QUEEN OF CARNIVAL, 2024 MISS ELIZABETH BRENT MONTGOMERY



The 2024 Queen of Carnival, Miss Elizabeth ("Ellie") Brent Montgomery, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bullard Montgomery IV. Her mother is the former Courtney Scott Butcher of New Orleans.

In 2016, Miss Montgomery graduated middle school from Trinity Episcopal School, and in 2020, high school from Isidore Newman School. She attends the University of Alabama, where she is a senior majoring in Public

Relations, Advertising, and Applied Communications, and is minoring in Business.

At the University of Alabama, Miss Montgomery was elected New Member Coordinator for Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. As New Member Coordinator, she was responsible for helping new members adjust to college and their new home. Miss Montgomery is on the Dean's List and is a member of the Society for Collegiate Leadership and Achievement at the University of Alabama, an honor society that helps students develop into leaders. Following her sophomore year of college, she spent a summer abroad in Barcelona, Spain, where she improved her proficiency in Spanish.

Miss Montgomery's philanthropic work focuses on serving at risk children and pediatric health causes. Through her volunteer service with Big Brothers Big Sisters of West Alabama, she provides one-on-one mentoring to children working to overcome adversity. Through her volunteer service with Kappa B+ (Be Positive), which is a partnership between her sorority and The Andrew McDonough B+ (Be Positive) Foundation, Miss Montgomery helps fight against childhood cancer. During high school, she served as a volunteer for Safe Passage in Guatemala City, Guatemala, where she taught impoverished children English; she served as a four-year Team Captain for Relay for Life, which raised funds for cancer patients; and she served as a volunteer for Heart of Passion, which also raised funds for cancer patients.

Miss Montgomery achieved several accomplishments at both Trinity and Newman. At Trinity, she was selected as Graduation Speaker and received the Canon J. Turner Award given to the graduating student who best exemplifies the words of the school prayer: "Gentle, Generous, Truthful, Kind, and Brave." At Newman, Miss Montgomery was a member of the varsity volleyball team, a member of the 2019 State Championship varsity tennis team, and the recipient of the varsity tennis team's Coach's Award. She

was also a member of the Newman Yearbook Staff.

Miss Montgomery plans to pursue a career in marketing. Last summer, through a marketing internship, she worked with a woman-owned beverage company in Nashville, Tennessee.

In addition to serving the community, in her free time, she enjoys playing tennis and pickleball, fashion, exercising, reading, traveling, spending time with friends and family, planning parties, and watching football. She was a lifelong LSU football fan until she attended Alabama, when she changed allegiances and began rooting for the Crimson Tide.

Miss Montgomery's family has strong ties and a deep commitment to the Rex Organization. Her father is a Lieutenant and Poet Laureate. Her mother was a Maid in the Rex Court of 1994. Her great-great in 1896. Her great-great-great uncle, Gustave B. Baldwin, was Queen of Carnival in 1910, and her great-great-great-great-uncle, Gustave B. Baldwin, was King of Carnival in 1924. Her great-great-great-uncle, Albert Baldwin, Jr., was Crown Prince in the Rex Court of 1881. Her grandfather, Richard B. Montgomery III, and her grandmother, Lise Freret Baldwin, were a Duke and a Maid, respectively, in the Rex Court of 1970. Her aunt, Marion Scott Butcher, was a Maid in the Rex Court of 1999, and her brother, Walker McCall Montgomery, was a Page in the Rex Court of 2016.