

#### **ROWDY UNDER THE BIG TOP**

#### **HOMECOMING 2025**

#### 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Miss Cinderella Pageant

Fellers Family Auditorium, Herod Hall
Thursday, Oct. 23 Friday, Oct. 24
Talent Night 7:30 PM Pageant 8:00 PM

#### Homecoming Day | Saturday, Oct. 25

Ranger Run (5K & 1-Mile Fun Run) 8:00 AM
Starting Line in front of Rialto

Alumni Tent (Free Donuts/Coffee) 9:00 AM

Northside of Downtown Alva Square

Homecoming Parade 10:00 AM
Downtown Alva Square

Ranger Lunch on the Square (\$6/plate) 11:00 AM

Present your alumni membership card for FREE lunch!

Ranger Soccer vs. East Central

Ranger Soccer Field
Alumni Band Rehearsal

Third Floor Ryerson Hall

Massed Band Performance

Ranger Field

Ranger Football vs. Southern Nazarene Ranger Field

Star Gazing
Northwest Tech Center

Red & Black World Series Myers Stadium Friday, Oct. 24 6:30 PM



Alva, Oklahoma www.nwosu.edu/homecoming

#### Buttons Available For Purchase At: Bates & Co.

Noon

1:00 PM

2:40 PM

3:00 PM

7:30 - 10:00 PM

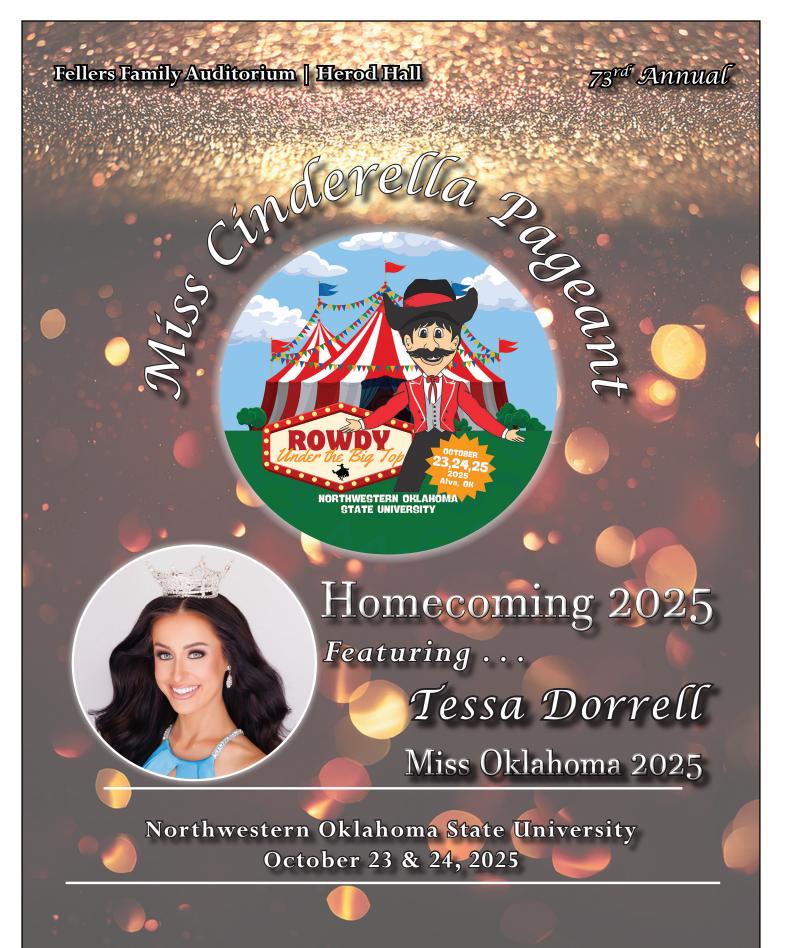
Alva Chamber of Commerce 502 Okla. Blvd | 580-327-1647

Holder Drug 513 Barnes St. | 580-327-3332

J.R. Holder Wellness Center 709 Okla. Blvd | 580-670-6445

NWOSU Bookstore NWOSU Foundation & Alumni Office 709 Okla Blvd. | 580-327-8536 709 Okla Blvd. | 580-327-8593

Buttons provide entrance to the Miss Cinderella Pageant Competition and Talent Night, Ranger Football game, as well as discounts and other incentives from a list of Alva merchants during the week of Homecoming!



#### Homecoming at Northwestern

Personnel from Northwestern Oklahoma State University and leaders in the community join forces to produce the annual Homecoming celebration in Alva.

Each year's Homecoming seeks to honor the traditions of the past and the heritage of northwest Oklahoma, offering entertainment features that are continued from year to year, but seeking to make each year's schedule unique. Many of those working on Homecoming have been involved in its production for several years; others are newcomers to the project. All work together to make it a success and a source of pride for everyone in this part of the state.

We welcome you to tonight's pageant, to Homecoming and to the campus. We hope you will take part in as many of the Homecoming activities as possible and that it will be an enjoyable experience. We greet you all as friends, both old and new.



#### Northwestern Oklahoma State University Alva Homecoming Association

Dr. David Pecha, General Chairman Karen Koehn, Button Sales Chair Magen Lehr & JoDe Bradt, Alva Chamber Co-Directors Tara Hannaford, Treasurer Bryan Miller, Special Events Coordinator Kelsey Martin & Sean Doherty, Marketing Coordinators John Allen, Alumni Coordinator Kennedy Dietz, Alumni Marketing Coordinator Lisa Cline, Pageant Director Shaughn Kelly, Ranger Run Chair Kaylea Brown, Campus/Student Events Brayden Stoner, Student Government Association President Patrick Hawley & Ben Orcutt, Parade Chairs Xan Perkins, Band Director Kellen Bradford & Gary Brown, Antique Car Chairs Dr. Shannon Leaper, Float Chair Kimberly Weast, Theatre Director Markangela Kinnett, Maintenance Secretary

#### Miss Cinderella 2025 Judges

Freida Burgess Patsy Fischer Ashley Tucker Randolph Becky Hankins Ethan Sacket



Homecoming Parade Marshal
Dr. Ken Brown
Photo Courtesy of Kenneth Irving, Northwesern News



#### Production Staff

Pageant Director: Lisa Cline

Pageant Director's Assistants: Kaylyn Hansen & Aleysa Rose

Stage Managers: Bella Anguino & Jaden Matthews

Music and Pageant Production Director: Olivia Yandel

Publicity Coordinators: Kelsey Martin, Valarie Case & Sean Doherty

Technical Directors: Mickey Jordan & Kimberly Weast

Judges' Chair: Julie Lehr

Banquet Coordinator: Kaylyn Hansen

Contestant Coordinators: Abbey Elam, Paige Fischer, Shawna Gilbert (chair), Alica Hall, Madison Hayes,

M'Cheila Rader (chair) & Marlie Pitts

Script Author: Dr. Mindi Clark

Auditor: Dr. David Pecha

Audio Master: Jerad Bradt with BOSS Music

Lighting Board Operators: Lilith Ferrero & Kimberly Weast

Set Design: Theatre Production I & Theatre Production II

**Stage Crew:** Theatre Production I & II

Stage Setup: Northwestern Maintenance Department, Theatre Production I & II

& Castle Players Theatre Troupe

**Ushers & Gatekeepers:** Castle Players Theatre Troupe



Thank you,
Miss Cinderella 2024
Zoey Roberts
for being here to crown
Miss Cinderella 2025!

#### Special Thanks To:

Alva Chamber of Commerce and Alva Merchants Dr. Bo Hannaford and Mrs. Tara Hannaford Ok Welcome Home - "Alva's Hotel" Miss Northwestern 2025, Jessica Davis Northwestern Office of University Relations

The NWOSU University Relations office staff takes many photos of the Miss Cinderella Pageant and NWOSU Homecoming weekend. The pageant performances and anything Homecoming related can be found at nwosu.edu/university-relations/nwosu-photos. You do not have to have an account set up to download the images for free. If you would like to order prints or other merchandise directly from Flickr, please create a free Flickr account.

#### Northwestern's Ranger Royalty

#### Ranger King & Queen Finalists ————







King Candidate Nathan Vaughn Jeremy Smith



Jaxyn Cloud



Queen Candidate Brenda Lezama



Janie Rempel

Johns, a senior health and sports science education major from Phoenix, Ariz. TJ's hobbies include listening to music, dancing, making people laugh and reading. TJ is as a sprinter and a hurdler on the Northwestern Men's Track and Field team, which is taking naps and being involved on campus. Brenda's his sponsoring organization.

The second Ranger King finalist is Jeremy Smith, a senior health and sports science education major and hiking. He is involved in the Northwestern First Gen Club and Northwestern Baptist College Ministry (BCM). BCM is his sponsoring Northwestern Scholar Ambassadors. organization.

The third Ranger King finalist is Nathan "Nate" Vaughn. Nate is a freshman nursing major from Norman. He enjoys math and science classes as well as art. His involvement on campus includes his sponsoring organization, the Pre-Nursing Club.

The first Ranger Queen finalist is Jaxyn "Jaxy" Cloud. Jaxy is a senior media and communication major from Seiling. Jaxy is a wedding content creator and a social media manager. She is also involved on campus as an anchor for the NWTV-7 news broadcast. Jaxy is sponsored by NWTV-7.

The second Ranger Queen finalist is Brenda

The first Ranger King finalist is Tra'von "TJ" Lezama. Brenda is a sophomore political science major from Turpin. She is a member of the Ranger Cheer Team, the BCM and the Hispanic American Leadership Organization (HALO). In her free time, she enjoys making content on TikTok, shopping, sponsoring organization is Ranger cheer.

The third Ranger Queen finalist is Janie Rempel. Janie is a junior elementary education major from from Elgin. Jeremy enjoys reading his Bible, fishing Forgan. Janie is a member of the First Baptist Church Worship Choir, the BCM, and the Northwestern Scholar Ambassadors. Janie is sponsored by the

#### Freshman Queen **Abbey Elam**

Abbey is a media and communication major from Shattuck. Abbey is a member of the BCM, the President's Leadership Class, NWTV-7 and SGA. She will also be competing in Miss Northwestern later this semester. Abbey's sponsoring organziation is the President's Leadership Class.



2025 Freshman Queen Abbey Elam

#### Miss Cinderella Pageant

Tonight's program concludes with the coronation of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Miss Cinderella during the traditional Northwestern Oklahoma State University pageant.

The contestants' performances in the Miss Cinderella Talent Show, their appearances tonight in evening gowns and earlier interviews with the judges are all considered in selecting the five finalists. The on-stage questions answered by the finalists also are included in the decision of who will be Miss Cinderella 2025.

While that is the honor all seek, each of the 16 girls in the contest this year already has won a distinction none other shares--the honor of representing her high school in this competition.

Since its inception in 1952, the contest has provided a means by which outstanding high school girls can compete in a pageant for honors, awards and scholarships.

Each contestant who participates in the Miss Cinderella Pageant receives a \$2,000 tuition scholarship to be used their freshman year at Northwestern-Alva. The winner of Miss Cinderella receives eight semesters of tuition and a one-year room waiver scholarship at Northwestern-Alva.

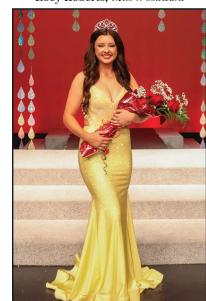
The first and second runners-up receive six and four semesters of tuition, respectively. Third and fourth runners-up receive a one-year room waiver in addition to the tuition scholarship each contestant receives.

The winners of the talent and congeniality titles receive a two-semester semi-private room scholarship to be used their freshman year at NWOSU-Alva. The winner of the interview award receives a two-semester book scholarship to be used her freshman year at NWOSU-Alva.



Winners from the 72<sup>nd</sup> Miss Cinderella Pageant are (from left to right) Miss Congeniality Reagan McReynolds, Miss Pond Creek -Hunter; fourth runner-up Marlie Pitts, Miss Waynoka; talent winner and first runner-up Selah Bentley, Miss Laverne; Miss Cinderella 2024, Zoey Roberts, Miss Woodward; interview winner and second runner-up Abbey Elam, Miss Shattuck; and third runner-up Neely Norman, Miss Mooreland.

Miss Cinderella 2024 Zoey Roberts, Miss Woodward



2024 Miss Cinderella Zoey Roberts (left) being crowned by Miss Cinderella 2023, Jessica Davis



Selah Bentley, Miss Laverne 2024 Talent Award Winner



#### Mistress of Ceremonies

Miss Oklahoma

Tessa Dorrell

Tessa is a graduate of Oklahoma State

University with a Bachelor of Science in Sports Media and a minor in Sports Management. In her time at Oklahoma State, Tessa was president of the Association for Women in Sports Media, a sports anchor for the Daily O newscast and an in-game host for Cowboy Baseball. She was selected to be a part of the Kappa Theta Alpha Honor Society for journalists while at Oklahoma State University.

As a student journalist,
Tessa was named the Oklahoma
Broadcast Education
Association's Best Sports
Personality Reel. She was also
named the Bob and Priscilla
Rives Daily O'Collegian
Scholar and a Bill Teegins
Memorial Scholar. Tessa was

given O'Colly TV's Best On-Air Talent award as a sophomore.

The sidelines have always been home for Tessa, growing up as the daughter of a football coach. While in School, Tessa worked as a sideline reporter and analyst for the Oklahoma Sports Network. She has traveled to schools across the state to find the best high school football matchups, including coverage of three state championships. During baseball season, you can find Tessa working at Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark for the Oklahoma City Comets. She is an in-game host and member of the Space Squad entertainment team. Tessa's Community Service Initiative,

The Partners Club: Empowering

Education, was created to assist in special education classes through finding peer volunteers.

Tessa's mom, a middle school counselor, inspired her to get involved with special education.

The Partners Club is not just about helping in the classroom; it is about teaching empathy and understanding. By volunteering in special education, students are exposed to different perspectives and experiences, helping them to develop a greater

sense of compassion. The club encourages participants to step into someone else's shoes, even if only for a short time, and to recognize that everyone's walk in life is unique. This experience not

only benefits the special education students but also transforms the volunteers into more caring, aware, and inclusive individuals.

Tessa first competed at Miss Oklahoma in 2024 with the at-large title of Miss Payne County. She was awarded a C.S.I. on the Rise award and made the Top 15. In addition to winning the title of Miss Oklahoma 2025, Tessa was a Community Service Award Finalist. She has now won over \$34,000 in scholarships. She would like to continue her education by getting her Masters.

Tessa is the daughter of Ted and Tami Dorrell of Choctaw, Okla., and the proud (older) twin sister to her brother Trey.

### Miss Cinderella Winners through the Years

1952-Bonnie Rauh, *Miss Alva* 1953--Jerry Jean Gragg, *Miss Cherokee* 1954--Marilyn Middleton, *Miss Waynoka* 1955--Donna Jean Rogers, *Miss Shattuck* 

1956--Donna Jean Rogers, Miss Shattuck 1956--Donita Jean French, Miss Freedom

1957--Rosetta Buss, Miss Laverne

1958--Phoebe Jane Woodward, Miss Fairview

1959--Sherry Vincent, Miss Freedom

1960--Patsy Bullard, Miss Arnett

1961--Nancy Ann Ellis, Miss Jet

1962--Vicki Fry, Miss Forgan

1963--Jane Jayroe, *Miss Laverne* 1964--Marilyn Martin, *Miss Hudson* 

1965--Linda Beam, Miss Arnett

1966--Jill Wright, Miss Cherokee

1967--Annie Arganbright, Miss Alva

1968—Dee Ann Purviance, Miss Mooreland

1969-Karen Jenkinson, Miss Burlington

1970--Mary Ann Tucker, Miss Jet-Nash

1971--Micki Lewis, Miss Lamont

1972--Lucia Miller, *Miss Buffalo* 1973--Penny Propp, *Miss Canton* 

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1974—Terri Wilkerson, *Miss Buffalo* 1975—Leslie Ann Pearson, *Miss Buffalo* 

1976--Fonda Smith, Miss Mooreland

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1977--Debbie Slater, Miss Carmen-Dacoma

1978--Aly Zaloudek, Miss Kremlin

1979--Terri Clark, Miss Woodward

1980--Diane Kirsch, Miss Dover

1981--Michaelle McDaniel, Miss Cherokee

1982-Beth Hodges, Miss Woodward

1983--Hope Ingle, Miss Dover

1984--Tammy Shaklee, Miss Jet-Nash

1985--Dorinda Stitt, Miss Dover

1986--Jill Newton, Miss Aline-Cleo

1987--Anita Tucker, Miss Jet-Nash

1367--Milita Tuckei, Miss Sei-Ivas

1988--Shana Woodson, *Miss Alva* 

1989--Danielle Calhoon, Miss Beaver

1990--Kimberly Kennedy, Miss Drummond 1991--Amber Shaklee, Miss Aline-Cleo 1992--Robyn Girton, Miss Shattuck 1993--Tracey Clark, Miss Sharon-Mutual 1994--Leah Rohrer, Miss Woodward 1995--Kori Seaman, Miss Waynoka 1996--Sharie Surface, Miss Alva 1997--Kily Sander, Miss Woodward 1998--Jennifer Newton, Miss Woodward 1999--Cassie McEachern, Miss Timberlake

2000--Natalie Loeser, Miss Burlington 2001--Ashley Little, Miss Laverne

2002-Savannah White, *Miss Alva* 2003-Skyler Selby, *Miss Gage* 

2004--Layne Armbruster, Miss Burlington

2005--Talia Berning, Miss Alva

2006—Ashlynn Frey,  ${\it Miss~Cimarron}$ 

2007--Paige Fischer, Miss Timberlake

2008-Brittany Bisel, Miss Ringwood 2009-Olivia Yandel, Miss South Barber

2010--Chelsay Adams, Miss Mooreland

2011--Allison Meinders, Miss Woodward

2012--Julia Benbrook, Miss Woodward

2013--Amanda Covalt, Miss Woodward

2014-Kiana Prather, Miss Mooreland

2015--Jasmine Seevers, Miss Seiling

2016--Grace Meinders, Miss Woodward

2017--Lexi Vanderwork, Miss Woodward

2018--Hannah Webb, Miss Woodward

2019--Carli Seabolt, Miss Perry

2020--No Pageant Due to COVID Pandemic

2021--Alondra Salas, Miss Ringwood

2022--Presley Pruett, Miss Woodward

2023--Jessica Davis, Miss Woodward

2024-Zoey Roberts, Miss Woodward



#### History of Miss Cinderella

"It was like

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- Bob Reneau

the cake."

In October of 1951 five individuals set out for Arkansas City, Kansas, to view the activities at the Ark-a-la-la celebration.

Glen Hendricks, a local photographer, Brooks Bicknell of the Alva Review-Courier and general chairman of Homecoming, Rufus Gordon, secretary/manager of the Alva Chamber of Commerce, Art Magnuson, owner of Magnuson Grocery, and Bob Reneau, owner of a jewelry store and Homecoming Committee member, made the eventful trip. These men watched the parade and noticed queens representing area towns riding in the parade. Wanting new ideas for Homecoming, they were all in agreement on the journey home that this, "queen business," was something they could incorporate into Homecoming.

Since Bob Reneau owned the jewelry store, he was selected to coordinate the queen show as he could secure gifts at cost. In early 1952, Mr. Reneau sent letters to all area high schools inviting them to participate in this new queen contest. However, the Homecoming Committee was initially quite disappointed as no schools responded to the invitation.

Mr. Reneau began telephoning area schools asking them to participate. Eleven schools entered the first "Queen Contest," a new addition to Homecoming activities. Miss Alva won the first contest and some concern was expressed as to how other area schools would view the local girl winning this contest.

"It was like asking them to our party, and we took home the cake," confided Mr. Reneau.

However, this concern quickly diminished as fourteen schools entered the pageant in 1953 and the rest became history. In the late 1950's the "Queen Contest" became the "Miss Cinderella Pageant." Through the tireless support of the pageant and

Homecoming, the late Brooks Bicknell became known locally as "Mr. Homecoming."

Over the years, the contestants were given jewelry, pearls, wardrobes, and other such appropriate gifts. In 1963 Mrs. Ellison of Ellison's Shop asked Yvonne Carmichael if she would serve as supervisor of the models. Each contestant modeled the same outfit chosen especially for the pageant. That same year Boyce Pennington from the Speech Department served as director. Barbara Benefiel followed him, with Dr. Yvonne Carmichael serving as contestant coordinator during this time.

In 1972, Carmichael took over as director and served in that capacity for 22 years. Elda

Jones succeeded her, serving to 1996. Dr. Patti Wilber served as director through 2004.

From 2005 to 2007, Lisa
Lohmann co-directed the pageant
with Tamara Brown. Brown
continued with the pageant and
co-directed with Jesse Schroeder
until 2009. Schroeder took over
as director and served through
2010. In 2011, Dana Roark
became co-director with Chesnei

Thomas. After two years with Thomas, Roark served as co-director with Dr. Sheila Brintnall. In 2015, Dr. Brintnall and Rachel Spellman co-directed the pageant. Starting in 2016, Lisa Cline joined Dr. Brintnall as a co-director with Cline taking over director duties in 2024.

The pageant has continued since 1952 with the fine tradition established by those five individuals. Since its inception, the contest has provided a means by which outstanding high school girls can compete in a worthwhile pageant for both honors and awards of scholarship. Through the efforts of these individuals, the pageant has grown in size and significance in northwest Oklahoma, and towns along the Kansas and Texas borders.



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ENTRANCE OF 2025 MISS CINDERELLA CONTESTANTS

INTRODUCTION OF MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES

INTRODUCTION OF JUDGES AND SPECIAL GUESTS

MISS CINDERELLA 2024 TALENT PERFORMANCE

THE MISS CINDERELLA 2025 CONTESTANTS IN EVENING GOWN COMPETITION

INTRODUCTION OF RANGER ROYALTY

TOP FIVE TALENT PRESENTATIONS

MISS OKLAHOMA 2025 PRESENTATION

**INTERMISSION** 

MISS CINDERELLA CONTESTANTS IN REVIEW

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FIVE MISS CINDERELLA FINALISTS

Presentation of On-Stage Questions

MISS CONGENIALITY AWARD

INTERVIEW AWARD

TALENT AWARD

**RUNNERS-UP AWARDS** 

THE MISS CINDERELLA CORONATION

by Miss Cinderella 2024, Zoey Roberts Flower Girl, Emma Franz & Crown Bearer, Luke Martin

## Contestants

#### Amethyst Group



Adalee Alley
Miss Buffalo



Jaden Gillespie
Miss Mooreland



Mariella Herrera

Miss Cherokee



Addyson Petty
Miss Fairview

#### Sapphire Group 🖤



MaKenzi Hamil
Miss Taloga



Leah Taylor Miss Shattuck



Kaitlyn Laverty
Miss Laverne



Madeline Ryerson
Miss Alva

# 2025 Emerald Group ▼



Chloe Jantz
Miss Burlington



MacKenzie Dulinsky
Miss Ringwood



Randi Shay Wilson
Miss Waynoka



Rose Thompson
Miss South Barber, KS

#### Ruby Group 🖤



Henzley Thomas
Miss Timberlake



Raelyn Syms
Miss Shattuck



Kylee Daugherty
Miss Seiling



Josie Littau Miss Woodward