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“First Annual Taste of Santa Clara Valley Farm to Table Dinner Celebrates Farmers and Local Food”

The Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) will host a farm to table fundraising dinner: “The Taste of Santa Clara Valley” on Sunday, September 14, 2014 at Guglielmo Winery in Morgan Hill, CA. The catered dinner will highlight produce from Santa Clara and San Benito County farmers, with proceeds benefiting CAFF’s program work. A portion of all ticket sales will allow farmers to attend the event, who will be sharing their personal stories about farming in the region. “This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the growers who provide produce at local farmers markets and grocery stores,” stated CAFF’s Executive Director, Diane Del Signore. For tickets or information regarding the event, please visit <http://caff.org/news-and-events/fundraisers/tastescv2014/>.

The dinner will showcase the exquisite creations of chef Nicolai Tuban from Bon Appétit Management Company, who serves as Executive Chef at Altera. As a culinary artist who is “passionate about innovative combinations of international flavors,” Nicolai invented a style that he playfully calls “contemporary global mouth jazz.”

The dinner will take place at the beautiful estate of Guglielmo Winery in Morgan Hill -- a third generation, family owned winery, which has produced a wide variety of award-winning varietals since 1925. Guests will be able to enjoy the venue’s wine, as well as live music, a raffle, and a chance to bid on local farm tours.

The Taste of Santa Clara Valley is part of Local Food Month, which is taking place in Santa Clara County for the first time this September. Please visit <http://caff.org/news-and-events/lfm/> for more information about this month-long series of events that celebrate local agriculture.

Agriculture is a part of Santa Clara Valley's history, and is also an essential element of the region’s future development and sustainability. Please join us at this event, to support the farmers who represent the agricultural heritage of the region. To share the event or connect with CAFF please visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/489596644518236/>.

*About CAFF: Founded in 1978, the Community Alliance with Family Farmers has been recognized nationally and internationally for its pioneering Biological Agriculture, Farm to School, Buy Fresh Buy Local, Public Policy and Technical Assistance programs. CAFF has played key roles in enacting the nation’s toughest laws regulating pesticide use, promoting the development of organic farming, bringing fresh, local produce into school cafeterias and classrooms, and establishing programs to distribute locally grown produce to community grocery stores, hospitals, restaurants and farmers markets.*

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