2012 - Sloane Roberts

Sloane Roberts is currently pursuing her master's degree in communications at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. She is continuing to live out her love for dance as an instructor and choreographer in for the Pride of Arkansas Cheer and Dance Academy in Fayetteville, Arkansas. She is now a judge for Talent On Parade and NexStar regional dance competitions around the country and has been awarded numerous choreography and overall title awards for her pieces. She and her fiancé, Zach Hocker, plan to be married within the next year.

2011 – Kristen Glover Belew

Only a month after giving up her crown, Kristen started Pharmacy School at University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock. She has completed three years of coursework and will begin a year of rotations before receiving a Doctor of Pharmacy in May 2016. On August 2, 2015, she married Barrett Belew, a Certified Public Accountant from Chattanooga, Tennessee. They reside in Bryant, Arkansas and enjoy serving at Fellowship Bible Church, playing tennis, and watching razorback sports. Kristen is President of the Former Miss Arkansas Association, while organizing the annual Miss Arkansas Quality of Life Scholarship and Formers/Contestants Discussion Panel. Kristen’s father, Keith Glover, serves as Vice Chairman of the Miss Arkansas Scholarship Foundation while her mother, Mary Glover, volunteers as pageant week chaperone.
2010 – Alyse Eady Lemmond

Alyse anchors KTHV-11’s morning and mid-day newscasts, and won an Emmy for her feature story on the Central High crisis. She is active in the Junior League of Little Rock, emcees numerous non-profit events, and continues to work with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America - her Miss Arkansas platform. She and her husband Patrick, along with their Siberian husky "Ranger" live in Little Rock.

2009 – Sarah Slocum Collins

Sarah currently serves as the Vice President of Government Relations with Roberts GR Strategies and an Associate Attorney with Roberts Law Firm, P.A. in Little Rock. Sarah completed her B.A. from the University of Central Arkansas in 2008 and her J.D. from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville in 2012. Sarah and Ryan welcomed their son Beckett Bradley into their family in October of 2013. Sarah and Ryan reside in Rogers where they are active in their church and community.
2008 – Ashlen Batson Thomason

After her reign as Miss Arkansas, Newark-native Ashlen (Batson) Thomason returned to the University of Central Arkansas to complete her Bachelor and Master of Science degrees. Upon graduation, she joined the Outpatient Speech-Language Pathology Department at Arkansas Children’s Hospital and began her doctoral studies with the Arkansas Consortium for the Ph.D. in Communication Sciences and Disorders. With a major research focus in pediatric stuttering and minor in cleft palate/craniofacial anomalies, Ashlen plans to continue clinical practice, research, adjunct instruction, and professional presentations through Arkansas Children’s Hospital Research Institute. She is an avid Miss Arkansas advocate and volunteer who enjoys serving as a chaperone, emcee, and mock-interview panelist. She loves to share her gratitude for being able to attain her master’s and doctor of philosophy degrees debt-free thanks to her Miss Arkansas and Miss America scholarships. Ashlen is also a modeling coach boasting 17 fitness and evening gown preliminary winners at the Miss Arkansas and MAOT pageants and 15 state title-holders since she began coaching in 2010. She and her husband of five years, Dustin, reside in Bryant.

2007 – Katie Bailey-Harris

After completing her year of service as Miss Arkansas, Katie went on to pursue her International Master’s in Business Administration degree from the University of Central Arkansas. She remains actively involved with the Miss Arkansas Organization, serving as a Board Member and official host for the Miss Arkansas’ Outstanding Teen Pageant. She is employed as a Territory Manager with Terumo Interventional Systems, specializing in the areas of Cardiology, Radiology and Vascular Surgery. This past year Katie was recognized for her achievements and received the Terumo “Top Gun” Award. She and her husband Andy currently reside in Conway, and have one daughter, Greer Katherine, and will welcome a son this July.
2004 – Lacy Fleming Glover

Lacy is currently a member of the Miss Arkansas Board of Directors and is a member of the Wardrobe Committee and Prep Team to Miss America for the Miss Arkansas pageant. She stays busy with commercial work for several companies and sings in her church choir. She is a stay at home mom to two daughters, Kate age 5 and Caroline age 1. She and her husband of 8 years, Sam, happily raise their family in Conway.

2002 – Lauren Davidson Greenhaw

Lauren Davidson Greenhaw graduated with a master in Physician Assistant Studies from Trevecca Nazarene University following her year as Miss Arkansas 2002. She then moved to Northwest Arkansas and began practicing family medicine and has continued her mission emphasizing wellness, prevention and women’s health in her practice at WellQuest Medical Clinic in Bentonville. Lauren and her husband Neil have been married for 11 years and their most important job is raising two fantastic little girls, London (5) and Brooklyn (2). You will find her singing often at church and other events and she is attempting to learn guitar (in her spare time)!! Lauren and Neil helped start a new church several years ago in Rogers, Grace Hills Church, which has been exciting and a true blessing for her and her family.
Since serving as Miss Arkansas 2001, life has been full of blessings, changes and adventures unexpected. I completed a bachelor’s degree in Biology and Chemistry from UALR and began working full time. In 2006, I married my husband Jason, began in a position with Eli Lilly & Co. and moved to Chattanooga, TN. After spending three years there, we were blessed to welcome our daughter, Presley to our family and finally were able to move back to our home here in Arkansas. We have enjoyed wonderful careers in fulfilling fields and were blessed with our son, Beckam in 2011. 2015 will bring many changes for the Bennett family! Jessie accepted a position with The Medicines Company working with area hospitals and physicians in cardiac and surgical care. Jason and I stay busy keeping up with our kiddos Presley, now age 6 and Beckam, age 3 as we prepare to welcome our newest addition in August of this year. We are also in the process of building a home in Central Arkansas. On our weekends we enjoy spending time with family and friends, fishing and enjoying the outdoors. I proudly have continued my involvement, giving back to the Miss Arkansas Organization, as the Executive Director for the past six years. I love the people and the purpose of the Miss Arkansas Pageant and am very proud to be a part of it as a volunteer!
Brandy Cox returned home to the University of Arkansas as Associate Vice Chancellor and Executive Director of the Arkansas Alumni Association in April 2014. She previously served as the Senior Director of Development for University Programs at the Oklahoma State University Foundation and Director of Development at the University of the Ozarks. Brandy began her career in higher education in 2005 as Director of Alumni Relations for the University of the Ozarks.

Brandy embraces continuing her education in alumni relations and fundraising through participation in various professional organizations, workshops, and training. She earned her Certified Fund-Raising Executive status in 2011. Her professional background also includes seven years in television and film and professional experience in advertising, politics, and nonprofit management. She earned a master’s degree in journalism from the University of Arkansas and a bachelor’s degree in radio/television/film from the University of the Ozarks.

Brandy is actively involved in her community including seven years of service with the Lions Club, volunteering at her children’s school, and supporting various events for her church. She and her husband Chad reside in Fayetteville with their two sons.
1995 – Paula Montgomery Swindle

Paula is married to Michael Swindle and they live in Russellville. After attending the U of A where she was a member of Pi Beta Phi and the Pom Pon Squad she graduated with a degree in Broadcast Journalism from UALR and started Total Package Pageant and Talent Consulting in which she has worked with over 150 young ladies from all over the U.S. Currently she is an active member of New Life Church and serves as a Worship Leader for Little Life. Paula volunteers at her children's schools and loves attending their activities. She considers her three children her greatest accomplishments. Aubrey Elizabeth is 15, D.A. is 9 and Asher is 4. Paula enjoys time with her family and friends through dance competitions, traveling, sporting events, and date nights with her husband. The Miss Arkansas family is still a big part of her life as is the Miss Arkansas Outstanding Teen Pageant. She is thankful for the memories she made, and for the unconditional love and support she has received from her "second family."

1994 – Beth Anne Rankin

After performing as a classical pianist with DINO in Branson, MO, Beth Anne Rankin returned to Arkansas in 1996 to serve in the Governor’s Office as a Policy Advisor to the National Governors Association, Southern Growth Policies Board and the Council of State Governments. She then returned to her hometown of Magnolia in 2004 to become an entrepreneur & launch a small business, Beth Anne Productions School of Classical & Performing Arts where she was a Nationally Certified Teacher of Music, a speaker & performer at women's conferences, and the co-host of the weekly Scarlet Thread Christian radio talk show. After running for U.S. Congress in the Fourth Congressional District and completing her Master's Degree in Public Administration, she was named Executive Director of the GIFT Arkansas 529 College Investing Plan where she combines her love of education and financial literacy with her life-long passion for serving and helping Arkansas families. Beth Anne’s hobbies include reading, composing, traveling, teaching, donating her red hair to Locks of Love, adopting stray dogs & spending time on the farm with all the Rankins!
1992 – Shannon Boy Skokos

Shannon received her Juris Doctorate law degree with high honors from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law in 1997. Licensed in both Arkansas and Colorado, Shannon practiced law for eight years as a trial attorney in the area of labor and employment defense. In 2005, Shannon retired from the practice of law after moving to Dallas, Texas, where she and her husband Ted reside. She spent the next 3 1/2 years touring the Kruger National Park in South Africa, photographing and studying the animals, and eventually publishing a scripturally based photographic coffee table book entitled Ask God’s Creatures: and They Will Teach You. Believing that to whom much is given much is expected, Shannon and her husband founded The Ted and Shannon Skokos Foundation in 2008, which awards grants to public charities that make a positive impact on society by, among other things, advancing education, the arts, science and religion. To date, the Skokos Foundation has awarded more than $14 million in grants, and Shannon actively volunteers and serves on the boards of numerous organizations. In addition, Shannon has coached basketball to young boys in Dallas transitional homes, helped rehabilitate young girls in Honduras rescued from sex trafficking, worked with disabled orphans in Haiti, established an infant burial program for stillborn children, and mentored youth through the Skokos Theater Learning Lab for high school students. When she is not volunteering her time or working on various business ventures, Shannon enjoys attending Dallas sporting events, preserving American automotive history, seeking out amazing dining experiences around the world, and relaxing at home with friends and family.

1990 – Karissa Rushing

Karissa is an Arkansas native who returned home to the Benton/Bryant area in 2002. She manages business operations, organizational planning, and special events at the Benton campus of Fellowship Bible Church. Participating in the Miss Arkansas/Miss America Organization inspired her career with nonprofit organizations where serving others and community development are key missions. She serves on the Board of Directors of First Electric Cooperative Corporation and enjoys life on a hobby farm.
1989 – Marci LeWallen Burnett
In the summer of 2015, Marci Burnett and her husband, Rick, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. They reside in Russellville, AR and have two daughters, Bailey and Brooke. Bailey is a Biochemistry/Pre-Med major at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, and Brooke attends Russellville High School. Marci is a 6th grade Pre-Advanced Placement Language Arts Teacher at Russellville Middle School. In 2009, she earned the distinction as a National Board Certified Teacher from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

1989 – Patti Thorn Lusk
Patti currently lives in Dallas with husband, Ron. They have one daughter, Madeline. She is currently a full time stay at home mom!
1987 – Carole Lawson Lang

Carole lives with Chris, her husband of 21 years, and their three boys Henry (16), Charlie (14) and Johnny (11) in Norwich, Vermont. She juggles her adventures as a full time mom while working part time as a Cosmetic and Skincare Trainer for mass market retailers such as Walgreens. After Miss Arkansas and completing her senior year at the University of Arkansas, she was selected as one of nine finalists in Revlon’s Most Unforgettable Women Contest (1989). She then worked for Revlon in New York and Chicago for 12 years as a National Trainer, Product Development Manager and National Sales Manager. Her proudest career accomplishment was working on the teams that launched Revlon Colorstay Lipcolor, Colorstay Makeup and Age Defying Makeup in the mid 90’s. She volunteers with the Montshire Science Museum and enjoys performing on her flute and piccolo for community theater orchestras and church, snow skiing every day she can, golfing, long trips back to enjoy Summer in Arkansas and canning salsa with her home grown tomatoes!

1986 – Julie Russell Hewitt

Julie lives outside of Nashville TN with her husband of 25 years. They have two children Parker and Hannah. Their son, Parker, attends the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, graduating with a computer science degree in June. He is also a very accomplished fiddle player to the delight of his parents. Their daughter, Hannah, is 13 and an honor roll student and studies ballet, which has turned Julie into a dance mom. Julie has been a public speaker for Church’s on women’s issues and teaches classes on natural health choices. She also has been asked to write a series of Children’s books teaching young children the importance of Giving, Saving and Spending money. Julie’s hobbies are dog training, knitting, cooking and sitting on the beach with her family every chance she gets!
1983 – Regina Hopper

Regina lives in Alexandria, VA, outside of Washington DC. Since graduating from high school in Springdale, Arkansas, the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville and the University of Arkansas School of Law. She practiced law in Little Rock, won an Emmy while at CBS News in the New York and Washington, DC bureaus, where she covered President’s Bush (41) and Clinton. Also, she has been Executive Vice President, President & CEO for trucking, telecommunications and natural gas industry associations. Regina currently runs her own advocacy practice. You pass through the Bobby Hopper Tunnel to visit her Dad and Mom, Lois, in Springdale. Her brother Robert lives and works in Monroe, Louisiana. Favorite pastimes- you guessed it - reading political fiction, watching political dramas and catching up on sleep! She is currently Chairman of the Miss America Foundation Board of Trustees and First Vice-Chairman of the Miss America Organization Board of Directors.

1980 – Lencola Sullivan

Although Lencola Sullivan-Verseveldt now lives in Europe, she remains active with pageant contestants by helping them with their fundraising efforts (see “The Pageant Fundraiser“ on Facebook). Grass does not grow under her feet as she is a Diversity & Inclusion trainer & Tax Office Manager at the Shell Headquarters in The Hague, The Netherlands. She and her husband Roel have several international business activities which include Aromatique International (home decorative fragrances) and ATC-Advice.com where they help companies obtain working capital. Lencola has two stepdaughters and is the proud grandmother of 4 adorable grandchildren. Keep up with Lencola on www.LencolaSullivan.com or on Facebook.
1963 – Donna Axum Whitworth

Donna and Bryan Whitworth reside in Fort Worth, TX and enjoy their family of five grown children and ten grandchildren. She recently retired from the Miss America Executive Board after serving since 2004. Chairman Sam Haskell named her Board Director Emeritus in honor of being the first Miss America elected to the board.

1962 – Frances Anderson

Frances Anderson Cranford was a member of the Board of Trustees for the University of Arkansas System for ten years (1993-2003). She worked as Director of Development for the Arkansas Nature Conservancy, later serving on the Board of Trustees and as Chairman for two terms. She is a former board member of the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, the UAMS Foundation, and many other non-profits. She currently serves on the board of the Mount Holly Cemetery Association. She is a former president of the Fine Arts Club of Arkansas, and was named Sustainer of the Year by the Junior League of Little Rock. She was co-chair for the International Conference of Sister Cities in 1999 and for the Arkansas Governor’s Inauguration in 1999. Frances attended Randolph-Macon Woman’s College and graduated from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. She lives in Little Rock with her husband, Wayne Cranford, who is the founder and former chairman emeritus of the state’s largest advertising and public relations agency. Her three sons are partners in a new agency, Cranford Co.