

NAME DROPPING

Coin donations earn givers pet pig

Sentinel staff report

Community Bridges Meals on Wheels in partnership with Bay Federal Credit Union is conducting its annual Piggy Bank Coin Drive. Local residents are being asked to pitch in their coins to "adopt a pig."

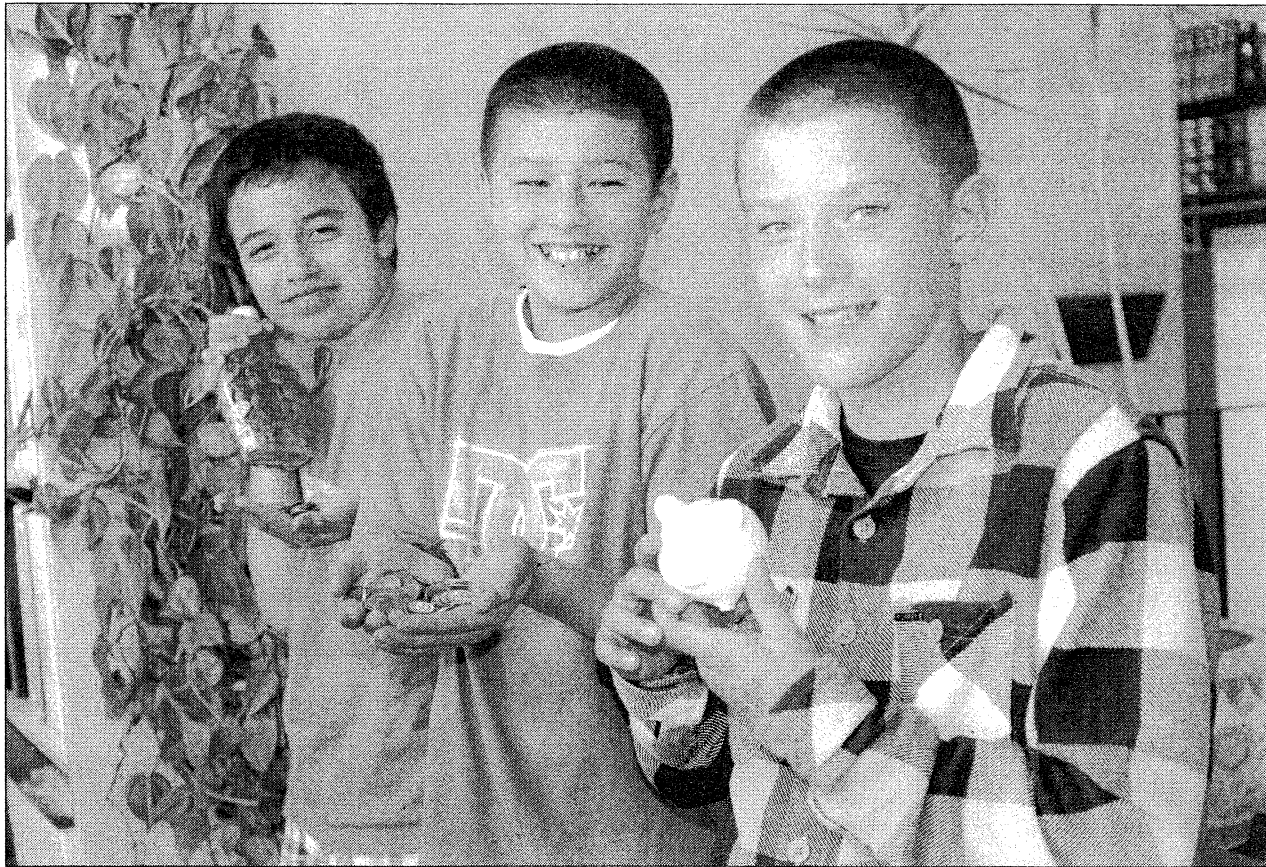
Bring at least \$5 to any Bay Federal branch in the month of February, and you can take home a cute boxed ceramic pig.

Branches are located in Aptos, Capitola, Freedom, Santa Cruz, Scotts Valley, Ben Lomond and Watsonville.

For seniors who are isolated and unable to prepare meals or shop, the Meals on Wheels daily meal and friendly visit mean a lot, Meals on Wheels Program Director **Lisa Berkowitz** said. "Donations and volunteer support account for a significant part of our work. As our senior population lives longer and the baby boom generation ages, demand continues to grow for this program that helps elders stay in the comfort of their own homes."

In addition to home-delivered meals, the program operates five senior dining sites throughout Santa Cruz County in Watsonville, Santa Cruz, Live Oak, Ben Lomond and Scotts Valley.

To learn more about how you can adopt a pig, volunteer or make a donation, contact Meals on Wheels at 464-3180 or e-mail lisab@cbridges.org. You also can stop by any Bay Federal Credit Union location.



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Nathaniel Ramos, 11, at left, Sacramento Figueroa, 11, center, and Dominic Figueroa, 12, collected their coins to donate to the Meals on Wheels coin drive.



NEW NU MEMBERS

Omega Nu welcomed four new members on Jan. 25 at the home of **Mari Brandt**. The new members are **Mary Jo Goddard, Bette Harken, Jo Ann Hughes** and **Kristen Williams**.

Omega Nu is a women's volunteer organization that hosts two annual fundraisers a year to benefit the community, Ducky Derby and the Annual Rummage Sale held at the Santa Cruz