

# Competition Program

Opening Number with Miss Northwestern 2023 and Northwestern's Teen 2023

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## Miss Northwestern Miss Northwestern's Teen

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The winners of tonight's competition will receive the following scholarship awards:

#### *Miss Northwestern*

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#### *Miss First Runner-Up*

\$1250 tuition scholarship

#### *Miss Second Runner-Up*

\$1000 tuition scholarship

#### *Miss Third Runner-Up*

\$750 tuition scholarship

#### *Miss Fourth Runner-Up*

\$500 tuition scholarship

Each Miss Delegate will receive a \$200 cash participation scholarship award. Cash scholarship awards are provided by the Northwestern Leadership Trust.

#### *Miss Northwestern's Teen*

\$1500 tuition scholarship

#### *Teen First Runner-Up*

\$1250 tuition scholarship

#### *Teen Second Runner-Up*

\$1000 tuition scholarship

Each Teen Delegate will receive a \$200 tuition participation scholarship award.

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# Master of Ceremonies



## *Dr. Jesse Schroeder*

Dr. Jesse Schroeder is an assistant professor of mass communication at Northwestern Oklahoma State University. Schroeder graduated from Northwestern in 2003 and started working in the radio and television industry. In 2006, he returned to Northwestern as an instructor. During this time, he completed his Ph.D. and led his students to win multiple state and regional awards for their work in broadcasting. Also during this time, Schroeder led the university through the accreditation process with the Higher Learning Commission. Receiving full 10-year accreditation status is a highlight of Schroeder's career.

In 2014, Schroeder left Northwestern to return to the TV news business. He served the Sherman/Denison, Texas, communities in Texoma at KXII-TV, working as a morning news anchor. During this time he won multiple awards for his work. Most recently, Schroeder worked for KLTU/KTRE in Tyler, Texas. While there, he served as the primary 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. news anchor. Schroeder also reported extensively on weather. This reporting took him up in the station helicopter to cover the aftermath of severe storms in the area and allowed him to share the stories of those who needed help and assistance during those difficult times.

Schroeder and his family returned to northwest Oklahoma in July 2023, when he accepted the mass communication position at Northwestern. He is excited to be back home and looks forward to helping his students accomplish their career goals. Schroeder and his wife Amanda have been married for 19 years and have three children, Brayden, Parker, and Mia.

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*Your admission goes toward expenses of Miss Northwestern and Miss Northwestern's Teen as they attend the Miss Oklahoma Competition.*

*Please join them as they compete **June 2-8, 2024**, at River Spirit Casino Resort in Tulsa, Oklahoma.*



Miss Northwestern 2023, Emily Smith

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1966



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1976



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2004



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2014



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1967



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1977



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2005



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Adams  
2015



Linda  
Cline  
1968



Betty  
Hansen  
1978



Elizabeth  
Harris  
2006



Mary  
Shklar  
2016



Toni  
Richards  
1969



Dana  
Workman  
1980



Jordan  
Gaskill  
2007



Kandi  
Hughart  
2017



Maggi  
Mulloy  
1970



Claretta  
Lingenfelter  
1981



Ashlynn  
Frey  
2008



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Malone  
2018



Cindy  
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1971



Lintha  
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1982



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2009



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2019



Vivian  
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1972



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1983



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Crissup  
2010



Liberty  
Bird  
2020  
2021



Neta Sue  
Irwin  
1973



Kiley  
Rieger  
2001



Carmen  
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2011



Carli  
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2022



Gala  
Smith  
1974



Cassie  
McEachern  
2002



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2012



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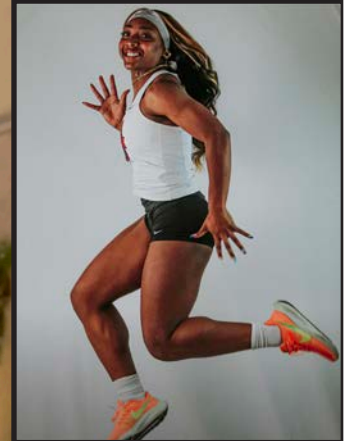
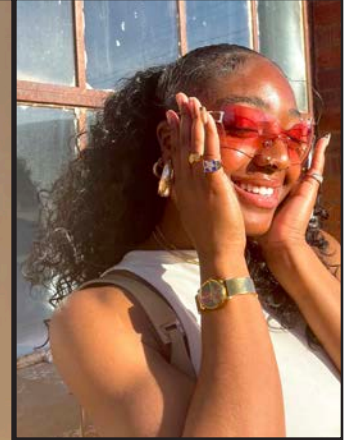
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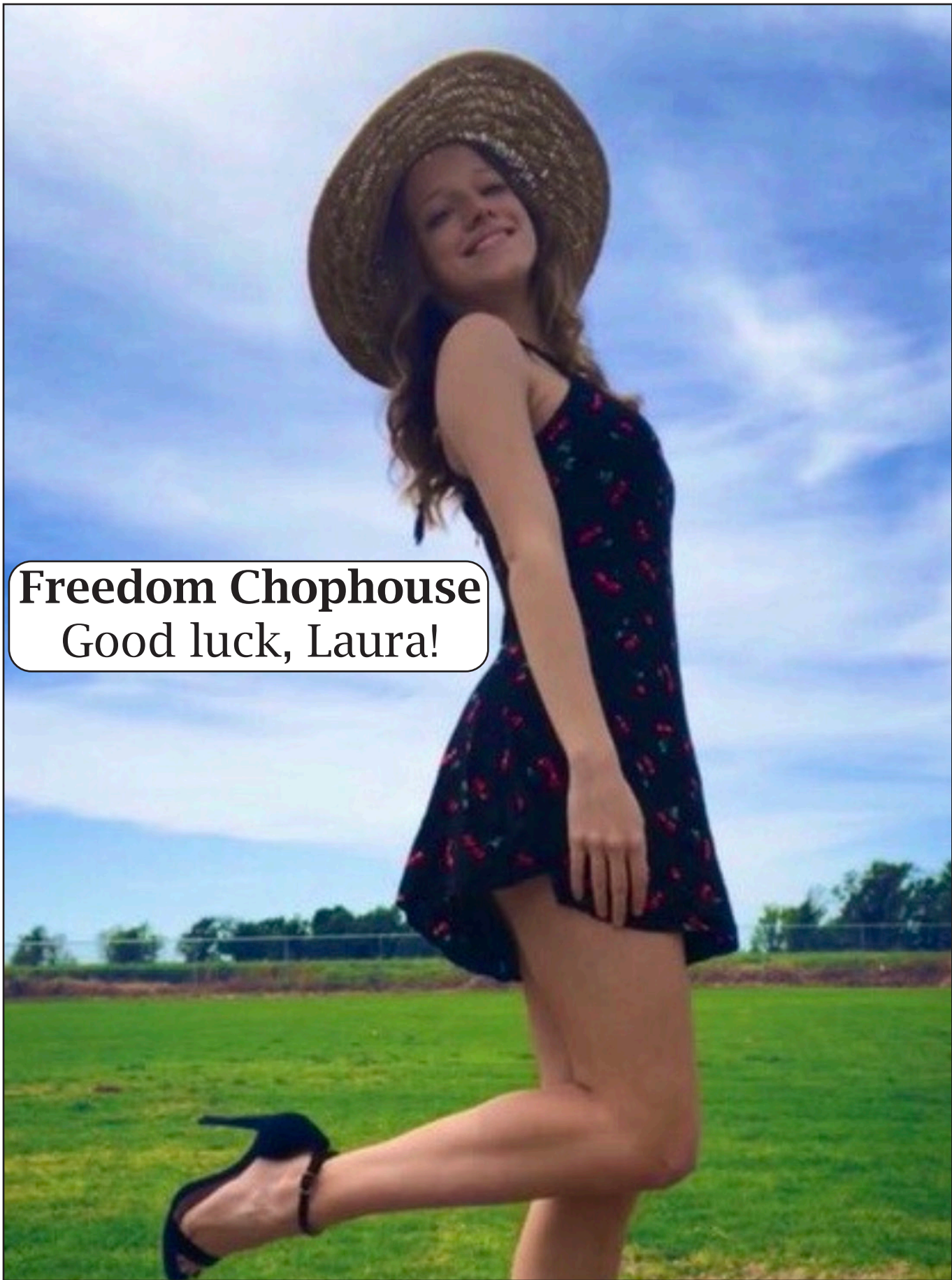
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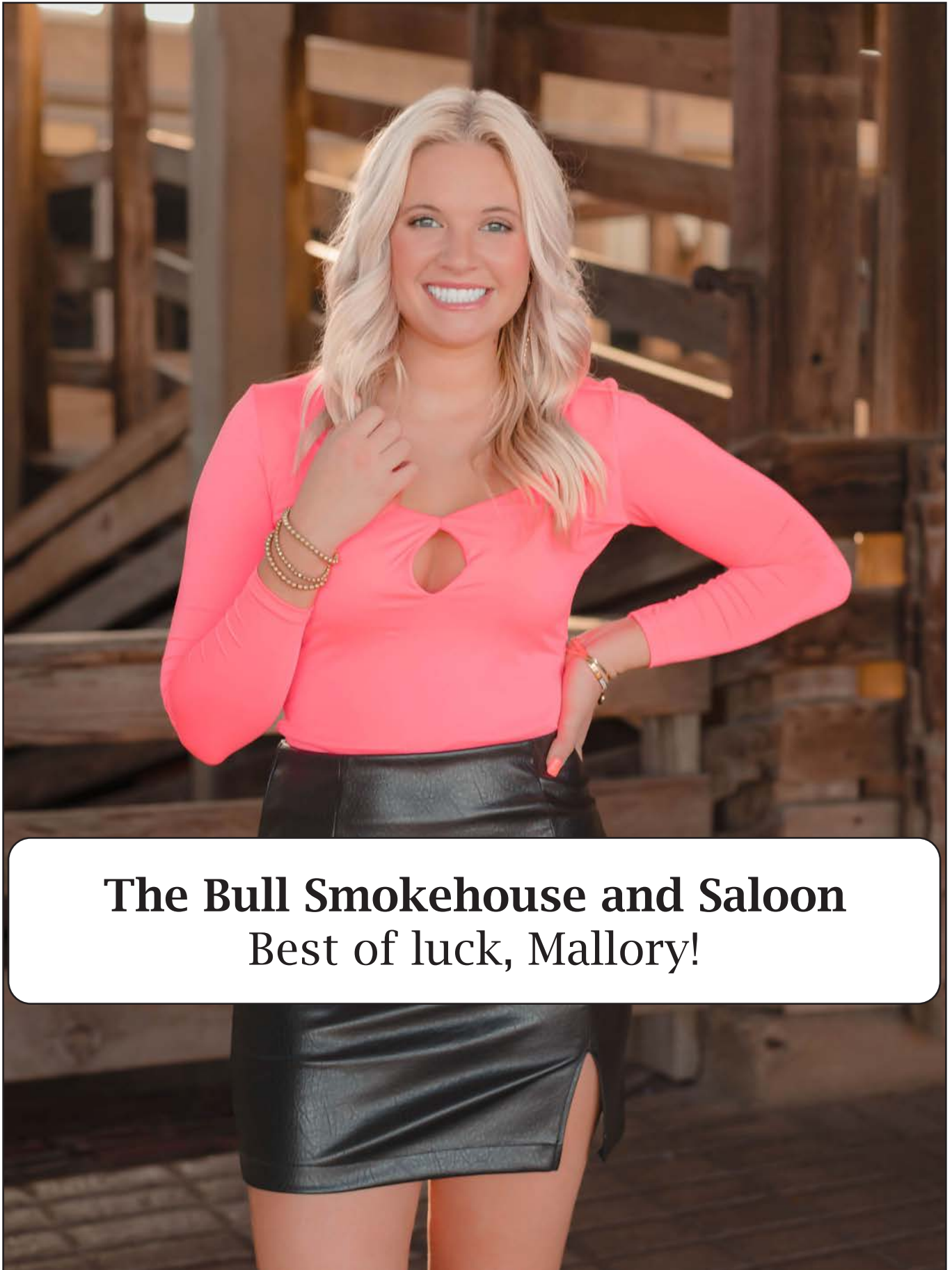


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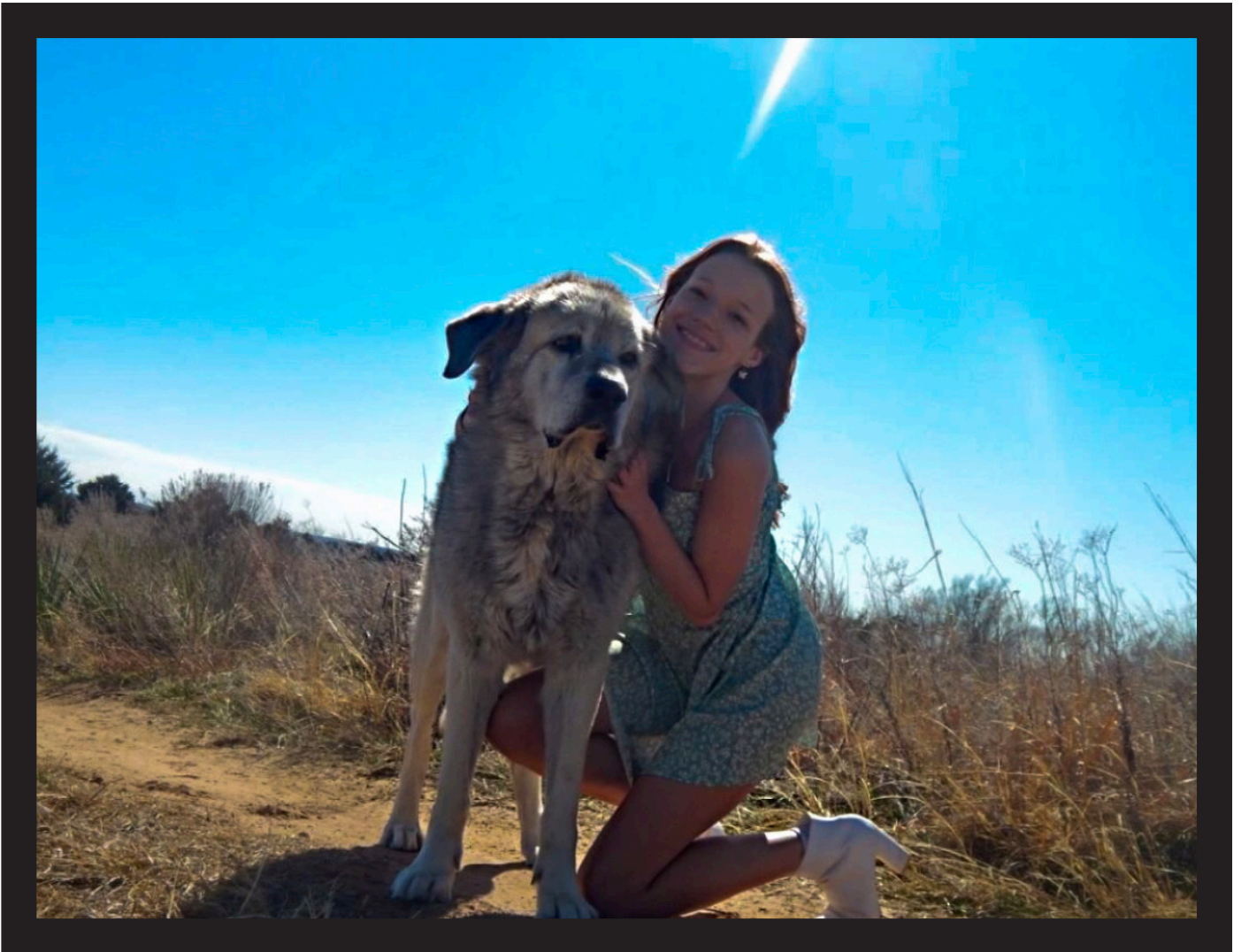


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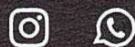


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Miss Northwestern Delegate Riley Hensley's Star

**Parent(s):** *Billy and Donna Irvin*

**Hobbies:** *Playing on the phone and playing with friends*

**Favorite Food:** *Spaghetti*

**Fun Fact:** *Zyndaya loves to do her dolls' hair!*

**Mattie Ann Robinson**

Miss Northwestern Delegate Cora Beth Taylor's Star

**Parent(s):** *John and Kelley Robinson*

**Hobbies:** *Playing with her calves and Barbies, swimming, and skating*

**Favorite Food:** *Grilled cheese sandwiches*

**Fun Fact:** *Mattie is obsessed with cows!*



**Monroe Lauren Gammage**

Miss Northwestern Delegate Diamond Choate's Star

**Parent(s):** *William and Nedra Gammage*

**Hobbies:** *Gymnastics, riding bikes, and playing with Barbies*

**Favorite Food:** *Chicken nuggets*

**Fun Fact:** *My mom loves "Old Hollywood," so my name came from Marilyn Monroe!*



*Olivia Reese Wilkerson*

Miss Northwestern Delegate Gracie Myatt's Star

**Parent(s):** Kent and Jackie Wilkerson

**Hobbies:** Dancing, visiting waterparks, coloring, playing dress up

**Favorite Food:** Donuts, noodles, and chicken

**Fun Fact:** Olivia is really good at spotting moose, deer, elk, and mountain goats during trips to Colorado!



*Daviney Grace Tolson*

Miss Northwestern Delegate Mattie Pitts' Star

**Parent(s):** Thure and Marisa Tolson

**Hobbies:** Jumping on the trampoline, crafting, snuggling her dogs and cats

**Favorite Food:** Steak

**Fun Fact:** Daviney loves to watch "The Haygoods" perform shows in Branson!

*Lillian Jean Desai*

Miss Northwestern Delegate Megan Spray's Star

**Parent(s):** Vik and Jenny Desai

**Hobbies:** Reading, fishing, kayaking, singing

**Favorite Food:** Sushi

**Fun Fact:** Lillian was student of the month the very first month at her new school!





## *Macy Naydne Miller*

Miss Northwestern Delegate Reagan Hiner's Star

**Parent(s):** *Wade and Danielle Miller*

**Hobbies:** *Crafting, gardening, gymnastics, and reading*

**Favorite Food:** *Chicken fried steak*

**Fun Fact:** *Macy will be competing in her very first dance competition in two weeks!*

## *Eliana Faith Clapp*

Miss Northwestern Delegate Mallory Paruszewski's Star

**Parent(s):** *Tim and Crystal Clapp*

**Hobbies:** *Gymnastics, Legos, Polly Pocket, reading books with mom*

**Favorite Food:** *Spaghetti*

**Fun Fact:** *Eliana has one eye that is a 1/4 brown and 3/4 blue!*



## *Harper Grace Lee*

Miss Northwestern Delegate Valerie Nzeakor's Star

**Parent(s):** *Cody and Kristy Lee*

**Hobbies:** *Dance and tumbling*

**Favorite Food:** *Macaroni and cheese*

**Fun Fact:** *Harper is on the mini troupe team at her dance studio, and her team was the "6 and Under" National Champs!*

*Makeia Linn Brune*

Miss Northwestern Delegate Laura Blair's Star

**Parent(s):** *Mackenzie Brune*

**Hobbies:** *Softball, basketball, gymnastics, riding bikes*

**Favorite Food:** *Tater tots and chicken nuggets*

**Fun Fact:** *Makeia is really good at gymnastics!*



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**Riley Hensley**

**Hometown:** Jet, OK

**Classification:** Freshman

**Major:** Health and Sports Science

**Talent:** Comedy – “Tubin” by Tim Hawkins

**CSI:** The Importance of Athletic Trainers in High Schools Now

**Miss Northwestern Star:** Zyndaya McHenry of Cherokee



**Cora Beth Taylor**

**Hometown:** Kingfisher, OK

**Classification:** Junior

**Major:** Biology and Chemistry

**Talent:** Vocal – “A Dream With Your Name On It” by Bonnie Karlyle

**CSI:** Let’s Get Movin’!

**Miss Northwestern Star:** Mattie Robinson of Camargo

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**Diamond Choate**

**Hometown:** Fort Smith, AR

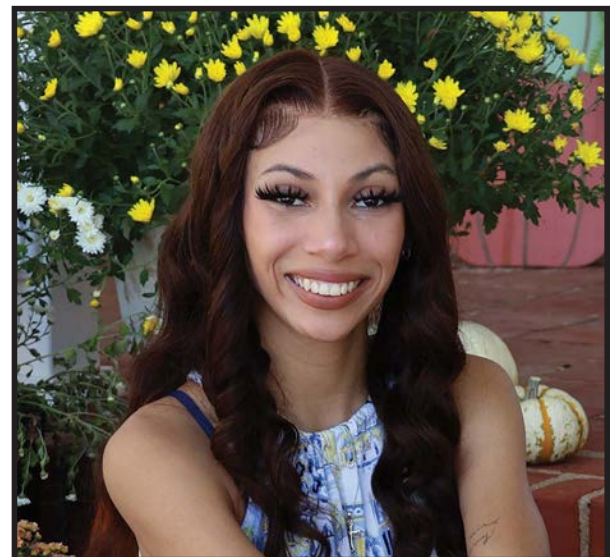
**Classification:** Senior

**Major:** General Education

**Talent:** Dance – “Uptown Funk” by Bruno Mars

**CSI:** Supporting the Geriatric Community

**Miss Northwestern Star:** Monroe Gammage of Moore





*Gracie Myatt*

**Hometown:** *Piedmont, OK*

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**Classification:** *Junior*

**Major:** *Biology*

**Talent:** *Luminol Science and Art Demonstration*

**CSI:** *Food to Fuel*

**Miss Northwestern Star:** *Olivia Wilkerson of Chickasha*

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*Mattie Pitts*

**Hometown:** *Waynoka, OK*

**Classification:** *Junior*

**Major:** *Elementary Education*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo - "Suds in the Bucket" by Sara Evans*

**CSI:** *A Great Partnership to End Child Hunger*

**Miss Northwestern Star:** *Daviney Tolson of Aline*



*Megan Spray*

**Hometown:** *Sharon, OK*

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**Classification:** *Sophomore*

**Major:** *Business Management*

**Talent:** *Drums Solo - "Seven Nation Army" by Jack White*

**CSI:** *Awareness and Action for Childhood Cancer*

**Miss Northwestern Star:** *Lillian Desai of Enid*

7

*Reagan Hiner*

**Hometown:** *Shattuck, OK*

**Classification:** *Sophomore*

**Major:** *Psychology*

**Talent:** *Monologue – “Elves on Strike”*

**CSI:** *How YOU Can Help Save Lives: Naloxone*

**Miss Northwestern Star:** *Macy Miller of Gage*



*Mallory Paruszewski*

**Hometown:** *Burleson, TX*

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**Classification:** *Senior*

**Major:** *Mass Communication*

**Talent:** *Dance – “Material Girl” by Madonna*

**CSI:** *P.A. W.S.*

**Miss Northwestern Star:** *Eliana Clapp of Alva*

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*Valerie Nzeakor*

**Hometown:** *Frisco, TX*

**Classification:** *Graduate Student*

**Major:** *Psychology*

**Talent:** *Spoken Word Poetry – “The Voice of God”*

**CSI:** *Mental Clarity*

**Miss Northwestern Star:** *Harper Lee of Alva*





*Laura Blair*

**Hometown:** Waynoka, OK

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**Classification:** Senior

**Major:** Psychology

**Talent:** Flute Solo – “Derek’s Tune” by Arnie Roth

**CSI:** Adopt Don’t Shop

**Miss Northwestern Star:** Makeia Brune of Waynoka



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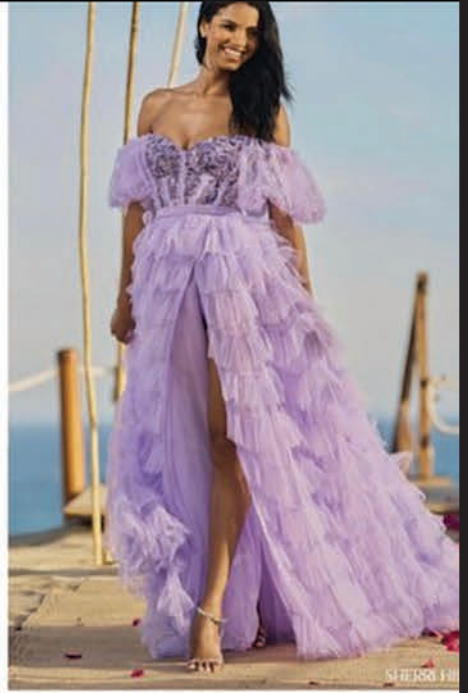




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# Miss Northwestern's



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*Abby Miller*

**Hometown:** *Pond Creek, OK*

**Talent:** *Jazz Dance – “Baby, I’m A Star” by Prince*

**CSI:** *More Than An Athlete (MTAA)*



2

*Christina Jenlink*

**Hometown:** *Alva, OK*

**Talent:** *Flute Solo – “The Entertainer” by Scott Joplin*

**CSI:** *Stay Smart, Don’t Start: Preventing Teen Alcohol Abuse*

# Teen Delegates 2024



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*Dawsyn Burgess*

**Hometown:** *Shattuck, OK*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo – “Can’t Help Falling in Love” by Elvis Presley*

**CSI:** *Today a Reader, Tomorrow a Leader*



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**Good Luck, Mattie!**



Abby,

We love you and are so  
proud of you!  
Go be great!

Dad, Mom, Noah, Belle, & Jonah

Good luck, Abby!  
We are proud of you!  
Love, Mrs. Hensey &  
The Panther Cheerleaders



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*Come On Down To The Creek!*

*good luck*

Abigail,  
Seize the day and give it all you've got! Wishing  
you good luck and sending good vibes to you  
and all of the pageant gworls. ✨

*Aunt Allison \*the boys*



Good luck, Abby!  
We are so proud  
of you!  
Love, Papa Jerry  
& Nana J



Dawsyn,  
It's your turn to shine!!! We are so  
proud of you and love you very much!  
Love, Mom, Dad, and Tristyn

“Don't let anyone look down on you be-  
cause you are young, but set an example  
for the believers in speech, in conduct,  
in love, in faith and in purity.”

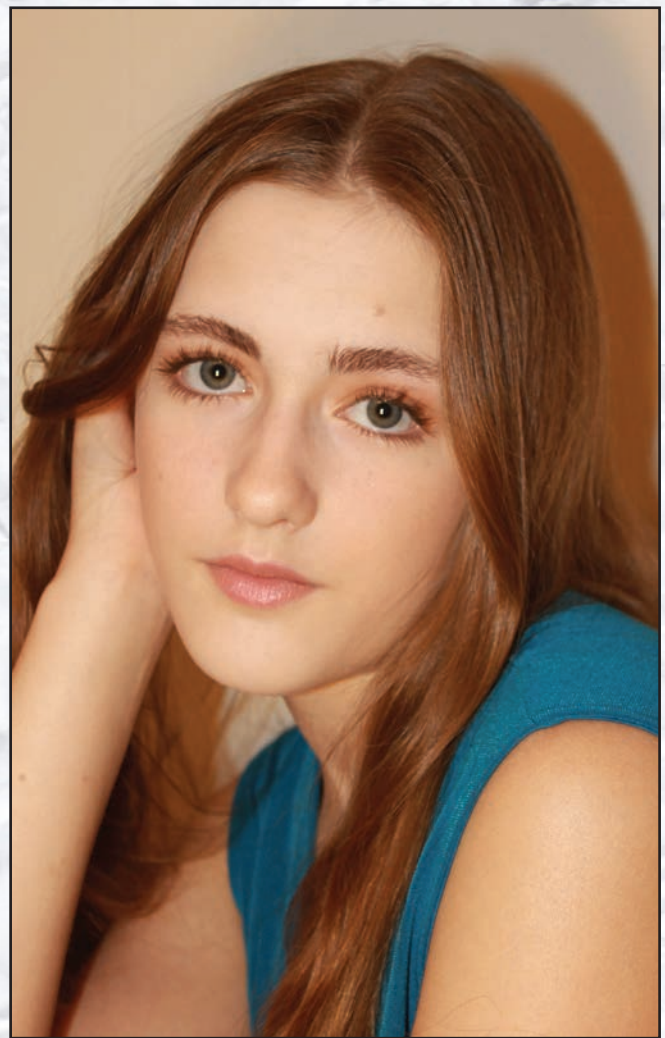
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“Courage, sacrifice, determination, commitment, toughness, heart, talent, guts. That’s what little girls are made of - to heck with sugar and spice.”

- Bethany Hamilton

Christina Michael Jenlink, you are all those things and so much more!

We love you!





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*Ferral*  
*(Lochner) McKay*

Miss Northwestern  
1966

FERRAL LOCHNER

## Miss Northwestern Is Ferral Lochner

Ten contestants were judged in privately conducted tryouts for the honor of representing the college in the 1966 Miss Oklahoma pageant. Chosen as Miss Northwestern State College was Ferral Lochner. Talent and appearances in evening wear and bathing suit were the bases for judging the contestants. Miss Barbara Benefiel was director of the competition here.



Miss Northwestern State College, Ferral Lochner, stands between the runners-up in the contest. Cheryl Breckenridge, left, was named first alternate, and Linda Beam was second alternate.





Beating the bass drum as a member of the percussion section of the Ranger Band, Miss Lochner performs in an outdoors concert with the band on commencement day.



Miss Lochner poses for a more formal photograph.



Miss Northwestern was one of several windblown band members on a gusty day in the fall, when routines for football game performances were being practiced.



Right: High-stepping ahead of the band, Miss Lochner has been a twirler with the organization for two years. A former Miss Oklahoma of Twirling and recipient of many honors in that art, she this year conducted the Northwest School of Twirling.

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What a fun year it has been! You three are destined for tremendous success, and we can't wait to see where life takes you. We will be here to be your lifelong cheerleaders. You will each hold a special place in our hearts forever! Thank you for an absolutely amazing year of service, more laughs and memories than we could ever count, and for being such fabulous representatives of Northwestern!

*We love you, and as always, Ride, Rangers, Ride!*

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**The Miss Northwestern and Miss Northwestern's Teen Competition would not be possible without the efforts of those backstage and behind the scenes. The Miss Northwestern Board members would like to extend their appreciation to everyone involved in making this year's competition a success!**

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