

Mildred Spearman on the SC Apple Queen Pageant 2022 interview (edited) TRANSCRIPT

Speaker abbreviations

MS: Mildred Spearman

JJ: Josh Johnson (interviewer)

LH: Leslie Hagerty (interviewer)

LH: I think the pageant what's interesting you see so many people came from out of town because of the pageant.

MS: And then Jim had some funny stories with the pageant because of his job he was in the hierarchy of Duke and so the Vice President they had left here temporarily while they were building was a good friend. WE played bridge with them a couple of times and they had to have some friends because they didn't know nobody. So Jim asked him if he would judge the apple festival because that was also at that time Duke was very important I mean that was where everyone was getting a job if they could. So that man judged but one year this girl that had won some other Miss Something else didn't win. That mother said why did my daughter not win. Well for some strange reason that same girl came back the next year and that man told Jim no he was not judging the third year that lady had hit him twice.

LH: That's awkward. I know it fed into Miss South Carolina is that correct

MS: Yeah. But now you knew you already had the title now when they did a festival here not I don't know if it lasted one year or two years they don't have Miss Westminster.

LH: I don't

JJ: There was one last year...

MS: Last year or year before. Sometime like that. Ok but she was eligible as Miss South Carolina Apple Queen to go. At the time it was the opposite. They came here with a title but they wanted to be seen and known again because you still had the state pageant that you were going to compete in so one more time of competing helped your resume I guess or help you get more things.