

YOUTH *connection*

May 2010 NYCHA News

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I hope you all had a good Easter! It is hard to believe that May has arrived! With the month of May we find ourselves finishing up the Western Nationals in Ogden, Utah and I encourage everyone to take part in any of these NCHA National Championship events, if ever given the opportunity to do so.

In addition we have youth who are finding they are nearing the end of their journey as youth competitors by graduating from high school. Some will take the path to further their educational adventure, while others are on the road to their career choice.

The NYCHA is very proud of each graduate. Other college students who are still working toward achieving the goal of graduation and have received scholarship funds are also congratulated.

The school year is drawing to a close and along with the summer, cutting activities are everywhere!

Be sure to get out there and improve your showing skills and learn new cutting techniques. Have fun with the new friends you meet. Try to attend one of the youth cutting clinics in your neck of the woods.

Everyone needs to start considering the photo and essay contests for this year. The photo contest's subject is "cattle" and the essay contest is "How does the sport of cutting carry on the traditions of the Old West?" both are due June 1 and you can find the entry forms on pages 271-271 of the *Chatter*. If you have any questions you can contact Jennifer, Dayna, or myself.

I really need any pictures or news you would like to share with the youth body of the NYCHA, they are a fun part of the year end scrapbook. In years to come to have the ability to look back to when we were in the NYCHA youth activities will bring smiles and fond memories. ★



NYCHA National Officers with NCHA President, Chubby Turner. Left to right: Callie Oatman- 2nd Vice President, Christopher Little- Co-1st Vice President, Morganne Barrett- Co-1st Vice President, Ashley Pigg-President, 'Mr. Chubby'- NCHA President, Marli Claytor-Reporter, Justin Marcello-Secretary-Treasurer