June 2025 SV CWA Newsletter

Note from the President

As we step into the heart of summer, June marks a pivotal time in the agricultural calendar. Across the county, farmers and producers are hard at work — planting, nurturing, and preparing for the season's growth. This month is a vivid reminder of the resilience and innovation that define our industry. It's a time when the long hours and dedication begin to take shape in the fields, and the spirit of agriculture is on full display.

June also holds special meaning for our organization as we celebrate one of our most inspiring annual traditions: our **Scholarship Reception**. This event allows us to recognize the outstanding students who represent the future of agriculture. These young leaders bring fresh energy, new ideas, and a deep commitment to the values we hold dear. Investing in their education is not only a privilege but a promise to the next generation of agricultural stewards.

To all our partners, supporters, and community members — thank you for continuing to champion our mission. Let's carry the momentum of June forward, grounded in purpose and looking ahead with optimism.



Nine Scholarship Recipients proudly displaying their Certificates of Recognition at our Annual Scholarship Reception from June 13, 2025.

Renew your CWA Membership today! Remind your friends and coworkers to join so that you can all take part in our events and committees!

Have any ideas for events you'd like to see? We'd love to hear from you! Please send your suggestions to SalinasValleyCWA@gmail.com.

2025 Ag Booster BBQ Donation Request

Salinas Valley CWA is gearing up for the Statewide Meeting and Ag Boosters BBQ Fundraiser on September 7, 2025! We're seeking donations for two themed Silent Auction baskets:

Red, White & Blue Basket – patriotic goodies Tailgating Basket – game day essentials

View the letter <u>on our website</u> for full details, wish list items, and how to contribute. Let's make these baskets shine with Salinas spirit!

Membership Spotlight

The Membership Spotlight is a chance to highlight one of our amazing members each month, building connections within our chapter.

Email SalinasValleyCWA@gmail.com if you're interested in being highlighted for our Membership Spotlight next month!

2025 Meetings

See upcoming events on our "What's Happening" page for Board Meetings and Membership Events, and always keep an eye on your inbox!

Our next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, July 8, 2025 from 5:30-6:30 pm. In person attendance will be 19045 Portola Dr, Salinas, CA, 93908. Virtual attendance can be done so through Google Meeting linked here.

Save the date for October 11, 2025 from 10am - 12 pm (9am if you can assist with set up) for our annual Pumpkin Painting with Monterey County 4-H. We have a few volunteers who have already committed to assist with setting up and running the event, but all are welcome! If you can volunteer to help or have a young child that you'd like to bring, RSVP by emailing SalinasValleyCWA@gmail.com

Committees

Interested in joining a committee? Email SalinasValleyCWA@gmail.com.

Scholarship

In our continuing commitment to promote awareness and education, the Salinas Valley Chapter of California Women for Agriculture (CWA) offers two scholarship programs for women in Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz Counties. There is no age restriction for either of these scholarships, nor is either



based upon financial need. Scholarships range from \$500 to \$2,000.

This years scholarship reception has been completed! If you would like to participate in this committee next year, email SalinasValleyCWA@gmail.com

Photo Contest



Our 2025 Photo Contest is closed and we give a huge thank you to all those that participated by submitting their beautiful photosSee submissions on our website.

Start thinking about your submissions for next year! Maximum of 2 entries per person, photos should reflect agriculture, and photo format should be vertical with at least 300 dpi.

If you want to participate in the Photo Contest committee next year, email SalinasValleyCWA@gmail.com.

Bus Trip

Save the Date for our Annual Bus Trip on November 1, 2025! The bus trip serves as a fundraiser for scholarships as well as a recreational activity for our members. If you are interested in helping please contact bustrip@salinascwa.org.

Stay tuned for this year's sponsorship deals and email bustrip@salinascwa.org if you're ready to sponsor or donate an auction item!

