

Former Miss Rodeo Illinois

2007 Kelsea Dawn Walker	1983 Larla Ridley
2000 Rachel Bailey	1982 Laren Leider
1999 Jenny (Stuart) Branum	1981 Andrea (Marshall) Miller
1998 Mandy McCormick	1980 Trina Shoemaker
1997 Joie Evans	1978 Tina Stanich
1996 Kimberly Koehler	1977 Denies Enright
1995 Andrea Lotz	1976 Cheerie Johnson
1994 Stephanie (Wessels) Stanton	1975 Cheryl Graboski
1990 Sheila (Passmore) Puckett	1974 Harlene Hammett
1989 Tracy Sullivan	1971 Deborah Garrett
1988 Karen Davis	1969 Eva Murray
1987 Robin (Wessels) DeMott	1968 Johnath Lynn Beckman
1986 Gina (Littrell) Riedel	1967 Joanne Fischer
1985 Stacy Rice	1963 Pamela Harris
1984 Lisa Egidi	1962 Janet Timm

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Official Photographer

Prairie Photo, Rosemary Cooper, www.PrairieRodeo.com, (309) 446-9645

Pageant Sponsors & Services Provided

Pageant Lodging & Interview Room, Best Western Inn, Robinson, IL

Pageant Flowers, The Rocking Horse, Palestine IL

Pageant Host, Palestine Chamber of Commerce and the Pioneer City Rodeo

Pageant Audit, Scott Tulliam Accounting & Tax Service, Robinson, IL

Pageant Program, Robin DeMott, Rio, IL

Meal's Provided by:

Kaye Holscher's Catering; Pancake Breakfast; Lunch with Rodeo Clowns; Sparks Floral & Catering;
Best Western Inn



2008

Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant

www.missrodeoillinois.com

September 1-4, 2006

Labor Day Parade & Roundup

Pioneer City PRCA Rodeo Palestine, Illinois

Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant 2008 Schedule of Events

Friday, August 31

3:00-4:30 p.m.	Check-In at the Best Western Inn, Robinson, IL
4:30-5:30 p.m.	Dinner
5:30-7:00 p.m.	Appearance and Announcement of Contestants prior to Rodeo
7:00-8:30 p.m.	Contestants will be selling 50/50 tickets for MRIL Association
8:30-9:30 p.m.	Orientation at Hotel with Judges, Contestants and Parents

Saturday, September 1

6:30-7:30 a.m.	Chuck Wagon Breakfast on Main Street, Palestine
7:30-9:00 a.m.	Speeches, Modeling and Impromptu Questions
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Lunch with the Clowns
2:00-4:00 p.m.	Personal Interviews with Judges
4:00-5:00 p.m.	Dinner with Judges.
5:30 p.m.	Leave for Rodeo Arena
6:30-7:30 p.m.	Announcement of Contestants Prior to Rodeo
7:00-8:30 p.m.	Contestants will be selling 50/50 tickets for MRIL Association

Sunday, September 2

7:00-8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Local Appearances
10:15-11:30 a.m.	Cowboy Church Service
Noon-1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:30-3:00 p.m.	Horsemanship Competition
4:30-5:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:30 p.m.	Coronation of Miss Rodeo Illinois 2008

Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant

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.

The Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant is open to any female resident of the State of Illinois or student attending college who is at least 19 years of age and not older than 26 before Dec. 31, 2009. Candidates must be single, never married, pregnant nor with dependant(s). Horsemanship skills are required.

For more information contact Lisa Boeding, Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant Director (815) 343-0911
www.missrodeoillinois.com

Miss Rodeo Illinois 2008

Miss Rodeo Illinois Traveling Crown –Prairie Rodeo, Princeville, IL
Miss Rodeo Illinois Trophy Saddle - Cullotta's Tack, Feed & More, St. Charles, IL
Miss Rodeo Illinois Trophy Belt Buckle - Frontier Silversmiths
Web Site Hosting & Development - Rosemary Cooper, Prairie Rodeo, Princeville, IL
Custom Chaps - Diamond J Leather, Jill Veteto
Miss Rodeo Illinois Sashes – Rural King, Robinson, IL
Custom Arena Blouse - Reigning Rhinestones, Paula Jameson, Bridgewater, IA
Custom Arena Blouse - Fit for a Queen, Bobbie Hinds, Minburn, IA
Miss Rodeo Illinois Embroidered Garment Bag - Lisa Boeding
Miss Rodeo Illinois Briefcase - Lisa Boeding
Miss Rodeo Illinois Magnetic Truck Signs - Darrell Stiennen, Henry, IL
Bailey Hat - Barbra Ware Western Wear, Clinton, AR
Avon Gift - Bernie Hawkins, Palestine IL
Mary Kay Gift - Kelsea Walker, Miss Rodeo Illinois 2007
Monogrammed Hat Can - Senco Construction, Palestine, IL
Flowers - The Rocking Horse, Palestine, IL
Gift Pack - Attitude Salon, Palestine, IL
Gift Pack – Mullen's Salad Dressing, Palestine, IL
Gift Pack - Not Just Nails, Palestine, IL
Ladies Nocona Belt - Nocona Belt Co.
Justine Equine Products - Justin Boot Co.
Ariat Gift Bag - Horse Creek Outfitters, Springfield, IL
Western Picture Frame - Horse Creek Outfitter, Springfield, IL
\$50 Gift Certificate - Horse Creek Outfitters, Springfield, IL
\$25 Gift Certificate – Pard's Western Store, Milan & Champaign, IL
Ariat Boots - Ariat Boot Co.

1st Runner Up

Montana Silver Bracelet - Millers Feed & Tack, Palestine, IL
\$20 Gift Certificate - Coyote Creek Apparel & Tack, Siegel, IL

2nd Runner Up

Mikasa China Trinket Box -
Robin DeMott, Rio, IL

Miss Horsemanship

Etched Glass Trophy - Senco Construction, Robinson, IL; Montana Silver Necklace - David's Place & Village Inn, Palestine, IL; Horse Grooming Set - Dekker Mfg., Keokuk, IA

Speech Award

Montana Silver Bracelet - Horse Creek Outfitters, Springfield, IL

Miss Photogenic

Engraved Picture Frame - Lisa Boeding, MRI Pageant Coordinator; Gift Pack- Waves & Co., Palestine, IL

Miss Congeniality

Gift – McNair's Hardware, Palestine, IL & Hollywood, Robinson, IL

Contestant Gifts

Pioneer City Rodeo T-Shirt - Palestine Chamber of Commerce; Gift Bags - Mandy McCormick, Miss Rodeo Illinois 1998, Owner Horse Creek Outfitters, Springfield, IL; Mary Kay Gift Bag - Kelsea Walker, Miss Rodeo Illinois 2007; Horse Grooming Set - Dekker Mfg., Keokuk, IA; Mary Kay Gift Bag - Missy York, Palestine, IL

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THANK YOU

Palestine Chamber of Commerce

*for support and for making the
Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant Possible*

And a Special Thank You to

Lisa Clark and Jim Clark for all you've done!

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Kelsea Dawn Walker Miss Rodeo Illinois 2007

Miss Rodeo Illinois 2007 comes to you from her family's farm in the prairies of southeastern Illinois. Kelsea Dawn Walker is 24 years old and is from Cisne, Ill. She is working toward a degree in Communication. She was the 1997 Illinois Junior Rodeo Princess and the Illinois High School Rodeo Queen from 1998 to 2001, a 3-time National High School Rodeo Queen Contestant placing in the top 10 and top 5 and winning the modeling category. In 2002, she was Miss National Federation of Professional Bullriders. She spent that year traveling the Midwest representing the sport of bull riding and working as a co-announcer and interviewer at NFPB sanctioned events. After crowning her NFPB successor she won the title of 2003 Miss Cherokee Strip Rodeo of Perry, Okla., and competed at the 2004 Miss Rodeo USA Pageant. In September 2006, Kelsea was crowned Miss Rodeo Illinois 2007 at the Palestine, Ill. Pioneer City PRCA Rodeo. Kelsea has competed as a breakaway roper, team roper, goat tyer, pole bender and is still an active barrel racer. She has worked as a flag girl and cattle shagger for rodeo producers such as JS Pro Rodeo and Rite-N-Gear Rodeo Co. and has also worked with the NHSRA and RFD-TV as an interviewer on the "20X Rodeo High" Series.



She is the queen coordinator and pageant director for the Illinois High School Rodeo Association. Kelsea is a rodeo announcer, judge and Wrangler Division rodeo producer and has been a Mary Kay beauty consultant for five years. Her future plans are to become a professional rodeo announcer so that she can tell the story of "America's #1 Sport" from behind the microphone to educate fans, young and old, of the humane happenings inside the arena and inspire the future of our country to become a part of our western way of life! She would also like to raise elite bucking stock and produce rodeos throughout the United States.

"I am humbled and honored to serve our country and this great sport by wearing the crown of Miss Rodeo Illinois!"

Carly Ray Hagey



Carly Ray Hagey is the 20 year old daughter of Curt and Polly Hagey and hails from Tremont, Ill. She attended Dee-Mack High School and is currently enrolled at Illinois Central College and Black Hawk College for the fall semester where she will be taking a year of general education courses then focus on her major which she plans on putting to use one day as a College Professor teaching the very thing she is going to school for, Equine Science. Some of Carly's interests include water skiing and dancing which is why she would one day love to learn how to ballroom dance. Carly enjoys barrel racing, breakaway roping and is a heeler when she team ropes. She qualified for the NBHA Youth Barrel Show in Jackson, Miss. where she placed 9th over all out of over 900 contestants. In 2002, she was the Illinois Junior Rodeo Princess.

When asked why she would like to be Miss Rodeo Illinois 2008, Carly stated "I would like to be Miss Rodeo Illinois for many different reasons. I know it would be a great opportunity to promote the sport of rodeo around places where it is not as well known. I could go out and put a positive outlook on the different events that are involved as well as answer any questions that people might have to the best of my ability. I also think that it would be a great opportunity to travel and make many great memories and hopefully many friends."

Jeanette Hull

Jeanette Hull is the 19 year old daughter of David and Tammy Hobbs and hails from Mansfield, Ill. She attended Blue Ridge High School and is currently attending Parkland College where she is a double major in the Agriculture Business, Marketing and Management Program as well as the transfer program in Veterinary Medicine where she plans on owning her own Vet Clinic. In her free time, Jeanette enjoys a variety of activities ranging from athletics to being active in her church. She stays busy working at the Pioneer Research and Illinois Improvement Association as well as working part time at Farm and Fleet. Jeanette is an active pole bender and barrel racer and is a member of the NBHA, AQHA, IBRA, BBRA, EBFA. In 2002, Jeanette won state in NBHA, she has qualified for the World in the AQHA, EBFA, IBRA and NBHA since 1997. In 2005, she was 27th in the world in the NBHA. She is a high point recipient in the IBRA, NBHA and the AQHA.

When asked why she wants to be Miss Rodeo Illinois 2008, Jeanette replied "Representing the state and the organization, having the opportunity to promote the association by traveling to many functions would be a once and a lifetime experience. If I win, I think I'll learn from this experience to help others realize it's more than a title, it's a commitment, in which I'm fully willing to take on."



Rebecca Kloker

Rebecca Kloker is the 20 year old daughter of Norm and Jean Kloker and hails from Rushville, Ill. After attending Ponderosa Christian Academy, Rebecca plans on attending the University of Spa and Cosmetology Arts where one of her future goals is to own and operate her own hair and tanning salon.



In addition to reading books and keeping her journal, Rebecca has served as Camp Counselor in the summertime at Performing Arts Camp in Meredosia, participates with her church at Work Camp, has served as the Secretary and President of the 4-H Club as well as her Club's Representative to the 4-H Federation. Rebecca was a 4 year member of the Illinois High School Rodeo Association where she competed for Illinois High School Rodeo Queen earning 1st and 2nd runner up awards as well as Horsemanship, Modeling and Appearance. She is currently a member of the National Barrel Horse Association and received the 2005 NBHA Great Lakes National Reserve Champion Youth; 2005 NBHA World Qualifier; 2005 Illinois High School Rodeo State Finals weekend average barrel racing winner; 2005 National High School Finals Rodeo qualifier in barrel racing.

When asked why she wants to be Miss Rodeo Illinois 2008, Rebecca stated "I truly believe that Rodeo is America's #1 Sport! I want to be able to represent the sport of rodeo in Illinois in a way that it has never been represented before. It is my goal to show Illinois that rodeo is for everyone!"

A Thank You Note From Our Director

A very special Thank You to everyone who has supported and helped me organize this year's pageant. Behind every good director is a fabulous committee and that is no different in this case, so I want to give a huge *Thank You* to Missy York, Lisa Clark and Cheryl Hooks for all their hard work and dedication contacting sponsors and picking up items for the pageant. I couldn't have done it without you ladies! Thank You to the Palestine Chamber of Commerce and the Pioneer City Rodeo Committee for their on going support of the Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant. Without them, we wouldn't be here. I would like to extend a very special Thank You to Kelsea Walker, Miss Rodeo Illinois 2007, for doing an outstanding job representing not only the Pioneer City Rodeo, but also the Land of Lincoln. We are very proud of all you have accomplished this year! As well as a *Thank You* to our National Director Robin DeMott and to the Association President Rosemary Copper for all their hard work and support of the pageant. To my panel of judges who have taken the time out of their busy and hectic schedules to select Miss Rodeo Illinois 2008, I cannot thank you all enough!

Happy Trails,

Lisa Boeding

Miss Rodeo Illinois
Pageant Director