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In its second year, the Ag Technology Fair sponsored by the Imperial Chamber of Commerce was another success.

That's according to Clint Johnson, chairman of the Chamber's ag committee, who said more than 150 people attended last Thursday's event at the new St. Patrick Church parish hall on Broadway.

Sixteen booths of information greeted ag producers from the area, who were able to browse around the booths set up throughout the main fellowship area and its adjoining meeting room.

They also enjoyed a free noon meal provided by the Chamber.

Johnson said the purpose of the Chamber's Ag Technology Fair is two-fold.

"The focus is to give them the opportunity to interact with the (participating) businesses to share new technology," he said.

"But, it's also a way to say thanks to them for their support of our businesses," he said.

Johnson said the new site for the fair worked very well.



The newly-finished parish hall provided a lot more electrical hookups for the booth displays, the acoustics were good and the lighting provided a "more homey" atmosphere, he said.

The kitchen also made serving the noon meal more convenient.

Johnson said the Chamber's ag committee will be meeting soon to review last week's event, and discuss ways to make it even better next year.

Businesses participating with booth displays included Lindskov Ag, Great Plains Communications, Valley Pro, Ag Business Specialists, Mid-Plains Community College, Pioneer Hybrid Seeds, AACE Wash Systems, Curly Olney's, RCIS (Rural Crop Insurance Services), 21st Century Equipment LLC, Chase 3000, Prairie States Communications, Lamar Fertilizer, the USDA Service Center and Frenchman Valley Coop.

