

World Ag Expo®

2019 World Ag Expo®- The World Ag Expo® Arena had its final run back in February during the 2018 show. The Arena has been a wonderful element of World Ag Expo® and has served us well for many years. We will continue to host our evening exhibitor receptions, but will no longer feature the Wednesday night concert. Exhibitor receptions will be moved to Tuesday and Wednesday night, with Tuesday night being held inside the Banquet Hall, Wednesday to be determined. This change is taking place in response to feedback by many exhibitors, who found attending the Exhibitor Reception on Monday night often conflicted with setting up their booth.

Event Recaps

AgVentures!® Day: May 11 – The International Agri-Center® hosted the 6th annual AgVentures!® Day on Friday, May 11th. Over 1,400 fourth grade students attended and learned about local agriculture from a variety of presenters. We would like to thank Tulare County Farm Bureau, Tulare Co. 4-H, UCCE, Farm Credit West staff, Happy Cookers, and volunteers for their help and support as well as Rosa Brothers Milk Creamery, Sun-Maid Raisins, National Raisin Co., and Musco Olives for their food donation, and Linder Equipment and Garton Tractor for providing us tractors and equipment to display during AgVentures!® Day.



Valley Children's Picnic: May 23- The International Agri-Center®, World Ag Expo® and the Central Valley Toyota Dealers presented an \$80,000 check to Valley Children's Hospital during the hospital's All Guild Picnic at Belmont Country Club on May 23, in Fresno, California. The check represented the total funds raised by the Guilds of Valley Children's Hospital, who participated in World Ag Expo's® Toyota Tundra Giveaway by selling chances to win a new 2018 Tundra. The proceeds from the giveaway will directly benefit Valley Children's Hospital. For more details, please see the International Agri-Center's® [press release](#).



Best of the West: May 25- Representatives from the International Agri-Center® attended the Best of the West Antique Equipment Show in Santa Margarita and supported many of the CAFES exhibitors, vendors, and volunteers who are passionate about antique equipment. Volunteer Melvin Monteiro guided staff members through the show, and the team was inspired by the creativity and passion of the exhibitors and attendees. The International Agri-Center® is proud to support our volunteers and



exhibitors, as well as our partners who work hard every year to put on their antique equipment shows. We'll use what we learned to help add to our antique show!

Upcoming Events

Replacement Blood Drive for Richard Rodgers: June 23- Come out to the International Agri-Center® on Saturday, June 23, from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm for the Replacement Blood Drive for Richard Rogers. Richard is a dedicated volunteer at the International Agri-Center® and World Ag Expo®. To sign up, please contact Kerissa Chapman at Kerissa@farmshow.org or call 559.688.1030.



Real California CHEESE FACTS

The Real California Milk seals certify that a dairy product is made with 100% California milk.



All data provided by the California Milk Advisory Board, except as noted. Updated May 2018
 1 CDEA 2017 2 USDA

Response to Mayor Jones' Comments: Last month, Tulare Mayor Carlton Jones shared some of his views on agriculture in a Facebook conversation. If you haven't read up on the interaction, you can find more details here: <http://bit.ly/2I4uPEM>.

We responded on May 25 sharing our disagreement with Jones' comments and reaffirming our support of agriculture and Tulare. You can read our statement here: <http://bit.ly/IAC18response>.

As a 501(c)3 non-profit focused on ag education, we are not permitted to make political comments. But, our mission is to educate! So, visit AgVentures!® Learning Center and the Museum on the first floor of Heritage Complex and keep an eye out for more ag information! We're starting with June Dairy Month (and some quick facts about California cheese in this newsletter) on our social media pages. Please share with everyone who needs to know all the ways agriculture adds to Tulare, California and the world!

IAC Updates

Antique Tractor Museum Donations:— On May 3, Linder Equipment donated one of the original safes from Linder Hardware Store to the museum. The safe is a one-of-a-kind piece and a wonderful addition to the Antique Tractor Museum. Thank you Linder Equipment for your continued support and generosity to AgVentures!® Learning Center and our Antique Tractor Museum.

Another new addition to the museum has been generously loaned by Jim Bushong, a member of the Topa Topa Flywheelers. Jim has loaded the museum with three beautiful machines: an Advanced Rumely Steam Engine Traction Engine, a Rumely 6 A, and two miniature displays - a one third scale model of a 60 horse Power Case Steam Engine Traction Engine and one third scale model of a Case Hay Press.

The last addition is a 1947 John Deere Model BNH tractor. The BNH is the featured tractor for the 2019 California Antique Farm Equipment Show®, and was generously loaned by Walter Watte, who is serving as the 2019 CAFES Show Chairman.



Celebrations, Prayers & Condolences

Passing of Gary Catron: May 25 -

We send our condolences to the family of Gary Catron who passed away on May 25, 2018. Gary was a volunteer at World Ag Expo® and worked in East Office. At Gary’s request, there will not be any services. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Catron family during this time of grief.

Happy Birthday to these June-born volunteers!

Archie Battles

Hizam Gamoom

Patty Colson

Shirley Bridges

Chris Noland

Ben Filiponi

Crystal Smith

Ty Nunes

Dee Simon

Lewis Marcelino

Adrianna Santos

Walter Yamamoto

Allison Bettencourt

Laura Yeager

Ninfa Conde

John Garay

Shelley Gallagher

Connie Martinez

Noe Hernandez

Alda Lawrence

Ryan Toledo

Michael Machado

Michelle Boesch

Hugh Callison

Elaine Pires

Sandra Martinez

Jack Hefflefinger

Maria Santos-Silva

Timothy Atmajian

Tom 'Tiny' Rayburn

Micaela Swall

Mary Bovetti

George Wilson

Paul Brown	Morgan Sparlin	Kevin Jones
Tony Pereira	Allan Clark	Phong Pham
Daniel Pires	William Harper	Karthik X
Ronald Schock	Tim McFadden	Jim Kellogg
Thomas Benedict	Gloria Smooth	Rich Worley
Janet Menezes	Brenda Brown	Sharon Allison-Crook
Joe Parriera	Heather Dominguez	Deanell Dohrman
John Perez	Leonard Smith	Claude E. Gilreath III
Ed Stewart	Sophia Smith	Caleb Hays
Nancy Gable	Aaron Vargas	Paula Massey
Patty Hartman	Jill Webb	Josephine Vierra
Larry Quilici	Elaine Anderson	Mary Wiedeman
Dee Sebert	Eric Ferguson	
Refugio Sanchez	Jesse Haro	
Linda Nogues	Lisa Lopez	
Margaret Uchita	Darla Nunes	
Deborah Ledbetter	Gagan Singh	
Tina McWells	Tammie Cubbage	
Sandy Sherven	Kathy Ellis	
Lyndi Smith-Graham	Phyllis Helfer	
Tiffany Miller	Rick Elkins	
Cathy Paul	Jackie Jones	
Ruth Burcham	Sean Nicholson	
Harold Gallagher	Karon Pigg	
Avalina Jones	Kayleen Snapp	
Zakary Gilbert	Joan Becker	
Tori Gregory	Greg Fletcher	