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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - What little girl wouldn't want to be a princess for a day, especially with her Daddy? No matter her age, dads can bring their daughters to the annual Father Daughter Ball set for Saturday evening in Poplar Bluff.

Hosted by the Poplar Bluff Masonic Lodge 209 AF & AM this year's event will be spectacular.

"It's an event for fathers to spend more time with their daughters and their daughters are princesses for the day. Each young lady will receive a tiara and t-shirt along with a special pumpkin carriage ride around the Aard Gratto," state Terry Yarbrough, one of the Youth Advisors for the Masonic Lodge. A professional photographer will also be on hand taking photos.

"Last year was our first attempt at a Father Daughter Ball and we had an overwhelming response with 110 tickets sold. This year's event we are practically sold out with 256 tickets available," continued Yarbrough. "Our hopes are for next year to open it to other communities and fill a larger venue. It's a fundraiser for our youth, but the real priority and most importantly of all it's for the daughters to have a very special evening with their fathers."

"Mama-razzi" will be posted out front in a special roped off section taking pictures of

their handsome men and their lovely daughters as they walk the red carpet under a posted sword archway to an evening of glitz and glamor! Steak and chicken dinner will be served along with baked potato, salad, drinks and desserts. Music by Atom Entertainment with David Williams rocking the night away!

"Last year we had several military dads with daughters of all ages," stated Yarbrough. "We had girls from 2 - 42 dancing with their dads and having a wonderful time. It makes for a special moment that they get to spend with their dads."

This year two lucky fathers and their daughters received a Cinderella Pumpkin Carriage ride from the Masonic Lodge to the Aad Gratto building. A drawing was held and the winners were Tate & Bailey Tayler along with their dad Travis and Trinity & Tangent Tuggle along with their dad Trampus. Congratulations ladies you have the honor of riding with your dads to the Ball in a real Cinderella Pumpkin Carriage.

The 2nd Annual Father Daughter Ball will be Saturday, October 18th from 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. at the Three Rivers Shrine Club, 3102 Kennedy Lane. All proceeds from the Ball will go to Masonic Youth Organizations of Poplar Bluff, the Shriners Hospital Transportation Fund and UCAN. Divisions of the Youth Organizations are the Divine Chapter Order of DeMolay, Poplar Bluff No. 115 International Order of Rainbow Girls ages 11-21, and Squires of the Round Table.

"There is such a need for girls to spend quality time with their fathers, and giving back to the community is so important to these youth groups," stated Earnie Wilson, Secretary of the Poplar Bluff Masonic Lodge.

The evening of dining and dancing, with dads in tuxedos and daughters in gowns and tiaras, will provide a lifetime of memories to be cherished by all in attendance.

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