

# Christian Youth Rodeo Association Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Ottawa Rodeo April 26 & 27
- ◆ Butler Rodeo May 3 & 4
- ◆ New Horizon Ranch May 10

## President's News

As our 2008 season begins, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I am your Youth President, Reva Waters. I am a Charter Member of the Christian Youth Rodeo Association. When the association first began in January of 2003, I was Youth Secretary. Throughout the years, I have also been Youth Treasurer, and Youth President. I was the 2006 CYRA Queen, and then in 2007 became the Pageant Coordinator.

I live in Wellsville, Kansas and attend Wellsville High School where I am a Senior. At school, I am the STUCO Secretary, a 4 year member of the Eagle Dance Team, a 2 year Mentor, a member of my track team, a member of the Eagle Singers, and I was a 2007-2008 Homecoming Queen Candidate.

My plans after graduation in May, are to attend college and receive a teaching degree.

My time spent with CYRA has been a

learning experience as well as a great opportunity to develop many different skills. I have become a more patient person, a better listener, broadened my way of thinking, and gained a wealth of knowledge in rodeo.

Because of CYRA, I have established some very important friendships and gained an extended family that I will always cherish. When the time comes, I will be saddened to leave youth rodeo behind.

I am depending on the younger members of CYRA to carry on our old traditions and I encourage all of you to make new ones. Get involved. You'll not regret it.

If you have any questions or need help with anything, come find me. I'm never hard to find!

Good Luck in the upcoming season!

## Vice President's News

Ali McKiernan is the 2008 C.Y.R.A. Vice President.

She is also your 2007 and 2008 Queen.

Ali is 17 years

old and a junior at Louisburg High School. At

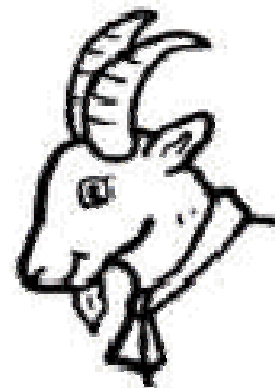
Louisburg, she is involved in FFA, where she has been

a member for 3 years and an officer for 2 years. Ali

is also involved in National Honor Society and Teens

Against Tobacco. She would like to wish everyone good

luck during the up coming season.





## New Horizon Ranch

Reminder! CYRA will be helping out at New Horizon Ranch Therapeutic Riding Center in Rantoul, Ks. on May 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Several volunteers are needed to make this day successful for the kids. See Mandy Wiseman at upcoming rodeos, or give her a call at 913-294-9943 for all of the important information.

The board has agreed to allow families to use the volunteer work at the New

## 2008 Raffle

Tickets will be available at all rodeos. You can get them at the entry table. Prizes are a \$500 Visa Card, a \$250 Visa Card, and a handmade quilt made by Jacquie Hoge of Hillsdale, Ks. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Drawing will be held at the 2008 CYRA Finals in August.

All money collected will go into the association account for year end awards.

*"If everyone is  
moving forward  
together, then the  
success takes care  
of itself"  
Henry Ford*

## Cowboy Church News

CYRA Cowboy Church will be giving away, at the end of the year, a statue of "On Bended Knee". The individual who attends the most Cowboy Church services will win the statue. Anyone high school age or younger is eligible. A card will be given prior at each service with a rodeo date and a place for your

name on it. The one with the most cards turned in at the end of Cowboy Church at the finals will win the statue. The statue will be given out at the awards banquet at the end of the year. If there is a tie, each one will get one. You must be on time, as no cards will be given out after the service starts.

Remember that one of the qualifications to participate in Finals is to bring in \$50 in sponsorship money to the association. This can also be done by selling the raffle tickets.

The more you sell, the more we will have to purchase year end awards!

## Members

Please remember ANY COMPLAINT during an event must be presented to the ARENA DIRECTOR. Contestants only, will be allowed to present a complaint to the Arena Director. Complaints must be presented during the event in question and before the next event starts.

Please express your complaint to the Arena Director in a respectful manner.

It is important for all members to know who their judges are, but they are vital to Rough Stock participants. Throughout the season, please pay attention to who the judges are, at each rodeo. Towards the end of the season, members will have the chance to vote and decide who they would like to have as their judges at Finals.

Timers are vital to timed event participates. These positions will also be

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voted on towards the end of the season.

Another position voted on for Finals is Arena Director.

In all of these positions, please take into account the knowledge of the job, respectfulness to you, and the ease they accomplish their tasks. Remember, you are the one making the choices. Choose wisely.

## Saddle Sponsors

Fletcher's J Bar S Western Store - Blue Springs, Mo. (Gary Fletcher; Owner)

Heavenly Hotdogs - Fontana, Ks. (Greg and Retia Grant; Owners)

North American Salt Company/American Stockman - Overland Park, Ks.

## Circuit Sponsors

Diversified Electric - Olathe, Kansas

Evologic - Lenexa, Kansas

Faith Steel Erectors - Osawatomie, Kansas

Service Industrial Repair - Pleasanton, Kansas

Voigts Feed and Green Houses - Wellsville, Kansas

Y Bar H Outpost and Pet - Olathe, Kansas

## Buckle Sponsors

Adult & Pediatric Allergy, Asthma, & Immunology - Overland Park, Kansas

Agri-Risk Services, Inc. - Stilwell, Kansas

Brand N' Iron - Princeton, Kansas

Construction Materials, Inc. - Ottawa, Kansas

Eby Ranch - Louisburg, Kansas

First State Bank & Trust - Tonganoxie, Kansas

People's Bank - Louisburg, Kansas

## CYRA Sponsors

Deems Farm Equipment, Inc. - Lawrence, Kansas  
Hometown Pharmacy - Louisburg, Kansas

## College Scholarship Sponsor

Grass Pad, Inc. - Olathe, Kansas

## 2008 Youth Board

President - Reva Waters  
Vice Pres. Ali McKiernan  
Treasurer - Paige Wiseman  
Secretary - Shelby Whiting  
Board Member - Timber Allenbrand  
Board Member - Annie Smith

## 2008 Adult Board

President - Wayne Whiting 913-294-2642  
Vice Pres. Trisha Allenbrand 816-304-4495  
Treasurer - Samantha Donner 913-377-4516  
Secretary - Reta Breithaupt 785-883-4433  
Board Member - David "Hoss" Tillman - 913-207-1602  
Board Member - Jeff Smith 913-256-4334  
Board Member - Nick Robbins 913-259-1119

Next Member Meeting is May 14,  
2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Citizen's  
State Bank in Paola, Kansas

