



Master Composter

June 17th, 2024

NEWSLETTER

New Valley Oak Tree at MCP

Introduction

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Week Recap

- Final Guest Lecture for IT 2024 on Cooperative Extension
- Plant and Pollinator Day tabling event led by Marilyn Gilmore and observed by trainees
- Third Saturday Work Day at Martial Cottle Park
- Monthly Meeting where we discussed upcoming events, logistics and reappointment

Upcoming Workshops Needing Volunteers:

Saturday 7/27/2024	Compost Basics	Lucie Stern Community Center, Community Room 1305 Middlefield Rd.	Palo Alto
Saturday 7/13/2024 Help Jack!	Compost Basics	McClellan Ranch	Cupertino


Upcoming Tabling Needing Volunteers:

Open to Mon, Tues, or Thurs after June 10th and before August 7th	12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch at the Library - Composting Program for Families	Morgan Hill
7/25-8/3	We will be splitting the 8 Fair dates with the MG's. We will cover (4) days and they will cover (4) days.	Santa Clara County Fair	SCC Fairgrounds Tully Road, San Jose

Upcoming: Kids Composting

Wednesday in Summer (TBD) June 25, 2024 or July 10, 2024	Gilroy Gardens	4th-8th Grades	Gilroy
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ITS REAPPOINTMENT LOG YOUR HOURS!

Its time to make your
 [Request to be Reappointed](#)
for the 24-25 Program year.

Log your volunteer hours by June 28th at 5 p.m.

**First Tuesday meetings
are back!**

Join us Tuesday, July 2nd for our next first Tuesday meeting over zoom!

Our Kids Team will meet from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30

and everyone else will join at 6:30 for a meeting until 7:00 pm.

Our continuing education guest speaker will go from 7:00-8:00 pm.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ucanr.zoom.us/j/91930880896>

Meeting ID: 919 3088 0896

Important Resources

- **Log your hours** continuously throughout the year so you don't get stuck in the June **reappointment** slump!
- You can find previous **recorded CE speakers** on the private Master Composter website.
- Looking for example presentations and other helpful resources? Check out our shared **Google Drive**.
- Bookmark & save the **Continuing Education** **Zoom** link
- Rot Crew Calendar:



Log your volunteer hours here!

Watch the meeting recordings here

Explore the Google Drive here

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

Rot Crew Calendar Link

Signup Sheet Links

WORKSHOP SIGNUP

CLASSROOM SIGNUP

EVENT SIGNUP



MCP Updates



Volunteer Appreciation Celebration July 20th!

- **July 20th will be our big volunteer celebration!**
- **No Work Day but will be a potluck gathering**
- **Bring your Greens!**
- **More details to come, but SAVE THE DATE**

Wednesday Workdays

- Staff won't be there this Wednesday due to Juneteenth holiday, will resume the following week
- Join us at Martial Cottle Park from 9am -11
- 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!**



COMPOST

in the

NEWS

*Articles are hyperlinked at the bottom of each box

White House Announces Strategy to Keep Edible Food Out of Landfills

The government will look at ways to extend the shelf life of foods and to create more composting and other facilities, as well as urge companies to donate more food.

By [Somini Sengupta](#)

[NYT](#)

USDA Opens Application Period for Composting and Food Waste Reduction Cooperative Agreements

USDA is accepting applications for Composting and Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) pilot projects for fiscal year 2024. Selected projects will develop and test strategies for planning and implementing municipal compost plans and food waste reduction plans and are part of USDA's broader efforts to support.

[USDA](#)



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