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News & Notes

Mikel J. Moreno ABBI Scholarship Awarded

A junior member of American Bucking Bull Inc., (ABBI) is furthering his education thanks to the Mikel J. Moreno ABBI Scholarship.

Jonathan Chandler will use the \$2,000 scholarship to pursue and ag business degree at Northeast Texas Community College in Mount Pleasant. Chandler, from DeQueen, Ark., chose the school because of their strong agricultural program and collegiate rodeo team.

Mikel Moreno had a dream of going to college, playing football and getting an education that would help him as he became involved in his family's stock contracting business. That dream was cut short when he lost his battle with Leukemia in May of 2006. His parents, Julio and Cindy Moreno from Marysville, Calif., and Joe Merrick of the ABBI started the scholarship in Mikel's memory.

Chandler developed an interest in the bucking bull industry after he competing in bull riding. His family raises beef cattle, and initially was a little skeptical, but soon started watching bulls perform and caught the bug as well.

In high school he was involved in the Future Farmers of America and competed in bull riding in the National High School Rodeo Association. He is currently competing in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association and is hoping to be successful in the Southern Region.

His breeding program is primarily made up of Plummer blood lines. He eventually hopes to have bulls that he can take to ABBI Classic events and futurities. He is the first recipient of the Mikel J. Moreno ABBI Scholarship.

"It (the scholarship) means a lot. It will help me get an ag business degree, which will really help me out in my future. This will

Jonathan Chandler, left, is the first recipient of the Mikel J. Moreno ABBI Scholarship. He received his award from Cindy and Julio Moreno, center, Mikel's parents, and ABBI's Joe Merrick.

allow me to get a career that I'm interested in and good have a lifestyle."

Along with the scholarship, Chandler received a jacket and shirt from Ariat clothing. The scholarwill ship be awarded each year to a junior member of the ABBI who is graduating from High School and starting college.

"We thought Jonathan was a real good fit for the scholars Cindy. "He wants to have a future in the bucking bull indus felt like he was very deserving. College educations are ge and more expensive and we know that this money will be

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Tentative 2008 Schedule

Subject to Change

January 25 -- 26 Amarillo, TX Enterprise Classic & Futurity

February 22-23 Winnie, TX **Futurity**

March 7-9 Kansas City, MO **BFT Classic & Futurity**

March 21-22 Duncan, OK Discovery Classic & Futurity

March 28-30 Albuquerque, NM BFT Classic

April 4-5 Stephenville, TX Spring Spectacular **Enterprise Classic & Futurity**

May 24 Stephenville, TX **Futurity**

May 24 Decatur, TX **Enterprise Classic**

June 1 Ardmore, OK American Heritage Futurity

June 7-8 Elk City, OK **Enterprise Classic**

June 13-14

June 13 Bostic, NC **Futurity**

Winner, SD Enterprise Classic & Futurity July 2

Rupert, ID Discovery Classic

July 18-19 Tulsa, OK BFT Classic

August 1-2 Weatherford, Enterprise Cla

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August 15-10 Archdale, NC Challenger C

August 15-1 Sulphur Sprii **Enterprise Cl**

August 29-3 Ada, OK Enterprise (1

August 30 Stephenville American Br **Futurity**

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Birthplace of PBR Bull Slim Shady (semen available)

io bloodines to PBR bulls Kellys Kat, 901. Hot Sauce aka PFI Disco. Baby. Other bloodines available: 05 Bam Bam—5-time Bull of the Year in 2 Amateur Assis: 03 Yellow Hawk - 2004 Classic Finals qualifier

Semen available from Slim Shads, 901 Hot Sauce, 05 Barn Barn, 702 Shrimp

