Boy Scouts of America, Greater Los Angeles Area Council

2019 Distinguished Citizens Award Dinner

Honoring
Mrs. Clara Potes-Fellow & Dr. Anthony R. Fellow

Thursday, August 22, 2019
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Monrovia
WELCOME TO

The 2019 Annual Distinguished Citizens Award Dinner

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DINNER PROGRAM

Welcome
Ken Manning

Master of Ceremony
Ken Manning

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
Shaughnessy Goold
Troop 181, Chartered by Woman’s Club of Temple City

DINNER

GLAAC President’s Message
Timothy R. Greenleaf

Inspirational Scouting Story
Ben Deveau

Introduction of Honoree
Ken Manning

Presentation of the Distinguished Citizens Award
Timothy R. Greenleaf, Travis J. Williams, Ph.D.,
Charlie Wilson and Dan Arrighi

Closing Ceremony & Remarks
Ken Manning
Event Committee

Dan Arrighi
Lucia Bernal
Patty Cortez
Nichol Delgado
Imelda Duenas
Chris Lancaster
Dolly Lucero
Ken Manning
Darin Sorrels
April Zall

Council Leadership

President and Chairman of the Board – Timothy R. Greenleaf
Council Commissioner – Travis J. Williams, Ph.D.
Interim Scout Executive – Michael Hale

Scout Oath

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.
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**Bronze Level:**
Timothy R. Greenleaf - President and Chairman of the Board
Mrs. Clara Potes-Fellow & Dr. Anthony R. Fellow

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Best, Best & Krieger Attorneys at Law
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Three Valleys Municipal Water District
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West Basin Municipal Water
Mrs. Clara Potes-Fellow - Honoree

Clara has volunteered for the former San Gabriel Valley (SGV) and the Greater Los Angeles Area (GLAAC) Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Councils since 2010. She was elected to the SGV Council’s Board of Directors in 2013, and a year later she was elected to the Board’s Executive Committee. She served for three years as Finance Chair of the former Lucky Baldwin District (LB). During her tenure the LB District consistently exceeded its annual fundraising goal and was the highest fund development performer among all SGV Boy Scout Districts. Later she chaired for three consecutive years the Youth Expo Finance Committee. She Co-Chaired the 2016 GLAAC Annual Dinner Committee and for two years she served in the Silver Beaver Award committee.

She was a featured speaker at the 2015’s Boy Scouts of America Western Region Conference in Las Vegas where she presented the “Best Practices for Successful Fundraising Events.” In 2014, she was a Guest Speaker at the SGV Council Annual Planning Conference.

She participated in the organizing committees of the SGV Council’s Sports Breakfast, the Construction Industry Golf Tournament, the BSA Golf Classic, the BSA Gala, the Distinguished Citizen Award, and the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award presented to U.S. Astronaut Steven W. Lindsey. In 2015, Clara hosted a training session to help SGV Scouts meet the requirements for the Public Health Merit Badge.
Clara is a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award (2014), which is the highest honor bestowed to Scouting volunteers for distinguished service. She has been serving on the Board of the BSA Greater Los Angeles Area Council (GLAAC) since 2015, when the merger of the Los Angeles Area Council and the San Gabriel Valley Council was completed. In addition to her service to Scouting, Clara serves on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Pasadena City College Foundation and the Planned Giving Committee of the Arcadia Methodist Hospital Foundation. She is a founding member and served for 10 years on the Board of Hispanics Organized for Political Equality (HOPE).

Clara is an expert in management of nonprofit organizations and works as fundraising coach at the Institute for Philanthropic Excellence, a national consulting firm specialized in fund development for nonprofit institutions. Recently, she finished a 12-month assignment as Interim Executive Director of the Cerritos College Foundation, where she raised $3.5 million to fund the College Promise Program. Clara was press secretary for the Clinton/Gore Presidential Campaign in 1992. She also worked for the Spanish daily, La Opinion, Los Angeles Transportation Commission, Southern California Edison, East Valley Community Health Center and the California State University, Office of the Chancellor.

Clara was awarded the Inter American Press Association’s “Investigative Reporting Award for the series “Money Exchange.” The series published in La Opinion, triggered legislation that established new regulations for international money transfers in California.

Clara grew up in Bogotá, Colombia and came to California in the 1980s to pursue graduate studies. She holds an MBA degree in Nonprofit Management from American Jewish University and a master’s degree in Communication Management from USC. She and her husband, Dr. Tony Fellow, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary this year. They live in Arcadia.
Dr. Anthony R. Fellow - Honoree

Dr. Anthony Fellow was once introduced by a member of the California State Assembly as the “pillar of the San Gabriel Valley.” His community and professional involvement have certainly touched upon the most important elements of a community—water, education and government. Fellow was elected to the Upper San Gabriel Municipal Water District in 1991 with a wave of environmentalists who changed water politics. He was instrumental in establishing the district’s first water recycling program which would save the greater San Gabriel Valley during the nine-year drought, established innovative conservation programs, including Upper District’s signature reforestation program in the Angeles National Forest. With his most recent re-election to Upper District in November 2018, Fellow holds the longest tenure of service at 28 years. His 17-year appointment as director and vice-chair of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California gave him a wider reach to inaugurate programs that would benefit Southern California.

In 1996 he was elected to the El Monte City Council where he served for nine years. He helped bring new businesses, such as Home Depot, to the city, as well as new housing, and made strides to beautify the city and create recreational facilities for youths, such as the Dorris Dann Recreational Center.

In 2007 Arcadia voters overwhelmingly elected Fellow to the Pasadena City College Board of Trustees, where he has served as president of the board and supported two-year free tuition for in-district students, more counselors, and greater transparency.
Fellow was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut, and grew up in El Monte. After graduating with his bachelor’s degree and Lifetime Secondary Teaching Credential, he worked as a reporter at the San Gabriel Valley Tribune. He was promoted to assistant city editor and columnist, and head of the political election team covering the presidencies of Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter.

He graduated from Cal State Fullerton with an M.A. in Communications and was asked to join the adjunct teaching staff. He earned an M.A. and doctoral degree at the University of Southern California where he was named a Walter H. Annenberg Fellow. For the past 30 years, he has been a professor of communications at Cal State Fullerton where he teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in media and politics, media history, media law, and international communications. He also sits on doctoral committees at the Claremont Graduate School and the Fielding Institute in Santa Barbara. He was named a Fulbright Scholar during the George W. Bush Administration and assigned to Italy’s most prestigious Fulbright position at Vercelli University. He was introduced that year in Rome as one of America’s most distinguished university professors.

He has served as chair of the Department of Communications and Department of Cinema and Television Arts at Cal State Fullerton, where he also has been named senior distinguished professor. He is author of American Media History, Tweeting to Freedom: An Encyclopedia of Citizen Protests and Uprisings Around the World, Copy Editor’s Handbook for Newspapers, and Writing in a Multimedia World. He is an active social media researcher, presenting his findings at national and international conferences. He founded the Florence Program, one of California’s most successful study abroad programs and works in Italy five months out of the year. In his spare time, he likes to teach Bible Study at St. Francis of Rome Catholic Church in Azusa. He is married to Clara Potes-Fellow, whom he met while both were graduate students at the University of Southern California. They reside in Arcadia.
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## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### ACHIEVEMENTS
- Eagle Scout Awards: 558
- Merit Badges Earned: 20,102
- Arrow of Light Awards: 643

### COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS
- Economic Impact of Service Hours: $2,620,000
- Community Organizations Served: 450+

### MEMBERSHIP & YOUTH SERVED
- Registered Youth Members: 19,223
- Youth Retention Rate: 84%
- Other Youth Served (Camps & Activities): 18,294
- Total Youth Served: 37,517
- Adult Volunteers: 9,776
- Cub Scout Units: 237
- Boy Scout Units: 258
- Venture Units: 68
- Exploring/Learning for Life Units: 111
- Total Units: 677
COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

CAMPING
Cub Scout Day Camp Attendance  442
Boy Scout Summer Camp Attendance  5,748
Weekend Camp Attendance  20,121
Merit Badge Camp Attendance  911
Total Campers  27,222
Number of Weeks of Summer Camp  22
Number of Weeks of Day Camp  6
Camping and Activity Weekends  152

COUNCIL PROPERTIES
Cabrillo Beach Youth Center, San Pedro
Camp Cherry Valley, Santa Catalina Island
Cushman Watt Scout Center, Los Angeles
Firestone Scout Reservation, Brea
Holcomb Valley Scout Ranch, Fawnskin
Hubert Eaton Scout Reservation, Cedar Glen
Smiser Scout Service Center, Pasadena
Trask Scout Reservation, Monrovia

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