

**CO Section SRM
Youth Activities Committee Winter Report
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By Ben Berlinger, Chairman**

High School Youth Forum 2019 (HSYF)

The CO Section will be sponsoring three delegates to the SRM HSYF in Minneapolis. They are:

- Nathan Shannon, Kim FFA; ***Water: The Lifeblood of the Range***
- Ingrid Hofmeister, Branson FFA; ***The Desertification of Southeastern Colorado***
- Josh Waller, Hoehne FFA; ***Improving Water Utilization on Arid Rangelands***

All three delegates were selected based on their winning scores at the *State FFA Range Judging and Plant ID* competition held in Sterling on October 3, 2018. The HSYF presentations will be given on **Tuesday, February 12 from 8:00 am to about 4:00 pm**. Please check the schedule for these presentations in the *Trail Boss Dailey News* and also to be posted at the entrance of the HSYF presentation room. Our membership in Minneapolis needs to support our three HSYF delegates. Please plan to attend their presentations and show them our appreciation for their dedication and hard work to write their papers and make their presentations. Adults accompanying our delegates this year are Jess Price, Ag teacher from Hoehne; Maral Howell, Ag teacher from Branson; and John Shannon, Nathan's dad.



Nathan Shannon receives his CSSRM award from President Dan.



Branson FFA Range Judging team; Ingrid Hofmeister is holding the CSSRM award, Ms. Howell is on the far left.

Masonic Scholarship

The **Society for Range Management (SRM) Masonic-Range Science Scholarship** offers financial assistance and recognition to a high school senior, college freshman or college sophomore planning to major in/presently majoring in range science and/or closely related field. The recipient of the scholarship must be planning to attend or be currently in attendance at a college or university with a range science program. The new deadline date for applications is March 1, 2019. Applications should be mailed to Paul Loeffler, PO Box 1407, Alpine, TX 79831-1407. Last year's recipient was **Jarrett Lardy, Northern Great Plains Section**. Jarrett received **\$5,000** to attend North Dakota State University. The SRM website has information on how students can apply for the scholarship. The Colorado Section has had students apply for the scholarship in the past, but our membership needs to be kept informed. Our committee requests to please have this information posted on the CSSRM website.