

**AMADOR – ELDORADO – SACRAMENTO
CATTLEWOMEN
2019 ROUND UP REPORT**

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Cattlemoman of the Year ~ Mary Robertson

Membership: 66

Associate Membership: 5

Student/Youth Membership: 8

As this year comes to a close, we are excited and proud that we are in a three-way tie with Santa Clara and Tulare for the second oldest chapters in the state of California, with all three of us Celebrating 70 Years!!

Annual Scholarship Dinner: For the first time the AES Cattlewomen and AES Cattlemen joined forces and combined both of our efforts to create one big “Fall Gather Dinner”, with an evening of comradery, honoring outstanding members, live and silent auctions as well as just having a great time.

Ag Day at the Capitol: We had a great time serving 120 Tri Tip Roasts=360 lbs. sliced up into sliders. We worked in conjunction with the Buckhorn Grill. We were definitely the busiest most popular booth with the longest line. We had four ladies from our chapter in attendance: Malorie Walker, Jill Curran, Rielle Waters Santinelli and Nancy Hawkins, as well as our former BEEF Ambassador Taylor Hutchison.



Round Up in the Sky: We were very saddened to hear of the passing of two of our cattlemomen this year Beverly Solis (Associate Member) and Past AESCW President and Cattlemoman of the Year, Libby Littlefield.

- Beverly Solis was an associate member of AESCW for years and rarely missed one of our general meetings. Bev was an active member of Placer/Nevada Cattlewomen and will be greatly missed.

- Libby Littlefield, a local rancher and longtime Amador County resident. Born and raised in Long Beach California, she graduated from UC Santa Barbara in 1951 with a teaching credential. In the fall of 1953, after completing her student teaching at Modesto High School, Libby moved to Amador County with a pick-up truck, horse trailer, her horse and a dog. She began teaching at Amador High School. Libby was a longtime, active member of the Cattleman's Association and the Amador-Eldorado-Sacramento Cowbells, serving as President of the AES Cowbells, and was honored as the Cattlewoman of the Year. She was also active in a variety of civil organizations including being a past master of the Grange and past president of the Willow Springs Community Club. An avid horsewoman from youth, Libby was a member of an all-female precision riding group known as the Rough Riders. She showed cattle and was a member of the Amador County Fair Board for 10 years. Despite trading her teaching career for ranching, Libby retained an interest in both education and the youth of Amador County. Libby served on the local school board for 18 years; was a member of various committees on juvenile justice; was an honorary Sutter Creek FFA member, a 4-H leader and a sponsor of youth competitions at the Fair.

Scholarship Recipients: In 2019 we awarded \$6000.00 in Scholarships to five students this year from our three counties.



Mackenzie Woods is a Senior at Fresno State, Majoring in Animal Science. She graduated from Pleasant Grove Highschool.



Gracen Santinelli is a Sophomore at Shasta College. She is majoring in Ag Business/Ag Science. She graduated from Amador Highschool.



Jarrett Darrah graduated from Union Mine Highschool. He plans on attending either Oklahoma State, Kansas State or Texas A& M.



Elizabeth Veither graduated from Elk Grove High School. She is plans to attend either Modesto JC or Connors State College in Oklahoma.



Madison Ebberts is a Sophomore at Cal Poly SLO. She is majoring in Ag Communications. She graduated from Pleasant Grove Highschool.

SuperSteer/TopHand Award: This year we offered two new award opportunities to our three County Fairs' Youth BEEF Exhibitors. They were designed to create exposure for the AESCW organization and to benefit the youth in the Amador, Eldorado and Sacramento Counties.

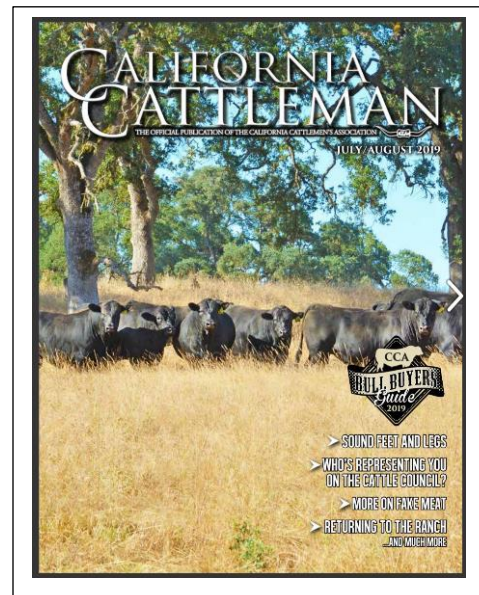
- A. SuperSteer Award is designed to seek the fed steer that best combines live placing, carcass and rate gain attributes. Contest to be weighted as follows: Live Judging Placement 45%, Carcass 45%, Rate of Gain 10%. Because the youth that exhibit in Sacramento County do not have a Fair Pre-Weigh In requirement to assess Rate of Gain, this competition is only available in Amador and Eldorado Counties only at this time.
- B. TopHand Award is designed specific to Sacramento County Fair. AESCW will look for a Junior Beef Exhibitor who stands out in her/his exhibition and that exemplifies the beef project or production at the Sacramento County Fair. This competition is only available in Sacramento County only at this time.

Amador County Fair: This year the Fair allowed us to move our clubs BEEF promotion shed over by their new BEEF pavilion, where we have been told it will have a permanent home on the grounds. During fair it was open to the public for anyone to step in and check out. We also had a Feature Exhibit booth set up in their main exhibit building where everyone walks through. During fair both areas were open to the public during fair hours for anyone to step in and check out. We had them chock full of all the pamphlets that the beef council could provide. We kept the both packed with educational pamphlets, recipes, stickers, bumper stickers and coloring books promoting everything BEEF. We were fortunate enough to be set up at both ends of the fairgrounds. In years past we have had some of these options available to us, but this year was new because we were of the dedication of the new BEEF Pavilion, and the fact that they have now a permanent home for our shed, with higher exposure to the fairgoers than in years past.



California Cattleman's Magazine:

Our chapter President, Jill Curran and her husband Tim had a photo from their ranch, The Circle Ranch, Ione, CA featured on the cover of the July/August California Cattleman's Association Magazine!



Amador County Farm Day: This year we had two great ladies, Pam Benson and Pam Howard present at the Annual Amador County our Farm Day educational booth this year promoting “Wow That Cow” for 325 third graders. In seven different sessions they presented information on BEEF byproducts and raising cattle with a focus on Branding. The children were provided a blank bookmark and colored pens where they were encouraged to design their own brand on the bookmarks to take home. They also got to spend some up time up close and personal to one of our members young Hereford show heifers that was on display for the kids to see.



Farm to Fork: This year one of our members, Nancy Hawkins, volunteered to be the chairman for the Annual Farm to Fork event at the Capitol Mall. With this endeavor came a sense of the unknown, she jumped in and we jumped in after her. We came up with the idea to put Halloween size gummy bears packets in the bags for attendees to take while asking them, “Why we would we put something like that at a BEEF promotion table?” We were pleased at the twist this question created. The CCW President Callie Borrer also brought 100 lbs. of BEEF sticks, these were a great hit as well. We are look forward to this event next year!

