



The Patrick Ranch

A Museum of the Far West Heritage Association

Autumnfest 2016

Dax and Dustin Kimmelshue planted 3 acres of pumpkins at the Ranch in preparation for Autumnfest. The pumpkins are growing nicely and we anticipate the best Autumnfest ever. Every weekend will be jam packed with fun activities, ranging from Fiber Fusion and sheep dog trials to the Sierra Oro Farm Tour and school field trips.



★ The Future Looks Bright! ★

Have you heard the buzz?

With the help of talented volunteers and generous donors, we are moving forward with the development of a state of the art Bee Museum and Learning Center. This museum will be the first of its kind in the United States, dedicated to teaching the history, habits, habitats, and a love of BEES, the most important insect to our natural environment and agriculture.

We keep chugging along!

To show the evolution of farming practices with historical farm machinery, an active group of farmers, businessmen and antique farm tractor and equipment collectors, known as VINTAGE IRON is in the process of fundraising to build a Vintage Iron Museum at the Patrick Ranch.

Things are heating up...

The forge, fire and anvil are being brought to the forefront for the future Patrick Ranch Museum Blacksmith Shop. The blacksmith was every village's hub for everything from repairing farm machinery to keeping horses shod. Local blacksmithing enthusiasts are working hard to plan for a wonderful interactive display and live demonstration center at the Patrick Ranch Museum

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



January

October 1st - Eighth & Main Antique Show 10-4

October 8th - Fiber Fusion, Stock Dog Show, Sierra Oro Farm Trail 8-4

October 15th - Parent Magazine and Growing Up Chico Day 10-4

October 20th - History Night - Butte County Railways, 6:30



February

November 4th - Break Bread with a Farmer Tri-Tip Dinner 6pm

November 17th - History Night - Preserving the Craft of Blacksmithing 6:30

November 26th - Bunco in the Barn



March

December 2nd - 4th - Holiday Fine Arts and Gift Show

December 10th - Holiday Tea & Fashion Show

December 15th - History Night 6:30



A wonderful display featured at the California State Fair in 1930, was donated to the Ranch by Bob Ramay at BidCal. With the flip of a switch, the chickens move in their nesting boxes, the skunk looks around, and a conveyor belt of "eggs" travels from one side to the other. This is truly a wonderful and whimsical piece of agricultural history and we are grateful to have it at the Ranch. Come take a look the next time you stop by.

The Visitor Center and Gift Shop are open Saturday and Sunday from 11-3

For more information, visit our website at www.PatrickRanchMuseum.org

➔ Wish List

A TV and DVD player are needed in our Visitor's center. We are also looking to upgrade our projector screen and would like to invest in some digital video recording equipment for an upcoming project showcasing the history of the ranch property. All of these items can be found on our **Amazon wish list** under Far West Heritage Association.

➔ The Amazing Honey Bee



Come to the Patrick Ranch Museum Visitor Center to view our newest exhibit on the amazing honey bee. Try your hand at pollinating a blossom, view artifacts

showing the use of honey and bees through the ages, dress up as a beekeeper, and learn about this vitally important insect. This display is educational and enjoyable for the whole family. The visitor center is open Saturdays and Sundays from 11-3. We look forward to your visit!

➔ Gift Shop



The Patrick Ranch Gift shop is open on Saturday and Sunday from 11 - 3. Here you will find a unique selection of local products including olive oils, jams and jellies, honey, lotions and soaps, caramels and chocolates, and so much more.

You will also find a great selection of gifts, handmade by local and talented artists and artisans. In addition, we are highlighting the works of local artist, Jim Halsey. Jim's artwork is reminiscent of days gone by. Cowboys and ranch work comes to life on his pages.



Patrick Ranch Museum is in preparation for a busy 2016 fourth quarter as we move into our annual Autumnfest fundraising event. October is also a busy month for school trips and our fall schedule is full. The weekend of October 8th and 9th will bring the annual Sierra Oro Farm Tour to the Patrick Ranch as well as Fiber Fusion and the annual sheep dog competition, a busy weekend and a great time for families to visit the ranch. For further details on Autumnfest activities and scheduled events please visit our website at www.patrickranchmuseum.org.

On Friday, November 4th we will hold the second annual Break Bread with a Farmer dinner in Pat's barn. A wonderful BBQ tri tip dinner will be served and entertainment will be provided by the popular and very talented fiddliest Matthew Songmaker and the December Bicyclists. For tickets please visit our website.

The Annual Fine Arts Show will be held on Saturday and Sunday, December 3rd and 4th. An opening reception will be held on Friday, December 2nd from 2 pm to 8 pm in Pat's barn. You won't want to miss this great opportunity to pick up some unique holiday gifts for family and friends made by local artists and crafters. The Patrick Ranch Gift Shop will also be open featuring local artists and an excellent selection of gifts for all ages.

Our year will end with the popular Holiday Tea and Fashion Show on Saturday, December 10th. Plan to take a break from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season and join us for an enjoyable afternoon of delightful treats and entertainment. Tickets for this event will be available on our website and in our gift shop.

As 2016 comes to a close all of us at Patrick Ranch Museum would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks for your tremendous support. We are very fortunate to have a supportive community that continues to recognize the contribution we make to the valuable agricultural history of Northern California. We look forward to another year of great events and a few new projects that will bring visitors to our wonderful community.

DID YOU KNOW???

The property that is now known as The Patrick Ranch is a small portion of a 610 acre parcel originally purchased by Mr. William Northgraves. The land was farmed by a sharecropper named Cornelius Morrison Bryant (C.M.). Mr. Bryant lived in a small house on the property along with his wife and four daughters. In 1877, Mr. Bryant asked Mr. Northgraves for permission to build a home on the property. Mr. Northgraves agreed, and in 1877 the Glenwood Farmhouse was completed.

Mission Statement of the Patrick Ranch Museum

The mission of the Patrick Ranch Museum is to preserve and interpret the agricultural history of the Sacramento Valley, including social, cultural, and economic aspects. It provides enrichment for all ages through education about our rural past.

The Far West Heritage Association

The Far West Heritage Association (FWHA) is the official steward of both the Chico Museum and the Patrick Ranch Museum, providing administrative support and fiscal management.