

Boy Scouts of America, Pacific Skyline Council

Endowing Scouting's Next 100 Years:

COUNCIL'S FIRST ENDOWMENT AMBASSADOR - LUCIE STERN

For over seventy-five years, hundreds of thousands of Scouts and Scout leaders have enjoyed the unique Scout facilities of the Palo Alto Scout Service Center and Camp Oljato. Ever wonder who had the foresight and took the initiative to endow Peninsula Scouting with these wonderful facilities? Here's a clue from our local scouting archives.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

*Realizing that we in America must be awake to our responsibility in preparing our young men for citizenship, **and believing that the Boy Scout Movement has proved its worth in this respect**, I felt that, in providing for the activities to be housed at the Community Center in Palo Alto, provision also should be included for Scouting activities. For that reason, the present Scout Hall, Troop Rooms, Patrol Rooms, and the Ruth Stern Fire Circle were constructed and set aside for the exclusive use of Boy Scout Activities.*

It is also my wish and desire that the rooms, originally built by me for use as an apartment and located approximately at the Southwest corner of the Ruth Stern Wing of the Community Center, now occupied as offices by the Stanford Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, shall continue to be available for use by the Boy Scouts of America.

*In making this gift to the **cause of Scouting**, it is my wish that throughout the entire life of the building of the Community Center all of those premises now set aside for and in use by the Boy Scouts shall continue to be used exclusively in such a manner as may, in the opinion of the duly constituted authorities of the Boy Scout Organization in Palo Alto, or of the Scout organization of which it is a part, best serve the local Scout movement.*

Lucie Stern (signed)
Palo Alto, California
July 5, 1944



Lucie Stern, thought to be previously unpublished. Circa 1940. (From Frank Livermore Scout Photo Journals)

In 2010, on the centennial year of the Boy Scouts of America, the Pacific Skyline Council embarked on a program to continue Lucie's dreams for future generations of Peninsula Boy Scouts. Our "**Endowing Scouting's Next 100 Years**" is the Council's endowment program to raise an annual resource to help support our three Scout Camps – Camp Oljato, Boulder Creek Reservation and Cutter Scout Reservation. Our ambitious goal is to find 10,000 Friends who will each contribute \$100 (or more) to create a \$1,000,000 (or more) permanent endowment. Will you join the Celebration? Will you help spread the word to family, friends, associates, and the business community? Our Endowment Webpage at www.pacsky.org ("Funding" tab) will provide you with information on how you can become an Endowment Ambassador. Additionally, we have created an online four-minute video of our three camps and more information on the Council's giving programs. We have posted our Individual Donors and Preferred Business

Donors on the Council's webpage. Please join our growing list and invite everyone to join us.

This is a call for your treasures. 2010 marked Scouting's 100th birthday. Beginning today, with your support...we can continue Lucie's dreams for another one hundred years.

Thank you.

Lucie thanks you.

And future generations of Scouts thank you.

Yours In Scouting,
Larry Christenson
Endowment Committee Chair



Courtesy of Palo Alto Historical Association photo archives

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\$100

Gift to Pacific Skyline Council's Local Endowment Fund

10,000

Number of Scouting friends, alumni and active members to participate in the campaign

\$1,000,000

Amount of money earned for the Council's Endowment Fund for the next generation of Scouting in the Pacific Skyline Council, Boy Scouts of America. (\$50,000 in distributions annually will support Council operations such as maintenance of the Council's three local camps, camperships, and leadership training programs)

Special Recognition:

Contributions of \$100 or more will be recognized in the Council's annual report and the "Centennial Wall of Honor" posted on the Council's webpage.

Contributions of \$1,000 or more will qualify for James E. West recognition.

The goal of the endowment campaign is to engage new, current and lost Scouting friends to make an investment in the future of our local Scouting program. Make a gift to honor a family member, a Unit leader or as a memorial tribute. Recognize multiple people with multiple gifts. Help secure Scouting for the next generation of young leaders. This is the perfect opportunity to leave an enduring legacy to local Scouting youth.

Contributions to the Council's Endowment Campaign would be in addition to any ongoing annual contribution. For more information contact Kent Downing, Scout Executive/CEO at 650 341-5633

The Council is a 501(c) 3, contributions are tax deductible.

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Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Enclosed is my tax-deductible contribution of \$100 other \$ _____

Credit Card # _____ exp.date _____ Credit Card Signature _____

Check all that apply: Eagle Scout, Class Year _____
I was/am Scoutmaster Committee Chair Senior Patrol Leader

Please contact me, I have other thoughts to share:
phone _____ email _____

Please keep me informed on local Scouting news/activities
email _____

List gift(s) on wall of honor as: _____
(example: family, individual, business, honor of, memory of)

My endowment ambassador is: _____

Please make checks payable to
"Pacific Skyline Council, BSA"

Pacific Skyline Council
1150 Chess Drive
Foster City, CA. 94404
or

Contribute online at
www.pacsky.org click ("Funding") tab, Endowment

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