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**Keep Your Nasal Passages Open! - Don't Miss the Skunk Reunion**



It is time to start thinking of the most noxious event of the year—the annual reunion of the acrid band of men and women known as The Order of the Odor—or The Skunks. Here is what you need to know: Saturday, June 1, 2019, 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at Fred C. Andersen Camp's Training Building on the camp's lower level. The registration fee is only \$15.00. Just follow your nose.

Do not sniff around looking for a Skunk. If you are reading this article, there is a good chance that you are a Skunk and you do not even know it. If you are a Museum member and you have been active in Boy Scouting or Girl Scouting for fifteen years or more, YOU ARE a Skunk. So, there is no excuse for you to miss that putrid and pungent event known as the Skunk Reunion.

Fellowship begins at 10:30 a.m., so come out to camp and catch up with your fellow stinkers. Next comes a fun but absolutely reeking program. We are fortunate to have Kent York with us as our key-

note speaker. Engaging, yet mephitic, Kent tells great stories and very few people know more about what is going on in Scouting than Kent. Things really get musty when the Skunk of the Year recipient is announced. After the program, you can enjoy more fellowship over a great lunch. Your hot meal includes chicken, Coleslaw, and potato salad, but nose plugs are not included.

We need an accurate count for lunch so please RSVP. To let us know you are coming before we can sniff out your approach,

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**It is Not Too Late to Register for the Calls to History**

Join us for the North Star Museum of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting's signature fundraising event: A Call to History. This year's event is so big we need two! There are two luncheons on two different dates - Girl Scouts on Saturday, April 27 and Boy Scouts on Tuesday, April 30. Both events will be

held at the Museum. The events feature keynote speakers Noorain Khan on April 27 and John Andrews on April 30. Both events include a catered lunch. Registration for the events is free of charge. We invite you to support the Museum and contribute to the preservation of Boy Scout and Girl Scout

history.

For both events, registration begins at 11:30am with lunch and program from 12:00-1:00pm. Sign up to attend by April 23 at: <https://nssm.regfox.com/2019-call-to-history>.

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please contact Diana Foss at 651-748-2880 or email her at [dfoss@nssm.org](mailto:dfoss@nssm.org). There is also a registration form in this issue of the Museum News.

As already mentioned, one of the highlights of the Skunk Reunion is

the awarding of the Skunk of the Year. To help us select the most qualified and malodorous candidate, just complete the Skunk of the Year nomination form in this issue of the *Museum News* and send it in to us. We need your nominations no later than May 3.

Whether you are foul, fusty, or stale, come out to Fred C. Andersen Scout Camp on June 1 for the 2019 Skunk Reunion. See you there!

## Making History at the Museum

The North Star Museum is a place where you can see and experience the history of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. It is not so often a place where history is made. On President's Day weekend, history was made as the North Star Museum qualified its first four female Scouts for merit badges.

Northern Star Scouting now has twenty Scouts BSA girl troops and the numbers are growing. In fact, the council has more Scouts BSA girl troops than any other council in the Central Region. It only follows that young women would soon be registering to participate in the Museum's Merit Badge Workshop program. Four young women registered for and earned merit badges in the Museum's first merit badge workshop sessions of 2019. Sarah Reisdorf of Troop 7434 earned both Citizenship in the World and Citizenship in the Nation. Allison Plymate of Troop 283 also earned Citizenship in the World. Thea Capistrant and Lucy Dosh, each from Troop 7091, earned Citizenship in the Nation. Con-

gratulations to each of you. We expect there will be many more young woman following in your footsteps.

**At right, are Thea Capistrant and Lucy Dosh of Troop 7091 proudly holding their Citizenship in the Nation blue cards.**



**At right is Sarah Reisdorf. For one making history herself, it is only fitting that she be pictured with another historic figure.**



## Attend Our Camp Primer: Camp Fun But All the Details!

Going to camp is fun and frightening. Cool activities but long lists of things to bring, things not bring, and, for heaven sakes, all of those rules. If you are a parent new to the summer camp experience, the Museum's Camp Primer Workshop on May 25 at 10:00 a.m. is tailor made for you. During the course of our short two-hour workshop, we will work our way through the experience.

At the Camp Primer Workshop, you will learn what to bring and why and what not to bring and why. Are squirrels really that bad? What about bears? What do the tents look like? What about showers? What are the activities? Do you have any program or facility issues in light of the addition of girls to the Scouting program? Are you a Cub

Scout parent accompanying your child to camp for the first time? Bring all of your questions. This workshop will provide the answers.

If you are an experienced camper, chances are you know novice campers or where to find them. Please pass this workshop opportunity on to them.

To sign up for a spot at the Camp Primer workshop, call Diana Foss at the Museum (651-748-2880) or email her at [dfoss@nssm.org](mailto:dfoss@nssm.org). The cost is only \$8.00 per person. Don't sweat the details—get your questions answered at our workshop. While you are at the Museum, do not forget to visit our terrific camping exhibit.

## Looking Back and Looking Forward

To earn their Webelos Badge, Cub Scouts must earn six required "adventures." There are also elective adventures. One of them, Looking Back and Looking Forward, is being offered at the Museum on Saturday, May 4th from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Cub Scout Adventures were designed to be dynamic and relevant to today's youth and families. They focus on program objectives such as character development, participatory citizenship, personal fitness, and outdoor skills. Looking Back and Looking Forward has three basic requirements: create a record of the history of Scouting and your place in that history; with the help of your den leader, parent, or guardian and with your choice of media, go on a virtual

journey to the past and create a timeline; and, create your own time capsule.

Register your child now for Looking Back and Looking Forward on May 4. If you are not a parent, please help us get the word out. The cost is only \$10. To register simply contact the Museum's Diana Foss at: 651-748-2880 or email her at [dfoss@nssm.org](mailto:dfoss@nssm.org). Act now before this session is full!



### New Members

- *Tim Blakesley*
- *Cole Watkins*

### In Memory of Joyce Rosene

- *William Dewey*
- *Chris Jouvenat*
- *Lorena Palm*
- *Michael Lund*
- *Project Astride*
- *Beth Voermans*
- *Eileen Karl*

**Know of anyone  
interested in joining?**

**Contact:**

**Diana Foss**  
**651-748-2880 or**  
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# Skunk of the Year Nomination Form



## Nomination for Skunk of the Year due by May 3, 2019

### Section One:

**Award Criteria:** This award is presented to a person who has been active in Boy or Girl Scouting for at least 15 years, and is a current member of the museum.

<p><b>CANDIDATE/</b>  <b>Name of individual being nominated:</b> _____  <b>Current museum member? Yes / No</b>    <b>Registered member of Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts? Yes / No</b>  <b>Address:</b> _____  <b>City/State/Zip:</b> _____  <b>Phone number:</b> _____    <b>Email:</b> _____</p>
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<p><b>Nominator's name:</b> _____  <b>Address:</b> _____  <b>City/State/Zip:</b> _____  <b>Phone number:</b> _____    <b>Email:</b> _____  <b>Best time to reach you:</b> _____</p>
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### Section Two:

Please provide a statement of support for the individual being nominated. The statement should address the award criteria and this individual should receive this award. Include tenure with the museum, special or extraordinary things done during the year, other Boy Scout/Girl Scout activities he/she may be involved with, and the amount of time spent on museum activities. Use an extra sheet of paper if necessary.

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### Section Three: (optional)

Attach a letter of recommendation supporting your nomination from a person other than yourself. This person may be a museum member, Boy Scout or Girl Scout, adult volunteer in Boy Scouting or Girl Scouting, or someone else who knows of the individual's contributions.

**Nominator's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

### Mail nominations to:

Selections Committee  
North Star Museum of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting  
2640 E. Seventh Avenue  
North St. Paul, MN 55109

This form can also be downloaded from: [www.nssm.org](http://www.nssm.org)

**Greetings to all Museum Members,  
Veteran Scouters and Skunks!**

**2019 Skunk Reunion**



*It's Spring!* Time to get together, swap stories, and report on the progress of the museum

**Who:** People who are Museum members and have been active in Boy Scouting or Girl Scouting for 15 or more years.

**When:** Saturday, June 1, 2019

**Where:** Fred C. Andersen Scout Camp, former St. Croix River Camp. This year, we will be in the Training Building on the lower level.

**Times:** 10:30 am Fellowship, beverages provided  
 11:00 am Program  
 12:00 noon Lunch

**Cost:** \$15.00 per person. **Pre-registration is mandatory.**

**Directions:** Cross the St. Croix River at Stillwater, go up the hill past the commercial area on highway 64, then go one-mile north and turn left on the Andersen Scout Camp Road. The camp is 1.2 miles further. Head down the hill to the parking area.

**The deadline for registration is Wednesday, May 29, 2019**

My name is \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes, I'm coming!** Put me down for the reunion. Here is my \$15.00

I will be bringing guests      Number of guests \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00

These are the names of the guests who will be attending with me.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I need a ride

I can pick-up supplies and/or help by driving. Please call me at \_\_\_\_\_

**Please fill in the form and return with your check to:** North Star Scouting Museum  
 2640 Seventh Avenue East  
 North St. Paul, MN 55109

## Remembering Three Museum Supporters

Since the last issue of the Museum News went to press, we have lost three Museum stalwarts. Bob and Sandy Klas have been Museum members since 2003. Bob and Sandy are Builders in the Museum's Founders Hall. Bob died on March 8. Pam Grayson was the long-time Human Resources Manager for the Northern Star Council. She was also a past member of the Museum's Board of Directors. Her life was cut short by cancer on March 15. Then, on March 24, Joyce Rosene passed away. Bob and Joyce Rosene are Founders in the Museum's Founders Hall. They were the driving force behind and provided the lead gift for the Museum's home—the Rosene Center. Our thoughts go out to their families and all whose lives they touched. What follows are edited versions of the notices that appeared for each of them in the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

### Remembering Bob Klas



**Bob and Sandy Klas**

Robert C. Klas, Sr. was born on February 26, 1928 and passed away at Lilydale Senior Living in Lilydale, MN, surrounded by family, on March 8, 2019. The former President and CEO of the Tape-

mark Company in West St. Paul, Bob was a continuing member of the Board of Directors. Bob was the second oldest of nine children and he was born and raised in Wabasha, MN. While still in high school, Bob began his career in business, purchasing with older brother Dan, a full-sized portable popcorn stand. Through his paper route, home chores, the popcorn business, and living away from home while working the rails as a teenager, he learned the importance of dedication and hard work. Upon graduating from Wabasha High School in 1946, Bob spent the following two years in the U.S. Navy before entering Hamline University in 1948. It was as a Hamline student that Bob met and married the former Frances Alexandra "Sandra" Boardman. Together they raised six children. After graduating from Hamline, he was hired at the one-machine Tapemark Company. He eventually purchased Tapemark, building it into one of the premier tape- and adhesive- label printing companies in the Upper Midwest before transforming the business into a medical device and pharmaceutical contract manufacturer with end-use customers located throughout the world. In 1967, Bob was named "Small Businessman of the Year" by the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce. Tapemark was twice voted Best Managed Company in its industry under his leadership. Later in his career, Bob led a turn-around of WTC Industries, serving as its Chairman until the company was

sold to CUNO Industries. Parents of two special needs children, Bob and Sandy were deeply connected to the Saint Paul Association for Retarded Children. It was this association that inspired Bob to found and co-direct the Tapemark Charity Pro-Am Golf Tournament in 1972. Annually held over three days each June, the Pro-Am is recognized as part of the unofficial Grand Slam of golf for the MN PGA Section. Over its 47-year history, the Pro-Am has raised nearly \$8 million for special needs children and adults. Included in his numerous business board memberships was his time as Director and Chair of WTC Industries. A very proud alumnus of Hamline University, Bob served two terms as a member of the Board of Trustees, and later was elected a Life Trustee of Hamline in recognition of his long support and dedication to the University. He is survived by his wife Sandra; his children Margaret (Phil) Johnson, Robert (Linda) Klas, Elizabeth (Reid) Polome, Thomas, and Christine (Brian) Nelson; his grandchildren Katherine Johnson, Charles Johnson, Scott Klas, Lauren Klas, Annie Polome, Samuel Polome, Christopher Polome, and Kate (Jonathan) Plett; his great-grandchildren Noah Johnson and Lily Plett; sisters Mary Peterson, Janet Roberts, and Alice (Chuck) Harrison; sisters-in-law Mary Lou Klas, Louise Klas, and Evelyn Morse; as well as many nieces and nephews and grandnieces and grandnephews.

## Remembering Three Museum Supporters

### Remembering Pam Grayson



**Pam Grayson**

Pam Grayson was born on September 20, 1960 and passed peacefully at home surrounded by loved ones on March 15, 2019. She is survived by husband, Doug Bargmann; siblings, Peter (Amy), Jon, Jenifer (Kirk); nephews and niece, Jim (Taylor), Kat (Jon), Owen and Eli; and many friends. Pam and Doug were happily married 6/25/2016 and lived in Mendota Heights. Pam loved her native city of Saint Paul, and also lived for a few years in South Africa and Mexico. She enjoyed traveling, volunteering and working for good causes, and making music with friends. Good times for her included marching in parades,

playing piccolo and making people smile. Sometimes a sinner, sometimes a saint, faith was her most important pursuit in life. May angels lead her to Paradise. Memorials preferred to Church of St. Peter, Northern Star Scouting, or MN Ovarian Cancer Alliance.

### Remembering Joyce Rosene



**Joyce and Bob Rosene**

Joyce Rosene passed away at the age of 92 with her four children by her side on March 24, 2019. She is survived by Robert, her husband of 69 years; son, Richard (Sara) Rosene; daughters, Marilyn (Richard Thompson) Rosene, Barbara (Charles Rose) Rosene and Laurel (John) Theis; 8 grandchildren; 4 great grandchildren and one due in April; several nieces, nephews, and many friends. Joyce was born

and raised in Minneapolis, embraced by a loving Norwegian family. She graduated from Patrick Henry High School. While attending the University of Minnesota, Joyce rode the streetcar to and from campus. Joyce met Bob through Toastmasters/Toastmistress Club at the U of M in 1947. She graduated in 1949 with a bachelor's degree in sociology, psychology, and speech. Bob and Joyce were married in September 1949. In addition to raising four children, Joyce earned a master's degree in religious studies in 1973, was ordained a Deacon in 1974, earned a Master of Divinity in 1977 and ordained an Elder in 1978. She served as associate pastor for seven years at Hamline United Methodist Church, and ten years in various assistant pastor positions at Centennial UMC. In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to: Koronis Ministries Tabernacle Fund, North Star Museum of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting, or Centennial United Methodist Church.



**Ten eager Scouters attended the Museums in Scouting class at the University of Scouting on April 13.**

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## Coming Soon—Super Merit Badge Weeks

Super Merit Badge Week is the Museum's oldest and most popular educational program. We learned years ago that camp is not the only place that boys yearn for advancement during the summer. There is plenty of time to fill during the other weeks of summer.

In the summer of 2019, the Museum is once again making available a broad array of workshop opportunities. As always, there is a week packed with merit badge classes during each of the months of June, July, and August. We are presently lining up the merit badges and the counselors. Your part in the

process is noting the Super Merit Badge Weeks on your calendar so you are ready to sign up when the schedule is announced. The classes fill up quickly so you will need to act fast. Mark off the weeks of June 10-15, July 8-13, and August 5-10. Once the schedule is set, we will send out an email blast several weeks in advance of each Super Merit Badge Week and post schedule for that week on our website. The schedule for July and August will also be in the June *Museum News*. Don't be caught flat footed. Summer will be here before you know it.

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