

September 17, 2015
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Rosemary Quinn
rosemary@caff.org
Community Alliance with Family Farmers
www.caff.org



Farm-to-Fork Dinner Serves Up Savory Fare at Historic Agricultural Park

Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) is proud to announce the second annual **Taste of Santa Clara Valley**, October 17, 2015, at Martial Cottle Park in San Jose. The Farm-to-Fork dinner is brought to you in partnership with Santa Clara County Parks and Epicurean Group, a food-service management company dedicated to providing healthy, sustainable food. Culinary-trained chefs will craft a multi-course meal featuring produce from local farms, artisanal products and regional wine and beer. Guests will enjoy dinner while listening to music by The Down Beets, a local band. The event is a fundraiser for CAFF and its Farm-to-School and Farm-to-Market programs, which directly benefit regional farmers and the Santa Clara Valley community.

The event venue, Martial Cottle Park, is Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department's newest urban park. The land was continuously farmed for 150 years, until being transferred to the county and state for a park to "educate the public about the agricultural heritage of the Santa Clara Valley." Jacobs Farm/Del Cabo, a leader in organic farming, is partnering with County Parks for a long-term organic agricultural production and education project. Guests will be invited to tour the new park.

We will be honoring Aziz Baameur with the "Family Farmer Champion of the Year" award for his dedication to providing assistance to family farmers in the Santa Clara Valley. Baameur recently retired as Farm Advisor for the UC Cooperative Extension, a position he has held for the past 30 years.

Taste of Santa Clara Valley, Saturday, October 17, 2015, 5:00 - 9:00 PM
For ticket information please visit: <http://tastescv2015.bpt.me>
Discounts available for purchasing a table of 10.

We would like to thank the following sponsors for helping to make this event possible: California Farmers' Markets Association, Coke Farm, The Health Trust, Jacobs Farm/Del Cabo, Santa Clara County Open Space Authority, Pacific Coast Farmers Market Association, Urban Village Farmers Market Association, Vitalis Organic Seeds, and Watsonville Coast Produce.

###



Founded in 1978, the Community Alliance with Family Farmers is a nonprofit organization working statewide to advocate for family farmers and sustainable agriculture. CAFF runs extensive on-the-ground programs throughout California, helping farmers increase their income and sustainability, and enabling community members and business to find and choose local food.



EPICUREAN GROUP
the natural choice.

Epicurean Group is an independent food service management company, providing restaurant and catering services to corporations, educational campuses, and fine arts facilities throughout Northern California. Epicurean Group is committed to socially responsible and environmentally sustainable business practices. Epicurean Group is ... Fresh. Honest. Local. www.epicurean-group.com