

Richardson County Fair opens with crowning of Royalty (KLZA)-- **The Richardson County Fair got underway Wednesday evening in the Humboldt town square with the Humboldt Fall Festival during which the 100th Queen of the Richardson County Fair was crowned along with the King for 2023 and the Humboldt Woman of the Year being honored.**

Crowned as Queen was Laramie Glathar, the daughter of Jason and Kelly Glathar. She is a Junior at HTRS High School.

First Runner-up was Alexis Brewer of Falls City. Second runner-up was Lily Wamsley of Humboldt. Third runner-up was Adelynn Maddox of Shubert. The fourth runner-up is Alyssa Askren, of Humboldt.

Crowned as King of the Richardson County Fair was Curt Maschman of Humboldt, who retired in the last year as District 1 County Court Judge and has served the last several years as Master of Ceremonies for the Humboldt Fall Festival.

Crowned the Humboldt Woman of the Year by the Humboldt Chamber of Commerce was Trudy Fankhauser.

The theme for the Fair is “Memorable Milestones.”

The Fair activities begin Thursday with the first of three parades that begin at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday around the square in Humboldt.

Each day of the Fair also features free acts on stage on the square at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Thursday it will be Rich Patton, a one-man show featuring a wide variety of music with Patton playing, guitar, blues harmonica, sax and the slide guitar, plus singing.

Prior to the act, the Southeast Nebraska Community Band will present a concert beginning at 6:30, followed by the presentation of the Ak-SAR-BEN 150 Heritage Farm Award to the Rieger Family Farm.

Friday's act is Sebastian Sings Sinatra. Sebastian Anzaldo from Omaha who has performed his Sinatra tribute act in New York, Los Angeles and Las Vegas as well as many countries around the world.

Saturday the free entertainment will feature the Jimmy Harris Band from Kansas City who will perform everything from Johnny Cash to Stevie Ray Vaughn and Blackberry Smoke.

The D.C. Lynch Carnival will be set up around the square in Humboldt featuring clean concessions and modern rides for family entertainment for all ages.

In addiiton there will be food stands on the midway. The Agriculture Building at the fairgrounds will house cultural, educational and entertaining exhibits from around the area. The Humboldt Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting bingo every day and night of the fair.

Events going on during the three-day fair will include:

Thursday: Sheep and goat judging; juding of photos, flowers, textiles, crafts, ag products, foods and clothing; The Salsa contest will be at 3:30 p.m. in the Ag Building followed by a casserole contest at 5:00 p.m. There is also a sidewalk art contest on 4th Street from 2 - 3:00 p.m.

Friday: Poultry judging at 1:00 p.m.; The Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull will be at 4:00 p.m. at the Livestock Pavillion;

Saturday: Cattle judging and horse judging at 1:00 p.m.; The antique tractor and gas engine show will be in the lot west of the United Methodist Church.

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