



# Fresno County Farm and Nutrition Day 2009

*“Planting a seed for the future...  
while growing a healthy community one at a  
time”*

## FACTS

- 109 classes from 35 schools, 16 districts, 2 private schools from throughout Fresno County
- Participating Districts & Schools:

<u>District</u>	<u>Schools</u>
Alvina Unified	Alvina Elementary
American Union	American Union Elementary
Burrel Joint Unified	Burrel Elementary
Central Unified	Herndon-Barstow Elementary
	Madison Elementary
	River Bluff Elementary
Clay Joint Elementary	Clay Joint Elementary
Clovis Unified	Cole Elementary
	Fancher Creek Elementary
	Fort Washington Elementary
	Jefferson Elementary
	Weldon Elementary
Fresno Unified	Ayer Elementary
	Bakman Elementary
	Balderas Elementary
	Bullard TALENT
	Easterby Elementary
	Kirk Elementary
	Lawless Elementary
	Leavenworth Elementary
	Storey Elementary
	Sunset TWI
	Thomas Elementary
	Wilson Elementary
	Winchell Elementary
Kerman Unified	Sun Empire Elementary
Kingsburg Unified	Lincoln Elementary
Monroe Elementary	Monroe Elementary
Pacific Union	Pacific Union Elementary
Parlier Unified	Ben Benavides
	Cesar Chavez Elementary
Riverdale Unified	Fipps Primary
Sierra Unified	Auberry Elementary
Private Schools	Clovis Christian
	St. LaSalle (Reedley)

- More than 2,100 students
- More than 550 teachers and chaperones
- 14 presenters; 4 demonstrations; 38 booths; 3 equipment exhibitors
- More than 100 volunteers
- Event organizers: Big Fresno Fair, Fresno County Farm Bureau and Fresno County Office of Education
- 42 financial and in-kind sponsors
- This fourth annual event helps educate students about how their food is grown, the importance of eating healthy foods, and about the diverse career opportunities in the food, fiber and resource industries.
- A big focus of the day is the importance of making healthy food choices and good nutrition, much of which is provided on a daily basis by the bounty of diversified “Food Pyramid” crops and products produced in Fresno County. At the event, students have the opportunity to taste healthy foods, such as dried fruit, citrus, raisins, carrots, frozen fresh-peach popsicles and almonds.

**A BIG THANK YOU to the many sponsors and presenters who help make the 2009 Farm and Nutrition Day such a success:**

### **Presenters, Demonstrations & Booths**

#### **Presenters**

- UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Nutrition Team – Creating Healthy Families
- UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Renegades 4H, Entomology
- Shannon Mueller, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Bees and Pollination
- Denise Junqueiro, California Tree Fruit Agreement
- TP Thomsen, Thomsen Bees – Bees
- Norman J. Smith, Ph.D., Fresno County Entomologist – Entomology
- Bella Frutta
- Janette Yribarren, Cotton's Journey Sponsored by California Cotton Ginners & Growers Association
- Michelle Roman, Fresno County Office of Education – Wellness and Nutrition Program
- California State University, Fresno – College of Agricultural Sciences & Technology – Central Valley Ag Literacy Program
- Rick Foell, Plant Doctor
- Wendy Yribarren & Susie Hergenroeder, Harvest Acres Pumpkin Patch

#### **Demonstrations**

- Barbara Williams and Joan Cudd  
- Sheep Dogs herding
- Donny Rollin, Rollin Valley Farms  
- Dairy Milking
- Dairy Council of California  
- Animal Care & Dairy Milking
- Roping – George Porter

#### **Booths**

- Gary Clay and John Hansen, Gary Clay Horseshoeing
- Toni Lindeleaf, Wawona Frozen Foods
- Ed Campos, Unit Commander, Fresno County Sheriff's Mounted Posse – SAR Team
- CSO Rose Findley, Fresno County Sheriff's Department - Ag Task Force
- UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Renegades 4H, Goat Project
- Emily Cehrs, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Renegades 4H, Poultry Project
- Fresno County Public Library – Youth Services Division
- Fresno Fire Department
- Betty Hess, Fresno Spinners and Weavers
- UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Master Gardeners
- Jason Dean, Project Manager/Wildlife Biologist, Meyers Water Bank & Wildlife Project
- Scout Island Outdoor Education Center , Fresno County Office of Education
- Cargill Animal Nutrition & Cargill Beef
- Stephanie LeBarron, Handler & Bella, Department of Agriculture, Fresno County – Agricultural Detector Dog
- Dairy Council of California
- Cristel Tufenkjian, Kings River Conservation District
- Jerry Rebensdorf, Fresno Cooperative Raisin Growers Inc.
- Aimee Meidinger, CA Apple Commission
- Dan Munk, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Water and Irrigation
- Jennifer Crook & Grant Jones-Wiebe, UC Davis – Veterinary Medicine Teaching & Research Center
- Fresno-Kings Counties Cattlewomen
- Brandy Swisher, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District
- Briel Mosekian & Hannah Van Vleet, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – American Union 4-H
- National Arid Land Plant Genetic Resource unit, San Joaquin Valley Agricultural Sciences Center
- Melanie Curtis, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – 4-H Youth Development Program
- Thomas Nyberg, Department of Agriculture, Fresno County
- Austin Pitts & Kayla Cardoza, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Foothill 4-H
- John Armanino, Department of Agriculture, Fresno County – Division of Weights & Measures
- Vincent Marquez, USDA, Food Safety Inspection Service
- Patricia Mungur, USDA-ARS-WMU
- Laurence Alvidrez, PG&E
- Richard Molinar & Michael Yang, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – SE Asian Culture & Vegetables
- Kevin Long, CalCot, Ltd.
- Darren Schmall, Pizza Farm at Cobb Ranch
- Kevin Beinhorn
- Mosquito Control in Fresno County, Consolidated Mosquito Abatement District
- Kathy Powers, Hey Kids, Let's Cook!
- Tom Turini, UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Vegetables
- UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno County – Rural Route 4H, Sheep

### Equipment

- Fresno Equipment Company
- Maggini Hay Company
- Kuckenbecker Tractor Company, Fresno

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