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A Danville Boy Scout has been awarded the Congressional Silver medal. Congressman Jerry McNerney (D-Pleasanton) presented Scott Talley with the award Wednesday; Talley worked in four core areas to receive the award: public service, personal development, physical fitness and expedition/exploration.

To qualify for the award, a recipient must set personal goals in each core area and meet them satisfactorily. To earn his medal, Talley completed more than 200 hours of voluntary public service through the Boy Scouts of America, tutoring students, acting as a camp counselor, and participating in fundraisers.

He achieved his personal development by attending religious study sessions, and accomplished the physical fitness element by staying active in basketball and football. For his exploration component, Talley went to Lake Tahoe to learn about the history and transportation of the area.

"I congratulate Scott as an outstanding example of what the best of our youth are achieving. To set his own goals and then reach them in each category is a true accomplishment. I am honored today to have the opportunity to present him with the Congressional Silver Medal," said McNerney.

Congress established the Award in 1979 to recognize initiative, achievement and service in young people. The enabling law established the program as a public private partnership, and was signed into law by President Jimmy Carter.