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From left, top row: Sean Garvey, Brendan Gordon, and Michael Clifford; middle row left to right: Andrew Vaughn, Anthony Zhang, and Michael DaRodda; front row: Samuel O'Donnell, Evan Amsden, and Nathan Fenske Photo provided

Nine members from Boy Scout Troop 234 of Moraga recently achieved the rank of Eagle, the highest award in Scouting. Recognized at a National Eagle Court of Honor on May 30 were: Evan Donald Amsden, Michael C. Clifford, Michael DaRodda, Nathan B. Fenske, Sean Garvey, Brendan Gordon, Samuel Fraser O'Donnell, Andrew H. Vaughn, and Anthony Zhang.

Campolindo High School junior Evan Amsden, for his Eagle Project, built 15 specialized shelving units for the fourth- and fifth-grade classrooms at Los Perales Elementary School.

Campo junior Michael Clifford rehabilitated a fruit and vegetable garden at George Mark's Children's House, a palliative care facility for children. The onsite chef will use the fresh ingredients from the garden in the meals that are made for the children and their families while they live there.

Campolindo freshman Michael DaRodda repaired the worn-down amphitheater on the Cindy Walkman Trail near the Hacienda de las Flores in Moraga. He cleared weeds and trimmed bushes. He

also replaced the missing steps, added a third rail to the fence and refurbished the seating by raising the seating area and adding flat benches.

Nathan Fenske, a sophomore at Campolindo, organized and led a donation drive for new children's books and pajamas throughout the Lamorinda community. The donations were collected on behalf of The Pajama Program, a nonprofit organization dedicated to "bringing a better night" to children in the foster care system nationwide.

Campo junior Sean Garvey refurbished a group of benches at his high school. The new benches have created a friendly social environment for Campolindo students.

Brendan Gordon, a junior at Campolindo, installed 13 steps along a nearby narrow trailhead on the Lafayette Reservoir Rim Trail. These steps make it easier and safer for hikers and walkers to navigate the trail.

Campolindo junior Samuel O'Donnell installed two barn owl boxes on EBMUD land to restore the barn owl habitat. The boxes were constructed according to EBMUD's specifications, mounted on steel poles and placed on concrete foundations.

Andrew Vaughn, a senior at The College Preparatory School in Oakland, designed and constructed a playhouse for the Shelter Inc. facility in Martinez. Shelter Inc. provides homeless families with a safe place to live, meeting their most basic needs, while offering education, employment development and counseling.

Campo junior Anthony Zhang prepared and delivered 75 emergency backpacks for Campolindo High School classrooms.

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