

# S.V. provides new home for Hospice

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A crowd of about 200 showed up to Sunday celebrate the grand opening of new headquarters for Hospice Caring Project.

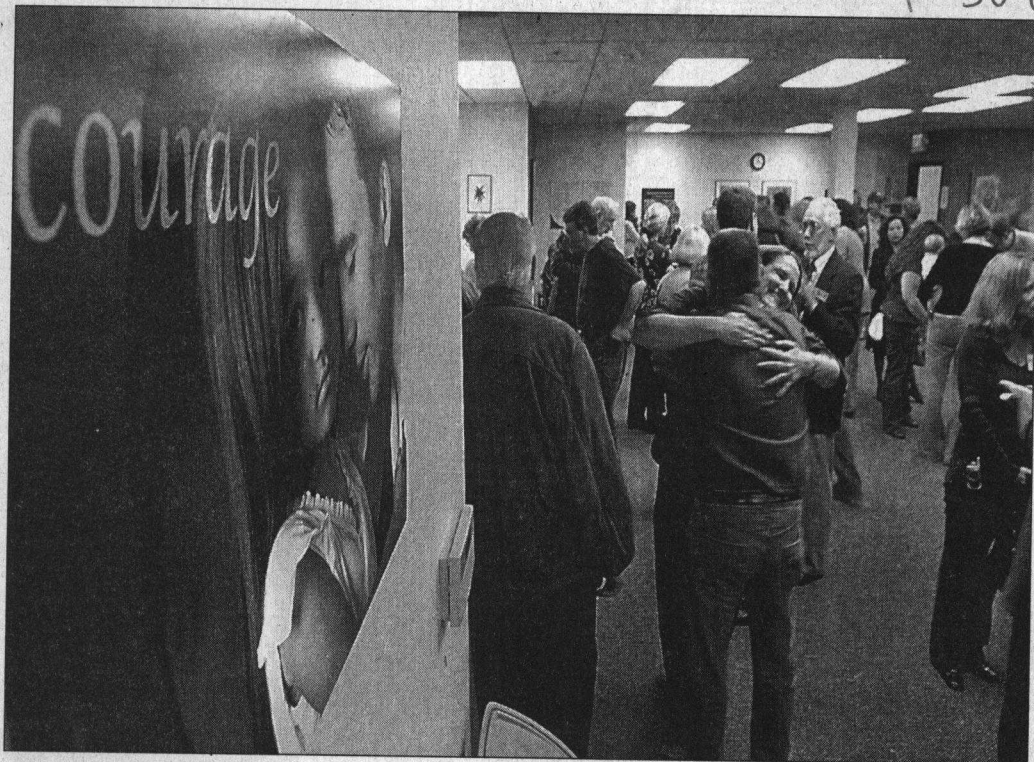
**SCOTTS VALLEY** County Supervisor Mark Stone dedicated the building at 940 Disc Drive, named for Mary and Richard Solari. It will house the project's staff of more than 80 nurses, administrators and clinicians in one place for the first time in 20 years.

The Solaris are major donors to Hospice Caring Project and other local health-care projects. Contributions from them and others in the community made possible the purchase of the new building.

Hospice Caring Project provides end-of-life care at home and in residential care centers, and education and grief support to county residents.

Patient care teams will be trained at the new headquarters and get critical patient-care information, and the location will serve as the core location for grief-support counseling. The project also has communication hubs at Watsonville Community Hospital and in Aptos.

Last year, patient-care teams made more than 18,000 visits to patients and families throughout the county, spokeswoman Cathy Conway said.



Hospice Caring Project staff, board members and supporters gather for Sunday's grand opening of the new Scotts Valley headquarters, as a poster on the wall communicates the valor of Hospice clients and staff.

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