Forest Fair Ambassador Competition

Eligibility: Competition is open to anyone who will be 17 years of age by August 15, 2024

Bursary: \$1000.00

The Forest Agricultural Society awards a bursary of \$100.000 to the Ambassador. The Bursary is paid at the completion of the Ambassador's duties and after the Ambassador returns from participating at the CNE in August 2025.

Prizes: Ambassador - \$125.00, Gifts and Gift Certificates donated from local businesses

1st Runner Up - \$75.00

Competition: The competition will take place on Thursday, September 19th, 2024 at the Forest Legion starting at 5:30 PM with light refreshments and a meet and greet with the judges and contestants. Following that each contestant will be interviewed by three judges for approximately 10 minutes. At 7:30 PM the portion of the competition open to the public begins. Throughout the evening the contestants will be expected to introduce themselves, bring an object that represents them and give a brief talk, 1 minute in length, about the object, explaining how it represents them, give a 2 minute speech and answer an impromptu question. Speech topics are:

- The Impact of a Small Town Fair on the Local Community
- The Benefits of Being an Ambassador
- The Importance of Agricultural and Consumer Education

The evening will finish with the naming of the Ambassador and 1st runner up.

Duties: The Forest Fair Ambassador will attend the Forest Fair the weekend of the fair and participate in the events of the fair. As well, the Ambassador will also attend a number of events following the fair. Some of the events are the OAAS District 13 Meeting in November, Forest Santa Claus parade and the 3 day OAAS convention in Toronto in February, as well as compete in the CNE Ambassador of the Fair's competition in August.

Entering the competition: Deadline for entering is Monday, September 9th. Please see the Forest Fair website <u>www.theforestfair.ca</u>, Forms Tab, Ambassador or contact Karen Whitbread 519-402-3260 for more information.

To enter complete the Forest Ambassador Competition Bio sheet and email completed bio to Karen whitbread at <u>karenleewhitbread@gmail.com</u>