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Marion County Fair in search of royalty

INDIANAPOLIS - The 79th annual Marion County Fair is in search of its next queen.

Application forms are available now at the Marion County Fair administrative office, 7300 East Troy Avenue on the city's southeast side, on-line at www.marioncountyfair.org or by calling the office at 317/353.2444.

Among other requirements, contestants must be between the ages of 16 and 20 inclusive, reside within Marion County, and currently attend high school or college.

The new queen will be crowned on Saturday, July 25 during the fair's annual Queen Pageant. The pageant begins at 8 pm in the Marion County Fairgrounds Coliseum, and is open and free to the public. Four members of the Queen's Court and Miss Congeniality also will be selected.

The young woman crowned on July 25 will be awarded a \$1000 scholarship and other prizes. She will represent Marion County in this year's Indiana State Fair Queen Pageant.

The reigning Marion County Fair Queen is 21-year old Lindsey Kendall, a Franklin Township resident and Ivy Tech State College student majoring in nursing.

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The 79th annual Marion County Fair is July 23 – August 1 at the Marion County Fairgrounds, 7300 East Troy Avenue (just east of the I-465 & Southeastern Avenue interchange). One of Central Indiana's most outstanding entertainment bargains, fair admission is just \$5 per person; children 5 and under are free, and parking is free. Make it YOUR fair! – the 79th annual Marion County Fair. For more information, log on at www.marioncountyfair.org.