

Master Composter Trainees build their first compost pile at MCP together

Introduction

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Week Recap

- Mint and Victoria Roberts taught at Blach Intermediate Middle School
- Jeff Creque gave an amazing environmental talk to the IT class
- TONS of Earth Day Tabling (thank you all so much, you're incredible!)
- April's Third Saturday Work Day and Monthly Meeting at Martial Cottle Park!
- Jack was in the news! (read below)

<u>Upcoming Workshops Needing Volunteers:</u>

Saturday 5/4/2024 10am - 12pm	Compost Basics	Poppy Jasper Room, Morgan Hill Community and Cultural Center 17000 Monterey Rd Morgan Hill, 95038	Morgan Hill
Saturday 5/11/2024 10am - 12pm Help Jack!	Compost Basics	Cupertino Library 10800 Torre Ave, Cupertino, CA 95014	Cupertino
Saturday 6/22/2024 10am - 12pm	Compost Basics	Lucie Stern Community Center, Community Room 1305 Middlefield Rd.	Palo Alto

<u> Upcoming Tabling Needing Volunteers:</u>

Wednesday, April 24, 2024	11:30 am to 1:00 pm	Valley Water Earth Day	San Jose
Friday, May 17, 2024	10:00 am to 1:00 pm	8th Annual "Be Strong, Live Long" Health & Wellness Fair	Santa Clara

Find one in your neighborhood and sign up.

<u>Upcoming: Kids Composting</u>

Stratford school De Anza, Sunnyvale
Santa Teresa Elementary School, San Jose
Discovery Charter School, San Jose
Capri Elementary, Campbell
Ellis Elementary, Sunnyvale
Dolores Huerta Middle School, San Jose





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
 <u>Continuing Education</u>
 <u>Zoom link</u>

Composting Ed
Initial Training
Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm

• Rot Crew Calendar:

Rot Crew Calendar Link







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some exciting things!

Volunteer Appreciation: Victoria Mollo!

Victoria has been a wonderful Master Composter volunteer and IT Mentor this year! She has raised the bar in terms of coming prepared, asking great clarifying questions, and for being highly observant! She has been a very interactive member during our Weekly IT meetings and has made efforts to improve our program through her dedicated volunteer work! Thank you for being a Master Composter, Victoria!



International Compost Awareness Week 2024 Film Screening May 7th

On the First Tuesday of May, we will be hosting a film screening of a documentary to celebrate ICAW! Join our zoom screening and make a fun popcorn snack at home...

More details in next week's newsletter...









Next Third Saturday Work Day! May 18th

- Work Day April 20th- 9 am- 11 am
- Monthly Meeting will be held in person! 11:15-12:15
- Bring your Greens!

Wednesday Workdays

- Join us at Martial Cottle Park from 10-12
- Weather permitting
- check the rot crew google calendar for more information

Remember to post **scan the QR code by the worm CFT** any time you come to Martial Cottle Park to let us know what you've done there!

• Bring newspapers Martial Cottle Park!



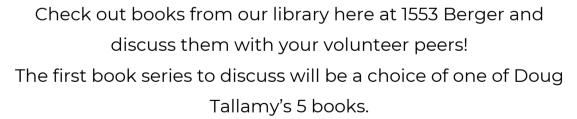


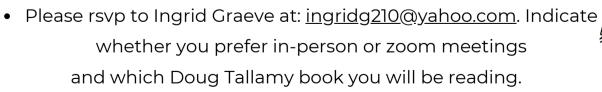












Thanks for your participation in our book club pilot program!



















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NEWS

*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

Home is where the honeybees are: Cupertino beekeeper shares knowledge with locals

Beekeeper Jack Carter helps relocate swarms, monitor backyard beehives and runs a local honey stand.

That's our Jack!!!!

By **STEPHANIE LAM**

Mercury News

<u>For Earth Day 2024, experts are spreading optimism – not doom. Here's why.</u>

Climate change may still be an existential threat to humanity, but as <u>Earth Day 2024 rolls around</u> on Monday, some of the people most concerned about the planet aren't peddling doom – they're spreading optimism.

By Elizabeth Weise

USA Today





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