



Mid Valley Cowbelles



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President's Message

On Wednesday, January 20th eight Cowbelles met at the Stockton Fair Grounds for the second in a series of three Ag Ventures. Over 3,000 third graders were bused in from all over San Joaquin county for this event. Our Cowbelles were stationed at four booths and during the course of the morning spoke to groups of 25-30 third graders who rotated through in 15 minute intervals.

- 🔔 Pat and Andrea talked to the kids about what being on a cattle drive is like and explained the effects of the Rim Fire.
- 🔔 Candy and Judy talked about the workings of a real cattle ranch, nutritional benefits of beef, cattle health and identification.
- 🔔 Judy and Kathy introduced kids to some amazing chickens.
- 🔔 Krystle and Tory talked to kids about beef bi products.

The next Ag Venture event will be in Lodi at the Grape Festival Grounds on March 1st. We are always looking for volunteers to help at these events. If you've never been involved with an Ag Venture or Ag in the Classroom event please consider checking one out. They give you an amazing

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opportunity to connect with young kids and talk to them about different aspects of the beef industry. Some of these kids have never been to a ranch or even seen a horse or cow up close. If you are new to Mid Valley Cowbelles, we encourage you to get involved. Grab the bull by the horns and help us make an impact on the youth in our communities. Together we can do great things. Check out our Calendar of Events and give me a call to volunteer today!

Hope to hear and see you soon - Candy



Cowbelles Cater Luncheon

The Cowbelles had the privilege of catering a luncheon for about 45 local hospital auxiliary volunteers at Oak Valley Hospital in Oakdale on February 1st. We served tri tip sandwiches, spinach salad with peach's and bacon bits, broccoli salad and cupcakes (see photo on the front page). A big thank you goes out to Pat, Vickie, and Colette for preparing the wonderful food and then Candy, Judy, Tory who helped serve at the luncheon. Catering events for local businesses and ranches is just another way the Cowbelles raises additional funds to help promote the beef industry in our community.



World Ag Expo

The World Ag Expo was held on February 9 & 10 down in Tulare. Pat, Andrea and Ruby traveled down on Tuesday to help man the California Cattlewomen's booth. They were joined by the president of the CCW, Sheila Bowen. It was a great opportunity for one of our associate members to get involved and share in the experience of meeting people. A lot of good beef information went home with many of the folks that stopped by the booth. Thank you ladies for taking the time to represent Mid Valley Cowbelles!



Mark Your Calendar

Don't sit on the sidelines...Get involved!

Support the amazing programs MVC offers the youth of our communities!

FEBRUARY

1st - Oak Valley Hospital Luncheon

9th—11th - World Ag Expo in Tulare

19th - MVC General Meeting at the H-B Saloon in Oakdale at 5:30pm

RSVP by Feb 15th to Andrea or Judy. Dinners Adult: Steak Sandwich, vegetable, baked potato, salad & tea—Cost aprox. \$19 (tax & tip included) Junior: Hot dog & fries in a basket with soda or tea—Cost aprox. \$7 (tax & tip included)

27th - Steer Show Lunch Booth with the Calaveras /Tuolumne Cattlewomen at Angels Camp

MARCH

1st - Written stories and pictures due for ranchers assigned for Oakdale Cowboy Museum

1st - AG VENTURE at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds

11th - Ag in the Classroom at Henry Miller Elementary in Los Banos

12th & 13th - CCW Mid Year Meeting at Harris Ranch

24th - Ag in the Classroom at Hughson Elementary

APRIL

1st - Scholarship Applications due

3rd - La Grange Rodeo Booth

9th & 10th - Oakdale Rodeo



GRAB THE BULL BY THE HORNS AND VOLUNTEER TODAY TO HELP AT ONE OF THE UPCOMING AG VENTURE OR AG IN THE CLASSROOM EVENTS!

Oakdale Cowboy Museum

Ranch Stories

We are partnering with the Oakdale Cowboy Museum to help supply them with local family ranch history in story form along with photos. If you are participating in this special project please make sure to turn in your family ranch information by March 1st to Lana Casey.

Come to February's meeting and find out more!



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Mark your calendar and get ready...for the Spring meeting!

California CattleWomen and California Women for Agriculture
Joint Spring Meeting March 11-13, 2016



Friday

6:00 pm CattleWomen Executive Board meeting

Saturday

* All of Saturday's events are Joint (CCW & CWA)*

7:45-8:30 Check-In (foyer of Garden Ballroom)

8:30 Meeting Begins

Highlights of the Day

Does Red Meat Really Cause Cancer?

California Beef Council

California Secretary of Agriculture Karen Ross

CWA Guest Speakers



3:00 CWA & CCW Networking
6:00 Sizzling Fajita Buffet & No host bar

Sunday

8:00-8:30 Check-In for CattleWomen Board of Directors Meeting

8:30-noon State CattleWomen Board of Directors Meeting



Register by March 1st to Callie Borrer: 1975 Maxwell Ave #326, Woodland, CA 95776

Name: _____ CW Unit: _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Lunch Choice: _____ Tri-Tip Sandwich _____ Flank Steak Spinach Salad

Dinner in the Ballroom 3/12: Sizzling Fajita Buffet, No Host Bar, Corkage \$15

Hotel Reservations: Harris Ranch Inn, 24505 West Dorris Ave, Coalinga, CA 93210

Room Rates start at: \$130/night + tax (800) 942-BEEF group: 2SX76C

ROOM RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 2/28/16 CANCELLATION 48 HOURS

Registration \$50.00 (includes lunch on Saturday) @ \$ _____

Saturday Dinner \$40.00 @ \$ _____

Total Cost \$ _____

Harris Ranch Inn is located just off Interstate 5 and CA Highway 198 in Coalinga.