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Ventura County Events:

Spring Home, Garden & RV Show
 March 15-17 12pm to 6pm
 Ventura Fairgrounds

Round-up Country Music Festival
 March 30 1pm
 Hummingbird Nest Ranch
 Simi Valley

4th Annual Beer March
 Camarillo Old Town
 March 10
 1pm to 4pm

LivLife Strong 5K
 Benefiting Juvenile Myositis
 March 23rd 8am
 La Mariposa School
 Camarillo

Ventura County Farmland



Ventura County is known for its beautiful farmland. Here are some interesting facts about our farmland according to The Farm Bureau of Ventura County.

- According to the most recent Census of Agriculture, conducted every five years by the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Ventura County had 2,150 farms in 2012. The agency defines a farm as an operation that produces at least \$1,000 worth of products in a year.
- Ventura County ranked No. 10 among California counties in total crop value in 2014, according to the California Department of Food and Agriculture. The most recent national data put Ventura County at No. 11 among all counties in the United States.
- Strawberries are the most valuable crop in Ventura County. They brought growers \$618 million in gross revenues in 2015.
- Avocados cover the most land, which are grown on about 20,000 acres. Lemons are next, at about 15,000 acres, followed by celery, 12,000 acres, and strawberries, 11,000 acres. Together, those four crops account for more than half the total harvested acreage in the county.
- Depending on where they are located, most growers in the county rely on groundwater, particularly on the Oxnard Plain. Others purchase it from agencies that deliver water imported from Northern California by the State Water Project, or from agencies that collect surface water in local reservoirs. Local groundwater and surface water are by far the most important sources for local farmers.
- Overall there are fewer farms today. There were 2,760 farms in the county in 1998. The number did increase between 2002 and 2007, but it dropped again between 2007 and 2012.

For Lease

Camarillo

523 Pioneer St
 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath
 1904 sq. ft.
 \$3150

Camarillo

653 Silver Sage Ct
 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath
 2107 sq. ft.
 \$3400

For Sale

Camarillo

Leisure Village
 22209 Village 22
 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath
 2178 sq. ft.
 \$629,000

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Sell your home for
4%

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Ventura County Farmland (Cont.)

- The farms are very important to the county. In addition to generating direct on-farm employment and revenue, agricultural production supports a wide range of other businesses, including packinghouses, equipment dealers, chemical applicators, pest-control firms, labor contractors, fertilizer and other supply dealers, trucking firms, fuel distributors, and repair and manufacturing facilities. Altogether, farming and farm- dependent businesses provide an estimated 43,000 jobs in Ventura County, more than any other sector of the economy except services. Agriculture and agriculture-related businesses account for about 4.4 percent of overall economic activity in Ventura County, generating \$2.2 billion in revenue and \$76 million in indirect business taxes annually. One in 10 county residents rely to some degree on income derived from farming.

- Although local farms and ranches produce more than 100 types of fruit, nut, vegetable and grain crops, the county's climate makes it particularly suited to such specialty crops as citrus, berries and fresh vegetables. Some of these are produced in astonishing abundance. Ventura County produces enough strawberries each year, for example, to satisfy the annual consumption of 78 million Americans. In an average year, it would take 87 million Americans to consume the county's lemon crop, 135 million to consume its celery production, and 45 million to eat all its avocados.

DON'T FORGET..... SPRING FORWARD!

March 10, 2019 - Daylight Saving Time Starts

When local standard time is about to reach Sunday, March 10, 2019, 2:00:00 am clocks are turned forward 1 hour to Sunday, March 10, 2019, 3:00:00 am local daylight time instead.

March Quote:

"To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone"

- Reba McEntire -

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