

# NUTTY NEWS



FALL 2018

Pumpkin Patch Hours: Weekdays 9:00am to 5:30pm • Weekends 8:30am to 6:00pm

## Weekdays on the Farm

- Pumpkins, squash, gourds all shapes and sizes
- Hayrides: \$2.50 each
- Straw Maze: \$2.50 each
- Pony Rides: \$8.00 each
- Petting Corral: \$3.00 each (9/29 - 10/31)
- Farm Zoo
- Picnicking
- Farmer's Daughter
- Bates Nut Farm

*All weekday activities are available on weekends too!*

## Weekend Activities on the Farm

- Face Painting
- Kids 'n Paint
- Bounce & Slides
- Rock Climb
- What's Cookin' BBQ
- The Valley Center Optimist Tacos & Quesadillas
- Ice Cream, Snow Cones
- Kettle Corn
- Cookies
- Pizza
- Funnel Cakes
- Food Trucks:
  - Margie's Shuckwagon (Oct. 6, 7, 13, 14)
  - Pomodoro Rosso (Oct. 7, 28)
  - Mangia Mangia (Oct. 13, 21)
  - Haad Sai Thai (Oct. 13, 27)
  - Pierogi (Oct. 6, 20)
  - Two for the Road (Oct. 14, 20)
  - Cousins (Oct. 21)
  - Organic (Oct. 14, 27)
  - Hawaiian Chicken (Oct. 20, 21, 28)

**OCTOBER WEEKEND PARKING**  
**\$5.00 Cash**



## The Pumpkin Patch

September 22nd - October 31st

A Family Tradition

Since 1963 families have journeyed to Bates Nut Farm's Pumpkin Patch to create fall family memories and traditions. Visitors can grab a wheelbarrow and choose bright orange Big Mac pumpkins right from the field. Tractor hayrides, a straw maze, pony rides, petting corral, and the Bates Farm Zoo are offered daily.

## Welcome to the Bates Pumpkin Patch!

\$2.50 tickets can be used toward any activity vendors: hayride, straw maze, bounce, slide, pony rides and petting corral, face painting, rock climb, kids 'n paint, caricatures, frisbee, horse drawn carriage, tattoos and balloons, however, a cash difference may occur from some vendors. Note: Tickets cannot be used for food vendors.

### Family Fun Day Package: \$80

2 Pumpkins (\$15 value)  
30 Tickets (\$75 value)  
Value: \$90 • Save \$10

### Entertainment Package: \$50

22 Tickets (\$55 value)  
Value \$55 • Save \$5

### Bates Pumpkin Package: \$11

1 Pumpkin (\$7.50 value)  
2 Tickets (\$5 value)  
Value: \$12.50 • Save \$1.50

### Activity Package: \$25

11 Tickets  
Value: \$27.50 • Save \$2.50



## Late Friday Nights at the Farm

Fridays ~ October 12th & 19th  
3:00pm to 8:00pm

A great opportunity to avoid weekend crowds! Enjoy extended hours on October 12th and 19th. Bring the kids after school to enjoy live music, great eats, and our fun Pumpkin Patch activities. You can grab dinner at the farm from "What's Cookin'" BBQ, and tacos from the Valley Center Optimist Club. Be sure to bring your camera and flashlight to play flashlight tag in the straw maze.



## Early Days Gas Engine & Tractor Associate Show

Saturday, September 29th & Sunday, September 30th  
9:00am to 4:00pm

Tractor Parade: 11:00am and 2:00pm both days

The Early Days Gas Engine and Antique Tractor Show sets up below the stage area for the weekend exhibiting their antique tractors, trucks, Model Ts, washing machines, toys, tools stationary engines & pumps, rope making, quilts, sewing and more.

## “Celebrating Farm Life” Youth Education Day

Saturday & Sunday, September 29th-30th  
9:00am to 4:00pm

Learn about farming and agriculture! There will be vendor booths with information on animal care, bee keeping, conservation, composting, and other aspects of farm life. Bates Nut Farm will be teaching about nuts and how they grow, the life of a pumpkin, the 97-year-old history of the Bates family and the importance of farming in California. Along with the farm life fun, there will be live entertainment on the Bates Stage, food and tractor hayrides.



## Smartphone Photography Class

Sunday, October 7th  
10:00am - 12:30pm

Monday, October 8th  
10:00am - 12:30pm

Learn to make better photos with your smartphone at this visually inviting location with beautiful picnic grounds, pumpkin patch and darling farm animals.

Photographer Cynthia Siokos Sheffer of Pinkie Pictures will teach you the importance of lighting as you approach the shot; creating a composition for maximum impact; fun and dramatic editing techniques through the use of filters, HDR, and other phone settings. Class level is for “beginning” to “I-have-some-knowledge” users.

Make sure your smartphone is fully charged. Download the FREE Snapseed App to use in class.

Class size is limited to maximum 20 people, minimum 6, to give you the best hands-on help. Grab a friend and sign up before it's sold out! ([www.thumbprintimages.com/classes](http://www.thumbprintimages.com/classes))



## Fire Safety Expo

The Valley Center  
Fire Protection District

Saturday, October 6th  
9:00am to 4:00pm

Come meet the Valley Center firefighters! The Fire Safety Expo will feature safety demonstrations and emergency information from a variety of local firefighters, highway patrol, medical professionals and more.

Check out the vintage fire engines, fire trucks, and take a ride on a fire engine. Learn how you and your family can be better prepared for emergencies and to learn more about your local emergency responders.



## Arts, Crafts & Vintage Market

Saturday & Sunday,  
October 6th & 7th  
9:00am to 5:00pm

The annual “Pumpkin Festival” Arts ‘n Crafts Fair features seventy-five vendors selling their handmade crafts and fine art. Appreciate and shop a variety of jewelry, woodworking, candles, soaps, fine art and more. This beautiful fall weekend will be full of shopping, BBQ, pumpkin picking, tractor hayrides, straw maze, pony rides and live entertainment from 12:00pm to 3:00pm.





## Scarecrow Contest

Saturday, October 13th  
Judging 11:00am to 12:00pm  
Contest Results at 1:00pm

Join us at a wonderful family tradition of participating in our 27th annual Bates Nut Farm Scarecrow Contest. We love keeping the tradition of making scarecrows alive. All entries will have the opportunity to compete for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place prizes. Each entry will receive a free jack-o-lantern pumpkin and a certificate of participation. Winning scarecrows will become property of Bates Nut Farm. The registration forms are available on our website under the events tab ~ [www.BatesNutFarm.biz](http://www.BatesNutFarm.biz). Bring your scarecrow entries Friday, Oct 12th after 1pm or Saturday, Oct. 13th by 10am.

## 13th Annual Costume Contest & Parade

Saturday, October 20th  
Parade & Judging at 11:00am

The Costume Contest is a great day for families and little ones to dress up in their favorite Halloween costume. Every participant will have the opportunity to win prizes in one of the five age groups. (Infants to 2 years old, 3 to 4 years old, 5 to 6 years old, 7 to 11 years old and 12 years old and/or families)



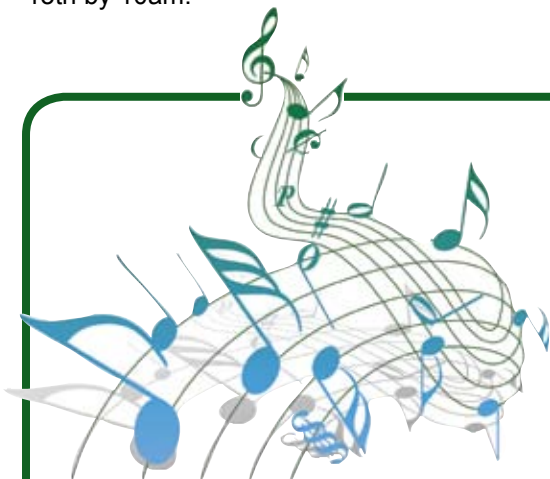
## Howl-O-Ween Doggie Costume Contest & Parade

Sunday, October 21st  
Parade & Judging at 11:00am



If you have never seen a bunch of dogs dressed up in costumes, make sure you attend our Doggie Costume Contest. The top dogs in each of the three categories will receive prizes. Registration forms are available on our website under the events tab ~ [www.BatesNutFarm.biz](http://www.BatesNutFarm.biz).

To participate, bring your completed form with you when you register your dog for the contest. Registration begins at 9:00am with the parade and judging at 11:00am.



### September

- 29 Lightning Train  
12-3pm
- 30 Ash Street Ramblers  
12-3pm

## Bates Live Entertainment

Saturdays & Sundays

### October

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|----|-----------------------------------|----|---------------------------------|
| 6  | Valley Center H.S. Band<br>12-3pm | 19 | Blue Creek Band<br>4:30-7:30pm  |
| 7  | Heidi & The Hurricanes<br>12-3pm  | 20 | Calico Ridge<br>12-4pm          |
| 12 | Bayou Brothers<br>4:30-7:30pm     | 21 | Steal Dawn<br>12-4pm            |
| 13 | Crimson Crow<br>12-4pm            | 26 | Crimson Crow<br>4:30-7:30pm     |
| 14 | Nitro Express<br>12-4pm           | 27 | Not 4 Hire<br>12-3pm            |
|    |                                   | 28 | Heidi & The Hurricane<br>12-3pm |





## **Arts, Crafts & Vintage Market**

**Saturday & Sunday, November 10th & 11th**  
**Friday - Sunday, November 23rd - 25th**  
**9:00am to 4:00pm**

- 75 Artisans selling handmade American crafts and fine art
- Pancake Breakfast 8-10am
- Snow's Pony Rides and Petting Corral
- "Whats Cookin'" BBQ
- Take a free hayride and visit with Santa, November 23 & 24 from 1-3pm
- Live music from 12-3pm each day



## **East County Cruisers Car Show & Toy Drive**

**Saturday, November 10th**  
**9:00am to 2:00pm**

The 14th Annual East County Cruisers Car Show & Toy Drive will be back at Bates Nut Farm this year. Bring your family and friends to the farm and check out the classic cars on display from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Show your random act of kindness by bringing a new unwrapped toy to the farm for the toy drive. Military families will benefit from your bigheartedness.

Visit [www.EastCountyCruisers.com](http://www.EastCountyCruisers.com) for more information.



## **Christmas in the Valley**

**Friday, December 7th**  
**3:00pm to 8:00pm**

**Saturday, December 8th**  
**9:00am to 3:00pm**

A free Christmas event for all ages. We will be hosting the "Christmas Voice" contest. Santa Claus will be arriving on Friday at 6:00pm and on Saturday at 11:30am. There will be free activities including: live music, face painting, Snows Pony Rides and petting zoo, Polar Express Hayride to visit Santa, Jumbo Slide, Gingerbread house making, free crafts from local clubs, character balloons, and local crafters and vendors. Voice Contest application and vendor application are at our website under the events tab ~ [www.BatesNutFarm.biz](http://www.BatesNutFarm.biz).