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To the Eagle Board of Review,

I have been a Boy Scout for the past seven years. During that time, I have participated in six Del Oro High School plays and musicals: Towards Zero; Les Miserables; The Assorted Suites of Neil Simon; Arsenic and Old Lace; Almost, Maine; and Beauty and the Beast.

I have been active in my district's Order of the Arrow Chapter, having attained the honor of Brotherhood. In the summer of my sophomore year, I attended the National Order of the Arrow Conference, which was celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of OA, learning about its legacy of service as well as resolving to continue that legacy of service for the next 100 years.

During my sophomore year, I became interested in computer programming and the Free Software Movement, which believes in ethical, freedom respecting computer programs. During spring break of my junior year, I participated in a church mission trip in Mexico, where I served as a Spanish interpreter and led a bible study in Spanish.

Now, as I begin college, working towards earning a degree in computer science, I am still driven to follow the ideals of the Scout Oath and Law. I want to use what I will learn in school to further serve my community, my nation and the world. You may call me a young, naive idealist, and perhaps I am. But Scouting has given me a drive to serve, and the make the world a better place. That is the lesson I will take away from Scouting, and I expect it will stay with me for my entire life.

Sincerely,

Max Briggs