

# Collecting Memorabilia



It must be clearly understood that all artifacts and memorabilia collected by conference-appointed historians are for the purpose of developing educational displays and not for personal collections.

1. Historians research, collect and prepare Youth Ministry displays
  - a. Displays are shown at Leadership Trainings, Pathfinder Sabbaths, Camporees, and Fairs.
  - b. As displays are shown you will discover that individuals will donate their memorabilia.
  - c. Accept duplicate patches, pins or certificates to share with union and division historians.
  
2. Documenting each donation
  - a. Make a Master List of each item received and develop a list for each display case
  - b. Record who shared each item, the date received, and the story behind it
  - c. Be sure donors know this is for the Conference displays and not for personal collections.
  
3. Developing Conference and Union Displays
  - a. Displays should include memorabilia both old and current, such as: patches, pins, flags, banners, pictures, awards, uniforms, programs, newsletters, training resources, manuals, artifacts ...
  - b. Historians may build display cases for pictures and memorabilia.
  - c. Banners may include items from uniforms, Camporees, Fairs, Bike-a-Thons, Kite Days, etc.
  
4. Ownership of Items collected during research are for the historian ministry
  - a. Collected memorabilia does not belong to the historian but is kept in trust and owned by the Conference, Union, or Division.
  - b. Explain to donors that memorabilia will become part of displays and banners owned by the Conference, Union, or Division
  - c. Artifacts collected are never for sale. Duplicate items may be shared between conference, union, and division historians for developing displays