



May 22, 2017

Dear MHCA District 3 Members:

You will find enclosed the packet for the District 3 “Beauty is Ageless” Pageant.

Please carefully read all instructions/key points.

- 1) All contestant information and registrations must be received by Cathy Bono no later than **July 24**.
- 2) All talent presentations must include a 3x5 card with the resident’s name and facility name.

We strongly recommend that you encourage your family members, residents, and staff to attend the pageant to support and cheer for your Queen. To ensure that all homes have the opportunity to bring a Queen as well as her family and staff, we have kept the cost extremely low. If any home has concerns with costs, please contact Cathy Bono and she will try to get a Business Partner Member or MHCA District 3 to cover the cost for you.

We earn the love of our residents every day – participation in the pageant is one special way to earn the love of residents and their families!

We hope to see you Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at the “Beauty is Ageless” pageant!

Sincerely,

Cathy Bono and Michele Murphy

Cathy Bono
MHCA District 3 Pageant Coordinator
Michele Murphy
MHCA District 3 Pageant Co-Coordinator

MHCA DISTRICT 3
BEAUTY IS AGELESS PAGEANT INFORMATION PACKET

All District Members: This year's committee is working diligently to organize a most memorable afternoon for our staff, residents, families, and the community.

DePaul Hospital has again agreed to host our Pageant and will assist with securing positive press.

A few reminders:

- 1) All contestant information must be sent to:

Cathy Bono
Delmar Gardens North
4401 Parker Road
Florissant, MO 63033

No later than July 24, 2017 in order to allow for proper production of the program and to ensure that the list of participant names is complete.

- 2) Payment covering the full amount of reservations must accompany the registration.
- 3) Contact your volunteers, families, staff, your State Representative, Senator, newspaper, etc. This is your opportunity to tell your story through the eyes of your resident.

Only You Can Make It Happen!

Date: Wednesday, August 2, 2017

Place: DePaul May Center (Detailed Map Enclosed)

Time:

10:15 a.m.	-	Contestants Arrive
10:30 a.m.	-	Contestant Interview with Judges Begin
11:45 a.m.	-	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	-	Pageant Begins

Cost:

\$25.00	Entry Fee & Contestant Luncheon
\$10.00	Guests/Residents Luncheon

(Reservations Due July 24, 2017)

Menu:

Lasagna
Green Beans Almandine
Cheese Cake
Rolls, Butter, Coffee, Tea, Soda

Contestant attire is that of their choice with a sash that has the name of the facility. No crowns please. Every effort will be made to make the contestants comfortable.

Contestants are to arrive by 10:15 a.m. Please inform guests (including other residents) they can arrive between 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. Encourage family members, other residents and friends to come cheer on their contestant. All contestants will be given the opportunity to answer 3 questions on stage as the emcee interviews each one.

The questions will be:

- 1) Tell us about your fondest memory.
- 2) What advice would you give young women today about growing older.
- 3) To you, what are the three most important words in the English language.

Each contestant will receive a gift from MHCA of a lovely Rhinestone Crown Pin.

Each contestant is to present a craft or talent for the judge to view. If the contestant from your facility chooses to perform a talent (singing, dancing, reading) please contact Cathy on or before July 24. Talents will be displayed or performed during the lunch prior to the start of the pageant. Display tables will be set in the foyer of the May Center. Please have a 3x5 card to place next the contestant's craft/talent that lists the contestant's name and facility.

Each contestant will be interviewed by all the judges at the same time in a separate area. Each contestant will be given approximately five minutes to meet personally with the judges. One member of your facility can accompany the contestant.

If the cost of entering, or the lack of transportation, prevents your contestant from entering, please call/fax Cathy. Many of the business partner members have expressed a willingness to sponsor a contestant.

Please send the contestant information to Cathy Bono at Delmar Gardens North, 4401 Parker Road, Florissant, MO 63033, or fax to 314-355-9074. You can call with any pageant questions at 314-355-1516. Please be very thorough in completing your contestant's information.

Ms. Nursing Home Pageant
MHCA District 7
Contestant Information
(please print or type)

Name of Facility: _____ Contact: _____

City: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name of Resident: _____

Age: _____ DOB: _____ Birth Place: _____

Sight Impaired? _____ Hearing Impaired? _____

Information about Parents: _____

Information about Childhood: _____

Schooling: _____

Spouse: _____ His Occupation: _____

Years Married: _____ Number of Children: _____

Number of Grandchildren: _____ Number of Great-Grandchildren: _____

Former Occupation: _____

Community Involvement: _____

Important and Interesting Events in Life: _____

Travel: _____

Highpoint in Life: _____

Current Talents and Involvement in the Nursing Facility: _____

In 250 words or less, tell us about this resident's life, accomplishments, interesting travels, hobbies and unusual happenings (sample enclosed).

SAMPLE LIFE STORY LETTER

Betty Smith
ABC Facility
Springfield, MO 65802

Born – A Connecticut Yankee

Raised – A Florida Cracker and for the past 30 years, by deliberate choice, a confirmed Ozark Hillbilly. THAT'S ME!

I started teaching fresh out of high school, armed with a Florida teacher's certificate. The school was a one-room country school house, with all eight grades. There was a principal, teacher, janitor, librarian, and nurse – all rolled into one. I learned, besides my basic teaching skills, teachers are made, not born.

In addition to my 34 years of teaching, I was blessed with a wonderful 50-year marriage, 4 lovely children, Margaret, Mary, Sue and Richard, 8 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren.

Besides the fun of teaching, I had many exciting experiences. For instance, when a college degree became mandatory for teachers I drove a 60 passenger school bus to pay for further schooling. At age 53 I graduated from Stetson University with 2 teenagers at home and 5 grandchildren. With retirement in view, we moved to the Ozarks and I went back to teaching.

Retiring at last as my husband's health failed. I managed to squeeze in night classes teaching ABE and Special Education classes under a Government Title I program. Besides teaching, I published a book of poetry, "Mama Sprouts Poetry."

My motto is "Wear out or Rust out." Conscious of the fact that we all either wear out or rust out, I do not intend to rust out!

I welcome the opportunity to stay useful and to be a blessing to others.

**MISSOURI HEALTH CARE ASSOCIATION
PAGEANT RESIDENT RELEASE FORM**

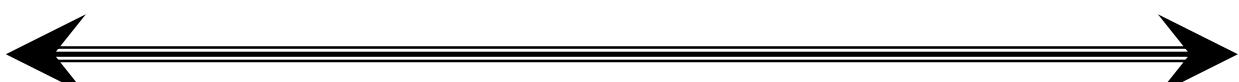
_____ has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge
(Participant's name)
is capable of participating in the MHCA Pageant.

Physician's signature _____



_____ has my permission to participate in the MHCA Pageant. I
(Participant's name)
give permission for pictures to be used in media release.

**Responsible
Party's signature** _____

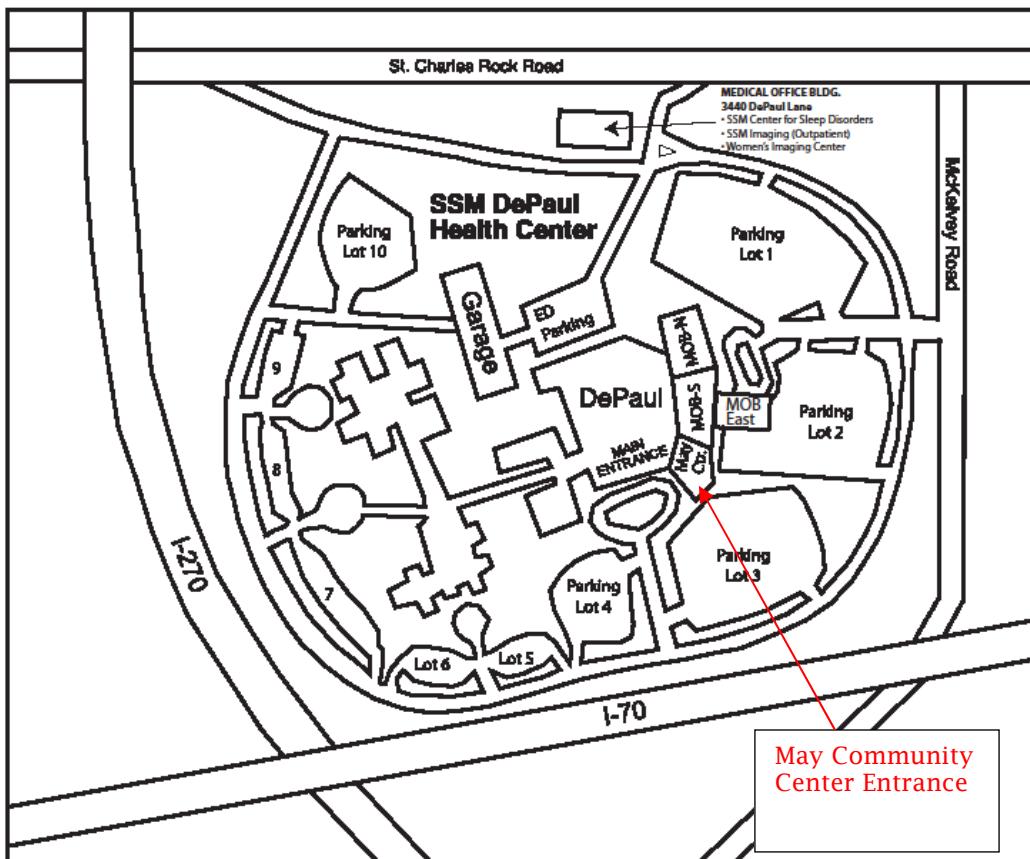


I, _____ choose to participate in the MHCA Pageant. I
(Participant's name)
understand photos, video tapes/audio recordings may be used for the purpose of
illustration, advertising, publication and promotion.

Resident's signature _____

PLEASE HAVE THIS FORM COMPLETED.

The May Community Center
at
De Paul Health Center
12303 DePaul Drive
Bridgeton, MO 63044



From southbound 270 – take the St. Charles Rock/Natural Bridge Rds. Exit and turn left

From northbound 270 – take the St. Charles Rock/Natural Bridge Rds. Exit and turn right

From westbound 70 – take the northbound 270 exit, then the St. Charles Rock/Natural Bridge Rds. Exit and turn right

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Then take the St. Charles Rock Rd. East to McKelvey Rd and turn right. Turn right on De Paul Drive, then go left at first intersection to parking lot #3. If parking lot #3 is full, use lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9. If weather is inclement, you may find indoor routes to walk through DePaul Health Center Complex from the higher numbered lots.