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SRI International is full of unique individuals who extend themselves beyond what most people might do. In past issues, I highlighted some of our credit union members who live on boats, play music, make wine, climb mountains and run.

In March 2014, over 80 SRI International employees got together for a 5K Fun Run at the Menlo Park site as part of the annual Community Teaming Day. In recognition of our community — the employees of SRI International — the credit union donated \$100 to the fastest man and the fastest woman to give to their favorite charities. The fastest man, Jonathan Hofius, selected That Others May Live, an organization for the families of U.S. Air Force Rescue Heroes. Jonathan is a Research Engineer for SRI International. The fastest woman, Theresa Keeler, selected Leave No Paws Behind, which rescues dogs. Theresa did track and field in college, completed triathlons and the 129 mile "Death Ride" in Markleeville, California, and is currently serving as basketball coach for her daughter's team. Theresa (Research Engineer) works on systems and software, including the 10-foot parabolic SRI dish to provide GPS satellite anomaly characterization and a handheld optical sensor tester to validate laser and missile warning system operation prior to flights.

Only 1% of the population ever runs a marathon and only .1% runs a marathon in any one year. A challenge — just finishing is an accomplishment. Don't try to outrun Dennis Arriaga (Director, Corporate Security). Dennis ran the Big Sur Marathon in 2013 and 2014 in under four hours. Marcy Berding (Laboratory Director) placed third in her division in the Avenue of The Giants Marathon in Humboldt Redwoods State Park in May 2014. This was her ninth marathon race. Lori Mazzei (Contracts Manager) has finished three marathons since September 2013 and coaches the New Balance No Boundaries running group at Fleet Feet in Menlo Park, California. I'm sure I have missed many, many other runners at SRI International.

You can't run a marathon without training and equipment! My past practice was never to pay more than \$10 for a pair of tennis shoes. However, my training group enlightened me that it wasn't possible to run a marathon in cheap tennis shoes. Hey, I'm not cheap; I'm thrifty! Recognizing the right gear is important, I equipped myself with appropriate running shoes that cost over \$X@ZY.00 (good thing I have a strong heart). The right sports equipment got me (slowly) to the finish line of the Big Sur marathon this year.

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