

Master Composter

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NEWSLETTER



Marilynn “feeding lunch to the masses” as Jack says, AKA tabling at the Silicon Valley Fall Festival.

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Week Recap

Another great week in the books -- thank you to Dan, Diane, and Chris for teaching the Sunnyvale workshop; to Marilynn, Megan, and Jack for tabling in Cupertino; and to Chris and Patrick for tabling in Sunnyvale on Wednesday! And, of course, thanks to everyone who joined us for our Continuing Education lecture on Compost & Carbon Sequestration. The recording is now on our [website](#).

Upcoming



Open Workshops

- Saturday, September 23 (10am - 12pm): Compost Basics Workshop (San Jose, Santa Teresa Branch Library) - NEEDS ONE MC
- Saturday, October 21, 2023 (10am - 12pm): Compost Basics Workshop (Morgan Hill) - NEEDS TWO MCs

Sign up for a workshop [here](#)

Community Events

- Saturday, September 16 (2pm - 6:30pm): Ecological Fair (Los Altos) - Could use extra help for this long event
- Saturday, October 7 (9am - 2pm): Martial Cottle Park Fall Festival - Could use extra hands with the kids activities for this big, fun day!

Sign up for an event [here](#)

Important Resources



- **Log your hours** continuously throughout the year so you don't get stuck in the June **reappointment** slump!

[Log your volunteer hours here!](#)

- You can find previous **recorded CE speakers** on the private Master Composter website.

[Watch the meeting recordings here](#)

- Looking for example presentations and other helpful resources? Check out our shared **Google Drive**.

[Explore the Google Drive here](#)

- Bookmark & save the **Continuing Education Zoom** link

[Find the Zoom link here](#)

- **CE ideas?** Email them or fill out this survey:

[Continuing Education suggestions](#)

MCP Updates

- Please bring your foodscraps out to MCP! We need more food scraps to feed our large CFT worm bin and our many small worm bins.



- Join us on Wednesdays at the park! Unfortunately, I will be unable to continue to be out at MCP on Wednesdays, but Jenel will continue to go out and keep the parcel in good shape. Let her know if you plan to come out on a Wednesday.
- Next third Saturday workday: September 16 - Come on out!



COMPOST

in the

NEWS

*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

Dole Europe switches to home-compostable banana labels

New stickers are supplied by Sinclair and proven to biodegrade on home compost within a year

[Fruit Net](#)

Connections: The Proof is in the Kale

The take home message for those who work with 'waste' is that if you really want to walk the walk and not just talk the talk, the kale is calling.

Part III

[BioCycle](#)



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