



Honoring Bob Merrick, Billy Nungesser, Garry Winchester & 2020 Honorees Jim Letten and Charles Nelson

Thursday, July 15th, 2021

Reception at 11:00 - Luncheon at Noon at the Audubon Tea Room



Robert W. Merrick - In 1986, Bob Merrick purchased LATTER & BLUM, the oldest and largest full-service real estate firm in the Gulf South. Since that time, LATTER & BLUM has acquired or merged with more than 24 brokerage firms. Under Merrick’s leadership, Latter & Blum expanded their services to include insurance, property management, mortgage and title services. Not only has Mr. Merrick held active roles in business affairs, he has also held positions on the boards of numerous charitable and civic organizations and a leading financial contributor to worthy causes across the Gulf South including the Boy Scouts, United Way and Red Cross.



Lieutenant Governor Billy Nungesser - Billy Nungesser is the 54th Lieutenant Governor of the state of Louisiana. Called the “hardest working man in America” by one national media outlet, for his work to protect the citizens he represented, Billy has worked tirelessly to defend his community and fight to rescue and restore the Gulf Coast in the wake of the Deep Horizon Oil Spill. Billy has always helped people in need including doing public service announcements for the Boy Scouts. After he and his wife Cher rode out Hurricane Katrina at their home, he immediately began rescuing people and animals in South Plaquemines. Billy is an active sportsman who values our state’s natural resources.



Garry Winchester - Garry Winchester is long-time Scoutmaster and Boy Scout Executive Board member. Garry has been involved in scouting since his son joined the Cub Scouts in 1983. He became a Scoutmaster of Troop 185 sponsored in the Tremé neighborhood of New Orleans in 1984. Garry is a Vietnam era veteran having served for 13 years in the Navy. He worked for the Department of Defense until his retirement in September of 2005 after 34 years of government service. He is married to his wife Carol, and he has one son Myles and two daughters, Toni and Sasha. His son Myles is an Eagle Scout and his grandsons, Tyles, Paul and Larenz have all enjoyed the scouting program.



Jim Letten - Jim is the immediate past Council President of the Southeast Louisiana Council Boy Scouts of America, serving three terms. Professionally he is an attorney with the law firm Butler Snow LLP. Prior to retiring in December 2012 after more than 30 years of service to DOJ, he had been the longest-serving U.S. Attorney in the Nation (with almost 12 consecutive years) and was one of only three U.S. Attorneys in the country appointed to the position by successive presidents from different parties. A New Orleans native, he is married to JoAnn Letten for 38 years, with two children, Erika and James, two Labrador retrievers, two cats and lots of drums. He also worked for a decade at the National WWII Museum as a volunteer restoring the PT-305, a Higgins Industries-built 78-foot patrol torpedo boat to full seaworthy status, and plays drums in local rock groups.



Charles W. Nelson - Charles is a former Council President and current Board Member of the Southeast Louisiana Council Boy Scouts of America and current Chairman of Waldemar S. Nelson and Company, Inc., Engineers and Architects. A native of New Orleans, Charles is a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology, where he received his Bachelor’s Degree in Civil Engineering in 1970. In 1974 he received his Master of Science Degree in Coastal and Oceanographic Engineering from the University of Florida. He is a past President of the World Trade Center. Charles is a member of the Engineering Advisory Council of UNO, The Rotary Club of New Orleans. He is married to the former Dorothy Duval of Houma, Louisiana, and they have two sons.

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Registration Form

Luncheon Team as of today. Growing each day!! - Pat Denechaud and Bill Metcalf Co-Chairs - David Anderson, Robert Bachman, Bob Bartlett, Boysie Bollinger, Patrick Brandau, Ricky Burk, Peyton Bush, Shane Candies, David Cedro, Jeff Corbin, Pat Denechaud, Chad Dufrene, Jeff Ehlinger, Geoff Elkins, Noah Hardie, Dennis Hart, Torrey Hayden, Michael Hecht, Hunter Hill, Ben Johnson, Jim Letten, Holly McCollum, Bill Metcalf, Bitsy Metcalf, Ryan Moore, Charles Nelson, Ken Pickering, Greg Rusovich, Jim Schoen, Gerry Schoen, Martin Sirera, Pat Talley Andrew Todd, LaVerne Toombs, Wayne Tracy, Marian Wallis, Tommy Williams, Garry Winchester, Mark Young

Organization Facts - The Southeast Louisiana Council, Boy Scouts of America provides youth development and leadership programs to approximately 4,000 young people in 11 parishes through Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Venturing, Exploring and Learning for Life programs in 2021.

Funds raised from this event will provide:

Direct service to Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews, Explorer Posts and Learning for Life Groups – Unit Organization, Youth Recruitment, Volunteer Training, Service to Volunteers, Staff Assistance

- Program Services – Camping, Activities, Training, Insurance
- Support Services – Office Support, Equipment, Salmen Scout Reservation
- Funds to help youth in need experience the wonderful opportunity Scouting provides

Pillars of Scouting Investment Levels:

- **\$25,000 Investor - (Eagle Scout)** Two full tables (20 Guests), signage, listing in the program and at 2 tables, plus 5 minutes at podium during lunch if desired.
- **\$15,000 Reception Sponsor** – One and a half tables (15 Guests), signage during the reception, recognition at the podium during the program, and table signs.
- **\$10,000 Investor - (Life Scout)** – One and a half tables (15 Guests), signage, listing in program, and table signs.
- **\$5,000 Investor - (Star Scout)** – One full table (10 Guests), signage, a listing in the program, and table signs.
- **\$2,500 Investor - (First Class Scout)** – Partial table of 6 guests, a listing in the program, and table signs.
- **\$1,000 Investor - (Tenderfoot Scout)** – 4 guests and a listing in the program.
- **\$500 Investor - (Scout)** – 2 guests and a listing in the program.
- **Cub investor** – Attend event, must RSVP, invest in Scouting – requested consideration of \$100+ donation.
 - **10 seats at each table - number of guest per table will have to follow July 15 Covid Guidelines**

Sponsors are encouraged to bring guests to enjoy the program who might consider making an investment in Scouting's youth development programs. Online registration available at www.selabsa.org/pillars

Company/ Organization Name _____

Contact Person _____ E-Mail _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

() Eagle \$25,000 () Reception \$15,000 () Life \$10,000 () Star \$5,000 () 1st Class \$2,500 () Tenderfoot \$1,000 () Scout \$500
() Cub _____

Payment Method:
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_____ Check Enclosed _____ Bill me Online registration at www.SELABSA.org/Pillars

We will attend () Yes () No – Fair market value of meal is \$30 per attendee

Return to: Boy Scouts of America P.O. Box 1146 Metairie, LA 70004 – Fax 504-889-1162.
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