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2nd Annual Tim Truesdell MS Walk-a-thon Coming Up

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Miramonte Seniors Alex Gompertz and Hannah Wood will sponsor the 2nd annual Tim Truesdell Multiple Sclerosis Walk-a-thon on November 22. Through the event, Gompertz and Wood seek to raise funds to further research the treatment of MS. Tim Truesdell is Alex's cousin and he is currently suffering from Multiple Sclerosis. Alex said the event will be held in special memory of Tim's late Godfather, Doug Gillespie. Gillespie was an ardent supporter of the 1st annual walk-a-thon.

Alex's brother, Max Gompertz, started the walk-a-thon for his Eagle Scout Project two years ago. Alex and Hannah are developing a "Multiple Sclerosis Walkathon Manual" to ensure that the walk-a-thon continues in future years. The manual will be given to both the Miramonte Leadership Class and Boy Scout Troop 233. The 1st annual walk-a-thon raised over \$10,000 for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Alex and Hannah hope to raise even more funds this year.

Alex and Hannah encourage the community to participate in this healthy activity while raising money for a worthwhile cause. The walk-a-thon is open to the public and first aid and water stations will be set up along the walking route. You can join Alex and Hannah at the Moraga Commons parking lot on November 22 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Donations can be made to National Multiple Sclerosis Society and either dropped off at the walk or mailed to Alex Gompertz, 14 Oak Drive, Orinda, CA, 94563.

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