 Raylrode Daze Festivul

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 P.O. Box 158, Branchville SC 29432

Hello Raylrode Daze Contestants:

Thank you for your interest in the upcoming Raylrode Daze Pageant to be held on Saturday, April 30th at 2:30 pm in Branch Junction on the stage. In the case of inclement weather, the pageant will be held in the Red Dog Saloon.

Enclosed is the application, rules and regulations sheet and general information on how the pageant is coordinated. Please complete the attached application and send it with your entry fee. The entry fee this year is $25.00 as we are trying to encourage participation.

If you wish to enter the Miss Photogenic contest, please submit a headshot in color or black/white, any size is acceptable.

Refunds will not be issued after the deadline if you withdraw from the pageant. Deadline for submissions is April 18th, 2016. We will not be responsible for applications not received or lost in the mail.

Mandatory rehearsal will be held on Thursday, April 28th at 6:30 pm at Branch Junction.

There will be other activities in Branch Junction that day including a yard sale, the pageant, bingo and a movie later that night. So invite your family and friends and bring a chair if you can.

Please be sure and read the general information because some things have changed this year.

Thank you,

Pageant Committee

Carrie Johnson

Gwen Harbeson

Kelvin McAlhany

**2016 Miss Raylrode Daze Pageant**

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Favorite Food\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Favorite Movie\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Musical Group/Singer or Band\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Your ambition in life\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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***Miss and Teen Miss Contestants Only: Your Favorite Quote***:

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\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to enter the 2016 Photogenic Contest and a photo is attached

\_\_\_\_ I do not plan to enter the Photogenic Contest for 2016

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

2016 Miss Raylrode Daze Pageant Rules and Regulations

1. Contestants must complete the application in full and turn it in before the deadline of April 18th to include all fees and a photo if entering the Photogenic Contest. The applications can be turned in to Tom Jennings at Farmers and Merchants Bank or to Mrs. Stephanie Heffelfinger at Branchville High or can be mailed to P.O. Box 158, Branchville SC 29432 or can be given to Carrie Johnson.
2. The entry fee must be paid in full at the time the application is submitted. This year the entry fee is $25.00. Refunds will not be issued if you withdraw from the pageant after April 18.
3. You must live in the 29432 zip-code or go to Branchville Schools. This must be your permanent residence.
4. If you are crowned any queen, you must dress in an appropriate manner and represent the Town of Branchville during the Festival in a lady like manner wearing your crown and sash at all times. (No cut-offs, tank tops, etc)
5. You must make an appearance at Kick-Off Sunday and will need to be at the opening ceremonies on Friday of the Festival and welcome the attendees with a brief speech.
6. In 2017, you will be crowning your successor at the next pageant if you are crowned queen in 2016.
7. A write up is needed before July 1 for the program book if you are crowned queen, this can be emailed to carriej658@gmail.com.
8. Duties include riding in two additional parades as a group or as individuals. It is up to the parents to decide on which parade they are to participate in (See-Saw, Grits, Orangeburg Christmas parade).
9. If you are crowned queen, you will be asked to sell at least 25 raffle tickets for a fundraiser for the Raylrode Daze Festivul for a Yeti Cooler and Yeti Accessories.
10. If crowned queen, you agree to hold harmless the Raylrode Daze Festival, Board and volunteers from possible damages through loss, theft, or injury caused by or during participation in the pageant or pageant related events.

**Categories:**

**You will be placed in the category of your age as of April 30, 2016**

 **Ages 4-6 Little Miss Raylrode Junction**

 **Ages 7-9 Young Miss Raylrode Junction**

 **Ages 10-12 Junior Miss Raylrode Junction**

 **Ages 13-15 Teen Miss Raylrode Junction
Ages 16-19 Miss Raylrode Junction**

**For Little Miss, Young Miss and Junior Miss Contestants**

 **Attire:**

Please note that in 2016, we are having a natural pageant, ***dresses are short and casual***, either sun-dresses, church dresses, or dressy short dresses. These dresses must be age appropriate, no sequins, glitzy or cup-cake dresses.
Although, contestants must look their best, they should not have hair pieces and should look age appropriate in regard hair, dress and hairstyle.

**Awards:**There will be awards for the winner, first and second runner-up (if more than four contestants in each age division). All photogenic winners will also receive an award.

**Photogenic:**

A photogenic competition is available for contestants who wish to enter a photograph. A winner and runner up will be awarded in each age division if more than four enter the contest. If less than the amount, the competition will be broken down into two categories.

**Judging:**

Judges will be looking for poise, eye contact, age-appropriate dress and type of dress, natural beauty, smile, and personality. Judges score sheets WILL NOT be shared with anyone. Judges will take points off if the dress is not what is outlined in the guidelines.

**For Teen Miss and Miss Raylrode Daze Contestants Only**

**Attire:**

Please note that in 2016, we are having a natural pageant, ***dresses are short and casual***, either sun-dresses, church dresses, or dressy short dresses. These dresses must be age appropriate, no sequins, glitzy, or hi-low dresses. Dresses must be short and casual. No long dresses. Although, contestants must look their best, they should not have hair pieces and should look age appropriate in regard to hair, dress and hairstyle.

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**Interview/Face to Face with Judges:**

You will be asked to meet with the judges before the pageant. You can wear your dress/outfit that you plan on wearing on stage. You will need to meet at Angel Whisenhunt’s house at 1:30 pm on Saturday, April 30 at 141 Edward Street for an afternoon tea with the judges. Each participant will meet individually for five minutes and then proceed back to Branch Junction.

**Opening Act:**

Teen Miss and Miss Contestants will walk on stage and state their name, number and age for the judges and any little small tidbit they want to share and proceed in a circle and wait in a line until everyone is done and go off stage until it is time for your category.

**Judging:**

Judges will be looking for poise, eye contact, age-appropriate dress and type of dress, natural beauty, smile, and verbal communication skills in the meet and greet. Judges score sheets WILL NOT be shared with anyone. Judges will take points off if the dress is not what is outlined in the guidelines.

**After the Pageant:**

Queens and other winners need to be present for photos and be sure to send in your welcome and write-up for the Raylrode Daze Book before July 1.

You will also receive your fund raiser tickets that day.

Please be sure and keep a copy of the guidelines for future reference throughout the year.

If a queen does anything immoral, the crown may be given to the 1st runner up to ride in the parade and the first runner up will also be allowed to compete in the next category if necessary.