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Louisiana Association of Fairs and Festivals

Proudly Presents

Queen of Queens Pageant 2011

February 3-6, 2011

Crown Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge, L A

225-925-2244

Hello and welcome to the 2011 Louisiana Association of Fairs and Festivals Annual Convention and Queen of Queens Pageant. On behalf of LAFF, and its Board of Directors, we invite you to come spend four fabulous days with us at our Convention and Pageant. This is a convention and as such, business of the organization must be conducted as well as very special awards presented to the numerous fairs and festivals and their volunteers. The Queen of Queens Pageant is a part of our Convention and we congratulate you on winning your title and look forward to meeting each and every one of you. Please review this packet carefully. Complete your two-page entry form, sign it and have an official of your fair/festival sign it. Send it in along with your 5x7 vertical photograph, with your name on the back of the photograph no later than December 1, 2010. The LAFF Convention and Queen of Queens Pageant will be lots of fun and networking. This is one weekend a year where all of LAFF'S members and festival queens from throughout Louisiana will gather for good food, good music and good fun. Each of you will arrive as a queen and leave as a queen.

PAGEANT ENTRY INFORMATION:

In order to send a queen to compete at the Queen of Queens Pageant, an organization must be a member in good standing and have been a member of LAFF for at least three years preceding the convention at which their contestant is competing: be a member in good standing and have been incorporated under the laws of the State of Louisiana for a least three years prior to the convention at which their contestant is competing.

Membership must have been approved prior to April 26, 2009.

The deadline to enter LAFFS Queen of Queens Pageant is December 1, 2010.

Late entries will be taken until January 5, 2011, but your photograph will not be printed in the program book. Sorry, but no entries will be accepted after January 5, 2011. The entry fee on or before December 1, 2010 will be \$130.00, after December 1, 2010 it will be \$155.00. To be eligible for Queen of Queens, a fair/festival must pay LAFF membership dues in the amount of \$75.00 as well as the Queens Entry fee of \$130.00, and have one registered voting delegate attending the Convention. The two-page entry form is enclosed in this packet. Please make certain to have an official of your sponsoring Fair or Festival sign the Entry Form as well. You may scan the entry form into your computers or type them. You may not write anything on the back or add additional sheets to it. A copy of Page 2 will be furnished to each judge so make certain your entry form is neat and free of errors. This is the first impression a judge will have of you. The entry form can also be downloaded from the LAFF website: www.laffnet.org or I will email it to you upon your request. If you would like a copy of your scores and comments, please provide a self-addressed stamped envelope to one of my assistants at Thursday night's orientation.

All queens must submit a 5x7 black and white or color photograph along with her entry form. Your photograph will be used for the People Choice Award as well as for publication in the pageant program book. Photographs must be received no later than December 1, 2010. The photograph may be with crown and banner or without. It must be a 5x7 vertical Photograph with the queen's name on the back of the photograph.

HOTEL ROOMS:

Each sponsoring **fair or festival** is responsible for making hotel room reservations for their queen. LAFF has blocked 95 rooms for queens in 2011, so make your reservation EARLY! **It is your festival or your director's** responsibility to book your rooms.

QUEEN'S INFORMATION: VERY IMPORTANT

ARRIVAL :

Queens are requested to arrive on Thursday night, February 3, 2011, for Queen Courtney's party in the Cypress Room 1 at 6:00pm. The theme will be "Courtney's Carnival". We ask that you wear your Festival Shirt and Capri's. Feel free to "Glitz-Up" your festival shirts for this festive occasion by adding sequins, glitter, rhinestones, or ribbons for example. More details will be sent on party at a later date.

INTERVIEWS:

Interviews will be held on Friday, February 4, beginning at 8:00 AM and continuing until around 4:00 PM. Interviews will be done one-on-one, round robin. Each contestant will spend approximately 3 minutes with each of the five judges. Interviews will be held in Cypress Room 2. Dress for interviews should be a nice suit and taupe heels. If you need an early or late interview time, please let me know as soon as possible. I will accommodate as many as possible.

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER AND INTRODUCTIONS:

In 2011, all Queens will be requested to dress in their favorite outfit depicting your "Fantasy Vacation". Please refrain from dressing as a Disney Princess, as our 2010 Queen of Queen, Courtney Hoffpauir will be dressed as Cinderella along with our Former Queen of Queen's dressing as other Disney Princesses, as they search for the next "LAFF Queen of Queen's". No contest will be held on Friday night, but, we would like each Queen to be creative when selecting their particular vacation to portray. Dress should be appropriate for a Queen, Crowns are not needed and Banners are optional. Please be prepared to give a short introduction. Your introduction should include: name, festival, and your fantasy vacation destination. Introductions should be no longer than 15 seconds. HAVE FUN!

EVENING GOWN PRELIMS:

All queens will be presented in evening gowns on Saturday morning starting at 9:00 AM in Cypress Rooms 1 and 2. Queens may wear a floor length gown of their choice. Admission for parents and guests will be \$2.00, paid at the door.

QUEENS GIFT EXCHANGE:

All queens are requested to bring a gift card valued at \$25.00 that can be used in the State of Louisiana or online (for example gas cards, AMEX gift cards, and restaurant or store gift cards) for the gift exchange on Saturday afternoon. In addition, you may also exchange pins and/or business cards.

DOOR DECORATIONS:

This is optional. For 2011, we are requesting Queens to make banners for their doors. Banners may be no more than 2½ feet wide by 4 feet long and will be hung on your hotel room door. No nails of any kind may be used on the doors. Banners are required to have the Queen's name and fair or festival on them. Banners will be judged on Saturday morning by a different set of judges and will have no bearing on the outcome of the pageant. Awards for the Door Decorations will be as follows: \$75.00 for First Place, \$50.00 for Second Place and \$25.00 for Third Place.

CLOTHING:

We suggest each queen bring the following:

Thursday Night Party: Glitized out Festival T-shirt and Capri's

Interview: A nice suit, pantyhose and taupe heels

Friday Night Banquet: Fantasy Vacation outfit

Evening Gown Prelims: Floor length evening gown of your choice

Queen's gift card Exchange and Rehearsal: Casual Clothes

Saturday nights Banquet and Pageant: Floor length evening gown of your choice

Additional Casual clothes,

The hotel has hair dryers, irons and ironing boards in each room.

PAGEANT PROGRAM BOOK:

Our annual pageant program book will be available. Enclosed within this packet, please find an ad sheet showing prices. An Ad Sale Award will be presented to the queen selling the most ads. All ads must be received no later than December 1, 2010. Photographs may be included in ads with the exception of business card ads. Ads should be print ready. Photographs should be actual photographs and not scanned copies for printing in the program book. Ads and photographs may be emailed to me or sent to me on a disk. Please make certain to have queens name on the back of all photographs. We will do our best to return all photographs.

TICKET INFORMATION:

With every packet purchased, the festival is entitled to **ONE** extra ticket to each function at which a ticket is required. All tables will be rounds of tens (10). There will not be any single chair tickets offered at a lower price. **NO ONE will be allowed into any ticketed function without a ticket. This will include all ages.** All parents and guests shall have a ticket to attend the Banquet and Pageant. Please contact Mr. Curtis J. Hue at 985-446-

1462 or 985-713-1086 for any information regarding tickets for any part of the convention or pageant. Each sponsoring fair or festival will receive a Convention Packet in early September 2010 with complete ticket prices and information.

OTHER INFORMATION:

LAFF would like to take this time to remind everyone that this is the annual LAFF Convention and the Queen of Queens Pageant is held in conjunction with our Convention. Please tell your queens and all invited guest that LAFF business must be conducted during certain segments of the pageant and awards will be presented. LAFF does appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter. Complete itineraries will be sent to each queen later this year. Convention Packets will be sent to each fair/festival no later than September 2010. Make sure that your fair or festival has made your hotel reservation as early as possible. No rooms will be held for anyone. We will maintain food, snacks and drinks in the queen's hospitality room, Room 254, throughout the pageant and convention. Although the Crown Plaza Hotel is a pet friendly hotel, we are requesting that all queens and their guests please do not bring pets to the pageant and convention in 2011 due to numerous complaints that we have received in the past. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 318-256-6943.

Looking forward to seeing all of you!

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318-256-6943

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Louisiana Association of Fairs and Festivals (L A F F)
Queen of Queens Pageant
Rules and Regulations

- 1.** A contestant participating in the 2011 LAFF Queen of Queens pageant shall be single, shall never have been married, nor given birth to a child, be born a female and shall be the current reigning Senior Queen of her fair or festival or the immediate past Queen if contractual obligations apply.
- 2.** A contestant shall be female whose age shall not be less than 17 or more than 23 years of age on January 19, 2011.
- 3.** A contestant participating in the 2011 LAFF Queen of Queens shall not enter into any publicity contract involving or pertaining to LAFF without the written consent of the LAFF Board of Directors.
- 4.** A contestant shall not have been convicted of a felony.
- 5.** A contestant shall not cohabit with a male other than a family member.
- 6.** All sponsoring fairs or festivals of a contestant shall be a member in good standing in LAFF, and dues for the 2011 L A F F year must be paid by the deadline of December 1, 2010.
- 7.** Sponsoring fair or festivals shall have a least one (1) registered delegate to the convention by the deadline of December 1, 2010.
- 8.** Contestants two-page entry form, photograph and entry fee of \$130.00 shall be IN HAND by LAFF no later than December 1, 2010. Late registration will be allowed for applications post marked after December 1, 2010 until January 5, 2011. The late registration fee will be \$155.00. No applications will be accepted after January 5, 2011.
- 9.** Contestant lodging and transportation is not the responsibility of LAFF.
- 10.** Contestants are judged in two phases: Interview and Evening Gown. Interviews shall be held on Friday, February 4, 2011 and Evening gown Preliminary shall be held on Saturday morning, February 5, 2011. On Saturday night, we will have a parade of all contestants, and then announce the fifteen (15) semifinalists. The semifinalists will model once again for the judges and then have an on-stage interview. Scores shall be accumulated throughout the competition to completion and crowning.
- 11.** A Queens Packet giving contestants number and all pertinent information shall be mailed to each contestant in January. Late contestant entries shall receive information as soon as possible.
- 12.** Queen of Queens is an honorary title, therefore, she shall be allowed by LAFF to retain her local fair or festival title unless rules prohibit same. She shall not compete in any other pageant system without the written approval of the Board of directors of LAFF.
- 13.** If chosen Queen of Queens, she shall agree to attend all functions LAFF arranges for her. She is the official hostess for the Louisiana Travel and Tourist Summit. She is

required to attend at least twenty (20) events, with at least one in each district of LAFF during the year. If after receiving the title she should marry or conduct herself in such a manner unbecoming to her title, she shall forfeit the title, crown, banner and scholarship to the first alternate.,

14. A contestant may compete more than once for title of Queen of Queens but upon winning the title, she shall not compete again. A former Queen of Queens may represent another fair or festival at the LAFF Queen of Queen's functions, at the \$130 registration fee. She will be introduced on stage during the parade of contestants but shall not be judged in the competitions. Any non-competing Fair or Festival Queen wishing to attend the Queens functions may do so for the cost of the Queen's registration fee.

15. An education scholarship of \$1,500 shall be awarded to the winner of Queen of Queens at the end of her reign. A \$500 cash education scholarship shall be awarded to the first alternate and a \$250 cash education scholarship shall be awarded to the second alternate. These scholarships shall be awarded upon verification of enrollment at an accredited educational institution of higher learning.

16. The Queen of Queens has a limited expense account and all expenses shall be documented by receipts, accompanied by a list of events attended and mailed to the LAFF Treasurer, monthly, by the last day of each month.

17. The Queen of Queens shall attend the 2012 LAFF Convention and Pageant the following year to receive her scholarship, give up her title, and crown the 2012 LAFF Queen of Queens.

18. The Queen of Queens shall receive a crown, banner, collar, mantel and scepter provided by LAFF for use during her reign. Upon completion of her reign, the mantel, collar and scepter shall be returned to LAFF in satisfactory condition. If any of these items are lost or stolen during her reign, it shall be the responsibility of the Queen to replace them or pay LAFF the sum of \$5,000.00.

Louisiana Association of Fairs and Festivals
2011 Queen of Queens Pageant
Please Type ENTRY FORM Page 1 of 2
Queens Name:

Queens Official Title:

Queens Mailing Address:

Queens Email Address:

Queens Telephone Number including Area Code: _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Parents Names:

Parents Address:

Street Number City & State Zip Code

Parents Telephone Number Including Area Code() _____

Sponsoring Fair or Festival:

Location of Fair or Festival:

Date of Pageant for 2011:

Pageant Directors Name:

Pageant Directors Mailing Address:

Street Number City & State Zip Code

Pageant Directors Telephone Number including Area Code:

Sponsor must have paid 2011 membership dues of \$75.00 to enter Queen.

Sponsor must have at least one (1) registered voting delegate at 2011 Convention.

If chosen 2011 Queen of Queens, I agree to attend all functions that LAFF arranges for me to attend. If after receiving the title of Queen of Queens I should marry or conduct myself in such a manner unbecoming to my title, I agree to forfeit my title, crown, banner and scholarship to the first alternate. LAFF, its Board of Directors, Pageant Coordinators, nor staff will be held responsible for any items lost or stolen, or any injuries sustained while competing in the Queen of Queens Pageant or while representing same.

Date: _____ Signature of Contestant:

Signature of Fair or Festival Official:

MAIL \$130.00 ENTRY FEE & ENTRY FORM (2 SHEETS) BY DEADLINE OF DECEMBER 1, 2010.

LAFF CONVENTION

C/O CURTIS HUE

601 Oak Lane

Thibodaux, La 70301

PLEASE NOTE: Type or retype in computer entry form on these 2 forms

DO NOT ADD ADDITIONAL SHEETS

Judges will each have a copy of your entry form

Contestant _____

(For office use only)

2010 L. A. F. F. QUEEN OF QUEENS PAGEANT

Please Type ENTRY FORM Page 2 of 2

Contestants Name:

Date of Birth _____ Age: _____ Hair: _____

Eyes: _____

School/College Presently Attending/or Occupation:

Major:

Clubs/Organizations:

Honors/Awards:

Community/Church Activities:

Hobbies and Activities:

What makes me happy is:

The best advice I can give anyone is:

My favorite book:

My fantasy vacation destination is:

If I could change one thing about the world, it would be:

Three adjectives that best describe me are:

The best thing about my fair/festival is:

I want the Judges to know that I am:

2011 L. A. F. F. QUEENS CHECKLIST

1. Complete and sign the two-page entry form.
2. Have my fair/festival official sign my entry form.
3. Get a 5x7 vertical photograph and print my name on the back of it.
4. Check with my fair/festival that they have made my hotel reservation.
5. Check with my fair/festival that they have paid their LAFF dues and paid for the one voting delegate no later than December 1, 2010.
6. Mail in my two-page signed entry form along with my photograph no later the December 1, 2010.
7. Mail in any ads to LAFF, c/o Curtis Hue, 601 Oak Lane, Thibodaux, LA 70301, no later than December 1, 2010.
8. Attire for Friday nights introductions.
9. Make my banner for my door (no larger than 2½ feet by 4 feet) with my name and fair/festival on it. (This is optional)
10. Get my gift card for the queen's gift exchange.
11. Get my business cards to exchange with other queens.
12. Get a gift for the new 2011 Queen of Queens. (optional)
13. Order tickets for my parents and other guests through your Fair or Festival.
14. Get the following clothing that I will need:
 - ___ Interview suit, pantyhose and taupe heels for interview on Friday
 - ___ Full length evening gown for prelims and Saturday night
 - ___ Attire for Friday night
 - ___ Casual clothes, shoes for party, relaxing and rehearsal
 - ___ Make-up
 - ___ Curlers, curling iron, shampoo, hair spray, conditioner, etc.
 - ___ Extra pantyhose
 - ___ Earrings for interview and evening wear (suggest you bring extra pair just in case)

L A F F PAGEANT PROGRAM BOOK ADS

Full Page Ad -size 8 ½ by 11-\$105.00

Half Page Ad 8/12 by 5 1/2 inches -\$65.00

Quarter Page Ad-4 1/4 by 5 ½ inches -\$45.00

Business Card Ad-\$30.00

All ads must be received no later than December 1, 2010

Send all ads and ad monies to:

L A F F

c/o Curtis Hue

601 Oak Lane

Thibodaux, LA 70301

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO L A F F

PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED TO ANY SIZE AD EXCEPT BUSINESS CARDS

Quarter Page Ad Size

OFFICIAL L A F F FORMS ONLY (website download or packet forms)

NO Self generated forms will be accepted

Need a Hotel

These Hotels have agreed to book rooms for the LAFF Convention on February, 3-6, 2011 in Baton Rouge, La. You must call the hotels number in Baton Rouge to make a reservation and tell them you are with the L A F F organization. All are close to the Crown Plaza. (225-925-2244).

CROWN PLAZA BATON ROUGE

4728 Constitution Avenue
Baton Rouge, LA 70808-3206
(225) 925-2244

Room rates are \$ 90.00 plus tax per night

HAMPTON INN

I-10 & College Dr
4646 Constitution Avenue
Baton Rouge, La 70808
225-926-9990

Room Rates are \$109.00 plus tax per night

EMBASSY SUITES

I-10 & College Dr.
4913 Constitution Avenue
Baton Rouge, La. 70808
225-924-6566

Room Rates are \$129.00 plus tax per night

Comfort Inn (Formerly Holiday Inn Express)

I-10 & College Dr.
4924 Constitution Avenue
Baton Rouge, La 70808
225-930-0600

Room Rates are: Regular Room \$84.00 plus tax per night
Suites \$119.00 plus tax per night