

2018 Senior Ms. Lonoke County Fair Queen

Saturday September 15, 2018

*The Lonoke County Fair and Livestock Association welcomes you to the Fair pageant. We want you to enjoy your experience in our pageant and will take it as serious as we do. Please read all paperwork given to you as it will have all the information you should need. If you have any questions you can contact Tracy Henderson, pageant director, at 501-350-8567, or by e-mailing lonokecountyfairqueen@yahoo.com. All qualifications and rules are based on State requirements set forth by the Arkansas State Fair Pageant. **Please read all rules and regulations carefully before agreeing and signing.***

Qualifications, Rules and Regulations

1. The Senior Mrs. Lonoke County Fair Queen must be 56-75 years young.
2. Applicant must have been born a female and a resident of Lonoke County and must have resided there for at least six months prior to her entering the Lonoke County Senior Ms. Fair Queen competition.
3. Applicant will continue to be a person of good moral character, affirms that she has not committed and will not commit any act inconsistent with the highest standards of public morals and conventions, or that will reflect unfavorably on the Lonoke County Senior Ms. Fair Queen Competition, its representatives and sponsors. She will not willingly appear in provocation and sexually explicit photographs for any film or publication prior to, during the competition, or during her reign as Lonoke County Senior Ms. Fair Queen.
4. The contestants of the Lonoke County Fair Senior Ms. Queen competition must have the physical and mental capabilities to participate in this contest. The winner must also maintain such said capabilities in order to fulfill assigned duties.
5. Applicant agrees to look solely to the Lonoke County Fair Director/Superintendent, or Fair manager with respects to all matters relating to the Lonoke County Senior Ms. Fair Queen competition.

Entry Forms

Entry forms must be completely filled out and signed by Contestant. Since each judge will receive a copy of all entry forms, please fill out the form so it is legible. Pay close attention to such things as spelling grammar, vocabulary, etc. **No entry form will be accepted after 5:00pm September 10, 2018.** Forms can be emailed, mailed or hand delivered. Lonoke County Fair and Livestock Association will not be responsible for entry forms lost or delayed in transit by any shipping method. There will be no additions or corrections made once the form is submitted. Please e-mail a digital photo of yourself to lonokecountyfairqueen@yahoo.com prior to pageant. This is not for photogenic competition, State Fair is requesting this.

Entry Fees are as follows:

Pageant Entry Fee: \$50.00

Photogenic: \$10

Make all Checks, Money Orders, and/or cashier's checks payable to:

Lonoke County Fair and Livestock Association and mail to

Lonoke County Fair Pageant

C/O Tracy Henderson

112 South Center

Lonoke Arkansas 72086

DUTIES OF QUEEN

Our Ms. Lonoke County Fair Queen will be expected to make at least 3 appearances wearing crown and sash to the Lonoke County Fair to greet visitors for no less than one hour (time and day to be approved by director). Queen will assist any time during fair week that she is asked, including but not limited to, handing out awards in the livestock and exhibit areas of the fair, She will ride in the Lonoke County Fair Parade, Arkansas State Fair Parade(if there is one), Lonoke Christmas Parade and Cabot Christmas Parade, and any subsequent parade, she will also help promote the Lonoke County Fair and Livestock association throughout the year by volunteering if a situation arises and she is asked to do so on behalf of the fair. Any prospective Lonoke County Ms. Fair Queen

must agree to place their position and title above any other title they may hold within the county and agree to show precedence of said title in any and all situations where there happens to be a choice of titles to represent if holding more than one title in the county. It is not required but its encouraged for our queen to compete in the Arkansas State Fair Queen competition in October.

Rehearsal

Rehearsal will be the evening before the pageant. **THIS REHEARSAL IS MANDATORY.** We will begin promptly at 7 pm. You will receive your shirt to wear for the parade of contestants at this time. We will have a quick informative meeting with answers to any questions you may have at this time. Rehearsal is closed to the public. Since the rehearsal is closed to the public, contestants are free to wear comfortable clothing, hair in curlers and no makeup if desired. We recommend the contestants rehearse in the same shoes they will wear in each phase of competition.

Competition Clothing and Expectations

Each contestant will have a private interview with the judges and will also be assessed individually and comparatively in Fair Attire an Evening Gown competition.

Private Interview

Dress or Suit, Jewelry and shoes of choice- no hats, gloves or purses. Interviews will begin promptly at 1pm beginning with Junior Queen contestants and advance by age categories and will account for 50% of a contestant's total score. All interviews will be five minutes long and will be timed and monitored. Judges have been instructed to avoid current affairs and religious or political questions. The judges and contestants are not allowed to shake hands or have any physical contact. You will report to the education building to wait your turn, if you are not there when it is your turn you will not receive a score for this part of competition, you will not be chased down.

Fair Attire

Something you would wear to the fair or rodeo. Fair Attire will account for 15% of a contestant's total score. Over all first impression, stage presence, and confidence are also included in the judging.

Evening Gown

Evening gown of choice. Jewelry and accessories should be tasteful and compliment the gown. High-heeled shoes are recommended, but not required. Evening gown competition will account for 35% of a contestant's total score. Judging will be based on overall first impression, beauty, stage presence, personality, grace, charm, walk, appropriateness of evening gown and composite appearance. Each contestant will be asked an on-stage question and will be allowed a maximum of 20 seconds for their extemporaneous response, her ability to answer confidently, as well as her tone of voice, will be included in the Evening Gown score. Judges are instructed not to judge the gown but to judge the contestant in the gown.

Dressing and Backstage

There will be only one person allowed in dressing area with contestant, no one will be allowed with contestant past dressing area door. Anyone found backstage that is not a contestant or assistant of the pageant will be asked to leave. We have ladies who will be there to help and direct the girls. **NO MALES!!** The pageant director or fair board will not be responsible for loss or damage to clothing or other personal items left in the dressing area. **ABSOLUTELY NO CELL PHONES or CAMERAS ARE ALLOWED IN DRESSING AREA!!**

Judging

The judges will be appointed by the Lonoke County Fair and Livestock Association. They will be persons well qualified to judge a competition of this kind. Their decision will be final. Critiques will not be provided to anyone, nor will any contestant, or any representative of a contestant, be allowed to approach the judges at any time.

Registration

Upon arrival contestants are to report immediately to registration table, at which time you will check in and receive your number which will be pinned on each outfit on the right top of thigh before being allowed on stage. No one is allowed on stage before pageant, no exceptions. Check-in time will be **no later** than 12:30, interviews will begin promptly at 1pm. beginning with Jr. division. If you are late for this and it is determined by director to be a non-emergency event you will be disqualified and forfeit entry fee. All registrations for afternoon competition have the same deadline to check-in so don't wait until the last minute because we will stop check-in at 12:30. You will be allowed to check-in anytime between 10:00-12:30.

Advancing to Arkansas State Fair Queen Competition

Your decision will need to be made before pageant as to if you will advance to the Arkansas State Fair competition should you be crowned Lonoke County Senior Ms. Fair Queen. If crowned queen, meet all requirements set forth by Arkansas State Fair Queen, and are interested in competing in the Arkansas State Fair Queen competition, you will need to report to the dressing room as soon as pageant is over. Entry fee of \$100 will have to be paid at this time along with all paperwork completed by you and pageant director. This must be done at this time due to time urgency and you will get your packet in a timely manner.

The County Contest Director and or County Fair Management of the Lonoke County Fair and Livestock Association reserve the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with, or incident to the contest, and the right to amend or add to these rules as their judgment may determine. Any contestant who fails to abide by any of the above rules can be disqualified from the competition by the County Contest Director and or County Fair Management.

Contact information:

We will primarily communicate through e-mail and text with the contestants. Please ensure that you have provided a good e-mail address that is checked on a regular basis, as well as a good phone number(s) that accepts texting. You can follow our Facebook page at Lonoke County Fair Queen for information as well or the fair website at www.lonokefair.com.

Lonoke County Senior Mrs. Fair Queen

Entry Form

56-75 years young

Name: _____ Age: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Day Time Phone: _____ E-mail: _____
Date of Birth: _____ Birthplace: _____
Height: _____ Weight: _____ Color of Eyes: _____ Color of Hair: _____
Occupation: _____ Employer: _____
Marriage Date: _____ Husband's Name: _____
Children's Name and Date of Birth:

Describe Current and Recent Community Involvement:

Hobbies, Talents and General Background:

Any other interesting facts about yourself you would like to share:

I agree with the statements made above and will abide by all the Rules and Regulation required by the Mrs. Lonoke County Fair Queen Competition. I understand there will be a \$50.00 applicant fee for this contest. Deadline is September 10, 2018 at 5:00 pm. Competition is Saturday, September 15, 2018.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Applicant fee \$50.00
Make checks payable to: Lonoke County Fair
c/o Tracy Henderson
112 South Center
Lonoke, Arkansas 72086