

Justin Boots Salutes

Alina Bonacquista

is the 18-year-old daughter of Mark and Virginia Bonacquista of Henderson, Tennessee. She graduated from Gateway Christian School in 2010 with a 3.99 GPA, and is a multiple recipient of both the Who's Who and People to People awards. She is now in college, studying business management with an English minor. Alina says she plans to become a published author and run a successful business.



Alina is already a co-owner of Horseline Products. Her interests include Little Britches Rodeo, singing at cowboy church, training horses, hippo-therapy, writing children's books and giving riding lessons. She received the highest award in scouting, the Girl Scout Gold Award, after she partnered with Leader Dogs for the Blind and raised and trained a seeing-eye dog. She was an Extreme Mustang Makeover trainer in 2009, and a trainer and commentator in 2010.

A few of Alina's many rodeo queen titles include 2008 Miss Teen Rodeo of Tennessee, 2010 Miss Teen Rodeo of the Mid-South, and 2011 Miss Dixie National Rodeo Queen. Her life-long dream is to become Miss Rodeo America.

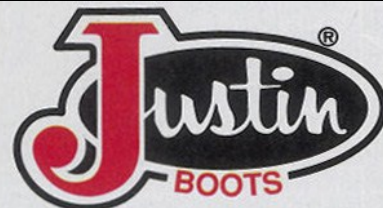
Austin McVeigh

is the 18-year-old son of Jimmy McVeigh of Wyoming, Ontario, Canada. He is a freshman at Olds College in Alberta, Canada, where he competes on the rodeo team.



Austin says his passion is tie-down roping and team roping. Some of his roping accomplishments include being a 2005 Quarter Horse Congress Top 5 youth tie-down and team roping finisher, 2006 National High School Rodeo Junior High Division All-Around Cowboy, 2007 National High School Rodeo Junior High Division qualifier and team roping year-end champion, 2008 and 2009 National High School Finals Rodeo qualifier in team roping and tie-down roping, and the 2010 Michigan High School Rodeo team roping champion and a National High School Finals Rodeo qualifier. He was also awarded the 2009 Jordon Memorial Scholarship for Sportsmanship, and was awarded a 2010 Michigan High School Rodeo college scholarship.

Most of all, Austin is proud to be known as a cowboy whose values and ethics run deep.



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