



UPCOMING EVENTS

CCA/CCW Mid-Year Meeting, Reno: June 24-25, 2026
Register by June 17th ... [click here](#)

AES Fall Meeting: TBA

Saturday, October 17, 2026: AES Cattlemen's Dinner/Auction
@ Amador County Fairgrounds

AESCW Drive-Thru Dinner: Friday, November 20, 2026

Hello ladies,

This time of year marks both an ending and a beginning for so many things. Cattle are heading to greener pastures, and our children and grandchildren are moving on to a new grade or an exciting new chapter in their lives.

In this issue, we are proud to showcase our 2026 scholarship recipients, along with highlights of recent activities involving our members. We are also excited to introduce a new feature, lovingly titled **"The Next Generation."** This section will spotlight young individuals—of any age—who represent the next generation of the AES Cattlewomen families.

I will be representing our unit at the CCW Mid-Year meeting scheduled for June 24-25. Please email or text anything you would like shared or have a question about.

Looking forward to the Amador County Fair next month. We always welcome help and support for our AES Cattlewomen's Fair booth, "More Cowbell!"

Please reach out to Tosh at 1-209-418-9949 or me.

[Katherine](#)





Ellie Mae is learning how to pregnancy check and ear tag. She is learning essential routine herd management practices used to track reproductive health and ensure proper livestock identification. Ellie is applying a durable identification tag to the middle third of the ear between the cartilage ribs to log the cow's reproductive history for future herd records.



**AES Cattlewomen presented
“THERE’S A COW IN MY
MARSHMALLOW!”
at the El Dorado Farm Day
on May 5th**

**We impressed 90 third-graders,
their teachers, and parents with all
of the by-products that come from
BEEF!!**



**Taylor Tollett & Kris Middelstadt are receiving
their AES Cattlewomen’s Scholarship
for \$1,000 each!!**

**Presenters are Kalli Collins & Tosh Tomantini,
AESCW Scholarship Committee Members**



Our AES CattleWomen — Katherine, Rielle, and Jennifer — joined CattleWomen from across the United States for three unforgettable days on the Big Island of Hawaii at the ANCW Region VI Meeting & WIRED Event.

Every part of the trip felt like a learning experience: the speakers were incredible, and the ranch tours gave us a firsthand look at the challenges and innovations unique to ranching in Hawaii.

The women who ranch there are doing remarkable work, from raising beef to growing cacao, all while operating with different resources than we're used to on the mainland. Seeing their resilience, creativity, and stewardship up close was truly inspiring. It was an honor to learn from them and to bring those insights home to our own communities.

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Click here to see all of the beautiful photos.



2026 AES Cattlewomen Scholarship Recipients

The AES Cattlewomen are proud to announce the recipients of our 2026 scholarship program.

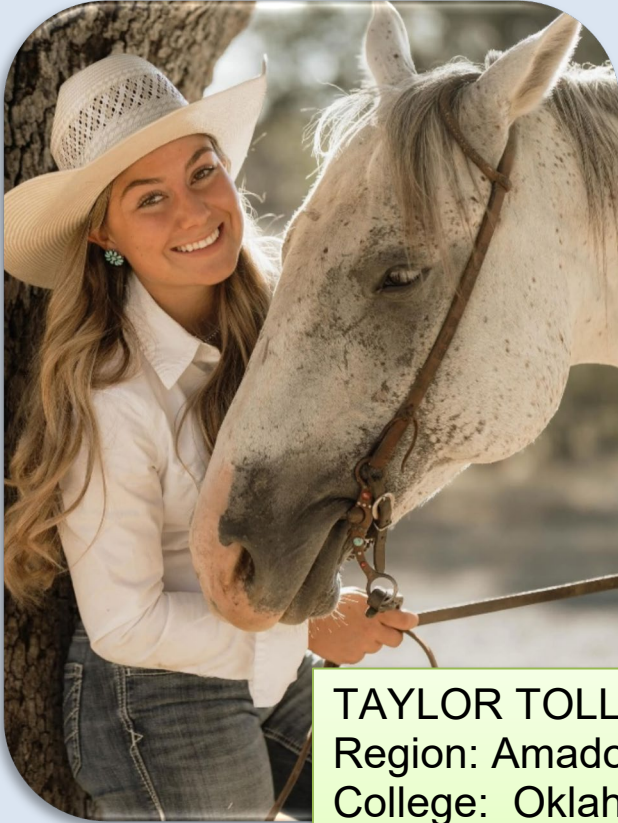
Each year, our organization is honored to support students from Amador, El Dorado, and Sacramento counties who are pursuing higher education and demonstrating a passion for agriculture, leadership, and the future of the beef industry.



TAYLOR BACCHI:
Region: El Dorado County
College: Oklahoma State
Major: Animal Science Business
Awarded: \$2,000



TEAGAN WUNSCHER:
Region: Amador County
College: CSU Chico
Major: Animal Science &
Ag Business
Awarded: \$2,000



TAYLOR TOLLETT:
Region: Amador County
College: Oklahoma State
Major: Agriculture Business &
Agriculture Communications
Awarded: \$1,000

These outstanding students exemplify the values of hard work, community involvement, and dedication to agriculture that AES Cattlewomen strives to encourage through our scholarship program.

We would also like to extend a sincere thank you to our AES Scholarship Committee for their time, effort, and commitment throughout the application and selection process. Their dedication helps ensure continued support for the next generation of agricultural leaders.

Inquiries regarding the AES Cattlewomen Scholarship Program may now be directed to our dedicated scholarship email:

aescw49.scholarships@gmail.com

Congratulations again to our recipients, and thank you to all of our members and supporters who help make these scholarship opportunities possible year after year. *Submitted by Kalli Collins, AES Cattlewomen's Scholarship Co-Chair*



KRIS MIDDELSTADT:
Region: Amador County
College: University of Wyoming
Major: Ranch Management
Awarded: \$1,000

UC DAVIS YOUNG CATTLEMEN BENEFIT DINNER



At the benefit dinner, we were seated with the UC Davis veterinarian who oversees the beef projects and his family.

We were also warmly greeted by our very own AES member, Madison Kindberg, who serves as a graduate advisor and were introduced to several of the other graduate advisors.

The program included recognition of the graduating seniors and their many contributions to the organization, along with introductions of the 2026–2027 officers. The entire event was organized and executed by the student committee, and we were truly impressed by the level of communication, organization, and attention to detail demonstrated throughout the evening.

Pictured here:

Rielle Waters Santinelli, Madison Kindberg & Katherine Kussman-Collins.
AESCW was a sponsor.

