



Winter 2011 Newsletter of The Historical Society of Old Randolph



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Thank you Scout Volunteers!

For many years, we have been fortunate to have support from the scout troops in town. Eagle Boy Scout candidate **Tony Kmush** built a wonderful workbench and storage shelves in the museum basement in 2007, **Noel Thomas's** Eagle project was to help us do a major portion of inventorying and photographing of our collection in 2009, and **Doug Bocchino** installed the benches in the garden outside of the museum. Additionally, **Stephanie Mygas** landscaped some of the gardens surrounding the Randolph Museum as her Girl Scout Gold Award project. We are most grateful to these scouts for their efforts from which we (and the museum visitors) will benefit for many years to come!



The 13 members of Randolph Girl Scout Troop 1957 were presented with their Silver Award at the Randolph Museum on December 11, 2010. The girls, their leaders **Donna Regimbal** and **Terri Mihalick**, and HSOR officers **Gail Hari** and **Marcia Rumsey** put in a total of over 800 hours at the museum last spring. Girl Scouts **Carolyn Ferguson**, **Nicole Howell**, **Delia Jenkins**, **Taissa Michel**, **Ellen Mihalick**, **Kelsie Puttbach**, **Carolyn Regimbal**, **Erica Rossetti**, **Jessica Sands**, **Lindsay Spellman**, and **Tayah Swedlund** were presented with their awards. Those HSOR members in attendance were also privileged to witness a Bridging to Senior Scouting ceremony performed by Silver award advisor **Katie Regimbal**. Scouts **Katie Quann** and **Lizzie Horn** were not present but were also honored. Those of us who worked with these fine young women had a wonderful experience that will long be remembered! We are most grateful for their contribution to the museum!

Also, thank you to the **Randolph High School** students of Mr. McGrath's Politics class who set up a display about the politics of Randolph. The display included interviews with past mayors and some old photos that were enjoyed by many visitors to the museum

Historical Contest in celebration of Randolph Township's 205th Anniversary!

2010 marked the 205th anniversary of Randolph's incorporation. In an effort to spark an interest in our town's history with our youngest citizens, another contest was held this Fall for Randolph Township school children in grades 5-8. Congratulations to all the winners of the Fall and Spring contests!

2010 Annual Report is Chock Full of Good News

The 2010 Annual report is a good summary of what we have accomplished this year. With the same core of HSOR leadership, we have managed to increase awareness of our museum and also enhance our efforts to preserve Randolph's history. At our January meeting, we set some goals that will guide us through 2011. We welcome participation and we invite every citizen to enjoy our programs and to visit the Randolph Museum! With more volunteerism, we can accomplish so much more. Please join us in 2011 as a participating member! We are asking for your ideas and a little bit of your time! Even though the museum is closed for the winter, we are working away at organizing files and doing artifact maintenance. We need someone to keep our scrapbook up to date. We need someone to handle the inquiries that we receive about making artifact donations to the museum. Please contact us at hsor@juno.com or call 973-989-7095 to learn more.

Grand Spring Opening of Randolph Museum

The Randolph Museum will reopen for the season on Sunday, April 10, 2011 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. We are lining up our list of docents for the season. Please volunteer to spend one or more Sunday afternoons meeting your Randolph neighbors and sharing Randolph's past with them. Call Joan Brems at (973) 895-2847 to learn more or to volunteer.

Annual Yard Sale – We Need Your Junque!

The Annual Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 2, 2011 from 9:00 AM – 2:00PM - rain or shine in the Freedom Park Pavillion on Millbrook Avenue. Please contact Marcia Rumsey at mrumsy@optonline.net or 973-895-6239 if you would like to make a tax-deductible donation of just about anything (no clothing please). The museum will be open to accept donations between 8:00AM and noon on Saturday, March 26, 2011. Please contact Marcia if you cannot come on this date and need to make other arrangements for drop-off. Nothing may be left at the museum except for this date. One man's junque is another man's treasure!

Popular Randolph Reminisces Program Series Continues in 2011

This popular series begins on March 21, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Randolph Museum, located at the mouth of Mt. Freedom Park on Millbrook Avenue. Join your neighbors in an informal and enjoyable discussion of old Randolph. Refreshment will be served.

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