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New Eagle Scouts of Troop 249

Submitted by Riki Sorenson



Troop 249's new Eagle Scouts (from left): Christian Thatcher, Zach Sorenson, David Fuhriman, Mitchell Larson. Zach Sorenson and David Fuhriman's fathers (Andy and Mark Fuhriman) received their Eagle awards together in 1980 at this same chapel. Photo provided

Boy Scout Troop 249 has recognized four new Eagle Scouts in achieving scouting's highest rank. David Fuhriman, Mitchell Larson, Zach Sorenson, and Christian Thatcher, all Orinda residents, were honored on April 23rd in their Court of Honor. Scoutmaster Jeff Logan presented the awards.

David Austin Fuhriman (Miramonte) designed and built a 650-foot long path to complete a walking/running path (the route of his very first mile run!) around the play fields at Del Rey School in Orinda. For labor, David managed

not only his scout troop, but many Orindans as he lead a work party during the *Orinda in Action* service day.

Mitchell Ryan Larson, who will be attending Brigham Young University in May, designed and built a shed for the garden at Orinda Intermediate School. Larson led scouts in building the structure in the family garage, transported and assembled it at OIS, where it stores supplies for the OIS student garden club.

Zachary William Sorenson (Miramonte) refurbished the Butterfly Garden at Glorietta Elementary

School. With the help of the troop, he installed new raised beds and a drainage system, repaired old beds, and added a "welcome" sign.

Christian Alan Thatcher (Miramonte), along with the help of many scouts, friends, leaders and parents, constructed the new Glorietta Elementary sign and bench in front of the ball field on Glorietta Blvd. The sign is dedicated to his third grade teacher, Ms. Sue Johnson, and his friend, Joe Loudon.

These young men acknowledge the wonderful support from dedicated scout leaders.

Troop 243 Eagle

Submitted by Anne Mitchell



Photo provided

Lafayette Boy Scout Troop 243 is proud to announce that Ryan Mitchell of Lafayette has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He will be honored in a National Eagle Court of Honor on May 14th at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Scoutmaster John Coleman will present the Eagle award.

Ryan's Eagle Project was to build a bus stop in Orinda that serves the parishioners of Holy Shepard Lutheran Church and the surrounding residents. He transformed the area from a patch of dirt to a concrete pad and redwood bench, complete with a Bus Stop sign visible to those wishing to take the bus.

Scouts Explore Caves

Submitted by Christine Kuckuck



On April 30th, Ambassador Scouts from Moraga Girl Scout Troop #30794 participated in an adventure trip at the Moaning Caverns near Angels Camp. The scouts rappelled in and explored the cave by climbing and belly crawling with lighted helmets to show the way. "It was really fun, but quite intense and claustrophobic," said Jennifer Kuckuck. Most areas of the cave are undeveloped, so there are no lights, stairs, or walkways.

Photo provided

Eagles of Troop 212

Submitted by Stacy Giglio



Troop 212, in Moraga, was proud to honor 11 scouts with the Eagle Award on Sunday, April 17, 2011. Back row: Andres Del Valle, Brandon Luecker, Griffin Piatt, Tim Coleman; middle row: Johnny Lomas, Peter Bellingham, Karl Thornton, Matt Patera; front row: Nicholas McDonald, Connor Rosenbaum, Matt Haley

On Sunday, April 17, 2011, at Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church, Boy Scout Troop 212 conducted a National Eagle Court of Honor to celebrate eleven outstanding young men earning the Eagle Award. Eagle is the highest award that a Scout can earn. Nationally, only about two percent of all boys who enter the Scouting program earn the award.

In reflecting upon this year's large group of Eagle honorees, Scoutmaster Rainer Del

Valle said, "I am constantly amazed at the talent, dedication and honor that each of these scouts possess. They are awesome young men, and I am very proud of each and every one of them."

This year's Troop 212 Eagle Scout honorees are:

Brandon Luecker

Brandon is the fifth Eagle in the Luecker family. For his Eagle project, Brandon built and installed two large, portable utility closets for

The Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF) in Concord.

Matthew Haley

Matthew chose his Eagle project to benefit Campolindo High School's Choir. He replaced the music folder cabinet in the high school choir room with a new wooden cabinet.

Andres Del Valle

Andres's Eagle Service Project was carried out for the benefit Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church's nursery school, The Nurtury. Andres designed and installed planter boxes for the pre-school garden where the children can now plant seeds and flowers and watch them grow.

Nicholas McDonald

Nicholas' Eagle service project was carried out for the benefit of Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church. Nicholas built a storage facility for the church, in a replica of the homes built during the church's high school mission trips to Mexico.

Johnny Lomas

Johnny's Eagle Service Project was carried out for the benefit of Rancho Laguna Park in Moraga. He designed and installed a large wooden message board at the park where the town now posts important messages and announcements, and he built and installed two doggie bag holders at the park.

Karl Thornton

For his Eagle project, Karl built and installed two wooden benches in Castle Rock Regional Park. The benches sit at a lookout point on the trail and provide an excellent spot for bird watching, and for hikers to rest and enjoy the

view while hiking the trails in the park.

Timothy Coleman

Tim's Eagle service project benefited Camino Pablo School. He built and installed an "office" sign and painted Bobcat paw prints to lead the way to the office from the front of campus. He also designed and installed two different landscape projects to beautify the school.

Griffin Piatt

Griffin is part of generations of Piatt scouting heritage starting with Dr. Tom Piatt, Griffin's grandfather, who was the Scoutmaster of Troop 303 in Orinda. Griffin's Eagle Project consisted of designing and installing five raised garden beds for the vegetable and flower garden at Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School.

Connor Rosenbaum

For his Eagle project, Connor replaced the benches and built roofs over the pony baseball field at Joaquin Moraga Intermediate School to benefit the Moraga Baseball Association.

Matthew Patera

Matt's Eagle project was for the benefit of The Audubon Society and Town of Moraga. He built and installed bat houses at the Moraga Commons Park, and an owl house at Rancho Laguna Park.

Peter Bellingham

Peter's Eagle Project was for the benefit of Rancho Laguna Park in Moraga. He built two wooden benches for the amphitheater there, completing the amphitheater renovation that was begun by two other local Eagle candidates.

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