

Victory Leap for Megan Beals Miss Maine 2005



In the tradition of the Miss America Scholarship Pageant held in Atlantic City, Megan Beals of Houlton, Maine, takes her “Victory Leap” in the ocean at Thomas Point Beach Sunday morning, following her capture of the crown as Miss Maine 2005, at Saturday night’s Miss Maine Pageant. (Photo courtesy of Cindy Lemieux)

Miss Megan Beals from Houlton, Maine captured the Crown and the title of Miss Maine 2005 Saturday night at the 69th annual Miss Maine Scholarship Pageant held at Crooker Theater in Brunswick. Megan competed in talent, interview, evening gown and swimsuit along with fellow contestants throughout the state. The talent category of her competition featured a Classical Jazz Vocal performance and her service platform is Mentoring to Empower Tomorrow’s Leaders. She will go on to compete for Miss America.

The evening’s event, produced by Stephany Jacques, Miss Maine 1998, featured the Brunswick Naval Air Station National Guard, the Brunswick Junior High marching band, award winning Brunswick Junior High cheerleaders, the Gemini Dance Co. of Bath, Miss Stephany’s School of Dance, Allyn Warner Gamble, Miss Maine 1971 and Ami Vice, Miss Maine 2004.

Local Brunswick native and former Miss Brunswick and Miss Maine 1980, Valerie Crooker Clemens, was recognized for her 25 years of volunteerism with the Miss America Program. She currently is the President of the National Association of Miss America State Pageants, the only state title holder to hold this position. Clemens is also President of the Miss Maine Scholarship Program.

The Miss Maine Scholarship Pageant is the official state preliminary to the Miss America Pageant, one of the nation’s leading achievement programs and the largest source of scholarships for women in the world. For more information about the opportunities offered to the young women in Maine, visit www.missmaine.org on the web.