## Commendations

As we recognize the following FFA members for their accomplishments it is important to point out that the competitions that our FFA members were involved in were state level competitions. These competitions were open to the more than 63,000 Texas FFA and 65,000 Texas 4H members.

First we would like to recognize FFA member Riley Sadler who exhibited her Simmental heifer (Roanie) at the Ft. Worth Stock Show. She won first place in her class and also competed for the junior champion Simmental heifer of the show.

Secondly we want to recognize 4 of our FFA members who made up our Jr. Dairy Cattle Evaluation team which competed in the Texas Open and Junior Dairy Cattle Judging Contests at the Ft. Worth Stock Show. Members of that 4<sup>th</sup> place team were Jacob Lock, Hannah George, Sarah Iadarola, and Madison Eades. Hannah was also the 10<sup>th</sup> high individual of the entire contest along with Jacob being the 17<sup>th</sup> high individual.

We would also like to recognize Sam DeShazo for his successful Agriculture Science Fair project at the San Antonio Stock Show. Sam's project dealt with researching seed germination rates and root development using the new "Rootmaker pot" beginning to be used in the horticulture industry. He placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Engineering Division and earned a reserve champion banner. He was one placing away from winning a \$10,000 scholarship.