

# CAMP BARTON STAFF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 — 7:00 PM EST.  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

## MINUTES



### A. (President) Call to Order

It is Tuesday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the time is 7:01pm, and the meeting of the CBSAA Executive Board is now in session.

### B. (Secretary) Roll Call of the Executive Board

Video or Audio Recording Initiated

Notes:

1. Liam Murphy has not formally accepted or declined the appointment to the seat of Liaison to the BPC Executive Board. He has not attended a CBSAA Board Meeting in over 6 months. Our last communication was that he was exploring if there would be a conflict of interest to serve. We have not heard back to date.
2. Treasurer David Ludewig -submitted written notice of absence prior to the meeting.
3. Sigrid Popowitch was invited to tonight's meeting to explore a possibility of serving as Liaison to the NYS DPRHP. – She did not attend.
4. Vacancies remain for VP Strategic Planning, Service Chairman, Community Relations Chairman – no candidates for review to date.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD	PRESIDENT	IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT- Administration
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alan Dixon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Stolte	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter O'Connell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Clive
VICE PRESIDENT- Membership	VICE PRESIDENT- Strategic Planning	VICE PRESIDENT- Business Development	TREASURER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Gross	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Keith Gibbs	<input type="checkbox"/> David Ludewig <b>Excused</b>
SECRETARY /HISTORIAN	PROGRAM CHAIRMAN	SERVICE CHAIRMAN	PAST PRESIDENTS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DJ Jones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> George O'Connell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frank Popowitch <i>(Not Confirmed)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1) _____
COMMUNITY RELATIONS CHAIRMAN	BOARD LIAISON – Three Falls LDC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marc Salino	<input type="checkbox"/> 2) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant	BOARD LIAISON – NYS Dept. Parks, Rec & HP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter O'Connell <i>(Interim)</i>	# Excused: 1 # of Absence: 1
	BOARD LIAISON – Baden-Powell Council	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Liam Murphy <i>(Not Confirmed)</i>	
MEMBERS AT LARGE			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric Bloom	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephen Heinz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Stoll Sr.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Hanselman
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sean Szymanski

### C. (Secretary) Recording of Membership & Guests in Attendance:

1. Association Members In Attendance:
  - Ben Brown, Bob Dorn, Ruth Keagle, Mark Fish, Jim Graney, Clay Converse, Doug Saunders, Kristen Likel, Stephen Bogart, Kathlene Gross, Richard Vaughan, Robert Eckert, Scott Miller, Fred Zimmerman, Alex Hamula.
2. Guests In Attendance:
  - Terry Hills, Tyler Majerick-Scott, Joe Comprix

### D. (Vice President-Administration) Establishment of Quorum & Review of Meeting Procedures

1. It is noted that a quorum **(is / is not)** IS present for today's proceedings.
2. It is asked that all present please review the following before we proceed.

- ❖ Be Prepared.
- ❖ Remain on low volume or muted when not speaking.
- ❖ Old Business Items = Items previously introduced to the board – Provide Updates
- ❖ New Business Items = Items you are introducing to the board for discussion, review, consideration, feedback for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.
- ❖ *(Italicized Wording in Blue Parenthesis)* indicates the lead speaker of that section.
- ❖ Please Follow & Hold the Focus of Discussion on the Agenda
- ❖ Use the raised hand or chat box feature to speak out of turn or ask questions.
- ❖ Be mindful of time keeping
- ❖ Everyone is encouraged to actively participate.
- ❖ Only elected or appointed board members may cast vote or present a motion.

### E. (Vice President-Administration) Standard Business Items

2:00min (7:02pm)

1. (Secretary) "At this time, are there any requests (board, membership, guests) to speak during the "Good of the Order" portion "Section I" of the agenda?
  1. If necessary, submitted additions/requests to 3.11.25 agenda are noted.
    - If necessary, Motion to approve submitted additions and requests to speak under "Good of the Order" – Agenda Section I
      - ✓ **No Motion Necessary** – No Good of Order Items Requested.
    - Motion to approve 3.11.25 agenda
      - ✓ **D. Jones - 2<sup>nd</sup> M. Salino – No Obj – No Abst. -Motion Carries**
2. (Secretary) Review /Approval of - minutes from 1.14.25
  - Motion to approve 1.14.25 minutes
    - ✓ **A. Dixon -2<sup>nd</sup> K. Gibbs – No Obj – No Abst. – Motion Carries**
3. (Treasurer) Financial/Ledger Report
  - Motion to approve January & February 2025 Financial Report
    - ✓ **M. Stoll – 2<sup>nd</sup> K. Gross – No Obj – No Abst. – Motion Carries**

### F. (President) Opening Remarks

3:00min (7:05pm)

1. Presidents Minute
  1. Welcome/Praise to members and guests in attendance.
2. Presidents Old Business Items
  1. Concerning Ongoing Council Communication:
    - A meeting as conducted between John Babbage (Council Program Dir.) & the LDC to explore what parameters will exist on the property as accommodations for the operation of camp for summer 2025. A summary of information was received on 2/28/25:
      - ✓ Suspension Bridge – Removed – no indication of replacement
      - ✓ Frontenac Road – Trumansburg Creek Bridge – Construction underway- Expected Completion June 2025
      - ✓ No use of buildings or structures will be permitted in 2025.
    - Information was provided by J. Babbage to P. O'Connell who subsequently informed S. Stolte of the matter.
    - A letter was then completed and submitted to M. Bull (BP Council Exec) on March 3<sup>rd</sup> containing the following items:
      - ✓ Based on provided report by J. Babbage – the LDC is in blatant breach of contract per the Use Agreement signed btw then LDC and BPC.
        - Loss of proper footpath to program areas and falls trail on the north side of Trumansburg Creek.
        - Use of buildings is essential

- Demanded that M. Bull fight for their and our rights – If he doesn't – then we will seek legal action.
  - ✓ BPC should not pay annual usage fee to the LDC
  - ✓ BPC should prepare legal action/lawsuit the LDC for the cost of all expenses associated with upholding the terms of the contract.
- No response from Matt Bull to date.

## G. **(President) Old Business - Reporting & Updates:**

20:00min (7:05pm-7:25pm)

### 1. **Officers:**

1. VP – Administration (**Tim Clive**)
  - No Old Business to Report
2. VP – Membership (**Kevin Gross**)
  - Report Submitted – Indicates that all avenues researched for modification to CBSAA payment platform for donations/fund transfers (management system) in order to move away from Pay-Pal are costly and will postpone further progression towards this change over until the CBSAA regains more insight to future financial needs and regains further financial stability.
  - Would like to meet with Scott/ others –
  - 180 members (active, posthumous, pending)
  - +15 since August
3. **VP – Strategic Planning (Vacant)**
4. VP – Business Development (**Keith Gibbs**)
  - Apologizes that no report was submitted
  - Working on structure of further business development plans and strategic planning and will have ready for April deadline.
  - Excited to see more involvement and new faces on the call.
  - Recently awarded the Camp Durand 50+age bracket disc golf champion! -Disc Golf Can Succeed on a Camp Property
    - ✓ CBSAA Member Jeff Middendorf has fundraising plans used by his local council in NY for development of courses.
    - ✓ S. Szymanski – noted that Camp Durand makes \$1000's in revenue off of their course.
5. Treasurer (**David Ludewig**)
  - Excused/ Report Submitted to Board – No questions presented.
6. Secretary (**DJ Jones**)
  - Report Submitted
  - Inquires to P. O'Connell regarding status of By-Law Revisions/Amendments \*Pete will report.
  - Continued distribution of membership welcome letters via USPS – back log, and new membership.

### 2. **Distinguished Board & Community Relations:**

1. Chairman of the Board (**Alan Dixon**)
  - ✓ Chairman's Minute - "What the Hey!" -Vern Blaker
    - i. Joe Crossgrove has a birthday this past weekend – He and Betsy sound good – Joe recently had a stent put in, he's got a sore back and hips and he is pretty grumpy about camp.
    - ii. A tree fell on the ranger's shop.
2. Immediate Past President (**Pete O'Connell**)
  - Report Submitted –
    - ✓ By laws are updated, some formatting is all that remains. Will be done before Sunday and will be sent out.
    - ✓ No feedback in June 24 when all housekeeping issues were updated
  - A lot of communication and activity going on regarding camp.
    - ✓ Bill Shaw has been active and report includes some of these (Notes to Liam Murphy)
      - i. Reference to the scouts in Feb 13 minutes – "Scouts 1<sup>st</sup> event of year – "Cancelled by Scouts"
      - ii. Decommissioning of latrines (11 total thus far)
      - iii. Elizabeth Sinder (Cornell Professor) – new representative of Covert – replaced Bill Shaw.
        1. Pete sent her letter – explaining who we are and what we have been doing.
        2. Expressed concerns of the performance of the LDC. – Worried about their commitment to the Scouts and she agreed to continued talking about this.
    - ✓ John Babbage says 2025 camp brochure is ready to go out. – has not sent
      - i. States BPC will be meeting again with LDC (buildings, food service) No time frame.
  - 3. Past President(s) – Beginning in October 2025
  - 4. **Community Relations (Vacant)**
    - ✓ Three Falls LDC (**Marc Salino**)
      - i. Report Submitted covering last two meetings.
        1. Feb- no quorum so was just talking.
        2. Trumansburg Creek bridge replacement – Photos sent to DJ
        3. May-June scheduled completion date of bridge.
        4. Covert has remised to pay the LDC – have been removed as voting members of the LDC leaving 4 voting members.
        5. LDC has applied for state grant of \$175,000 – they were allotted 100,000 in two parts (Emergency/Long Term)
        6. Applied for planning grant – to determine best use of the grounds.
        7. No historical designation is active for Camp Barton – LDC passed resolution in Dec 23' – they have done nothing.
        8. Mayor of Trumansburg – talks about removing buildings.
      - ii. Sig Popowitch indicates that Matt Bull, at a recent board of review, was negatively outspoken about the CBSAA and Badges at Barton.
        1. P. O'Connell – the statements from M. Bull are being addressed.
    - ✓ NYS Dept. Parks, Recreation, & Historical Preservation (**Pete O'Connell**)
      - i. No Old Business to Report
    - ✓ **Baden-Powell Council Executive Board (Liam Murphy- Not Confirmed)**
      - i. Not Present – No Report – No Indication of Confirmation of Board Position to Date.
      - ii. Request to confirm or deny appointment has not been responded to pending investigation for conflict of interest.

### 3. **Committee Chairman:**

1. Finance (**David Ludewig**)
  - Excused – Report Submitted – No Questions Presented
2. Correspondence (**DJ Jones**)
  - Positive increases have been shown in all avenues of communications (social media/e-mail)
  - A draft of the newsletter will be circulated for review by the board within the next 5-7 days.
3. Historical Documentation & Preservation (**DJ Jones**)
  - ✓ Historians Minute
    - A special thank you is noted to Scott Miller & his sister who are now graciously in possession of and storing the moose.
    - Presentation 1 = Mystery of the Moose (\*See Attached)
    - Presentation 2 = A Camp Director is a Movie Star (\*See Attached)
4. Service (**Frank Popowitch- Not Confirmed**)
  - Frank Popowitch officially declines the appointment of Service Chairman citing his health as the factor. Indicates that he will remain a member in good standing and in support of the association within his means.
5. Program (**George O'Connell**)
  - No Old Business to Report

### **H. (President) New Business -*Items/Ideas presented for review/consideration/voting***

**45:00min (7:25pm-8:10pm)**

#### 1. **Officers:**

1. President (**Scott Stolte**)
  - No new business – expresses the severity of the circumstances regarding the aforementioned breach of contract.
  - If no action is soon taken by the Baden Powell Council, then legal action will begin to be explored and put in motion.
    - ✓ Only concern is that the CBSAA does not have standing – the BPC however does.
    - ✓ Our membership that is registered with the BPC may have standing to file suit.
  - If the council does not step up to protect themselves there may not be anything we can do.
2. VP- Administration (**Tim Clive**)
  - Poses the concern/question – we are, as an organization, putting so much time and effort into the Badges at Barton Program - and we don't essentially know what the future of the program is or can be – what is the future of the organization. What is our position?
    - ✓ S. Stolte – (Summary) we hold the option to resort back to our original foundations of being fraternal and navigating our future agenda towards it.
    - ✓ D. Jones – (Summary) we are at a crossroad. – We regroup and try to get back into the driver seat with the council and try to build an actual partnership with the LDC/State and begin the process of rebuilding a program that can work within symbiotically with the park – or we resort back to the fraternal foundations we originally established without a necessity to invest or support in a camp.
    - ✓ K. Gross – (Summary) for 2025 we need to proceed in support of a program and review the outcome in Sept 2025 and determine what we do next at that time.
    - ✓ K. Gibbs – (Summary) If we want to see camp continue to exist – we need to go beyond the council, beyond the LDC, and we need to build our footprint from the ground up at the community level by creating awareness of our mission and vision for use of the property and likewise increase awareness of the opposition we face.
    - ✓ S. Heinz (Summary) 1<sup>st</sup> part – Hawaii has a state park that the local Scout Council shares w/ for their summer camp. It works well- they have navigated it into a good experience for troops. NYS will have its differences but the concept exists, there is evidence of it and we should keep that in consideration as we move forward. 2<sup>nd</sup> Part – Helen Heinz is someone we need to contact regarding preparatory work for Historical Preservation for the camp. If she is approached to help, she will help.
3. VP- Membership (**Kevin Gross**)
  - No New Business – Yields Time.
4. **VP- Strategic Planning (Vacant)**
5. VP- Business Development (**Keith Gibbs**)
  - Will be presenting a Strategic Plan/Business Development Plan to the Executive Board by April 1<sup>st</sup> in accordance with the associations operational calendar for 2025. Would like to, in advance of this have conversations with Kevin G and David Ludewig to incorporate considerations for fundraising and membership engagement.
6. Treasurer (**David Ludewig**)
  - Excused – Report Submitted – No questions presented.
7. Secretary (**DJ Jones**)
  - Will be circulating the revised board organizational chart one last time with a deadline established for final feedback – If no concerns are brought up then this will be adopted as the official/current board format from which we continue to operate and recruit personnel.
  - Submitting formal request to be appointed as Board Historian/CBSAA Historian in conjunction with current role as Secretary.
    - ✓ S. Stolte confirms appointment – no members in objection.
  - Introducing proposal specific to a by-law amendment of Article IV “Nominations and Elections” regarding term length of officers. Proposal is to remove the language that applies to officers and itemize out the Secretary and Treasurer separate from that of the President and Vice Presidents such that there is no term length applied to these two roles.
    - ✓ D. Jones will submit proposal in writing to the board for review. The process, per by-laws will need a 30-day review period by membership with vote conducted accordingly. This may be slated for the annual meeting in July.

#### 2. **Distinguished Board & Community Relations:**

1. Chairman of the Board (**Alan Dixon**)
  - No New business to Report.
2. Immediate Past President (**Pete O'Connell**)
  - No New business to Report
3. Past President(s) – *Beginning in October 2025*

#### 4. **Community Relations Chairman (Vacant)**

- Three Falls LDC (*Marc Salino*)
  - ✓ LDC is not punctual with meeting minutes – can locate them through our website – Camp Barton Tab to LDC Tab
- NYS Dept. Parks, Recreation, & Historical Preservation (*Pete O'Connell*)
  - ✓ No New Business to Report
- Baden-Powell Council Executive Board (*Liam Murphy- Not Confirmed*)
  - ✓ Not Present – No Report Submitted

#### 3. **Committee Chairman:**

##### 1. Finance (*David Ludewig*)

- Excused – Report Submitted – No Questions Presented

##### 2. Correspondence (*DJ Jones*)

- No Future Meeting Scheduled (Focusing on Web Development Monthly Meetings)

##### 3. Historical Documentation & Preservation (*DJ Jones*)

- Plan to start pushing for a Historical Society as a way to increase membership to the association.
  - ✓ Would host google meet gatherings whereby 3-5 historical topics are shared/presented. Stories told etc....
- Highly encourage board to consider the rental of a storage unit so that historic items can be removed from people's personal property and accessible as needed by approved association members.

##### 4. Service (*Frank Popowitch- Not Confirmed*)

- No report- Position vacancy remains.

##### 5. Program (*George O'Connell*)

### I. **(Vice President-Administration) Good of the Order**

**5:00min (8:08p-8:13pm)**

"Will the Secretary please identify all approved speakers, and their order at this time"

#### 1. [Kevin Gross](#)

1. Notes that Gary Brownell, his uncle, Kathlene's brother- passed away on March 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Obituary - <https://www.ithacajournal.com/obituaries/pnys1101812>

#### 2. [Tyler Majerick-Scott](#)

1. Notes that this is his first meeting. He is not a registered member but indicates he has a desire to become involved and help out.
  - D. Jones will send information to Tyler and he can then get back to the board regarding what sort of capacity and commitment he is interested in.

### J. **(Secretary) CBSAA Operational Calendar Review**

**1:00min (8:13pm-8:14pm)**

#### 1. Operations:

- ✓ **March 11** – Operational Budget Needs for 2025 Fiscal Year Submitted to Treasurer
  - i. Officers are reminded to submit their 2025-2026 fiscal year budgetary needs to David Ludewig ASAP.
- ✓ **April 1** – Strategic & Business Development Plan Report & Review Presented to Executive Board
  - i. Will be submitted to the board by the VP of Business Development w/ consultation from Finance & Membership
- ✓ **April 8** – 2025 Fiscal Annual Operating Budget Presented to Executive Board
- ✓ **Before May 4** – Current Board Member Notices to President (In Writing) Re; Intent to Serve / Capacity
- ✓ **May 4** – Appointment of Nomination Committee (Comprised of Non-Officers)

#### 2. By-Laws:

- ✓ Revisions/Addendum from July 23' & Pending Change to new appointments- November 23' & August 24' Annual Meeting

### K. **(Secretary) Next Board Meeting Scheduling & Property Specific Events Calendar Review**

**1:00min (8:14pm-8:15pm)**

#### 1. **Next Board Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday – 1 Month (April 25') = 4/8/2025, 2 Months (May 25') = 5/13/2025--- [April 8 2025](#).

#### 2. **Events:**

##### i. **LDC-Municipal / NY-State / Non-Scouting;**



- ✓ Frontenac Rd. Bridge – Scheduled Complete June 25'
- ✓ TBD

##### ii. **Scouting America & Scouting America; Baden-Powell Council:**



- ✓ May 3 - 4 – Spring Cub Adventure Weekend
- ✓ Badges at Barton (Tentative for Aug 8-10, 15-17, 22-24)

##### iii. **CBSAA:**



- ✓ July 15 – CBSAA 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
- ✓ August 15-17 - CBSAA Reunion Event

- **Motion to Approve Calendar/ Proposed Calendar Modifications/ Revisions**
  - ✓ D. Jones – 2<sup>nd</sup> P. O'Connell – No Obj - No Abst. – **Motion Carries**

### L. **(President) Conclusion of Meeting**

**1:00min (8:15pm-8:15pm)**

- ✓ Closing Messages
- ✓ **Motion:** Adjournment

- T. Clive – 2<sup>nd</sup> G. O'Connell – No Obj - Motion Carries – Meeting Closed.

**Total Scheduled Time: 1hr: 15min Start Time: 7:01pm End Time: 8:38pm Actual Time: 1hr: 37min**



*May the great Master of all Scouts  
be with us til' we meet again.*





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## Past-President Report

Enter Executive Board Position

### March 11, 2025 – CBSAA Executive Board Meeting

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#### **Pete O'Connell**

Old Business: I have had a number of discussions and Emails back and forth since the last meeting. Here is a copy of each:

I was copied on this from Bill Shaw on March 7:

To Liam Murphy, cc me · Fri, Mar 7 at 10:47 AM

Liam: (Murphy)

The LDC Board meeting was held yesterday, 3/6/25. All meetings are open to the public. Several interesting things happened, but more on those later. Marc Salino attends each of these meetings.

Here is reference to the Scouts in a section of the Minutes of the Feb 13th Bd mtg. These are also available to the public:

"The Scouts first event of the year was canceled by the scouts due to winterization process with cabins locked and no utilities. Hart. Dusty V. will be working with PARKS concerning instillation of a main valve for water. Decommissioning of latrines 11 total continues. The dumpster has been removed. That is the summary of our last meeting The next meeting will PARKS and the LDC will be held on March 14th at 11am. at PARKS administration building."

Feel free to share with Brad, Matt Bull, et al. The LDC Board determined yesterday at its meeting that since Covert had not paid its full share of "dues" for 2024 it was no longer a voting member. (total due for 2024 was \$20k, only \$15k was paid, but no credit was accorded Covert for its In Kind contributions along South Frontenac Road), The LDC bylaws were circumvented/misapplied, in my opinion, but it may not matter. The Covert Town Board meets on Monday, 3/10 and it may simply accept this development. 2 of its 5 members could care less about the Park. The swing vote is hard to predict.

Bill Shaw, aka Aging Orion

Emails with the new LDC Covert Rep, Katherine SSenser

From: Bill Shaw <wmrshaw@shawlawfirm.com>

Date: Friday, February 21, 2025 at 9:33 AM

To: Katherine Sender <ks785@cornell.edu>

Cc: 'Peter M. O'Connell' <petermoconnell@yahoo.com>, 'Debbie Nottke' (dinottke@hotmail.com) <dinottke@hotmail.com>

Subject: CBSAA and the LDC

Katherine:

I thought our meeting Wednesday was an excellent way to share some concerns and hopes for the Park. I am pleased that you have agreed to succeed me as the representative from Covert to this board.

I thought I might introduce via email to Peter O'Connell, the past president of the CBSAA. You had stated that you were not familiar with this important organization and its past and potential future support for the Park.

Peter might email you some information and include his successor, Scott Stolte. They have played a key and vital role to get us where we are, and they are willing to continue to support preservation and activities at the Park. But they have been "held at bay" by the LDC, for which I am sad and bewildered. Perhaps you can learn more about what might be done to resume their support.

Best regards, Bill Shaw

Katherine Sender

To Bill Shaw, cc me · Fri, Feb 21 at 10:55 AM

Hi all,

Thanks for the introduction, Bill, and I agree it was a very productive conversation on Wednesday. I think you misunderstood, I am very well aware of the CBSAA and its role in Barton coming through to the park. But Peter, I don't believe we have met. As Bill mentions, I am the incoming director on the LDC, with Deb, and would love to hear your thoughts on the park and how we might proceed.

Very best,

Katherine

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Katherine Sender, PhD  
Professor and Director of Graduate Studies  
Department of Communication  
Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies  
Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, US  
ksender@cornell.edu

My Reply:

Hi Katherine,

Thanks for replying to Bill's note. I may have sent this in previous emails to the Frontenac neighbors or to the LDC, so please excuse if you already are aware.

The LDC is a 501C-3 not for profit corporation registered with the IRS and with the New York State Department of State to allow fundraising and other activities in New York. We were instrumental in delaying the immediate sale of the property to developers and offered the Scout Council monies to pay interest on any bridge loan they needed to obtain if the settlement amount became due. In return the Council agreed to delay the sale long enough to explore a NYS Parks or other State or NFP organization to initiate the purchase of the property. I was the first President of the organization for the first 2 plus years through this process

Our Vision and Purpose is to promote the use of that property for youth and family education and recreation, not exclusively scouting, but they are currently the only youth organization attempting to use the property to the above purposes. We look forward to supporting others. We also have the Purpose of preserving the history of the property, including the nearly 100 years of Scouting use. Some of our members are versed in Historic Preservation and Grant writing. Others are advertising and marketing experts, accountants, fund raisers and numerous other professions that could benefit the preservation and restoration of the property.

In addition to getting the Council to delay, we agreed to initiate and support a summer program in the camp until and after the transfer of ownership. To that end, and with very minimal support from the Council we began a completely new and unique weekend program centered around Scout advancement. We ran that successfully for 3 seasons with progressively increasing numbers of boys and girls participating. Last year we had 345 youth and 126 leaders participate, along with 175 of our volunteers. We expected that to continue as the Council had successfully negotiated a continuing use agreement with the LDC. Our most recent concern is that the LDC is not acting in good faith in regard to the agreement.

Before the closing we reached out formally to the LDC to offer our help and support. We were formally rebuffed. The offer is still on the table to help with whatever is needed. Fundraising, preservation, volunteer labor, financial support or whatever else we can lend to the property are all available.

We still look forward to working with the Council, the LDC and any groups that would need our help putting on programs, improving or preserving the property.

I have copied our current President, Scott Stolte. He is working with the Council to assure that the program has access to the resources needed in accordance with the use agreement in a cooperative manner. If there are issues at the property that need addressing, we would be glad to raise funds and provide skilled labor to address them.

Thanks for your time and support. I am available to discuss further as you wish.

Pete O'Connell  
Immediate Past President  
Camp Barton Staff Alumni Association  
607-423-1202 Cell

Katherine replied that it would be good to get together this summer

#### NEW BUSINESS:

As John has not sent out the copy of the brochure, I will reach out to him this week.

We did correspond on the US FOODS account that an access attempt was made to the account I controlled. They replied that it was a Council person and was OK.



DJ Jones <secretary@bartonstaffalumni.org>

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## Treasurer's Report - March BOD Meeting

2 messages

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David Ludewig <treasurer@bartonstaffalumni.org>

Sun, Mar 9, 2025 at  
5:07 PM

To: DJ Jones <secretary@bartonstaffalumni.org>

***DJ - Here is the Treasurer's Report as required in the Bylaws. Please distribute to the appropriate individuals. Thank you! DL***

Fellow Alums:

Here is a quick summary of financial activity since our meeting on December 10th. This report includes the bank statement from December attached.

**I. FINANCES REVIEW (Amount & Sources of Money Received, Amounts of Disbursements, Amount of Cash on Hand, Receivables Amount, Copy of Bank Statement):**

Current cash on hand from all sources is \$929.57. This represents a total of \$929.57 (Manufacturers Bank cash balance) + \$0.00 (Checks not yet deposited) + \$0.00 (PayPal account balance) + \$0.00 (Eventbrite account balance).

Current recorded net income (donations and sales) received since January 14th from all sources is \$900.00.

Disbursements from the bank account since January 14th total \$105.89. This includes three separate charges for auto-renewals of software and web hosting services.

Pending Disbursements. None.

Receivables amount is \$0.00.

## **II. FINANCE COMMITTEE (Activities Update):**

In cooperation with the Membership Committee, we reviewed current fundraising platforms and vetted new more platforms with the intent of improving ease of making a donation to the CBSAA via text, web, telephone, and in-person, to support various fundraising activities as agreed to by the BOD throughout the year to meet the goals as set by the CBSAA.

Nothing else to report. Please don't hesitate to contact me directly with any financial issues you want to bring to my attention prior to the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

David Ludewig

David Ludewig / Treasurer

**THE CAMP BARTON STAFF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

818.963.5980 direct

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**2 attachments**

**SMBC Bank Statement - January 2025.pdf**

158K

**SMBC Bank Statement - Feb 2025.pdf**

88K

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**DJ Jones** <secretary@bartonstaffalumni.org>Mon, Mar 10, 2025 at  
7:52 AM

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Please see the forwarded message/report below from David Ludewig-  
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**2 attachments****SMBC Bank Statement - January 2025.pdf**

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**SMBC Bank Statement - Feb 2025.pdf**

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## VP Membership Report

March 11, 2025 – CBSAA Executive Board Meeting

**Kevin Gross**

### **Data:**

180 total Members

36 Posthumously Recognized

10 Pending (included in the total)

### **Old Business:**

- Have researched several technical options to help us manage our membership, donors, events, etc. Any of these will have a cost associated with them. Given our current state of funds I think that we should wait till we have a better strategy in place of how we will use these tools, we should wait to commit to a monthly expense.
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### **New Business:**

- Thank DJ for all of the posts recently encouraging membership. 15 new members since Aug.



## Three Falls LDC Liaison Report

Enter Executive Board Position

### March 11 -2024 – CBSAA Executive Board Meeting

Marc Salino

Name

#### **Old Business:**

#### **February 2025 LDC Meeting:**

- The state has taken down the suspension bridge. No timeline set to put in another structure over the creek.
- Excavating equipment at the Frontenac Rd. bridge replacement site.
- No Parking signs put up randomly along the main camp road.
- Various trees have been taken down and more underbrush has been removed where CBSAA had previously had Limbwalker remove same.
- Paula Maguire isn't on the board, someone else from Covert is. Don't know why she didn't replace Bill Shaw.
- On another quite disturbing note, when I went to a Board of Review with Sig Popowitch, she said that Matthew Bull was slamming the CBSAA for their mis-handling of the Badges at Barton.program. She was quite taken aback with his fairly hateful comments.

#### **March 2025 LDC Meeting:**

- New Covert board member's name is Katherine Sender. After careful consideration, Paula Maguire didn't think that she had the time for the board commitment.
- Covert didn't pay all of their monies that were due and so they are now a non voting member. Which just leaves 4 as voting members.
- Bridge scheduled to be completed May-June 2025.
- The LDC has a meeting with the State next week, not sure of the day.
- The LDC applied for a State Grant of \$175,000 and they were approved for \$100,000. The Grant is in 2 parts, one for emergency monies that they need now and the other for planning purposes on how to move forward, Buildings, programming Usage, etc.
- Rhordan talked about tearing down buildings with grant monies collected. I thought that Historical designation prevented any building removals but could be wrong..
- The LDC is applying for ThreeFalls.org domain name. Unlike before when the LDC was calling the Barton new park a community park, now to be included in NYS Parks system.
- Rhordan wants to approach a person that he knows who is a qualified individual (his definition) as park manager but there was push back to have an open search for the position.
- The LDC wants to craft a mission statement for the park.
- I asked the LDC to post updated meeting minutes on the Village website. As of this date the last posting of minutes were October 2024. I also asked for them to send me the agenda for the meetings. They used to offer a hard copy to me but have since gone digital and I'm not on the list to receive them. Rhordan said that he'd send me the Agenda's going forward.

#### **New Business:**

Next LDC Meeting -April 3 2025



## Secretary, Correspondence Chairman, & Historians Report

March 11 2025 – CBSAA Executive Board Meeting

DJ Jones

Name

### **Old Business:**

#### **Secretary:**

- Standard Reminders / Housekeeping
  - ✓ All Board Members are asked to:
    - Use association provided emails for association related correspondence.
    - Use the association Google Drive to share files, and as association our “Filing Cabinet”
    - Submit Officer, Chairman, or Liaison Reports in advance of each meeting by all reporting board members.
    - The editable template is a PDF via Word – download it to your computer first
- Clerical Work (**Unfinished**):
  - ✓ By Law Addendums
    - 2023 Annual Meeting By-Law Revisions remain incomplete and pending
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  - ✓ Membership Letters

#### **Correspondence Chairman:**

Last Committee Meeting May 15, 2024

##### ➤ **Communications**

- ✓ Current Social Media:
  - CBSAA Facebook Page (Admin) = 100 Followers +7 since last meeting
  - CBSAA Facebook Group (Admin) = 391 Members +21 since last meeting
  - Camp Barton Facebook Page (Shared Admin) = 855 Followers -2 since last meeting
  - Camp Barton Facebook Group (Admin) = 590 Members +5 since last meeting
  - Family & Friends of Camp Barton Group (Admin) = 160 Members -1 since last meeting
  - CBSAA Instagram (Admin) = 143 Followers -+8 since last meeting
- ✓ Email Contacts: 366 contacts for individuals eligible for association membership that are not registered.
- ✓ Primary Email Account
  - [cbsaa@bartonstaffalumni.org](mailto:cbsaa@bartonstaffalumni.org) – Primary / General Distribution for Association
- ✓ Website: [www.bartonstaffalumni.org](http://www.bartonstaffalumni.org)
  - Continued Monthly Meetings w/ web developer (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month)-
  - Most recent meeting 3.10.25
- ✓ The Frontenac Point of View -CBSAA Newsletter:
  - Next issue slated for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of March 2025 – Draft review week of 3/10

#### **Historians Report/Minute:**

- ✓ Mystery of the Moose
- ✓ A Camp Barton Camp Director is a Movie Star

### **New Business:**

#### **Secretary:**

- 3 Proposals
  1. Modification of the Executive Board Format and Function (Attached Draft)
    - a. Focus on Improving Association Operation vs Camp Operation
  2. CBSAA Historian
  3. Proposed Amendment to CBSAA By-Law Article IV “Nominations & Elections --the language associated with term length of Officers/Board Members. With specific regard to the Secretary & Treasurer I propose that the language change such that there is no term limit for these two seats – Seat holder can step down at end of any term, or can be beat out by another association member seeking election to the position.

#### **Correspondence Chairman:**

- Next Website Development Meeting 4-14-2025

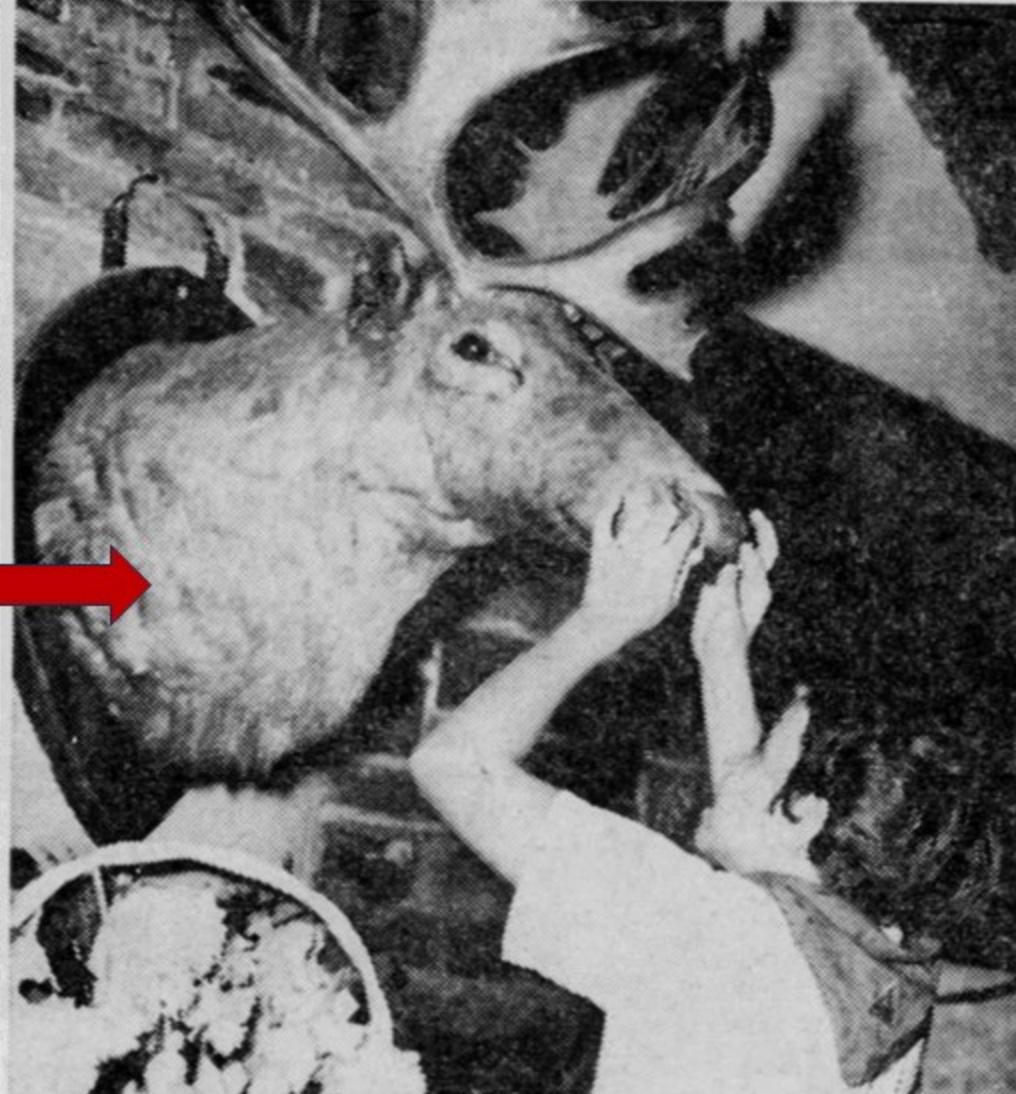
#### **Historian**

- Historical Designation, Historical Preservation & Storage – moving forward with a “Camp Barton Historical Society”
- “The Other Day”

# The Mystery of the Moose Continues....



Ithaca Journal –  
August 1955 →  
Campfire Girls Session



**THE ELK** over the mantel in the Rec Hall was changed into the red-nosed reindeer by Eleanor Budd with some red crepe paper.

# Camp Barton Camp Director / Movie Star



KENNETH B. SPEAR



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## Kenneth B. Spear

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 1901 – March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1990

Camp Director 1930 & 1933

Council Executive 1928 (After Bogan)

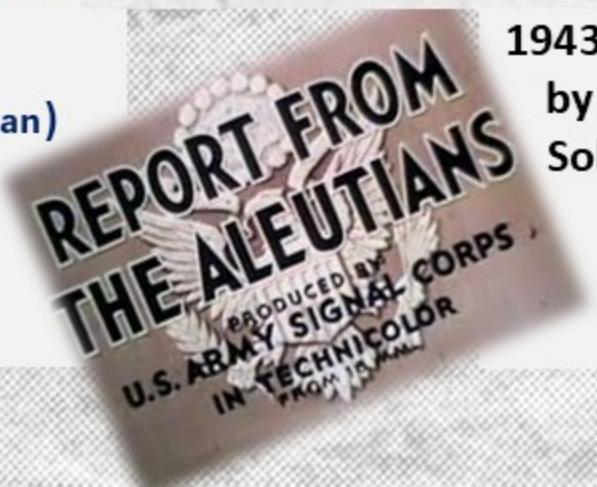
Bartons 4<sup>th</sup> Camp Director

Veteran of both WW1 & WW2

Army & Airforce

## Wife Sees Husband In Aleutians Film

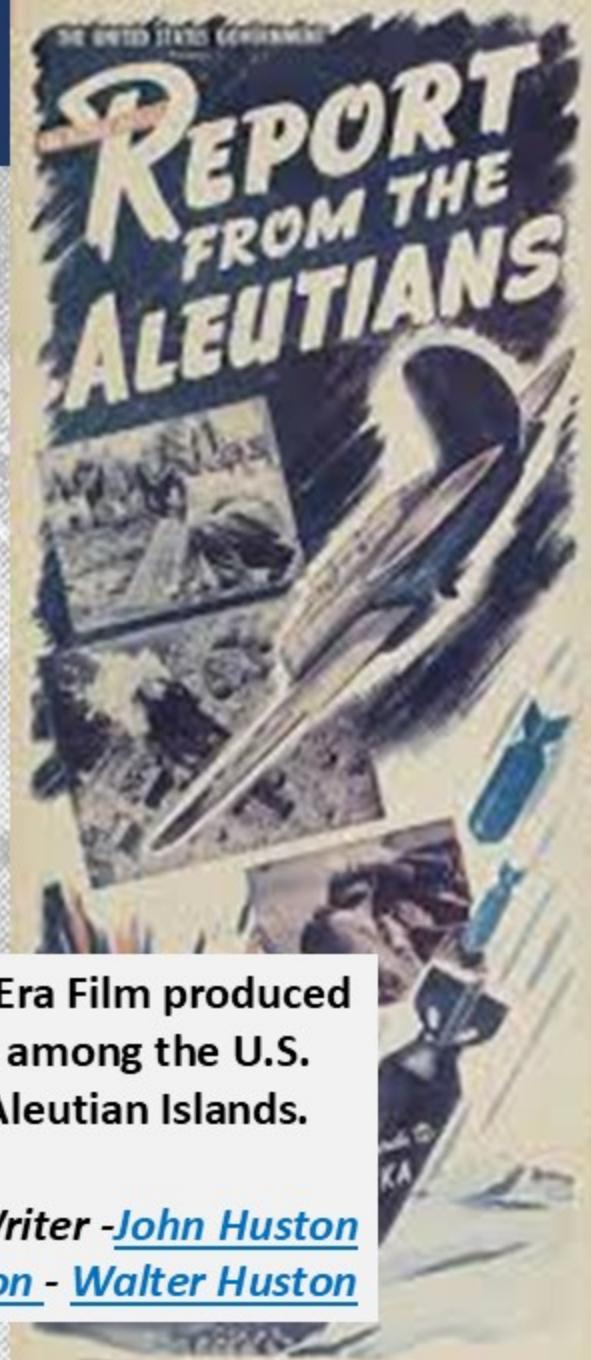
Mrs. Kenneth B. Spear, wife of the Army Air Forces captain who formerly led the Boy Scouts of the Rochester council, saw her husband in the new film, "Report from the Aleutians," at the Regent Theater. Captain Spear appears with a group of officers seated around a table at a base on Adak Island, plotting a bombing raid on Jap installations.



1943 Oscar-Nominated World War II-Era Film produced by the Army Signal Corps about life among the U.S. Soldiers in the protecting Alaska's Aleutian Islands.

-Director/Writer -[John Huston](#)

Narrators [John Huston](#) - [Walter Huston](#)





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Kenneth B. Spear

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Report From The Aleutians - Full Movie | John Huston, Walter Huston, Milton Ashkin, Lyle A. Bean





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## The Other Day

When asked if we could name the second best selling book, we doubted that the bible might now be second instead of first, but found that the bible was still in first place. We had thought it a trick question, but were surprised to learn the name of the book that runs second only to the bible. It is The Boy Scout Handbook, with a late edition of over a million, and some 17,500,000 in print. We salute the Boy Scouts, whose principles are a solid guide for life. Our community can be proud of Camp Barton and the splendid work being done by Bill Alder and his staff. We salute you.

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