

Orange Jacket Update

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

December 2021

World Ag Expo® Updates



2022 E.M. Tharp & World Ag Expo® “We Believe in Growing” Scholarship Application Available

World Ag Expo® and E.M. Tharp, Inc. have teamed up for the 15th annual “We Believe in Growing” scholarship, created to support agriculture education. High school seniors from Madera, Fresno, Tulare, Kings, and Kern counties are encouraged to apply by January 14, 2022, to be considered. A \$10,000 scholarship will be awarded to two students who attend a four-year university to major in an agricultural field. The scholarships will be disbursed over four years at \$2,500 per year.

To be considered for the scholarship, students must submit two letters of recommendation; one copy of their high school transcripts; and be graduating from high school during the 2021-2022 school year.

“Supporting ag education is the most important thing our organization can do,” said Jerry Sinift, CEO, International Agri-Center®. “We are proud to work with E.M. Tharp to make this scholarship a reality. Funds for education are more important than ever as ag continues to innovate for the future.”

Download the application online at <https://www.worldagexpo.com/attendees/scholarships/>. Send completed applications to: E.M. Tharp, Inc., “We Believe in Growing” Scholarship, 15243 Road 192, Porterville, CA 93257, Attn: Kerissa Chapman.

2022 World Ag Expo® Top-10 New Product Winners Announced

Results are in for World Ag Expo’s® 2022 Top-10 New Products Competition. The winners will be showcased February 8-10, 2022 during the World Ag Expo® in Tulare, California.

The impressive field of new products were submitted for the contest by exhibitors of the largest annual agricultural show of its kind. Products ranged from simple solutions to autonomous robots and electric vehicles. The contest judges were made up of farmers, ranchers, and industry professionals.

Winners will be noted on show maps, marked with “Top-10 Winner” flags at the show, and recognized at an awards session at World Ag Expo® Opening Ceremonies on Tuesday, February 8, 2022.

The competition is conducted annually by the International Agri-Center® in conjunction with the World Ag Expo®, which draws more than 1,400 exhibitors and an estimated annual average of 100,000 individuals from 70 countries. Exhibitors must nominate their products for judging by the October 31 deadline to be eligible. View the full list of winners here <https://bit.ly/WAETop-10>.



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Grounds Update:

Spaces are being marked, pavilions are going up, and volunteers are working on the grounds. It's farm show season! Thank you to everyone who showed up to volunteer their time to get these spaces marked!

Start planning your visit now at www.worldagexpo.org.



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Condolences to the Ivie Family

We send our condolences to the family of Ray Ivie who passed away on November 6, 2021, at the age of 81. Ray was a long-time volunteer in Bark Spreading at World Ag Expo® along with his twin brother Jay Ivie. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Ivie family during this time of grief.

Condolences to the Ferguson Family

We send our condolences to the family of Gene Ferguson who passed away on November 8, 2021, at the age of 82. Gene was a long-time volunteer in the West Office and served on the Signs Committee at World Ag Expo®. A memorial service was held on Friday, December 10, 2021, at the Exeter Memorial Building. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Ferguson family during this time of grief.

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 Hayley Marciochi with any volunteer news at 559.688.1030 or hayley@farmshow.org.

World Ag Expo® is back in Agtion!

Get your hands on the 2022 World Ag Expo® poster! If you would like to advertise at your business or want a personal copy, please let us know!



International Agri-Center® Closed for the holidays

Happy Holidays! The International Agri-Center® will be closed December 23-24 and December 31-January 3, 2022, to allow our staff to celebrate Christmas and the New Year with family and friends.



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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Mary Aguiar
Jamie Alves
Kayla Baxley
Blake Berbereia
Del Blomquist
Pat Burgess
Frank Carvalho
Ginny Cassaday
Lee Coito
Janet Correia
Dennis Cote
Bobette Cotta
Jim Crowe
Brady Daniel
Rozetta Dawes
Noel Derouin
Alyce DeVore
Rosie Dias
Darlene Dorseyneis-
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Lynn Dredge
Duane Dye
Kelly Dye
Ben Eichman
Manuel Espinola
Roger Everett
Louis Fernandez
Jacki Fletcher
Melanie Flores
Katrina Foreman Mene-
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Elaine Freitas
Shannon Gilbert
Marilyn Glenn
Anita Grijalva-Hammond
Sydney Gross
Nicki Gutierrez
Teri Gutierrez
Matt Hays

Lester Hildreth
John Hoffman
Joni Hollingshead
Jack Hutchins
Averee Johnson
Richard Kleinke
Jamie Knox
Michael LeFave
Adrian Lopez
Wandra Lucas
Tom Lutgen
Vincent Mark
Dean Martin
Margaret Moholt
Carmen Monsibais
Kenny Moore
Stacy Morcom
Gloria Moreno
Vivian Morfin
Rena Moritz
Carol Anne Mosconi
Megan Mosqueda
Melissa Neal
Lu Nightingale
Chris Northcraft
Herschel O'Brian
Darrel Oliveira
Dalia Ordaz,
Sal Ortega
Ron Overacker
Gloria Parke
Bernadette Parriera
Don Pitts
Shawn Pyle
Ray Ramirez
Tony Ramos
Roy Randles
Cathy Rayburn
Madaline Razor

Teresa Reyna
Andres Rojas
Presilia Roman
Donna Rowe
Michael Ruiz
Jayson Russell
John Sargent
Clay Searcy
Diana Senseney
Anselmo (Sonny) Sepul-
veda Jr
Isabel Serpa
Bruce Shannon
Jerry Silva
Shirley Silveira
Steve Simoes
Barbara Soares
Moises Solis Jr.
Deborah Stout
Patrick Teter
Christine Thompson
Natalie Travioli
Dick Tristao
Allizabeth Trujillo
Melerie Vasquez
Tom Vercruse
Sharon Vierra
John Wafford
Chris Walsh
Velma Warren
Mackeely Weaver
Steve Webster
Katie Wenthur
Caleb White
Alan Wilcox
John Wilson Sr.
Tawni Zamora
John Zapalac