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Dear Contestant,

Thank you for your request to enter your "Mighty" Howard County Fair Queen Contest. Attached are the county fair queen contest regulations and an entry form.

Registration fee for the contest is \$50. You are asked to secure a sponsor who in return for paying your entry fee will receive special recognition by way of press releases and advertising done promoting the contest. A sponsor might be a business that you frequent or a service organization such as Kiwanis, a community club, social club or church group. The sponsor fee is to accompany your entry.

Judging will take place on Wednesday June 14. Judging will consist of a noon luncheon at C US Bank's Grange Hall with the judges, and a final judging and presentation of candidates that evening at the Fair's Appreciation Supper at the Expo Center. Your attire that night should be a casual dress or outfit. Talent competition is not part of the contest. A letter detailing the judging process will be sent to all candidates.

The results of the judging will be not released until Wednesday night of the Fair. All contestants and their parents will be introduced at 5:30 p.m. on the Scheidel Plaza Stage. The results of the contest will then be announced. Each contestant will receive a corsage and gift. Contestants themselves will vote for "Miss Congeniality".

Should you be named Howard County Fair Queen you will be needed during this year's Fair at the various contests, livestock shows, grandstand shows and other events. Also as our Queen you will be representing your Fair not only in the Iowa State Fair Queen Pageant, but also throughout the county in the upcoming year. There are several Howard County community events throughout the county during the year and your presence is very much requested. This will not only help to promote your Fair but will enable you to meet many folks.

The Fair Board has made a change to the contest this year. The 'Runner-up' will now be 'Princess'. The Princess will assist the Queen at the Mighty Howard County Fair and accompany her during the year at other county events and activities. The Princess could also represent the Queen at an event in case the Queen is unable to attend.

You are to fill out the attached entry form. *PLEASE include a recent picture of you, to be used for publicity.* Should you have further questions, please call. Send your completed form and picture to Howard County Farm Bureau Office, 124 1st Avenue West, Cresco 52136. *Please note that entry deadline is June 1, 2017.* And don't forget to include your sponsor information and \$50 entry fee.

Again, thank you for your interest in your Fair. We wish you the best in the contest.

Respectfully,

Tom Barnes, Executive Secretary

THE MIGHTY HOWARD COUNTY FAIR

QUEEN CONTEST

- ⇒ The Queen will receive \$300.00 and the Princess will receive \$150.00. There will also be a “Miss Congeniality” who will be chosen by the contestants.
- ⇒ All contestants will receive a free gift from the Howard County Fair Board plus a free pedicure and hair style given by the Total Look School of Cosmetology & Massage Therapy.
- ⇒ Each contestant must be at least 16 years of age and not more than 21 years of age on the first day of Iowa State Fair.
- ⇒ Contestants must never have been married nor have children.
- ⇒ Contestant must reside in Howard County OR adjoining county if the majority of her activities are in Howard County.
- ⇒ Contestant must be an active member of at least one service organization in the county such as church group, Girl Scouts, 4-H, etc. Eligibility is not limited just to 4-H members.
- ⇒ Winner will be expected to represent Howard County in the Iowa State Fair Queen Contest and represent the Fair at activities throughout the area during the year.
- ⇒ Contestants will be judged on Wednesday, June 14.
- ⇒ Introduction of contestants and coronation of the new Fair Queen will be held on Wednesday (the first day of the Fair) at 5:30 p.m. on the Scheidel Plaza Stage.
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- ⇒ Attached is an entry form. You are asked to fill out the entry form and to include a recent picture of you to be used for publicity.

Entry forms shall be returned by June 1, 2017 to

Farm Bureau Howard Office

124 1st Ave W.

Cresco, Iowa, 52136

Don't forget to include your sponsor information and \$50 entry fee!

Should you have further questions please call our contest coordinator Maria Larson at 563-737-2436 (home).

Other contest contacts include:

- ⇒ **Carol Burnikel, 563-547-3628**
- ⇒ **Suzanne Ollendick, 563-547-4797**
- ⇒ **Anna Myers, 563-737-2243**
- ⇒ **Elaine Brookins, 563-547-2207**
- ⇒ **Becky Dunn, 563-547-3744**

MIGHTY HOWARD COUNTY FAIR -- FAIR QUEEN APPLICATION

Please write or print clearly – Include current photo with application (maximum 4"x6")

Name:	Name You Go By:
Address:	City & Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Parents' Name & Occupation:	
Your Contest Sponsor:	
High School Attended:	Grade Completed or Year Graduated:
School Activities Involved in:	
If graduated from high school give brief description of what you have done since high school:	
What organizations are you an active member of (4-H; FFA; Scouts; church groups, etc.):	
What activities do you take part in outside of school:	
Honors and Special Recognitions (i.e. honor societies, offices held, academic or athletic achievements) :	
Hobbies, et al:	
Signature of Applicant:	
<i>I understand that if I am selected as the Howard County Fair Queen, I will be expected to represent Howard County at the Iowa State Fair Queen Contest. Also I will be expected to represent the Howard County Fair at various community events and parades during my reign.</i>	