



Meet Mrs. Virginia, Erin Ashworth Brown
Monday, July 8th
5:00-7:00 p.m.
VFDA Photo Booth (Exhibit Hall)

The show has come to a close and Virginia has a new queen. On April 6th, 2013, Erin Ashworth Brown was crowned Mrs. Virginia at the Historic Colonial Theatre, in South Hill, Virginia. Erin and her husband Wesley have been married for a little over 11 years. Together they have two beautiful, talented daughters, Eden, age 9 and Allie, age 3. Our new Mrs. Virginia is from the extreme southwest part of the state, located in the heart of the Appalachian Mountains. Erin graduated from Bluefield College in Bluefield Virginia with a B.S. in Behavioral Science in 2009. She is employed by Cumberland Mountain Community Services as a Mental Health Case Manager. Erin's role includes assisting clients in her community who have a diagnosis of long-term mental illness. Extremely passionate about health and fitness, Erin has completed 2 full marathons and is currently training for her third. Erin is a certified Zumba and RIPPED instructor and enjoys inspiring people to become healthy and active. Cancer awareness, prevention and early detection will be Erin's platform for the coming year. "Everyone has been touched by this disease in some way." Both Erin's paternal grandmother and one of her aunts lost their fight against breast cancer. Her maternal grandmother was diagnosed with cancer several years ago but remains cancer free at this time. Erin has held many fundraisers for The American Cancer Society and Komen for the Cure. She is looking forward to bringing more attention to these organizations during her reign.

Erin and her husband were married at the age of 19. She states that at that time she wasn't sure what God's plans were going to be for her life and what role's she would fulfill. During her marriage, Erin has juggled being a wife, mother, student, employee, and volunteer successfully. She states she has become someone her 19 year-old self would be very proud of. Erin will be competing at the Mrs. America Pageant in August of this year and looks forward to the challenges of the future. Erin won a custom evening gown from Frankie Couture, the official crown ring from Ballerina Jewelers, a designer gown from Alberto Makali, Cosmetic Dentistry from Norge Dental plus much more.

