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LEFT: LOADING GARLIC IN PREPARATION TO PLANT.



RIGHT: PLANTING GARLIC IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.



"... AND TO PROMOTE A STRONG AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY IN CALIFORNIA." THIS IS A PART OF CWA'S MISSION STATEMENT. TO READ THE ENTIRE MISSION STATEMENT, CHECK OUT CAWOMEN4AG.COM AND THEN JOIN SJ CWA AS WE WORK TO MAINTAIN A VIABLE AGRICULTURE COMMUNITY IN CALIFORNIA AND RIGHT HERE IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

PHOTOS BY EDELE NORMAN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Legacy

In the last six months, I have had the honor (and loss) to have attended Celebrations of Life for two remarkable men in the agriculture industry, Duane Martin (82) and Dino Cortopassi (84). Both men started with just their will and created very successful businesses. Duane in the cattle business and Dino in the farming and food production industry.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, CONT.

I had the opportunity to work for Duane in the 1980's when he was really gaining momentum in the cattle business and I have the pleasure to be part of Dino Cortopassi's family tree. The outpouring of love, respect, admiration and loss that was shown at these two Celebrations, were awe inspiring. The who's who of their fields and beyond were present to acknowledge their contributions to our communities. As I sat listening to the most recent Celebration, I reflected on how similar the two of them were. I don't know if they ever even met. They grew up in the same time period and were both sons of immigrants. Dino is the son of Italian immigrants and Duane of Portuguese immigrants. Maybe that's where their drive and ambition arose.

These men were both very strong personalities that served them well in starting and growing a business. If you drive by either of their properties you will notice how well cared for and tended they are. The equipment they provided for their employees to work with is well-maintained and current. These gentlemen had vision and the ability to read people, using their strengths to build a team. As the leaders of their team, they expected the best of all the teammates and encouraged their success along with their own. They both had many long-standing employees and partners. You see, when your employees and their families are well cared for and happy you save money. Your employees are proud to work for a successful business. They both formed partnerships with, and encouraged friends, family and employees in their respective areas.

These men did their homework. Took risks. Diversified. Expanded. These men knew that to be successful you have to support your community. That is a broad term but both of these men gave financial and advisory skills to many local non-profits and humanitarian organizations, oftentimes without recognition.

Who will fill their shoes? Do we have community members who have their presence? Their leadership and compassion? Will those that Duane and Dino have mentored be as successful as they were at creating an environment to work and succeed and be civic minded? Duane Martin and Dino Cortopassi will be missed. I hope there are others that will step up.

Leslie Avansino



NOVEMBER MEETING - NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Next meeting is a **split location meeting**. The first part of the meeting is at 6:00pm on Tuesday, November 8 at the Grange Hall (827 Ripona Ave.) in Ripon. We will be working on the November SWM coming to our county. At 6:30pm, we will move to Mako Farms Barn (22585 S Highland Ave. Ripon) where we will finish the details of the SWM and have our regular meeting. We can use everyone's help, creativity and positive energy. Contact Leslie Avansino (209.609.4789) for more information or if you have any questions. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

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CALLING ALL MEMBERS

AGVENTURE: CAN YOU HELP?

Just a reminder to sign up for this 2022-2023 AgVenture event.

Manteca: Thursday, November 3, 2022

Contact Krista McCoon at 209.402.5734 or sjcagventure@yahoo.com

CHRISTMAS PARTY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH

Please note date and location change from the last newsletter. See **pg. 5** for the full details on the invitation or look for one in your mailbox soon. Help is needed to deliver the donated canned goods on Tuesday morning (contact Kathie at 209.298.9032). There will be a Cookie Bar! Call/text Suzanne (209.573.0360) if you would like to bring cookies for this special night. Seating is limited, so get your reservations in soon to Susie!

NOVEMBER SWM IN RIPON, CALIFORNIA!

Have you heard? The Statewide Meeting (SWM) is November 11-13 in Ripon. Guests will begin arriving to La Quinta on Friday evening where we will have a meet and greet. On Saturday, there is a tour planned after which is the Executive Board Meeting. Then we will have a social, dinner, bunco and desserts. Call Karen Cultrera (209.602.0744) if you would like to provide appetizers and/or desserts for this event. Sunday morning we will have our Statewide Meeting where we will have an early morning continental breakfast and then a breakfast buffet later in the morning. We are hoping to make this a fun and educational time for our guests. Let's get ready for a large group, plan on attending and see how State CWA gets the job done. If you don't know where to help, call Leslie at 209.609.4789 and she will point you in the right direction. See page 4 for all the important details and to register for any or all portions of the SWM.

FESTIVAL OF TREES

Let Leslie Avansino know if you can help decorate at the San Joaquin County Historical Museum. SJ CWA will have a grouping of trees to reflect our county's agricultural industry and bounty. Call Leslie at 209.609.4789.

SENDING SUNSHINE



Emily and William Norman have just welcomed a new baby girl! Baby Faith was welcomed by her two older siblings and grandparents, Edele and Rob Norman.

"In fact, because of their connection to the land, farmers do more to protect and preserve our environment than almost anyone else. They are some of the best environmentalists around."

- Ike Skelton

[Ike Skelton (1931-2013) was the US representative for Missouri's 4th congressional district from 1977 to 2011.]

Send Sunshine to Suzanne Longstreth

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NOVEMBER STATEWIDE MEETING

Schedule of Events

Friday, November 11, 2022

- Check-in to La Quinta in Ripon, CA
- 6:00 - 8:00 PM: Meet & Greet at the hotel

Saturday, November 12, 2022

- 9:30 AM: Tour begins (*carpooling recommended*)
 - \$25.00 per person
 - Travaille and Phippen, Ripon
 - CalChef, Stockton
- Executive Meeting Saturday after tours, a hotel

Saturday Evening Festivities at Mako Barn

- 5:00 - 6:00 PM: Happy Hour
- 6:00 - 6:30 PM: Speaker/Video Presentation
- 6:30 - 7:30 PM: Dinner
 - \$40.00 per person
 - Bunco and Dessert until 9:00 PM

Sunday, November 13, 2022

- 8:00 - 8:30 AM: Coffee and Pastry Bar and Registration at Ripon Grange Hall
- 8:30 - 10:00 AM: Statewide Meeting
 - \$55.00 for in-person registration
 - \$20.00 for Zoom registration
(Information emailed after registration)
- 10:00 AM: Brunch & District Breakouts
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Guest Speakers



Hotel Information:

La Quinta
1524 Colony Rd.
Ripon, CA 95366

Call 209-382-8132 to secure a room rate of \$119 **by OCT 31!**

**** Mention "San Joaquin CWA" ****

**Scan below to register or visit
[bit.ly/3CVUTdR!](https://bit.ly/3CVUTdR)**



For more information, contact Leslie Avansino at lesliedriever@gmail.com or 209-609-4789.

All **Task Force Director** reports are due to Maria Azevedo at margaze@sbcglobal.net by 11/4.

All **District** reports are due to Terry Paoletti at tsquareyp@aol.com by 11/9.

RVSP Appreciated by Wednesday, November 9

***See pg. 3 if you want to help/participate in any way.



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CHRISTMAS PARTY

Officer Installation



WEDNESDAY • NOVEMBER 30, 2022

5:30 PM NO HOST COCKTAILS

6:15 PM FAMILY STYLE DINNER

ANGELINA'S SPAGHETTI HOUSE

1563 E. FREMONT STREET • STOCKTON, CA 95205

Please bring canned goods for our holiday donation to the Food Bank!!

Reservations Due by November 20, 2022

Clip and Return with Payment

Remit to: Susie Calhoun

P.O. Box 311
Lockeford, CA 95237

_____ # of Adults @\$40.00

_____ # of Children 12 & under @\$15.00

Total Payment Due: \$_____

Checks payable to **SJCWA**
or **Venmo** to Susie via
QR Code below.

List attendees: _____

If using Venmo, list attendees
in the "What's it for?" area.

*Space is limited...
Make your reservation today!!*



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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL HALL OF FAME

On Thursday, October 20, 2022 at a dinner at the Robert Cabral Ag Center, six new members were inducted into the San Joaquin County Agricultural Hall of Fame.

The 2022 Hall of Fame Inductees are:

Benjamin "Ben" Beam (Posthumous)

Bruce Fry Mohr-Fry Ranches

Rudy Maggio Oak Ridge Winery

Diana Muller Muller Ranch

Jim Tanaka Tanaka Farms, Inc.

Sam Tanaka Tanaka Farms, Inc.

We especially salute the honorees in bold type! They are members, in-kind donor members or donor members of our San Joaquin Chapter.

The San Joaquin County Ag Hall of Fame honors those who have contributed so much to a great part of our heritage. Our Agricultural Hall of Fame marks the efforts and history of those who have gone before, those who have graced our homes and enriched our hearts and those who in the days past laid the foundation upon which we build for today and tomorrow. The agricultural community is a wonderful example of people working together and continuing a tradition that has been handed down throughout the years from people who had to sacrifice a great deal, both personally and physically, to nurture our land and our community.

(Information and photos from Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce's Facebook page.)



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:
~**BRUCE FRY** (CENTER) WITH **KAY RUHSTALLER**, CHAMBER PRESIDENT AND **TIMM QUINN**, CHAMBER CEO.

~THE HONOREES ALL TOGETHER.

~**KENDALL DELANEY**, **JENNIFER TSUTSUMI**, **TERRY PAOLETTI**, **ERNA MURPHY** AND **LAUREEN DELANEY**

~**RUDY MAGGIO** AND FAMILY.

~CWA MEMBERS **JOYCE** AND **LOUIE LA ROSSA** AND **MARILYN TOGNINALI**.

~**DIANA MULLER** WITH HER SISTER, **JOANN JACOBS**, AND **JIM** AND **YVONNE PELLEGRINI**.

~**SAM TANAKA** AND **JIM TANAKA** WITH THEIR FAMILIES.

~**DIANA MULLER** WITH **ELMER** AND FAMILY.



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