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Katie's Vegas Send-Off Party

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You're Invited to Katie Chaffin's Las Vegas Send Off Party

Please join Katie Lea Chaffin, Miss Rodeo Illinois 2010, for her Las Vegas Send-Off Party. Dinner, Silent Auction and Fashion Show, on Saturday, Nov. 6, at 6 p.m. at the Berean Christian Church, 10750N Co Hwy 2, Ipava, Ill. Come spend the evening with Katie as she models the outfits she will wear at the Miss Rodeo America Pageant in Las Vegas Nov. 28-Dec. 4, 2010. The meal includes pulled pork, cowboy beans, slaw, potatoes and dessert. Dinner donation is \$8 adults and \$5 for children. There will be music and a silent auction. Thank you everyone for your support and prayers!



Katie pictured in her personally-design, custom-made chaps by Jill Veteto, Diamond J Leather of Custer, Montana. Katie will wear the chaps at the Miss Rodeo America pageant at the PRCA Lunch and compete for a scholarship sponsored by WPRA.

Katie's Sponsors

Diamond Crown \$1,500 & up

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Don & Clara Kay Thompson

Silver Sash \$500-\$999

Diamond J Leather, Fulton Co. Farm Bureau

Bronze Buckle 250-\$499

Your Name Could Be Here

Friends Up to \$250 Thank you so much for your support! See her full list of "Friends" on the MRI website.

View the Miss Rodeo America Pageant Contestants Online

The 2011 Miss Rodeo America Contestant photos can be viewed by clicking www.missrodeoamerica.com/Pageant/contestants/contestants1.html

Visit the Miss Rodeo Illinois Website

www.missrodeoillinois.com

2010 Dates to Remember

Nov. 6

Katie's Las Vegas
Sendoff Party,
Ipava, IL

Nov. 28-Dec. 4

2011 Miss Rodeo
America Pageant,
Las Vegas, NV

December 2-10

National Finals
Rodeo, Las
Vegas, NV

For More Info
about

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Visit their web site

www.missrodeoamerica.com

2010-2011 MRA Pageant Schedule of Events (tentative)

To purchase pageant event tickets visit the Miss Rodeo America Ticket Store.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2010

9:00 a.m. Contestants Check in, Media Interview
10:00 a.m.-12 p.m. Orientation
12:30-2:00 p.m. Contestant Room Check-In, Lunch w/ Parents
2:00-3:00 p.m. Church Service
2:30-5:30 p.m. Contestants Fashion Show Rehearsal
6:30-8:30 p.m. Foundation Dinner
8:45-9:15 p.m. Written Test
5:30-7:00 p.m. Parents Social
9:30-10:30 p.m. Fashion Show Rehearsal

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2010

7:00-7:45 a.m. Breakfast with Judges
9:00-11:30 a.m. Horsemanship
12:30-1:30 p.m. Contestants Lunch
2:30-6:00 p.m. Contestants Fashion Show Rehearsal
7:00-10:00 p.m. Cowgirl Kickoff Party "With a denim STATEment" & Silent Auction Showcase & Bidding
10:00-11:30 p.m. Contestants Fashion Show Rehearsal

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2010

8:30-10:00 a.m. President's Breakfast
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Personality Interviews/Fashion Show rehearsal
1:00-5:00 p.m. Personality Interviews/Fashion Show
7:00-10:00 p.m. Dinner at Billy Bob's Steak House
10:30-11:30 p.m. Fashion Show Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2010

7:00-7:45 a.m. First Group of Contestants (10) Breakfast w/ Judges
8:00-9:20 a.m. Speech Session I
8:30-9:20 a.m. Remaining Contestants to Breakfast
9:30-11:30 a.m. Horsemanship/Rodeo Interviews/Fashion Show rehearsal
10:00-11:00 a.m. Photogenic Judging
12:00-2:00 p.m. Contestant & Judges Desert Oak Homes Luncheon
1:30-3:30 p.m. Ladies in Waiting Pizza Party & Bowling
2:30-5:30 p.m. Horsemanship/Rodeo Interviews Show
6:00-6:46 p.m. Contestants dinner prior to Fashion Show
7:00-9:00 p.m. Fashion Show
9:00-10:00 p.m. Fashion Show "After Party" (doors open at 8:45)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2010

7:00-7:45 a.m. Second Group of Contestants (9) Breakfast w/ Judges
8:00-9:15 a.m. Speech Session II
8:30-9:15 a.m. Remaining Contestants to Breakfast
9:30 a.m.-10:45 p.m. Rodeo/Horsemanship Interviews Rehearsal
11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. PRCA Luncheon
3:00-5:00 p.m. Rodeo/Horsemanship Interviews/Coronation Rehearsal
6:45-9:00 p.m. First Performance of the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo
9:30-10:00 p.m. Contestants Ice Cream Social at Baskin Robin's
10:00-11:00 p.m. Coronation Rehearsal

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2010

8:00-9:20 a.m. Third group of Contestants Speeches/Media Video
1:00-3:00 p.m. Contestants at Cowboy Christmas for Foundation Auction

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2010

7:00-7:45 a.m. All Contestants to Breakfast with Judges
8:00-11:00 a.m. Final Coronation Walk Through for Contestants
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Alumni Luncheon, Contestants to attend
1:00-3:00 p.m. **Coronation Performance**
3:30-6:00 p.m. Miss Rodeo America 2011 Press Conference
5:45 P.M. Wrangler NFR performance for Miss Rodeo America 2011

TEEN Pageant Announced

Calling all young ladies between the ages of 13 and 18 who are a legal resident of the state of Illinois with horsemanship and riding skills. A Miss Teen Rodeo Pageant will be held next fall in conjunction with the Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant. The teen pageant will be mirrored after 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.

Entry fee is \$150. For more information contact, Lisa Boeding, Miss Rodeo Illinois Pageant Director (815) 339-4026 or mril_pageant@yahoo.com. Visit www.missrodeoillinois.com for more information.



Queen Tips From MRI Pageant Director Lisa Boeding

- Does your horse have cockleburs in its tail? Are you out of Show Sheen? A quick spray with WD-40 will do the same trick as Show Sheen. Use sparingly as it can dry out your horse's mail and tail.
- Using a small dab of Vaseline on your front teeth will prevent you from getting a dry mouth during interviews and appearances. Dip a cotton swab into the jar and gently apply to the top and bottom teeth.
- Using double stick tape on the inside of your hat in addition to bobby pins will give some added security to keeping your hat on while doing Queen's runs or shagging cattle.
- To keep the flies away from your horse and trailer, put a penny in a plastic baggie and fill about half way with water and hang where needed. The sun reflects off the copper and the flies stay away.
- Always keep safety pins and duct tape in your travel kit. Safety pins can secure a sash when you haven't got a sash pin. Duct tape can be used on formal wear to avoid putting holes in your leather dress. Heavy duty magnets would be useful as well.
- When taking photogenic pictures, make sure your hat is a different color than your background. If you have a dark background with a dark hat, it will look like part of the photo got chopped off during development.
- When making appearances at rodeos where you will be a distance from the crowd, apply make up a little heavier than if you were doing an interview. This gives you definition to the crowd even though they are 15 or 20 feet away from you.
- To help stay on top of writing Thank You notes to sponsors and hosts, keep a set with you at all times and some pre-stamped envelopes, that way you can jot down a quick note and mail it the same day from the town or host family you were visiting.
- Eating right can be the best protection from getting sick. Traveling can put a huge dent into your normal eating schedule, so make sure you always have three balanced meals a day and several snacks, from fruit to granola bars.

ABOUT MRIA...

Even though there was a 1963

Miss Rodeo Illinois, an organization was never officially established. So, there have been some years the state of Illinois did not have a representative at the Miss Rodeo America Pageant. The Miss Rodeo Illinois Association was most recently re-established in 2005 and as a result we have sent an Illinois representative to compete at the Miss Rodeo America Pageant since 2007.

If you are interested in joining the Miss Rodeo Illinois Assoc. a membership form is available online at www.missrodeoillinois.com

General Member \$20
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Illinois Rodeo Queen

Pageant Directory

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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.

Katie's Travels

Katie has traveled all year throughout the U.S. representing the state of Illinois as she prepares for the Miss Rodeo America Pageant in Las Vegas, Nev., Nov. 28-Dec. 4. Read about her travels and appearances and see her pictures on the website at www.missrodeoillinois.com/4travels4year.html. They include Denver National Western Stock Show



and Rodeo, Moline Bulls and Broncs Rodeo, Fulton Co. Farm Bureau, CowGirl Royalty Clinic, Black Hawk College, Illinois Horse Fair, Astoria Grade School, Kissimmee, Florida PRCA 125th Silver Spurs Rodeo, Cheyenne Wyoming Frontier Days Rodeo, Grays Lake Pro Rodeo, etc.

Win Tickets to the 2011 Wrangler NFR and More

Win tickets to the 2011 Wrangler NFR, a Court's saddle, a \$250 Wrangler gift certificate, a jacket from Dolores' Unique Designs, a Circle Y silver headstall, a Buck's Bags gear bag or a Montana Silver-Smiths watch. Katie is selling the tickets to benefit the MRA Scholarship Foundation. Contact Katie for more information and purchase a ticket for \$5 at missrodeoillinois2010katie@yahoo.com.

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