



November 30, 2015

Dear Members and Parents of PCSC,

Hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving Break! The holiday season is here, and this means lots of unique events for PCSC like volunteering at a christmas tree lot and preparing a Thanksgiving meal for Bay Area families in need. Members can sign up for these events on the [FB group](#).

### **BSA Tree Lot**

Every year Piedmont BSA sells Christmas trees and wreaths at Coaches Field. This is an important source of funding for our parent organization, Piedmont



Council of Boy Scouts of America. Our Crew joins the many Boy Scout Troops and Cub Scout Dens to put in time to help to run this community event. We have been assigned 4

shifts and are obliged to fill with parent and crew member volunteers. [Sign up](#) to help fill the empty spaces!

### **Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Piedmont's tree lighting ceremony will be held on December 2, 6:45pm-9pm. PCSC members Kailee Lin, Abby Post, and Jane Simonetti will help out by being elves. They'll dress up and help calm down the over-excited kids and the scared kids, as well as help them off and on off Santa's chair. Thank you Kailee, Abby, and Jane 😊 .

### **Friends of Scouting**

Support the Scouting community by making a tax-deductible donation to Friends of Scouting! Funds keep the Boy Scout Association functioning and able to fund boy scout troops, as well as venture crews like Piedmont Community Service Crew. They can be mailed to Colin Dixon at 6861 Estates Dr, Piedmont.

### **Garage Sale Debrief**

PCSC's annual garage sale was held on Saturday, November 14 on El Cerrito. Thank you to all the families who donated their old clothes, toys, and furniture, and also thanks to the members who came to help out with the sales. We raised \$1,500 which will fund groceries for cooking events and tools for renovating a low-income senior's home in Oakland in the Spring with RTO. Help us out even more by making a tax-deductible donation to Rebuilding Together Oakland so we can revive the house as well as we have in the past.



*Above: Photo of Colin Dixon and Will Reicher determining prices at the garage sale. Courtesy of Carole Parker.*

### **Venturing Awards**

Did you know you can achieve awards for venturing? You earn an award for joining, another for becoming more involved, another for becoming a leader, and the final one for becoming a skilled, experienced mentor who has led a big project, similar to the Eagle Project. This final award is called the Silver Award and is equivalent to the honor of the Eagle Scout for



### **Upcoming Event: St. Mary's Center**

On Sunday, December 13, the crew is cooking and serving lunch to at-risk seniors in Oakland at St. Mary's Center. We'll be cooking mac 'n' cheese with and without bacon, balsamic green bean salad, garlic bread, and snickerdoodles cookies for dessert. Not only will we get to cook the food, but we get to serve it to the people ourselves! Check the [FB event](#) for more information or to sign up.



*Left:  
Junior  
Maddie  
Wolfe  
cooking  
at a St.  
Mary's  
event  
last  
March.*

venting. Come see Gates Zeng and Elaine Qian, the last two PCSC presidents, receive their Silver Award on December 27 at 4pm to support venturing!

### **Instagram**

Follow Piedmont Community Service Crew on instagram @pcservicecrew. Email or Facebook message a screenshot that shows you're following PCSC to Nina Adarkar and you'll get a piece of candy! Or, find her at school and show her that you're following @pcservicecrew to get your piece of candy.



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### **Website Updates**

Skyler Liu, web designer, has updated the [PCSC website!](#) She recently added a debrief on the recent Food Bank event by Carole Parker with photos. Also, if you ever want to access the monthly newsletters and don't want to sort through your email, go to the website and click the tab all the way on the right, labeled Newsletters, and click on the month you'd like to see. Keep checking the website for new photos, articles, and general updates.

Thank you for your interest and/or involvement in PCSC!

Sincerely,

Nina Adarkar (VP of Communications)

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