



CHAPTER CHALKBOARD

An Electronic Member News Update from the California Chapter, ASFMRA

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Rich Smith Named 2017 Distinguished California Agriculturalist at March Outlook Agribusiness Conference

The late Richard R. Smith was honored at the Outlook 2017 Agribusiness Conference as this year's Distinguished California Agriculturalist. The award recognizes an individual who has, through accomplishment, contributed in a significant and highly visible way to the betterment of California Agriculture. Rich was a pioneer in the wine grape industry in Monterey County and the Central Coast. His wife, Claudia and daughter, Kacy, accepted the award on Rich's behalf during the Awards Luncheon. [See more about Rich's contributions to agriculture here.](#)

Thank You Outlook 2017 Sponsors!

The California Chapter, ASFMRA thanks the following companies for their support of the Outlook 2017 Agribusiness Conference and California Classic BBQ in Fresno!

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Survey Reminder...

If you attended the Spring Outlook Conference, Ag Tour or Permanent Plantings class in Fresno, please don't forget to complete the survey(s). Surveys will remain open through Friday, April 21st. You can access them using the following links. Your input is important in improving future meetings and courses!

Outlook Conference survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Outlook2017Survey>

Ag Tour survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017AgTour>

Permanent Plantings course survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PermPlantings2017>

2017 Trends™ in Agricultural Land & Lease Values Now Available

The 2017 issue of Trends™ in Ag Land & Lease Values was released on March 30th to a crowd of 250 attendees at the Outlook 2017 Agribusiness Conference in Fresno. Janie Gatzman, ARA, Tiffany Holmes, ARA and Tony Correia, ARA provided an overview of the land trends reported in the publication and the drivers behind them. Trends™ continues to be a widely respected resource for land value information and is an excellent marketing tool for chapter members! Both physical and electronic copies are available from the chapter web site at just \$25 per copy. [Click here](#) to order.

Internship Applications Now Being Accepted

The California Chapter Scholarship Committee will fully fund one Student Internship for Summer 2017. Applications for college students interested in an Internship in the fields of Rural Appraisal, Farm Management or Ag Consulting are encouraged to apply as are companies looking to host an Intern for the summer months. The deadline for applications to be submitted has been extended to April 28, 2017. Application Forms [can be accessed here](#). For additional information, please contact Julie Rose Gonsalves at (559) 277-7474 ex 101 or Julie@c-x.com.

Round Table and Toolbox Topics Meetings Coming Back Soon

Watch the chapter web site and your Inbox for information on Round Table Meetings and Toolbox Topics Seminars coming back soon. Committees are working on scheduling dates and locations now. If you are interested in helping to set up a meeting in your area, please email Suzie at info@calasfmra.com.

SAVE THESE 2017 DATES!!!

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| April 21 | Board of Directors Meeting – Harris Ranch, Coalinga |
| July 16 – 17 | Career Day 2017 – Omaha, NE |
| July 17 – 21 | ASFMRA Summer Education Week – Omaha, NE |
| October 10 - 13 | 2017 Fall Meeting – The Cliffs Resort, Shell Beach |
| November 13 – 17 | Agronomics – Vision for the Future 2017 – Savannah, GA |

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