



Community Service

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Moraga Rotary Collects and Disposes of 16 Tons of E-Waste

Submitted by Gary Irwin



From left, Rotarians Mary Elena Dochterman, Debbie Roessler, Rich Render, Lad Lynch, and Kevin Reneau stand next to a box of small e-waste items to be recycled. Photo provided

Since the e-waste collection project began in September 2009, Rotary Club of Moraga has collected more than 16 tons of electronic waste, disposing of it according to California law. They also provide a document shredding service. Held semi-annually at the Moraga Shopping Center courtesy of the Bruzzone family, each of the seven events collected an average of 2.3 tons, although the mix of waste is changing – not as many large screen TVs as in previous years, and more boxes to be shredded now.

Citizens dropped off their e-waste at the Moraga Shopping Center where the Sunday Farmers' Market is held. Televisions, monitors, laptop computers, flat screens, cell phones, CPUs, cell and wired

phones, printers, copiers, DVD players, fax machines, VCRs, stereos, ink jet cartridges, and video games were dropped off. Many items were taken at no charge, but there was a small charge for some items.

Workers at the Sept. 8 event included Moraga Rotary members Tony Schoemehl, Kevin Reneau, Lad Lynch, Frank May, Cliff and Mary Elena Dochterman, Grant Shoaf, Herb Wehmeyer, and Lou and Debbie Roessler, and Chairman Rich Render. They were reminded of the old song, "Sixteen Tons," and were humming it to help meet this goal.

Rotary Club of Moraga is a local service club within Rotary International that meets most Tuesdays at noon at Saint Mary's College. For information, please call President Frank May at (925) 376-8195.

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Three New Eagle Scouts Honored

Submitted by Kit Bittner



From left: Lukas Bittner, Bryant Chow and Matt Henry. Photo provided

Three new Eagle Scouts have joined the Troop 233 Eagle family: Lukas Bittner, Bryant Chow and Matt Henry. They were recognized at Troop 233's Eagle Court of Honor Nov. 11 at the Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church in Orinda. Scoutmaster Don Larwood presented the Eagle awards, the highest rank in Boy Scouting. For his Eagle Scout project, Bittner – a Miramonte High School junior – installed a brick walkway at the Wagner Ranch Nature Area in Orinda. This walkway is in the garden area and will allow kids and staff to tend to the raised garden

beds relatively mud-free. Chow, a senior at Miramonte High School, constructed and installed a six foot by three foot cross at the Main Hall for the Contra Costa Gospel Church in Walnut Creek. He also built three wooden benches for the church to enhance outdoor activities. And Miramonte High School senior Henry developed a project protecting the native bay oak from being overcrowded by invasive non-native weeds and trampled by cows. He protected 50 oaks that were deemed by the Brioner ranger to be weak with wraparound chicken wire enclosures.