

Plympton and Wyoming Fair Ambassador

PLYMPTON and WYOMING FAIR AMBASSADOR COMPETITION

***Tuesday, August 18th, 2009 at 7: 00 p. m.
Wyoming Fair Building***

- Open to Wyoming and surrounding residents
- Male or female
- MUST be 17 to 24 years of age as of August 15th, 2009
- Two minute prepared speech
- Personal interview
- Impromptu question
- It's a fun night
- Lots of great prizes
- A chance to win exciting travel opportunities!

Deadline for contestants – August 10, 2009

AMBASSADOR OF THE FAIR RULES

1. Contestants must be 17 years of age as of August 15th, 2009.
2. All contestants will be interviewed by a panel of three judges. This interview will include a discussion about the contestant and several questions on current events, knowledge of the Plympton – Wyoming Fair, agricultural concerns.
3. Each contestant will be expected to give a 2 minute speech on one of two topics.

Speech Topics: "Friends of the Farm "

1. The 2009 Plympton & Wyoming Fall Fair theme is "Friends of the Farm". Describe how you would encourage the urban community to be friends of the farm.
2. Youth Volunteers – An Emerging Trend. One of the most recent trends affecting youth today is the mandatory volunteer program. Tell us about your most memorable volunteer experience(s).
4. During the evening each contestant will be expected to answer 2 impromptu questions.
5. Pont system for the Senior Ambassador –
 - 40 – interview and overall impression
 - 20 – prepared speech (not over 2 minutes)
 - 10 – impromptu questions
 - 20 – personality
 - 10 – poise
 - 100 – Total
6. Contestants will be in casual to semi-formal dress (not formal).

*Judges will name: 1. Ambassador 2. Runner-up

*In the event of only three contestants, a runner-up will be chosen but not announced.

Junior Ambassador Contest Rules

1. *Contestants must be entering grades 7, 8 or 9*
2. *All contestants will be interviewed by a panel of three judges. This short interview will include a discussion about the contestant.*
3. *During the evening each contestant will be expected to answer 2 impromptu questions.*
4. *All contestants must have parental permission*
5. *Point System: 25 – interview
 20 – impromptu questions
 5 – personality and poise
 50 – Total*

COMMITTEE MEMBERS –

Alyssa Soetemans, Rebecca Sisson, co-chairs
Karla Moffatt, , Marcia Minielly, Ashley Cornelissen, Riley Gillatly

Pizza Party Rehearsal August 10 – Complements of Grammys Pizza, Wyoming

Entertainment for Ambassador Contest provided by the Lambton MainStreet Players

AMBASSADOR LETTER

My year as the Plympton-Wyoming Fair Ambassador has been very fulfilling, as well as interesting. It seems like it has gone by so fast! I have made sure to absorb every minute of the experience and have enjoyed it a lot. However, I had no idea how much work went into being an ambassador. It started almost right away with attending meetings at the Wyoming fair grounds and the District 13 meetings where I have made some very good friends with all the other local ambassadors.

When fair season finally came around I was knee deep in school work and could not wait to take a break and have some fun at all the different fairs I travelled to. I loved riding in the parades, waving and smiling at all the people. However, the Plympton-Wyoming fair was by far the best! Although it rained, and rained and rained I still had the most fun at our fair. I attended the youth dance where I was a chaperon with the help of some of my friends. The next morning I helped out with the cutest baby contest. We really hoped the rain would have stopped by then because it was parade time, but of course Mother Nature had a different plan. Even with the rain people sat out and watched everyone go by and followed the parade back to the fair grounds. Once back at the fairgrounds I spent most of the day in the barns judging the sheep and beef cows. The last day I was all over the place. Going back and forth between all the buildings and doing various jobs.

In February, I went to Toronto for the weekend for the Agricultural Society Convention. I met lots of new people and learned a lot about all the different fairs and how much work goes into putting each of them together. They had secret concerts for us and informed us on what to expect at the CNE in August. We stayed at the Fairmount hotel and it was gorgeous.

My experience is nearly over but I still have some important things to look forward to like the CNE contest where I will compete with all the other ambassadors and represent Plympton-Wyoming in hopes of becoming the Ambassador of the CNE. I also will get to pass on my sash and tiara to the new ambassador and help with informing them on what to expect in the coming year. I am very pleased with my year as ambassador and I hope that I have done a great job representing the Town of Plympton-Wyoming.

Sincerely,
Riley Gillatly
Plympton and Wyoming Fair Ambassador
2008-2009

LETTER FROM THE JUNIOR AMBASSADOR

What a wonderful experience I've had this past year representing the Plympton Wyoming Fall Fair. It started by reading our local newspaper with an article about the Plympton Wyoming Fair Junior Ambassador and a phone call to Karla Moffatt. This experience has given me more confidence speaking in public, meeting new friends and getting to know the community better.

This past year Riley and I had great fun representing our fair at other surrounding community fairs, parades and other functions. One of my favorites was visiting the local schools with Karla and telling the students about our local fair and encouraging them to get involved.

The best weekend of all was September 12,13, and 14 2008. One thing I learned about the Plympton Wyoming Fair is, a little rain doesn't stop people from coming out, supporting the community and having fun. At the Wyoming parade people came out to wave through the rain. People went running from building to building protected by their umbrellas. A little rain was not going to stop this community from having their annual fall fair.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Karla and the Fair Ambassador Committee for the wonderful experience you have given me. Riley, I wish you all the best and good luck in Toronto at the Canadian National Exhibition for Ambassadors. We have a great community and what a better way to get involved and a chance to represent it through our Plympton and Wyoming Fair Junior Ambassador Contest. I want to encourage other young people to take this opportunity and give it a try.

Thank you for this wonderful year and all the memories that I will treasure.

Sincerely,

Ashley Cornelissen

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**PLYMPTON AND WYOMING
PAST FAIR QUEENS AND AMBASSADORS
1970 – 2008**

FAIR QUEENS

3 – Ruth (McKinley) Setacci	1982 – Carolyn King
1 – Leila (Zerko) Harbinson	1983 – Pam (Fisher) Dobson
2 – Elaine (McEwen) Armstong	1984 – Lisa (Huether) Wilkie
3 – Dorothy (Walko) O'Brien	1985 – Sandra (Fisher) Thar
4 – Mary (Fisher) Garriock	1986 – Elaine St. Pierre – 1 st Runner-up Miss CNE 1987
5 – Marian (Joosten) McColl	1987 – Murlena (Dobbin) Somerville
3 – Debra Croft-Moe	1988 – Charlotte Wright-Boyd – Top 7 finalist Miss CNE 1989
3 – Audrey (Finlayson) Livsey	1989 – Debbie (Fisher) Loiselle
7 – Julia (Zerko) Atkinson	1990 – Lorie (Cristine) Cowper
3 – Susan Fisher Guggan	1991 – Charlene (Wright) DeGurse
3 – Julie (Smith) Kelly	1992 – Stephanie (Reeb) Konstantinou
3 – Pam (Roane) Dobbin	
1 – Lynn (Minielly) McPhail	

FAIR AMBASSADORS

3 – Tara (Mayer) Faflak	2002 -- Michelle Rayner
4 – Kerri (O'Donnell) Jackson	2003 -- Rigney Anderson-Armstrong
5 – Karla (Donald) Moffatt	2004 – Christine Goldhawk
6 – Carrie-Ann (Wilson) Zavitz	2005 -- Alyssa (Minielly) Soetemans
7 – Jamie (Dobbin) Armstrong	2006 – Rebecca Sisson
8 – Natalie Jackson	2007 - Jill Vandenberghe
9 – Manda Roddick	2008 – Riley Gillatly
0 – Kelly (Sipkens) Smith	
1 – Erika Wright (top 7 Finalist CNE Ambassador 2002)	