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## Troop 243 recognizes 2022 Eagle Scouts

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Troop 243 of Lafayette held an Eagle Court of Honor on Feb. 26 at Lafayette Christian Church to honor Noah Tristan Yeager, Lucas John Haase, Zack Santos Lara, and George William Rogers, each of whom were recognized for earning BSA scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout. Achieving this rank requires the completion of 21 merit badges, holding positions of increasing leadership within the troop and completing a community project on behalf of the public or non-profit organization. This Court of Honor continues Troop 243's long history of developing young leaders, dating back to the troop's first Eagle Scouts in 1964. Officials in attendance included Ron Wecht, Unit Commissioner for Briones District and Andrew Dale,?District Executive for the Golden Gate Area Council. During their years with Troop 243, the Scouts gained practical life and outdoor survival skills through numerous summers at Camp Wolfeboro, many overnight camping and backpacking trips, snow camping, public speaking and learning how to safely handle small arms at the shooting range.

As a requirement for earning their Eagle Scout rank, the scouts completed the following service projects: Zack Lara spearheaded a community-wide food drive to combat food insecurity in Contra Costa County; George Rogers led a team of scouts in upgrading Stanley Middle School's musical instrument and equipment storage facility and performance stage; Noah Yeager worked with local soccer teams and schools to collect and send soccer gear and equipment to families in Afghanistan; and Lucas Haase created a web-based mental health resource based on survey results from Lamorinda teens to help them understand mental health issues and how to locate available resources.

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