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## Gold Awards - Girl Scout Troop 32153

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On May 8th, 2011, members of Lafayette Girl Scout Troop 32153 gathered to honor and celebrate six members receiving Girl Scout's highest award, the Gold Award. In addition to 40 hours of career exploration and 30 hours of leadership prerequisites, each scout had to designed and lead a significant service project. Nationwide less than 5% of all Girl Scouts reach this level of distinction.

Troop 32153 Scouts receiving Gold Awards:

Hannah Borosky led the ICE community awareness campaign. ICE stands for In Case of Emergency. To improve emergency response, individuals were taught to add a new cell phone contact titled ICE listing their top emergency contacts. Hannah is a senior at Acalanes High School and plans on attending Santa Clara in the fall.

Chelsea Crawford's project involved a book drive and gift of books and reading for a local elementary school. Chelsea is a senior at Campolindo High School.

Megan Languer's project "Keep the Bees" included community awareness on the environmental benefits of bees and she helped four families set up and maintain hives. Megan is a senior at Acalanes High and plans on attending UC Davis in the fall.

Alexa Wash created an educational project called Lafayette Creeks - Caring for our Waterways. She taught the importance of waterways and water preservation to Lafayette students. Alexa is a senior at Acalanes High School .

For her project, Emily St. Pierre coordinated the 5 day "R,R,R,R You Aware" environmental awareness program at the Lindsey Wildlife Museum focusing on Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rot. Emily is a senior at Acalanes High and will attend Puget Sound University.

The troop is proud of its dedication to stay together and committed to Girl Scouts through the years, and of all ten seniors completing their scouting journey and advancing to Adult Scouts. In addition to the six Gold Award scouts, other dedicated members include Acalanes seniors Katie Barton, Maddy Cimino and Gabrielle Zoger, and Campolindo senior Anne Finne. The girls entered scouting in kindergarten at their respective Lafayette Elementary Schools; the various troops merged when they became Cadette Scouts at Stanley Middle School and have stayed together throughout high school.

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