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A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends and Supporters of the NSHM,

Over the past nine months, I have had the great pleasure of welcoming local citizens, as well as residents from all over Long Island, New York state – and even some international guests – to our beautiful new museum. I never grow tired of hearing the compliments from visitors who are amazed at the building's remarkable transformation.

To say that this museum has been buzzing with activity since its opening day would be an understatement. Our board president said it best when he remarked, "This place has taken on a life of its own!" Between our grand opening and the present day, the museum has had approximately 900 visitors through its doors, ranging in age from 3 months to 93 years old! Museum guests have included "Red Hat" ladies, groups from the Glen Cove Senior Center and nearby senior living facilities, the Glen Cove Youth Center, and troops of Boy and Girl Scouts, just to name a few. Our museum membership has increased this year by 50 percent, as many first time guests leave the museum as new members.

In May of this year, the museum kicked off the summer season with the opening of its first major exhibition, *Abandoned Trunks: Gowns of the Gold Coast Era*. This tremendously successful exhibit was curated by notable North Shore author and historian, Monica Randall. As part of the museum's new "Wednesday Night Lecture Series" initiative, Ms. Randall gave two lecture presentations at the museum during the course of the summer, speaking to a full house on both occasions. The well-attended Wednesday night lectures have covered a variety of topics so far, including: *Downton Abbey in Locust Valley*, *Music of the Jazz Age*, and a lecture about Roslyn-born fashion designer, Lilly Pulitzer. The popular "Saturday Lecture & Lunch" members program – now eight years in running – has also been a great success during 2013.

Behind the scenes at the museum, I was fortunate to have the help of a summer student volunteer who was on break from Franklin & Marshall College in Pennsylvania. Melissa Dougherty, a North Shore native, assisted with the sorting and organizing of museum collections. Together, she and I have begun the tedious task of placing photographs, paper materials and objects into archival folders and boxes. Once all items have been catalogued, labeled and securely placed into storage, they will be properly preserved for research purposes, for potential exhibit use, and most importantly, for the benefit of future generations.

At the present, I am working with the NSHM Board of Trustees in the planning of programs and exhibits that will take place throughout 2014. We are off to a fantastic start and intend to keep the momentum going!

Thank you again for your support, encouragement and appreciation for this organization.

Most sincerely,

Colleen E. Yoder
Museum Director

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