2014 Hardin County Pork Queen Contest Rules

The Hardin County Pork Queen will represent the County in promotion activities of the pork industry in 2014. These include: Hardin County Fair, September 2-7 (handing out ribbons at the swine shows on Monday & Tuesday); Ohio State Fair Pork Shoppe for one day in July or August; District III contest, September, 2014. Other activities might include demonstrations, etc.

1. Qualification and Selection

   A. Contestant must be single, age 15 through 19 as of January 1, 2014. In order to be eligible for State Pork Industry Queen contest entrant must be 17 prior to January 1 of the year they will be competing.

   B. Anyone interested can become county Queen, but only those who reside on a farm on which hogs are raised and is the daughter of parents now actively engaged in the production of pork will be eligible for the District III Contest in 2014.

   C. A billfold size photo of the contestant suitable for news release purposes must accompany the entry.

   D. **Entries are due to Nancy Weaver, 9380 Co Rd 265, Kenton, OH 43326, on or before March 1, 2014.**

   E. Judging before a panel of judges to be held at the pork banquet on Saturday, March 29. Dinner for the contestants will be provided by the Hardin County Pork Producers.

2. Contest Procedure and Judging:

   A. Contestant shall present herself in suitable dress-up clothes for the judging.

   B. Contestant must present a short, oral essay, not to exceed 5 minutes, on any of the following subjects. (Essay should not be read. Notes may be used, but not read.)

      1. How to promote pork consumption.
      2. The value of pork in nutrition. Compare today’s pork with the pork of yesterday in regards to its leanness, cholesterol, etc.
      3. What the check-off dollars are and how they are used.
      5. Any other topic relating to pork or the pork industry.

   C. Contestant will have an individual interview with the judges. Questions may pertain to application responses and the pork industry.

   **Queen Application can also be downloaded at hardin.osu.edu**
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Name ________________________________________________________________

Address _____________________________________________________________ Phone ________________________________

Present Age ____________________________  Birth Date ________________________________

Parent’s First Names ________________________________

Education ____________________________________________________________

School Activities ______________________________________________________

4-H, FFA, Community Activities __________________________________________

Church Activities ______________________________________________________

Hobbies/Interests ______________________________________________________

Farm Background: Size of farm you live on _________ Size of pork operation ________________

Other interesting facts about your farm background: ________________________________

“I have read the rules of the Hardin County Pork Queen Contest and will be available to fulfill the responsibilities of Queen if selected.”

Signature of Entrant ______________________________________________________

Signature of Parent ______________________________________________________