

## **Sample Candidate Bio Sheets**

### **Sonya Saylor**

#### **2013-2014 National Cherry Queen**

*Sonya Louise Saylor is the 23 year old daughter of Richard and Donna Saylor of Williamsburg. She is a 2008 graduate of Elk Rapids High School and a recent graduate of the University of Phoenix, where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Public Relations. Sonya also achieved her International Sports Science Personal Trainer Certification. She is passionate about sharing her knowledge of health and nutrition and plans to reflect on a life full of the same values she has gained from her family and work ethic.*

*Sonya is honored to have been Miss Elk Rapids 2009. She is thankful for her involvement because it gave her the opportunity to get involved and give back. Every year of participation with the Miss Elk Rapids Scholarship Program brought new and exciting experiences. She learned what it meant to represent the Scholarship Program and to be a role model for other young girls as an ambassador for her community. She is inspired to share her passion, commitment and enthusiasm for the cherry industry.*

*Sonya was born and raised as the sixth generation on her family's fruit farm. She loves working on the farm and has spent every summer since she was a young girl actively helping with the cherry harvests. In the future, Sonya hopes to help continue the legacy and tradition of her family's farm.*

*Sonya is sponsored by Smeltzer Orchard Company, Frankfort, MI*

### **Meg Howard**

#### **2012-2013 National Cherry Queen**

*Meg is a 2006 graduate of Traverse City West Senior High School. Currently she is attending Northwestern Michigan College. In the spring of 2012 she started her first semester of the nursing program. By the end of the fall 2012 semester, Meg will graduate with her Licensed Practical Nurse degree. Meg is currently work at Pete's Place, a homeless shelter for teenagers. Meg is the daughter of Jim and Linda Howard of Traverse City, Michigan.*

*Meg's future goals include becoming a Registered Nurse, starting a family, traveling, going on mission trips, doing different types of volunteer work, engaging in different church activities and helping as a leader for youth at different churches. She will continue to try new things and push her potential.*

*Besides her love for nursing, Meg enjoys modeling, acting, singing, working out, reading, boating, crafts, working with children and elders, helping others and spending time with her family and friends. She continues to work with the community in different ways and thrives to make a change for the better.*

*Meg is graciously sponsored by Cherry Flex and Broad Farms*