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Orinda Boy Scout Troop 237 Inducts Two Eagle Scouts

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David Esquivel

Orinda's Boy Scout Troop 237 honored its two newest Eagle Scouts at a Court of Honor on Sunday, March 6th at the Orinda Community Church. David Esquivel and Matthew Duncan achieved Boy Scouting's highest award after completing their individual community service projects, which included creating a wheelchair accessible trail at Wagner Ranch Nature Area and landscaping an area at Sleepy Hollow Elementary School. They both volunteered to work on each other's projects.

David Esquivel's Eagle project benefited the Wagner Ranch Nature Area. David created a 1000 foot trail that is accessible to the handicapped and people in wheelchairs for the first time. David, a sophomore at Miramonte, is on the junior varsity tennis team and has played USTA tennis for six years. He is the son of Gabriel and Jill Esquivel. David would like to acknowledge the incredible support and expertise of Toris Jaeger, Naturalist for Wagner Ranch Nature Area.

Matthew Duncan's Eagle project benefited Sleepy Hollow Elementary School. Matt raised funds to landscape a weed filled area near the entrance to the school. Matt is a sophomore at DeLaSalle High School where he plays baseball. He is the son of Jeff and Anna Duncan. Matt extends special thanks to Kay Aaker, his third grade teacher at Sleepy Hollow, for the idea for this project, and Susan Andersen-Berger for her landscaping expertise!

Troop 237, which has served Orinda for 57 years, has seen 176 of its young men achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. The troop is led by Scoutmaster Eric Jorgensen and Troop Committee Chair Gary Witherell. For information on joining the troop please contact evjorgensen@comcast.net.

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