

The 162nd Walworth County Fair August 31<sup>st</sup>-5th, 2011 is Pleased to Present the  
**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Kunes Country Automotive Group  
Idol Talent Contest**

**Master of Ceremonies Kunes Automotive Group and  
WSLD 104.5 FM Radio**

**\$1,000.00 to the Winner  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place receives \$300.00  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place receives \$100.00**

**Auditions: Wed, June 22, 5:30 PM, Fairgrounds  
1<sup>st</sup> Round: Fri, August 5, 6:00 PM, Downtown Elkhorn  
Semi-Finals: Wed, Aug 31st, 5:30 PM, Park Stage Fairgrounds  
Finals: Thur, Sept 1, 6:00 PM, Park Stage Fairgrounds**

**Limited to the 1<sup>st</sup> -60 applications received in the fair office by June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Must be 16 years old by Aug 31st, 2011**

**Song Selection this year can be country, or country cross over, Christian, gospel, adult soft contemporary, soft rock, show tunes, musicals, legends (ex, Frank Sinatra, Judy Garland). We will not allow Spoken word, Rap and no Heavy metal.**

**In the final rounds at the Fair Aug, 31st & Sept 1st you cannot repeat song (ex if you win and proceed to the finals you cannot sing the same song you sang the night before)**

**Entry:** Act must submit an entry form along with a \$10.00 entry fee. Checks should be made payable to the Walworth County Fair. Returned checks are subject to a \$15.00 service charge. Entries must be received by the fair office or postmarked no later than **June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and is limited to the first 60**. There will be a wild card on Aug 6th at Kunes Country Ford in Delavan, WI for those who got eliminated or who could not make the first round, if they would like a last chance into the contest.

Due to time and set up, an act is defined as a single or solo (1) person. Refunds will not be issued unless act notifies the fair office of cancellation 24 hours before scheduled audition date, and this applies only to the first audition date of June 22nd, 2011.

This contest is for vocalist only, non-vocalist are ineligible. This contest is not affiliated with any other "Idol" or talent competition.

**Contestants must be able to attend the auditions on June 22nd @5:30 pm at the Walworth County fairgrounds, if you advance, August 5th @ 6 pm old courthouse park downtown Elkhorn.**

**Divisions:** all acts will compete in one division and must be 16 years of age or older by Aug 31st, 2011.

**Eligibility:** The contest is open to all amateur entertainers. Professionals (union musicians or those whose talent is a principle source of income) are not permitted to enter.

Persons who have been convicted of a felony and or crimes against people or property are not eligible for the competition.

If you have won this contest in previous years and were chosen as the winner you are not eligible to compete. Persons employed by any of the sponsor's Walworth County Fair, Kunes Country Ford, WSLD are ineligible to enter.

**Auditions:** The contest consists of 4 parts Auditions, 1<sup>st</sup> round, semifinals, and finals. Auditions are Wednesday June 22nd, 2011 @ 5:30 pm at the fairgrounds in Elkhorn. Upon receipt of the signed entry form and fee, you will be notified by email, mail or phone. You must audition in person. All auditions are in front of a live audience. Audience

members are encouraged to observe and positively support all contestants. All lyrics must be memorized no props, prompters, or note cards may be used. 60 contestants will be eliminated down to 24 in this audition.

**1<sup>st</sup> round:** this will be held on Friday August 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm in the old courthouse park in downtown Elkhorn; we will have 12 contestants advance.

**Wild Card Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Kunes Automotive, Delavan WI. 10 am** This is where you can have one last shot at making it if you were eliminated or could not make the original audition.

**Semifinals:** Wednesday August 31st, 2011 Park Stage Fairgrounds Elkhorn WI. At 5:30 pm. 12 finalists and wild card will go down to 6 this round.

**Finals:** Thursday September 1st, 2011 Park stage Fairgrounds Elkhorn WI, at 6 pm. You must sing a different song, not the same one you sang in the semifinals.

**General rules:**

**Admission and parking:** The Walworth County Fair operates an All Pay Gate Policy. You are responsible for your gate admission.

**Dressing rooms:** dressing rooms are not available please plan to use public restrooms for your auditions.

**Personal outfit or clothing:** The Walworth County Fair is a family event any profanity on t-shirts or inappropriate attire or songs will not be allowed, judges have the right to disqualify.

**Judging:** Judges Decisions are final. Acts will be judged on:

- Musicality (pitch, timing, phrasing, tone)
- Vocal Ability ( quality, expression, interpretation)
- Performance ( Stage presence, style, charisma)

The contest will be judged by a panel of 3 judges.

**Selection: Song Selection this year can be country, or country cross over, Christian, gospel, adult soft contemporary, soft rock, show tunes, musicals, legends(ex, Frank Sinatra, Judy Garland). We will not allow Spoken word, Rap and no Heavy metal.**

**Stage:** the stage is an outdoor covered stage with a concrete floor located in the park on the fairgrounds. Contest is held rain or shine. Exception is Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 2011, 1<sup>st</sup> round held in park downtown Elkhorn WI, on wooden platform stage.

**Sound system:** all acts are required to use the sound system and sound technician provided by the Walworth County Fair.

**Recorded accompaniment:** Vocalist must use recorded accompaniment, provided it contains instrumental accompaniment only, some background singing may be allowed on the recording. Only a CD will be used no cassette tapes. If a self made CD will be used, please bring a backup additional CD with you. Because of the quality deviations in CD recorders, not all self-made CD's are readable on all machines.

**Awards:** Each contestant will receive a T-shirt for entering the contest. The 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher will receive \$300.00 the third place finisher \$100.00. The winner will receive a trophy, \$1,000.00, and a season pass for the next year's fair. In addition they will perform either Friday September 2nd or Saturday September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011 on the grandstand this is yet to be determined. They will also be interviewed by WSLD personalities, this is strictly a Walworth County fair local talent contest.

**Questions?** If you have any? Regarding contest please call 262 723 3228 or email [susan@walworthcountyfair.com](mailto:susan@walworthcountyfair.com), [www.walworthcountyfair.com](http://www.walworthcountyfair.com)

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