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Miss Pancake Day 2023 Participation Agreement

This is a two part application and must be completed by the applicant. Failure to complete both parts will result in disqualification.

*Part 1: Pages 1-3 must be turned into the PACT office with your \$35 entrance fee, sponsor's name/checks (\$150), and TYPED AND PRINTED short biography you would like printed in the Pancake Day Program by **Friday, June 2nd, 2023.***

*Part 2: Page 4 must be turned into the PACT office or emailed by **Friday, July 28th!** Type answers to each question, then print or email your completed questionnaire to mainstreetcenterville@pactiowa.org.*

Part 1:

I, _____ hereby apply as an entrant in the 2023 Miss Pancake Day Queen contest. I understand and agree that my acceptance as a contestant and my continued consideration for the title of Miss Pancake Day is under the discretion of PACT and I acknowledge and agree to as follows:

1. I will be at least a senior in high school and under 21 years in age on September 30, 2023.
2. I further understand and agree that:
 - a. As a participant in the Miss Pancake Day Pageant if I engage in any activity which, if disclosed to the public, would bring or tend to bring the Pancake Day sponsors, PACT or committee(s) into disrepute, ridicule or contempt, then it could result in my disqualification to participate.
 - b. If I am selected as Miss Pancake Day and during my reign, I engage in any activity which, if disclosed to the public, would bring or tend to bring the Pancake Day sponsors, PACT or committee(s) into disrepute, ridicule or contempt, then my title may be declared void and, upon such declaration, I will have no right to use or refer to the title for any purpose.
3. I live in Appanoose County.
4. I have never won a previous Miss Pancake Day pageant.
5. I understand that my \$35.00 non-refundable application fee and application must be turned in no later than June 2nd to the PACT office, 101 East Van Buren St.
6. I hereby release, unconditionally and forever, any and all claims against the Miss Pancake Day Queen pageant, PACT, and all its affiliates, sponsors, and staff, which I may have by virtue of my participation in the pageant, or by any use of my name, likeness, voice and or biography in connection with the pageant, including use in promotional and advertising

material. I further agree to permit my photograph, voice recording and name to be used without charge for all publicity and commercial purposes.

7. I understand and agree that all issues as to eligibility shall be determined by PACT and I agree to abide by that determination both as to myself and other applicants.

8. Having had my official Pancake Day Queen photograph taken by Myra's Photography in Centerville, IA, constitutes a "Promise to Compete." I understand that I may withdraw from the competition at any time, but that I am then responsible for reimbursing my sponsorship fee (\$150), my photograph session, and 11X14 (\$85) and return gifts given or provide compensation all by the end of Pancake Day. Further, if I fail to reimburse by the designated date, I agree to be liable to PACT for any postage, legal action, or attorney fees or related costs incurred to collect this balance. There are absolutely no exceptions to this policy.

9. I hereby agree that the site, date, time, production, manner, and method of judging of the Miss Pancake Day pageant is subject to change and shall be solely within the discretion of PACT and the pageant committee, and further, I agree that decisions of the judges shall be final and scores will not be released following the pageant. If I am selected (or succeed as) one of the winners, all decisions concerning promotions, photographs, appearances and all other aspects related to my title for the duration of my reign are at the discretion of PACT.

10. I understand and accept as a participant in this 2023 Miss Pancake Day pageant, any scholarships awarded require that I meet eligibility requirements designated by the educational institution. Prizes and/or scholarships are not negotiable, cumulative, or transferable and have no cash value. I further understand and agree that the businesses, educational institutions, PACT and anyone else that may be associated with the pageant are not responsible in any way for prize or scholarship sponsors' decisions whether to award the announced or intended scholarships/prizes.

11. I agree that I will not incur and am NOT authorized to incur any debts on behalf of the Miss Pancake Day pageant or PACT. Failure to comply with any of the terms, provisions, restrictions, or obligations hereof shall, at the option of the Pancake Day Organizers, result in the applicant's disqualification, liability, loss of title and return of any items awarded.

By their signatures below, applicant and her parent/guardian certify that they have read and understand this agreement as set forth in items #1-11 within and that the applicant meets the requirements and will comply. Any untrue statement or failure to comply may result in the applicant's disqualification, without recourse. All parties (applicant and parent/guardian) accept responsibility for all items set forth in this application. The required paperwork and fee as mentioned in Item #5 (above) is enclosed with this form. *****Parent/Guardian Signatures are required for all applicants, even those over age 18*****

Contestant Name (PRINT) _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent Name (PRINT) _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian:

_____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian phone number: _____ & email address: _____

Contestant Information

Contestant Birth date & age: _____

Address & City / Zip Code:

Contestant phone number: _____

Contestant email address: _____

T-Shirt size: _____

All of the above information will be used for administrative purposes and will only be used for personal communication with the contestant group and committee members in the months to come.

Every contestant will need to find themselves a sponsor to support their experience in the Pancake Day Queen Pageant. A sponsor can be 1-2 local businesses that would like to sponsor the contestant for \$150 and this money will go towards the contestants 8x10 picture, t-shirt, car cling and other expenses. They will be recognized on the shirts of their sponsored contestant, print material for Pancake Day, and social media advertising for the pageant.

Their sponsorship may either be requested by PACT via invoice, or a check written to PACT for the amount of \$150.00 and submitted with the contestant's application. **Please have your sponsor email chamber@pactiowa.org with their logo and payment options by June 2nd.**

Contestant's chosen sponsor(s):

Pancake Day Program Information:

- Parent/Guardian name(s): please list EXACTLY how you want them listed in any publication

- Short biography sharing a little about yourself (name, age, interests, hobbies, jobs, anything else you would like to share about yourself - this section will be printed in the Pancake Day Program next to your picture). Please TYPE and PRINT your biography and deliver it to the PACT office when you submit your application.

Pages 1-3 must be turned into the PACT office with your \$35 entrance fee, sponsor's name/checks (\$150), and TYPED AND PRINTED short biography (name, age, favorite food, hobbies, favorite type of music, favorite color, family, etc) you would like printed in the Pancake Day Program by Friday, June 2nd, 2023.

Part 2: (due July 28th)

Contestant Questionnaire Form

- **TYPE** your answers to the following questions.
- These are turned into the judges and may be used during your interview with them.
- Please limit each answer to one page **MAXIMUM**.
- Tips:
 - Spelling and grammar are important
 - Answer in complete, thoughtful sentences

Name & age

Where do you go to School? Any additional education?

What is something that is unique about you or your family?

Where do you see yourself in five years?

If someone were to describe you; how would they do that?

What is your history of volunteer service for the community, church, school, etc.?

What is a favorite memory from past Pancake Days or the Centerville area?

If you could share Pancake Day with a famous person, who would it be and why?

Why do you want to be Miss Pancake Day?

What will you do if you win this title?

What makes you different from the other girls competing today?

Any other thing you would like the judges to know about you...

Print or email your completed questionnaire to:

The PACT office (101 E. Van Buren) or mainstreetcenterville@pactiowa.org

by Friday, July 28th!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Keep the following pages for reference!

Communication:

- Committee members will communicate with you regularly about events coming up. Please respond in a timely manner to help everyone stay well informed.

Headshot:

- Myra's Studio Photography (641-856- 8116)
- Call and set up your time to have your headshot. Setting up the appointment is *your* responsibility. Pictures must be scheduled by **Friday, July 14th**.

Sponsorship:

It is YOUR responsibility to make sure your sponsor money has been turned in.

- Email your sponsor's logo to: chamber@pactiowa.org

If you are having problems finding a sponsor, please let us know-we can help you!

Apparel:

- Interview/Parade: Prior to the parade, the Queen Committee will take you to TDT where you will have a 5 minute private interview with the judges where they will call you in individually to get to know you by asking you questions about aspects from your application and your questionnaire. This will be a panel style interview. Please dress in business attire for the interview.
- Creative Wear: Create an outfit and props that you can carry with you on stage that best describes your personality and/or interests. This is an opportunity to showcase your interests and individuality.
- Opening number: The opening number is how we kick off the event and showcase how you work with other contestants up on stage. You will wear your Pancake Day t-shirt and jeans (NO HOLES!). You will also need nude-colored heels and white tennis shoes.
- Evening Wear: Gown and shoes of your choice

Big Parade:

- Convertible for parade: Please line up your own convertible to ride in the parade. Let Christina (chamber@pactiowa.org) know who your driver is.
- Drivers/convertibles will line up Washington street between the Senior Lofts and The Columns (large historic white home on the corner of Washington and North Main). It is your responsibility to let them know where to meet.
- Drivers must be okay with window cling decals to the outside of their car.

- A committee member will be there delivering contestant number buttons to each of the convertibles. Your number must be placed on your outfit where it can easily be seen by the judges.

Hair and Makeup:

- Once you arrive the morning of Pancake Day, you will remain with the group all day. You must bring everything you need with you that morning. However, if the contestant would like to get their hair and make done for the pageant, this MUST be done OFF SITE! **This CAN NOT be done at Tangleberries Suites**. All contestants must be back to Tangleberries by 4pm to get dressed/prepped for the pageant. Food and drink will be provided throughout the day by local business sponsors.
- Parents, family members, significant others are not allowed in the church, dressing room, or staging area at any time. If you need help with something, ask someone on the committee. We are here to assist you all day.

Pancake Day FUNdraiser:

- Girls will meet to create an individual masterpiece that is related to the Pancake Day theme. Items will be specified at a later date. Items are auctioned off to the community. The date of the silent auction will be set in the next few weeks.

Important Dates for involvement and/or activities:

- Children’s Art Festival June 19th- 24th
 - All contestants are expected to attend the event and help with crafts & interact with the kids.
- Lunch in the Courtyard: Friday, September 29th. 11 – 1 pm (if you schedule allows it)
- Silver Cord’s Golf Event Friday, July 7th at 8am
- Window Staging at *Second Time Around*, Sunday, August 20th
 - As a group, you will work together to create a staging design for the "Contestant" window that goes with this year's Pancake Day theme “Out of This World”.
- Due date for Questionnaire is July 28th
- Practice Dates: (list of practice dates - practice details are attached)
 - All practices will be held at Sheree’s Flip Flop Tumbling unless otherwise noted. Practices are mandatory. Missing more than one practice qualifies as a disqualification.
- Voice overs due date: To be determined

What are voice overs? You will record several recordings for voice overs that will be played during certain portions of the event. This will take place at GoPitchTV and more information will be given in the weeks to come:

Creative Wear: 30 seconds to explain your outfit, explain your personality and any other facts you want the judges and crowd to know about you.

Evening Gown: 45 seconds to answer a chosen question relating to the theme that year (TBD)

- It is HIGHLY recommended to use the full time allotted to answer the question.
- Voiceovers will be scheduled to record with The Pitch
- Wear your Pancake Day T-Shirt for the recording (you will also be videotaped)
- Voiceovers must be typed up and turned in when you record (these go to the judges)
- Failure to type up your voice overs, remain within the time limit and turn in the day of recording will reflect negatively and result in the loss of points towards your final score.

Judging Category Criteria

- Judges Interview
- Evening Wear
- Creative Wear
- Parade
- Fishbowl/Onstage Interview
- Onstage Presence

We are so excited to work with you this year! We are here to support you and make this a fun and memorable event! If you ever have any questions, please reach out!

Committee Members— Melissa Arnevik, Elizabeth Sells, Ashley Cowan, Mariah Rinehart, and Danielle Caraccio.

******Important Dates & Times for Queens******

This is your practice schedule. All practices will be held at Sheree's Flip Flop Tumbling unless otherwise noted. Practices are mandatory. Missing more than one practice qualifies as a disqualification.

Heels must be brought to all practices

- Sunday, July 23rd: 5-6:30 pm** - Learn all things: Walking in heels, go over how to speak your introduction for the opening number. Bring your heels!
- Sunday, July 30th: 5-6:30 pm** - Learn all things: Opening number, learning where to walk with opening music, short dance to open the show, and practice how to introduce yourself in the opening number. Bring your heels!
- Sunday, August 6th: 5-6:30 pm** - Review opening number and answer questions you may have so far. Learn all things: Creative wear. We will learn where and how to walk with creative wear music and your creative wear voiceovers. Bring your heels!
- Sunday, August 13th: 5-6:30 pm** - Review opening number and creative wear. Answer questions about that section. Learn all things: Evening wear. We will learn where and how to walk with the evening wear music and your evening wear question voice over. Bring your heels!
- Sunday, August 20th:** 3-5pm Window staging at Second Time around. 5-6:30pm @ Sheree's to Review opening number, creative wear & evening gown. Answer questions for those three items. Learn all things: Fishbowl. We will practice fishbowl questions and will review how to stand with heels and how to hold the microphone. Bring your heels!
- Sunday, August 27th:** 5:00- 7:00 pm Put the whole show together. Run Opening Number & review anything needed in this section; Run Creative Wear & review anything needed in this section; Run Evening Gown & review anything needed in this section; Run Fishbowl & review anything needed in this section; Learn how crowning will work
- Sunday, September 3rd:** NO PRACTICE - Labor Day Weekend
- Sunday, September 10th:** Full Dress Rehearsal with Queen contestants and Escorts- Bring all of your outfits. We will run the whole pageant!

- Sunday, September 17th:** 4:30pm Learn Pages Opening Number, 5:00-7:00 pm Full Dress rehearsal with escorts and queens. Bring all of your outfits. We will run the whole pageant!
- Sunday, September 24th:** 4:30 Review with Pages, 5:00-7:00 pm Full Dress rehearsal. Bring all of your outfits. We will run the whole pageant!
- Wednesday, September 27th:** REHEARSAL with Pages, Escorts, and Queens— Main Stage on the Square! Bring your heels!
- Saturday, September 30th: Pancake Day**

7:00-8:00 am Rehearsal on the Main Stage

9:00-10:30 am Interview with Judges

11:30- 12 pm Big Tent helping in the pancake lines and interacting with community members

12:30 pm Meet at Columns for parade

5:00 pm Pageant Starts