General Statement

The search is on for "Miss Hutchinson 2012". Each year the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival celebration culminates with the selection of the new Miss Hutchinson. The 2012 Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival will be held June 11-17th, 2012.

Awards and Financing

Each contestant will be given \$250 by her sponsor toward the purchase of a wardrobe. Additional details concerning the wardrobe will be supplied to the contestant by the Miss Hutchinson Candidate Committee at a later date. The Water Carnival Committee will pay the living expenses of the contestants during the Water Carnival weekend, beginning Friday morning through the conclusion of the festivities Sunday evening.

Each of the contestants also will receive a beautiful memento of the occasion. The two winners selected from the contestants will receive the following awards:

- Miss Hutchinson of the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival
 Cash scholarship to be used any way she chooses (awarded at the completion of her reign)
 Entry into the Queen of Lakes Contest at the Minneapolis Aquatennial
 (including \$300 for wardrobe expenses)
- Princess of the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival
 Cash scholarship to be used any way she chooses (awarded at the completion of her reign)
 Serve as ambassador for Hutchinson at St. Paul Winter Carnival Commitment

During Water Carnival week, the contestant's time is subject to the schedule of events set up for them by the Water Carnival Committee. Each and every contestant is required to be present at all of the planned events. It is the purpose of the Committee to make the week of the Water Carnival as full of events as possible and a period that shall long remain a happy memory for all of the Miss Hutchinson Candidates. During the contest, the Miss Hutchinson Contestants will be under supervision of the Miss Hutchinson Candidate Committee. It is agreed that all winners of this contest can represent no other organization or city in any other contests in the coming year, except under the sponsorship of the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival Committee.

Miss Hutchinson Pageant

During the Miss Hutchinson Pageant, each contestant will participate in a formal gown presentation, a question and answer session, and must entertain the pageant audience for a period of 3 to 5 minutes with a presentation of talent. All talent presentations must be approved by the Water Carnival Committee prior to the pageant. Examples of talent include (but are not limited to) the following:

- 1. Musical instrument
- 2. Vocal talent
- 3. Reading or interpretation
- 4. Dance
- 5. A talk on your present or future career, vocation, etc.
- 6. Any other entertaining routine or exercise

Often, this talent requirement is a concern to contestants. HAVE CONFIDENCE! Each of us has some talent, and keep in mind: this is only a small portion of the contest. The total you is the most important aspect!

Judging

Miss Hutchinson will be chosen based on personality, attitude, intelligence, talent, as well as other intangible characteristics. Adult judges who do not live in Hutchinson will spend the weekend interviewing and observing the candidates and will make the final selections. Neither the Hutchinson Jaycees nor the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival Committee have any involvement in choosing Miss Hutchinson or the Princess.

Agreement

2012 Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival Miss Hutchinson Contest

I hereby acknowledge my intention to be a contestant in the 2012 Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival Miss Hutchinson Contest. I agree that, if selected as one of the eight candidates for the Miss Hutchinson Contest, I will abide by the rules and regulations as established and outlined in the attached General Statement regarding the selection of the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival Miss Hutchinson, a copy of which is attached and by reference made a part of this agreement.

The rules and regulations include, but may not be limited to the following:

- 1. Contestants must be females, ages 18 to 25 years old at the time of the Water Carnival.
- 2. The contestant or parents must reside in the Hutchinson area. Exceptions may be made by the Water Carnival committee on a case-by-case basis.
- 3. The contestant must not be or have ever been a professional model.
- 4. The contestant must not be or have ever been married, been a parent or pregnant. NOTE: If you are selected as the Miss Hutchinson or Princess, you agree not to be married or pregnant during your reign. Violation of this rule will result in forfeiture of the title of Miss Hutchinson or Princess and the scholarship award.
- 5. Each contestant must send a non-returnable, recent photo, with her application. If selected as one of the eight candidates, the contestant will be required to sit for publicity photos at the Water Carnival Committees expense.
- No contestant who has ever been selected as a finalist in the Minneapolis Queen of the Lakes Contest can compete in this contest.
- 7. There shall be no consumption of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or smoking from Monday through the conclusion of the Water Carnival festivities Sunday evening.
- 8. Each contestant agrees to attend all Water Carnival functions unless excused by the Commodore or his/her representative.
- No family members or friends are allowed in your hotel/motel room during the weekend of the Water Carnival without permission of the Commodore or Water Carnival Queen Candidate Chaperones.
- 10. If chosen as Miss Hutchinson (or Princess if Miss Hutchinson cannot fulfill the obligation), you agree to enter the Queen of the Lakes Contest at the Minneapolis Aquatennial, upon approval by the Water Carnival Commodore.
- 11. If chosen as Miss Hutchinson or Princess, you agree to represent Hutchinson at St. Paul Winter Carnival, several parades and other personal appearances throughout Minnesota during your reign, through Water Carnival 2012. Note: The total number of appearances and dates are

somewhat flexible, and can be negotiated based on work schedules and other obligations. However, a typical (approximate) number of parade appearances are twelve, and a typical number of other personal appearances are ten or fewer. Transportation and other expenses for all appearances will be provided by the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival.

12. Any violation of the terms and conditions of this agreement may be grounds for immediate dismissal as a participant. The Water Carnival Commodore will make the final decision as to any violation.

I have read and understand the above rules and regulations.

Contestant Signature Date

The Official Application Form must be submitted to the Hutchinson Jaycee Water Carnival Queens Chair:

Leah Watzke 215 Division Ave SW Hutchinson, MN 55350

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