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Miss Nebo and Miss Salem Win Preliminary Awards at First Night of 2015 Miss Utah Scholarship Pageant

SALT LAKE CITY — June 17, 2015 — Miss Nebo and Miss Salem received preliminary awards in the Lifestyle and Fitness in Swimsuit and Talent competitions during the first night of The Miss Utah 2015 Scholarship Pageant.

Lifestyle and Fitness in Swimsuit Preliminary Winner

Miss Nebo, Krissia Beatty, was the preliminary Lifestyle and Fitness in Swimsuit winner. She will receive a $100 scholarship for her award. Krissia is a Senior at Dixie State University majoring in Human Communications. Her platform issue is 'Live Well - Change the Focus.'

Talent Preliminary Winner

Miss Salem, Tessa Fitzgerald, was the preliminary Talent winner for her contemporary dance performance to "Compass." She will receive a $100 scholarship for her award. Tessa is a Sophomore at Brigham Young University majoring in Pre-Nursing with a minor in Contemporary Dance. Her platform issue is 'Imp-ACT-ful Service.'

Local Children's Miracle Network Fundraiser

An award was also given to the local pageant that raised the most funds for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals over the past year. The Miss Riverton Organization was recognized for raising $2,182. They received a trophy and 2 tickets to Saturday morning's farewell breakfast with Miss Utah 2014, Karlie Major.

The second night of preliminary competition will continue Thursday night at 7 p.m. in Salt Lake City.

The Miss Utah Organization

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