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# Miss Northwestern &

## Miss Northwestern's Teen



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**2024**

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# *Competition Program*

◇ Opening Number with Miss Northwestern 2024,  
Northwestern's Teen 2024, & Northwestern's Star 2024

◇ Introduction of Contestants

◇ Master of Ceremonies – Dr. Jesse Schroeder

◇ Introduction of Judges and Auditors

◇ On-Stage Question – Miss & Teen Contestants

◇ Health and Fitness – Miss & Teen Contestants

◇ A Moment with Megan, Christina, and Lillian

◇ Talent – Miss and Teen Contestants

◇ Entertainment by Northwestern's Teen 2024, Christina Jenlink

◇ Entertainment by Miss Northwestern 2024, Megan Spray

◇ Evening Gown – Miss Contestants (Accompanied by Stars) &  
Teen Contestants

## **INTERMISSION**

◇ Special Presentations

◇ Farewell for Northwestern Star 2024, Lillian Desai

◇ Farewell for Northwestern's Teen 2024, Christina Jenlink

◇ Farewell for Miss Northwestern 2024, Megan Spray

◇ Crowning of Miss Northwestern's Teen 2025

◇ Crowning of Miss Northwestern 2025

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

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### *Miss Northwestern*

\$1500 tuition scholarship and a \$500 cash scholarship

### *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 Contestant 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 Contestant will receive a \$200 tuition participation scholarship award.



**Miss Northwestern**

Megan Spray



**Miss Northwestern's Teen**

Christina Jenlink

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## *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 20 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.*

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**Miss Northwestern 2024, Megan Spray**

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1966



Kay Tucker  
1976



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2004



Alex Smith  
2014



Megan Spray  
2024



Ann Vickers  
1967



Trudy Wheeler  
1977



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2005



Chelsay Adams  
2015



Linda Cline  
1968



Betty Hansen  
1978



Elizabeth Harris  
2006



Mary Shklar  
2016



Toni Richards  
1969



Dana Workman  
1980



Jordan Gaskill  
2007



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Maggi Mulloy  
1970



Claretta Lingenfelter  
1981



Ashlynn Frey  
2008



Macie Malone  
2018



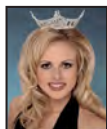
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1971



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1982



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2010



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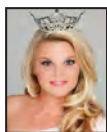
Gala Smith  
1974



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2012



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*Good luck,  
Laura Blair!*



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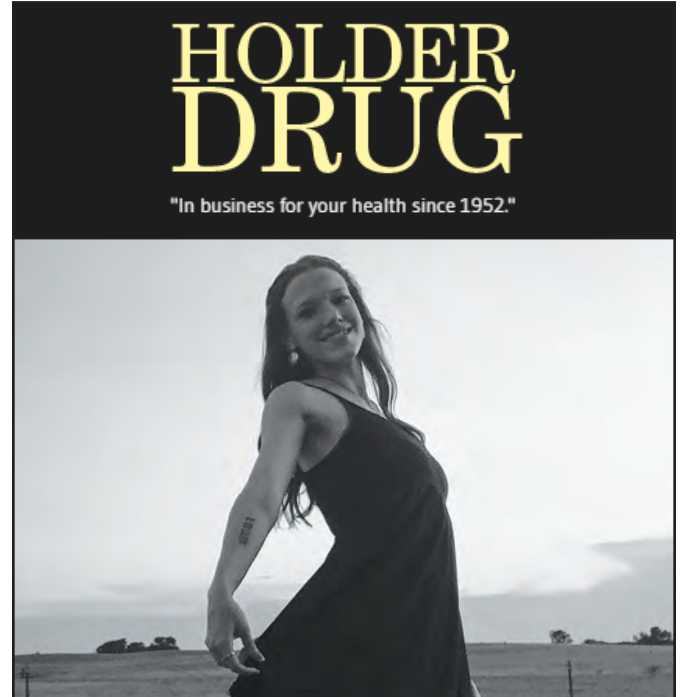




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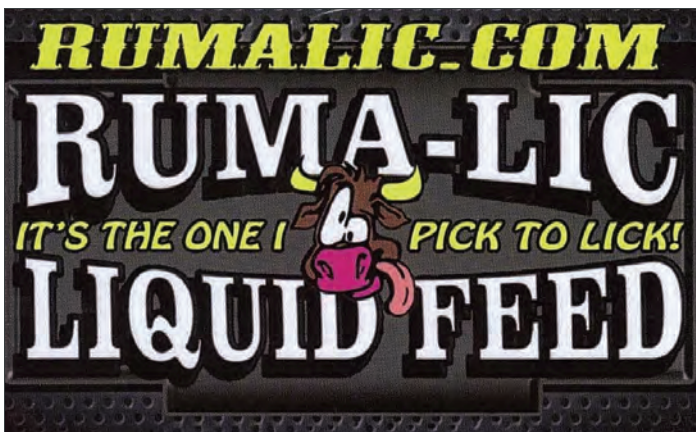
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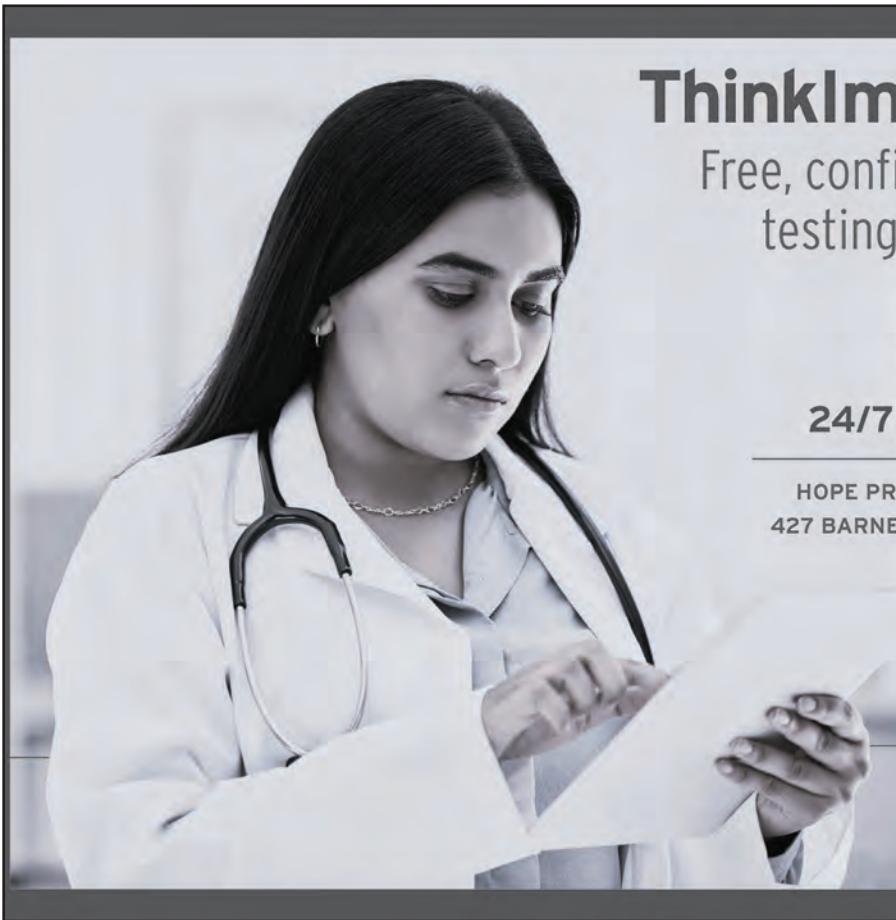


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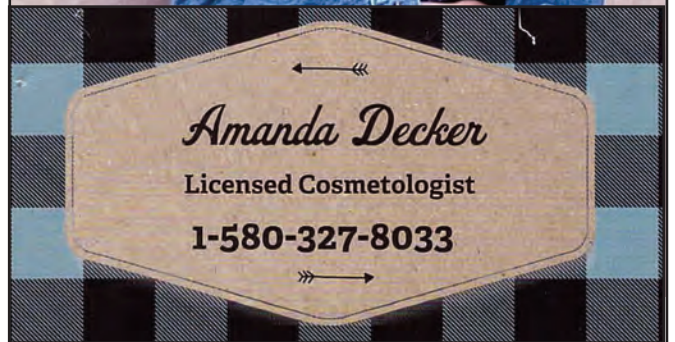
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# Miss Northwestern Stars 2025



## *Lawsyn Layne Howard*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Jessica Davis' Star

**Parent(s):** Josh and Destiny Howard

**Hobbies:** Riding on her hoverboard, crafting, and being the joy of the party

**Favorite Food:** Ice Cream

**Fun Fact:** Lawsyn is a rockstar cancer survivor. She was diagnosed with brain cancer when she was 3 years old and has overcome so much by the grace of God!

**Hometown:** Woodward, OK

## *Makeia Linn Brune*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Laura Blair's Star

**Parent(s):** Mackenzie Brune

**Hobbies:** Gymnastics, playing softball, and showing lambs

**Favorite Food:** Salad and Chicken Nuggets with Fries

**Fun Fact:** Makeia can be very clumsy and trip over nothing but is great at gymnastics and tumbling!

**Hometown:** Waynoka, OK



## *Sloan Margaret Bishop*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Sophie Jungman's Star

**Parent(s):** Brant and Liz Bishop

**Hobbies:** Playing Barbies, singing/dancing, and getting her brother in trouble

**Favorite Food:** Donuts and Spicy Chips

**Fun Fact:** Sloan was born on her Aunt Savannah's birthday (a former Miss Northwestern)!

**Hometown:** Enid, OK

## *Lakyn Grace Alvidrez*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Riley Hensley's Star

**Parent(s):** Adrian and Katie Alvidrez

**Hobbies:** Reading, cheerleading, and playing with friends

**Favorite Food:** Chicken Nuggets

**Fun Fact:** Lakyn loves to shop and get her nails done.

**Hometown:** Cherokee, OK



## *Jentry Emmalaine Cloud*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Jaxy Cloud's Star

**Parent(s):** Jarrod and Jeni Cloud

**Hobbies:** Playing horseshoes, dancing, and playing volleyball

**Favorite Food:** Garlic Bread

**Fun Fact:** Jentry can eat more crab legs than any adult in her family!

**Hometown:** Enid, OK

## *Ellie Fern Vermillion*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Ashley Carter's Star

**Parent(s):** Aaron and Lisa Vermillion

**Hobbies:** Playing with Pinky (her puppy), playing sports, and hanging out with family and friends

**Favorite Food:** Cheeseburgers

**Fun Fact:** Ellie is ambidextrous but left hand dominant!

**Hometown:** Alva, OK





## *Blakely Lynn Lauderdale*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Norah Scarbrough's Star

**Parent(s):** Chris and Lexie Lauderdale

**Hobbies:** Playing sports, playing outside, and learning to sew with her Mimi

**Favorite Food:** Chicken Alfredo

**Fun Fact:** Blakely is the middle child. She has an older sister, Lennon, and a younger sister, Nellie. Blakely thinks her Dad is going to be in BIG TROUBLE someday!

**Hometown:** Alva, OK

## *Lennon Grace Lauderdale*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Azucena Rivera's Star

**Parent(s):** Chris and Lexie Lauderdale

**Hobbies:** Playing with friends, sewing, and playing sports

**Favorite Food:** Potato Soup

**Fun Fact:** Lennon's sewing projects placed at the recent Woods County Fair!

**Hometown:** Alva, OK



## *Sawyer Beth Lawrence*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Kaylyn Aldrich's Star

**Parent(s):** Rachael and Bobby Lawrence

**Hobbies:** Playing Legos and Barbies, crafting, and watching her older sister, Ryann, cheer at NWOSU football games

**Favorite Food:** Spaghetti

**Fun Fact:** Sawyer weighed over 10 pounds when she was born!

**Hometown:** Hitchcock, OK

*Ella Ann Martin*

Miss Northwestern Contestant Samantha Grimes' Star

Parent(s): Joe and Kelsey Martin

Hobbies: Going to the park, eating at restaurants, and playing outside

Favorite Food: Tortellini

Fun Fact: Ella likes spooky things, especially Halloween!

Hometown: Alva, OK



2024

*Miss Northwestern's Star*  
*Lillian Desai*

2024

*Miss Northwestern*  
*Megan Spray*



# MY BROTHER. MY HERO. MY WHY



My little brother, Luke, has been the driving force in my passion for raising awareness and advocating for childhood cancer. He was born with a grapefruit sized cancerous tumor that was surgically removed at 3 days old. He's now 11 years old and still dealing with the side effects of childhood cancer but is otherwise living a happy, healthy life. Throughout my year as Miss Northwestern, I've used my platform to share Luke's story and advocate for families with similar stories.

Lukie Pookie, I love you with my entire heart. Thank you for being the BEST baby brother and sticking by my side through this entire journey. Thankful for you every single day!!!

*Love, Meg*

# Miss Northwestern Contestants 2025

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**Jessica Davis**

**Hometown:** Woodward, OK

**Classification:** Freshman

**Major:** Nursing

**Talent:** Dance – “My Immortal” by Evanescence

**CSI:** EmpowHER: Empowering Women Through Health,  
Education, and Resilience

**Northwestern Star:** Lawsyn Layne Howard



**Laura Blair**

**Hometown:** Waynoka, OK

**Classification:** Graduate Student

**Major:** Psychology

**Talent:** Flute Solo – “Perfect” by Ed Sheeran

**CSI:** Tomorrow Needs You

**Northwestern Star:** Makeia Linn Brune

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**Sophie Jungman**

**Hometown:** Alva, OK

**Classification:** Freshman

**Major:** Mass Communication

**Talent:** Vocal Solo – “Fever” by Peggy Lee

**CSI:** Emotional Wellness Education

**Northwestern Star:** Sloan Margaret Bishop





*Riley Hensley*

**Hometown:** *Jet, OK*

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**Classification:** *Sophomore*

**Major:** *Health and Sports Science*

**Talent:** *Comedy Skit – “Playgrounds”*

**CSI:** *Physical Education in Nursing Homes and Elementary*

**Northwestern Star:** *Lakyn Grace Alvidrez*

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*Jaxy Cloud*

**Hometown:** *Seiling, OK*

**Classification:** *Sophomore*

**Major:** *Mass Communication*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo – “Rise Up” by Andra Day*

**CSI:** *Be the Village*

**Northwestern Star:** *Jentry Emmalaine Cloud*



*Ashley Carter*

**Hometown:** *Texhoma, OK*

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**Classification:** *Freshman*

**Major:** *Biology*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo – “You Are My Sunshine” by Norman Blake*

**CSI:** *The Effects of Depression*

**Northwestern Star:** *Ellie Fern Vermillion*



**7** *Norah Scarbrough*

**Hometown:** *Alva, OK*

**Classification:** *Sophomore*

**Major:** *Biology, Health Science*

**Talent:** *Original HERStory – “The Talent I Never Knew I Had”*

**CSI:** *Heart Strong All Life Long*

**Northwestern Star:** *Blakely Lynn Lauderdale*



*Azucena “Suzie” Rivera* **8**

**Hometown:** *Waukegan, IL*

**Classification:** *Senior*

**Major:** *Accounting*

**Talent:** *Kalimba Solo – “Oceans” by Hillsong United and Matt Crocker*

**CSI:** *Building Fearless Foundations: Dare to Shine*

**Northwestern Star:** *Lennon Grace Lauderdale*

**9** *Kaylyn Aldrich*

**Hometown:** *Okeene, OK*

**Classification:** *Sophomore*

**Major:** *Early Childhood Education*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo – “A Life That’s Good” by Ashley Monroe and Sarah Siskind*

**CSI:** *Citizens Caring for Children “CCC”*

**Northwestern Star:** *Sawyer Beth Lawrence*





*Samantha Grimes*

**Hometown:** *Enid, OK*

**Classification:** *Sophomore*

**Major:** *Instrumental Musical Education*

**Talent:** *Trombone Solo – “Autumn Sketches” by David Uber*

**CSI:** *Musically Hungry*

**Northwestern Star:** *Ella Ann Martin*

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Teen**

*Miss Northwestern  
Teen Contestants 2025*

1

*Dawsyn Burgess*

**Hometown:** *Shattuck, OK*

**High School:** *Shattuck Public Schools*

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

**CSI:** *Meals on Wheels: Service with a Smile*



2

*Merritt Mantz*

**Hometown:** *Alva, OK*

**High School:** *Alva Public Schools*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo – “Almost There” from Princess and the Frog*

**CSI:** *Roots to Results: Educating Citizens Where Their Food is Sourced to Promote Healthy Lifestyle*



*Lydia Sciara*

3

**Hometown:** *Kiowa, Kansas*

**High School:** *Burlington Public Schools*

**Talent:** *Acro-Style Dance – “Wicked Game” by Theory of a Deadman*

**CSI:** *You are “BRAVE”: Anti-Bullying and Suicide Prevention Initiative*

4

*Hannah Hensley*

**Hometown:** *Jet, OK*

**High School:** *Cherokee Public Schools*

**Talent:** *ASL – “Somewhere Over the Rainbow”*

**CSI:** *Bullying in Jr. High*





*Madeline Ryerson* 5

**Hometown:** *Alva, OK*

**High School:** *Alva Public Schools*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo – “Beyond My Wildest Dreams” from The Little Mermaid*

**CSI:** *Your Message Matters*

6

*Tanith Erikson*

**Hometown:** *Alva, OK*

**High School:** *South Barber Public Schools*

**Talent:** *HERStory – “PINK”*

**CSI:** *Our Military Kids (OMK)*



*Lauren Thomason* 7

**Hometown:** *Burlington, OK*

**High School:** *Burlington Public Schools*

**Talent:** *Vocal Solo – “Don’t Rain on My Parade” by Barbra Streisand*

**CSI:** *Singing for Smiles*

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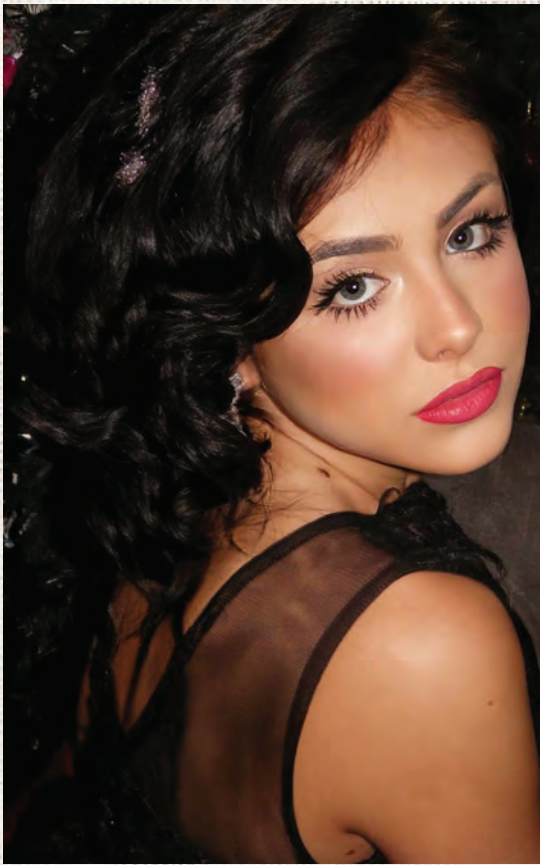
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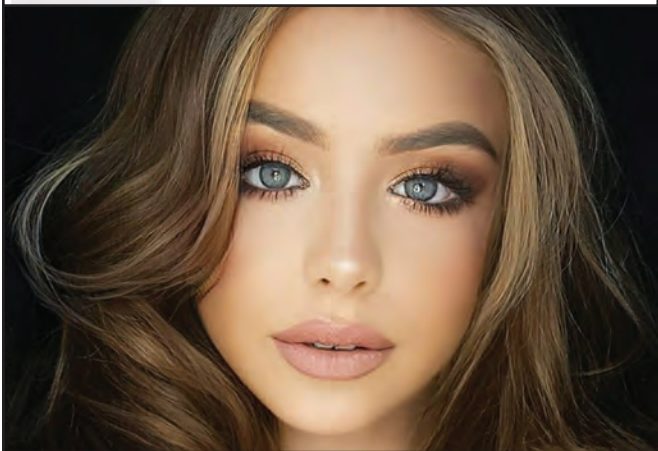


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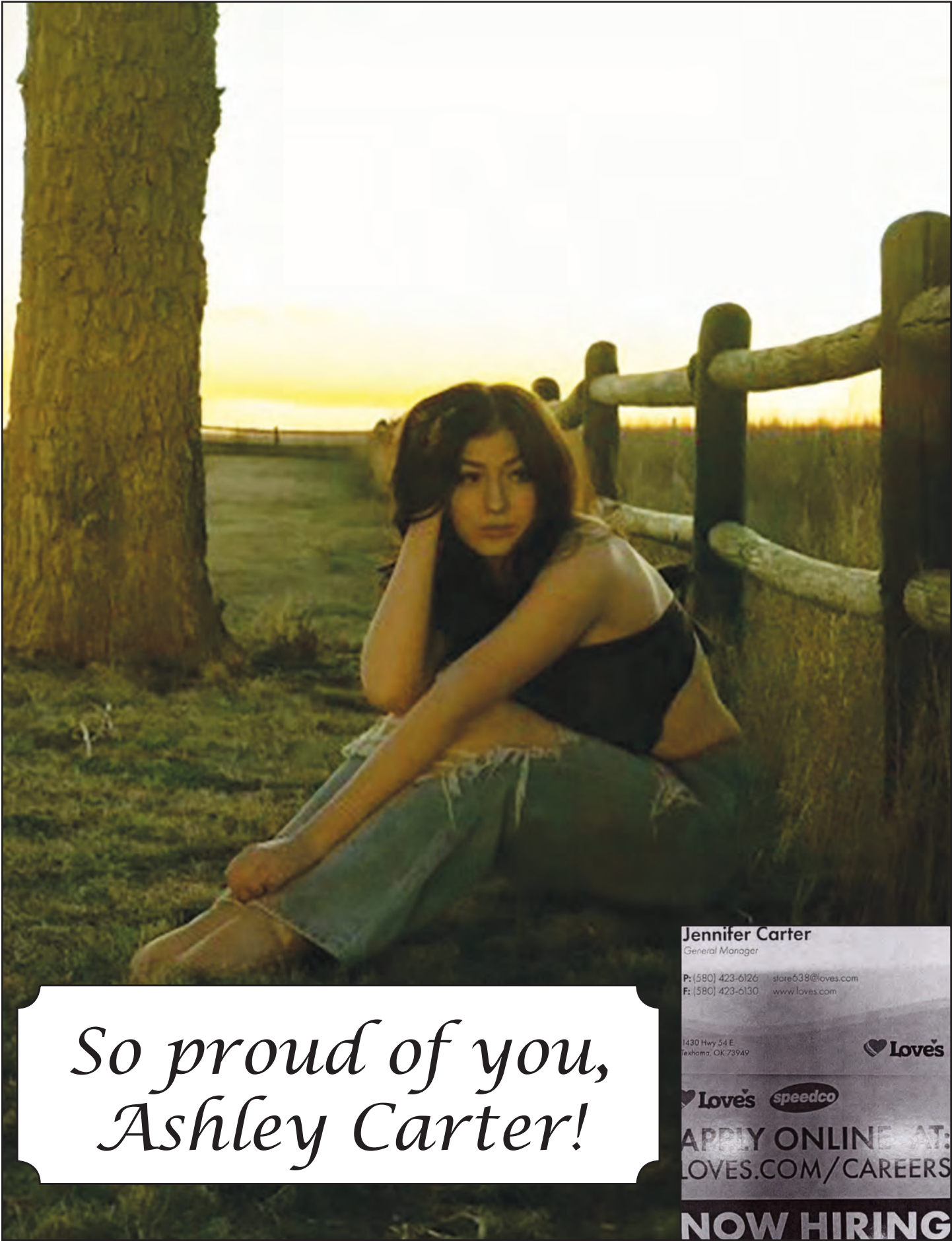
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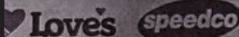
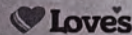


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Lilly, you are one in a billion. You are a natural-born leader, and you truly were the CEO of the Oklahoma Stars. You have represented Northwestern with unprecedented grace throughout this year. You will change this world for the better.

As you continue your journeys in life, remember that every interaction, every event, and every effort contributes to the legacy of the Miss Northwestern Organization. Your passion and enthusiasm reflect what it means to be local titleholders and what it means to be Rangers.

You are loved and supported by all of us.

As always,

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