

THE FEAST OF THE FLOWERING MOON FESTIVAL
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POLICY FOR THE FEAST OF THE FLOWERING MOON QUEEN AND COURT:

- 1). The queen and members of her court shall never have been married prior to her reign or at the time of judging and shall remain single during her reign. It is our policy that the contestant must not have any children or become pregnant during her reign. If it is determined by the festival chairperson that this is a fact, her reign will end and the 1st runner up will take over as queen.
- 2). The crown and sash shall be worn for all appearances as the Feast of the Flowering Moon Festival Royalty.
- 3). The crown and sash shall not be worn when the queen or court is wearing shorts or blue jeans.
- 4). The queen and court shall be well groomed and neat for all functions and appearances. Royalty shall appear in either dress or formal wear, as required by the host festival. Please be tactful; do not wear short skirts, low cut shirts. Visible piercing of any body part other than ears as well as visible tattooing will not be permitted. You will be representing your community.
- 5). The queen is required to attend at least ten (10) other Ohio Festival and Events Association (OFEA) festivals other than ours. The Circleville Pumpkin Show, Jackson Apple Festival, and Bainbridge Fall Festival of Leaves, or Deercreek Dam Days are usually some of the festivals attended. The queen will usually be the guest at these functions; however the court members must pay their own costs. When the queen is unable to attend, the 1st runner up will function as queen. The queen and court are invited to appear in as many festivals as they choose.
- 6). The festival representative(s) or parent must accompany the queen and court to any festival appearance. **NO BOYFRIENDS! NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- 7). The queen and court shall abide by all rules set forth by the festivals committee.
- 8). No smoking or drinking shall be permitted while participating in any festival event!
- 9). The reigning queen and court must be available at the next Feast of the Flowering Moon crowning and luncheon.
- 10). The queen and court will be expected to commit to approximately 6-8 hours of community service. This may include promoting and/or representing the festival several times throughout the year, raising funds for the upcoming year, etc.
- 11). You must compete in the age group, which corresponds, with your age as of May 18, 2008. (Proof of age will be required with application) Age groups will be:
Teen Queen: 12 – 13 –14
Festival Queen : 15 – 16 – 17 –18
- 12). Contestants **MUST BE** a Ross County resident,
- 13). Contestants **MUST BE** clear of any misdemeanors.
- 14). If a festival representative is unable to attend a required festival, an adult such as a parent, aunt or uncle, or grandparent(s) must attend. A queen and/or court members

will NOT be permitted to drive/attend a festival by themselves. An adult such as described above must also be the one to drive through the parade, especially if there are other royalty members present and riding on the same car or float. **NO FRIENDS DRIVING THROUGH PARADES!**

- 15). Contestants are required to attend two (2) judging sessions. The preliminary judging will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2008. The location will be at the Huntington Bank located at the corner of Paint & Main Streets. Teen Queen contestants should arrive at 10:00 a.m. and Queen contestants should arrive at 11:00 a.m. Contestants should dress casual (a nice skirt or dress, dress slacks, etc.) Jeans and shorts are not recommended. All questions asked to each contestant will be based on the biography sheet that is attached. This will conclude the interview judging session.
- 16). The final judging will take place at the Majestic Theater on Thursday May 22, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. For the pageant, semi-formal attire (a nice dress or suit) is required. In the past however, contestants have worn prom-like dresses for the contest even though it is not required. As long as the contestant is presentable and wearing appropriate attire (a dress, etc) the individual scores will not favor those who may wear prom dresses. This portion of the judging will consist of the introduction and a question. Each contestant will receive a score of 1 – 5 in each category and those categories include: introduction, speaking ability, personality, appearance, and stage presence. These criteria will be used for both preliminary and final judging.
- 17). All scores will remain the property of the Feast of the Flowering Moon and no scores will be given to contestants or parents!
- 18). A portion of the prizes and or money will be held back and will be given when all obligations have been met and all rules have been followed. As of the year 2000, an educational scholarship will be awarded to the festival queen. This money will be kept for the queen for up to four years, unless needed before. When the money is requested for an educational purpose, a check will be sent directly to the school of choice by a Feast of the Flowering Moon board member. If after 4 years the queen does not attend college, the money becomes property of the Feast of the Flowering Moon.
- 19). The queen of each age group is not permitted to enter the pageant again. However the teen queen may participate in the festival queen category if the age requirement is met.
- 20.) If a queen or court member would be suspended or expelled from school, it would be up to the board member(s) if that individual would be permitted to be affiliated with the Feast of the Flowering Moon in any way.
- 21). In consideration of holding the title of queen or serving as queen, the undersigned royalty/queen and parents or guardian(s) hereby promise and agree to indemnify and save keep harmless said the Feast of the Flowering Moon Festival, its board members, the city of Chillicothe, the chairperson(s) or any person representing the Feast of the Flowering Moon against any and all suits, claims, demands, costs, damages, counsel fees, charges, liabilities and expenses whatsoever, which she or they may at anytime sustain, incur or become liable for any reason of any and all acts, including accidents, or other tortuous conduct which may occur.

*****ALL APPLICATIONS ARE DUE WEDNESDAY, MAY 14th, 2008*****

NO EXCEPTIONS!

ATTENTION QUEEN APPLICANTS

***For the festival queen age group (15 – 18) we will be having a simple dance routine that will be performed during the pageant on May 22, 2008. Practice will be held the day after the interviews Sunday, May 18th at 2:30 p.m. location: City Park Bandstand. For this part of the pageant. We will decide on proper attire for the dance routine. Revealing clothes will not be tolerated and if there is any doubt please ask and show the committee. If the attire is not approved, the contestant will not be permitted to participate in the routine!

NO EXCEPTIONS!!

We have read and understand the above rules, regulations, and policies and will abide by such.

Signature of contestant _____ Date _____

Signature of parent or guardian _____ Date _____

****PLEASE SEND THE FOLLOWING****

- 1). Proof of age (copy of birth certificate or driver's license).
- 2). A check for \$10.00 made out to the Feast of the Flowering Moon
- 3). Biography sheet filled out to its entirety
- 4). This sheet, which should be signed to show our understanding of the rules and regulations of the Feast of the Flowering Moon Queen's Pageant.
- 5). A picture of yourself. This will be in the Chillicothe Gazette before the contest. There is NO guarantee you will get this picture back. If a picture is not received by May 14th when applications are due, it WILL NOT be in the Gazette.

Please mail to:
3391 Patton Hill Road, N.
Jessica Stevens

Chillicothe, OH 45601

Any questions please call Jessica at 740-701-7563 or Jill at 701-1626. **All applications are due Wednesday, May 14, 2008. No exceptions!**

***Applications will be accepted until 10:00pm on Wednesday, May 14th, and can be dropped off at 315 Fairway Avenue, Chillicothe ***

FEAST OF THE FLOWERING MOON QUEEN CONTESTS BIOGRAPHY SHEET

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

PARENTS _____ BIRTHDATE _____

BROTHERS/SISTERS _____

SCHOOL _____ GRADE _____

PETS _____

FAVORITE COLOR _____ FAVORITE FOOD _____

FAVORITE TV SHOW _____

FAVORITE MOVIE _____

FAVORITE ACTOR/ACTRESS _____

FAVORITE SINGER _____

HOBBIES _____

CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS _____

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE FUTURE? _____
(please use other side if necessary)

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT YOURSELF _____

CIRCLE APPROPRIATE AGE:

TEEN QUEEN FESTIVAL QUEEN

12 - 13 - 14 15 - 16 - 17 - 18

CONTESTANT'S SIGNATURE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THE FEAST OF THE FLOWERING
MOON QUEEN AND TEEN QUEEN CONTEST? _____
