



MISSION OF THE CITRUS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: The Citrus County Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses unified in efforts to advance the economic growth of the region, promote the interests of the business community, provide key leadership on key commerce issues and preserve the county's quality of life.

Chamber Connection

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CALLING ALL PRINCESSES! Enter the Annual Miss & Little Miss Strawberry Princess Pageants

The 37th Annual Floral City Strawberry Festival is delighted to announce the call for entries to the Miss & Little Miss Strawberry Princess Pageants, set to take place during the festival on Saturday, March 2nd, from 9:15 a.m. until 10 a.m. on the Main Stage in Floral Park.

This enchanting event invites young dreamers to step into the world of royalty, offering an unforgettable experience for participants and spectators alike.

A cherished tradition of the festival since its inception, the Strawberry Princess Pageants embody the spirit of community and celebration that defines the event.

Directed by April Royal and Assistant Director Breyln Royal, these pageants are more than just a competition; they are a heartwarming showcase designed to be enjoyable for the entire family, helping young participants build valuable life skills such as self-esteem and public speaking.

Pageant Categories and Participation Details

The festival is calling for young princesses to grace the stage in two age categories:

■ Little Miss Strawberry Princess: For girls ages 4 to 6

■ Miss Strawberry Princess: For girls ages 7 to 12
Winners will be crowned and take home a regal crown, symbolizing their achievement and the magic of the moment. Furthermore, to honor all contestants, each will receive a "very berry" goodie bag as a keepsake of their fortitude and participation in this special festival tradition.

We are excited to welcome Miss Florida, Caroline Dixon, and former Miss Citrus County, Megan Crossman as two of this year's pageant judges.

Registration Information

Aspiring princesses are encouraged to register before the deadline on February 16th, 2024. The registration fee is only \$10. It is important to note that registrations will not be accepted on the day of the event, ensuring a well-organized and memorable experience for all involved.

The Floral City Strawberry Festival invites families

37TH ANNUAL Floral City STRAWBERRY Festival

Presented by **JENKINS AUTO GROUP**

- Ultimate PIE OFF
- Kids Activities
- Pie Eating Contest
- Strawberry Princess Pageants
- Food Court
- Beer & Wine Garden
- Soccer Collies
- Arts, Craft, & Business Vendors

March 2 & 3, 2024
Floral Park, Floral City
Free Parking/Shuttle
Saturday: Citrus County Auditorium
Sunday: Citrus County Speedway

LIVE MUSIC

ENTRY ONLY \$5.00/Adult | FREE for Children 12/Under

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to join us in celebrating the dreams and aspirations of young princesses across the region. This event is a perfect opportunity for children to shine, showcasing their talents and poise while engaging in fun and friendship.

Do not miss this chance to be a part of a festival tradition that brings smiles, joy, and a touch of royalty to the heart of Floral City.

For registration and further information, please visit our website at www.GoStrawberryFest.com or contact us directly at 352-795-3149.

Let the dreams of your little ones soar as they step onto the stage to experience the magic of becoming a Strawberry Princess. Join us at Floral Park to cheer them on and indulge in the sweet festivities of the Strawberry Festival.

RECENT RIBBON CUTTINGS

The Chamber is growing every week. We welcome our new members and thank all of them for joining the Chamber. We encourage the community to support their businesses.

Cain Real Estate



Welcome to the Chamber, Cain Real Estate! This family-run real estate agency is ready to handle all your home-buying or selling needs. (352) 535-3288. 4067 North Lecanto Highway Beverly Hills FL 34465.

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Welcome to the Chamber SunCoast Insurance Services! Suncoast Insurance Services has been successfully meeting the needs of our clients in FL since 2020. Their dedicated agents specialize in Medicare Advantage plans and supplements, Health Insurance, Life Insurance, Mortgage Protection, Vision, Dental, and much more. But, they simply don't believe in the "one-size-fits-all" approach. They work with you to create an individualized solution to your insurance needs. (352) 535-0733. 5225 N. Alabaster Dr Hernando FL 34442.

UPCOMING EVENTS

02/15 February Mixer; 5PM; Builders Association of Citrus County
03/02 - 03/03 37th Annual Floral City Strawberry Festival, Floral Park

03/08 March Chamber Luncheon; 11:30AM; Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club
03/21 March Mixer; 5PM; Hengesbach & Hengesbach (Beverly Hills)

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