



SPRING 2010



## NEBRASKA'S FIRST LADY OF RODEO

# Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2010 Michelle Boeshart "RIDE PROUD"

I believe the last time we chatted I was headed to Las Vegas to help cheer on Amy as she competed for the title of Miss Rodeo America. Since then time has just flown by and so much has been happening! Let me catch you up.

On November 28th, (My Birthday), I flew to Las Vegas with Johna Neidfeldt and Lolly Klug. I like to call us the Maxwell Amigos...I knew that when I met Lolly in Maxwell and we picked Johna up in Grand Island, it was going to be a good time. When we arrived in Vegas I tried bribing Johna with all that I had, she was off to see all the horses that were used for horsemanship. It was a no go, but probably a good thing because I was able to meet up with my sister that lives in Henderson, Nevada and enjoy my nephew's last High School Football Game! The week of the Miss Rodeo America Pageant was so much fun. I was able to meet a lot



of new people, meet some great resources, meet up with all the new royalty for 2010, and most importantly cheer on Amy as she competed for the title of Miss Rodeo America. Thanks to Mardee Swanson and Paula and Larry Stobbs I was able to go to the first two performances of the National Finals Rodeo. A few days later I was on the trail back to Nebraska to finish up on all the planning for my coronation.

January 8th came faster than I could have imagined. Coronation was a success, but without everybody that helped it wouldn't have been such a great evening. Less than one week after coronation I was off to Denver, CO for the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo. My four days

there were full of great fun, and memories and experiences that I know will last a life time. I was able to meet up with one of my Diamond Sponsors, Town and Country Western Wear @ Denver Market. What a good time I had. I had the opportunity to meet a lot of people within the rodeo world, and as I was there I acquired a greater respect for the sponsors of both the PRCA and Miss Rodeo America, Inc. I want to thank Melanie and Rod Wright for allowing me to go with them to Market!

The last weekend of January I was in Lincoln, NE for their PRCA Rodeo. It was great getting to see everybody there and Lincoln was actually the first place my parents went to see me represent as Miss Rodeo Nebraska!

The next week I was back in North Platte to meet with sponsors and partake in the Farm and Ranch Show. Then I was off to Scottsbluff, NE to chat on their radio station for awhile and then to Mitchell, NE for the KNEB Farm and Ranch Show where I signed autographs at the Murdoch's booth. On February 5th-7th I was in Rapid City, SD for the Black Hills Stock Show and Rodeo. That rodeo tops my list of rodeos to attend. Top cowboys and cowgirls attend to make the family night exciting. Thanks to McKenzie Haley, Miss Rodeo South Dakota 2010 for making my time there great and one that I will always cherish.

It's been great to be able to travel to rodeos and events that are close to home. The support and encouragement that I have received has been outstanding. It really goes to show that rodeo is one big family. And that it really is a small world, it seems like I have been able to run into somebody I know at every event I have been to this far. Thanks to my sponsors once again for helping me get down the road, without you I wouldn't be able to represent rodeo or the great state of Nebraska.

~Ride Proud~  
Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2010

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### MISSION STATEMENT:

To provide an opportunity for young women of high moral and ethical character to promote Nebraska and the sport of rodeo.

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1. Amy & I before crowning
2. Carrying Sponsor Flags @ Denver Stock Show
3. Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2010
4. Trace Adkins & I @ Denver Market
5. Me & Sharon Camarillo @ Denver Market
6. Bowling in Las Vegas Ladies-In-Waiting SD, CA, & WY
7. 1st time wearing MRN Crown on my hat
8. Ladies-In-Waiting in Las Vegas
9. Tuff Cooper and Myself @ Denver Stock Show

## THANK YOU!!!

It's official, on January 8th I became Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2010. My Coronation was held in North Platte where many of my friends & family gathered to help celebrate my special night. Without all the support I had coronation wouldn't have been what it was. In the 6 months I had as Lady-In-Waiting, I learned that you can never say "Thank You" enough.

First off I would like to thank all of my sponsors, without them this dream of mine would not be possible. The Miss Rodeo Nebraska Association...words can't even start to express the thanks for your guidance and support thus far. Thank you to everybody within the Association that helped me with my coronation. Also to the NEBRASKALand Days Board & the Buffalo Bill Rodeo Committee, many members were able to come & celebrate with me. I am so grateful for their support. Custom Craft Signs did a wonderful job on my pick-up which is sponsored by Gottsch Feed Corp. & North Platte Feeders. They did exactly what I wanted. My pick-up is bright red & is covered quite well with all of my sponsors. ~Honk, I'll wave ~ 🙌

Mill Iron S is my chap sponsor. Dallas & Sara did an excellent job on my chaps, giving them a "Western Bling" look. The neat thing about my chaps is they are covered in brands all around the top which represent the ranches in Maxwell that have helped me along the way & made me the person I am today. James Marshall, with Marshall Hats in Arthur, NE has kindly provided me with hats for my year as Miss Rodeo Nebraska. I know that he put some extra time in so I could have them before the beginning of the year. I thank him so much for that. Jo Morphew, with Tailor Maid out of North Platte made my beautiful coronation outfit. Jo has so much talent & I am honored to be able to work with her this year. We have some pretty fun ideas in store for Las Vegas where I will compete for the title of MRA 2011. Photos by Jerry and Wilkinson Enterprises helped provide me with my autograph sheets; they turned out perfect. George Hipple, Hipple Photography, is my photographer. I told him what I had in mind for my autograph sheets & he made it 100% better. Some of my other sponsors like the Miss Rodeo Nebraska Association, Behlen Country, Southwest Implement, GoLight, and NEBRASKALand Days provided me with some very nice auction items that were a highlight at my coronation.

I also have to thank my parents & close friends for all the help in preparation for coronation. It was really exciting planning for the big day. The night ended up being a great success! My Mom & Dad were great & dealt with my stress very well. Dawn Lydic, Tiereny Witt, & Haley McKee were great help. Thank you for getting the odds & ends things done! David Fudge, you're probably the best Emcee I know, & I'm not just saying this! I came to David, told him what I thought should happen, & without any hesitation he put together a night that was so special. David also did a lot of advertisement for me on the radio & had great advice along the way. Did I mention that he is a really good cook; if you are ever invited to eat with David & his family....don't pass it up! Kyle Schow from Paxton did an excellent job as my auctioneer! He kept the crowd involved & the bids high!!! Now we just have to talk him in to letting his daughter become a rodeo queen, Karen Troyer — that's your job! Josh Cox, a family friend of mine played his guitar throughout the night. He sang so well & completed the night by singing my favorite song after I was crowned by Amy.

I know I recognized some of my sponsors and what they have done for me, but without ALL of them my goals as Miss Rodeo Nebraska will not be achieved. So I **THANK YOU ALL!**

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*The generous support of all the sponsors is greatly appreciated. Thank you!*



Hi Everyone!!

I hope the holidays treated you well. They gave me the opportunity for some R & R. Prior to going to Las Vegas for MRA Pageant I had two beautiful send-off celebrations; One in Crawford and the other in North Platte. Thank you to everyone who put their time and efforts into making them beautiful, memorable nights. Also thank you to everyone else who came and supported me at my last appearances as Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2009. I had a blast in Las Vegas! I had so much fun representing each of you at the national level. It was amazing, the girls were wonderful and it was fabulous seeing so many familiar Nebraska faces there to support me. Miss Rodeo Mississippi, Kelli Jackson, is Miss Rodeo America 2010. She is a wonderful young lady who will represent us all very well. I came away with friendships, memories, clothes, and a \$1000 scholarship. Not many people can say they left Vegas with money in their pocket, but I can. I hope you all have as much fun with Michelle as I have. She is a breath of fresh air and will raise the bar for the next MRN. I look forward to hearing about Michelle's adventures as MRN 2010! She had a beautiful coronation and an awesome turnout! Thank you to all of you who are supporting her! Michelle know that I am here for you too! Ride Proud lady! My year is over and you ask me how do I feel about it? I will tell you that this ending won't make you laugh or cry but will leave you with a smile. So I say to you it is bittersweet. My rodeo queen career is officially over and looking back through this year and my past titles I am truly blessed. What has made these endeavors what they were and what they are in my memory is that each of you has come in to my life and left your mark in molding me in to who I am today. Words are not enough but they will have to do. Thank you and I love having you in my life. Please keep in touch so our friendship will continue to grow and thrive in the years to come! I have already moved on to my next adventure. I will be doing Customer Service for a rodeo photography company, Cowboy Images of Rapid City, SD. Check us out on the web. I will travel to all the rodeos, book us, and do PR. Sound familiar? I really look forward to having a full time paid position in the rodeo world. My first event is the Extreme Bulls in Rapid City during the Black Hills Stock Show and then we are off to Texas for San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo. Sorry I can't take you with me down South where I hope it is warmer than it is here.

♥ Amy



1. My family and I after 1st night of WNFR
2. Victoria MRAL and Amy after horse-manship
3. Brooklyn MRNM and Amy going to horse-manship
4. Dad and I at MRA Pageant
5. Twins—Amy and Erika Backes, we were thought of as twins all year and in Vegas
6. Pink Mobile loaded down and ready to go to Vegas
7. Michelle and I at MRA Pageant



Hey Everyone,

I thought the rodeo season was a busy one. Wow! Getting into the high school routine takes some real work. I have been very busy with school work as well as basketball and speech team. There are never any unused moments in my weeks. I had a great time attending the send-off for Amy. It was really fun to see so many local queens and supporters come out to wish her the best. I spent my Christmas in the blizzard of my lifetime in Eastern Nebraska. Wow, I have never seen drifts that high in my life. From one end of the state to the other what a difference in the amounts of snow! You gotta love Nebraska for its weather. To my dismay I was unable to attend Michelle's Coronation. Not sure if it was illness creeping in or just plain exhaustion that got me down. Either way I was disappointed that I didn't make it to the Coronation. My apologies to all of you who looked for me and most of all to Michelle for not being there to see her shine. I am very excited about the upcoming queen clinic in March. The committee has so many wonderful activities

planned that I don't know how any of you would not want it to be a must for the month. It will be a great opportunity to learn and to connect with some wonderful people with a great deal of wisdom. I will close with the quote that began my year and still seems to echo in every avenue of my day-to-day activities: "Remember you can't choose the situations that life gives you, but you can choose how you handle them."

Hope to see you all in March.  
Matisyn Humphrey, Miss Teen Rodeo Nebraska 2009



PAGEANT

2011 MRN AND 2010 MTRN

INFO

"RIDE PROUD" AT THE MISS RODEO AND MISS TEEN RODEO NEBRASKA PAGEANT

The Miss Rodeo Nebraska and Miss Teen Rodeo Nebraska pageant will be held June 13 –16, 2010 in North Platte, NE during NEBRASKALand Days and the Buffalo Bill Rodeo celebration. Applicants for the title of Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2011 must be unmarried and not less than 19 years of age or more than 26 years of age at the time of competition for the title of Miss Rodeo America in December of 2011. Applicants for the title of Miss Teen Rodeo Nebraska 2010 must be not less than 14 years of age or more than 18 years of age as of the 1st day of the pageant.

Contestants for both pageants will be judged in three main categories: horsemanship, personality, and appearance. Horsemanship will require completion of designated patterns. Personality will be judged during the speech competition, personal interviews, and impromptu questions. Appearance will be judged in all phases of the competition in regard to appropriate western dress and how the contestant conveys her personality through her appearance. Miss Teen Rodeo Nebraska 2010 will be crowned Wednesday, June 16, 2010, at the Queen's Breakfast. Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2011 will be crowned at the Wednesday, June 16, 2010, performance of the Buffalo Bill PRCA Rodeo.

An entry fee of \$200.00 will be required for the Miss contest and a \$100.00 entry fee will be required for the Teen contest. Applications must be received no later than April 1, 2010. To receive an entry packet for the pageant, please contact Karen Troyer, Recruitment Chairman, Miss Rodeo Nebraska Pageant, 10641 West Foothill Road, North Platte, NE 69101, Phone: 308-532-7199, or Carol Bodeen @ csn1995@yahoo.com

Watch for updates to the pageant schedule with a change to a barbecue event following the horsemanship competition and a new location for the Wednesday morning Queen's Breakfast. Information as it becomes available will be on the MRNA website: [www.missrodeonebraska.org](http://www.missrodeonebraska.org).



**"RIDE PROUD"**

**Lil' Cowgirls of 2010**

**7TH ANNUAL CLINIC  
FOR GIRLS AGES 6 - 11  
SUNDAY, MARCH 14TH  
1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.**

**NORTH PLATTE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
SOUTH CAMPUS – New Location!!**

Hosted by: Michelle Boeshart, MRN 2010  
Featuring: Matisyn Humphrey, MTRN 2009  
Sponsored by the MRNA, Inc.

Each Lil' Cowgirl will receive an official T-shirt, memory photo with MRN 2010, practice some rodeo skills, make new friends, and learn a dance routine to perform at future MRNA Events and NEBRASKALand Days!

There are only 30 openings and they will be offered to past participants first with their paid registration. The spots will then be filled as new paid registrations are received. Once they are filled your child's name will go on a mailing list for next year's clinic. Registration closes February 23, 2010.

For more information for the Lil' Cowgirls Clinic contact: Chris Gaudreault @ 308-784-3076 or email: [lilcowgirls@missrodeonebraska.org](mailto:lilcowgirls@missrodeonebraska.org)

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APPLICATION 2010**

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- \_\_\_\_\_ \$35.00 General Membership
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 Youth Membership (age 16 & under)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00 Rodeo Membership
- \_\_\_\_\_ + \$10.00 late fee—renewals after 3-31-10
- \_\_\_\_\_ = Total Amount Due

Please indicate all committee(s) you would be interested in serving on:

- Queen Clinic
- Little Cowgirls
- Send-Off Style Show
- Sponsorship
- Scholarship
- Queen's Luncheon
- Any Other
- Office of MRNA

How many year's with MRNA??? \_\_\_\_\_

**THANK YOU!!**

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**2009—2010 NE RODEO QUEENS**

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|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| **Miss Rodeo Nebraska 2010         | Michelle Boeshart   |
| **Miss Teen Rodeo NE 2009          | Matisyn Humphrey    |
| **NE High School Rodeo Queen       | Joni Qualm          |
| Clearwater Rodeo Queen             | Dakota Terry        |
| *Miss Days of '56 Rodeo Queen      | Amber Barrs         |
| Sutherland Rodeo Jr. Queen         | Elaina Farley       |
| Southwest NE Rodeo Queen           | Kristin Kohmetscher |
| Southwest NE Rodeo Jr. Queen       | Morgan Yendra       |
| *Miss Burwell Rodeo Queen          | Amanda Pfasterer    |
| Miss Collegiate Rodeo UNL          | Amber Reeble        |
| Cheyenne Cnty Fair & Rodeo Qn      | Whitney Miller      |
| Miss Rodeo Nuckolls County         | Bridgett Fanning    |
| Furnas County Jr. Rodeo Queen      | Kayla Mues          |
| Madison County Rodeo Queen         | Hillary Beldin      |
| Miss Sheridan Cnty Fair & Rodeo Qn | Jess Yankton        |
| Ogallala Round-Up Rodeo Queen      | Pam Radke           |
| Ogallala Round-Up Rodeo Princess   | Makenzi Humphrey    |
| *Old West Trail Rodeo Queen        | Gina Jespersen      |
| Old West Trail Jr Rodeo Queen      | Olivia Hunsperger   |
| Elwood Rodeo Queen                 | Karlie Osborne      |
| Miss Rodeo Cherry County           | Shylee Hewitt       |
| Kimball County Rodeo Queen         | Tashonna Frye       |
| Logan County Rodeo Queen           | Kelcee Dickman      |
| Logan County Rodeo Princess        | Kandace Ward        |
| *Oregon Trail Rodeo Queen          | Tia Mohling         |
| *Miss Rodeo Ak-Sar-Ben             | Morgan Marshall     |
| Miss Rodeo Webster County          | Shelby Peters       |
| Wilsonville Rodeo Queen            | Jimi Pinney         |

\*\*Denotes State Queen \*Denotes PRCA Rodeo Queen

## NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Where does the time go? It seems to disappear from my life every day. We sometimes get so busy that it is hard to remember where our priorities are. Today's priority is to get my letter done for the newsletter! It has been a busy three months since the last newsletter. I traveled to Las Vegas to support Amy, who did an outstanding job in the competition. We were all disappointed that she didn't make the top ten, & in our minds she should have. Of course we don't see all of the interviews & time spent with judges, but we are very proud of her & thank her for the great job she did for our MRNA. We know that she has a bright future in whatever path she takes, & look forward to working with her as a member of the MRNA Executive Board. Hoping everyone had a Happy Holiday Season, & if you missed the coronation of MRN 2010, it was a huge event & very successful for Michelle. Take the time to send her Good Wishes as she starts her reign: [mrn2010@missrodeonebraska.org](mailto:mrn2010@missrodeonebraska.org). She has asked if anyone has questions that will help her study for the year to please email them to her. It is always exciting as we start each year with the new Queen, & they all bring new ideas to our Miss Rodeo NE program. DUES are DUE 1st of January so make sure that you get them sent in to our new treasurer, Karen Freeze. A big THANK YOU goes to Bonnie Ehlers for the wonderful job she has done as Treasurer, & also to Carl Wilkinson for the time he served as our Vice-President. Know they will continue to be involved in the Association & lend their expertise to us. The MRNA Queen Clinic & Lil' Cowgirls Clinic will be in March, & it's going to be a great one. It will be held at North Platte Community College. What a wonderful sponsor they are & we "Thank" them for all they do. Priorities now are working on Committee lists, updating Duties of Chairpersons, & finally getting a Judges list together which will all be on the website. Become a fan on Facebook & you can add information, links, & pictures of any rodeo queen activities that you would like to share with other fans!! Winston Churchill once said, "We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give." We appreciate all of you for your time, money, & support that you give to the Miss Rodeo Nebraska Association.

See you at the Queen Clinics and meeting in March!  
Mardee Swanson, MRNA President



## 2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 12** Executive Meeting  
5:00 p.m. N. Platte Com. College S. Campus
- March 13** General Meeting  
5:00 p.m. N. Platte Com. College S. Campus
- Mar 12-14** MRNA Queen Clinic  
North Platte Community College S. Campus
- March 14** Lil' Cowgirls Clinic  
1 or 2 p.m. N. Platte Com. College S. Campus
- March 31** MRNA dues renewal deadline
- April 1** Entries close for 2011 Miss Rodeo NE Pageant and 2010 Miss Teen Rodeo NE Pageant
- April 17-18** MRA Mid-year Meeting in Las Vegas
- April 20** Information deadline for MRNA Summer Newsletter
- June 13-16** MRN 2011 and MTRN 2010 Pageant

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Tamera Moorhead, MTRN 2007, was recently honored by being appointed to the Attorney General's Youth Advisory council. She will be traveling to the State Capitol in Lincoln in February to participate with other youth from around the state.

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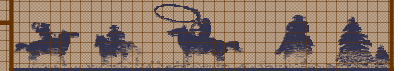
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