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**ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR LIVESTOCK COUNCIL PRESENTS
8th ANNUAL "BARN BASH" BBQ & AUCTION FUNDRAISER**

LANCASTER, CA – The Antelope Valley Fair’s Livestock Council will host its 8th annual Barn Bash Barbeque and Auction on Saturday, June 17, 2017. The purpose of this event is to raise funds for improvements to the AV Fair livestock barns as well as to fund scholarships for Antelope Valley Fair junior livestock exhibitors who are graduating in 2017 and are seeking financial aid for college. Over the years, the money raised from the Barn Bash has contributed to numerous improvements that include new poultry cages, repair and powder coat swine pens, storage bins, evaporative coolers in the swine barn, auction stand and arena, a more secure area to house the beef, and new fans in the beef/sheep/goat barn. This year the goal is to raise enough funds to improve the cooling system in the swine barn, add additional wash racks in the swine barn, and fund scholarships.

The Barn Bash is a fun, social gathering/fundraising event that includes a dinner of pulled pork sandwiches, chicken, beans, salad and soft drinks. This year’s event takes place on Saturday, June 17th at the H.W. Hunter Pavilion at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, games and music begin at 5:00pm. The BBQ Dinner will begin at 6:00p.m., followed by a Silent and Live Auction that will be held at 7:00pm.

The BBQ Dinner/Auction tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds Exhibit Entry office, 9am-5pm. The Exhibit Entry office is located inside the fairgrounds (2551 W. Ave., H., Lancaster, CA 93536) directly behind the R. Rex Parris Show Arena clock tower (Enter Gate 3 - NOT Main Gate 1 - off of West Ave. H. in Lancaster). Entry office ph. (661) 948-6060, ext. 123. Tickets are also available at the A.V. Fairgrounds' Admin. office (North end of the Turf Club at 2551 W. Ave., H., Ste. 102, Lancaster, CA 93536). Fairgrounds' Admin. office hours: M-F, 8am to 5pm, Ph. (661) 948-6060, ext. 0. Tickets can also be purchased at the door the night of the event for \$12.

The community is invited to participate and is encouraged to become a sponsor. Three levels of Sponsorship packages are available: \$1,000+ Prime, \$700 Choice, and \$500 Select. In addition to being listed on a large, Barn Bash-created, canvas banner that will be displayed at the Barn Bash and in the R. Rex Parris Show Arena during the Fair (8/18 to 8/27/2017), Sponsors will receive various denominations of Barn Bash BBQ & Auction tickets, Fair 2017 admission, and tickets for the Demo Derby event on Sun., August 27th at the Fairgrounds. Other sponsorship opportunities include the donation of items for the Live Auction (valued at \$75 or more) and Silent Auction (valued at less than \$75).

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Table sponsorships (10 seats), are available for \$200 each table, as are Table Centerpiece Sponsorships (business card featured as part of a table centerpiece) for \$25. To date, Barn Bash sponsors include: Antelope Valley Animal Hospital, Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, Hunter Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram & Hunter Alfa Romeo FIAT, Lamar Advertising, and Kyle and Kyle Ranches.-

Sponsorship, Table, Auction Catalogue or Centerpiece business card fees should be made payable to the “Friends of the A.V. Fair, Inc.” and sent to:

A.V. Fair
2551 W. Ave. H., Ste. 102
Lancaster, CA 93536
ATTN: Vicki Means

For additional information, please contact Ms. Vicki Means at 661-943-9417 or Shirley Byrne at 661-714-0798.

Tax deductible donations should be made payable to: *Friends of the Antelope Valley Fair, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) organization. Consult your tax advisor for the deductibility of your sponsorship or donation of items. Tax Id # 95-4742681*

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August 18 – August 27, 2017
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