



# SISKIYOU COUNTY CATTLEWOMEN

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## Message From Your President

Hello Cattle Women,

As the new president I want to express how much I appreciate all of you. For us farmers and ranchers this time of year is even more busy. But oh so pretty. So I just want to start by saying thank you to all of you for keeping our dream alive and continuing with our mission of promoting beef. By being a member of CattleWomen you are doing just that.

Spring is springing (and I feel way too soon it started), water is going in my field and the days even though they are longer my time seems shorter! Just as I know you all feel the same.

I feel very blessed to get to live in our gorgeous county. To be able to live on a farm-ranch. I love to watch the newborn calves jumping around, the hummingbirds flitting about, laundry hanging on the line, and all of God's creations blooming.

At this time of year I reflect on years past, lack of rain and moisture, and always I pray for rain for us all, and abundant crops to feed your livestock. May the spring bring you happiness, water to grow your crops, and the stamina to get your jobs done.

I hope you all come to our May 30th meeting. We will have a vet from Redding showing us beef cuts and what to do with them, especially the tough cuts, plus recipes and more. And I hope to see you at our September meeting! It will be our 60th year



celebration. More to come on that. But it will be glitzy!

I just want to meet you all!!! I will say again, I am very thankful for all of you and your membership. With each member we achieve more votes at the state level. So that our county is heard. If any of you want to do more Please call my cell or email me a note. I would love to have fresh blood along with our regular workers! We are a team everyone is welcome!

Hope to see you at all or one of our meetings! I am anxious to meet all of you I don't know yet, and visit with all of you I do.

May the good Lord smile on you this year and bring you all that you need to continue in your ventures.

Your president,  
Sharon Erickson 530-598-6741

## Mark Your Calendar

**May 15-16th:** ANCW  
Region V Meeting, Klamath  
Falls, OR

**May 21st:** Ag Awareness Day,  
Siskiyou Fairgrounds, Yreka

**May 30th:** SCCW Spring  
Member Meeting, Etna

**June 11-12th:** CCW Mid-  
year Meeting, Sacramento

**Aug 12-16th:** Siskiyou Fair  
SCCW Sandwich Booth,  
Yreka

**Aug 22nd:** Annual Cattle  
Tour & Carcass Contest,  
Belcampo Farms, Gazelle

**Sept 19th:** SCCW 60th  
Anniversary Member  
Meeting, Montague

**Oct 24th:** SCCA/SCCW  
Annual Fall Dinner, Yreka

**Nov 19-21st:** CCA/CCW  
Annual Convention, Reno,  
NV



**SPRING GENERAL MEMBER MEETING - MAY 30, 2015 - SALAD & DESSERT POTLUCK**

The Spring General Member meeting will be held at Michele Murphy's home at 125 Horn Lane in Etna on May 30th, starting at 11:00am.

It will be a Salad & Dessert potluck so please bring your favorite recipe dish to share as follows: (*drinks & table settings provided*)

Last names **A-J = Salad**

Last names **K-Z = Dessert**

**Special guest speakers** will be veterinarian Dr. Steve Gallego & his associate Buck Rogers from Redding with a refreshing discussion about today's meat cuts, important food safety issues, and the current uses of different cuts of meat - lots of interesting information will be shared!

We plan to have our two Siskiyou Co. Beef Ambassadors at the meeting if their schedules allow. Big Congratulations to Angelee Dowling who won the CA State Jr Beef Ambassador contest; and to Hayley Kaae as the first runner-up in the Sr Division - Great Job Ladies - you have made Siskiyou County very proud!!

Other business will include updates on all SCCW's current activities and upcoming events, as well as enjoying a time to visit with our fellow CattleWomen members.

**MYSTERY GIFTS FUN!!**  
 20 lucky attendees at the May 30th meeting will receive a fun Mystery Gift - Hope to see you all at the meeting!!

Driving Directions:

From Fort Jones  
 \*\*(about 14 miles)  
 Stay on Hwy 3 South to Etna, turn left at Dotty's (continues on Hwy 3), turn left onto Horn Lane (about 1.3 miles from Dotty's), left again onto Eastside Rd., 1st house on your left: two-story log house.

OR

\*\*(about 12 miles)  
 Turn left onto Eastside Rd. at Chevron station, follow Eastside Road for about 12 miles, if you reach Horn Lane you have gone too far, house is on your right: two-story log house.

Michele's phone: 530-598-9253

**SCCW ACTIVITIES UPDATE:**

**Cherry Orchard Project**

SCCW has agreed to help with an inspiring new project being spearheaded by Kate Jopson and Camille Schenkkan, who both grew up in Scott Valley. They, along with a nationally renowned playwright from S. Oregon, are adapting the classic Russian play, *The Cherry Orchard* by Anton Chekhov, to reflect Siskiyou County's efforts to remain a vital agricultural community and perform the play both locally and in Los

Angeles to help generate a better understanding about rural life throughout the State.

SCCW plans to assist the artists by connecting them to local ranchers whom they can interview and gain a more detailed knowledge of farming and ranching to deepen the artists' understanding of our way of life. After a draft of the play has been written, they have asked SCCW to help host one of the readings of the play and

invite people from across the county to listen to the play and give feedback.

After the local reading stage they plan to do live performances of the play in Siskiyou County with both professional and local actors, and then take the show to the Circle X theater in Los Angeles for final release.

This is a great opportunity to have the true voice of agriculture heard and we are excited to see this project develop.



**Powder River Panel - CCW Scholarship Fund Raiser Raffle**

The California CattleWomen are holding their annual raffle again and each unit in the state has tickets to sell for a chance to win fifteen 12" fencing panels - drawing will be held at the annual CCA/CCW Convention 11/21/15 and need not be present to win. SCCW will have tickets available at the general meeting. \$5/ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.

**Gordon Lau - Beef Checkoff Pilot Project**

SCCW members Lynda Beverlin & Melanie Fowle (also current President American National CattleWomen) braved the city once again on 5/7/15 to help initiate a new pilot project funded by the Beef Checkoff and the Farm Bureau Foundation to help bring Ag in the Classroom teachings to an increasing number of urban schools to tell the true story of agriculture to these young minds that have no first-hand knowledge of where their food comes from. *They reached 220 kids & 12 teachers with their presentations that day!!*

While SCCW has had a unique ongoing relationship with the Gordon Lau school in Chinatown (located downtown San Francisco) with Ag in the Classroom, this pilot project is an opportunity to expand the effort to reach more of the urban population children, ages K-5th grade, and provide a funding source to help CattleWomen units across the entire country perform this important educational service.

The main emphasis of the presentation made included that ranchers make sure cattle are treated well, are healthy and eat a good diet with a variety of food sources. If the animals get sick the ranchers take care of them or call the vet. The

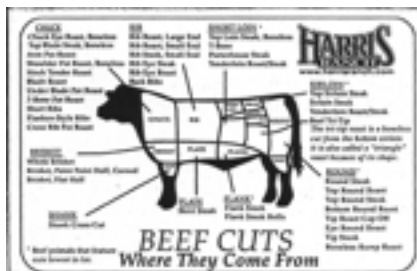
students practiced giving vaccinations with an orange and stir straws and identified alfalfa hay, grass hay, rolled corn, molasses, salt & minerals.

Melanie also showed pictures of their cattle on the ranch with the river & pond and her in the background, and asked 2 questions: “what do you see in this picture, and why does it matter?” to help explain land stewardship & benefits cattle provide.



*Great job Lynda & Melanie!*

**SCCW well represented during Spring CCW meeting at Harris Ranch**



There were eight local members attending the two-day event in mid-March, which began with a full day of talented and informative speakers that presented to a joint session of over 170 members of both the California CattleWomen (CCW) and the California Women For Agriculture (CWA) group. It was a productive collaboration as we

are all in the business of agriculture, no matter what crop or livestock products we are producing. It is always interesting to meet other producers from around the state to share new ideas and discuss issues that are common among the industry as a whole. Attendees also had the option to tour the Harris Ranch feedlot operation as the day concluded.

The second day each group held their respective Board of Directors meetings to conduct business and provide specific updates for their organizations. The CCW meeting highlights included many different activity reports from around the state and information on new beef promotion and education opportunities that are continually being developed. In

addition, Siskiyou County’s own Melanie Fowle from Etna, CA is the current president of the American National CattleWomen, and she provided an exciting update on all the new happenings at the national organization level.

One of the topics covered in multiple ways throughout the event was the importance of “our own voices” in telling our true agricultural story - and like it or not how social media options are one of the best ways to do that in this day and age - even if just posting pictures of our everyday ‘life on the ranch’ type things to help others understand what we do and why we care about our animals and land.



**CHECK OUT THE NEW SCCW WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE**

SCCW is back online and webmaster Heidi Carver has done a great job of updating the website and FB page - check them out for all the latest organization news, forms, and events!! See the link names on Page 1 of this newsletter and get connected to stay informed.

**TIME TO VOTE!!**

Please help us select the following 2015 award recipients for Siskiyou CattleWomen by returning the nomination forms by July 15, 2015.

**CattleWoman of the Year**

**Top Hand Award**

**Pioneer Beef Woman**

The nomination forms and description of each award are included with this newsletter and are also available to download on the SCCW website at [siskiyoucattlewomen.com](http://siskiyoucattlewomen.com). Return each form to the name & address shown on the form please. This is every member's opportunity to elect and support those deserving candidates in our organization!

The Top Hand & Pioneer Beef Woman awards will be presented at the Fall General Member meeting on Sept 19th. The CattleWoman of the Year award will be a surprise presentation at the annual SCCA/SCCW fall dinner event. Deadline for nominations is July 15, 2015!



**60TH ANNIVERSARY!!**

SCCW is celebrating it's 60th year as an organization in 2015. The fall general membership meeting will be a special event to commemorate this milestone with a fun Glitz & Glamour theme for the diamond anniversary celebration.

It will be held on Saturday, Sept. 19th at Cheryl Foster's home near Montague - so mark your calendars now and plan to come share in this fun occasion.

We are forming a planning committee to finalize all the details - please let President Sharon know at the May 30th meeting, or send her an email, if you would like to help plan the fun!

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

To our own SCCW members that are serving above and beyond our county organization:

**\*\*Cheryl Foster**, Montague

California CattleWomen  
1st Vice-President

**\*\*Melanie Fowle**, Etna

American National CattleWomen  
President

*Thank You Ladies for all your extra efforts on behalf of CattleWomen!*

**BY-LAWS REPORT**

*The following changes to the SCCW by-laws have been proposed. The Section 6 item was discussed at the January general membership meeting and the Section 5 item was further revised following the Spring CCW meeting to coordinate membership dues deadlines. These two changes will be voted on at the May 30th general SCCW meeting - please review and if anyone would like a complete copy of the SCCW by-laws please email Tara Porterfield at [chp@cot.net](mailto:chp@cot.net).*

**ARTICLE VII**

**Section 5**

The TREASURER....

D. Following the close of each fiscal year, she shall render to the membership a complete report and account of its receipts and disbursements of the preceding fiscal year. This report shall also be rendered to the Treasurer of the California CattleWomen, Inc. ~~not later than November 10.~~ by the due date determined by California CattleWomen, Inc. and the American National CattleWomen organization.

**.....This change is to bring our by-laws in line with the State & National organization membership report and dues deadlines so all three organizations are on the same membership payment schedule, which currently will be Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Section 6**

THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

A. Chairman of the Membership Committee shall furnish current membership reports to the CCW at ~~monthly~~ quarterly intervals.

**....This change is to eliminate unnecessary paperwork as quarterly reports are acceptable for CCW.**

**2015 SCCW Board Members & Contact Information**

<b>Officers:</b>			
President:	Sharon Erickson	<a href="mailto:vallallaranch@hotmail.com">vallallaranch@hotmail.com</a>	530-598-6741
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	Carolyn Houghton		530-459-3636
	Elaine Kuck	<a href="mailto:hereford_57@yahoo.com">hereford_57@yahoo.com</a>	530-459-5431
<b>Delegates:</b>			
	Michele Murphy, Rita March & Lori March		

## *Cattlemen's Creed*

*B*elieving that the livestock industry is  
Of basic importance to world existence,  
We, The California CattleWomen,  
Dedicate ourselves to support it  
With our labor and finances;  
To promote it thorough information  
And publicity; to encourage its producers  
With our understanding and love;  
To do all in our power to instill in the  
Coming generation  
The love of the land and of life,  
The humility and awe before Nature  
And the hope and faith in the future  
That is inherent in cattlemen and cattlemen.

*Mrs. Willard Sobak, Fairdale, North Dakota*  
*Mrs. Jerry Hemsted, Cottonwood, California*



## Nomination For SCCW CATTLEWOMAN OF THE YEAR

By July 15, 2015 clip and return this ballot to:

Rita March, 7411 Island Road, Etna, CA 96027

The **CattleWoman of the Year** honor is awarded to an active member that has been very involved in various SCCW activities and committees for multiple years; and has been dedicated to advancing the overall CattleWomen's mission of beef promotion & education with her outstanding efforts as a member of our organization.

Please note the names of ladies who have received this honor in the past.

1961	Blanch Davis	1988	Rae Sylva
1962	Alice Hessig	1989	Alida Hogan
1963	Nora Hoy	1990	Mary Lou Smith
1964	Gladys Hart	1991	Lynne Bryan
1965	Hilda Cooley	1992	Sharon Horton
1966	Arvilla Dudley	1993	Beverlee Moran
1967	Esther Foulke	1994	Dolores Tozier
1968	Margaret Day	1995	Sietske Fiock
1969	Mildred Long	1996	Carolyn Pimentel
1970	Charlotte Davis	1997	Barbara Cowley
1971	Sylvia Guardia	1998	Francyne Jenner
1972	Grace Mulloy	1999	Betty Carrier
1973	Pat Smith	2000	Pat Brazil
1974	Pat Martin	2001	Tara Porterfield
1975	Betty Kuck	2002	Melanie Fowle
1976	Betty Barnes	2003	Amy Hurlimann
1977	Ruby Capovilla	2004	Vera Clement
1978	Laura Louie	2005	Sharon Erickson
1979	June Cook	2006	Cheryl Foster
1980	Emily Atchely	2007	Jeannie Bridwell
1981	Jeri Houghton	2008	Carolyn Houghton
1982	Delores Mort	2009	Elaine Kuck
1983	Helen and Sandy Crebbin	2010	Erin Fowle
1984	Bert Sylva	2011	Gail Jenner
1985	Ann Dutra	2012	Michelle Rice
1986	Pat Criss	2013	Michele Murphy
1987	Glory Ann Jenner	2014	Rita March

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I nominate for the **2015 Siskiyou County Cowbelle of the Year:**

Name of nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons for nomination (attach additional pages if desired):

NOMINATION FOR SCCW TOP HAND AWARD

By July 15, 2015 clip and return this ballot to:

Caroline Luiz  
3414 W. Moffett Creek Rd.  
Fort Jones, CA 96032

The **Top Hand Award** is given to a newer member of our organization who has stepped forward to educate the community about agriculture and has aided in the promotion of beef through a variety of activities.

Please note the names of ladies who have received this honor in the past.

- 2001 Elaine Kuck
- 2002 Cheryl Foster
- 2003 Julie Kimball
- 2004 Michele Murphy
- 2005 Jennie Bridwell
- 2006 Kay McKee
- 2007 Heidi Martin
- 2008 Michelle Rice
- 2009 Kalie Murphy
- 2010 Nicole Luiz
- 2011 Colleen Alvarez
- 2012 Lynda Beverlin
- 2013 Katie Morris
- 2014 Heidy Carver

I nominate for the 2015 SCCW TOP HAND AWARD:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For the following reasons: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Siskiyou County CattleWomen**  
**PIONEER BEEF WOMAN**  
**Nomination Form**

By July 15, 2015 clip and return (or email) this ballot to:

Maryann Munson  
1100 N. Hwy 3                      530-467-3403  
Etna, CA 96027                      Kohl creek@sisqtel.net

The **Pioneer Beef Woman Award** is designed to recognize any woman, whether a CattleWomen member or not, of her life-long dedication to ranching, agriculture, and the promotion of the beef industry.

Please note the names of ladies who have received this honor in the past.

2001 Jessie Hammond, Maxine Santos, Vera Clement, Goldie Miller  
2002 Elma Selby, Arvilla Dudley, Mary Porterfield  
2003 Ellen Hayden, Pat Smith, Betty Dancer  
2004 Betty Kuck, Better Barnes  
2005 Claudine Shultz, Glory Ann Jenner, Pat Martin, Rachel (Rae) Sylva  
2006 Bertha Sylva, Virginia Jackson  
2007 Betty Carrier, Barbara Cowley, Carolyn Houghton  
2008 Karin Newton  
2009 Carol Munson  
2010 Nancy Carver  
2011 Carolyn Pimentel  
2012 Roberta Criss, Erlene Jackson  
2013 Lynne Bryan  
2014 Dolores Tozier

I nominate the following woman for the 2015 Siskiyou County Pioneer Beef Woman:

Name of nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons for nomination (attach additional pages if desired):