

December 18, 2022

Dear North Star Museum Member:

The year 2022 marked what we hope is a transition away from COVID pandemic measures. Our return to in-person programming included our Founders Hall Celebration, Merit Badge Workshops resulting in over 300 merit badges being earned, evening camp fire programs for Girl Scouts, the Skunk Reunion, Jamboree on the Air, and the return of our Derby Night Fundraiser in November. This year also marked the kick-off of our newest program – the Escape Room.

What we were not able to accomplish in a timely manner was the 2021 Annual Meeting. So, we have included the information you would have learned at the Annual Meeting in the attached 2021 Annual Report. The Annual Report summarizes financial data and highlights our volunteers and donors for 2021. Be sure to keep up with current activity by reading the bi-monthly *Museum News* newsletter.

In the meantime, our Board of Directors approved the work of our Nominating Committee and offers for your approval a full slate of officers and directors. Our annual Board nominations and approval process is an important part of our effective governance. When recruiting officers and board members, we look for professionals, community leaders, Boy Scout and Girl Scout volunteers and professionals, historians, history buffs, and individuals who possess more than one of these attributes. Enclosed is the 2022 election ballot along with biographies of this year's slate of nominees.

Please review the ballot materials, vote, and return your ballot at your earliest convenience. The ballots can be returned via email or mail. The ballots will be tabulated and announced in the February 2023 Museum News.

I look forward to receiving your ballot. Have a great holiday and we will see you at the Museum in 2023!

Very truly yours,

Lorena A. Palm
Chair, Board of Directors

2022 NORTH STAR MUSEUM BALLOT

Our 2022 election ballot includes our slate of officers and board members for the coming year. All officer and board terms commence January 1, 2023.

To vote, simply check your choice in the space provided. You may email the form back to the Museum or send it by regular mail. Biographies of all persons on the ballot are included in this mailing. Thank you for your support of the Museum!

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION BALLOT

Instructions: Do one of the following: check the first line to vote for the nominated slate; check the line for each individual for whom you wish to cast a ballot; or write in the names of those you wish to add.

_____ I cast my ballot for all nominated officers for a two year term: Lorena Palm, Board Chair; Sandy Craighead, Board Vice Chair, Terri Anderson, Board Secretary; and, Jim Stevenson, Board Treasurer.

Board Chair

_____ Lorena Palm

Board Vice Chair

_____ Sandy Craighead

Board Secretary

_____ Terri Anderson

Board Treasurer

_____ Jim Stevenson

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Class of 2022

_____ I cast my ballot for all nominated persons for a three-year term.

_____ Joe Glenski

_____ Kurt Leichtle

_____ Bonna Scherer

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Officer and Board Candidate Biographies

Terri Anderson – Terri has been involved in Scouting as an employee of Northern Star Scouting and its legacy council since 1991. Her current position is Donor Relationships Manager in the Development Department. She was a unit-level volunteer for ten years during which time her son earned his Eagle award. In about 1993, Terri became the Museum’s Secretary before eventually becoming the Board Vice Chair. After leaving the Board, she continued as a Museum volunteer, working on a number of projects. Currently, she assists the Board as recording secretary; the Marketing/Communications Committee Chair, including responsibilities as webmaster, production specialist, and editor of the *Museum News*; and eTapestry (fundraising) consultant. With her retirement from Northern Star Scouting in the next 14 months, Terri looks forward to participating more fully in Museum activities.

Sandy Craighead – Sandy has been a Girl Scout for 70 years and has served on the NSSM board for several years. She has been a troop leader, camp counselor, board member, and chair of the former St. Croix Valley Council. Currently she serves as chair of the Planned Giving Committee for River Valleys Council. She also serves on the World Foundation Board of Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting. She has been a community volunteer most of her adult life. Her real passion is Girl Scouting and helping girls develop the skills to become the leaders of the future. She is the current Vice Chair of the Board of Directors.

Joe Glenski - Joe has been a Boy Scout leader over 45 years, and a member of the Museum for over 15 years. He is an Eagle Scout and he is active on multiple BSA levels. He has served as a Scoutmaster, District Commissioner, Council Activities Chair, and NOAC Lead Adviser, among other roles. Joe works as a Senior Distinguished Technologist at Hewlett Packard Enterprise, leading a team focused on supercomputer performance. He is an active member of Holy Spirit Parish in Saint Paul, where he has been a Men’s Club officer, Liturgy Committee member, and Delegate to the 2022 Archdiocesan Synod.

Kurt Leichtle - Kurt is a Professor of History Emeritus at the University of Wisconsin, River Falls. He has broad experience both in Boy Scouts, history, museums, and the use of three-dimensional artifacts to teach history. Previous experience includes work for the Ramsey County Historical Society, including management responsibility for the Gibbs Farm Museum. Kurt serves on the Museum’s Program and Exhibits Committees. He most recently served for two years as the volunteer Acting Executive Director of the Museum.

Lorena Palm – Lorena has been a Girl Scout for 57 years and is a retired Girl Scout council CEO with 22 years’ experience. She served as a Realignment Consultant for GSUSA for 2 years following retirement and served another 10 years as a National Volunteer Partner for them. She has been a NSSM board member for nine years, also serving as Vice Chair, Development Committee Chair, and member of the Finance Committee.

Bonna Scherer – Bonna is a former Museum Board member who is returning to the Board. She has been a Museum volunteer for nearly ten years. Her activities include the Exhibit Committee, Membership Committee, docent volunteer, and Volunteer Coordinator. She has also served as a Girl Scout volunteer for over 30 years and she has over 14 years of service as a member of the River Valleys Heritage Group committee.

Jim Stevenson – Jim has been a CPA for 37 years and he is a partner with Lethert, Skwira, Schultz & Co. He is an Eagle Scout with over 30 years as a Boy Scout volunteer. He is currently the chartered organization representative for troop and pack 9817. Jim is also an active community volunteer. He is past chair and current member of the community board for the Woodbury YMCA, he is past president and a current member of the Rotary Club of Woodbury, and he serves on the finance council and men's club at Guardian Angels Church in Oakdale.