

JOHNSON COUNTY PEACH FESTIVAL

P.O. Box 517

Clarksville, Arkansas 72830

479-754-9152

www.jocopeachfestival.8m.com

We would like to introduce you to the Miss Arkansas Valley Scholarship Pageant. It is an official preliminary to the Miss Arkansas Pageant and the Miss America Pageant. Accordingly, we are governed by the same rules and operate under the same franchise. The Miss Arkansas Valley Pageant is open to young women who live or attend college in Arkansas but outside Johnson County. We are a hold-over pageant which means that the winner of the pageant will go to the Miss Arkansas Pageant in July, 2010.

We are looking forward to a great pageant this year. The reigning Miss Arkansas, along with our reigning Miss Arkansas Valley, will be on hand to entertain and crown the new Miss Arkansas Valley.

The new Miss Arkansas Valley will receive the crown and \$8,325.00 as follows: \$5,000.00 University of the Ozarks scholarship, \$500.00 cash from the Peach Festival Association, \$125.00 Coca Cola scholarship, \$700.00 Peach Festival Association scholarship, one full year's tuition to the University of Arkansas, Fort Smith (\$2,000.00) and Arkansas Tech University, Russellville (\$1,200.00). She will also receive matching wardrobe allowances.

The first, second, third and fourth runners-up will receive scholarships in the following amounts: \$3,100.00, \$1,550.00, \$500.00 and \$450.00 respectively.

A Miss Congeniality selected by the Miss Arkansas Valley contestants, the talent winner, swimsuit winner and community service award winner will each receive a \$150.00 scholarship from the Peach Festival Association. In addition, a \$150.00 scholarship will be awarded to Miss Photogenic (photo must be received by May 23, 2009, to be eligible for this award).

If interested in entering:

- Write to the above address or call the above number to receive an official entry form.
- Download the Contract and other forms from the Miss Arkansas website or call us at 479-754-9152 and we'll be glad to send you a contract and other forms. The Contract, Fact Sheet, etc. must be returned by June 14, 2009.
- Miss Arkansas Valley local forms may be found on our website (jocopeachfestival.8m.com).
- Secure a sponsor. They will receive advertising for your sponsorship and you will need to get a check from them for \$150.00 payable to the Johnson County/Arkansas Valley Scholarship Pageant. **DO NOT SEND YOUR OWN PERSONAL CHECK.** Your parents may be your sponsor.
- You will need to have \$100.00 which will be sent to the Children's Miracle Network which is now affiliated with the Miss America Pageant system. The Peach Festival Association will help you with this.
- Remember to attach copies of your birth certificate, driver's license and current transcript.
- If you are under age 18, your parents must sign the Indemnity Release form. If you are over the age of 18, your signature will be sufficient. This form must also be returned by June 14, 2009.\
- Two (2) billfold (2" x 3") size, black and white or color photos will be needed for the program book, judges' books and the newspaper. These photos must be received by Monday, May 23, 2009, if you want them published in the program book and/or considered for Miss Photogenic.



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The Johnson County Peach Festival Association will provide housing for the contestants at Smith Hall, an air conditioned facility at the University of the Ozarks.

Everyone will be responsible for their own linens, pillows and personal items, up to and including toilet tissue. Chaperons are not necessary and cannot reside in the Hall. The Peach Festival Assn. will provide this service.

You will need to arrive in Clarksville on Thursday, June 18, 2009. Registration is at 12:00 noon at Smith Hall. Pageant dates are Friday and Saturday June 19 and 20, 2009.

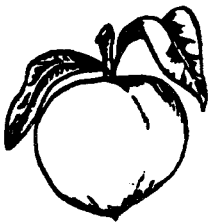
The Peach Festival assn. will help you with the \$100.00 Children's Miracle Network donation.

Best of luck to you. We know you'll make new friends and have a lot of fun too!!

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me or Jan at 479-754-9152.

Sincerely,

Ken Medeiros
Pageant Director



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May, 2009

Dear Contestant:

You will be attending the royalty luncheon on Saturday, June 20, 2009, at 1:00 p.m. at the University of the Ozarks, Seay Student Center.

If any of your friends or family members would like to attend, they will need to purchase their tickets no later than 12:00 noon Wednesday, June 17, 2009. Ticket prices for this year's luncheon will be \$14.00.

To purchase tickets, call Jan Medeiros at 479-754-9152 or write to Johnson County Peach Festival Association, Attn: Royalty Luncheon, P. O. Box 517, Clarksville, AR 72830.

Thank you,

Jan Medeiros, Treasurer
Johnson County Peach Festival Assn.