

# Orange Jacket Update

International Agri-Center® & World Ag Expo® Volunteer Newsletter

November 2019

## International Agri-Center® Updates

### Harvest Festival: October 12, 2019

The International Agri-Center® was proud to host the 6th annual Harvest Festival last month. Families from throughout the local community and surrounding towns turned out for a day of fun, carnival games, shopping, food and music. A total of 20 boutique shopping vendors lined the pavement in front of the Heritage Complex, and 10 food concessionaires filled the air with the smell of fresh BBQ and funnel cakes.

Guests were welcomed into the festival by the pumpkin patch, and were given free mini pumpkins as a thank you to the local community. Mission Oak High School students hosted the Haunted House this year, and promised spooky thrills to their excited guests!

There was never a dull moment, and always something to do for the kids. Popular attractions included the Haunted Hay ride, Magic show, and the AgVentures!® Learning Center's Harvest Festival display and activities. The arbor was also home to 12 carnival hosts, which provided plenty of entertainment for the kids while their parents enjoyed good food and good times.



### AgVentures!® School Tours

On Friday, October 25, we spotted Richard Rogers' grandson and Tom Barcellos' granddaughter visiting the AgVentures!® Learning Center & Museum with their elementary school. You can see them proudly pointing to their grandfathers in the photo!



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### Progressive Ag Safety Day®: October 22, 2019

The 10th Annual Progressive Ag Safety Day® was hosted by AgVentures!® on Tuesday, October 22. This year, IAC hosted 291 third grade students from Tulare rural schools who spent the day learning about safety on and off the farm. Students had an opportunity to learn from various presenters on the importance of safety by visiting the presentations in a 15 minute rotation.

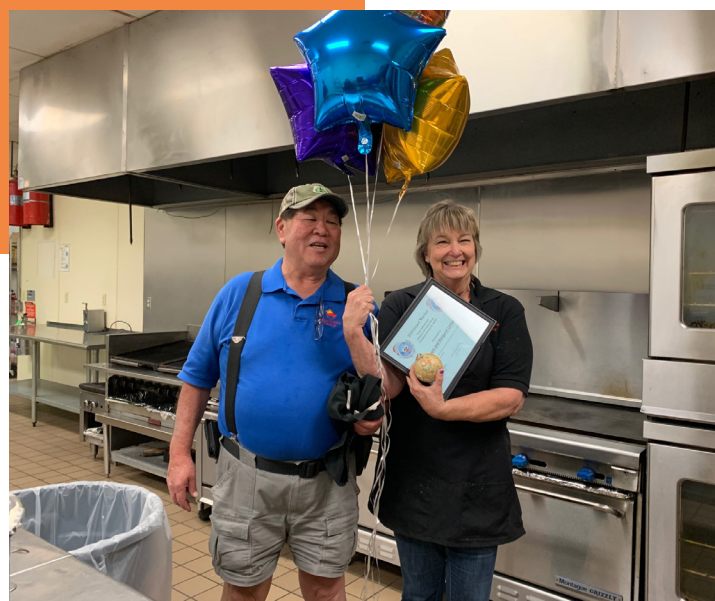
Presenters from Tulare Police Department, Garton Tractor, Southern Cal Edison, The Wonderful Company, California Operation Lifesaver and Wilbur-Ellis, all provided educational presentations for the students to learn how to stay safe.

We are continuing with AgVentures!® Learning Center school tours through the fall and spring. If interested in becoming a school tour guide, please contact Kerissa Chapman at [kerissa@farmshow.org](mailto:kerissa@farmshow.org).



### International Agri-Center® Closed: November 28 - 29, 2019

Happy Thanksgiving! The International Agri-Center® will be closed November 28-29, to allow our staff to celebrate Thanksgiving with family and friends. The office will reopen Monday, December 2.



### Christmas Grand Marshals

We are thrilled to announce that Margaret and Bobby Uchita are the 2019 Tulare Christmas Parade Grand Marshals! Congratulations to this wonderful duo!

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## Volunteers Needed and Special News

### Upcoming Christmas Parades

It's that time of year again, and AgVentures!® is gearing up for this year's Christmas season! Make sure to stop by one of the following local parades to see Aggie the AgVentures!® Cow.

- Hanford - Friday, November 29
- Visalia - Monday, December 2
- Tulare - Thursday, December 5
- Exeter Friday, December 6

### Volunteers needed for Space Marking

We will be Space Marking

on Saturday, December 7, and we need your help! If you would like to volunteer please report to the West office at 8:00 a.m. No RSVP necessary.



Let's mark some more!

## World Ag Expo® Update

### We are nearly sold out!

October 31 is one of the most important deadlines for a World Ag Expo® exhibitor, and the International Agri-Center® staff. Exhibitors called in their booth payments, sent in their insurance, applied for speaking opportunities, and submitted their new products for our Top-10 New Products Competition, Sponsored by Bank of America.

We are over 88% sold with 1,239 exhibitors placed as of October 31.





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## Upcoming Events & News

### Valley Children's Sock Drive

Valley Children's Healthcare is holding a Sock Drive! The biggest need is for infant and teenage sized socks. Donations must be unwrapped and brand new. If you would like to donate socks, please feel free to come by the Heritage Complex. We are open Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Last day to donate is Wednesday, December 11, 2019. For more information, please contact Kerissa Chapman at [kerissa@farmshow.org](mailto:kerissa@farmshow.org).



### Brunch with Santa: December 8, 2019

Mark your calendars for IAC's annual brunch with Santa! Brunch with Santa will be held in the Heritage Complex Banquet Hall from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering to help serve breakfast to our community, please email [info@farmshow.org](mailto:info@farmshow.org).

#### Christmas Brunch with Santa



## October Events Recap:

**A lot of exciting events took place at the International Agri-Center® in October! Last month we had:**

- 9 Agventures!® School Tours
- 2 Weddings
- 1 three-day Diamond B Barrel Racing event
- 1 three-day Triple Seven Barrel Racing event
- 1 Purple Pumpkin Party
- 1 Engagement Party
- 1 Tulare Home & Garden Show
- 1 Pork Feed
- 1 Progressive Ag Safety Day®
- 1 Taste Treats Event
- and more!

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## Celebrations, Prayers, Condolences

### Welcome Baby Clark!

We are excited to announce IAC's Facility Rentals Manager, Morganne Clark, and her husband Justin, welcomed their first child, Reagan Paige Clark. Reagan was born on Monday, October 21, weighing 8 lb 7 oz, and measuring 20". The IAC family is so excited for the Clark family and wish them the very best with their new bundle of joy.



### We Want to Hear From You!

This newsletter is about volunteers and IAC activities. We want to share any news you have that you'd like to share with the volunteer 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)

### Passing of Dollie A. Faria

We send our condolences to the family of Dollie A. Faria who passed away on Sunday, November 3. Dollie was a long-time volunteer for World Ag Expo® in the World Ag Women Pavilion. Dollie's Funeral services will be held on Friday, November 8, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Aloysius Church. The Catholic rosary will be at 10:30 a.m. and funeral will immediately follow. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Faria family during this time of grief.

### Passing of Melvin Lucas

We send our condolences to the family of Melvin Lucas who passed away on Sunday, November 3. Melvin worked alongside Barton Smith and was a long-time volunteer for World Ag Expo®. A viewing will be held on Monday, November 11, from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Millers Tulare Funeral Home. A celebration of his life will be held on Tuesday, November 12, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Aloysius Church. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Lucas family during this time of grief.



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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Constance Roman  
Theresa Zotti  
Craig Bergman  
Paula Criswell  
Phil Kneeland  
Clint McPhetridge  
Jacob Peyton  
Ameen Kunbargi  
Rosa Larios  
Erik Myers  
Donald Anderson  
Dick Edwards  
Nora Encinas  
Sheryl Peterson  
Glen Asay  
Ralph Chapman  
Debi Ferreira  
Jim Klapperich  
Jiggs Travis  
Bill Benedetti  
Susie Borges  
Philip Sell  
Kelsey Swall  
SL Henley  
Maranda Reberry  
Steven Alves  
Earl Bravo  
Jim Gilroy  
Ralph Keeley III  
Bill Van Leeuwen  
Garrett Weese  
Bob Bustamante  
Gary Crase  
Vernon Nasemento  
Roger Shaw

Joe Simas  
Mike Young  
Kathleen Bloom  
Del Canby  
Rachel Souza  
Andrew Benavides  
Robert Fletcher  
Andy Vidak  
Nestor Arucan  
Jim Brannon  
Bradley Clark  
Merika Raney  
Bryan Cline  
Cris Colson  
Monica Rojas  
Keeley Bramer  
Greg Cotta  
Kurtis Krumdick  
John Thomas  
Mark Fults  
Amber Lyons  
Angela McPhetridge  
Dave Konold  
Diana Warnock  
Jon Castro  
Everett Doty  
Matt Paggi  
James Benedict  
Richard Boucher  
Meagan Burke  
David Symons  
Matt Weaver  
Larry Shanley  
Tricia Wafford  
Joan Bristow

Bernie Cargle  
Marleen Johnson  
Wade Roberts  
Tricia Stever Blattler  
Jeannie Williams  
Ken Becker  
Ed Boren  
Kirk Kindy  
Linda Woodbury  
Heduina Alves  
Ernie Fawkes  
Mandy Gallegos  
Joe Pereira  
Delilah Cazares  
Al Lemus  
Sandy Warren  
Gloria Mazzei Eichman  
Jodie L. Denney  
Ben Terrill  
Mark Uchita  
Janice Donwen  
Mike Hartman  
Mike Quinn  
Randi Suttles  
Patti Watte