Council BSA.



### History

