

AND SHE'S CROWNED MY FAIR LADY

ROSE

Rose Weidemann '22 becomes next Adams County Fair Lady-in-Waiting on Oct.24

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EVER SINCE SHE WAS A LITTLE GIRL, ROSE WEIDEMANN '22 HAS HAD HER SIGHTS SET ON THE ADAMS COUNTY FAIR ROYALTY after she watched previous Rodeo Queens during fairs and rodeos.

"I would always attend rodeos and fairs and be in complete awe over seeing Rodeo Queens present the American flag and events," Weidemann said. "I always wanted to be able to represent and follow in these ladies' boots."

During the Lady-in-Waiting pageant on Oct. 24, 2021 at the Adams County Fairgrounds, Weidemann competed against other girls in the county. On the day of the pageant, she had to show judges how to put a saddle on a horse,



ROSE WEIDEMANN '22

"It's been a whirlwind of a few months and I still can't believe that the Adams County Lady-in-Waiting crown is sitting atop my hat. I am truly lucky to get to spend my Lady-in-Waiting year learning the ropes and being a part of the legacy of the Adams County Fair."

HELLO THERE. Rose Weidemann '22 and 2021 Adams County Fair Lady-in-Waiting, Kira Szulinski, wave at a nearby crowd at the Lady-in-Waiting pageant on Oct. 24, 2021. **SADDLE UP.** Rose Weidemann '22 brushes and grooms her horse while competing during the Lady-in-Waiting pageant. After grooming the horse, she had to then put a saddle on her horse for the judges. **WHAT A RIDE.** Rose Weidemann '22 takes her horse around a set of barrels in the arena as the judges watch how she manages to control her horse. **OUR NEW LADY** 2021 Adams County Fair Lady-in-Waiting, Kira Szulinski, and 2021 Adams County Fair Queen, Mandy McCormick, place a crown on Rose Weidemann '22 to induct her as the 2022 Adams County Fair Lady-in-Waiting at the end of the pageant. photos by e.aho



ride a horse in an arena, and then go through an interview process.

"Through the horsemanship interview you are greeted by the judges who are going to ask you questions as you are grooming and saddling the horse," Weidemann said. "Horsemanship is an incredible part of the pageant. There are three standard patterns and the judges will pick one of those patterns to compete on."

The pageant, while an essential part of the preliminary process to be crowned, provided many anxieties about being in the limelight in front of the judges.

"I was a little nervous about this. Always stay calm and breathe. Horses pick up on every little feeling. The more relaxed you remain, the more they'll respond to you and your commands," Weidemann said. "The littlest mistake will feel huge to you, but know that the audience and the judges probably never noticed." After all of the preliminary rounds, Weidemann went

on stage to be crowned the Adams County Lady-in-Waiting. "After the pageant and going through the interviews, I received the smaller Adams County crown which will be with me until coronation on March 5 where I will receive the official Adams County Lady-in-Waiting crown and chaps," Weidemann said.

The process to receive this title was not short of hard work and determination. Weidemann attributed most of her success to two organizations.

"Events that lead up to this opportunity would be FFA and 4-H," Weidemann said. "Without the foundation of these youth leadership organizations, I would not be in the position I am today as Lady-in-Waiting."

According to Weidemann, the Adams County Fair Queen and Lady-in-Waiting are valuable positions to the Fair not only in, but also out of the arena. The positions come with various duties to perform. Becoming the Adams County Lady-in-Waiting

was a huge accomplishment for Weidemann and she recalls the joyous feelings afterward.

"Your jobs are to be available to serve in many capacities including utilizing horsemanship skills and public speaking," Weidemann said. "This is the start of a whole new chapter in my life and I will be given many opportunities representing the western young women in agriculture."



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WHAT CHILDHOOD SHOW BRINGS BACK MEMORIES?

MADLINE BARTLETT '22

"I'm practically a child in general but I would have to say 'Wow! Wow! Wubbzy!' was my show. As a baby I would always sleep to it."

ALJAH ANAYA '22

"Phineas and Ferb" because my sister and I would always argue over which show we'd watch during the summers that felt like they'd never end when we were little."



ASHLEY LUNA ZAMORA '22

"The show that brings back memories is 'Spongebob Squarepants' because it helped me to create new things and see the world in a better picture."

BRYANT ROBLES '22

"My favorite show was 'Spongebob Squarepants' because he was funny and I liked Mr. Krabs because of his love for money. It was a great show."

DESIRAE MUNOZ '22

"Maggie and the Ferocious Beast" was my favorite show as a kid. My life was always inconsistent when I was younger but this show was there for me to watch."



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MATTHEW TSCHIDA '22

"My favorite childhood show was probably 'Phineas and Ferb' because me and my mom used to watch it together on the weekends. I loved those moments together."

KAYLE CORWIN '22

"Probably 'Scooby Doo' because it's something I grew up on and I still love watching it. They did stuff I wanted to do and are also in high school like I am now."



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Rose Weidemann, Senior Divider