HOMECOMING
2014

“The Spirit of SWOSU”

Registration Packet
PLEASE REVIEW THIS MATERIAL CAREFULLY
MEMORANDUM

To: Students, Faculty, Staff and Administration
From: Makenzy Hamon, SGA Special Projects Secretary
Date: September 19, 2014
Subject: SWOSU Homecoming 2014

It’s time once again to show off our school spirit, pride and tradition at Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Homecoming 2014 is just around the corner and SWOSU is preparing all kinds of fun activities for the campus and community.

This Packet includes everything you will need to participate in this years’ events!

If your organization would like to sponsor a candidate for 2014 Homecoming King and/or Queen, just fill out the appropriate form (enclosed) and return it to the Student Government Center or to the Dean of Students office (Stafford 214) by 5pm on Monday, September 29th, 2014. There is also a $50 registration fee due with the forms at this time. You must include the registration fee or your name will not be included in the online election. Candidate photos will be taken during a mandatory candidate meeting on Monday, September 29th at 6pm in Stafford 201. Your picture will be posted on Canvas for an online election so dress nice and look your best! Campaigning begins after the meeting on Monday! The online voting will be available to the student body at 8am through 5pm on Friday, October 3rd to elect three queen finalists and three king finalists. Then, a panel composed of faculty, administrators, and community members will interview the candidates. The kind and queen will be chosen based on the scoring of their application, the student body vote, and the panel interview. The King and Queen will be crowned at half-time of the Homecoming Football Game on Saturday, October 11th, 2014.

If you would like to take a trailer and turn it into a Homecoming Parade Float, please read the rules and regulations and return the completed entry form (enclosed) to Brian Adler in the Public Relations Office (ADMIN 205) before NOON on Monday, October 6th. An allocation form, due Friday, October 1st at 5pm, is also included from the SWOSU Alumni Association to help supplement the cost of constructing a float.

Another way to celebrate Homecoming this year is the traditional Lawn Decorating Contest. If you are interested you can contact the Alumni Office (Burton House) for more details.

If you have any questions please contact SGA Special Projects Secretary, Makenzy Hamon, by email at hamonm@student.swosu.edu or by phone at 405-343-0034.

I look forward to your participation!

Happy SWOSU Homecoming!
Calendar List of Events:

**Monday, September 29**
Homecoming King/Queen Candidate forms and fees are due to the SGA Center or the Dean of Students Office (STF 214) by 5:00pm
Candidate pictures at 6pm in STF 201
Campaigning begins after meeting

**Wednesday, October 1**
Homecoming Float Allocation Request Forms Due by 5pm in the Public Relations Office (Admin 205)

**Friday, October 3**
Student Body Canvas voting for Homecoming King/Queen finalists begins at 8am and ends at 5pm

**Monday, October 6**
Homecoming Parade Float entry form due by Noon to Brian Adler in the Public Relations Office (Admin 205)

**Saturday, October 11**
SWOSU Homecoming 2014!
Homecoming Questions?

-People to know-

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2014 Homecoming Campaigning Rules

-According to the By-Laws of the Student Government Association (SGA)-

Section Five Subsection One: Elections reads as follows:

For all elections, the date or dates for the election shall be set by the Chair of the Election Committee and announced no less than one month prior to the date of the election. The Committee shall set a deadline for filing that is no less than one calendar week following the announcement of the date or dates of the election, and no campaigning shall be conducted by, or on behalf of, any candidate prior to the closing of the filing period.

The dean of Students must approve of all campaign materials before they are displayed on campus. Campaign materials may not include any signs hung on any glass, marble, or painted surface, any signs held by stakes in the ground, any mailbox flyers or windshield flyers, or any other campaign material deemed inappropriate by the Election Committee or the Dean of Students.

All Candidates shall meet eligibility requirements for office, as verified by the SGA faculty advisor(s), prior to having their names included on an election ballot.

The Election Committee shall be empowered to create any additional rules and regulations as it deems necessary. Such rules may be overturned by a 2/3 vote of the Senate.

All rules regarding elections, including the relevant sections of this document and the SGA Constitution, shall be made available to candidates through the Student Government Center and the Office of the Dean of Students.

**Rules Pertaining to Side Walk Chalk**

There shall be no chalking in front of the Administration Building, Library or in the brick area surrounding the Centennial Clock Tower.

All sidewalk chalk applications must be turned in to the Dean of Students, at least two days before chalking begins.

All chalk MUST be removed within three days of the event’s end. Failure to do so will result in the President of the organization being immediately responsible for the removal of the sidewalk chalk.

There shall be no chalking on any vertical surfaces of the buildings, decks, steps, and retaining walls. Sidewalk chalk will only be allowed on areas of sidewalk that one can walk on.

There shall be no chalking until 10 days prior of the event.

There shall be no oil based chalks.

Sidewalk chalk shall not exceed a six-foot by six-foot square.

Any violation of the previously listed rules will result in being placed on probation by the Dean of Students.

1. Probation shall consist of the following:
   a. The first offense will result in being placed under review and all checking monitored for the remainder of the semester in which the infraction occurred.
   b. The second offense will result in being placed on suspension form sidewalk chalk privileges for the remainder of the academic year.

Violation of these rules will result in removal of sidewalk chalk by the responsible party upon notification.
ATTENTION:

If chosen as a top 3 candidate (queen or king) SGA will not be responsible for the cost of tuxedo rental or dress purchase.

Cost of any formal apparel is the candidates’ responsibility!
2014 Homecoming Candidate Entry Form

-Homecoming King-

Name:_________________________ Student ID:_____________________

Major:_________________________ Cumulative GPA:_________________

Hometown:_______________________ Phone Number:_________________

Email:___________________________ Entry Fee Enclosed? Yes No

Sponsoring Organization:__________________________________________

Honors & Awards:
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Campus & Civic Activities:
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Hobbies & Interests:
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What is your greatest memory of/at SWOSU?
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Why do you want to be the 2014 SWOSU Homecoming King?
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DUE NO LATER THAN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2014 BY 5:00 p.m. to THE SGA CENTER or the DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE (STF 214)
2014 Homecoming Candidate Entry Form
-Homecoming Queen-

Name: ________________________________ Student ID: ____________________
Major: ________________________________ Cumulative GPA: ________________
Hometown: ____________________________ Phone Number: __________________
Email: ________________________________ Entry Fee Enclosed? Yes No
Sponsoring Organization: ________________________________________________

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What is your greatest memory of/at SWOSU?
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Why do you want to be the 2014 SWOSU Homecoming Queen?
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Homecoming this fall will be October 11 when SWOSU entertains the Henderson University Reddies.

Several organizations are making plans for homecoming. The SWOSU Alumni Association is offering a program of supporting organizations that build floats for the homecoming parade.

Prize money this year is going to remain impressive for float winners. First place is worth $1,300, second place $800 and third place $500.

There will be startup money available for student organizations that submit a float proposal. A float committee will select a maximum of six proposals, each receiving up to $200 in matching money to help purchase additional supplies for the construction of a float. This is money to supplement what organizations are already spending on float supplies.

The application deadline for a share of the startup money will be October 1.

Homecoming has a theme of “The Spirit of SWOSU.” Call us with any additional questions at (580) 774-3063.