

# Nutty News

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

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Bates Nut Farm

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## Weekdays on the Farm

- Pumpkins, squash, gourds - all shapes and sizes
- Hayrides
- Straw Maze
- Snows Pony Rides
- Snows Petting Corral
- Bates Farm Zoo
- Picnicking
- Farmer's Daughter Gift Shop
- Bates Nut Farm Store

## Food (Beginning Sept 30th)

- Rice Bowls
- Fruit
- Turkey Legs
- Mariposa Ice Cream



## Weekend Activities

- Face Painting
- Photo Booth
- Bounce & Slides
- Rock Climbing
- Mechanical Bull
- Balloon Art
- Pumpkin Toss
- Kids 'N Paint

## Food (Weekends Beginning Sept. 30th)

### Different Food Vendors Each Weekend

- BBQ
- Rice Bowls
- Fruit
- Stuffed Baked Potatoes
- Corn Dogs
- Kettle Korn
- Lemonade
- Caramel Apples & Funnel Cakes
- Deep Fried Oreos
- Chicken Fingers
- Fries
- Cookies
- Mariposa Ice Cream
- Pumpkin & Apple Pies

# The Pumpkin Patch

September 16th - 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 Pumpkin Patch

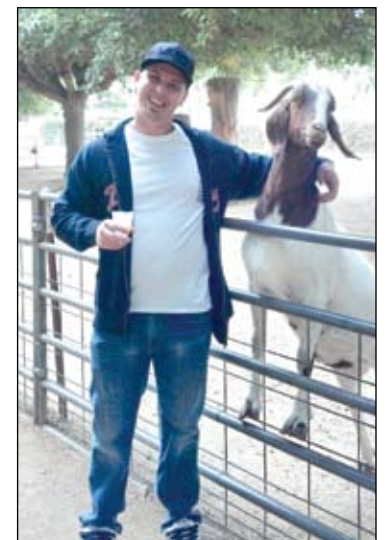
\$2.00 tickets can be used towards any vendor's activity: hayride, straw maze, bounce, slide, face painting, rock climbing, kids 'n paint and spin art. However, a cash difference may occur from some vendors. Note: Tickets cannot be used for food vendors.

## Friday Fall Festival

October 13th, 20th & 27th • Open til 6:30pm

Live Music ~ 3:30 - 6:30pm

- Kids Crafts
- Face Painting
- Rubber Band Guns
- Bounce & Slide
- Hay Rides
- Straw Maze
- Snows Pony Rides & Petting Corral



**WEEKENDS**

**BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 30th  
ENTRANCE FEE \$10.00 PER CAR**



# Early Days Gas Engine & Tractor Association Regional Show

**Saturday & Sunday, September 23rd & 24th - 9:00am to 4:00pm**  
**Tractor Parade 11am & 2pm both days**



This show will be much bigger than in the past, bringing people from different states for their Southwest Regional Show! Experience a step back in time with farms and learn about antique tractors and engines, trucks, Model Ts, washing machines, toys, tools, stationary engines and pumps & more. This organization's mission is to restore, preserve, and exhibit gasoline and oil engines, gas/diesel and steam tractors, power driven farm machinery and any other equipment of historical value.

## Celebrating Farm Life

**Saturday & Sunday,**  
**September 23rd & 24th • 9:00am to 4:00pm**  
**Tractor Parade 11am & 2pm both days**

Come enjoy free presentations from Bates Nut Farm. Several years ago this event was established to educate the public about life on the farm. There will be ongoing presentations of the "Life of a Pumpkin" interactive module and "Harvest Talk & Tour", a history of our 102 year old farm.



- Live Entertainment from 12-3
- BBQ Lunch 11-3
- Pumpkin Patch Open

- Tractor Hayrides
- Picnicking • Farm Zoo
- Straw Maze • Baby Chicks

# Live Entertainment On the Bates Stage

## September

23	Ash Street Ramblers	12-3
24	Alias	12-3
30	Valley Center HS Band	12-3

## October

1	Smokin Guns	12-3
7	Heidi & the Hurricane	12-3
8	Steal Dawn	12-3
13	Love is a Rose	3:30-6:30
14	Heidi & The Hurricane	12-4
15	Bayou Brothers	12-4
20	Ash Street Ramblers	3:30-6:30
21	Alias	12-4
22	I Know Jack	12-4
27	Halo Effect	3:30-6:30
28	To Be Announced	12-4
29	Love is a Rose	12-4

## November

24	Alias	12-3
25	Bayou Brothers	12-3
26	Heidi & The Hurricane	12-3

*Band schedule is subject to change.*

# Pumpkin Festival Craft Fair



**Saturday & Sunday**  
**September 30th - October 1st**  
**9:00am to 5:00pm**

The annual "Pumpkin Festival" Arts 'n Crafts Fair features over 50 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, food, pumpkin picking, tractor hayrides, straw maze, pony rides with live entertainment from 12:00pm to 3:00pm.





## Scarecrow Contest

Saturday, October 7th

Judging 11:00am to 12:00pm

Contest Results at 1:00pm

Join us at a wonderful family tradition of participating in our 29th 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 at [www.BatesNutFarm.biz](http://www.BatesNutFarm.biz). Bring your scarecrow entries Friday, Oct 6th after 1pm or Saturday, Oct. 7th by 10am.

## Howl-O-Ween

### Doggie Costume Contest & Parade

Saturday, 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 begins at 9:00am with the parade and judging at 11:00am.



## 19th Annual Costume Contest & Parade

Sunday, October 22nd

Parade & Judging at 11:00pm

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)



*Christmas on the Farm*  
**Arts, Crafts & Vintage Market**  
 Saturday & Sunday, November 4th & 5th  
 9:00am to 4:30pm

Start your holiday shopping early for American handmade arts and crafts. Up-cycled, recycled, restored, vintage, antique and handmade wares will be offered with a large variety of jewelry, woodworking, candles, soaps, fine art and more.

Family activities include Snows Pony Rides and facepainting. Take a break from shopping to enjoy some great food from various food vendors.

Live music each day from 12pm to 3pm on the Bates Stage.



**East County Cruisers  
 Car Show & Toy Drive**  
 Saturday, November 5th  
 8:30am to 2:00pm

The 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 9am to 2pm. 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

*Santa's Coming!*  
**Arts, Crafts & Vintage Market**  
 Friday - Sunday, November 24th - 26th  
 9:00am to 4:00pm



Free Parking & Admission

Family activities include Snows Pony Rides and facepainting. Take a break from shopping to enjoy great food from various vendors.

**Take a free hayride  
 and visit with Santa!**  
 Friday & Saturday  
 November 24th & 25th  
 from 12-2pm

Bates Nut Farm is the place to be with one of a kind holiday shopping, live music and more. Santa arrives Friday, November 24th and Saturday, November 25th from 12pm to 2pm and spends time with the kids finding out their Christmas wishes and getting those memorable pictures.



*Christmas*  
**in Valley Center**



**Friday, December 8th • 3pm to 8pm**  
 Santa & Hayrides 6pm to 8pm

**Saturday, December 9th • 9am to 3pm**  
 Santa & Hayrides 11am to 3pm



This magical event is for all ages to enjoy! Bring out the whole family to enjoy Santa arriving, a Polar Express ride to visit with Santa, crafts, carols, and holiday fun! FREE crafts and activities for the kids, donated by local clubs, churches and organizations. Finish your Christmas shopping for Arts 'n Crafts at the craft market, open both Friday and Saturday. Come join us!