Dear Museum Members and friends,

Yes, we are celebrating 40 years!! And oh, how we have grown. This year we are appealing to our members and supporters to bring in new members. You are the life blood of the museum and without your support we will not be able to continue to provide a unique museum experience preserving the glass and bottle industry. The Glassworks Studio and Artists’ Space also contribute to making a visit well worth your time. Since we have kicked off our fundraiser in December dozens of supporters have renewed or donated and we are so very grateful. But we are in need of this continued support. Please reach out to your fellow bottle enthusiasts and community minded supporters to join today! Or visit Gofundme/Nationalbottlemuseum.com

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BOOK SALE

Board member, Phil Bernnard, has been busy reviewing our publications and books in the extensive research library. He has compiled a list of multiple copies and a price list. If you would like to purchase any listed below please contact the Museum at 518-885-7589 or email at NBM@nycap.rr.com

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Digs and and Stories: from the desk of board member Roy Topka:

50 Years of Digging and going Strong!

Greetings fellow diggers and collectors. Something that may be of interest, at least to me, is that this past spring I have been digging bottles for 50 YEARS!! Hip hip hurray. Anyways, looking for pits to dig, I resumed exploring in an area of renovation where I had been digging before... Two basically dry pits had been dug, in one of them a nice large size teal Rumfords Chemical bottle was hiding on the side and fell, smashing on a brick. The other down closer to the river in Albany in the bottom foot of an 1820 - 1830 black glass pit were just some busted shards. No luck here, but will keep digging!!

I found a huge stone liner located in Troy that spanned two lots. The houses on the properties were there in the 1860's...So that much was good. What was bad was I could not dig the pit any deeper without having to start undermining the neighbor’s lawn, which I already knew contained a dog. My permission was only for the one lot. Leaving the hole for that day I returned the next morning to catch the owner before he left for work. When I caught him boy did I "catch it". The guy who owned the side that gave me permission to dig decided to help me by asking permission for me on this neighbors side.. Guess they didn't get along. "Tell your@#$&% hole digging friend to stay off my *%&$$ Property!!" Well I dug as far as I could, but the fill in the hole never aged past 1900. Just keep digging....

The bad luck was getting to me, but heck, I've had plenty of bad luck before! In late November I got an ok on a lot that dated in early 1860's. Yes! Three privies, two overlapping, were located, dating 1890's, 1870 - 1880, and 1860's. Finally a few bottles!!

I dug some hutch's and Albany druggists in the newer hole, while the others contained a nice dark green JSP, 5 aqua Albany blobs like Hoxie, Hennessy & Nolan 1873 & 1879, and some McGovern 's. Oldest stuff was only a crude milk glass Lairds and stoneware A. Dillon Lemon Beer with blue top.
To sum up 2018, 43 privies were dug, with pretty good digging into August. But hey, this is the diggers life! Makes me wonder how many in 50 years!!! So long.

From the desk of the Director Gary Moeller:

Contact Gary at 518-885-7589 if you would like to donate bottles to the museum. When the museum is open, Gary is available to tell you a little history of a bottle so drop in!

Again we have had an impressive year. The total visitor sign ins for 2018 is 1623! They hailed from 26 states, 2 Canadian Provinces and 9 countries.

We are so very grateful to the below supporters:
Thank you.

Membership early renewals in December /January:

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(* indicates donation in support of Rushing the Growler fundraiser)

Application for renewal or donation is at end of newsletter

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**Jan Rutland Memorial Artists’ Space:**

**Excerpts II** extended through January 19th. New exhibits with an Adirondack theme opening reception January 27th @ 2:00pm. May and June will host the 2nd annual “Art of the Bottle Show.” Art on display will have a bottle theme and will coincide with the annual Saratoga Bottle Show June 2nd.

Contact Fred Neudoerffer: fred@neustudios.com
We kicked off our year long Fund Drive with a bang. To donate online please go to GoFundMe.com/NationalBottleMuseum-FundDrive (or type in national bottle museum in search)
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Members receive an annual newsletter containing information on the history of antique bottle manufacturing, identification, and collecting. Each spring, the Museum sponsors a Bottle Show & Sale known as “The Saratoga Show” which attracts enthusiasts from coast to coast in the United States and several provinces of Canada.

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