

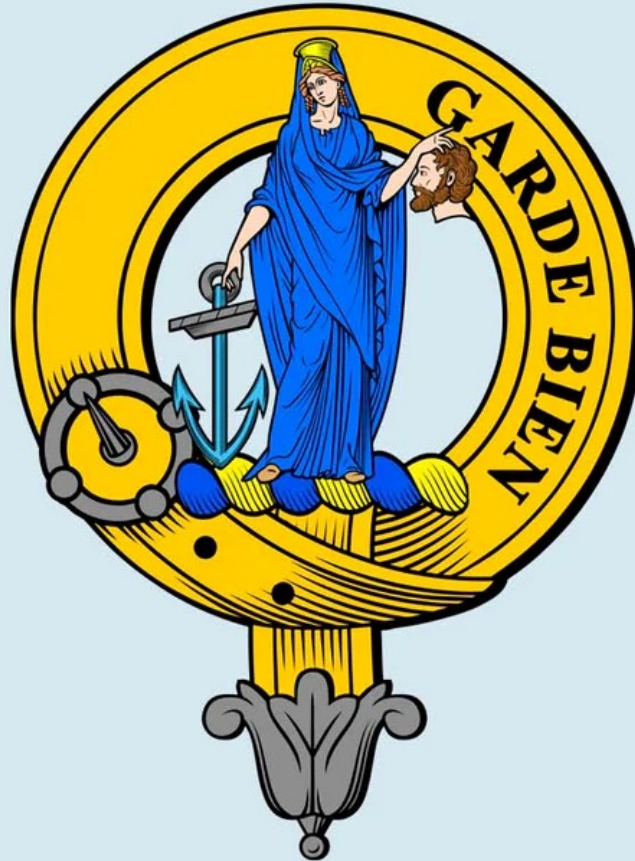
Activist or Official?  
Insights of a Double Agent  
Inside Out, Outside In

**Jan Howell Marx**

**Lavra Talk**

**February 24, 2024**

# Montgomery Crest Official & Activist





## **Four Special Reasons**

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**Mrs. Josephine Howell**  
(Josephine Carroll)

CANDIDATE FOR  
**COUNTY CLERK**  
Of Vernon County

Subject to Action of Democratic  
Primary, August 3

# Studying in Germany 1965

## Ravages of War & the Holocaust





# The Center for the Study of Non Violence in Carmel Valley 1966



- Anti Vietnam War,
- The Resistance,
- Happenstance,
- Relationships are the Heart of Everything.



# Fighting for Women's Rights to Live Off Campus 1966-7



## *Upperclass Women Ask Option to Live Off Campus*

Strong student support has developed for giving upperclass women the option of living off campus.

More than half the undergraduate women signed a petition to President Sterling requesting the change in October. Men and women students, voting in a November referendum, endorsed the change by a 10-to-1 margin, 2448 to 265.

Responding to a letter from Janet Howell, a senior English major from Lakewood, Calif., who heads the campaign, **Board of Trustees** President Richard Guggenheimer said the board "would not act in an area of this kind except after a full report by the president of the University.

"For many years, Stanford has been a 100 per cent residence university so far as women undergraduate students are concerned," he added. "In light of this long custom and tradition, it is unlikely, in my personal opinion, that this long-standing policy will be reversed without considering all aspects of the matter—of which there are many.

Noting objections that the present policy dis-

criminates against women, Guggenheimer continued, "It may well be that if there were sufficient university residences available for all Stanford undergraduate men, they too might be required to live on campus.

"As a long-range objective, Stanford has expressed its intention to be a residential university."

At present, approximately 59 per cent of undergraduate men live on campus.

In a recent letter to all single graduate students, Graduate Dean Virgil Whitaker noted that: "The University is actively moving ahead with a program to provide on-campus housing for single graduate students who would prefer to live here rather than in one of the neighboring communities.

"These housing units, probably high-rise buildings, would include furnished apartments for both men and women." The letter included a survey asking student opinion and alternative arrangements for the new units.

Miss Howell, a resident of Hoskins House, one of the high rises in Econdido, described Guggenheimer's letter as "firm but vague." She agreed that "the powers of inertia are great," but contended that Stanford has "outgrown its chance" to be a completely residential university.

Miss Howell is a California State scholar, and has held three jobs: she teaches drama after school at Terman Junior High, records voice with the Brentwood School computer teaching project, and has worked on Medical School experiments.

The fact that a majority of women students favor having the choice of living off campus does not mean that most of them would leave dormitories if they had this option, she emphasizes.

But some students on a tight budget might prefer to save money by living off campus, she explains.

The proposed change, which has been developed entirely within established university procedures, is now being considered by the Committee of Fifteen, a joint group of students, faculty, and university officers, and the Dean of Students office.

Commenting editorially, The *Stanford Daily* said: "We find it rather difficult to accept a serious defense for denying upperclass women, who have parental consent, the option of living off campus. . . .

"The women's case for off campus (housing) forms an even stronger argument for a thorough examination of the residential life Stanford is providing."



**Howell**



# Engaged and Threatened with Expulsion! But Married Women Could Live Off Campus 4-2-67





# Joining the Columbia Strike 1968





# The End of the Road Lund BC 1970-79

## Living Off the Land



## Nurturing Young People & Advocating Education in the Wilderness



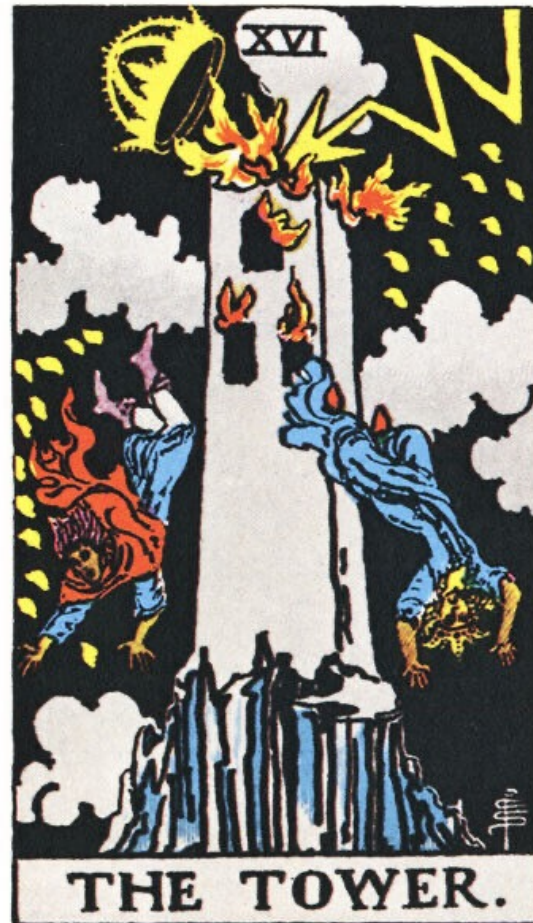


Back to Stanford  
Director of Graduate Housing  
Dean of Students at Scripps





# The Personal is Political



# Nevertheless, She Persisted “Equal Justice Under Law” US Supreme Court Johnson v Transportation 1986



# City Council 1998-2002

## Learning to Govern & Having Fun





# The Effect of Good Government on the City



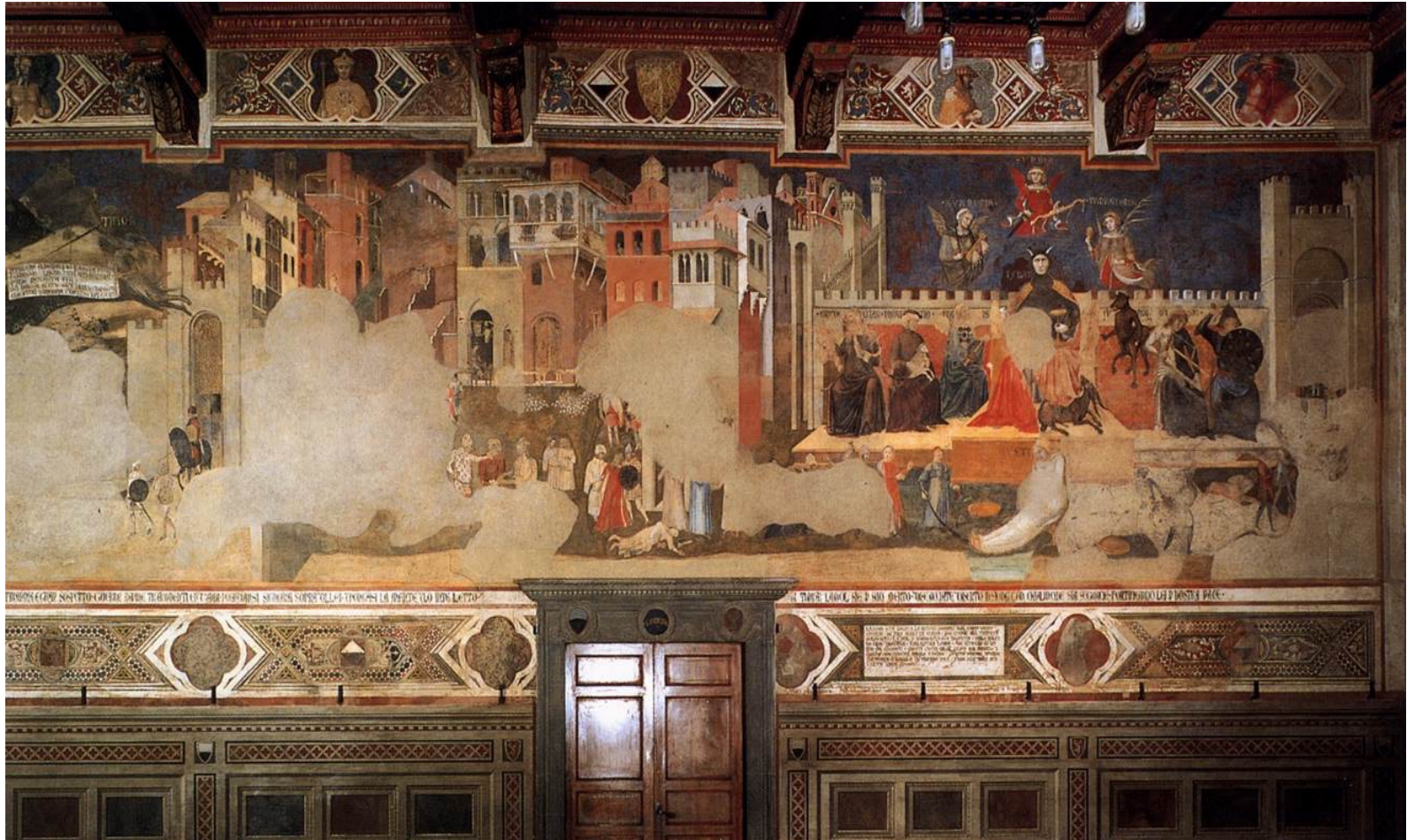


# Peace & Justice Rule Good Government





# The Effect of Bad Government on the City





# The Effect of Good Government on the Countryside





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# “Sweet Are the Uses of Adversity” Lost in 2002, Brought Referendum 2004



# City Council and Mayor 2008-2016

## “Back in the Saddle Again”

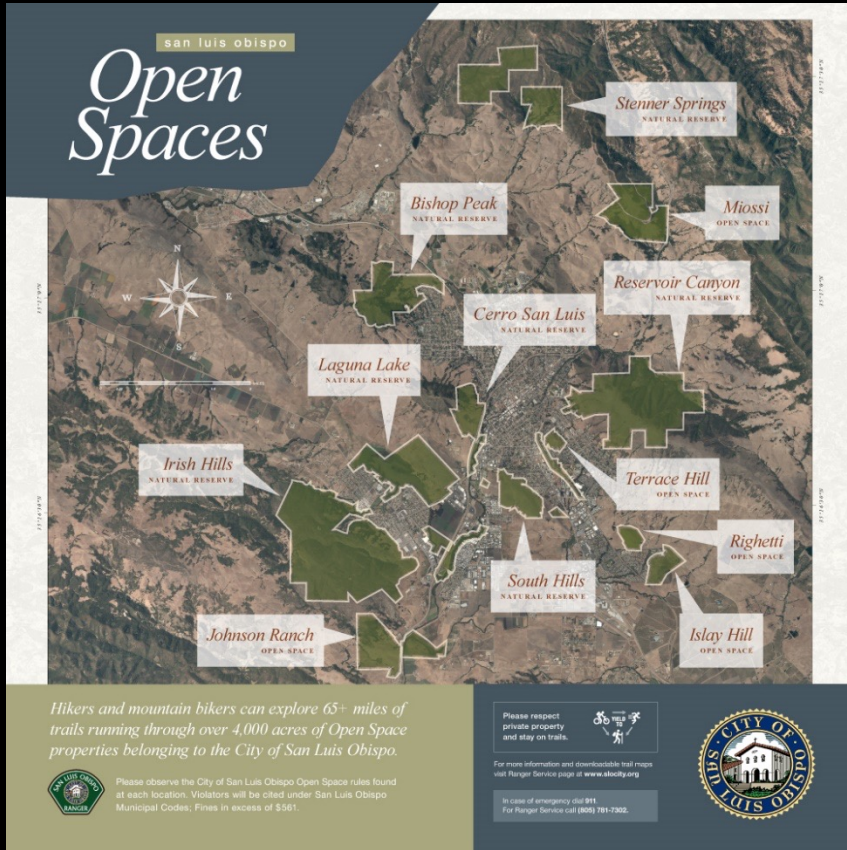
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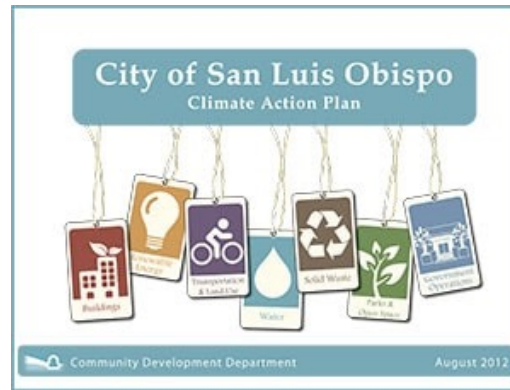








# Bike Paths, Climate Action & Affordable Housing



# Protecting the Environment

**Supporting the Chumash  
Heritage Marine Sanctuary**

**Voting to Ban Polystyrene  
County Wide**





# Lost Mayor by 47 Votes

## SLO College of Law School Dean





RE-elected 2020  
Pay Attention  
You May Be the Last One Who Remembers  
– Will I decide to run again?



The image is a campaign poster for Jan Marx, a member of the San Luis Obispo (SLO) City Council. It features a photograph of Jan Marx, a woman with short brown hair and glasses, wearing a bright green blazer over a black top and a necklace with a small pendant. She is smiling. The background of the poster shows a scenic view of San Luis Obispo with mountains and greenery. In the upper right, there is a white box with a black border containing the text "Elect Jan Marx SLO City Council". Below this, the text "Public-Spirited - Effective - Experienced" is written in a smaller font, followed by the word "Leadership" in a large, bold, green serif font. At the bottom, the text "we need in San Luis Obispo." is written in a smaller, black sans-serif font.

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Pick Your Battles Carefully & Develop Options  
Be Compassionate, Teamwork & Building Relationships  
Embracing Change – the Normal State of Things: Resiliency  
Collaborate: Speak your own Truth in words others can hear  
Keep Evolving, Learning & Create a Legacy

