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Message From Your President

Hello Cattle Women,

Here we are already into the first of August! The fair is only 2 weeks away!!! I am sure all of you are wondering where all the time went too. I have been busy since our last newsletter with haying season. I rake, bale, cut, water and farm up the ground right beside my husband.

I start the day early preparing breakfast, warm biscuits with homemade jam. The smell brings me back to cooking for my corn silage crew. We raised corn silage for the cattle and dairy for years. I would wake up at 4, get the pies made and crockpot going, bread covered raise,

then get breakfast for my boys and husband. Then off to a silage truck at 6 am with little ones in tow. Crayons, coloring books, ninja turtles, and cowboy pistols in hand. Jump in and away we went jumping the ruts in the field to catch up with the chopper. My Uncle Roy cutting and four of us driving the trucks from the field to the silage pit. Many hours back and forth. My truck being the worst. Dumping my load at the pit only to have my tailgate fall off once again. Several hundred pounds of wood and metal to pick up push in the back of the bed and haul quickly down to the field to get help to latch it back on. The men yelling to hurry up. Kids singing hymns from Sunday school. Jumping off at noon to get supper set out. Table set and 10 hungry men sitting down, blessing on the food, thankfulness for our crop



and good reminiscing over all the years of farming and cattle. And then back out to the trucks. Kids never complained, just a lot of laughing as we bounced up and down in that truck. I know all of you have similar memories. So as busy as we are I know none of us would change it. I love it all. We are all so blessed.

We have a lot of new memories to make as Cattlewomen. We have our fair coming up in a couple of weeks. If you haven't signed up to work with a chairman, and have the capacity to do so, call one of the chairmen. They are listed in this newsletter.

We have Powder River raffle tickets for sale. Half of the funds go to State Scholarships and the other half to the State general fund. Remember ladies we want to promote beef and these ticket sales do that.

Mark Your Calendar

Monday Aug 10th: Set up Sandwich Booth & Feature Booth at the Siskiyou Fair

Aug 12-16th: Siskiyou Fair SCCW Sandwich Booth, Yreka (10 am to 10 pm daily)

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



Our own Heidi Carver has our website up and going, if you have access to the internet check it out she has done an excellent job and updates come often.

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Siskiyou County Cattlewomen also has a Facebook page - send a request to join the page and keep up to date with us.

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Our own Angelee Dowling was our Beef Ambassador State junior winner and Hayley Kaae our State Sr. Runner up. We all are very proud of them and all their hard work. Our chairwomen were Lynn Bryan and her daughter Katie Morris. Thank you so much ladies you are awesome. Read more about them on the website.

Carolyn Houghton chaired up the pies for the Annual Health meeting. She always does such a great job organizing it. Thank you sweet lady.

Ag Awareness day went off without a hitch because of Lynda Bevelin and Jacki Zediker. What a job! Thank you ladies and to all of you who helped make the day a success. Thanks to the lunch crew Rita March, Kim Ritola, Liz Polluck, Vera Clement, Barbara Cowley, Hayley Kaae, and if I forgot anyone I am sorry. I know I head up the lunch crew but they do all the work.

As Cattlewomen living in our beautiful valleys we have an obligation to educate the public on the importance of beef in health and environment. And that is what we are about. Education.

The annual Cattlemen's tour is coming up so you Cattlewomen please send your dessert and/or salads for the event. It's Aug 22 at Belcampo Farms. You are always so with it ladies. Thank you.

So make a memory. If you are able to help out call my cell or someone you know in Cattlewomen and volunteer to help. And once again let me stress if you can't for whatever reason - no worries. We need our members. We get votes at the state level by how many members we have. So even if you can't help physically, then just by being a member still helps us. So please no stress and thanks very much for your membership support.

Ladies you all rock. You are strong valiant women. I am so privileged to be the president with you ladies beside me. I hope to see you at our 60th anniversary meeting Sep 19th at Cheryl Foster's. It will be an afternoon of memories and fun.

I look forward to seeing you in the near future! Happy Trails ladies!!!

Your president,
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CREATE-A-COW

Don't forget to check out all the imaginative Create-A-Cow entries on exhibit at the Siskiyou Golden Fair! Sponsored by SCCW, this annual contest gives local elementary students a chance to be very creative in building their classroom 'cow' and having it judged at the fair. Look for them scattered around in the Ag Exhibit Bldg.

SCCW SANDWICH BOOTH AT THE SISKIYOU GOLDEN FAIR:

It's FAIR TIME again and many SCCW members will be helping staff our popular BBQ Beef & French Dip Sandwich Booth from Wed thru Sunday, Aug 12-16. This is our organization's primary annual fundraiser activity and everyone's help is greatly appreciated!

SCCW Original BBQ Sauce is BACK!! President Sharon found an approved kitchen to cook the famous sauce in and she and her crew spent a day last week getting it all made - awesome!!

Help is still needed as follows: if any members are available 8am on Monday 8/10 to come to the fairgrounds to help set up either the Sandwich Booth or the Feature Booth, please come by - many hands make light work!

The Sandwich Booth Shift Chairs are listed here - still need a few volunteers to fill a couple of shifts - Saturday night & the final shift on Sunday. If you would have time to even come for a couple of hours and help out during those shifts, please call or

email President Sharon or Chairman Lori March (contact info on page 4 of newsletter)

SHIFT CHAIRS:

Wed: Day - Ann Nicoletti; Night - Heidi Martin

Thurs: Day - Jeanette Harris; Night - Gail Jenner

Fri: Day - Donna Farnam & Francynne Jenner; Night - Lori March

Sat: Day - Cheryl Foster; Night - Sharon Erickson

Sun: Day - Melanie Fowle; Night - Lori March & Sharon Erickson

**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 ft 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 SANDWICH BOOTH, \$5/ticket or 5 tickets for \$20.

SCCW ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTS:**Annual Ag Awareness Day**

On May 21, 2015, 350 fourth grade students from 17 Siskiyou County elementary schools attended Agriculture Awareness Day at the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds. Sponsored by Siskiyou County CattleWomen and Cattlemen, Agriculture Awareness Day focuses on applying science, technology, engineering and mathematics to real world agriculture. Students were able to learn about a variety of agriculture commodities and how those products affect their lives.

Although many of the workshops are provided by different agricultural organizations and agencies, several are provided by FFA students from Etna and Yreka High School. These students get the opportunity to sharpen their leadership and communication skills as they share their knowledge with the elementary students. Together these groups are making a difference in agriculture education.

There were over 100 presenters and student leaders at the event, and the Cattlemen did a great job once again with the BBQ meat to serve

the students. This was the 22nd year for this annual event and SCCW co-chairs Lynda Beverlin and Jacki Zediker did a fantastic job in getting it all organized - thank you ladies!

**SCCW well represented At the ANCW Region V Meeting - Klamath Falls, OR** *(story by Jean Barton)*

On May 15-16th, eight SCCW members attended the Region V meeting at the Running Y Ranch with 42 other CattleWomen from Oregon, Washington, Montana & Wyoming. It was an informative meeting and included a tour of Fort Klamath and a great dinner at the Yamsi Ranch near Chiloquin, OR, which is home to 1987 ANCW President Gerda Hyde. Plus an update on Collegiate CattleWomen groups that are forming and an

awesome leadership presentation by our own Melanie Fowle as current ANCW president.

Speaker highlights from Jean Barton included: Sarah Liljefelt, Attorney at Law in the Schroeder Law Office spoke on Water Shortage Strategies & the Klamath Basin Adjudication, since the Lost River and Short-Nose Sucker gets the water. Schroeder Law Office focus is water law in OR, WA, ID, NV and CA. In Oregon the snow pack peaked 40 to 80% below peak, and melted 4 to 10 weeks early. Sarah Liljefelt told us to get educated! Get involved! Know exactly what you have in your water right..the amount of water. It is like a property deed. Have the claims that were filed, and make sure they currently serve how you use the water. You want all documents that concern your certificate. Each state is different. In Nevada, the amount

of water needs to be in the deed. Water is a property right.

Another informative talk was Planning for a Productive Family Ranch/Farm Transfer by Bart Eleveld, PhD, Oregon State University Extension Economist, Farm Management and Sherri Noxel, PhD, Director, OSU Austin Family Business Program, College of Business.

Succession Planning, is transfer of ownership. Transition Planning is transfer of management to next generation. When finding a lawyer and CPA to help you in succession and transition of the ranch, ask a farm family who has been through the "war" for recommendations. You need them to work together, and your lawyer must know agriculture.

Great 2 days of information & Cattlewomen fellowship!

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

SCCW is back online and webmaster Heidy 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.

SCCW ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTS - CONTINUED:**Father's Day Beef Promotion Project**

SCCW sponsored a beef promotion with two local restaurants again this year, and also had radio

contest was well received at both locations - there were over 225 entries overall.

The winner from J&D's was Natalie Teixeira from Burney, CA. J&D owner Dorie, and server Kelly are pictured at the left after the drawing was held.

Lalo's winner was Tom Gaemelich of Scott Valley. Pictured to the right is SCCW's Lynda Beverlin, Lalo's owner and server Tracy G.



announcements on KSYC to promote beef in general and the contest. Lalo's restaurant in Ft. Jones and J&D Diner in Yreka both participated and patrons for several weeks prior to Father's Day entered their name for the drawings for a \$25 beef gift certificate.

Organizers Lynda Beverlin & Elaine Kuck reported that there was great support and the

SCCW Members Attend CCW Mid-Year Meeting in Sacramento (story by Heidi Carver)

Siskiyou County Cattlewomen President Sharon Erickson, Treasurer Cheryl Foster, Delegate Lori March, Membership Chair Heidi Carver, & Past President Heidi Martin attended the CCW Mid-Year meeting on June 11-12th in Sacramento. The DoubleTree by Hilton was a great meeting location. Approximately 110 cattlemen from throughout the state attended the meeting. It was great to meet new people & ones that we have only chatted with via electronic means.

Thursday started with the CCW Executive Committee meeting attended by Cheryl Foster (who is also the CCW 1st Vice President). This committee discussed the items & agenda for the CCW Board Meeting on Friday. Next we all attended the informational forum on antibiotic microbial resistance & the current Federal & State regulations that are affecting the use of antibiotics in livestock. The CCA/CCW, California Vet Medical Association, & California Farm Bureau are actively involved in protecting the livestock industries from harmful legislation & trying their best to educate the politicians, special interest, & consumer groups on the facts of why & how the livestock industry uses antibiotics.

The next forum was the USDA approval of the Foothill Vaccine for more clinical trials before it can be available to the livestock producers to protect replacement heifers & older cows that have never had exposure to the tick that carries Foothill abortion. The process for this vaccine to be fully approved for use has been lengthy & costly due to the strict regulations for live virus vaccines. If beef cattle producers are interested in becoming a part of the clinical trials, the UC Davis Veterinary Medicine website has a link to the requirements.

In the afternoon, we all attended the CCW Education workshop, which covered the topics of Ag in the classroom, beef education, beef promotion, local unit Treasurer updates & forms, local unit Membership forms & updates, social media & website tutorials, and various livestock industry businesses that are supporting California Cattlewomen with donations. It was a very informative workshop with helpful Q&A sessions.

Then was an informational forum on the California drought, Grazing Regulatory Action Program (GRAP), and Groundwater use. The CA Water Action Plan of 2014 is still under

revision in order to determine the water basin boundary areas so that each water basin can create their own management plan & regulations to find a way for all water users to receive water and use it according to the Best Management Practices during the drought conditions in California. This applies to surface & groundwater usage. Various State agencies (Dept. Water Resources, State Water Resource Control Board, & Dept. Fish & Wildlife, environmental groups, CCA/CCW, CA Farm Bureau, and many other livestock and agricultural industries are involved in the drought/water issues. GRAP is a current topic that affects livestock grazing & its effect on water quality. It began in Fall 2014 & uses the CA Rangeland Water Quality Management Plan as its template. Currently the program is on a voluntary basis, but future regulations could make it mandatory. It is a program that is trying to keep the issue regulated by the State rather than broader Federal regulations from US EPA etc. The UC Davis Rangelands Watershed website has more information.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL!!

Included with this newsletter is the 2016 Membership Renewal Form and a letter from CCW president Sheila Bowen that explains why the date dues are now payable by has changed.

The Siskiyou CattleWomen & CCW dues for 2016 are now payable by September 15, 2015, but members can also bring their payment in person to the 60th Anniversary meeting on Sept. 19, 2015. We have moved our local deadline up from mid-October to be able to meet the CCW and ANCW member reporting deadlines. The dues rate has not changed, just the date we need members to renew by. Thank you all for your continued support of the CattleWomen's organization!!

ANNUAL CATTLEMEN'S TOUR

All SCCW members are invited to attend this annual event on **Saturday, Aug. 22, 2015** at Belcampo Farms in Gazelle. SCCW will be presenting the Siskiyou Fair carcass contest awards and there will be an informative program of speakers from the Cattlemen's, plus the Cattleman of the Year announcement.

SCCW is in charge of table decorations, serving ware and Salads & Desserts for the BBQ meal at the Cattlemen's Tour. ***If you can please bring or send a salad or dessert to the event it would be most appreciated.*** Thank you SCCW members!!

2016 SCRAPBOOK CHAIRMAN NEEDED

SCCW has a long history of submitting award-winning scrapbooks that chronicle our organization's beef promotion and education activities and events each year. The book is submitted for competition at the annual CCA/CCW Convention. Our own Sharon Erickson has done a fabulous job with the scrapbook for numerous recent years, but the time has come to pass that creative torch to someone else in SCCW so Sharon can focus on her presidential duties. Any member(s) that would be interested in working on this annual project, please let Sharon know. It is actually a lot of fun to have a team of at least 2 people to work on it. We will have the current scrapbook at the Sept. SCCW meeting for members to look at before it is submitted to CCW in October.

**SISKIYOU
CATTLEWOMEN
TO CELEBRATE
60TH
ANNIVERSARY**

**"GLAMOR & GLITZ IN
1955 COWGIRL STYLE"**

**Mark your calendars now to
attend a really fun event at the
General Membership Meeting
on
Sat. September 19, 2015
at 11:00 am.**

It will be held outside of
Montague, CA at Cheryl
Foster's home, with a BBQ
luncheon catered by Glen
Bowman, guest speakers
including Kate Jopson with an
update on the Cherry Orchard
Project, and a fun dress theme
(optional) of 1955 era cowgirl
outfits.

**More information and the
RSUP deadline will be sent to
you in the Fall Newsletter
before the Sept. meeting.**

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Groundwater usage is an issue in California due to increase demand by higher population of people, environmental concerns, drought conditions, and less surface water for use by agriculture industry. Meanwhile, the current climate conditions have resulted in very low snowpack to supply & replenish the groundwater that is needed to meet the current demand. Therefore, groundwater usage is in the process of being more carefully monitored by State agencies & fines have been put in place to curtail wasting water.

The final forum was Policy Discussion for CCA resolutions regarding the issue of the Klamath Basin Agreement involving representatives of more than 50 organizations, including federal agencies, California and Oregon, Indian tribes, counties, irrigators and conservation and fishing groups have developed a comprehensive solution to resolve many of the complex water-related issues of the Klamath Basin. Many of the participants in the Klamath settlement process signed the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA) and Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA). The Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement is intended to restore and sustain natural fish production and provide for full participation in ocean and river harvest opportunities of fish species throughout the Klamath Basin, establish reliable water and power supplies which sustain agricultural uses, communities, and National Wildlife Refuges, and contribute to the public welfare and the sustainability of all Klamath Basin communities. Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement lays out the process for additional studies, environmental review and a decision by the Secretary of the Interior regarding whether removal of four dams owned by PacifiCorp: will advance restoration of the

salmonid fisheries of the Klamath Basin and is in the public interest, which includes but is not limited to consideration of potential impacts on affected local communities and tribes. The four dams are Iron Gate, J.C. Boyle, Copco 1 and Copco 2 dams on the Klamath River. The Hydroelectric Settlement includes provisions for the interim operation of the dams and the process to transfer, decommission, and remove the dams. The dam removal is in part due to the very high costs to upgrade to the dams to meet Federal environmental regulations for fish passage etc. The KHSA and the KBRA were signed on February 18, 2010. Some aspects of the KBRA require Congressional action, but the federal agencies also have existing authorities to implement some provisions. There are provisions that need to be met by December 31, 2015 in order for these agreements to move forward & the agricultural producers in the affected area would like support from the CCA to aid in protecting their interests during this process. It's a very complex topic with lots of difference of opinion.

We ended our day with a great prime rib dinner & bingo at the CCA/CCW dinner.

Friday morning was the CCW Board Meeting. 22 units were represented. Currently CCW has 1,950 members! After opening ceremonies, Abby Grisedale State Senior Beef Ambassador from Kern County gave a great inspirational speech. State Junior Beef Ambassador is Angelee Dowling from Siskiyou County. Dina Moore & Melanie Fowle were honored with the Common Threads Award for Ag Education. The recently revised By-Laws and Policies & Procedures were approved. CCW membership dues are payable October 1st and delinquent if not postmarked by November 15th. If a unit does not turn in their membership dues by

November 15th, a late fee of \$1.00 per number of members from the prior fiscal year. CCW Executive Committee meetings can be called with 5 days notice & can be done via mail or electric means. The number of votes each county unit receives based on their total membership is now: 1-50 members = County President plus one delegate; 51-100 members = County President plus two delegates; 101-150 members = County President plus three delegates; 151-200 members = County President plus four delegates; and continuing on at a rate of one new delegate for every additional 50 members.

The job description for Directors at Large was updated. CCW has turned in its application for the ANCW Wiggy Contest. There are new CCW polo shirts & hats for sale. The Beef Ambassador program will change in 2016-2017 yr. At that time, each of the seven ANCW regions will host their own contest and be responsible for funding the contest. The junior division will be eliminated. The age range will be 19 or completed first yr. of college and not more than 24. The Beef Promotion report was given & Cattlewomen have spent 3,252 hours directly contacting 5,290 consumers since January 1st. An update was given on current legislation that could affect the beef industry. More info can be found at <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/>. The CCW website is currently being updated to allow membership access to various forms. The password for the members only section is cowgirl. Upcoming events are: July 14, 2015 = Tour of JBS Packing Plant & Feedlot; July 15-18, 2015 = ANCW/NCBA Summer Meeting; September 28-29, 2015 = National Beef Ambassador Contest in Denver, CO; November 19-21, 2015 = CCA/CCW Convention in Sparks, NV; and March 11-13, 2016 = CCW Spring Meeting at Harris Ranch.



~ 2016 MEMBERSHIP FORM ~

County(\$10.00) & State(\$20.00) Dues (both required): = \$30.00

American National(ANCW) Dues paid online (check here):

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ANCW website is <http://ancw.org/membershipform.aspx>

Submit by September 15, 2015. Or bring in person to the Sept 19, 2015
SCCW General Membership Meeting

Make check payable to Siskiyou County CattleWomen.

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California CattleWomen

June 5, 2015

Local CattleWomen Units in California



Dear California CattleWomen,

First and foremost, thank you for being a member of this vibrant organization. We have much for which we can be proud!!! Between our 30 local units and our state, we gave out over \$100,800 in scholarships this past year. We have worked hundreds and hundreds of volunteer hours in youth development and beef promotion activities around our state. You ladies are awesome!! As a dues paying member of CCW, you are a crucial part of this organization and we are proud and grateful to have you as a member.

The reason for my letter is to let you know of a recent change to the delinquent date for each unit to turn in their dues to the CCW state treasurer and a membership list to the CCW membership chairwoman. The due date is and will continue to be October 1 of each year. However, beginning this Fall dues will be considered delinquent if turned in after November 15th. The delinquent date used to be December 31st. There are several reasons for this change.

1. If the dues are collected prior to the holiday rush of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years, it will allow local membership chairwomen to enjoy the holidays without worrying about membership deadlines during the busy holidays.
2. The state membership chairwoman needs time to get the state roster finalized prior to the first newsletter mailing in January.
3. ANCW dues are changing to an October 1 due date as well. They would like to have the dues prior to the end of the year when they begin work on convention planning.

It is crucial that we have the cooperation of our members in sending dues in by October 1st. Can we please count on you to help us make this a successful transition? Your unit's delegate count will be based on how many members have their dues turned into CCW by the November 15th deadline. Thank you for your membership and for your cooperation in helping this organization to run smoothly. We currently have over 1,950 members. We continue to grow in numbers. Thank you for your continued support!! It is because of our collective strength that we accomplish so much for our communities.

Respectfully,

Sheila Bowen
California CattleWomen
President

Cattlemen's Creed

*B*elieving that the livestock industry is
Of basic importance to world existence,
We, The California Cattle Women,
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

