## AMADOR – ELDORADO – SACRAMENTO CATTLEWOMEN 2020 ROUND UP REPORT

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## Cattlewoman of the Year ~ Rielle Waters Santinelli

Membership: 80 Associate Membership: 4 Student/Youth Membership: 7

As this year comes to a close, we are hopeful that the future will hold many blessings.

AES Beef Ambassadors: Senior Ambassador – Lea Thomas

Junior Ambassador – Rachel Lyman









Pictured Left to Right: (AESCW President) Jill Curran with luncheon speaker Morgan Lyman; Rachel Lyman Jr & Lea Thomas Sr. Ambassador; hats, mugs, brand blanket and Wild Rag.

General Membership Meetings: This year we were able to hold 2 general membership meetings. One in November at the Castle Oaks Golf Club. We were excited to feature some of our new club items for sale along with some tried and true brand blankets, that are always a constant seller. We added Hats, Mugs and a custom Wild Rag to the list. The second meeting was in February, where we were excited to introduce our 2019-2020 Beef Ambassadors. (See photos above)

**Annual Scholarship Dinner:** The AES Cattlewomen and AES Cattlemen joined forces and combined both of our efforts at the annual "Fall Gather Dinner", with an evening of comradery, honoring outstanding members, our Cattlewoman of the Year, live and silent auctions, and two new awards created for our youth involved in 4-H & FFA Beef projects (See SuperSteer/TopHand Below).









Pictured: Mary Robertson (2019 AES Cattlewoman of the Year) and Jill Curran (AESCW Unit President). Also pictured are some of the silent auction items and some AES Swag that was for sale.

**Round Up in the Sky:** We were very saddened to hear of the passing of our 1974 AESCW Cattlewoman of the Year and Past Unit President, Constance (Connie) Mason. Connie was married (until his passing) to Dr. Roy Mason DVM. They had three children, John, Fritz & Jennifer, many

grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. In 1969 she helped her husband establish his veterinary practice in Plymouth, California. She was the Willow Springs 4-H Community Club leader as well as the project leader for Beef, Horse, Sewing, Cooking and Rocketry. She took many of her 4-H kids to 4-H Camp creating an abundance of memories. She was also very brave taking repeat truckloads of kids and animals to the Cow Palace, where many legendary stories are still shared and compared as they grow in exaggeration and remembered "facts". Connie was very involved in the Amador County Fair and in the Junior Livestock Auction Committee. She was a director for the Amador County Fair Board from 2002-2007. She influenced many kids that are now following in her footsteps as leaders in our community, especially in the youth organizations. She is greatly missed.



**Scholarship Recipients:** In 2020 we awarded \$6000.00 in Scholarships to four students this year from our three counties.



Elizabeth Veither graduated from Elk Grove High School. She attends Connors State College in Oklahoma, pursuing an Animal Science Major.



Hailey Richardson graduated from Ponderosa High School. She plans on attending Fresno State University, pursuing a Vet Science Major.



Regina Schneider graduated from Argonaut High School. She plans on attending Fresno State University, pursuing an Ag Business Major.



Jacob Warren graduated from Liberty Ranch High School He plans on attending Oklahoma State University, pursuing an Ag Business/Animal Husbandry Major

**SuperSteer/TopHand Award:** Last 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.



Congratulations!! Calista Schreck (middle) from Union Mine FFA, winner of the ElDorado County SuperSteer Award and Hunter Lynch (right) from Ione Community 4-H, winner of the Amador County SuperSteer Award. Also, to ElizabethVietheer (unable to attend, but Dad accepted on her behalf) from Elk Grove FFA, winner of the TopHand Award for Sacramento County.