

LOMA VISTA FARMS HARVESTS FAMILY TIME

Yearly fall event includes apple cider, train rides, puppet shows and a ton of kids



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Kay Spark, 3, dressed as a triceratops tosses an apple into a crusher as he helps make apple cider with his mom Joelle, dressed as peanut butter toast, during the Loma Vista Farm Harvest Festival on Saturday in Vallejo.

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Per usual, Loma Vista Farms in Vallejo was full of animals, apple cider, train rides and puppet shows on Saturday. However, when Loma Vista Farms Events Chair Jennifer Shinar was asked what her

favorite part about the farm's annual Harvest Festival was, she didn't hesitate.

"Oh, the kids. No doubt. Seeing their faces light up when they see everything here," Shinar said. "That's what keeps me coming back year after year. I especially like seeing them with the old-school cider

house. I love watching the kids crank it up and then crush it and then taste it. We do it every year and I love watching the kids' reaction to it."

The event also featured wool spinning, plenty of pumpkins and a bean bag toss. The wool from the spinning comes from the sheep and the alpacas at

the farm.

"It really gives the kids an opportunity to see what everything comes from," Shinar said. "It's not just the grocery store."

"What I like is that you see families spending time together," Executive Board mem-