



CHAPTER CHALKBOARD

An Electronic Member News Update from the California Chapter, ASFMRA September 5, 2018

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2018-19 Board of Directors Elected

Congratulations to the following members who have been elected to serve as the Chapter's Board of Directors and Nominating Committee for the 2018-19 Fiscal Year which runs from October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019. As no nominations were submitted by chapter members following the election announcement, the requirements of the election of proposed nominees were deemed fulfilled and the nominees were elected by acclamation.

President: JoAnn Wall, ARA – *Above and Beyond Real Estate Services, Inc. (Templeton, CA)*

President-Elect: Martin Seanez, ARA – *Edwards, Lien & Toso, Inc. (Fresno, CA)*

First Vice President: Jim Pisani, ARA – *Farm Credit West (Woodland, CA)*

Second Vice President: Mike Merkley, ARA – *American AgCredit (Fallon, NV)*

At Large Board Member: Scott Bozzo, AFM – *UBS Farmland Investors LLC (Lodi, CA)*

Immediate Past President: Dan Whisenhunt, AAC, MBA – *Agcom, LLC; Dan Whisenhunt Consulting (Turlock, CA)*

Secretary – Treasurer: Peter Holmes, Jr., AAC – *Valley Ag Loans, Inc. (Woodland, CA)*

Nominating Committee: Ryan Metzler, AFM – *(Fresno)*; Matt Pennebaker, ARA – *Advanced Ag Realty & Appraisal (Reedley)*.

What the Heck BBQ October 4th in Bakersfield

The California Chapter is bringing back the What the Heck BBQ - an evening of food, fun and networking! Join Chapter members and other ag professionals for a delicious Tri Tip BBQ dinner. Our event guest speaker will be Eric Averett with the latest information on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). All proceeds from the event will benefit the California Chapter, ASFMRA Scholarship Foundation.

When: Thursday, October 4th – 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Where: 824 Fairway Drive, Bakersfield (Ming Residence)

Cost: \$40 per person (includes dinner, beverages, dessert)

[Click here to register on-line.](#) (Register early as space is limited!).

Questions? Call (209) 368-3672

Registration Now Open Week for CA Chapter 2018 Fall Meeting

Registration is now for the Chapter's Fall Meeting November 13 – 16 at Wine & Roses Hotel in the Heart of the Lodi Wine Country. There are plenty of opportunities for continuing education and networking! [Click here to register on-line.](#) If you prefer to register by check or credit card (not on-line), you can find a registration form and full details in the conference brochure. [See the full conference brochure.](#)

Tuesday, November 13 –

Soils Seminar (*CE pending with BREA and ASFMRA*)

What the Heck Networking Event

Wednesday, November 14 –

Valuation of Lease Interests Seminar (8 hours CE approved with BREAA and ASFMRA)
Succession Planning in Agriculture Seminar (8 hours CE approved with BREAA and ASFMRA)
Member Meeting/Reception/Officer Installation & Awards

Thursday, November 15 –

Full Day Ag Tour (CE pending with BREAA and ASFMRA)

Friday, November 16 –

AgWare Training Seminar (7 hours CE approved with BREAA and ASFMRA. Pending with NRED. Also approved in OR)
Board of Directors Meeting

Rooms at Wine & Roses will run \$179 for king/double queen and \$184 for king with a fireplace. Reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at (209) 334-6988. Mention the group ASFMRA, California Chapter when booking your room to receive the discounted rate. You can see more about the property at www.winerose.com.

THANK YOU 2018 Fall Meeting Sponsors!

As we gear up for this year's Fall Meeting, we thank the following companies and individuals who have already committed to sponsoring this important annual event...

- Runyan Appraisal Service – *Installation & Awards Reception*
- Capital Agriculture Property Services, Inc. – *What the Heck Networking Event*
- Duarte Nursery – *General Sponsor*
- Monte Vista Farming Company – *Lanyards/Name Badges*
- Rabobank, N.A. – *General Sponsor*
- Farm Credit – *(American AgCredit, Yosemite Farm Credit, Farm Credit West, Golden State Farm Credit, CoBank, Fresno Madera Farm Credit) – General Sponsor*
- Valbridge Property Advisors – *General Sponsor*
- Bank of the West – *Ag Tour Lunch*
- UBS Farmland Investors LLC – *General Sponsor*
- Grimbleby Coleman CPAs – *Wine for Installation/Awards Reception*
- Parcel Quest – *Refreshment Break*
- Edwards, Lien & Toso, Inc. – *Refreshment Break*
- Century 21 MM – *Ag Tour Coffee & Pastries*
- Dan Whisenhunt Consulting – *Board of Directors Event*
- Bergthold Ag Services – *General Sponsor*
- Vineyard Professional Services – *Wine for Installation/Awards Reception*
- The Correia Company – *Wine for Installation/Awards Reception*
- AQUAOSO – *General Sponsor*
- www.waterwrights.com - *General Sponsor*

There are still sponsorship opportunities available. [Click here](#) to select from available opportunities to promote your business and support *your* membership organization!

New Chapter Member Referral Program Runs Through September 30th!

Don't forget...refer a member, earn a reward...it's that simple! For every new member that you refer to join ASFMRA between June 1 and September 30, 2018, you will receive either \$50 cash from the CA Chapter or \$100 off registration fees for a future Chapter Meeting or Education Class. To qualify, the referral must be a full dues paying member of ASFMRA. You must send an email to the California Chapter at info@calasfmra.com indicating the name of the referred member and the date of referral in order to be eligible for your reward. Please call the office at (209) 368-3672 with any questions.

Register Now for ASFMRA Annual Meeting

You won't want to miss this year's ASFMRA Annual Meeting October 29 – November 2 at the beautiful Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass in Chandler, AZ. For full details and links to the hotel, registration and agenda please [click here](#). Be sure to register early and save!

Committee Chair Openings for 2018 - 2019

Looking to get more involved at the Chapter level? We currently have Chairperson openings on the Marketing, Newly Accredited/Professional Advancement and Retired Members Committees. Please call Suzie in the Chapter Office for more information at (209) 368-3672 or email sroget@calasfmra.com. Be sure to watch for information in the coming months for committees who will be looking for members!

Looking for Ag Products for 'California Bounty Basket'

The California Chapter will be donating a gift basket filled with non-perishable California ag products to the Education Foundation Auction at the ASFMRA Meeting in Chandler, AZ. If you have something you would like to donate to help us showcase agriculture in the Golden State, please contact the Chapter Office. Suzie will be collecting the items and assembling the final basket to be donated.

2019 Distinguished Agriculturalist and Agricultural Stewardship Award

Nominations

Each year, the California Chapter recognizes individuals and/or companies who excel in their contributions to California Agriculture with the Distinguished Agriculturalist and Agricultural Stewardship Awards. Chapter members are encouraged to review the award recipient criteria and consider nominating an individual or company who they feel are deserving of these special honors which are presented at the Spring Outlook Conference. Click on the award name to view the award applications. [Distinguished California Agriculturalist Award](#). [Agricultural Stewardship Award](#). Questions may be directed to Suzie in the Chapter Office at (209) 368-3672 or sroget@calasfmra.com.

Reserve Your Space in the 2019 Trends® Report!

Contracts are now available to reserve sponsor ad space in the 2019® Trends in Agricultural Land and Lease Values Report due to be released next April. Sponsor ad pricing remains the same with business card size space starting at just \$375. [Click here to download contract/rate card](#). To reserve your space on-line, [click here](#).

SAVE THE DATE!

September 11-15	ASFMRA Leadership Institute – Washington D.C.
October 4	What the Heck BBQ - Bakersfield
Oct. 29 – Nov. 2	ASFMRA Annual Conference – Chandler, AZ
November 13 – 15	California Chapter, ASFMRA 2018 Fall Meeting – Lodi
April 23 - 25, 2019	Outlook 2019 Agribusiness Conference – Sacramento
July 21 – 26, 2019	ASFMRA Education Week – La Vista, Nebraska

Please don't hesitate to contact the chapter office for more information on any of the items included in the Chapter Chalkboard.

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