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The judges wasted not time making their final decision on the crowning of Miss Washington County 2008, Brooke Agan.

Agan said she was very happy and was looking forward to representing Washington County and being at the fair.

The Queens court was Haley Lashbrooks, third runner-up; Natalie Ewen, second runner-up; and Sarah Milligan as first runner-up.

Agan is involved in 4-H, and enjoys photography. Her projects this year were about recycling and personalities.

Agan was in the 2007 Miss Washington County Queen Contest, although she did not place, she knew she wanted to give it another shot having been more prepared this year.

Ten years ago she first knew she wanted to become Miss Washington County as she was one of the queen escorts.

When asked what her best memory of this pageant was she quickly replied, "My escort."

Each contestant made there way to the stage with their young escort beside them and then made another appearance in their business attire while thanking their sponsors.

As the pageant moved forward the toughest and most intense part of the pageant was their question that the judges gave to each contestant, "Other than your family, who do you most admire and why?"

Many different answers where given, but the most given answer was that of their teachers.

Second runner-up Natalie Ewen said," My teachers, they have to put up with a lot."

Contestant Shelby Troutman also answered teachers, stating "Her favorite teacher, Mrs. Callahan."

Other answers given were Jackie Kennedy given by Queen Brooke Agan, and Mother Teresa

given by Julie Roberts.

"My best friend, she has always encouraged me and she is always there, the best friend you could ever have." stated Miriah Sabens.

2007 Miss Washington County McKenzie Allen made her final walk and speech as queen while fighting back tears.

"Thank you for letting me represent your county, the best county in the state."

Allen also gave her successor some advice, to live her year out to the fullest.

Queen, Brooke Agan received a crown, National Chapter Psi lota,Xi, Campbellsburg; \$500 scholarship, from the Fair Board and Fair Committee; \$500 scholarship, Community First Bank; trophy, dozen roses, Florence's Flowers by Carol; lady's diamond quartz watch, LaGene jewelers; free photo setting, Shane Dowling; ankle bracelet, Bud's Jewelers, one dinner, Mamma Rosa's; one dinner, El Maguey; gift certificate, Tumbleweed; gift certificate, Island Sun Tanning and \$50 savings bond, Mid-Southern Bank.

Sarah Milligan, first runner-up received, \$300 scholarship, First Harrison Bank; trophy, Allen Law Office; half dozen roses, Florence's Flowers by Carol; one dinner, Mamma Rosa's; one dinner, El Maguey; gift certificate, Tumble weed; gift certificate, Island Sun Tanning and \$50 savings bond, Mid-Southern Bank.

Natalie Ewen, second runner-up received \$300 scholarship, First Harrison Bank trophy, Home Federal; half dozen roses, Jay C; one dinner, Mamma Rosa's; one dinner, El Maguey; gift certificate, Island Sun Tanning and \$50 savings bond.

Halley Lashbrooks, third runner-up received a trophy, half dozen Jay C, one dinner, Mamma Rosa's; one dinner, El Maguey; gift certificate, Tumbleweed; gift certificate, Island Sun Tanning and \$50 savings bond, Mid-Southern Bank.

All contestants received, roses, Campbellsburg Floral Creations and Gifts; coupon, Dairy Queen; coupon, Arby's; extra value meal, McDonalds; tacos and nachos, Taco Bell and one small pizza, Domino's.

Escorts received coupons from Arby's, McDonald's, Wendy's, Taco Bell, Dairy Queen and carnations courtesy of Campbellsburg Floral Creations and gifts.