



Above: This year's Silver Beaver Award recipient, Jeffrey Green (center) with his wife, Patricia Dombink and last year's recipient Dewey Watson.

VOLUNTEERS HONORED AT ANNUAL RECOGNITION DINNER

by Jo Pegrum Hazelett

Piedmont's Boy Scout Council honored many of the community's outstanding volunteers at its 85th Annual Recognition Dinner held at the Veterans Memorial Hall on April 27. The Piedmont Youth Bagpipe Band Venture Crew 12 began the festivities with two songs and the Council's President, Bob Coleman, served as the Master of Ceremonies.

Jeff Green, the Council Training Chairman, was this year's recipient of the Silver Beaver Award, the highest recognition a council may bestow upon a volunteer. The award recognizes noteworthy service of exceptional character to youth by registered Scouters. Recipients are recommended by the local Council and approved by the National Council. Jeff has served Troop 6 faithfully for

many years as Assistant Scoutmaster, even though his son grew up and left the troop many years ago. He has also served for several years on the Council Training Committee, and has chaired the committee since 2001.

Our two Award of Merit recipients this year were Ken Li and Paul Orgeron. Li is an Assistant Scoutmaster in Troop 11 and serves on the council Board as Vice President of Venturing. He has been instrumental in organizing new programs for

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Above: Participants Mark and Michael Dukas of Troop 11.

SCOUTS HELP WITH PIEDMONT'S DISASTER DAY

by Burr Faughnan, Troop 11

In early April, just prior to the 100th anniversary of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, the Piedmont Police and Fire Departments conducted Piedmont's first Disaster Preparedness Day at the Veterans Hall. The event was organized by the Fire Department's Lt. Lori Taylor to demonstrate the City of Piedmont's emergency response capabilities, and to inform residents of what they can do to prepare for an emergency. A group of Boy Scouts and several adult leaders from the Piedmont Council were on hand to help by demonstrating first aid, gas, water and power shut off, what to put in an emergency kit; and assisting with tours of the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Police Department headquarters and a disaster container stocked with emergency supplies located on the Havens playground. A "smoke trailer" was parked outside the Veterans Hall. The trailer had an interior similar to a house. Visitors in the trailer were surrounded by smoke and practiced evacuating the trailer\house through the smoke.

In the event of a disaster, Piedmont's recovery effort will be run by staff from the well-equipped EOC, which has been retrofitted and reinforced to withstand a severe earthquake. As Lt. Taylor explained, the most important thing is for people to "be prepared". In a major earthquake, citizens need to be ready to take care of themselves for between several days and possibly several weeks until help and supplies come to Piedmont. This means preparing a complete emergency kit with enough food, water and other supplies for the recommended amount of time. In addition, citizens should have a plan for

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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Greetings! In the world of Boy Scout councils, perhaps the biggest and toughest recognition to be earned is that of "Quality Council." The Piedmont BSA Council has reached that plateau for 2005. With just one absence, we have been so honored for as many years as anyone of us can remember – a really significant achievement. In fact, our "Western region" was the only one in the country with as many as half of its councils earning that status last year. To do so, you have to be financially sound, have an abundance of interesting programs, be reaching out to the entire youthful community and increase every level of participation in your program by at least one youth. This last stipulation is a particularly dif-



ficult one for Piedmont. When you already have one of the highest participation rates among available youth in the country (approximately 60%), it can be hard to find that one extra boy or girl (for our Venturing or Learning for Life programs) to give you that recognition. We have been most fortunate to do so, but we need your help. Research shows that most boys who are not involved in scouting do not simply because they have never been asked. We have a wonderful, comprehensive and loud group of scouting units in Piedmont doing exciting and worthwhile things. If you know any boys or girls from the first grade on up who would find adventure in any of our activities, give our office a call. We would love to engage them. Thank you for your support.

- J. Robert Coleman, Jr., Council President

WELCOME NEW COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS!

The Piedmont Council elected seven new members to the Executive Board, replacing outgoing members Susan Carroll, Rev. Leo Edgerly, Mark Delventhal, Cathy Farmer, Peter Freeman, Jerry Kennelly, Ward Lindenmayer, Bart Schenone and Arthur Siu. The council welcomes these new board members profiled here, and sends a hearty thanks to the outgoing members for their years of service. Volunteers have kept the council strong since our first charter was issued eighty-five years ago!

Gary Barker and his wife, Jan, have been living in the Bay Area since 1984 and have been in Oakland since the early 90's. Their son, Jasper, is a Life Scout in Troop 15, a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, and is currently working on his Eagle project. As a Scout himself, Gary managed to get to Star rank, is an Order of the Arrow member and achieved the God and Country award.



Gary is the principal of Bud Peen Illustration and Design [www.budpeen.com], which specializes in award winning illustration and graphic and industrial design. An abbreviated list of his clients include the Wall Street Journal, National Geographic, Nordstroms, Samsung, Starbucks, Bank of America, Disney and Apple. Gary has served on many boards including the Graphic Artists Guild's National Executive board and the international ICON4 Conference Board of Directors. He taught as an adjunct professor at CCA and is presently on the Board of Review for the MFA New Media program for the Academy of Art University where he is also a faculty member.

Vincent M. Faughnan and his wife, Claire, have lived in Piedmont for 15 years (Claire grew up in Piedmont). Their son, Burr, an 8th grader, is a Star Scout in troop 11 and their daughter, Libby, is a sophomore in Piedmont High School. Claire, a former attorney, is a homemaker and community volunteer. Vince is active in Scouts having served as an Assistant Scout Master in Troop 11 for several years. He has completed Wood Badge training and was a member of the Western Region Staff at the 2005 Scout Jamboree at Fort AP Hill, Virginia. Vince has been



employed by Bank of America for almost 20 years and provides legal and regulatory support to Bank of America Securities LLC, an investment banking firm. Vince went to college and law school at Fordham University and has an MBA from Berkeley. He grew up in New York.

Chris Lee and his wife, Terry, have lived in the Crocker Highlands section of Oakland since 1980. Their daughter, Mairin, is a junior at Boston College. Their son, Chris, Jr. is an Eagle Scout and a senior at St. Mary's College Preparatory High School in Berkeley. Chris Sr. was a Cub Scout Den Leader for four years, and then served as the Cubmaster for Pack 6 at Corpus Christi school. For the last five years he has served as the Troop



Committee Chairman for Troop 6. He was inducted into the OA with his son, and both are members of Brotherhood. Chris Sr. did considerable volunteer work through the Corpus Christi Men's Club from 1990 – 2001. He also fundraised for St. Ignatius High School in San Francisco through the Father's Club. Chris Sr. is the Deputy Regional Administrator for the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Prior to starting with the Department in 1980, Chris served as a congressional aide for six years. In his junior and senior years at California State University at Sacramento, Chris worked after hours and on weekends for the California State Assembly finishing his stint with the legislature as a Special Assistant to the Chairman of the Rules Committee.



Scouting community gathers for the 86th Annual Recognition Dinner.

Gregory D. Pike and his wife, Kathy, have lived in Piedmont since 1996. They have two sons, Ryan and Dylan who are Webelos in Pack 5. Greg was a den leader for Ryan's Bear and Wolf dens, and is currently the Cubmaster for Pack 5 at Wildwood Elementary School. Greg has been active in Scouting most of his life. He started Cub Scouts in New York and moved to California in 1969. He earned his Arrow of Light and continued on with Boy Scouts achieving the rank of Eagle Scout in 1974



at age 14. As a young adult, Greg worked with Scouting's National office at three National Jamborees. Greg graduated from UC Berkeley and attended Willamette University College of Law. He is currently the managing partner of Knox Ricksen LLP, a litigation firm in Oakland. In his spare time, aside from Scouting, Greg enjoys coaching his sons in sports and fly fishing in the Sierra.

Paul Raskin and his wife, Florence, have lived in Piedmont for nearly 15 years. They have two children, Jacob, 15, and Danielle, 11 in Piedmont schools. Their son Jacob, a sophomore at Piedmont High, began as a Cub Scout, has been active in Troop 11 and is currently a member of Order of the Arrow. Paul is also active in Troop 11, serving as an Assistant Scoutmaster and Troop Committee Chair for several years. As a youth, Paul was active as a Scout and Explorer and was a member of Order of the Arrow on the East Coast. He attended several Jamborees in Idaho and Japan. Paul is a telecommunications and contact center consultant with Kaiser Permanente and has a Bachelor and Master of Science Degrees in Operations Research from Cornell University and the University of Michigan. Paul is also active on several other community boards including the Piedmont Swim Team (Treasurer), Piedmont Swim Club, and Temple Beth Abraham (Past President, Vice President & Trustee).



Lisa Ravazza is a lifetime resident of the Bay Area. Lisa remains active, professionally and at home with family and three energized young grandsons. She is involved and dedicated to several community service organizations such as the Piedmont Rotary, Piedmont Promote Respect Committee, the County Crisis Center, and Christ the King Church ministry. Lisa has a 25 year employment history with the City of Piedmont Police Department. She is the first female police officer in the city's history, and was recently selected as the first female police chief. Chief Ravazza was assigned to almost every position within the agency before earning the title and appointment to Police Chief. In the past, Lisa worked several years with Piedmont Boy Scouts, serving as the Piedmont Police Department's Scouting Explorer Advisor. To date she has kept in contact with several of her Explorer Scouts, who themselves have gone on to become members and supervisors in other law enforcement professions.



Roger Strauch and his wife, Dr. Julie Kulhanjian, have lived in Piedmont for over 17 years. Julie is a Staff Physician at Children's Hospital in Oakland. Their son, Alex, is 10 years old and has two elder siblings, Nairi, 13 and Paul, 14 years old. Roger is new to Scouting and is currently Leader for Den 5 in Pack 3. Roger is Chairman of The Roda Group, a venture development company based in Berkeley. He is best known for launching the internet company Ask Jeeves. He is an executive member of the Board of Trustees of the Mathematics Science Research Institute in Berkeley and President Emeritus of the Berkeley Repertory Theatre. Roger has endowed the Roger A. Strauch Chair in Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences and co-founded the William Saroyan Armenia Studies Program at the University of California, Berkeley. He earned a Bachelors of Science degree, with distinction, from Cornell University and a Masters of Science degree from Stanford University, both in electrical engineering.



HAVE AN OPINION? WE'D LIKE TO HEAR IT!

The Piedmont Council News welcomes letters from readers on topics of interest to the Piedmont Scouting community. (We reserve the right to edit any opinion pieces or letters submitted.) Direct letters to the Piedmont Council office at 10 Highland Way, Piedmont, CA 94611, or by email to info@piedmontbsa.org.

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Lots of smiles were seen at this year's 49er Cub Scout Day Camp!

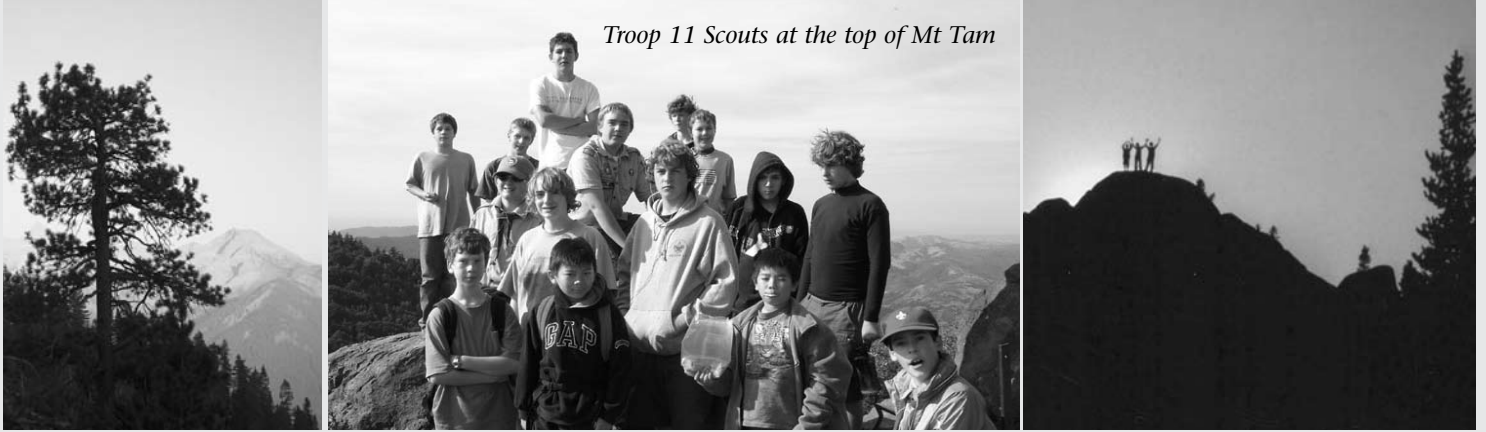


Thank you to Rosa Downey, Ellie Eidam, Todd Kerr and Lynn Owens for taking photos and contributing them to the Council office!





Troop 11 Scouts at the top of Mt Tam



CONNOR SWEENEY, TROOP 1

Troop 1 left April 28 on an urban backpacking trip. 20 Scouts left Piedmont on the AC Transit to Jack London Square to catch the ferry. Arriving in San Francisco they walked through Chinatown, North Beach with a quick visit to Pier 39. Hiking over 11 miles across the Golden Gate Bridge, the scouts camped at the west base of the bridge at a spectacular camp site called Kirby Cove.



WILL & MIKE CARTER, TROOP 11

Troop 11 has been very busy this summer. In June, our troop went to Camp Cherry Valley on Catalina Island. We had a great time swimming, snorkeling, sailing, and kayaking in the ocean. Scouts hiked, worked on merit badges, explored an old mine, and advanced in rank and Scout skills. Troop 11 scored high enough to earn a blue ribbon Honor Troop award from Camp Cherry Valley.



MAX BENNETT, TROOP 15

On the weekend of April 22-23, Troop 15 held its annual "Mom's Campout" at Tilden Regional Park. The Mom's Campout gives us the opportunity to invite all our moms to experience an overnight camping and outdoor dining experience. The Scouts of the troop and the dad's work hard to cook up a great meal to show the mom's just how good a meal cooked out in the wild can be. The event was well attended and everyone had a great time.

In July, 22 Scouts went to Camp Marin-Sierra. Troop 11 won the Superhero Scavenger Hunt, averaged 95 on our daily camp inspections and won the Baden-Powell Honor Troop Award from Camp Marin-Sierra. Troop 11 Scouts had fun, advanced in rank and completed around 100 merit badges from both camps this summer.

PATRICK NOLAN, TROOP 6

This year Troop 6 again returned to their beloved summer camp, Marin Sierra. Even through all the turmoil that is bound to happen when we arrive, everyone in the troop had an enjoyable experience. Whether it be singing camp fire songs with the counselors, wearing capes, or even being forced to put on lipstick, it was all enjoyable in one way or another. I think that we all would agree that we cannot wait for camp next year.

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SOMETHING VENTURED. SOMETHING GAINED

The coed BSA Venturing program forms Crews of high school aged youths that are involved together in a common interest. Each Crew has an adult advisor that guides the members to choose and plan their own activities, recruit members, raise funds, developing opportunities for them to lead and manage. Venturing crews do fun activities, learn skills, give back to their community and have opportunities to earn recognition for their personal growth. Piedmont has Crews with a wide range of interest, some of which are featured below. To learn more about the many Venturing Crews, or to get help in starting a new one, call the Piedmont Council office.

The Community Service Venturing Crew is finishing its second year with an increase in membership from an initial 6 members to 16 by the end of the '06 school year. Members have tried a variety of community service projects including: cooking and preparing food for the homeless at a local church, collecting used cell phones for recycling where proceeds benefited a domestic shelter, cleaning beaches around the San Francisco Bay, and adopting a family during the holidays. Occasional car washes and food sales help them to raise funds for their projects and retreats. Each year, the members have held the highly popular overnight Leadership Retreat where members practiced team-building skills and the democratic process by electing Crew officers. For more information, contact our crew officers: President Michael Saenz (mdsaenz12@aol.com), recruitment chair Grace Hawkins (gracefulgracie@aol.com), or Crew Advisor Barbara Caruso (barbcaruso@email.com).



Back row, L-R : Foil Coach Peter Ignatov and Head Coach Bill Cracraft. Front, L-R: Fencers Dashiell Harrison, Ryan Blumenstein, Sam Colburn, Lee Malmgren

The Piedmont Fencing Crew is coached by Bill Cracraft who emphasizes the fun of "physical chess" in a safe environment and helps members refine their fencing skills. Members, from middle school through high school, meet twice weekly on Wednesday and Friday evenings to practice footwork, attacks and parries, plus conduct fencing bouts on electric scoring strips. Private lessons are available during Crew meetings from Peter Ignatov, an expert foil fencer and coach, who won multiple foil championships in Europe between 1966 and 1974. Most of the crew members compete in USFA tournaments, for which Bill provides onsite coaching.

*4 dedicated members of the US Coast Guard who contribute their knowledge and have hosted visits to some very impressive USCG vessels. The group, referred to as a Ship, has also affiliated with the *Nehemiah*, a 57-foot wooden Ketch that gives the group opportunities to sail a big ship on the Bay. We aspire to learn our seaworthiness next year so that we can take a multi-day voyage into the Pacific, sleeping and eating aboard the ship.*

Ship 16, newly formed, has 6 youth members who are lead by adult Skipper Rick Clark, along with an excellent group of adult volunteers including

Piedmont Police Explorer Post welcome new members sworn in by Police Chief Lisa Ravazza on May 25, 2006. Police Explorers, in conjunction with the Piedmont Council Boy Scouts, may receive training in patrol procedures, investigations, evidence collection, firearm safety, self-defense and other law enforcement tasks and responsibilities by Post advisors and members of the police department. If you are interested in the program, please contact. Det. Kincaid at 420-3015 or Det. Veramo at 420-3013.



Above: L-R: Lillian Meagher, Britany Ernst, Kieran Craigie and Kevin Clark.



CONCLAVE 2006

by Stephen Remer

Hungteetsepoppi took third place at the section W3A Conclave this year, and perhaps more importantly, first place in the Most Indian Lodge Competition. There was no lodge that put forth as much effort and pure determination as Hungteetsepoppi. Poppi helped kick off the competitions by taking second in OA jeopardy, proving that there is a large amount of brains to match the awe inspiring brawn Poppi put forth in the sporting competitions the next morning. Although outsized and outnumbered as the athletics began, Poppi managed to hold its own in the events. But just as notable as the sporting events was the outstanding display of Ceremonies prowess by the Poppi Ordeal Ceremonies Team. The four members of the team, Jacob Andreas, Andrew Harvey, Liam Zarri and Alan Litteneker not only dominated the event by taking first place, but also memorized the entire Ceremony beforehand. Jacob also helped sponsor Poppi as the only Lodge member competing in the Dance Competition. As an intermediate Grass Dancer, Jacob overcame regalia difficulties to place third in his division. Overall, it was a difficult weekend, and Hungteetsepoppi made sure that it provided tough competition for the other W3A lodges. At the end, when everything was said and done, Poppi's efforts didn't go unnoticed and walked away with third place for Conclave and the cumulative year long award of Most Indian Lodge. It was a fun filled weekend and hopefully next year Hungteetsepoppi will be able to take its rightful spot as Conclave Champions!

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what to do in an emergency.

Following a serious earthquake, there will probably be no electricity or water for some time. This means there will be no gasoline since gas pumps need electricity to work. We will all need to be prepared and we will need to help each other. Scouts are well organized and trained in first aid; so after making sure we and our families are safe, we will need to pitch in to help neighbors and to assist the police and fire departments.

According to Lt. Taylor, Disaster Day will be an annual event and Scouts will continue to be part of it.

"Seven Steps to Earthquake Safety"

- STEP 1. Identify potential hazards in your home and begin to fix them.
- STEP 2. Create a disaster-preparedness plan.
- STEP 3. Create disaster kits.
- STEP 4. Identify your building's potential weaknesses and begin to fix them.
- STEP 5. Protect yourself during earthquake shaking.
- STEP 6. After the quake, check for injuries and damage.
- STEP 7. When safe, continue to follow your disaster-preparedness plan.



We remember "Jack" John Shuman who passed away last fall. He was a long time Scouter who served faithfully as a trustee of the Council's trust for almost 30 years. He is pictured here at his 75th birthday with his granddaughters Katharine Shuman, 6, and Grace Shuman, 10.

Jack's name has been added to the list of James E. West Fellows in the Council office as a result of a gift made in his memory by Josephine Shuman.



HIGHLANDER HIKERS HAVE FUN!



This summer, we introduced the Highlander Hiker program developed by Piedmont Scouters to challenge boys to learn in the outdoors and have fun along the way. As you can see from these photos, lots of boys have already done that on this summer's hikes—and it's not too late sign up. Upcoming hikes are listed in the council calendar on our website. Everyone is welcome to participate: Cub Scouts, their families and friends. Cub Scouts who complete four hikes during the year will earn a special Highlander Hike patch.

For more information, visit www.piedmontbsa.org!



HIKER CALENDAR	
August 27, 2006	Inspiration Point (Tilden)
September 20, 2006	Diabetes Walk
Sept 23-24, 2006	Coyote Hills Overnight
October 15, 2006	Iron Horse Trail Bike Trip
November 5, 2006	Little Yosemite/Sunol
December 3, 2006	Service Event (TBD)
January 19-20, 2007	USS Hornet Overnight
February 11, 2007	Rodeo Lagoon
March 11, 2007	Rocky City
April 21-22, 2007	Black Diamond Mines Overnight



Above: Cub Scouts get a moment during the Land's End Trail Hike to absorb some information from hike leader, Mal Pacheco.



Left: Luke Roy, Troop 6, shows off his Boy Scout shirt to admiring Cub Scouts.



Above: New Cub Scout, Sam Watters, eagerly follows the Huckleberry Hike's trail.



Left: Raymond Lee leads a group through the Huckleberry Botanical Reserves.

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 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Fishel
 Mr. Benjamin Fisher, Sr
 Mr. & Mrs. David Fullerton
 Mr. Jay Gorud
 Mr. Edward Gray
 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Griffith
 Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Guidici
 Gregg Hauser & Judith O'Young
 Mr. Lawrence Hawkins
 Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Hunt
 Mr. & Mrs. William Kendrick
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lally
 Mr. Fred Lam
 Dr. & Mrs. Kendrick Lee
 Mr. Neville Long
 Ms. Marilyn Marsh
 Mr. & Mrs. Seamus Meagher
 Mr. & Mrs. William Molmen
 Mr. & Mrs. Jan Olsen
 Mr. G Scott Ralston
 Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Retherford
 Mr. Francis Ryan
 Mr. Michael Savidge
 Mr. and Mrs. Todd Sotkiewicz
 Mr. & Mrs. John Stewart
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Sweeney, Sr
 Scott Swimley & Sharon O'Neil
 Mr. & Mrs. Terry Watson

TROOP 4

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Cardoza
 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cohen
 Arden Hall & Cynthia Holl

Mr. & Mrs. L. Randolph Harris
 Mr. & Mrs. Laurance Kelley
 Mr. & Mrs. James Motlow
 Mr. & Mrs. Rob Netsch
 Mr. & Mrs. Keith Parker
 Mr. & Mrs. Bill Phua

TROOP 6

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Crosby
 Jeffrey Green & Pat Dombrink
 Mr. & Mrs. James Hager
 Mr. & Mrs. John Hyland
 Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Kalmson
 Mr. & Mrs. Chris Lee
 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Levy
 Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Nolan
 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Reilly
 Mr. & Mrs. Brian Renner
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Woelffer
 Mr. & Mrs. Philip Zari

TROOP 11

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bishop
 Mr. Jeff Bleich
 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Carter
 Ms. Barbara Caruso
 Mr. Paul Caruso
 Mr. & Mrs. David DaSilva
 Mr. & Mrs. David DeRoche
 Mr. & Mrs. Steven DeBacker
 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Dukas
 Richard Granberg & Anita Stapen
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Harvey
 Mr. & Mrs. Jan Petter Haugen
 Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Jacobs
 Mr. & Mrs. Steven Lowenthal
 Mr. & Mrs. Mark McKeen
 Mr. James Meeder
 Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Meyersieck
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Pritchard
 Mr. & Mrs. Dale Radcliff
 Mr. & Mrs. Nian-Peng Shi
 Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Shyer
 Mr. & Mrs. Lars Skugstad
 Mr. & Mrs. Evan Solley
 Rick Soper & Diane Bomborg
 Ms. Christy VanSlyke
 Mr. & Mrs. Jean-Pierre Viel
 Mr. & Mrs. Brian Walker
 Mr. Clifford Wang
 Mr. & Mrs. Bill Weber
 Rolf Wietelmann & Lynn Owens

TROOP 15

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Andreoni
 Mr. & Mrs. Gary Barker
 Mr. Clay Bowling
 Mr. Randy Boyce
 Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Burke
 Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln Chu
 Mr. & Mrs. Grant Crossen
 Mark Davis & Noemi Alvarado
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Drake
 Mr. & Mrs. Erik Dryburgh
 Mr. Hal Feiger
 Mr. & Mrs. Jack Follick
 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Gandesbery
 Jim Gay & Mary Liz Wardlaw
 James Guitteau & Lockey Todd
 Mr. Chung-Yiu Lam
 Mr. & Mrs. David Maglaty
 Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Matier
 Mr. & Mrs. Dean Miller
 Mr. & Mrs. James Musbach
 Ms. Virginia Preston
 Mr. Osman Sezgen
 Dr. & Mrs. Stephen Silver
 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Simonson
 Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Walters III
 Mr. & Mrs. Terry Watson

SHIP 16

Dr. Richard Deutsche

GIFTS RECEIVED IN HONOR OF AN INDIVIDUAL

Margaret Fisher
 Granddad Bill (William Long)

Bonnie Gaither
 Dean & Nancy Johnson
 Jack & Bobbe Stehr

Brian Kelleher
 Lucille S. Johnson

William H. Ponty
 Granddad Bill (William Henshaw)

Nicholas Wiesbrock
 Kelly & Elizabeth Wiesbrock

GIFTS RECEIVED IN HONOR OF EAGLE SCOUTS

Rex Crossen
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Andrew Follick
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Addison Burke
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Dennis Lam
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Christopher Lee
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Bill, Jr. and Bob Nevin
 Bill and Judy Nevin

Drew Preston
 The Lamarche/Menke Family
 Virginia Preston

Stephen Renner
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Daniel Trowbridge
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Michael Weinberg
 The Lamarche/Menke Family

Theodore Zika
 The Lamarche/Menke family

GIFTS RECEIVED IN MEMORY OF AN INDIVIDUAL

Fred D. Corfee
 Mr. & Mrs. William G. Henshaw

Robert C. Deasy
 Jim Deasy

Marsden (Bud) Warren
 Jean Haydon

Eagle Scout, Roland Holt
 Ralph E. Love, Jr. Lt. Col.

Alfred McKnight, Jr.
 Walker & William McKnight
 Young

Sheldon Milligan
 Fred T. Weiss

Jean Schilling
 Velma and Allen Jarvis

Walter M. Wells, Jr
 Jean and Jim Martin

Mildred Willeford
 Velma Jarvis

RECOGNIZE SOMEONE SPECIAL WITH A GIFT TO THE MEMORIAL/TRIBUTE FUND

Gifts to Piedmont Council's Memorial/Tribute fund are a great way to remember a deceased loved one, or honor an individual affiliated with Scouting. Tribute gifts are an especially nice way to honor a young man who earns his Eagle Scout rank.

It's easy! Simply send a contribution (indicating the name of the honoree) to the Council office. We will send a receipt to the donor, and a card to the honoree or, in the case of a memorial tribute, to the honoree's family.



EAGLES' NEST

Since the Fall 2005 issue, ten additional Scouts join the elite membership in the Piedmont Council's Eagles' Nest. The Council now boasts 1014 Eagle Ranks earned since 1921, making Piedmont one of the leading Councils in the country for percentage of youth earning this highest honor attainable by an active Scout or Venture member.

Name: Andrew Preston (9/1/05)

Troop: 15

Years in Scouting: 13 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Troop Historian, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, Best Scout 2003; Scholar Athlete, Team Captain Varsity Football and Baseball, Student Senate and Senior Class President.

Project Information and Hours:

Designed and constructed two twenty-five foot fences to deter hikers from taking shortcuts that cause erosion in popular, well-traveled, Diamond Canyon. (93 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "Scouting was no small part of my transformation into the person I am today. I got strong morals and ideals from scouting and its many trails. Scouting boosted my self esteem and made me proud of myself."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "Not only did (Drew) serve in his normal capacity, but put in an extra year as Senior Patrol Leader."



Name: Jay Foreman (9/1/05)

Troop: 1

Years in Scouting: 10 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Den Chief, Patrol Leader, and Troop Guide, Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow; Math and Science Awards.

Project Information and Hours:

Planned and built two redwood picnic tables, with attached benches, for the George Mark Children's House in San Leandro. (122 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "...These (the scout oath and law) are fundamentals of my life. This is how I want to be, and I am proud to call myself an Eagle Scout."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "(Jay) is respectful; and tried to be helpful."



Name: Nicholas Pritchard (11/3/05)

Troop: 11

Years in Scouting: 6 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow; California Scholarship Federation, Honor Roll

Project Information and Hours:

Planned and implemented the painting of an educational map of the US on the playground at Wildwood Elementary School. (82 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "I believe that it (the Boy Scouts) is a great organization that helps make friends, leaders, and role models."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "He is very dependable. When he says he will do something, you know he will do it."



Name: Chris Lee (11/3/05)

Troop: 6

Years in Scouting: 10 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

St. Mary's High School/2006

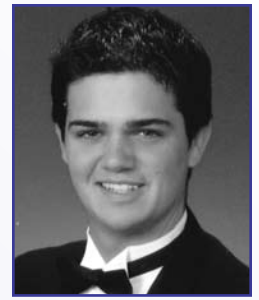
Recognitions: Den Chief, Patrol Leader, Brotherhood Honor, and Troop Representation of the Order of the Arrow.

Project Information and Hours:

Planned and implemented the demolition of an existing stairway and construction of a new walkway, two small staircases that were joined together at an angle with a landing in the middle, and a hand rails for safety for St. Mary's High School. (113 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "In the summer of 2005, I attended the National Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia. It was a great adventure and one of the highlights of my life thus far."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "Chris is someone who gets along with people. He is bright and funny and appreciates the differences among us."



Name: Geoffrey Wietelmann (1/5/06)

Troop: 11

Years in Scouting: 10 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Librarian, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow; Community Service Award, California State Federation, Honor Roll; 2003 Novice Men's Coaches Award and Varsity Crew, Oakland Strokes

Project Information and Hours:

Planned and created two-200 foot sections of native plant garden, with an irrigation system, in front of the Tilden Nature Center of the East Bay Parks system. (78 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "Scouting gives boys excellent opportunities to learn skills that will help them in life....but the most important thing I learned is how to be a leader."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "He is obedient."



Name: Andrew Follick (1/5/06)

Troop: 15

Years in Scouting: 6 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Den Chief, Troop Guide, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader; PHS Community Service Award, Founder and President of the Young Entrepreneur Society, National Merit Commendation, Athlete Scholar, CSF Membership Federation

Project Information and Hours: Planned and coordinated the efforts of the volunteers from the community and paid staff of the Mountain View Cemetery to establish an electronic database of 2000 interred people at the cemetery. (100 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "I have experienced tremendous personal growth since I first joined Cub Scouts in second grade. As I look back on my scouting experiences nothing can compete with the excitement during the High Sierra Hikes, and some of my strongest bonds with both scouts and adult leaders were forged on these epic hikes."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "He is willing to work toward a goal through adversity, and always have a smile on his face."



Name: Rex Crossen (2/2/06)

Troop: 15

Years in Scouting: 7 years

High School/Year of

Graduation: Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Den Chief, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow; 1st Place in School Arts Shows, Honor Roll, Scholar Athlete

Project Information and

Hours: Planned and coordinated the building of two 4'x8' sections of wall ball backboards for Longfellow Elementary School in Alameda. (96 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "I feel scouting has opened my eyes to opportunities that I would not have had if I hadn't been a part of scouting."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "Rex had tremendous enthusiasm for everything he undertook. He also has a strong sense of independence."



Name: Daniel Trowbridge

(3/2/06)

Troop: 15

Years in Scouting: 7 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow; Rick Kitchens Award and OPTIMO Award in Basketball, Highlander Award in Football

Project Information and Hours: Planned and coordinated the landscaping of the front areas of the Salvation Army on Lyman Avenue in Oakland. (318 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences:

"Scouts taught me so many life lessons. I am very excited to get out on my own and put some of these skills to use."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "Conscientious, consistent efforts at doing the right thing, even through adversity."



Name: Addison Burke

(2/2/06)

Troop: 15

Years in Scouting: 13 years

High School/Year of

Graduation: Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Assistant Den Chief, Den Chief, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader; CSF Member, Coaches Award, PHS Track Team

Project Information and Hours: Planned and coordinated the building of two 2'x2.5'x8' edible garden boxes for the Piedmont Beach Elementary School. (101 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "Most importantly, Boy Scouts has showed me how to be independent while also having the ability to work and understand other people around me."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "The ability to access a situation, explain what needs to be accomplished, and gain support from peers."



Name: Dennis Lam (4/6/06)

Troop: 15

Years in Scouting: 12 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Scribe, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Ordeal Member of the Order of the Arrow; National AP Scholar (2005), National Merit Finalist (2006), CIO of the Young Entrepreneurial Society; Oakland Strokes Crew (6th in state [Novice B] 2003, 5th in state [JV] and 4th in state [lightweight] 2005)

Project Information and Hours: Planned and coordinated development of a manual and a set of signs and props for the Piedmont Bike Rodeo. (151 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "Scouting is an experience that is supposed to enrich young boys with good character, leadership, and a host of practical skills that will aid them in their later lives as they mature into adults. I could have read about these things in field manuals and handbooks, but in doing so I would have missed the most important element of scouting – the camaraderie and friendship between the scouts themselves, in each other."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "(Dennis' strongest attribute is) his willingness to do whatever is required of him."



Name: Jason Lowenthal

(3/2/06)

Troop: 11

Years in Scouting: 12 years

High School/Year of

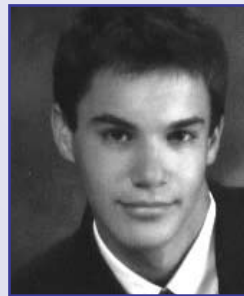
Graduation: Piedmont High School/2006

Recognitions: Den Chief, Historian, Quartermaster, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader; Varsity Golf, Scholar Athlete, PHS Community Service Award

Project Information and Hours: Planned and constructed two separated shelving units, that put together would help partition a large room, for the George Mark Children's House in San Leandro. (101 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "I have never had more fun with a single organization in so many different ways, while learning life lessons at the same time."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "(Jason's strongest attributes are) his loyalty to friends and family"



Name: Michael Weinberg

(4/24/06)

Troop: 6

Years in Scouting: 10 years

High School/Year of Graduation:

St. Mary's High School/2006

Recognitions: Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, Scribe, Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow; Las Lomas and St. Mary's High Schools Academic Achievement Award

Project Information and Hours:

Planned and coordinated the installation of concrete-aggregate stepping-stones with handrails along the path of the stones at the Tamalpais Retirement Center. The project also included the building of two benches for the residents. (145 hours)

Comments about Scouting Experiences: "Scouting has offered me many opportunities. I was able to learn leadership skills that I didn't get from sports or school."

Scoutmaster's Comments: "Michael has an inner strength that caused him to stay with the program, even when he moved twice, and his pals left the program. He tenaciously worked his program to completion."



Piedmont Eagle's Nest is always looking for new members. If you are an Eagle Scout, either from Piedmont, or now living in Piedmont, please contact the Council Service Center at 547-4493 or info@piedmontbsa.org. Would you like to help a troop by serving as a commissioner or merit badge counselor? There are lots of ways to get involved!



Above: L-R Paul Orgeron, Bob Coleman and Ken Li.

Piedmont youth. Orgeron has served in virtually every role from Cubs to Scouts, and continues to do so even though his son has grown up. This Award, the second highest honor a council may bestow upon a volunteer, recognizes outstanding service at the council level.

Distinguished Scouter awards were presented to volunteers with Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venture crews. Those honored have given outstanding service during the last year at the unit level, the core of our program.

The Cub Scouting recipients were Nancy Kurkjian, Pack 3; Mal Pacheco, Pack 4; Greg and Kathy Pike, Pack 5; and Lori Adams, Pack 6.



Above: Cub Scouting Award recipients Mal Pacheco, Greg and Kathy Pike and Lori Adams pictured with Bob Coleman.

The Boy Scouting recipients were Dave Fullerton, Troop 1; May Thomas, Troop 4; Brigid Roy, Troop 6; Peter Harvey, Troop 11; and Jim Guitteau, Troop 15.

The Venturing recipients were Chris and Susan Huppert, Oakland Strokes (Crews 8 and 9), Louise Booth, Fencing (Crew 21) and Sally Reddick, Youth Bagpipe Band (Crew 12).

Presidential Awards for outstanding service at the council level were presented to Greg Andreas in recognition of his outstanding Board service and contributions to the council as Council Commissioner and to Rick Eigenbrode for his service to the Board and work over the past year spearheading the council's new strategic plan.

The William R. Peterson Award was established six years ago in Peterson's memory to recognize a Piedmont Council youth, who through his or her leadership has demonstrated the benefits of a youth run organization. The award was presented to Laura Huppert who is a member of Crew 9, Oakland Strokes, Crew Captain, Piedmont High School Student Body President and Co-president of the Key Club, a



Above: Bob Coleman with Laura Huppert, this year's William R. Peterson Awardee and Derek Byrnes of Oakland Strokes.

nation-wide community service organization. These are just a few of the ways that Laura serves as a leader to other youth.

The Harry M Thomas "Scout to Scouter" Award is to recognize an Eagle Scout who returned to Scouting in Piedmont



Above: "Scout to Scouter" Award recipient Troop 1 Scoutmaster Rich Harms.

as an adult leader. The award was presented to Rich Harms, a 1964 Oakland Eagle Scout who has served in numerous Scouting roles but most recently as Scoutmaster for Troop 1.

The Sydney C. Singer Service to Youth Award, presented to a resident of Piedmont who has performed outstanding service in the community (not necessarily in Scouting) was presented to Noemi Alvarado, who has worked tirelessly for the youth of Piedmont, both as an active committee member in Troop 15 and as a school volunteer for 15 years.

Appreciation was extended to Diane Coleman and Bonnie Gaither for coordinating the event and to Gary Hartsock for engraving the awards. Other contributions were made by Piedmont Grocery (wine) and by Safeway, Grand Avenue.

Camporee highlights

