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**2010 HEART O' TEXAS FAIR & RODEO
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED**

Waco, TX (June 2, 2010) – The Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo and the South 40 Committee awarded scholarships totaling \$65,500 to students in McLennan County as well as surrounding counties for the 2009-10 school year. From the qualified applications received, at least one senior at each of the public high schools, private and home schools in McLennan County were awarded a scholarship. In addition, scholarship opportunities were available for students in Bell, Bosque, Hill, Falls, Limestone and Coryell counties.

The scholarship program began in 1995 awarding scholarships with a total value of \$1,700 to the youth of Waco. Over the years, the number of scholarships has greatly increased. The Scholarship Committee strives to provide financial assistance to students who have proven academic and leadership abilities, good citizenship and financial needs.

“The Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo Scholarship Program is the backbone to every event we hold at the Complex,” said Wes Allison, President/CEO of the Heart O' Texas Fair Complex. “Our main focus is to recognize those high school seniors who have worked hard and reward them with scholarship money for their future.”

The 2010 Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo scholarship recipients are:

AJ Moore Academy

Mark Galvan
Marisela Hernandez
Ricardo Lopez
Jared Gibson

Axtell High School

Ana Parks
Kasey Headley
Brandon Graff
Presley Parks
Jennifer Vuia

Bosqueville High School

Emily Jackson
Logan Putnam

Bruceville-Eddy High School

Logan Pratt
Amber Riedel

China Spring High School

Bill Kroll
Kaitlyn Rollins
Catherine Pollard

Connally High School

Alexandru Pantea
Leonardo Cisneros
Kristina Ray
Kaci Ray
Jasmine Jonse
Courtney Hutyra
Christopher Lenart
Holley Day
Megan Millsap

Crawford High School

Michael Monell

La Vega High School

Christina Martin

Lorena High School

Brooke Valis

Kirsten Luco

Jessica Dwornik

Nathaniel Palmer

McGregor High School

Gabriela Pantoja

Maria Torres

Midway High School

Codi Bashioum

Moody High School

Ricky Siler

Riesel High School

Laura Ehlers

Corey Pavelka

Robinson High School

Emory Wegwerth

Katherine Houle

University High School

Easton Evans

Rubi Heredia

Ronnie Satchell Jr.

Karen Ramirez

West High School

Katie Johnson

Anna Dulock

Ashley Anz

Rebecca Beseda

Kristyn Kolacek

Katelyn Bajer

Kelvin Anthony

Christy Jones

Sarah Crawshaw

Reicher High School

Nataly Gutierrez

Home Schools

Alexandria Stryker

Gatesville High School

Morgan Smart

Whitney High School

Jessika Coffelt

Fenton Booth

Rogers High School

Katelyn Morgan

Rosebud-Lott High School

Bethani Lee

Kaitlyn Meyer

Paige Bartek

Meridian High School

Kaylee Kuykendall

Chilton High School

Brandon Bobo

Ryan Bobo

Troy High School

Kayci Cox

Ellison High School

Kyle Dykes

Mexia High School

Colton Howard

Coolidge High School

Deirdre Erwin

Jonesboro High School

Megan Taylor

Abbott High School

Kimberly Brockett

Groesbeck High School

Lacey Drummond

The goal of the Heart O' Texas Fair Complex is to educate through entertainment and agricultural experiences as well as to become the center of entertainment in Central Texas. Held at the Heart O' Texas Fair Complex in Waco, TX, the Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo is held annually with over 200,000 in attendance in 2009. The 2010 Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo will be October 8-16. For more information about the Heart O' Texas Fair Complex, visit www.hotfair.com.

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