



Miss Rodeo Illinois Association NEWSLETTER *Spring 2011*



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Sept, 3-4, 2011
2012 Miss Rodeo
Illinois & Miss Teen
Rodeo Illinois Pageant
Delavan, Illinois

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Miss Rodeo Illinois 2011 Brooke M'lynn Owen



Brooke M'lynn Owen of Mapleton is Miss Rodeo Illinois 2011. The central Illinois native is a student at Bradley University where she is a double major in English/Secondary Education with hopes of eventually earning her Master's Degree in Educational Leadership. She is also a Bradley Braves cheerleader.

Graduating salutatorian of her high school class, she is no stranger to hard work and dedication. Brooke is a fierce competitor in the rodeo arena as well.

A member of the Women's Professional Rodeo Association (WPRA) and the Central States Rodeo Association (CSRA), she was a two-time Illinois High School Rodeo state finalist in pole bending and barrel racing and a member of the Wrangler All-Star Rodeo Team. She was also the 2007 Junior Barrel Racing Champion at the Sharon Camarillo Eastern Classic. She is the daughter of Brian Owen and Gina Abbott-Owen, she has two brothers Kolton and Kordel and a sister Morgen.

Brooke began her reign on January 1, her coronation celebration was held at Stone Country Saloon in Bartonville Jan. 8. Read about Brooke's travels to Vegas, Denver, Texas, Florida, Iowa, and Oklahoma on page 2.

MRI Pageant to be held in Delavan Sept. 3-4

Thanks to the generous support of Roger and Vicki Rawlings of Rawlings Trailer Sales and the Community of Delavan, the Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant will be held in Delavan Sept. 3-4, 2011.

Contestants must be a resident of Illinois, 19-24 years of age, single, never married, pregnant nor with dependents. Horsemanship skills are required. Rodeo experience and knowledge is preferred but not required. Contestants will be judged on the following categories: Horsemanship, Speech, Extemporaneous Questions, Modeling, Personality, Personal Interview, Appearance, and Photogenic Quality. The young lady selected as Miss Rodeo Illinois 2012 will represent the Land of Lincoln at the 2013 Miss Rodeo America Pageant held in conjunction with the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Nev. in December 2012. Entry form and rules are available at www.missrodeoillinois.com. Application and early-bird entry fee of \$175 is due by July 1, 2011, or \$200 by Aug. 1. For more information contact, Rosemary Cooper, Miss Rodeo Illinois Assoc. President by phone (309) 370-1308 or by email rosemary@prairierodeo.com.



2011**Calendar of Events****July 1**

Early Bird Entry
Deadline for Miss Rodeo Illinois & Miss Rodeo Illinois Teen pageants

Aug. 1

Entry Deadline for Miss Rodeo Illinois & Miss Rodeo Illinois Teen pageants

Sept. 3-4

2012 Miss Rodeo Illinois & Miss Teen Pageant, Delavan, Ill.

December 1-10

PRCA Wrangler National Finals Rodeo Las Vegas, Nev.

December 3-10

2012 Miss Rodeo America Pageant, MGM Grand Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas

Follow Brooke's Travels throughout the year
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Brooke's Travels & Appearances

I have already gotten to travel to a lot of really great places in just the first three months of my reign. The highlight of my spring travels was at the 25th Anniversary of the Dodge National Circuit Finals Rodeo in Oklahoma City, Okla. March 30-April 1. The first morning 22 visiting queens, counting myself, had tryouts to for the grand opening. Our horsemanship skills were put to task. I was thrilled to be one in five selected for this honor. It was Military Night so we all wore red, white or blue. The second morning we headed for the shooting range for a shoot out! Mind you, I've never held a gun in my life. I ended up 2nd to Miss Rodeo Utah. Now I have a new hobby...haha. We went to dinner at some pretty cool places and signed autographs at several stores. What an awesome time I had, if I could I would do it all over again. Hope to see you soon.

December 2010: As Lady-In-Waiting attended the 2011 Miss Rodeo America Pageant, Las Vegas, Nev. to cheer on Katie Chaffin Miss Rodeo Illinois 2010.

January 2011: Coronation Celebration, Bartonville, Ill.; National Western Stock Show and Rodeo and the WESA Market, Denver, Colo.; Bulls 'n Broncs-Peoria, Ill.

February 2011: Texas Queen Clinic, San Antonio, Texas; Illinois High School Rodeo Association Mid-Winter Meeting, Springfield, Ill.; Silver Spurs Pro Rodeo, Kissimmee, Fla.

March 2011: Bulls 'n Broncs-Moline & Rockford, Ill.; Easter Seals Fund Raiser, Peoria, Ill.; Illinois Horse Fair, Springfield, Ill.;

Iowa Queen Clinic, Winterset, Ia.; Dodge National Circuit Finals Rodeo, Oklahoma City, Okla.

**Win a 50" Plasma TV**

MRI 2011 Raffle—See Brooke for a ticket to win! 1 ticket/\$5; 3 tickets/\$10

- 1st Prize-50" LG Plasma TV
- 2nd Prize \$300 Cash

Winners will be drawn in November. Need not be present to win.

Miss Rodeo America Pageant—New Dates and Location!

The Miss Rodeo America Pageant is held annually in conjunction with the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo, in Las Vegas, Nevada. State rodeo queens compete for the coveted crown of Miss Rodeo America by competing in the areas of horsemanship, personality, appearance and rodeo knowledge & presentation. The Miss Rodeo America Pageant has been offering young women the opportunity to create solid foundations for their future endeavors, since 1955. Miss Rodeo America has become a part of a great legacy and part of rodeo history.

Miss Rodeo Teen Pageant Announced

ATTENTION: Young ladies between the ages of 14 and 18 who are residents of Illinois with horsemanship and riding skills. The Miss Teen Rodeo Illinois Pageant will be held in conjunction with the Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant Sept. 3-4 in Delevan, Ill. The teen pageant will mirror the Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant and will include the following categories: Speech, Modeling, Impromptu Questions on Rodeo and Current Events, Personal Interview, Written Test and Horsemanship.



Early-bird entry fee of \$150 is due July 1 or \$175 by Aug. 1. For more information contact, Rosemary Cooper, Miss Rodeo Illinois Assoc. President by phone (309) 370-1308 or by email rosemary@prairierodeo.com. For more information visit the website at www.missrodeoillinois.com.

Miss Rodeo Illinois 2011 Sponsors

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Miss Rodeo Illinois Shirts For Sale \$35



Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant Shirts available for purchase. Long-sleeved Port Authority shirts. Men's sizes have pocket on the left front, Ladies' do not have pocket. See size chart below. Optional 2 lines text \$2 each line. Shirts come in White with red & blue stitching or Pink with all white stitching.

Shirt \$30 each, tax & shipping \$5.

Men's Sizes: XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL, 6XL

Tall available in white only LT, XLT, 3XLT, 4XLT

Ladies Sizes: XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL, 2XL

Size: _____ Color: _____

Size: _____ Color: _____

Size: _____ Color: _____

1st line of text: _____

2nd line of text: _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

_____ shirts x \$35 = \$ _____
 _____ lines of text x \$2 = \$ _____
TOTAL \$ _____

Clip & mail order to Angel B Creations, 17816 Nine Mile Road, Virden, IL 62690.

Allow 2 weeks from receipt.

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The Miss Rodeo Illinois Association works to select an Ambassador of Good Will who will promote a positive image of professional rodeo and the western way of life keeping education, leadership and personal growth in the forefront and doing so with the highest level of integrity.

Who Could Be the Next Miss Rodeo Illinois?

A pageant is held annually to select a young lady who strives to promote the State of Illinois and the Sport of Professional Rodeo, and in so doing, promote the great western way of life. The Miss Rodeo Illinois Association is looking for a young lady who is a talented, personable horsewoman with the vast knowledge of the Sport of Rodeo, the equine industry, and the State of Illinois. A young lady who enjoys travel and has sincere interest in garnering educational experiences which will assist in laying a solid foundation for her future.

What type of young lady does the Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant wish to attract?

- One who wishes to be a representative of her hometown, community, state, and professional rodeo.
- One who has a desire to travel our state to promote the great western way of life through rodeo and related events.
- One who portrays unexcelled sportsmanship, high moral and ethical character.
- One who understands and loves the Sport of Rodeo and who has the knowledge of the sport to sell it to someone who has none.
- An ambitious young lady who is interested in furthering her chosen career through higher education and special training.
- A young lady who is able to speak intelligently and displays dignity in all situations.

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