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MUSEUM LOBBY EXHIBIT A BIG SUCCESS!

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From Oct. 15-19, 2007 the Museum organized a midtown Manhattan lobby exhibit at 345 Park Ave. to commemorate T.M.R.'s 80th Anniversary.



T.M.R.'s 80th Anniversary Theme

The exhibit consisted of four themes illustrated on 24 2-sided 8-ft. tall display boards: The History of T.M.R., Franklin D. Roosevelt and Scouting, T.M.R.'s 80th Anniversary, and T.M.R. Today. Scouting memorabilia representing all the T.M.R. camps were brought from the Museum and displayed in four showcases. Videos on the four themes were shown on four TV sets. Books filled with camp photos were brought from the Museum for viewing. Museum staff were on site the entire week to explain the exhibit and answer questions.

The Museum exhibit was the highlight of the Ten Mile River Hall of Fame Induction on Wednesday evening, October 17.

The exhibit was highly praised by everyone that saw it, especially senior G.N.Y.C. officials. Numerous T.M.R. Alumni visited

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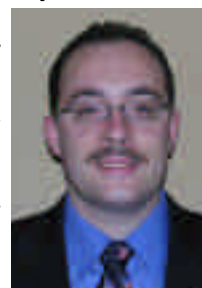
Spotlight on T.M.R. Staff: Anthony Zalak

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Anthony Zalak, the subject of this issue's Biography, is a young man with a long history at Ten Mile River. He is active in Queens Scouting, both in a troop, and in Suanhacky Lodge, Order of the Arrow. In his time away from Scouting, Anthony is an elementary school teacher.

SS: What are the significant dates in your Scouting life?

AZ: I earned my arrow of light in June of 1990 and became a scout in the Fall of 1990. In May of 1997 I became an Eagle Scout.



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Anthony Zalak

GENE BERMAN RECOGNIZES F.D.R. AT T.M.R. HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Gene Berman, chairman of the Museum's Board of Trustees, had a major role in the Ten Mile River Hall of Fame Induction on Wednesday, October 17. Gene recognized T.M.R. Legend President Franklin D. Roosevelt for his contributions to New York City Scouting, especially for his role in the creation of the Ten Mile River Scout Camps. While President Roosevelt obviously did not attend, he was represented by a member of the Roosevelt family and a wax figure from Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum.

Gene also presented a framed set of the Museum's T.M.R. 80th Anniversary patches to Jack Rudin, chairman of Rudin Management and of the T.M.R. Hall of Fame Induction, in recognition of his strong support of New York City Scouting.

The Honorable William Ruder was also honored as a Distinguished Alumni and longtime Staten Island Scouter Fran Harty was honored as a Dedicated Scouter.



Gene Berman Awarding Museum's T.M.R. 80th Anniversary Patch Set to Jack Rudin

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from the chairman's desk



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By the time you read this, we will be well into our new year of Scouting and the Museum being no exception will be rolling along with our many projects and goals. We had a wonderful summer celebrating not only the 80th Anniversary of Ten Mile River Scout Camps but also the 10th Anniversary of the Museum and the 75th anniversary of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), the people that built TMR. We also had a great summer as far as resale doubling our sales of our patches and donated memorabilia from last year. We improved our picnic area and with Jim Gallo's water fountain spouting forth with cool drinking water, Jake Pontillo's Knot edifice entertaining all visitors and the installation of barbecue grill pits for those who wanted to barbecue their lunch or dinner. The summer saw over a thousand people visiting the Museum and Alumni weekend had about 350-400 visitors to our great camp.

Now that September has come and gone and October is halfway through our thoughts turn to TMR and 2008. We welcome back a NEW OLD friend. Bob Madsen has taken over as the Director of Camping for the Greater New York Councils. Those familiar with the history are aware that Bob is really a co-founder of the Museum back when he was the Director of Ten Mile River. We wish him the best of luck in his new position. We wish Charlie Rogers, now departing for the suburbs (Westchester-Putnam Council) the very best in his new job as Director of Development for that Council.

Our first and primary goal, bar none is to finish our latest expansion. People marveled at the super job done on the shell but the interior must now be finished as we raise the funds to allow this. We have the wonderful Staten Island Good Guys headed up by Bob Chiusano and the team of Bob Viggiano, Fran Harty, Marty Poller, Frank Mullane, Jesse Metz, Jim Gallo and Bobby Buonavino (honorary good guys), and apologies to anyone I left out. But we have to get the permits and approvals, raise the funds and then we can get to work.

from the editor



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Greetings to you all!

The year moves quickly along, and here we are at the close of one year, and the hope of a new year starting.

I have just returned from the Greater New York Councils Eagle Banquet, and both Gene Berman, our Museum Chairman, and Bob Madsen, our new Director of Camping gave speeches chock full of plans for the New Year. Hope your holidays were all that you hoped they would be. It's time for your latest issue of *Smoke Signals*, so here we go...

This issue has our usual columns---the Chairman's Column. The biographical interview with a person who has spent a significant amount of time at Ten Mile River, (in this case, Anthony Zalak) the patch column, the website column, and the very latest information since the last time we published. In this case, it is the 80th Anniversary of Ten Mile River. We are also inaugurating a puzzle page. You'll find a word search in which words can be found going in any direction.

We hope you enjoy this issue, and may 2008 be a happy and successful time for you!

Fred Gervat is editor of T.M.R. Smoke Signals.

A second goal is to increase our Heritage Society worth. For those not familiar that is the Endowment fund which we hope to fund to such an amount that the yearly operating expenses can be met by this fund in perpetuity and future Trustees will be able to concentrate on Capital Improvements and Acquisitions. We hope to have a small reception at the Eagle Dinner Cocktail hour to try to grow our fund. The Eagle Dinner is December 5th at the Marriott Marquis.

On the outside of the building we are hoping to plant flowers around the Monument in stone decorative flower pots, add some fir or pine trees to the perimeter of the picnic area and create some more activity outside the

Museum such as low cope activities and a Monkey Bridge. We are the only program at Headquarters and we want to enhance that role as time goes on.

On the inside of the building with more room forthcoming, we hope to create more exhibits. The curator staff of Bernie Sussman, Dave Malatzky, Jake Pontillo, John Dowd and Richard Miller working with new trustee Dan Burns hope to create 2 or 3 interactive type exhibits to appeal to younger Scouts visiting the Museum.

Once the addition is complete there will be a larger office, a small library, more storage space and a work area. Mike Herbert is trying to get us more of those fabulous birds for display for next year.

We are grateful as always to the wonderful work of members of the Brooklyn Arrowhead, Karl Bernstein, Hal Rosenfeld, Morty Fink and all the other Trustees that give so much and do so much to make the Museum better and better. I also thank the Kohler Association and Ranachqua Foundation for their support of the Museum. I also want to thank our Professional Staff, Cedric Bodley, Jame Forde and now once again Bob Madsen taking over for Charlie Rogers. Without Council Support we would be nowhere.

We are also grateful to our Memorabilia committee of Frank Mullane, Bill Mulrenin, Johnny Gonzalez, our E-bay folks that help sell the excess stuff, namely Bill Sbarbaro and Stu Goldberg, the cooperation between the Alumni Association under the leadership of Arthur Schack, and all the Members-at-Large that contribute when asked.

Our website continues to improve with the great work of Dave Malatzky and Smoke Signals has become an excellent magazine under the leadership of Fred Gervat and his team. Last but not least I plan to ask Bob Madsen for the Kernochan Blockhouse to house the Bell we resurrected from the crumbling chapel at Kernochan.

Charlie Rogers had said "no" but maybe Bob will say, "yes". With the bell installed (if we can get it) it will bring old Kernochan back to Life. Stay tuned.

The Museum Board of Trustees is open to those who have an interest in preserving the history of TMR and the Greater New York Councils. You need not be a historian. We need plumbers (Jim Gallo), electricians (Richie Pretto), Donut Farm machine donut makes (Mike Herbert), computer whizzes to help Dave, project developers to work with Jake Pontillo and Mike Drillinger, folks to help in the summer at the museum. If you feel you would like to be part of this, please get in touch with me for details.

Our Museum is like one big family.

Dr. Berman is founder of the Ten Mile River Scout Museum.



Museum Lobby Exhibit

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during the week and enjoyed seeing the exhibit and reviewing the old camp photos.

This exhibit was a major undertaking and required disassembling usually permanent display fixtures at the Museum and moving them, along with the four showcases, to midtown Manhattan.

Many persons were involved in making the exhibit a success. Curator Bernie Sussman and Associate Curator David Malatzky organized the exhibit and packed it at the Museum for shipping to Manhattan, and then assembled it on site. Assistant Curator Richard Miller and Board member John Dowd helped set up the exhibit, especially the complex lighting system. Joe Bradley assembled the model campsite adjacent to the exhibit. T.M.R. Ranger Joe Santiago transported the exhibit from the Museum to T.M.R. and back again afterwards.

During the week, Bernie, David, John and Rich each spent time at the exhibit. Cedric Bodley, G.N.Y.C. Asst. Director of Camping, had overall responsibility for the event and arranged for use of the 345 Park Ave. lobby from Jack Rudin, chairman of Rudin Management.

To see more photos of the 345 Park Ave. exhibit, visit our website tmrmuseum.org and click on "Museum News."

T.M.R. HISTORY EXHIBIT AT EAGLE BANQUET

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The Museum organized an exhibit on the history of the Ten Mile River Scout Camps and T.M.R.'s 80th Anniversary for the G.N.Y.C. Eagle Scout Hall of Fame Induction on December 5th. This is the seventh year the Museum was asked to provide a T.M.R. display for this event. Museum Curator Bernie Sussman was on hand to answer questions about the exhibit.

During the reception, Museum Chairman Gene Berman and Trustee Karl Bernstein each spoke about future plans at the Museum and the Museum's Heritage Society.

G.N.Y.C. Director of Camping Bob Madsen also spoke about future plans at the Ten Mile River Scout Camps.



Gene Berman, Bob Madsen (center) and Karl Bernstein spoke at the Eagle Banquet

SUMMER 2008 MUSEUM EXHIBIT WILL SHOW HOW T.M.R. HAS CHANGED SINCE 1959

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The Museum recently acquired a complete set of T.M.R. aerial photos for the years 1959, 1962, 1966, 1973, 1986, 1988, 1992, 1995, 2000 and 2004. These photos are very detailed with some showing small structures including cabins and lean-tos.

By comparing the photos for a particular camp you can see how it changed over the years.

This is exactly what we will be doing over the next several months. The result will be the feature exhibit at the Museum for our Summer, 2008 season. It will show how T.M.R. has changed since 1959, based on aerial photos and some maps.

If you have a really good memory of a particular T.M.R. camp you can help by

identifying landmarks in an aerial photograph.

First, review the aerial photos on the Museum's archival website (under TMR Maps-Aerial Photographs). E-mail me at archivist@tmrmuseum.org your mailing address and request a printout of the particular aerial photograph. After you marked up the photo, identifying the various landmarks, mail it back to me.



Camp Keowa - 1962

T.M.R. LEADERSHIP LIST

Due mainly to the efforts of Charlie Rogers, former G.N.Y.C. Director of Camping, the Museum recently received a T.M.R. Leadership List. Charlie assembled this list while organizing T.M.R.'s 80th Anniversary last summer. The list covers the following categories for the years 1927-2007: Scout Executive, Director of Camping, Director of Ten Mile River, Section Directors, Camp Directors, Division and Unit Directors.

While T.M.R. leadership lists previously existed, Charlie put a tremendous effort into his research and his list is the largest and most comprehensive of them all.

You can see the list in both PDF and table formats on the Museum's website under "Historical Archives."

The list is almost complete and we are trying to fill in the few missing names. You can help by reviewing the list and providing us with missing names and any corrections. Please send any updates to archivist@tmrmuseum.org.

Welcome 2007 Members!

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Ten Mile River Smoke Signals - T.M.R. Smoke Signals is the official publication of the Ten Mile River Scout Museum. Published three times each year, it is filled with articles on T.M.R. camp history, camp stories, the latest Museum and T.M.R. Alumni news.

Levels-of-Giving - You can also support the Museum by donating to our "Levels-of-Giving" program. You will receive all of the benefits of Museum membership and be recognized with an engraved metal plate with your name and the year, mounted on a plaque, prominently displayed in the Museum.

Donations - Donations of T.M.R. and other Scouting memorabilia to the Museum by individuals like you are the main way the Museum grows. These include, but are not limited to: photos, color slides, 8-mm film, videos, patches, neckerchiefs, neckerchief slides, uniforms, banners, menus, paper items, etc. We can also photograph items and return them to you, or photograph notable items at your home.

Ten Mile River Wall of Fame - Do you want to recognize some individual, group or organization for their contributions to the Ten Mile River Scout Camps and/or New York City Scouting. A custom-engraved tile on the T.M.R. Wall of Fame, located at the Ten Mile River Scout Museum, might be right for you. Once the tile is installed, a private or public recognition ceremony can be arranged, typically on T.M.R. Alumni Day in July. Tiles are available in a variety of sizes, colors and materials. Prices range

from \$100-\$1,000 per tile. Laser-engraved granite tiles can depict photos, line art and small lettering. Profits from tile sales supports the Ten Mile River Scout Camps and the Ten Mile River Scout Museum.

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1969 - THAT WONDERFUL YEAR



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The year 1969 was an amazing year for our Country, the City of New York and for me personally. Early in the year I returned home from service in Viet Nam to find out that the NY JETS had won Superbowl III. Although a lifelong GIANTS fan, I was glad the "new team" in town had shed the old NY Titan image and had brought sports glory to the Big Apple. I was in a cast from a knee injury suffered in Viet Nam and I was back in time for the famous "Mayor Lindsey Snowstorm" which buried my Triumph TR4A so only the top of the radio antennae could be seen. I was still on active duty assigned to Fort Hamilton Brooklyn and just glad to be back in the good old USA.

It seems that in 1969 a camp could not operate a rifle range unless it was run by a NRA approved Instructor or a member of the active military. Somehow that year Kunatah had lost its hired Rifle Range Director and Steve "Sarge" Wells was pulling his hair out (as Marine cut short as it was) to find a replacement. Well, someone suggested that Gene Berman was on Active Duty, back from Nam and assigned to Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn. Steve contacted me and explained his dilemma. He asked if I would consider running the Kunatah range. I told him that I was a Captain in the Dental corps and had very little Military weapons experience (other than a dental drill). He asked me if I had qualification training before going to Viet Nam. I told him I had. I had qualified expert on the

M-16, Marksman on the M-14, barely qualified on a 38 caliber pistol and couldn't even hit the mounting no less the target with the 45 pistol I shot. He asked what weapon I carried in Viet Nam and I told him, "The 45 of course". Typical Army he said and do you want to work? I said, "Sure". I might not have had Army Training to run a range but one of the best, AL WEST of Brooklyn had been my instructor at Kunatah for years and I figured I could parrot what I learned from him. So I became the new Range Officer. Meanwhile the New York Knicks had just won the Basketball Championship of the World. This was going to be a heck of a Sports year.

Now in order to make this work I couldn't be in two places at once; i.e. at the Fort Hamilton Dental Clinic and the TMR Rifle Range. I was able, though, to take advantage of an Army technicality. If you sign in at 11:59 PM on the day you are due back from being off duty, you get full credit for the day. And on your day off if you sign out at 12:01 you are free to go. I also had accumulated a little time coming to me when I was over seas. So each Thursday morning at 12:01 I would sign out and immediately drive to TMR arriving at my bed around 2:30 in the morning. But I was ready for the range after breakfast. Each Tuesday after evening shoot I would leave TMR around 8:00 PM returning to the base by 10:30 PM to sign in. So, in effect, I only worked at the base Wednesday which was my TMR day off and was only charged two vacation days. It was fun and I learned a lot on the Job.

The summer of 1969 was as rainy a summer as I can recall. It rained almost the whole summer. It sometimes made running the range impossible and we had to close. It was July and Apollo has lifted off. And suddenly man was going to land on the moon. No TV in camp so most of the Staff was off to Wolfe's Hillside Inn to watch the moon landing and hoist a few. What an exciting night watching that snowy black and white TV

above the bar while the sweet rasping voice of Maria the waitress in her best German was saying....who gets the Rollatin? Who gets the Sauerbrauten? Who wants more potato salad?? And the cheers when Neil Armstrong stepped out of the Lunar Module.

THEN....WOODSTOCK CAME TO TMR. I had heard about the concert moving from Woodstock, NY to Bethel and Yasger's farm and, in fact, we had planned to visit it. The night before it opened I had to go into Monticello for some errands. As I came to Rt. 55 around Dr. Duggan Road, I saw cars parked on the shoulders, both sides, and one long line of cars facing west. This line never ended as I came to Rt. 17B. In fact, I spotted Hal Rosenthal, the Troop 199 Camp ASM stuck around White Lake in this long line. The line continued virtually unbroken to Route 17, exit 104. I did my shopping and said to myself, I'm not going back that way. I drove to Liberty, took Rt. 52 to 97 and Route 97 back to camp arriving a full hour and half before Hal ever made it back from White Lake. The concert was legendary, hippies all over the place, and lots of folks having lots of fun.

We were told that John Knight, the Keowa Director had awakened to find a group of naked flower children dancing on the Keowa ballfield. With great effort we were told he finally got them out of camp and then blockaded the road into Keowa with cars and Staffers holding the Keowa Rifle Range Rifles (empty and unbolted but still....) to keep errant hippies out who were as plentiful as cockroaches during the concert. Sarge alerted me that we might have to do the same thing at Cocheton Turnpike entrance so to have the rifles accesible. Happily, that did not happen. **AND THEN THE METS WON THE WORLD SERIES.**

1969....WHAT A YEAR.

Dr. Berman is founder of the Ten Mile River Scout Museum.

ANTHONY ZALAK

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SS: What is your history with the Order of the Arrow?

AZ: I took my Ordeal in May of 1994, and became a Brotherhood member in the Spring of 1995. I was selected for the Vigil Honor in May of 1999, and received the Founders' Award in January of 2003.

SS: How long have you been associated with Ten Mile River?

AZ: I first attended Camp Aquehonga in the summer of 1991 as a camper.

In 2003 I become a member of the Aquehonga Staff as Program Commissioner and director of the New Camper Program. I had this position for three years, from 2003 until 2005. The following year, in 2006, I was asked to serve as the Camp Aquehonga Program Director, a position I also filled in the

Summer of 2007.

SS: In your years at Ten Mile River, what, in your opinion, is the most significant change that has occurred?

AZ: The most significant changes that I have seen are the vast improvements that have been made to the Reservation. Among these are the addition of a new swimming pool, new rifle ranges, the new amphitheater, and new campsites.

The T.M.R. Wall of Fame

Do you want to recognize some individual, group or organization for their contributions to the Ten Mile River Scout Camps and/or New York City Scouting? A custom-engraved tile on the TMR Wall of Fame might be right for you.

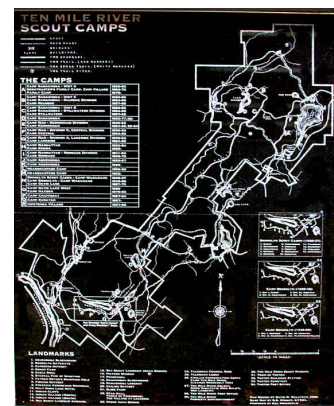
The TMR Wall of Fame is located at the Ten Mile River Scout Museum, Headquarters Camp, Ten Mile River Scout Camps. It consists of two parts:

The T.M.R. Monument - A monument to all 20 T.M.R. camps that operated since 1928. Each tile includes the camp name, Unit and Division names, years of operation and traditional camp logo. On the reverse side is an engraved **T.M.R. Map**, depicting all of the T.M.R. Camps, trails and local landmarks.

The Memorial Wall - Personalized tiles recognizing some individual, group or organization for their contributions to the Ten Mile River Scout Camps and/or New York City Scouting.

Once the tile is installed a private or public recognition ceremony can be arranged, typically on T.M.R. Alumni Day each July. Tiles are available in a variety of sizes, colors and materials. Prices range from \$100-\$1,000 per tile. Laser-engraved granite tiles can depict photos, line art and even small lettering.

Profits from tile sales support the Ten Mile River Scout Camps and the Ten Mile River Scout Museum. For complete tile order information mail in the query form below.



Please send me custom-engraved tile order information for the TMR Wall of Fame.

Name _____
 Street _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Telephone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Mail to: TMR Wall of Fame, c/o David M. Malatzky, 2332 Holland Ave., Bronx, N.Y. 10467

Hal Rosenfeld Receives Five Per Cent Pin

On October 17, prior to the T.M.R. Hall of Fame Induction, G.N.Y.C. Associate Director of Development Mike Mahon presented Museum Trustee Hal Rosenfeld his Five Per Cent Pin for earmarking 5% of his will for the Ten Mile River Scout Museum. Congratulations Hal!



WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

The following words can be found in the puzzle below. Construct words going in any direction, as long as a letter touches a previous letter. Answers in the next issue of T.M.R. Smoke Signals.

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CAMP MEMORABILIA ID CONTEST

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Help me identify some T.M.R. Memorabilia and win a 2007 T.M.R. Scout Museum Historian Patch. Send all entries with your mailing address to Bill Mulrenin at billmul@mindspring.com. First correct entry for each item wins.



This mini-pennant measures just over 8 inches not counting the ties. I know there is another the same size for Camp Brooklyn. Did they exist for the other boroughs and when were they issued?



This felt patch was from Camp Brooklyn. When was it used? What was it for? If an award, what were the requirements?



TEN MILE RIVER SCOUT CAMPS 80th ANNIVERSARY PATCHES



On the occasion of the 80th anniversary of the Ten Mile River Scout Camps, the Ten Mile River Scout Museum is issuing a series of fully-embroidered commemorative C.S.P. and oval-shaped patches:

- Ten Mile River Scout Camps 80th Anniversary - C.S.P. and 3.5 in. x 5 in. oval.
- Ten Mile River Scout Museum 10th Anniversary - C.S.P. and 3.5 in. x 5 in. oval.
- Civilian Conservation Corps 75th Anniversary - C.S.P. and 3.5 in. x 5 in. oval.

To order, mail in the form below. Payment can also be made via PAYPAL on the Museum's website: tmmuseum.org. All profits from this patch sale goes to the Ten Mile River Scout Museum.

Ten Mile River Scout Camps 80th Anniversary Commemorative Patches Order Form

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_____ T.M.R. 80th Anniversary C.S.P.(s) @ \$5 ea.	\$ _____
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_____ T.M.R. Scout Museum 10th Anniversary C.S.P.(s) @ \$5 ea.	\$ _____
_____ T.M.R. Scout Museum 10th Anniversary Oval(s) @ \$4 ea.	\$ _____
_____ Civilian Conservation Corps 75th Anniversary C.S.P.(s) @ \$5 ea.	\$ _____
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ORDER INFORMATION

All prices include postage and mailing cost. Make check or money order out to "Greater New York Councils, B.S.A." and write account # 1-2306-723-00 in the memo part of the check.

Mail to: David M. Malatzky
2332 Holland Ave.
Bronx, N.Y. 10467

Questions: E-mail
treasurer@tmmuseum.org

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By: Bill Mulrenin
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In the last two columns, I outlined all of the known Anniversary issues through the 75th Anniversary in 2002. This past summer marked the 80th Anniversary of Ten Mile River Scout Camps and there was no shortage of issues both celebrating the Anniversary and for the 2007 Season.

I had previously written about the first 80th Anniversary of Ten Mile River Scout Camps in 2007. The design for the pocket patch can be seen at my blog <http://www.tenmilerivertrader.com/blog/?p=4>. Again the design uses the Indian Cliffs design although it is not the traditional version. The Indian seems to be overlooking a lake, rather than the Delaware River.



T.M.R. 80th Anniversary Jacket Patch

There was also an oversized (11 in. x 8 in.) jacket patch which arrived very late in the season. The patch pictures designs from previous anniversaries: the 25th anniversary, the 50th anniversary, the 75th anniversary, 80th anniversary and a spot for the future 100th Anniversary.



Camp Keowa C.S.P.

There were also 2 sets of seven CSP's issued. One set is numbered (1-200?) and the other is unnumbered sharing a common



Camp Kunatah C.S.P.

design. CSP's were issued for Camp Aquehonga, the Catskill Adventure Base, Family Camp, Headquarters, Camps Keowa, Kunatah, and Ranachqua. Each CSP features the Indian Cliffs Chief in a scene from the particular camp. In the Aquehonga CSP, the Chief is looking at the Waterslide at the pool and in Keowa he is at the Waterfront watching a water skier.



T.M.R. Scout Museum 10th Anniv. C.S.P.

The TMR Museum also had its 10th Anniversary in 2007 and added to the patches issued for the summer. There were a total of 8 patches issued by the Museum. Three CSP's utilizing the design of the 80th Anniversary Pocket Patch, one each for the 10th Anniversary of the museum, for the 75th Anniversary of the CCC and the 80th Anniversary of the Camp. There were also 3 oval patches issued to commemorate the above anniversaries. Rounding out the museum issues was an oval Historian Patch, which could be earned by the Scouts visiting the museum and a gold Mylar bordered patch for 2007 Museum members.



T.M.R. Scout Museum -
T.M.R. 80th Anniv. Oval

A number of regular issues were also issued for the 2007 season; for the second year in a row, there was an embroidered neckerchief. This year's version depicted the traditional



Camp Aquehonga Patch

Indian Cliffs theme on a blue neckerchief.

There were also patches issued for some of the individual camps. To the best of my knowledge, there were no patches issued for Family Camp or Camp Kunatah, nor was there a staff patch.

Camp Aquehonga had a single patch depicting the eagle with the motto "Going Above and Beyond".



Camp Keowa Patch

Camp Keowa issued 2 patches for 2007, the first patch has a Blue border and a multicolored background with yellow Experience Camp Keowa, 2007 Ten Mile River 80th Anniversary. This patch is neither embroidered nor silkscreened, but is what is referred to as a Printed Patch which uses a process of dye sublimation. The second patch is rectangular and was issued for those hardy scouts who were Polar Bear Swimmers.

The Village also had a new patch. It is a cut edged tee pee shaped patch with a yellow 2007 and red The Village at Lakeside and pictures the Tower of Friendship and a boy fishing.



Village Patch

Lastly, Camp Ranachqua had two issues for 2007; the first is a round patch depicting a forest scene with two deer.

The second continuing their multi-year tradition is a rectangular Polar Bear Award patch, with two penguins having a tug of war with a polar bear.



Camp Ranachqua Patch

For those of you interested in seeing images of these patches or collecting Ten Mile River Scout Camp and other closed GNYC short-term camps, can visit my blog at <http://www.tenmilerivertrader.com/blog>.

Bill Mulrenin has been collecting TMR since 1967.

CONSTRUCTING ALPINE SCOUT CAMP 1939-51

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In February, 2007, the Museum erected in the Alpine Scout Camp Administration Building the first of a two-part exhibit on how camp facilities have changed over the years. The first part runs from 1939-1951. It features many old camp maps and illustrates how the camp dramatically changed after WWII by adding the current road system and moving the camp entrance from Anderson Ave. to Route 9W.

This temporary exhibit is definitely worth seeing the next time you visit Alpine Scout Camp. Here is a summary of the exhibit.

THE PROPERTY BEFORE 1928

The history of the camp property is tied directly to the history of the Palisades. After the American Civil War, the exploding construction industry in New York City led to quarries along the Palisades, threatening their existence. The Palisades Interstate Park Commission was established in 1900 to save the Palisades from destruction. The Alpine Scout Camp property was first cleared about 1905 for use as farmland. Starting in 1927, developers and land speculators started purchasing land along the crest of the Palisades with plans to build apartment houses once the George Washington Bridge opened in 1932. The Park Commission owned only the face of the Palisades but not the property immediately behind it and therefore was unable to prevent this construction.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR. ACQUIRES PALISADES PROPERTY

Beginning in December 1928, philanthropist John D. Rockefeller, Jr. started purchasing property on the top of the Palisades between Fort Lee, N. J. and the New York State border for eventual donation to the Palisades Interstate Park Commission. On July 7, 1933, Mr. Rockefeller offered title to the Palisades Interstate Park Commission of 265 acres of property valued at \$5 million.

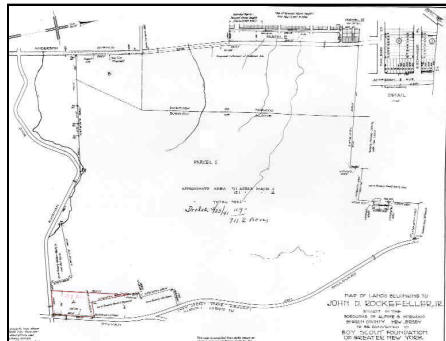
ROCKEFELLER OFFERS ALPINE TRACT TO N.Y.C. SCOUTS

The so-called "Alpine Tract" was west of Route 9W and not included in the property given to the Park Commission. On July 31, 1939, Mr. Jay Downer, an employee of Mr. Rockefeller, accompanied a representative of the Boy Scout Foundation of Greater New York on an inspection tour of Rockefeller property near the New York State border. On October 4, 1939, Boy Scout Foundation Director of Camping Al Nichols and other members of the Camping Committee inspected the site and found it ideal for a year 'round Boy Scout Camp.

THE AL NICHOLS DEVELOPMENT PLAN

On November 13, 1939, Al Nichols

submitted a detailed plan for the development of the Alpine Tract. His plan included 12-16 boy cabins, tent sites, an outdoor amphitheater, a swimming pool with bathhouse, a large weather-tight electrified structure capable of housing up to 500 people in event of inclement weather and for activities, a Cub Scout picnic area, Caretaker's lodge, water tower, workshop and camp entranceway. We see in the Al Nichols plan what years later would be known as the Nathan Ohrbach Scoutarena, Nagel Amphitheater, Charles Hayden Pool and widespread usage of 14-man cabins in camp. Amazingly, he did not propose use of lean-tos.



Rockefeller Donation Map - July, 1940

BOY SCOUT FOUNDATION ACQUIRES THE CAMP PROPERTY

On April 17, 1940, the Executive Board of the Boy Scout Foundation of Greater New York accepted Mr. Rockefeller's offer of the 723.1 acre Alpine Tract for the purpose of developing a Boy Scout Camp. However, no funds were immediately available to develop the camp property.

An 11.9 acre parcel at the northwest corner of Route 9W and Ruckman Road was sold in April, 1941 for \$16,500. The funds received were used to develop the camp property.

In April, 1941, four of the Borough Councils indicated their desire to hold their Camporees at the new camp during the late spring.

FIRST GRANT FROM THE CHARLES HAYDEN FOUNDATION

On January 21, 1942, W. Earle Andrews, chairman of the Camping Committee, announced that construction would begin of an Outdoor Emergency Service Training Center for Boy Scouts, on the Alpine Tract, as a result of a recent \$10,000 donation.

A two-phase plan was submitted to the Charles Hayden Foundation for the development of the Alpine Tract, at a total cost of \$197,750. Phase One included development of water supplies, 58 lean-tos, five leader's cabins, toilets, caretaker facilities, garage, storage building and workshop and annual operating expenses, for caretaker, program staff, program and



Alpine Scout Camp Map - 1942

administration. Total cost: \$46,050.

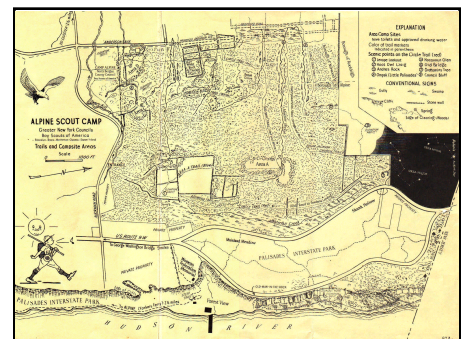
Phase Two included a sewage treatment plant, warehouse, thirty-six 14-man winterized cabins and 36 tentsites. Total cost: \$141,700. The Charles Hayden Foundation made a \$35,000 grant to the Boy Scout Foundation for improvements to the camp property.

In May, 1942 contractors were at work installing water lines and toilets. Also, the first organized groups of unit leaders were invited to visit and inspect the camp property.

A proposal to construct lean-tos was rejected by the War Production Board on June 1, 1942 because the materials required (mainly lumber) were considered urgently needed for the war effort.

FIRST CAMP IMPROVEMENTS

According to an August 28, 1942 status report, four water supplies had been protected, 12 toilets were constructed by the W.P.A., two sample lean-tos were constructed and used experimentally, a parking lot was constructed on Anderson Avenue to service all four campsites, access trails were blazed into the major campsites, trails had been preliminarily marked and would be permanently marked shortly.



Alpine Scout Camp Map - November, 1942

In November, 1942 it was decided to prefabricate the lean-tos at T.M.R. using camp lumber and assemble them on the Alpine Tract. The lean-tos were constructed starting the spring of 1943, using volunteer labor from the five Borough Councils. By May 25, 1943

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CONSTRUCTING ALPINE SCOUT CAMP

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camp improvements had been completed at a cost of \$17,344.51: 42 lean-tos, four campmaster cabins, water supply, toilets and road development.

SECOND GRANT FROM THE CHARLES HAYDEN FOUNDATION

On June 9, 1943, a proposal was submitted to the Charles Hayden Foundation for further development of Alpine Scout Camp:

Part One suggested that the \$9,000 remaining from the original Hayden Foundation grant of \$35,000 be spent on eight 14-boy winterized cabins. Materials would be provided from T.M.R. and volunteer labor would be used to construct the cabins.

Part Two - Camp Directors' living quarters and office, cottage for the Ranger's family; garage, workshop and storage facilities; trucks, incinerator, electricity, road machinery, fire fighting tools. Estimated cost: \$107,000.

Future improvements proposed included: a Scout Recreational Building, a Leader Training Unit memorializing Micajah R. Reeves, with dining facilities, conference room and office, patrol cabins for housing. Completion of water and sanitary facilities, quarters for assistant Ranger and family, campfire circle, museum, outdoor chapel, entrances and other program structures, a swimming pool and skating area.

On June 17, 1943 the Charles Hayden Foundation made an additional \$65,000 grant for improvements to Alpine Scout Camp.



Alpine Scout Camp Map - October, 1943

ADDITIONAL CAMP IMPROVEMENTS - 1943

The first 56 lean-tos were constructed during the spring of 1943. Most of them were in today's Thunderbird Area, Buckhorn Areas and near the former Anderson Avenue parking lot.



Alpine Scout Camp Map - May, 1947

ADDITIONAL CAMP IMPROVEMENTS - 1944-1947

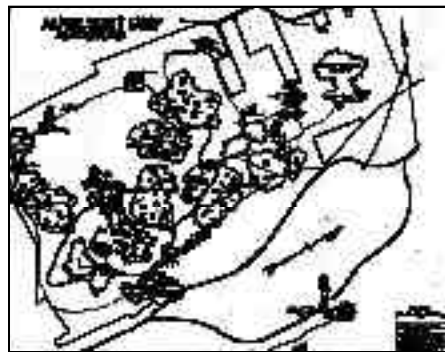
This was the period of maximum development of the camp until the construction of Cub World in the 1990's. Additional funding was provided by the Charles Hayden Foundation. 14-person

cabins, Campmaster cabins, 4 and 8-person lean-tos (some with bunks), activity shelters and tent sites were built all over Alpine Scout Camp, connected by an extensive road system. The camp entrance was moved from Anderson Ave. to Route 9W.

On May 22, 1947, Wall Street Banker Thomas W. Lamont donated 225 acres of property north of Alpine Scout Camp in memory of his grandson Thomas W. Lamont II, increasing the camp property to 933 acres. It was decided to keep this property relatively undeveloped. Part of it was set aside as the Lamont Explorer Reserve.

ADDITIONAL CAMP IMPROVEMENTS - 1948-1951

The Reeves Leadership Training Lodge was erected by John M. Reeves as a memorial to his brother, Micajah Rufus Reeves and dedicated April 4, 1948. The 165 ft. x 50 ft. Charles Hayden Pool opened on May 29, 1948, with funding from the Charles Hayden Foundation. The Nagel Amphitheater was constructed in Area E.



Alpine Scout Camp Map - November, 1951

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21. Greater New York Councils: Application for Merit Badge, Presidents Standard Award, Wrangler Certificate, Swimming Privileges, Victory Patrol Card, Scout Show (1959), Woodbadge (NE III-60).
22. Bronx Council: Individuals (Jay Strolzy, Robert Wolk).
23. Brooklyn Council: Bushwick Meet (1935), Committee on Recreation Report, Good Turn Instructions, Brooklyn Leaders Dinner (1924), Merit Badge Counsellor Form, Troop Report, Individuals (Mike O'Connell), Photos & Paper, Troop 128-von Hagen-Graff, T247 publications.
24. Manhattan Council: Troop 635 20th Anniv. (1933).
25. National Council: Dan Beard Estate Sale,

- Roosevelt Pilgrimage (1932).
26. NYC Scouting History: BSA Service in WWI, Greater N.Y. Scouter (4/46, 5/48, 2/51, 9/51, 9/54, 3/56); Handbook for Scoutmasters (1920, 1926); Scouting Magazine (1916, 1917, 1919, 1933-36); The Local Council Exchange (1939-46), The Scout Executive (1920-36, 1938, 1940, 1941, 1950-54, 1956).
27. Ranachqua Lodge: Brotherhood (1953), Kanes Open Winter Camp (1952), Membership Cards, Ordeal (1950s).
28. Shu-Shu-Gah Lodge: Bischuwi Chapt. Roster, Ihpetonga Chapt. Regulations; Publications: Brotherhood, Lay Advisor Job Description, OA Elections, OA in Camp Promotions, Lodge Manual, Lodge General Info, Songs (1949).
29. Donut Machine Documentation: Series 500 (1929), Series 1000 (1945).
30. TMR CCC Camp: F.D.R. Executive Order, photos, post cards, Thomas Batchelor (photo and paper).

31. The Scout Executive (various articles): Boy Scout Foundation, Greater New York Councils, Bronx Council, Brooklyn Council, Manhattan Council, Manhattan-Bronx Council, Queens Council, Staten Island Council.
32. Local Council Exchange (various articles): Boy Scout Foundation, Greater New York Councils, Queens Council.

Recent additions to tmrmuseum.org: TMR 80th Anniversary photos. TMR's 80th Anniversary N.Y.C. Exhibit photos, T.M.R. Hall of Fame Induction 2007 photos.

New downloads: TMR Alumni Association brochure 2007.

I am always looking for new T.M.R. and N.Y.C. Scouting paper and photos (especially staff photos) to add to the Museum's web site. Paper items can be scanned and the originals returned if preferred. If you want to make a digital donation, please E-mail it to me archivist@tmrmuseum.org.

Museum Web Site News



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I hope that everyone visited our new and easier-to-navigate website home page tmmuseum.org. It has been divided into eight subjects: About the Museum, Donate to the Museum, Historical Archives, Museum News, Plan your Visit, Join the Museum, T.M.R. Alumni Section and Museum Shop.

Additional website changes are planned for the future. I am interested in any comments you might have on how to improve it. Please send any and all of your comments to webmaster@tmmuseum.org.

Be sure to click on [Museum News](#) for the latest Museum photos, upcoming events and publications.

Lots and lots of new paper came in over the summer. To see a list of the recent additions go to: tmmuseum.org/archive/newstuff.html.

Here are the major recent additions to the Archival Web Site tmmuseum.org/archive:

1. Brooklyn Scout Camps: Art Porcella & Irwin Green photos, Camp Delaware lit. & photos, Camp Talequah photos, Div. 2 photos, Banquet Menu & Journal (1940), Camp Guide (1935), Tales of T.M.R.: 2001-3, 2003-6.
2. Davis Lake: Explorer Camp brochure (1961).
3. Camp Ihpetonga: Photos (1957-61).
4. Camp Keowa: Captain Joseph Plaque photo.
5. Camp Kotohke: photos.
6. Camp Man: Camp photos (1930s), Individuals (1930s), Ronald Lewbel photos, Chapel of the Woods Dedication, Camp paper (1940-42).
7. Camp Ranachqua: Troop 161 photos (1953-56), Merit Badge Application (1951), Scout Chapel Card, Camp stories.
8. Headquarters Camp: Camp photos (1960), Floyd Fischer photos, postcards.
9. Ponderosa: photos.
10. TMR 50th & 75th Anniversaries: photos.
11. TMR Literature (1940s): TMR Scout Award booklet, TMR-Kaines Open Scout booklet.
12. TMR Literature (1950s): Medical Form, Parents Camp bus brochure, Planning

card, TMR Final Instructions, TMR Graces (1958), TMR JLT (1957), TMR Patrol Log, TMR Scout Award, staff application.

13. TMR Literature (1960's): TMR Award Certificate, Food Ordering Menus, TMR Leaders Guides (1960, 1961, 1963), TMR Scout Award booklet, TMR Staff (1962), Banquet (1965), Staff Guide (1960), Staff list (1965).
14. TMR Literature (1970s): Staff Roster (1978).
15. TMR Aerial Photos: 1966, 1973, 1986, 1988, 1992, 1995, 2000, 2004.
16. Camp Songbooks: Camps Keowa, Kotohke, Man, Ranachqua, TMR (1949).
17. TMR Personalities: Art Porcella, Robert Billington, Charles Heistand, Dan Blechman, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Gov. Herbert Lehman, Harvey Gordon, Joseph Carstang, William Stumpp.
18. Kanohwahke Scout Camps: Scenic Mountain Trips booklet, Photos - Scouts & Minibus, Lake & Boats; Personalities - Al Smith.
19. Alpine Scout Camp: Maps, Norman Silversmith photos (1951), Reeves Lodge brochure, Alpine Cabins photos (1946).
20. Boy Scout Foundation: Baden-Powell Reception (1923), Baden-Powell Dinner (1926), Scout Executive List (1920-34).

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Recent Acquisitions

The Scout Executive/The Scout Administrator (1920-37)

Started in 1920 as a monthly publication, this newsletter was sent to all B.S.A. Scout and Field Executives. Executives contributed articles about local scouting so there is varied content on N.Y.C. Scouting during this period. There is also extensive coverage of the National Council meeting at the Kanohwahke Scout Camps in June, 1923.

Of particular interest is a column that ran from 1920-35 called "Pioneers in Scouting." This consisted of a photo and a short but detailed biography on a Scout Executive, including many from N.Y.C. (Stumpp, Carstang, Gordon, etc.)

Each issue listed new, transferred and retired Scout Executives. About once a year a complete list of all Scout Executives organized by Council was printed. Using this information it is feasible to track the arrivals and departures of the N.Y.C. Scout Executives on a monthly basis. (140 pieces.)

The Local Council Exchange (1939-46)

This publication took over one of the roles of "The Scout Executive" by including articles of wide Scouting interest submitted by local councils. Many articles are about training procedures, advancement and special Scouting programs. Most N.Y.C. Scouting articles were submitted by the Boy Scout Foundation but a few were submitted by the Borough Councils.

Of particular interest are some of the forms used during WWII including the

"Wartime Scouting Contract" N.Y.C. Troops signed as a way of developing their wartime service programs.

In the 12/46 issue there was an extensive photo spread on the first fully winterized cabins built at Alpine Scout Camp. It is interesting to see how much the cabins have been upgraded since the 1940s. (63 pieces.)

Bulletin from the Chief Scout Executive (1930-41)

This is yet another newsletter published by the B.S.A. National Office for local Scout Executives. There are a few articles of interest, including details of the hiring of Harvey Gordon as National Camp Engineer (1930), the involvement of the B.S.A. in the Civilian Conservation Corp and the N.R.A. (1933) and details of the National B.S.A. "Good Turn" (1933) proposed by President Roosevelt.

There is also a wonderful 1933 letter from F.D.R. on the opening of the Schiff Scout Reservation where he mentions his recent visit to T.M.R. and his service as President of the Boy Scout Foundation. Harvey Gordon is mentioned again in 1935 as the man in charge of physical arrangements for the 1935 Scout Jamboree. (12 pieces.)

The Ten Mile River Scout Museum is always looking for donations of paper and memorabilia from the Kanohwahke Scout Camps, Ten Mile River Scout Camps and New York City Scouting.