

RALEY MAE RADOMSKIE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The 2009-2010 Junior High National Officers decided to create a scholarship for those individuals who may have or have recently had a set back due to a medical injury or illness. Guidelines for this scholarship are as follows:

- Applicant must provide written proof of medical injury/illness (Medical Records are not required and should not be submitted to protect patient confidentiality; a written statement by attending physician(s) or other medical personnel is sufficient).
- Applicant does not have to attend the National Junior High Finals Rodeo to be eligible.
- Applicant must provide all information required on the Scholarship form to be considered for this award.
- Scholarship amount will be determined by funds raised at the First Annual King's Contest in Gallup, New Mexico on June 29th during the Parent/Student Dance.
- Scholarship will be awarded on or before July 6th, 2010 and winner will be notified.
- Applicants must be in the 8th grade for the year ending 2010.
- Applicants will be contacted for a brief interview (either in person, if possible or via telephone or email) as part of the selection process.

Any questions regarding this scholarship may be directed to Lyn Larsen at NHSRA.

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Raley Mae Radomske Scholarship

NHSRA past member, Raley Mae Radomske was a student leader and fierce competitor in the sport of rodeo. In 2008, she was the National Student President of the National High School Rodeo Association (NHRSA) and was the organization's National Student Vice President in 2007. She earned four national rodeo championship titles including 2008 National High School All Around Champion Cowgirl. Her accomplishments earned her a full rodeo scholarship to attend New Mexico State University to major in marketing.

In true cowgirl style and spirit, her journey to college was not without its obstacles. At the beginning of August, 2008, as Raley was on her way to college at New Mexico State University, she was diagnosed with a sizeable brain tumor. Raley underwent surgery on Aug. 11 and Aug. 14 to remove a golf ball-size brain tumor at Mayo Clinic Hospital in Phoenix, Ariz. The first operation took eight hours and complications developed two hours into the Aug. 14 surgery, turning the planned five-hour operation into two separate procedures. At 4 p.m. on Aug. 14, a breathing tube was removed and she began breathing on her own. She has made amazing progress in the language department, going from being able to say five or six words to much more meaningful statements. Her mom reported on Aug. 18 that results from a CAT scan were positive and that a pathology report showed no signs of cancer. She finally showed right side movement on Aug. 19. It was nothing short of a miracle.



After many months of intensive rehabilitation, Raley was released from the hospital, back on her own at college and was well on her way to fulfilling her dreams. She was able to return to her horses and her greatest love, rodeo. This young woman was and is an inspiration to the entire rodeo community at NHSRA and it is her “never give up” attitude that this scholarship is named after.

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Please mail or fax this in to the National Office by June 11, 2010. The decision for the scholarship will be made and announced at the finals (whether the recipient is in attendance or not.)

THIS APPLICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT YOUR OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT (CANADA & AUSTRALIA-YOUR LAST GRADE CARD)

Name: _____ Age: _____

STATE/PROVINCE you rodeo with: _____ Social Security No.: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone No. or Location where we can reach you during the Finals: _____

Years as a Junior High member: _____

Career Goal: _____

Junior High/Middle School GPA: _____

Father's Occupation: _____

Mother's Occupation: _____

School you plan to attend: _____

Do you have brothers or sisters: _____ How many: _____ Any in college: _____

Rodeo Events Worked: _____

On a separate sheet, **ATTACH** written proof or a doctor's note that you were in the hospital or stricken with an illness that has set you back in your rodeo career or that has been a burden financially.

In **YOUR HANDWRITING**, please give a brief description of why this scholarship would make a difference to you. Use a separate sheet of paper, and do this in 100 words or less.

Be prepared to talk to your interviewer about: **Your academic goals, your career goals, personal goals and other topics they might ask you about.**

Student Signature: _____

National Director Approval: _____ Date: _____