

## Scholarship Dance Update

The scholarship dance has come and gone with great success. MANY THANKS to so many who helped and donated in support to this wonderful event. If you have any comments or suggestions, please email them to us at [smithsonvalleyffa@yahoo.com](mailto:smithsonvalleyffa@yahoo.com). Be sure and support the local businesses that helped us out or just give them a thanks on your next visit.



## Steer Validation and Summer Show



Validation for Steers is Monday, June 18th at the Comal County Fairgrounds from 8 am to 3 pm.

The New Braunfels River Round Up, a summer show for steers, is on June 15—16. The show is sponsored by Coopers BBQ, Lone Star Silversmith and New Braunfels FFA Booster Club.

## Ag Teacher Contacts

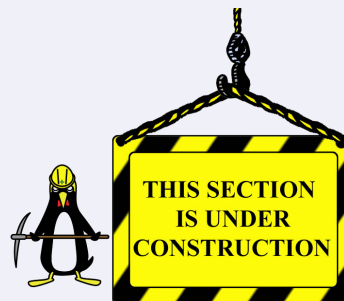


The Ag Teachers send emails specific to the projects they oversee. They try to keep a good distribution list, but sometimes people are missed. If you would like to be added to their distribution list for your project, please contact them via email and have them add you. If you receive emails from them and do not wish to be on their distribution list any longer, please email them. Their email addresses are:

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## Website

The website is being updated, however you are still able to access project information while the website is being worked on. Any information that you will need to be made aware of will be emailed to you. If you know of someone who would like to be part of Smithson Valley FFA next year, please have them register on the website so they can receive emails as well.



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## *Good-bye Seniors*

Now that the school year is ending, it is time to say goodbye to our graduation seniors and to wish them the best of luck on their new adventures outside of Smithson Valley FFA. We know that they will do well in what ever they set their sights on.

These are this year's graduation seniors and what their plans were as of the time of the Comal County Jr. Livestock Show.

### ***Brennan Boman***

Brennan has shown goats for three years. She will be attending Alfred University in New York. She will be majoring in Art and playing softball. Her hobbies include playing softball, babysitting and volunteering at church and the Animal Shelter.

### ***Cullen Bray***

Cullen has shown rabbits, goats, pigs and steers for the last 10 years. He will be attending the Universal Technical Institute next year. He enjoys working with anything to do with Ag Mechanics.

### ***Amber Burgess***

Ambers has shown goats and turkeys for 9 years. Amber's plan is to go to Tarleton and get an animal science degree. Her hobbies and interests are FFA, meat judging and showing her animals.

### ***Jordan Campbell***

Jordan showed pigs for the first time this year. Jordan's plan is to get into Texas A&M and get a vet degree and then open an office. Jordan enjoys being with animals, being outside and reading.

### ***Walker Croley***

Walker has shown steers for the last two years. Walker plans to attend Texas State in the fall to study pre-vet. He also likes playing football, hunting and fishing. Walker has also worked for Dr. Kenny Patin DVM for 3 years.

### ***Eddie Fullenwider***

Eddie has shown sheep for 12 years and pigs for 2 years. Eddie wants to go to St. Phillips College for their welding program.

### ***Chase Hix***

Chase has shown hogs for 2 years. He wants to major in agriculture business and management at Odessa College. Chase enjoys bull riding and rodeos.

### ***Amanda Siebert***

Amanda has shown goats for 1 year. She plans to attend Angelo State to become a teacher. She enjoys hanging out with friends, working with goat and talking.

### ***Will Tadlock***

Will shows pigs and steers. He has shown for 7 years. He plans on attending Texas A&M or Stephen F Austin.



**Clayton Thwing**

Clayton has been a pig exhibitor for 5 years. Clayton plans on attending college after graduation, but undecided as to where yet. Hobbies include roping and welding.

**Taylor Walker**

Taylor has shown Breeding and Market Hogs for 9 years. She plans to attend either Texas Tech or Blinn College to judge livestock and major in Ag Communications. Her interests include photography, livestock judging and offshore fishing.

**Trey Wilson**

Trey has shown pigs and turkeys at the Youth Show. Trey will be attending Texas State University in the fall and enjoys hunting and fishing in his spare time.

**Cassidy Yanes**

Cassidy has shown pigs for 2 years. She will be going to Incarnate University and major in Communications. Cassidy enjoys volunteering at the Humane Society and being a mentor to elementary students through Smithson Valley High School's FACS (Family and Communications Service) group.

**Amber Zuehl**

Amber has represented Smithson Valley FFA for the past 4 years as a goat and steer exhibitor. She plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall and major in business. Her favorite pastime is participating on the Meats Judging Team.

*Good Luck! We Will Miss You!*

***Congratulations Taylor Walker on an Outstanding Year***

Taylor Walker is a senior year so she went all out so she could have the best year ever. And she did just that. Taylor had an outstanding year with her pigs. She had the Grand Champion Swine at the Denver National Stock Show. She had the Grand Champion Swine at the Comal County Jr. Livestock Show. And Taylor had the Grand Champion Swine at the Star of Texas Show in Austin. Way to go Taylor!

***Way to Go Judging Teams!***

The Judging Teams recently attended the Area Seven judging contest. Two of our teams, the Ag Sales Team and the Meats Judging Team, will be advancing to the State Level. Also, a new team Vet Technician, will be competing this month. Way to represent Smithson Valley FFA. You make us proud!



## *Comal County Jr Livestock Show Points Value*

What you have all been waiting for: The Points Values! The Points Value have been posted on the Comal County Jr Livestock Association webpage. The points value are as follows:

Broilers	\$98.97
Goats	\$131.79
Hogs	\$141.32
Lambs	\$148.83
Rabbits	\$96.96
Steers	\$308.23
Turkeys	\$137.99

### **STEERS, HOGS, LAMBS and GOATS:**

Grand Champion 30 points  
Reserve Grand Champion 25 points  
Breed Champion 20 points  
Reserve Breed Champion 17 points

Class winning blue ribbon 12 points  
Blue Ribbon Winners 9 points  
Red Ribbon Winners 6 points  
White Ribbon Winners 3 points

### **BROILERS, RABBITS and TURKEYS:**

Grand Champion 23 points  
Reserve Grand Champion 20 points  
Champion Tom/Hen 15 points  
Reserve Champion Tom/Hen 12 points

Blue Ribbon Winners 9 points  
Red Ribbon Winners 6 points  
White Ribbon Winners 3 points

If you are unfamiliar with how the points system works, each placing/ribbon color has a different points value. You multiply that value with the dollar value of the species you sold to get the dollar value of how much your animal is worth. The market value of your animal will be added to the check as well. There is an administrative fee for each animal that went to auction so your check will be slightly less than the amount you calculated.

So if you sold your blue ribbon goat you would multiply the points value of \$137.79 by the value of the ribbon which is 9. The answer is \$1240.11. You would then add the market value of your goat to the price. This year goats sold for \$1.35 a pound. So if your goat weighted 93 pounds, you would add \$125.55 to the \$1240.11, which would give you \$1365.66. The amount of the check will be slightly less because of the administrative fee, but this gives you a pretty good idea of what you made on your animal at the auction.

Once checks are ready, they can be picked up from the Ag Teachers. To pick up the check, you must show your Thank You letter(s) to your buyer(s) to the Ag Teacher.





### *Top 10 Buyers*

Hunter Industries/Colorado Materials

Rush Enterprises, Inc

Natural Bridge Caverns, Inc.

Crawford Electric

Allcat Claims Service

Bluebonnet Ford, Jeep, & Dodge

Wal-Mart

Providence Risk

Natural Bridge Wildlife Ranch

Producers Co-op

Strutty's

Beyer Boys Mechanical Plumbing

M & S Engineering

AMA & Associates

Aelvoet-Kuebel Ranch

WestWard

Blanco National Bank

Lone Star Silversmith

Rocky Hill Equipment Rental

Cemex Cement Plant

Comal County Farm Bureau

HI Pressure, Inc

LD Krause Construction Co.

Timberlake Mechanical Services

New Braunfels Feed & Supply

### *Top 10 Buyer Groups*

We're All In

GVTC Foundation

Wade Busby Memorial

S&R Inc

Friends-in-Low Places

