

# Orange Jacket Update

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Volunteer Newsletter

March 2019

## World Ag Expo® Recap



### Thank you World Ag Expo® Volunteers

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's World Ag Expo® a success, despite some cold, rainy and windy weather. We could not have pulled off such an amazing show without you! We celebrated our 52nd show, with 1,452 exhibitors and had 102,878 attendees representing 48 states, the District of Columbia and 65 Countries.

World Ag Expo® held over 50 educational seminars over the three days and covered a variety of topics ranging from irrigation to agribusiness. NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine was on hand opening day to speak at



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Opening Ceremonies and held a press conference providing an overview of the ways NASA is supporting agriculture. A full video of the press conference is available [HERE](#). Bridenstine was joined by California Farm Bureau President Jamie Johansson throughout the morning, and both took a tour of World Ag Expo® that focused on technology applications in agriculture.

Other popular attractions at the 2019 World Ag Expo® included the Ride & Drive areas, Wine and Cheese, and the new Demonstration Pavilion.

If you know someone who is interested in volunteering for any IAC event, or next year's World Ag Expo®, please contact Jennifer Moisa at [jennifer@farmshow.org](mailto:jennifer@farmshow.org).

You can view the show photo gallery [HERE](#).

The 2020 World Ag Expo® will be held on February

11-13, 2020. Space renewals are now being accepted from 2019 exhibitors. Potential exhibitors can begin requesting space on March 1, 2019, at [www.worldagexpo.org](http://www.worldagexpo.org).





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## AgVentures!

The California Ag Leadership Foundation presented AgVentures!® with a \$10,000 donation at the annual California Ag Leadership Foundation Breakfast during World Ag Expo®. Because of their previous generous donations, AgVentures!® was able to purchase the AgVentures!® On the Go! Van, which will be visiting local schools and children's events. Aggie and the van will be at three Ag Days this month, and is currently booking events for April and May. If you are interested having Aggie and the van visit your school or event, please contact [kerissa@farmshow.org](mailto:kerissa@farmshow.org).



## Upcoming IAC Events

### Ag Career Exploration - March 13, 2019

The International Agri-Center® has partnered with Tyler Ribeiro, Work Force Investment



Board and Vanguard Ag to host the inaugural Ag Career Exploration, formerly Ag

Career Expo. We

encourage high school juniors and seniors to come to this one-day event to learn about various careers in agriculture. Students

will have an opportunity to listen, learn, and explore careers from various industries pertaining to agriculture.

#### **Highlights for students are:**

- Career presentations led by industry experts
- Special Keynote speaker, Land O' Lakes CEO Beth Ford
- Lunch networking opportunities
- Access to future ag employers

Please contact Kerissa Chapman if you are interested in bringing your class or if you are interested in

being a presenter at [kerrisa@farmshow.org](mailto:kerrisa@farmshow.org).

### Agribee - March 19, 2019

The International Agri-Center® will be hosting the inaugural Agribee in conjunction with National Ag Day. Much like a spelling bee, students will be asked to spell a variety of words related to agriculture and will be asked to define the words. The International Agri-Center® is proud to provide an opportunity for local fifth-grade students to learn about agriculture.

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### Ivie Brothers Honor Flight

We are excited to share Ray Ivie and Jay Ivie have been chosen to take the Honor Flight in April! The Ivey's will be honored for their service in the US Marine Corps. We are excited for them and wish them the best on their trip to Washington D.C. For more information about the Central Valley Branch of the Honor Flight Network, click [HERE](#).



## Let us Know!

We want to hear from our volunteers! This newsletter is about volunteers and IAC activities. We want to share any news you have that you'd like to share with our community. If you have a new baby or grandbaby, wedding anniversary, retirement, loss of a loved one, or someone we can keep in our prayers, please let us know so we can include it in our newsletter! Please contact Jennifer Moisa with any volunteer news at 559.688.1030 or [jennifer@farmshow.org](mailto:jennifer@farmshow.org).

## Prayers and Condolences

### *Passing of Manuel Luis*

We send our condolences to the family of Manuel Luis who passed away on December 23, 2018. Manuel served as a West Office Chairman for World Ag Expo®, and was the father of Jim Luis, who served as a World Ag Expo® Chairman and IAC staff member. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Luis family during this time of grief.

### *Passing of Twyla Faria*

We send our condolences to the family of Twyla Faria who passed away on January 25, 2019. Twyla was an honorary volunteer for World Ag Expo®. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Faria family during this time of grief.

### *Passing of Robby Soult*

We send our condolences to the family of Robby Soult who passed away on February 19, 2019. Robby was a volunteer for over 52 years and most recently served as the museum chairman. He was very involved with the International Agri-Center® and was an original member of the designers of the Heritage Complex and one of the founders of the museum. He was also instrumental in the start of the California Antique Farm Equipment Show® and served as a Show Chairman. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Soult family during this time of grief.



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## Happy Birthday to these March-Born Volunteers!

Phil Hutson  
Valerie Barnhart  
Michael Wallen  
Siobhan LeMay-Cravens  
Mark Menezes  
Steve Post  
Gloria Roberts  
Jim Sullins  
Warren Gubler  
Brian Watte  
Lawrence Banales  
Mike Barnhart  
Bill Alves  
Rosemary Cordeniz  
Raul Escobar  
Leroy Ginther  
Sarahelena Martinez  
Ronald Relyea  
Larry Ivey  
Roger McPhetridge  
Dawn DuChesne Stevens  
Danell Daniel  
Trenton Janes  
Joan Lampe  
Cleona Tilley  
Rolando DiRamos  
Karen Hoffman  
Bruce Peoples  
Lucy Stump  
Kelly Thurow  
Jaquelin M. Beebe  
Mario Coelho  
Charles (Butch) Fisher  
Kiel Wilson

Nicholas Chabrouillaud  
Rusty Dennis  
Sylvia Gonzalez  
Karen Snow  
Yesenia Maldonado  
Bob Percy  
Judy Wiens  
Michael Merchant  
Kim Taylor  
Gary Tienken  
Rafael Flores  
June Lorenzo  
Inga Rehka  
John Bigler  
Carrie Crane Monteiro  
David Hernandez  
Nick Serafin  
Ward Swank  
Jennifer Brown  
Frank Lorenzo  
Kevin Mooney  
Jason Bender  
Tony Derington  
Gerri Gerlach  
Jason Gonzales  
Kelli Mayhew  
Elsie Phillips  
Kevin Ray  
Sherrie Bell  
Jessica Flanagan  
Karen Harms  
Lance Morris  
Josie Soto  
Pat Stagner

Mary Borges  
Kevin Northcraft  
Margaret Sa  
Sue Ferre  
Jacob Wilson  
Wendy Colson  
Rowena Cullinane  
Bob Lafferry  
Dan Neppel  
Rylan Uchita  
Greg Borges  
Oscar Montoya C.  
Leon Pliksis  
Ed Burkhardt  
Tenorio Flores  
David Cox  
Renee Soto  
Lialy Zamora  
Rodolfo Bejarano  
Kay Ray  
Wayne Hunter  
Richard Miller  
Jim Pidgeon  
Natalie Slocum  
Richard Johnston  
Nicholas Valdez  
Mark Kielty  
Angel Portillo  
Peggy Raney  
Jim Gregory  
Mike Schroepfer  
Debbie Travis