2014 Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner

honoring

Bill Reller

May 8, 2014
Dr. Robert Tait McKenzie was active in organizing the first Philadelphia chapter of the Boy Scouts in 1908. McKenzie was a personal friend of Scouting’s founder, Sir Robert Baden-Powell, and shared with B-P his belief in the program of Scouting for boys. He became a member of the Philadelphia Council Executive Board in 1911 and remained until January, 1938. It was quite fitting that he should be called upon in to create the statue known as “The Boy Scout”, because of his own conviction that Scouting was, through the Oath and Law, a means of developing youth physically, mentally and morally into more vigorous manhood. This statue of the Scout is universally accepted as the Ideal Boy Scout.
Pacific Skyline Council, Boy Scouts of America

presents the

Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner

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Bill Reiter

May 8, 2014

Crowne Plaza Cabaña Hotel
4290 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, California
Dinner Program

Opening

Welcome Remarks
Pledge of Allegiance
Scout Bugler: Call to Colors
Invocation
Scoutreach Video

Council President’s Message
Council Highlights & Recognitions
Scoutreach Programs/Introduction of Speakers
Scoutreach Speakers
Scouting Heritage

Dinner

Garth Pickett
Steve Player and Brian Curtis
Steve Player
Hector Pacheco, Troop 1
Darren Chan, Scoutmaster Troop 1
Darius Riley, Troop 1
Steve Player

Distinguished Citizen Celebration

Tributes by
Distinguished Citizen Award Presentation
Outstanding Eagle Scout Award Presentation
Honoree’s Response

Closing Remarks
Scout Bugler: Taps

Karen Olson, Dave Mitchell, Bob Harrington
Garth Pickett and Brian Curtis
Larry Christenson
Bill Reller, Distinguished Citizen Honoree

Closing

Steve Player
Andrew Marcopulos

● Table decorations made by Troop 30 ●
Proceeds From Tonight’s Dinner Benefit Our Scoutreach Programs

SCOUTREACH

Proceeds from this event will fund the Council’s 2014 Scoutreach Program which enables at-risk youth in low-income and culturally diverse areas on the Peninsula to participate in after school, weekend and summer Scouting activities. Scouting prepares our urban youth to be leaders, to accept responsibility, and to care about principles and causes beyond their own self-interest. The challenge in our low-income communities is a lack of financial resources and/or volunteer leaders. Scoutreach supports packs and troops including hiring staff to serve as Scoutmaster and Cubmaster; and subsidizes registration fees, uniforms, manuals, field trips and camp outings. Financial contributions to Scoutreach will positively affect thousands of Peninsula youth and families this year.
Council President’s Message

On behalf of the Pacific Skyline Council of the Boy Scouts of America Executive Board of Directors, I thank you for your attendance and your support of our Distinguished Citizen’s Dinner. We have chosen to honor a friend of Scouting, an Eagle Scout and someone who has shown the Scouting trait of service by giving exemplary service to his community for many years. We are honored that he has allowed us to honor him. Thank you Bill Reller, for your help to Scouting and your community.

Bill has chosen for the focus of the funds raised through this dinner event to be the ScoutReach program which focuses on Scouting to our underserved youth. A number of experts have written about the importance of our youth, particularly our boys, having good outdoor experiences and challenges. These authors cite studies that show the outdoors to still be the best laboratory for teaching our youth self-reliance, confidence, leadership, and what they call "grit." These authors also lament that our educational system does not now how to teach these valuable traits. ScoutReach gives to youth from East Palo Alto, Redwood City, Mountain View and other communities, which youth would not otherwise have these opportunities, good outdoor experiences and training and the traits listed above.

Bill understands firsthand what Scouting can do in the life of a boy and young man. Our Council serves almost 8000 youth in the mid-Peninsula area, but just over 900 are in our ScoutReach program. With the great success of this evening’s dinner, we will be able to reach more youth and bring them into our ScoutReach program, and give some of these youth a summer scout camp experience.

Again we are so thankful for your help and especially the help of our honoree, Bill Reller.

Sincerely,

Garth Pickett
Pacific Skyline Council President

Scout Executive/CEO’s Message

We are so pleased that you are able to join us this evening for the 2014 Pacific Skyline Council’s Distinguished Citizen Dinner honoring Bill Reller. This event just keeps growing each year and is allowing the Council to serve even more youth in our communities that need our programs now more than ever. Thank you for supporting our ScoutReach program that welcomes kids that don’t always have the same opportunities to join Scouting in their communities.

Special thanks to our terrific honoree Bill Reller who is an Eagle Scout, Scouting’s highest rank, for his generous support and time contribution to the dinner organization. One thing we learned as we prepared for tonight’s dinner is that Bill sure has a lot of friends, colleagues and supporters in the local area! Bill has been active on many non-profit boards and community causes over the years which shows his long-term commitment to improving the lives of others, especially young people.

It has been a pleasure to get to know Bill a little better and to hear his fond memories of Scouting as a youth. Bill first joined Cub Scouting in Chicago then moved on up to Boy Scouts. He completed his Scouting career in Lake Ozark, Missouri achieving the rank of Eagle in 1951. Bill recalls his fond memories of summer camp and all the fun they had back then. While serving in the Army Bill traveled through Palo Alto. Later Bill returned to Palo Alto where he earned his MBA from Stanford and then began his career in real estate. In the 90's Bill and Carolyn received the Palo Alto Tall Tree Award for Outstanding Citizen.

At our first lunch meeting, we had a big laugh when Bill showed up wearing his original merit badge sash he somehow was able to locate after all those years! Shortly after that meeting we learned Bill’s grandson had joined our very own Troop 57 right here in Palo Alto!

I would like to express my sincere thanks to our Dinner Chair Larry Christenson and the dinner committee. Larry has spent countless hours helping us prepare for this first class event and we just can’t thank him enough. I would also like thank Bob Harrington and Dave Mitchell for their leadership and expert organization skills that helped make our dinner such a huge success.

Bill is a Tall Tree, a good Scout, and our 2014 Distinguished Citizen Award recipient. Congratulations Bill!

Sincerely,

Brian E. Curtis
Scout Executive/CEO
Master of Ceremonies

STEPHEN PLAYER

Stephen W. Player received his A.B. degree from Stanford University in 1963 and his Juris Doctor from Hastings College of the Law in 1966. He was a senior partner practicing probate, estate planning, commercial and real estate law at Finch, Sauers, Player & Montgomery until 1985. He then continued his practice, first being associated with the firm of Crist, Griffiths, Schulz & Biorn and then as a solo practitioner. He joined the Stanford Office of Planned Giving in 1999 and recently retired this past year. He was the Founding President of the Foundation for a College Education.

Steve has been a member and past member of Boards of Directors and President of several nonprofit organizations including Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce, Palo Alto Recreation Foundation, Center for a New Generation/Boys and Girls Club, Channing House, Palo Alto Area YMCA, Family Services Mid-Peninsula, Children's Health Council, Stanford Mid-Peninsula Urban Coalition, Mid-Peninsula Hospice Foundation, Stanford Historical Society, and Stanford Faculty Club. Steve's numerous contributions in our community have been recognized with the following awards: Tall Tree Award, Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce; Red Triangle Award, Palo Alto YMCA; Stanford Associates Award, Stanford University; and Outstanding Young Citizen, Palo Alto Jaycees.

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2014 HONOREE

Bill Reller

Born and raised in the Midwest, Bill joined the Cub Scouts in Chicago in 1944 and then Boy Scout Troop 899 three years later. The family moved to Lake Ozark, Missouri, and Bill joined Troop 21 earning his rank of Eagle Scout in 1951.

After graduating from Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri, in 1956 with a BA in Economics, Bill joined the Army as part of his ROTC obligation and happened to travel through Palo Alto on his way to Korea. At the end of his tour of duty, Bill returned to Palo Alto and the Stanford University Graduate School of Business, getting his MBA in 1960, and has remained here ever since.

After Business School, Bill started in real estate in Palo Alto when the real estate market was in its infancy. Bill would handle commercial real estate, residential, or any opportunities that came along. Eventually he would start acquiring property, managing and selling as well as developing both commercial and residential properties.

In 1963, Bill married Carolyn Wiedemann, a native of Burlingame and graduate of the University of Washington with degrees in Political Science and Sociology. That year they purchased their first home, a cottage on Palo Alto Avenue. While raising their own family in Palo Alto, Bill and Carolyn were active volunteers and nonprofit board members: Bill with the Peninsula Open Space Trust, the Palo Alto Board of Realtors, the Palo Alto Community Foundation, and the YMCA; and Carolyn with the Junior League, the PTA, Stanford University Hospital, and the Children’s Health Council.

Carolyn was also very interested in the elderly, and with her husband, co-founded Palo Alto Commons, an assisted living facility to service the needs of the aging, which opened in 1990. Six years later, they were jointly awarded Palo Alto’s Tall Tree Award for Outstanding Citizens. Perhaps their biggest legacy, Bill and Carolyn foresaw the need for senior housing in our community. Palo Alto Commons has since been expanded to keep up with the growing population of seniors in our area and is a critical resource in our community.

Bill currently serves on the Arts Commission of the Stanford University Hospital and is on the Council for Yosemite Conservancy. In addition to the board memberships listed above, Bill has served on the boards of numerous organizations including: The Yosemite Fund, Mid-Peninsula YMCA (recipient of the Red Triangle Award), Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce,
Bill has been a member of the Palo Alto First Congregational Church for 45 years.

In 2011, Carolyn (posthumously) and Bill were honored with the Avenidas Lifetimes of Achievements award. In all, Bill and Carolyn were collectively involved with over 20 nonprofits.

Reflecting back on his Scouting days, Bill said he liked the structure that Scouting provided and the fact that effort was rewarded. It was also very exciting to go camping overnight—a real adventure! Today, he is so proud that his grandson, Will, has started in Boy Scouts. Bill spends his free time traveling and getting together with his 3 children, their spouses, and 9 grandchildren.

William E. Reller
2014 Pacific Skyline Council Outstanding Eagle Scout Award Recipient

The National Eagle Scout Association and the Pacific Skyline Council proudly presents the 2014 Pacific Skyline Council NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA) to Bill Reller in recognition of his outstanding achievements and contributions as an Eagle Scout. First established in 2011, this award recognizes Eagle Scouts who have brought great honor to the highest rank of the Boy Scouts of America through their personal and professional contributions at the local, state, and regional level. Recipient qualities include: philanthropists, public servants, educators, or business owners who have made a positive, long-term impact as cornerstones of the community; or individuals who have attained prominence at the state or regional level in their profession or avocation. Congratulations!
CUB SCOUTS—Life Lessons Covered in Fun
Grades 1-5

Cub Scouts is a parent-led program. Under the guise of fun, Cub Scouts participate in age-appropriate activities and projects that let them explore, create, learn, experiment, and grow in knowledge, awareness, friendship, self-confidence, and social interactions in a peer group all under the direction of parents. Before you know it, they are learning, building, and developing:

- Self-worth by being recognized as a valuable member of the group—a new star every week
- Leadership by sharing ideas for activities and helping each other
- Understanding progress toward a goal through the belt loops and advancement awards
- Social skills and communication by planning and leading activities
- Learning how to get along and work together in a group
- Moral/ethical values/character— the willingness to do what is right, regardless of circumstances.
- Strong relationships with their parents through parent/son activities in: projects, outings, and talking to each other
- Caring about others/the world through the Boy Scout slogan: “Do a Good Turn Daily” practiced at weekly den meetings, discussions, and activities (such as the annual food drive)

BOY SCOUTS—Building Tomorrow’s Leaders
Grades 6-12

Boy Scouts is a youth-run program operating under the supervision of adults. Because it is run by youth, boys learn through experience—how to lead an activity, plan an outing, run a meeting, and deliver a program. By engaging youth in a variety of outdoor activities and challenging them to always do their best, Boy Scouts have fun while learning/building:

- Strong personal values and character by upholding the Scout Oath and Scout Law throughout the program activities
- Self-reliance, perseverance, and independence
- Self-esteem by setting goals and successfully achieving them
- Taking chances to try new things in a safe and nurturing environment
- Develop caring and nurturing relationships with parents, peers and other adult role models
- A desire to learn through numerous opportunities to try new things
- Using time productively/creatively by planning and selecting outings, and activities
- Participate fully as part of a team, interact and cooperate with others, sell their ideas and maybe use a bit of persuasion
- Develop a project plan, budget, secure funding, and schedule and manage others to complete a major team project—Eagle Service Project—the pinnacle of Scouting.
VENTURING specializes in a particular avocation or hobby interest ranging from high adventure outdoor activities to robotics to theater. The specific focus is selected and led by the teens in that unit, with an adult advisor. Activities are interdependent group experiences in which success is determined by the cooperation of all. The Venturers’ “learning by doing” approach in a group setting provides opportunities for the teens to develop:

- team-building
- sharing meaningful experiences
- bonding/supportive relationships with peers
- using practical skills in fun activities—organizing, planning, and leading local and remote outings/events

Because all of the Venturing awards require teens to teach others what they have learned, they:

- learn how to communicate and train a variety of ages and skill levels—how to reach your audience, check that they get your point, modify your approach, make sure everyone understands, etc.
- acquire skills that can benefit them for the rest of their lives as a hobby or occupation—while having a lot of fun

Each program is designed by that unit. We currently have 37 units covering a wide range of interests.

SEA SCOUTS, under the supervision of experienced mariners, sail and cruise either sailboats or power vessels while learning the time tested skills of a sailor. During the boating seasons, Sea Scouts learn:

- how to maintain and operate the vessel with a focus on the safe and proper methods of handling boats
- the meaning of buoys and lights
- how to take advantage of wind and tide
- how to drop anchor and approach a dock

The teens practice what they learn in fun outings on the bay/ocean and can participate in sailing races and regattas with other units from all over the country.

Specifically, sailing units learn:

- sailing principles and strategies—getting from point A to B using wind and tide (and a lot of math and physics)
- to repair and maintain the ships used

Additionally, motorized units learn:

- the mechanics of that ship’s systems—engine, electronics, etc.
- critical ship maintenance which may include welding, repairing engines, etc.

Each program is uniquely tailored to the vessel and her Scouts. We currently have 5 units based in 2 ports on the Bay. Two units are strictly sailing programs and the other 3 are a combination of sailing and large motorized vessels (65- and 95-foot boats).

EXPLORING focuses on a specific career field such as law enforcement, fire/rescue, medical, etc. and is sponsored and run by a local government or business entity. Directed by professionals, teens lead activities simulating real situations and participate in real time projects. As a result, teens get to see if a particular career path might be a good fit for them—very much like an internship in that particular field.

Teens typically learn:

- practical knowledge of and experience in a specific career
- what it's like to work in a specific field and what types of career paths one might take
- engage in a program of activities centered on specific career opportunities
- work skills—communication, dependability, teamwork, etc.
- mundane as well as extraordinary tasks for that field
- citizenship
- organizing and leading team meetings
- what it takes to be successful in that career
- leadership skills for that career

Each program is specific to a given career. We currently have 21 units in the areas of law enforcement (15), fire (4), medical (1), and search and rescue (1).
THE SCOUT LAW

TRUSTWORTHY - A Scout tells the truth. He keeps his promises. Honesty is part of his code of conduct. People can depend on him.

LOYAL - A Scout is true to his family, Scout leaders, friends, school, and nation.

HELPFUL - A Scout is concerned about other people. He does things willingly for others without pay or reward.

FRIENDLY - A Scout is a friend to all. He is a brother to other Scouts. He seeks to understand others. He respects those with ideas and customs other than his own.

COURTEOUS - A Scout is polite to everyone regardless of age or position. He knows good manners make it easier for people to get along together.

KIND - A Scout understands there is strength in being gentle. He treats others as he wants to be treated. He does not hurt or kill harmless things without reason.

OBEDIENT - A Scout follows the rules of his family, school, and troop. He obeys the laws of his community and country. If he thinks these rules and laws are unfair, he tries to have them changed in an orderly manner rather than disobey them.

CHEERFUL - A Scout looks for the bright side of things. He cheerfully does tasks that come his way. He tries to make others happy.

THRIFTY - A Scout works to pay his way and to help others. He saves for unforeseen needs. He protects and conserves natural resources. He carefully uses time and property.

BRAVE - A Scout can face danger even if he is afraid. He has the courage to stand for what he thinks is right even if others laugh at or threaten him.

CLEAN - A Scout keeps his body and mind fit and clean. He goes around with those who believe in living by these same ideals. He helps keep his home and community clean.

REVERENT - A Scout is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties. He respects the beliefs of others.

SCOUT OATH (OR PROMISE)

On my honor I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.
Congratulations on receiving the Distinguished Citizen Award!

Your contribution to our community has made a positive difference.

We appreciate you and we celebrate this accomplishment with you!

Carol Carnevale & Nicole Aron
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The Stark Family
Bill Jr., Ann, Kathleen, Bill III, Meghan, Will IV and Catherine

A SCOUTING SALUTE

To Bill Reller
With Great Respect
Chris Bischof and the Board of Directors
of Eastside College Preparatory School
And
Troop One

Bill –
Thank you for being a cornerstone in our communities.

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From Your Good Friends,
Isaac Stein, Maddy Stein, Joel Friedman,
Carol Friedman, Mary McCullough,
Walter McCullough, Leanne Hunt,
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The National Eagle Scout Association Congratulates

William E Reller
Pacific Skyline Council's 2014 Outstanding Eagle Scout
March 28, 2014
Eagle Scout
April 10, 1951
Troop 21
Lake Ozark, Missouri

Here's a toast to Bill and his accomplishments!

We'd like to thank this evening's wine sponsors, Craig London of Woodside Farm Vineyard and Hank Scherf.

Pacific Skyline Council Staff

“How can we expect our children to know and experience the joy of giving unless we teach them that the greater pleasure in life lies in the art of giving rather than receiving.”

—James Cash Penney

Bill, thank you for being such a great model for your family, friends, and community!

Love, Rosemary and Bill
To Bill Reller
with much appreciation.

– Laureston & Barbara McLellan

Congratulations, Bill Reller!
The Pacific Skyline Council Executive Board is happy to honor you for all you do for Scouting and the youth of our community.

William “Bill” Balson
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Congratulations to
Bill Reller
our valued friend, with gratitude for your many years of service to the community

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Bill,
Thank you for helping build a bright future in our communities.

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Bill -
We salute you for being the Scouts’ Distinguished Citizen and congratulate you with our fondest best wishes.

Karen & Dick Olson
Lee & Merrill Newman
Carolyn & Tom Reese
Joan & Gordy Campbell
Joan & Bob Jack

Eagle Scout, Student, Soldier, Husband, Businessman, Father, Adventurer, Grandfather, Philanthropist and Friend

Les Dewitt and the Board of Directors at St. Francis celebrate new relationships with Scouting and the many good deeds that have been realized from the hands of Bill Reller –

Congratulations Bill!

Congratulations Bill on a Life Well Lived!

With admiration,
The Erving and Kalar Families
Dear Bill,

Congratulations to you on this special evening in your honor.

We know that the Scouting programs have played an important role in your life and we are delighted to play, in a small way, a part in tonight’s celebration.

Duncan & Shirley Matteson and Bill & Cynthia Floyd

Congratulations Bill!

Thank you for your leadership in helping others.

– Nancy Mueller

With admiration, the Rehmus family congratulate Bill on his many good examples and achievements.

–Fred and Marcia Rehmus
Congratulations!
Roger Smith & Judy Kaye

The Leonard Ely Family

Congratulations Bill
for his outstanding contributions
to the Pacific Skyline Council of the
Boy Scouts of America.

Shirley Ely
Leonard Ely, III – Troop 57
Maggie Ely Pringle

Thank you Bill
for your generous spirit
and leadership in our community.
Congratulations on this well-deserved honor.

Mark and Samantha Johnsen
The Reller Family... continuing to make a difference.
Thanks, Bob and Margie Harrington

Bill,

Congratulations on this well-deserved honor, and thank you for your many years of tireless leadership.

Bret & Jackie Comolli
Which of these gentlemen said, “I am not a crook”? 

So glad to see Bill, that after a rough start, you are finishing so well.

—Your friends and hiking buddies
A SCOUTING SALUTE

to

Bill Reller

From

Howard & Diane Crittenden
Bill,
Congratulations on your many meaningful achievements and contributions.

– Preston & Carolyn Butcher
Sustainability

New Eagle-required merit badge where Scouts learn about climate change, species extinction, resource extraction, green chemistry, recycling, and zero-waste manufacturing. See www.meritbadge.org to learn more.

“We can do no great things, only small things with great love.”

– Mother Teresa

Congratulations Bill!

—Jeff & Cindy Traum

Congratulations Bill, from your First Congregational Church Family,

– Merrill and Lee Newman
THE OUTDOOR CODE
As an American, I will do my best to:

- Be clean in my outdoor manners
  I will treat the outdoors as a heritage. I will take care of it for myself and others. I will keep my trash and garbage out of lakes, streams, fields, woods, and roadways.

- Be careful with fire
  I will prevent wildfire. I will build my fires only where they are appropriate. When I have finished using a fire, I will make sure it is cold out. I will leave a clean fire ring, or remove all evidence of my fire.

- Be considerate in the outdoors
  I will treat public and private property with respect. I will use low-impact methods of hiking and camping.

- Be conservation minded
  I will learn how to practice good conservation of soil, waters, forests, minerals, grasslands, wildlife, and energy. I will urge others to do the same.

Congratulations
to our dear friend
of more than
40 years.

We are grateful for your
extraordinary service
and generosity
to the Scouts
and to our community.

Lynn and David Mitchell
Bill,

You have been an exemplary Eagle Scout in your long-time service to our community. As your friends, we are proud of your many accomplishments, and are happy to be celebrating with you on this special evening.

—Pitch and Cathie Johnson
Congratulations Bill!

From
Jim and Becky
Valérie, Jeff, Mary, John

MORGAN FAMILY FOUNDATION
Congratulations, Bill!

Your Friends,

Judy Koch
Eliane Neukermans
Armand Neukermans
Karen Ross
Steve Ross
Bob De Busk
Ann De Busk
Tom Feine
Nancy Feine
Larry Sullivan
Vicki Sullivan

We are proud of you Papa!

Rebecca, Anna, Stephen, Annie, Will, Catherine, Michael, Avery, & Mack!
Pacific Skyline Council

Serves youth in San Mateo County and the northern part of Santa Clara County as far south as Mountain View.

Membership
• 4030 Cub Scouts in 107 Packs
• 2873 Boy Scouts in 93 Troops
• 804 Teens in 61 Co-ed Units—with 37% female participation
• 7707 total youth in 266 Units
• The Council's Scoutreach program enabled 906 youth in our low income families to participate in Scouting.

Programs and Services Snapshot
• 1925 Cub Scouts, parents and leaders attended Cub Scout Day Camp and Family Camp.
• 1670 Boy Scouts, parents and leaders attended Camp Oljato and Cutter Scout Reservation.
• 188 young men achieved the rank of Eagle, Scouting's highest honor.
• Scouts averaged 163 hours of service per Eagle Scout project with a total of 28,732 hours.
• Council's Scouting for Food collected 80,000 pounds of donated food, for local food banks.
• Boy Scouts earned a total of 6,512 merit badges.
• Cub Scouts completed 1,813 rank advancements.
• Boy Scouts completed 1,433 rank advancements.
• Above and beyond the Eagle service projects, Scouts rendered 4,296 service hours.

Scoutreach and Multicultural Markets
• The Council's Scoutreach program enabled 906 youth in our underserved communities to participate in Scouting.
• Over 200 Scoutreach youth attended Cub Scout Day Camp, Cub Scout Family Camp, Boy Scout Summer Camp and Boy Scout Camporees.
• Collaborative partnerships with local youth serving agencies, after-school initiatives and transitional housing programs provided participation opportunities in 32 Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops and Venturing Crews.

Operations
• Community leader Bill Floyd, who was the Council's 2013 Distinguished Citizen recipient, helped raise a record $250,000 to support co-ed teen programs.
• The Council operated with a balanced budget.
• Solid governance practices guide the Council, ensuring the highest integrity in financial auditing and membership validation procedures.
• The Council achieved the highest level—Gold—in the "Journey to Excellence."

Reporting the Numbers

Direct Support
$543,264. . . . . . . . . • Friends of Scouting/Fair Share (Net)
$310,981. . . . . . . . . . . • Special Events (Net)
$136,109. . . . . . . . . . . • Other Direct Support
$37,793. . . . . . . . . . . • Foundations/Trusts
$1,028,147. . . . . . . . . • Total Direct Support

Revenue
$42,032. . . . . . . . . . . • Sale of Supplies (Net)
$167,966. . . . . . . . . . • Product Sales (Net)
$250,296. . . . . . . . . . • Investment Income
$835,911. . . . . . . . . • Camping Revenue
$354,163. . . . . . . . . • Activity Revenue
$61,729. . . . . . . . . . . • Other Revenue
$1,712,097. . . . . . . . • Total Revenue
$2,740,244. . . . . . . . • Total Direct Support & Revenue

Expenses
$2,122,677. . . . . . . • Program
$246,823. . . . . . . . . . • Management
$98,729. . . . . . . . . . • Fundraising

Management 10% Fundraising 4%

Program 86%

$2,468,229. . . . . . . • Total Expenses

Capital Improvement Donations: $311,195
Endowment Donations: $42,175
Imagine a school...  

Life 101

Imagine a school that offers dozens of courses in topics ranging from American business and animal science to welding and woodworking.

Imagine that the instructors—more like mentors, really—are experts in their fields who work one-on-one with students to help them complete their course requirements.

Now imagine that each course costs less than $7, including a textbook and a completion certificate.

Such a school might sound imaginary, but it actually exists.

Called the Boy Scout merit badge program, this “school” has handed out more than 113 million badges since 1910.

Within the context of Boy Scouting, the merit badge program does two things.

• First, it ensures that Scouts who earn the Eagle Scout Award—Scouting’s highest rank—have developed core competencies in such areas as camping, citizenship, environmental science, first aid, and personal fitness.

• Second, it encourages every Scout to explore topics he may know nothing about. A plumber’s son might earn the Medicine merit badge, for example, while a doctor’s son might earn a badge in plumbing.

In many cases, a merit badge represents a Scout’s only foray into a subject he finds unappealing.

But oftentimes a badge signals a Scout’s first introduction to a rewarding career or lifelong avocation.

Moreover, each badge encourages a Scout to test his limits, broaden his horizons, and learn how to learn.

And that might be the most important course of all.

Call it Life 101.

www.meritbadge.org
At an early age, Bill showed all the signs of becoming a good scout. He would later earn the cooking merit badge, but preferred serving as an early food taster. As an adventurist, he often strollered long distances from home. While he would later earn the rowing merit badge, Bill much preferred leading from the bow, barking out orders to the crew behind. Always on the look out for “deer in the headlights”, Bill often took the lead and cleared the path for those who would follow. Comfortable in the outdoors, he could tie a timber hitch knot, but preferred the log roll. When it came time to complete the Home Repairs merit badge, Bill had already completed the “mow and blow” requirement.
Political Aspirations in Palo Alto?
Summer wedding planned

Carolyne Davis Wiedemann and William E. Reller of Palo Alto, whose engagement was announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. Weber, Wiedemann of Burlingame, have set the