



CWA Chat

March Statewide CWA Meeting Report

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The March SWM was held in Redding, Ca on March 10th and 11th. Members from throughout California enjoyed tours of Wheelabrator Energy Corporation and the Shasta Dam. We had a great turnout from our Chapter with Colleen Cecil, Joan Webster, Janet Bertagna, Callie Borrer, Andrea Carter, Theresa Schneider, Rose Tryon and Mary Rickert. During the tours we were able to get a closer look at energy production. It was really interesting to learn how much agriculture by-products are being recycled into energy, some even coming from our area. Wheelabrator is owned by Waste Management and produces enough energy for 50,000 homes. The Shasta Dam was amazing! Shasta Dam is a curved gravity concrete dam, a continuous pour concrete

project, and in its day, ranked as one of the great civil engineering feats. The dam mainly serves long-term water storage and flood control in its reservoir, Shasta Lake, and can also generate hydroelectric power. At 602 feet high, it is the ninth-tallest dam in the United States and forms the largest reservoir in California. There was a great turnout for the meeting on Sunday. The main focus was the upcoming Legislative visits in May. This is a very important meeting where we meet in Sacramento with our legislators to update them on the importance of agriculture. Mark Lathrop was our guest speaker. He is the community relations manager for Sierra Pacific Industries. Mark gave us a brief overview of the logging industry and explained some of the

issues they deal with on a regular basis. Very educational, it was a great learning experience! The next SWM is May 7th & 8th in Sacramento, I encourage everyone to attend. Always remember to tell your story; If you eat food and wear clothes you are involved in agriculture! *Theresa Schneider*
NV CWA President



Adopt -A- Legislator Program

Rose Tryon, the director of Adopt-A-Legislator program, reported about the upcoming May 7th and 8th, 2012 statewide meeting in Sacramento. The Adopt-A-Legislator program was designed years ago to help educate urban legislators about agricultural issues. Each CWA chapter adopts a legislator, sends out informational packets and meets with them to discuss the important issues pertaining to agriculture. Current bills are reviewed by CWA participants the night before meeting with the

legislators. Also, the Cornucopia Award is given to a selected legislator for their support on important agricultural issues. Janet Bertagna has offered to continue to help with the program as Rose will be unable to attend this year's meeting. The Adpot-A-Legislator is a very important program for CWA and our chapter is looking for more participants to attend this year's meeting. Rose also included that at first it might seem intimidating to participate but concludes that

the experience will be incredibly informative and educational. New participants will be paired with a seasoned participant in order to become better acquainted with the program. This is a great opportunity to inform our legislators about agricultural issues that matter to us and our future farmers. Our CWA chapter is willing to cover the cost of registration for the statewide meeting. If you are interested please contact Theresa Schneider or Rose Tyron or use the enclosed meeting registration form.

Membership News, Jr. Livestock Program, Sunshine

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new member: **Tia Dimmick**

We're excited to have you join our chapter and bring your time and talents to help us promote agriculture!

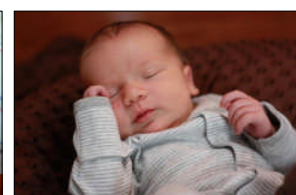
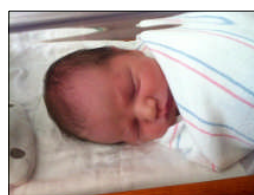
If you have any membership questions, please call Cassi Langerwef at 680-5179

Interviews for the 2012 NVCWA Jr. Livestock Loan program were wrapped up in early February. The Jr. Livestock Loan program brought in 27 applications to help

4-H and FFA kids purchase an animal for this year's fair. Interviews were held on February 6th at the Butte County Farm Bureau and on February 7th at Northern California Farm Credit. A total of 24 kids from ten of different Butte County 4-H and FFA programs were chosen to receive loans. The NVCWA will be loaning a grand total of \$10,419 to these very deserving young people this year!

Member Cassi Langerwerf and her husband , Leigh,

welcomed a new arrival in March, Daniel Frederick Langerwerf, 7 lbs. 15 oz. 20.5 inches .



Member Colleen Cecil and her husband, Jake, also welcomed a new arrival in March: Dalton Joseph Cecil, 9 lbs. 13 oz. 21.25 inches.

Congratulations!!

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Our chapter would like to thank dinner chairperson Angie Carpenter and her committee members for a organizing a fabulous event!



Kathy Bartel & another beautiful cake she made for CWA! Thank you!



Chris Nelson's beautiful lemon meringue waterfall.



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Chapter Meetings

Next Meeting: May 15th 6:30 PM
Chapter Meetings are held at 6:30 PM on the third Tuesday of every month. To receive meeting notices or get a membership application, please contact Cassi Langerwerf at 680-5179 or email at CLangerwerf@gmail.com

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