

PRESS RELEASE



Homecoming This Week at Po-Hi

Ponca City Senior High School will host their Homecoming on Friday, October 6 at Sullins Stadium. Po-Hi's Homecoming Queen will be announced and crowned Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. in a coronation ceremony preceding the game between the Wildcats and the Sand Springs Sandites at 7:00 p.m. The 2017 Homecoming coronation ceremony is under the direction of Betsy Easley, Student Council Advisor.

The Homecoming Court consists of a freshman, sophomore, and junior class attendant and three senior class queen candidates. The senior class has chosen the queen from among the senior queen candidates, and the winner will be announced at the game.

Morgan King has been elected as the Freshman Attendant. She is the daughter of Becky and Keven Criner and Chris and Karen King. Morgan is the secretary for the Pepperettes and enjoys playing the piano. Morgan is escorted by Nate Harbeson, son of Todd and Krista Harbeson. Nate is a member of the Wildcat freshman football team. He is also a Student Council Freshman Representative and a member of St. Luke's Church of the Nazarene youth group. Presenting flowers to Morgan is Emma Burch. Emma is the daughter of Wes and Kellie Burch. She is the Freshman Class Vice President, the Pepperette Vice President and a Student Council Freshman Representative.

Lanie Varner is this evening's Sophomore Attendant. Lanie is the daughter of Bart and Jill Varner. She is the Sophomore Class President and a member of the Po-Hi volleyball and track teams. Lanie is also a Sophomore Student Council representative. Escorting Lanie is Simeon Faagai, son of Edmund and Tina Faagai. Simeon is a member of the Wildcat varsity football team, wrestling, and track team. He is also member of the Po-Hi orchestra. Presenting flowers to Lanie is Rachelann Colson, daughter of Travis and Laura Colson. Rachelann is the Sophomore class vice president and a member of the varsity cheer squad. She is also active in productions at the Poncan Theater.

The Junior Attendant is Shea Burden, daughter of Timothy and Jackie Burden. Shea is a past member of the Po-Hi soccer team and a member of Free Will Baptist Church youth group. Junior Spencer Shook is Shea's escort. Spencer is the son of Jamica and Dwayne Bass. He is a member of the Po-Hi varsity football and wrestling teams. Presenting flowers to Shea is Mary Lee Hainzinger.

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She is the daughter of Hank and Sara Hainzinger. Mary Lee is the Junior Class Secretary and a Student Council Junior Representative. She is a member of the Po-Hi volleyball team and serves on the 4-H state council.

The 2017 Queen Candidates are Alika Monger, Sydney Page, and Abigail Spiers. Alika Monger is the daughter of Rachel and Justin DeRoin. She is a member of the Po-Hi DECA club, serves as a basketball manager and is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church youth group. After graduation, Alika plans to obtain a degree in business and one day own her own company. Escorting Alika is senior Josh Blodgett. Josh is the son of Gary and Jamie Blodgett. He is a member of both the Wildcat varsity football team and the Big Blue Marching Band. Josh is also a member of the First Baptist Church youth group. After graduation, Josh plans to attend Oklahoma State University to major in Chemical Engineering. Presenting flowers to Alika is Presley Long, daughter of Jay and Sonja Long. Presley is the Senior Class Secretary and a member of the St. Luke's Church of the Nazarene youth group.

The second Queen Candidate is Senior Sydney Page. She is the daughter of Stephanie McKim. After graduation, Sydney plans to attend Northern Oklahoma College. Escorting Sydney is Senior Dalton Vogeles, son of Jennifer and Casey Cargill and Joe and Tana Vogeles. Dalton is a member of the Po-Hi varsity football team, a member of the Po-Hi baseball team, and a member of Ponca City Assembly Church. After graduation, Dalton would like to play college football and major in Occupational Therapy. Presenting flowers to Sydney is Senior Areli Villalobos. Areli is the daughter of Javier and Luz Villalobos. Areli is the National Honor Society Vice President, a Student Council Senior representative and a member of the First Hispanic Baptist Church of Ponca City.

Queen Candidate Abigail Spiers is the daughter of Jacey Hopkins. Abigail is a Senior Student Council Representative, a Po-Hi DECA member and the Secretary of the National Honor Society. Abigail is also a Po-Hi Stepper Lieutenant and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church youth group. Abigail's post high school plans include attending college to become a pediatric dentist. Escorting Abigail is senior Daylan Hawkins, son of Jason and DaLana Hawkins. Daylan is a member of the Wildcat varsity football team. He is also the Senior Class President and a Senior Student Council Representative. After graduation, Daylan's college plans include attending Southern Nazarene University to major in theology and ministry with a minor in pre-law. Presenting flowers to Abigail is Karly James, daughter of Brian and Mary James. Karly is the Student Council Secretary and a member of Eastern Heights Christian Church youth group.

Max Jackson, son of Scott and Ann Jackson, will be crowning one of the queen candidates as the 2017 Homecoming Queen. Max is the Student Council President. He is also a member of the Po-Hi tennis team and a member of the Po-Hi DECA club. Max's plans after graduation include majoring in business and attending law school.

Emme Cain will present the queen with her sash and flowers. Emme was the 2017 Po-Hi Homecoming Queen and went on to become Oklahoma's Homecoming Queen in the state competition. She is a student at Northern Oklahoma College and is a member of the President's Leadership Council. Emme is majoring in Pre-Med.

The lovely flowers presented to the Homecoming Court were provided by Grand Flowers and Gifts. We would like to thank the Po-Hi Steppers, the Marching Wildcats, and the Po-Hi Cheerleaders for assisting with the ceremony. A special thank you goes to Mike and Kym White for assisting with not only the ceremony but also with all of the Homecoming Week activities.

We would like to thank those who provided the convertibles to transport the Homecoming royalty in the Homecoming parade. We would also like to thank the judges for the Class Float competition.

Names for the picture: Front row: Flower Presenters, Sophomore Rachelann Colson, Junior Mary Lee Hainzinger, Seniors Areli Villalobos and Karly James

Middle Row: Attendants: Sophomore Lanie Varner, Junior Shea Burden, Queen Candidates Alike Monger, Sydney Page and Abigail Spiers; Freshman Morgan King

Back row: Escorts: Sophomore Simeon Faagai, Junior Spencer Shook, Seniors Joshua Blodgett, Max Jackson, Dalton Vogele, Daylan Hawkins and Freshman Nate Harbeson

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