Pennsylvania State Fair Queen Program

PROGRAM REPORT

October 19, 2017

PSACF Zone Meetings

BOARD:

• ELECTIONS at Fall Zone Meetings - Zones 1 and 3 to appoint a member to the 2018 PA Fair Queen Board of Directors.

EVENTS/PUBLICITY:

2017 PA Fair Queen Madeline McEachin (Butler Fair, Zone 1) **2017 Alternate PA Fair Queen Rachel Duke** (Clearfield County Fair, Zone 1)

- PA Fair Queen
 - Visited 28 fairs (last year's Queen had 24 fairs at this point in time)
 - Traveled 6411 miles = \$2,563 (2016 Queen = 6,483 miles = \$2,593.20)
 - Invoice submitted for \$2,000
- Martha Ebersole reported that 12 fair queens took part in Farm-City Day in early October.

STATE CONTEST:

- ONE DATE TO REMEMBER: Nov 1
- Applications DUE NOV 1
 - The Program received 61 Intent Forms to send a contestant to the State Competition.
 - Any fairs needing more banquet seating than the 10 at the Queen table, contact Bitsey as soon as possible.
 - Hotel Reservation form is included in application and is to be submitted with the Contestant Application – NOT the hotel. This will allow the program to follow through to ensure every contestant has room accommodations.
 - Deadline for the "Prime Coronation Seating" at \$500/table was September 1. No requests were received.
 - CORRECTION: last Board and Zone meetings we reported that we would be adding a new Contest Rule that a contestant must have been a female since birth. The PA Dept of Agriculture has advised against doing that since it

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violates the Commonweath's discrimination policies and would affect fairs receiving any kind of state reimbursement for their Queen Contests.

FUNDRAISING

- Will be asking each Queen to donate a \$20 chain restaurant gift card to the Queen Raffle table. Cards will be bundled into 2 Live Auction items in lieu of the gift exchange.
- Variety Attractions is donating a guitar autographed by Florida-Georgia Line for the live auction. The Queen Program is seeking other Live Auction items as well as baskets for the raffle table. New Rule: per Hershey Lodge, no alcohol is to be included in baskets – if you sell raffle tickets for prizes that include alcohol, you are selling alcohol. Against the law.
- Any potential sponsor ideas, contact Judy Kmetz (Luzerne County Fair)

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