



Friona High School Class of 2023



Vanessa Perez
Salutatorian



Maria Nuñez Tarango
Valedictorian



Breanna Rivera
Historian



FHS Graduation is May 26th

On Friday evening, sixty-eight students will cross the stage to receive a diploma and begin their next great adventure. The Class of 2023 will have graduated. Friona High School will hold its 2023 Graduation Ceremony at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 26th at Chief-tain Field. The ceremony is open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

In case of severe weather, the ceremony will take place in the FHS Events Center.

An Alcohol/Drug Free Graduation Celebration Party will be held for the new graduates later in the evening. Proceeds from the Senior Steak Dinner held earlier in the year are used to fund the event along with donations from area businesses. There will be lots of great prizes available for all the graduates. Congratulations Class of 2023!



FHS Seniors were greeted by Primary School students at a walk-through last week.

Top graduates announced

The top ten academic graduates were introduced last week during an awards ceremony.

Valedictorian for the Class of 2023 is Maria Nuñez Tarango. Maria is the daughter of Luis Elisa Nuñez Alvidrez and Luz Elena Tarango Marquez. She is still deciding on future plans. The class Salutatorian is Vanessa Perez. Vanessa is the daughter of Natividad & Georgia Perez. She plans to attend South Plains College and major in General Studies. The class Historian is Breanna Rivera. Breanna is the daughter of Juan & Alma Rivera. She plans to attend Texas Tech University major in Business Marketing.

The remainder of the academic top ten students, in order, are: Azarel Gutierrez Huicoza, Blanca Chavez, Victoria Rojas Salinas, Elaney Arzate, Gabriel Abarca, Hiromy Quiroz, and Gisselle Dorame Sarellano.

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Community Calendar

Send Calendar information to: frionastar@wtrt.net call (806) 250-2211 or fax (806) 250-5127

May 25

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

May 26

• FHS Graduation at 8:00 p.m.

May 29

• Memorial Day
• No Senior Citizens meal

May 31

• Library Book Shop at 618 Euclid is open from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

June 1

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

June 5

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
• Friona Noon Lions Club Meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen

Friona Public Library announces the 2023 Summer Reading Program

The Friona Public Library has some exciting things planned for you. "All Together Now" is the theme for the 2023 national collaborative summer reading library program this year. We have been buying new books all year so that you will have something to read this summer. We hope you have enjoyed reading from your school libraries.

You can help "All Together Now" by reading all kinds of books and becoming a better reader at the same time. All summer reading program participants will receive book bags, bookmarks and reading logs. We also have incentive bonuses as you read.

Registration for summer reading will begin May 29 at The Friona Public Library.

In order to make the best of your summer reading time, try to challenge yourself by reading a little bit every day. You will be amazed at the things you can learn!

The bonuses this year include your reading certificate along with a reading necklace brag tag (to begin your collection) at 5 books, Geniesand at 10 books, a keychain popper toy at 15 books, and twisted putty slime if you read a total of 20 books. Keep reading and see how many books you can read during the whole summer.

Any child that reads 20 books by June 30th will be given a free admission ticket to the City of Friona Swimming Pool. Location: City Of Friona Swimming Pool (Ticket can be used once throughout the summer)

Friends of the Library will be sponsoring our programs again this year (the calendar is shown below) so do not miss any of them.

We will have a total of 4 programs. The programs will be on Wednesday mornings. You will also have a chance to win door prizes at the programs!



Friona Public Library Staff: (l-r) Circulation Clerk Alexa Garcia, Assistant Director Becky Upton, and Director Anahi Gomez.

PROGRAM 1 Sirena Del Rio: The Indigenous Mermaid of the San Marcos river - Wednesday June 7th @ The Friona City Park (9:30 am)

PROGRAM 2 Kim Lehman "All Together Now: songs & stories around the world" - Wednesday June 14th @ The Friona Public Library (9:00 am)

PROGRAM 3 Kyle the Magician "Unity Through Magic" - Wednesday June 21st @The Friona Public Library (10:00 am)

PROGRAM 4 Sirena Del Rio: The Indigenous Mermaid of the San

Marcos River - Wednesday June 28th @The Friona Public Library (9:30 am)

Get your library cards ready for the summer by making sure they are clear of any fines or overdue fees. If you have lost your card, a new one will cost \$3. Registration will start May 29th, but you may register any time after to be part of this year's program. We hope to see you throughout this summer. Bring a friend, a cousin, a parent or a grandparent; we have books for them too! Share your reading with others!

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JUNE 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29 Register for our Summer Reading program	30 in order to read books	31 and earn prizes for reading	1 all month of June!	2	3
4	5 Summer Reading Begins!	6	7 Sirena Del Rio: The Indigenous Mermaid of the San Marcos River @9:30am	8	9 5 Books Read Prize Day	10 Be sure to write the books you read in your reading log to claim your prize!
11	12	13	14 Kim Lehman All Together Now: Songs & Stories around the world @9am	15	16 10 Books Read	17
18 Father's Day! Read with your Dad!	19	20	21 Kyle the Magician "Unity through Magic" @10 a.m.	22	23 15 Books Read	24
25	26 All Together Now	27	28 Sirena Del Rio: The Indigenous Mermaid of the San Marcos River @9:30am	29	30 20 Books Read Prize Day	1 Summer Reading Ends: But keep on reading!

ACROSS

- 1 San Antonio hot sauce maker
- 5 TXism: "brains in ___" (computer)
- 6 TXism: "is the ___ Catholic?"
- 7 mama dog's litter
- 8 TXism: "___ some gravel" (fell)
- 9 cow talk
- 12 TX Ed Sedgwick directed ___ Pa Kettle films
- 17 exerts
- 19 TXism: "___ of his own shadow"
- 21 TX Guy Clark 1992 album: "___ Build"
- 22 Upshur County seat
- 23 this herbicide was put on Austin's "Treaty Oak" in 1989
- 28 Adam & Eve son
- 29 small Eurasian deer
- 30 TX Charley Pride's "Then ___"
- 31 TXism: "wipe the slate clean"
- 35 "three," south of the border
- 36 TXism: "does a ___ the woods?" (yes)
- 42 TXism: "___ death" (pleased)
- 44 Delon of "Texas Across the River"
- 46 in Austin: "___ Texas Book Festival"
- 48 tea dribbles
- 49 nevertheless

- 50 TXism: "a day late ___ dollar short"
- 51 big health insurance provider
- 52 TXism: "can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ___"
- 53 worry
- 54 TXism: "squeaks like a rusty ___"
- 56 Abilene's Dyess ___ Force Base
- 57 "___ pig's eye"

DOWN

- 1 former popular Houston eatery: "___ House"
- 2 Travis Tritt tune: "It's All ___ Change"
- 3 ___ Cove, TX
- 4 TX Strait's "All My ___ Live in Texas"
- 9 water vapor
- 10 TX Willie Nelson 1980 hit (4 wds.)
- 11 "bear," south of the border
- 12 periodical abbr.
- 13 TXism for "mean man" (3 wds.)
- 14 this Guthrie performed at TX Willie's Farm Aid III

TEXAS CROSSWORD
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- 15 Joan Crawford's Texas birth ___: Lucille Fay LeSueur
- 16 TXism: "gives up the ghost"
- 18 enjoyed dinner
- 20 ___ Pepper
- 23 German beetle?
- 24 Elvin, of UH and NBA fame (init.)
- 25 in Falls County on U.S. 77
- 26 equality in the NFL
- 27 Don of 1943 film "Heaven Can Wait" with TX Tierney
- 32 QB Staubach (init.)
- 33 George W.'s 2000 opponent, Gore
- 34 dir. to Coleman from Abilene
- 36 TX golfer Hogan
- 37 seat of Jackson County
- 38 TXism: "he can't carry ___ in a bucket" (can't sing)
- 39 Astro batting location: home ___
- 40 1924 slogan: "Me for Ma, and ___ Got a Dern Thing Against Pa"
- 41 Foch of 1953 film "Sombrero" with TX Cyd Charisse
- 43 ___ Porte, TX
- 45 Stormin' general for George H.W. (init.)
- 47 Stephens of Dallas Cowboy cheerleader films
- 48 TXism: "___ as a squirrel up a tree" serving platter

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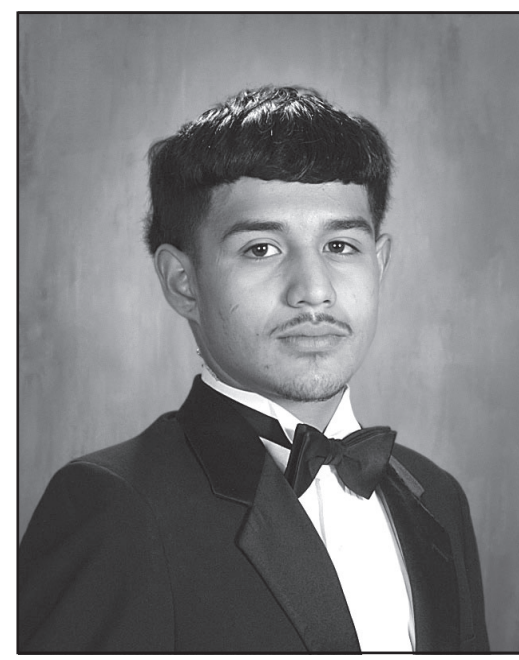
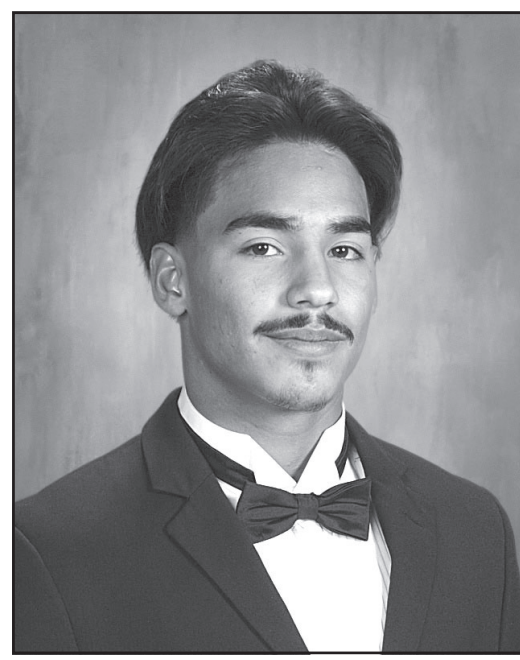
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Plans to attend WTAMU and major in Mechanical Engineering.

Stef Louis Ally

Koen and Els Ally
Plans to attend WT and major in Ag Business.

Arianna Arzate

Efren and Lucy Arzate
Plans to attend South Plains and study Radiologic Technology.



April Avila

Mauricio and Isabelle Avila
Plans to attend Amarillo College and study to be an Aesthetician.

Joscelin Barraza

Jose Manuel and Mario Isabel Barraza
Plans to attend South Plains or Texas Tech and study to be an EMT.

Mario Daniel Bautista

Michael and Dahlia Bautista
Plans to attend Randolph College and major in Computer Science.

Oswaldo Centeno

Laura and Juan Jaime Centeno
Plans to attend Amarillo college to become an electrician.

Congratulations to all 2023 Graduates!



“Remember the past. Live in the present. Look forward to the future.”



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Congratulations to the 2023 Graduating Seniors

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Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

National Strawberry Month

One more strawberry recipe for National Strawberry Month. This one is a sweet treat with strawberries and a good way to use up those ripe bananas.

Strawberry-Banana Bread
www.foodnetwork.com

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup vegetable oil, plus more for greasing the pan
- 1/2 cup plus 2 tablespoons walnuts
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon fine salt
- 2 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon zest
- 2 very ripe bananas, mashed
- 8 ounces strawberries, hulled and cut into 1/4- to 1/2-inch pieces

Directions

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 9- by 5-inch loaf pan. Roughly chop 1/2 cup of the walnuts, and finely chop the remaining 2 tablespoons, keeping them separate. Whisk together the flour, sugar, roughly chopped walnuts, baking powder, cinnamon, nutmeg, and salt in a medium bowl. Whisk together the oil, eggs, vanilla, and zest. Fold in the bananas and strawberries. Fold the oil mixture into the flour mixture until just combined (it's OK if there are some lumps). Transfer the batter to the prepared pan and sprinkle the top with the finely chopped walnuts. Bake until the bread is golden brown, and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 1 hour to 1 hour 10 minutes. Run a knife around the edges and let cool completely in the pan on a rack. The bread can be stored at room temperature in an airtight container for up to 3 days.

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



Getting in shape, writing a book, being diligent

Lofty summer goals, aren't they?

I figure if I only set three, then surely the chances of success are greater than a detailed personal to-do list for June, July, and August.

Here I am. Bad knees and weight gain equate to more mileage on my body than it should have. I'll keep my summer fit-

ness goal simple but not drastic. Knee therapy and mowing yards ought to be good for my heart health, too. When I checked out at HEB today, my basket included undeniable evidence that self-care is going to be prioritized.

As for writing, my weekly column will be on pause during the sum-

mer months. Tackling a book project demands some dedicated effort, and the past year my dedication has been directed elsewhere. A few chapters are completed in rough draft, but it is time to really sit with my grandmother's story and let the narrative develop.

Even though I am scaling back this summer, I

will not put my head in the sand. My daily routine will continue to include the following:

- listening to podcasts by moderate Republicans and Democrats who are searching for common sense takes on current events (my personal favorites are *The Bulwark Podcast*, *The Texas Take*, and *Conversations with Bill Kristol*). These folks understand history, politics, current events, and see all through a lens of common sense. An election year is coming up in 2024. I want to arm myself against the misinformation of Russian bots, QAnon, Fox News, and Twitter.

- streaming movies. In the evening, watching television and coloring are to me what a glass of wine is for some folks in order to wind down.

- writing letters and postcards, at least one a day.

- napping, napping, napping

Check Your Mirrors will return after Labor Day, well-rested and ready to entertain, inform, and persuade.

Motorists will spend \$1.6B less on gas this Memorial Day weekend

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas fell 3.6 cents last week, averaging \$3.03 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 24.7 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 124.0 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was \$2.45 while the most expensive was \$4.17 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline was unchanged last week, averaging \$3.51 per gallon. The national average is down 14.7 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 106.5 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 3.2 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.94 per gallon.

"In the run up to Memorial Day, the national average price of gas has seen little overall movement over the

last week. We've seen more states see prices climb than fall, which has been driven by oil's volatility as debt ceiling discussions are ongoing. I think we'll see prices rise slightly as we get closer to Memorial Day, especially if there are positive developments in the debt ceiling discussions in D.C., while pessimism could drive prices slightly lower," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

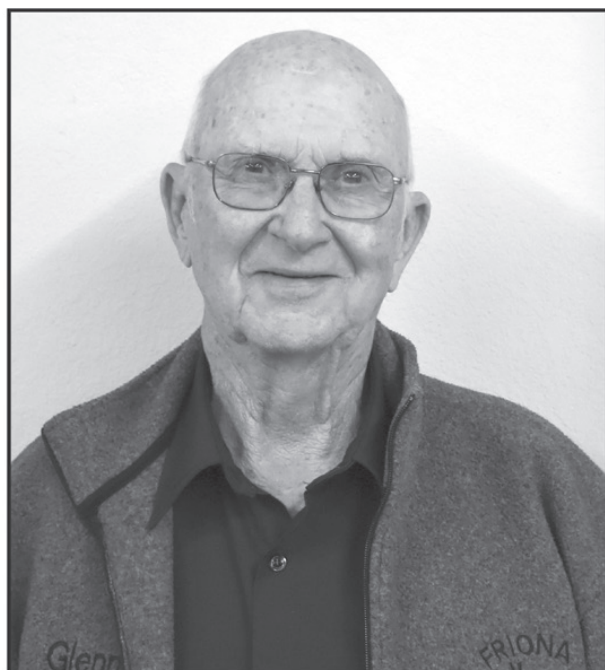
De Haan added, "I continue to be optimistic that the national average will remain under \$4 per gallon for most of, if not the entire summer, with Americans spending a combined \$1.6 billion less on gasoline over Memorial Day weekend this year compared to last."

GasBuddy data is compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

American Canvas has new owner



Roddy Berend (right) congratulates Blake Yosten on the purchase of American Canvas. Blake stated that he will continue to provide the same quality service that customers have come to expect from American Canvas. Roddy had owned and operated the company for the past 17 years.



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Happy Birthday

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Mike Mariscal
Cheryl Procter
Connie Tinner

May 29
William Husted
Evelyn Mars
Kim (Barnett) Martz

May 26
DaLinda (Black) Morgan
Tom Fuller
John Gurley
Haddie Haile
Katherine Johnston
Doug Kelly
Janey Reeve
Adriana Alvarez

May 30
Milon Dixon
Ben Weatherly
Andrea (Geris) King
Valencia Meier
Bobby Davis
Kim Hofferichter
Ron Colwell
Brent Lewis
Shasta (Copley) Baxter
Shirley Wise

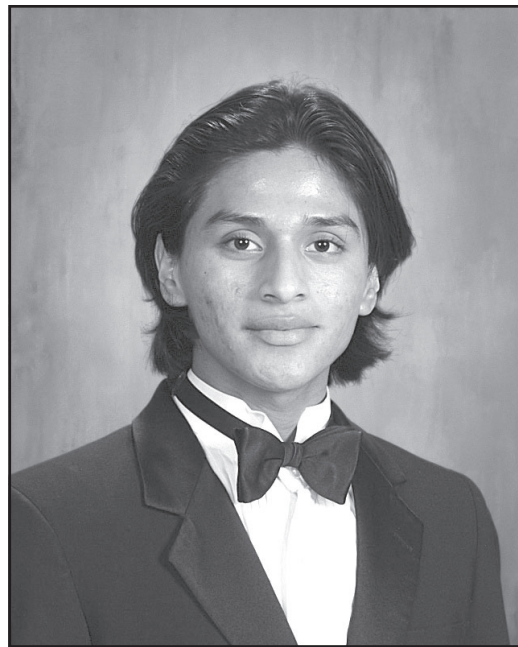
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Andrew Aguirre
Mike Blackburn
Caleb Geske
Blake Montoya
Dan Neelley
Shattner Reeve

May 31
Blair Herring
Judith Dennis

May 28
Jim Atwell
Danny W. Bass
Charles Fleming
Scott Innes



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Blanca Chavez

Juvenal Chavez and Rosalia Cervantes
Plans to attend Texas Tech University
and major in Pre-Dental.

Luis Manuel Chic Há

Dominga Há Ramos
& Marcelino Chic
Plans to work at Cargill
or move to Oklahoma.

Judith Arely Coronado

Cheyenne Marie Correa

Jose and Rosa Correa
Still deciding on future plans.



Anthony Francis Diaz

Antonia Diaz
Plans to attend Amarillo College to
study Healthcare and work at Tyson.

Josiah Tait Dominguez

Roy and Cecilia Dominguez
Plans to attend South Plains College
and major in Pre-engineering.

Gisselle Dorame Sarellano

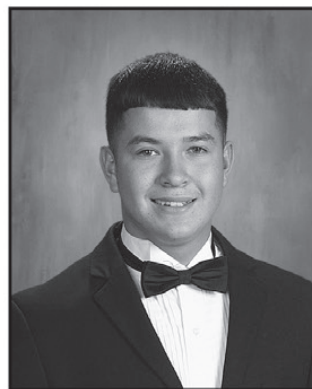
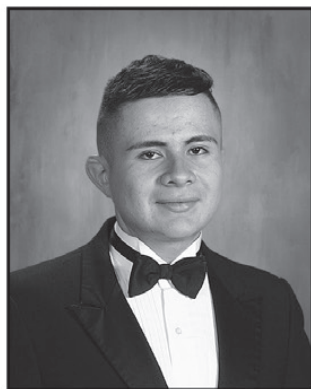
Yoana Savellano and Ivan Dorame
Plans to attend Amarillo College and
major in Nursing.

Jacquelyn Marie Falcon

Juan and Alma Rivera
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major in Nursing.

All of us at Kendrick Oil
wish all the 2023
graduates gallons of success!

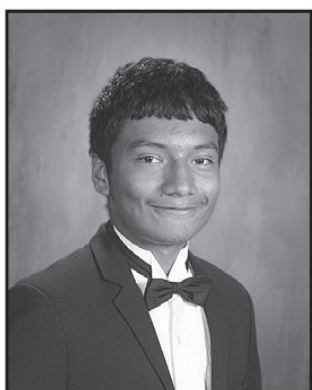
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to Ivan & The
Class of 2023!



Gabriel Abarca

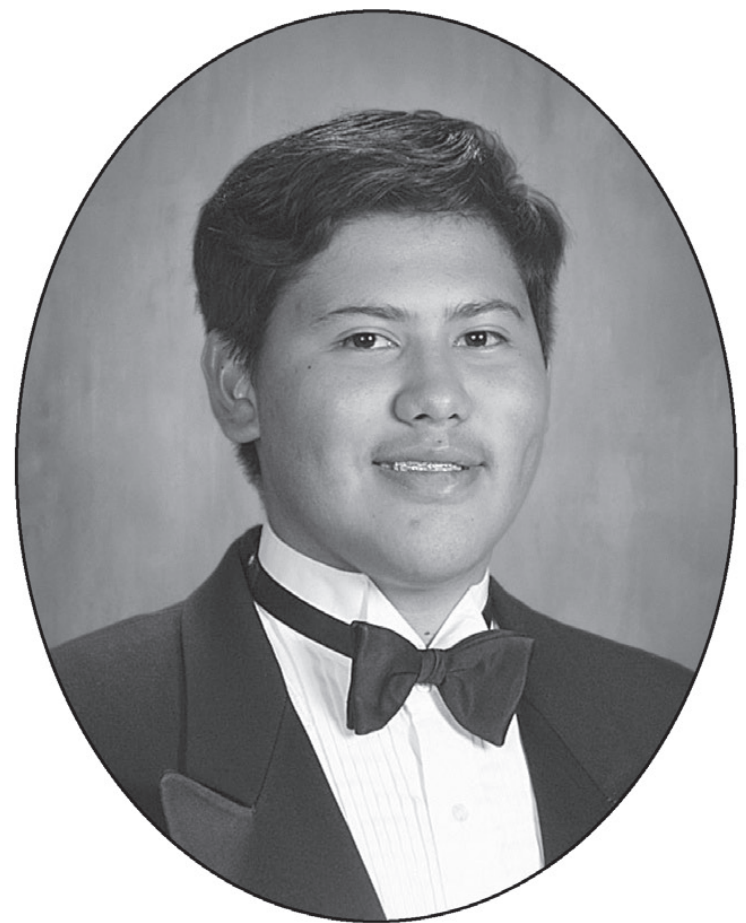
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Antonio Vasquez Jr.

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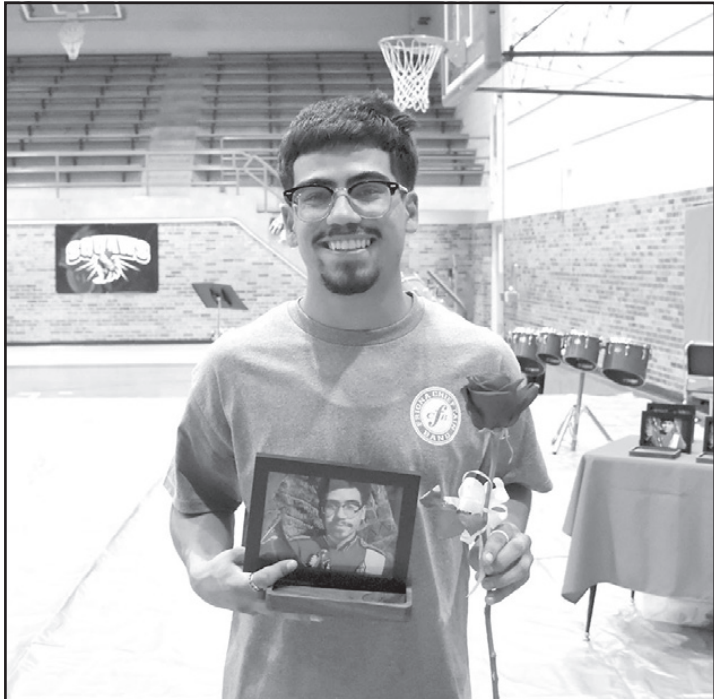
Eduardo Jimenez
Isidro and Connie Jimenez



Ivan Reveles
Maria and Refugio Reveles



Caleb Geske
Eric and Candice Geske



Diovanny Ponce
Lupe Gonzalez Ponce and Jesus Gonzalez



Janessa Garcia
Elio and Yvette Garcia



Lizbeth Grado Toledo
Pilar Grado



Diego Lorenzo Silva
Magdalena and Francisco Silva



Elaney Arzate
Lucy and Librada Arzate



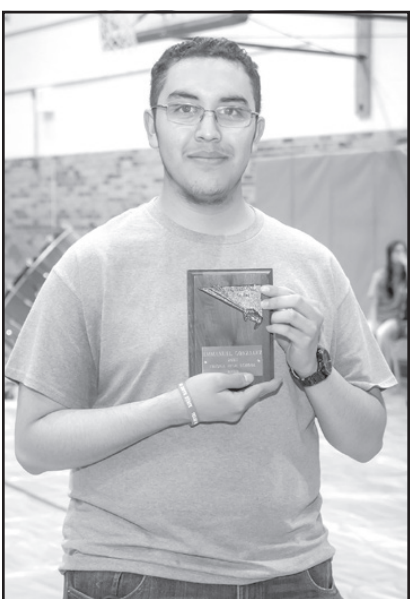
Emmanuel Gonzalez
Eric and Blanca Gonzalez



Kenneth Morales
Saul and Yoana Morales



Carter Gilley
Darrin and Katie Gilley



Emmanuel Gonzalez
The Director's Award
Texas Music Scholar



Carter Gilley
John Philip Sousa Award
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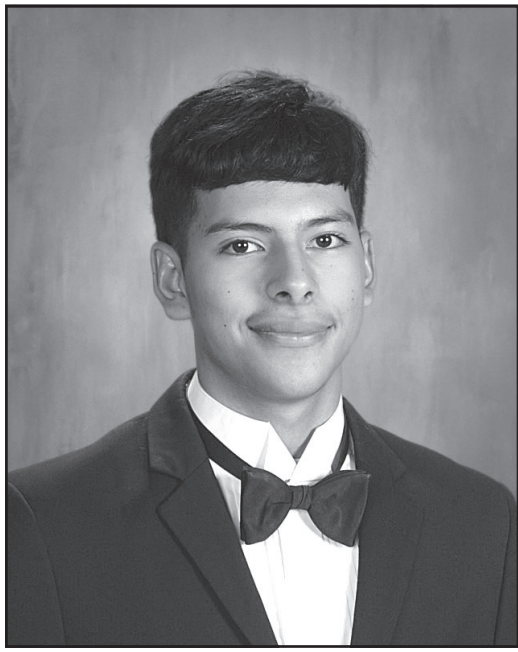
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Texas Music Scholar



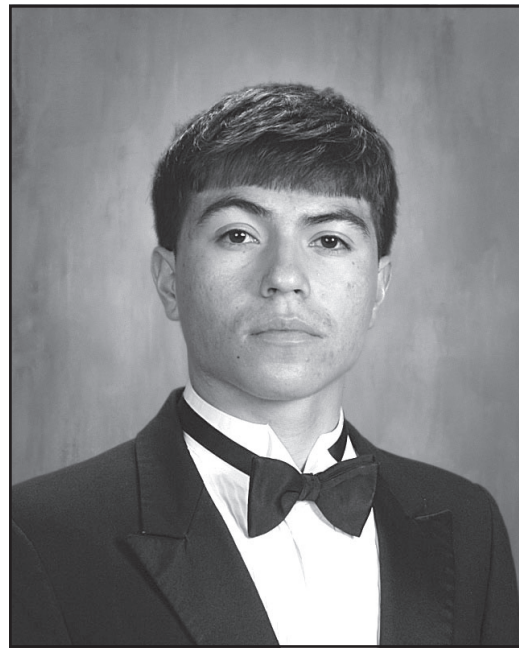
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Texas Music Scholar



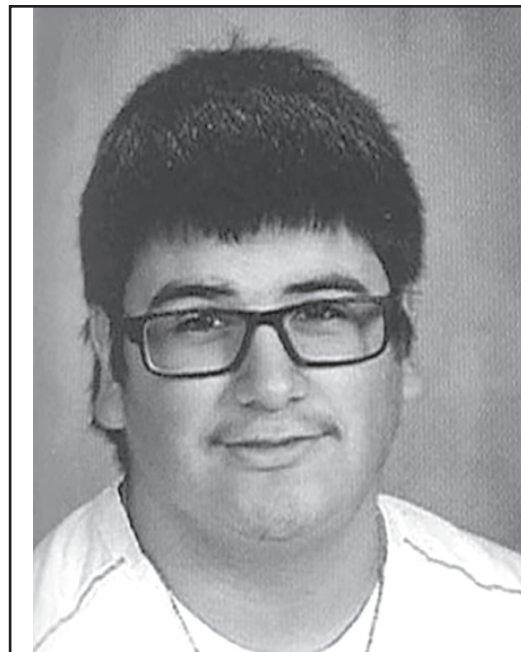
Janessa Garcia
Outstanding Marcher



Alan Faudoa



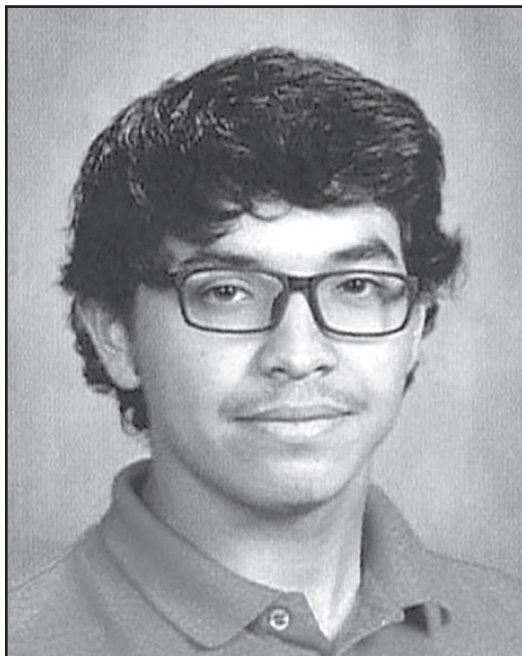
Gael Garcia
Paula & Salvador Garcia
Still deciding on future plans.



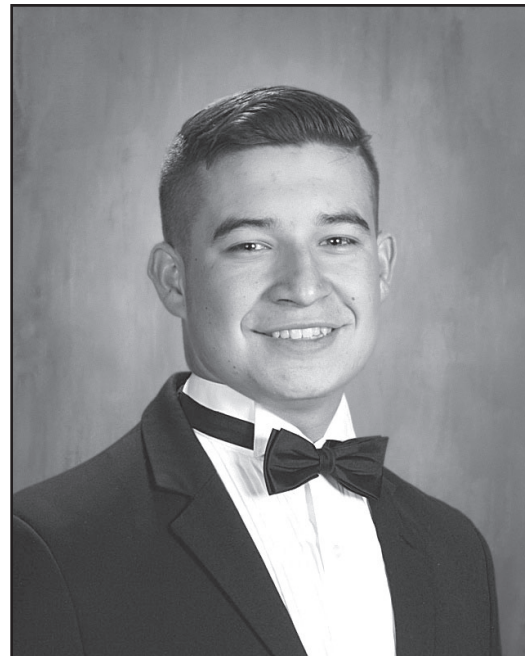
Isael Garcia



Janessa Linette Garcia
Elio and Yvette Garcia
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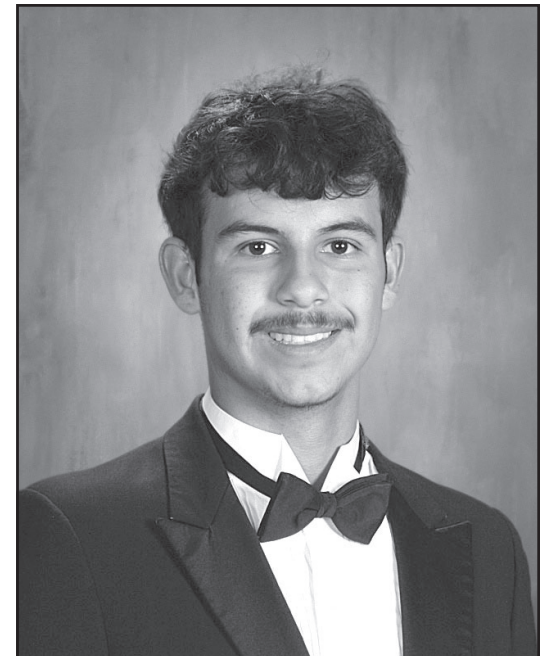
Xuan Valentino Garcia



Caleb Lee Geske
Erik and Candice
Plans to attend Wayland Baptist University and study Criminal Administration.



Carter Everett Gilley
Darrin and Katie Gilley
Plans to attend University of Texas at Dallas and major in Computer Science.



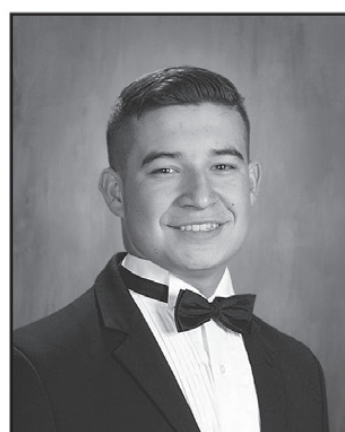
Martin Felix Godinez
Fabiola Godoy
Plans to attend Amarillo College to study instrumentation & electronics.

Congratulations! We are proud of you!

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes: fear the Lord, and turn away from evil. Proverbs 3:5-7



Joy Cooper



Caleb Geske



Heston Grimsley



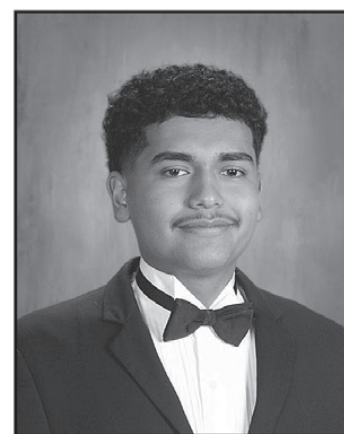
James Mowery



Ethen Pate



Bethany Rushing



Fabian Salinas



Emma Schueler



First Baptist Church



Remembering on Memorial Day

Today I'm visiting The Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. It honors all the people who served in Vietnam. The wall lists the names of the people who died or were never found due to this war. There are more than 58,000 names on the wall.

What is a Memorial?
 something that is built or held to remember a person or an event

What is a parade?
 people and bands marching past rows of people watching

What is a salute?
 raising the right hand to the forehead in greeting and to show respect

Mini Quizzes!

Memorial Day is a day for remembering – a day for thinking about all the people who have sacrificed so much for our country.

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Teacher Retirement Parade



FISD Teachers Retiring in 2023 (l-r) — Virginia Hidalgo (29 years), Tammy Gammon (28 years), Sandra Rainey (36 years), Lupe Garcia (35 years), Sandra Berend (38 years), and James Bulin (9 years).

Happy Retirement

VIRGINIA “LYNN” NELSON

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Join us as we say farewell to an extraordinary employee and friend who has been with PMC since June 1, 1979.

We welcome the community to enjoy some refreshments and snacks as we congratulate Lynn on her retirement.

Date: May 31, 2023
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Time: 12:30-2:00 PM

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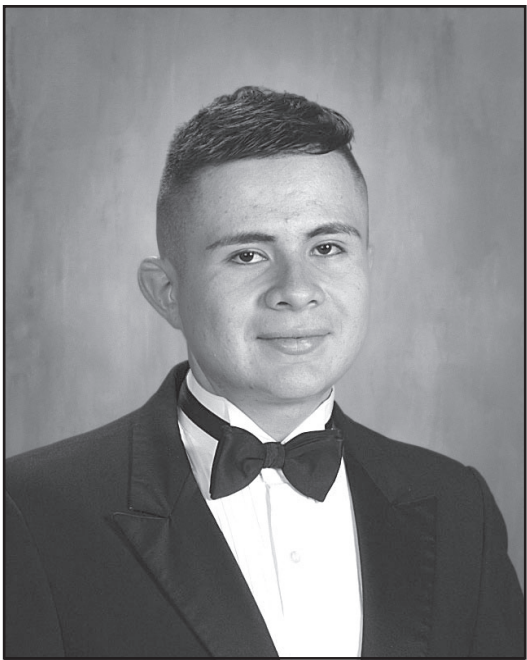
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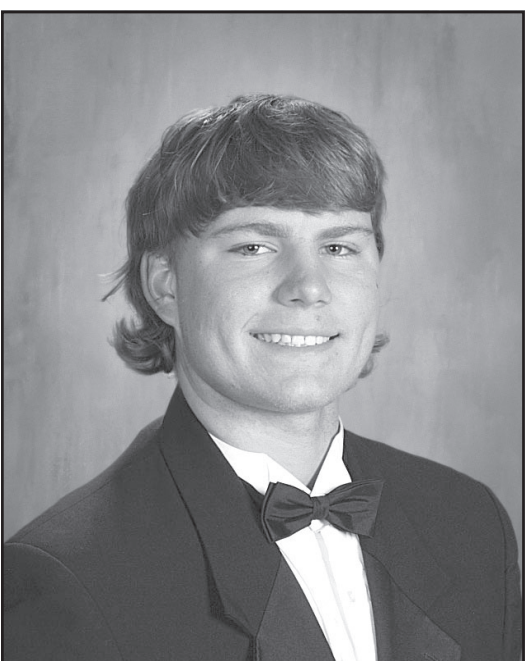
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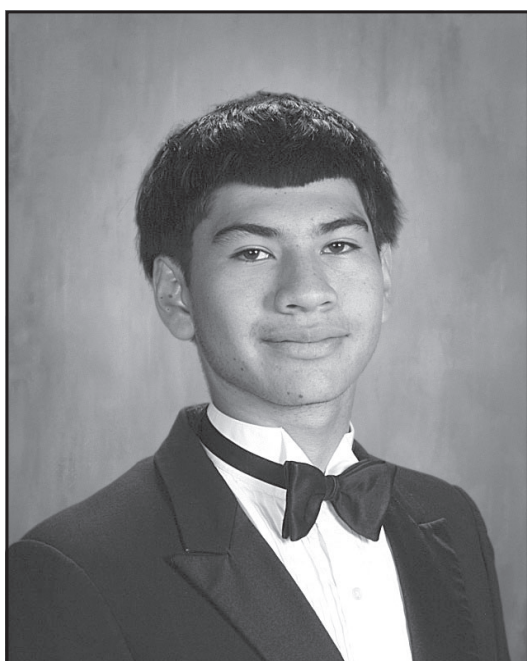
Natasha Nichole Ausensia Gonzalez
Crystal Gonzalez Castillo and Matthew Castillo
Plans to attend Amarillo College and major in Business Management.



Lizzy Lizbeth Gonzalez Simental
Isaac Gonzalez and Sandra Simental
Plans to attend El Centro Dallas Community College and study Diagnostic Medical Sonography.



Heston Michael Grimsley
Kyle and Heather Grimsley
Plans to join the United States Marine Corp.



Anthony Guerrero
Rocio and Pancho Ortiz
Plans to attend West Texas A&M University for a degree in accounting to accomplish all future goals. Plans to work at Cargill for the summer.



Azarel Gutierrez Huicoza
Martha Huicoza Babago
Plans to attend Amarillo College and study Medical Laboratory Technology.



Aracely Hernandez
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Still deciding on future plans.

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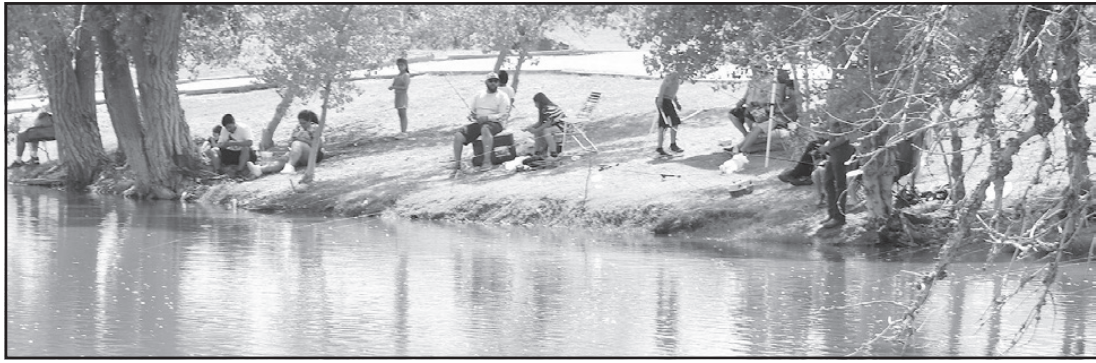
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Youth Fishing Day Results

For 30 years Jeff Scott, executive director/president of the Texas Junior Anglers, has been traveling to Friona and Hereford to stage youth fishing events. "We always look forward to coming to Friona and the recent rains made the lake conditions great for fishing," Scott

continued, "We had to dodge a thunderstorm, but we got it done. I would like to thank City Manager Lee Davila and Chamber Executive Vice President Emma Rector for their help in staging and promoting the event. See you in September!"



(l-r) Jason Smart (Arlington), Chamber EVP Emma Rector, Sylvia Mendoza (Hereford), and Jeff Scott (Arlington).



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Friona Public Library Summer Reading Program June 2023

**Read and Play
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When: Every Tuesday in June and July
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Ideal Ages: Birth to 6 years old
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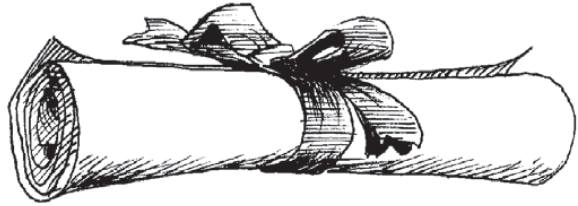
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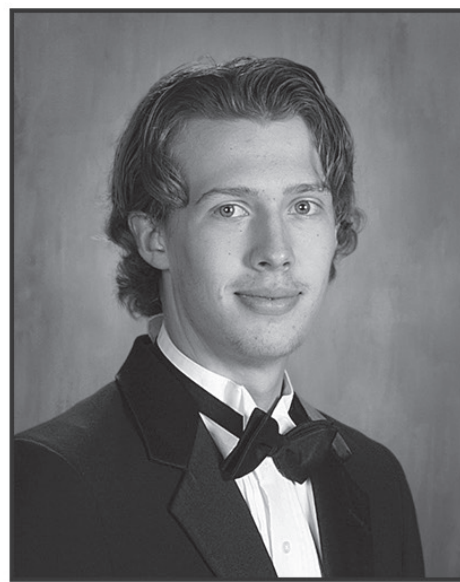
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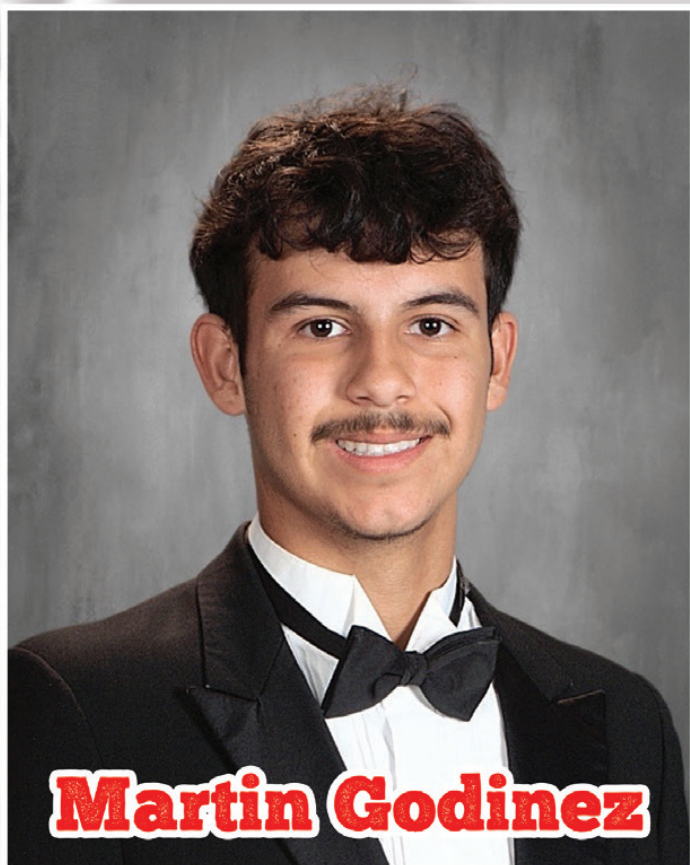


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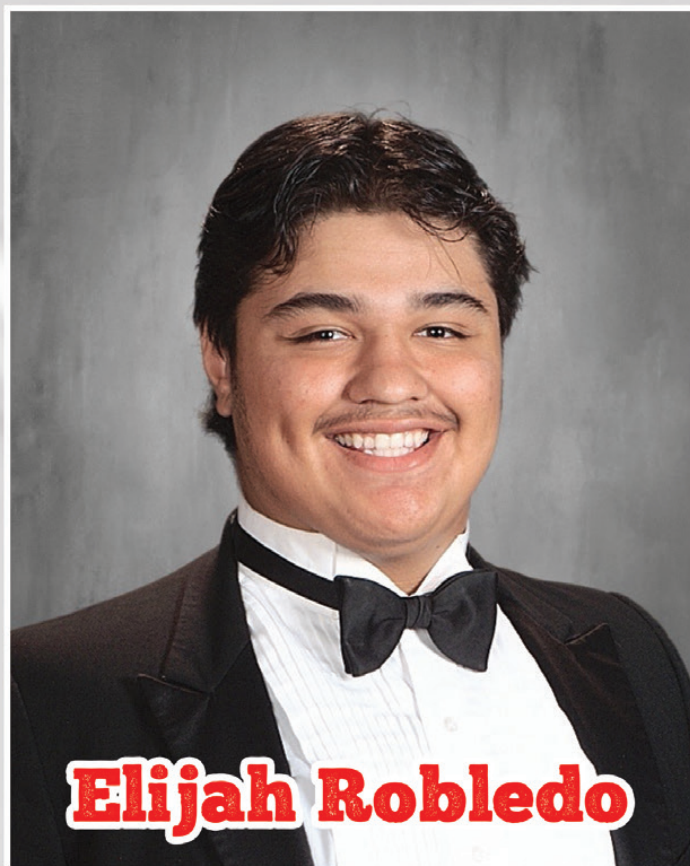
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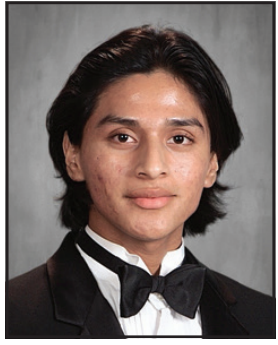
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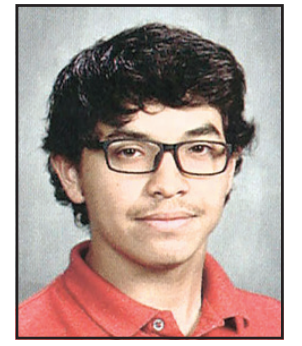
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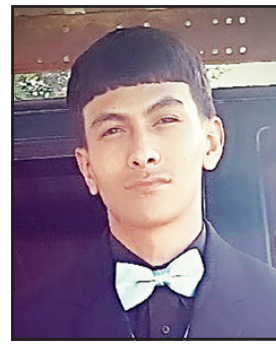
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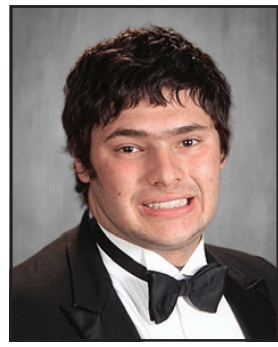
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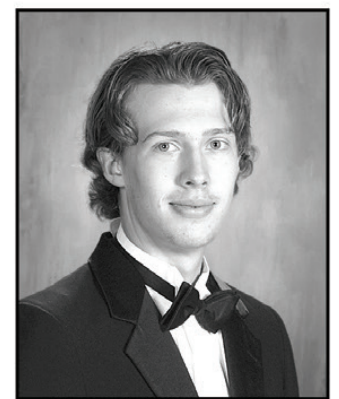
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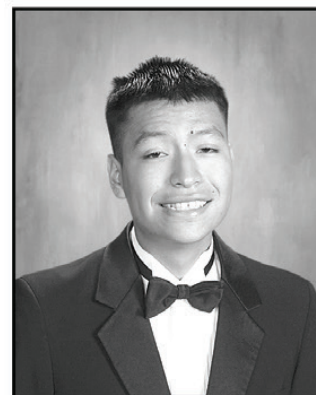
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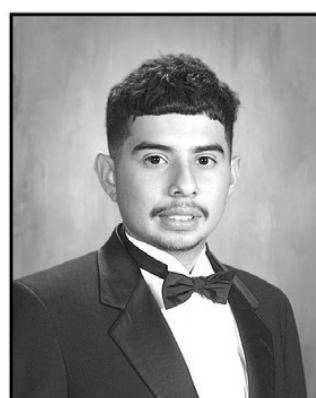
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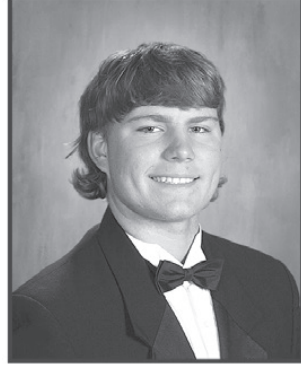
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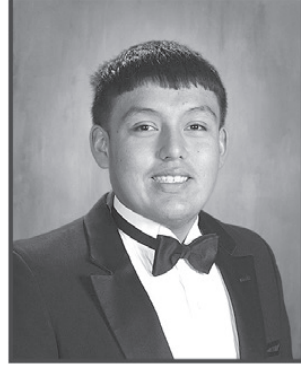
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-Dale Carnegie, *How To Enjoy Your Life And Your Job*



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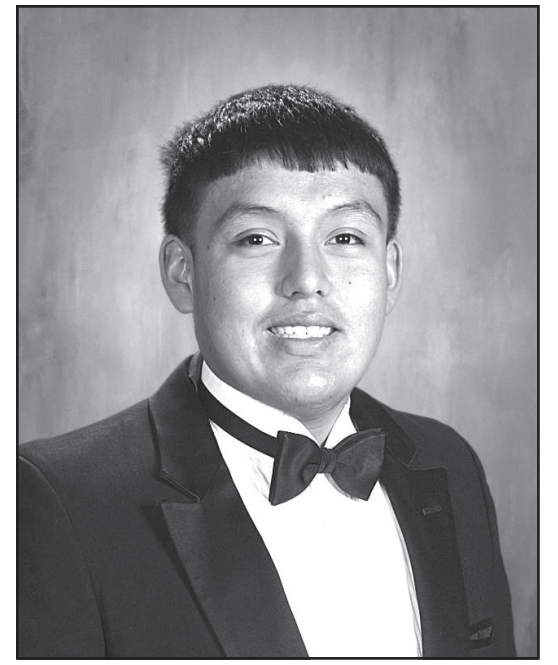
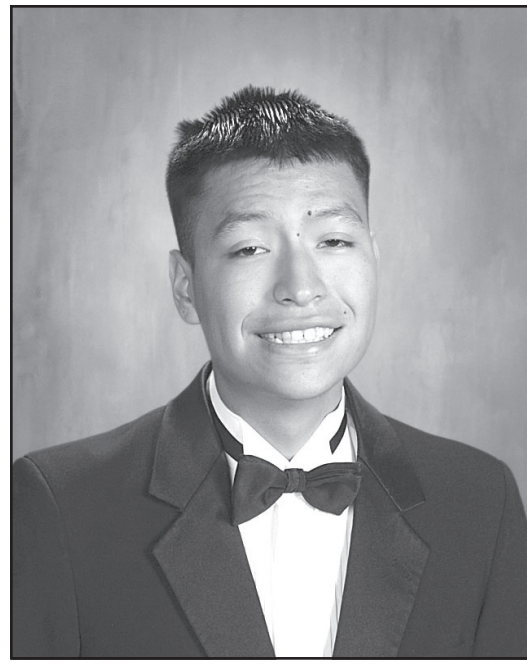
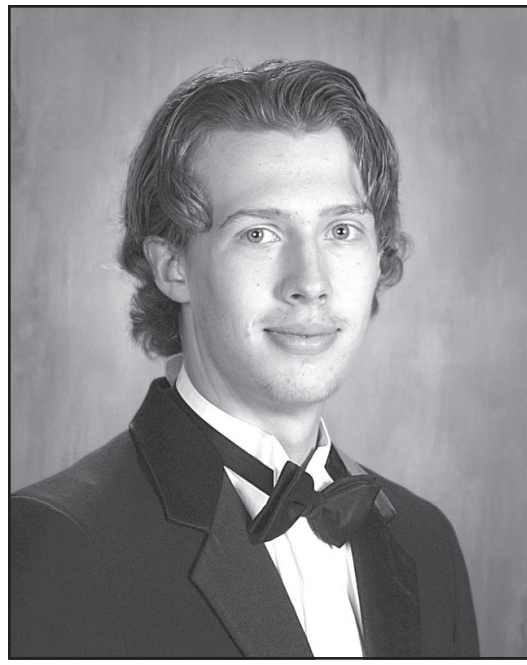


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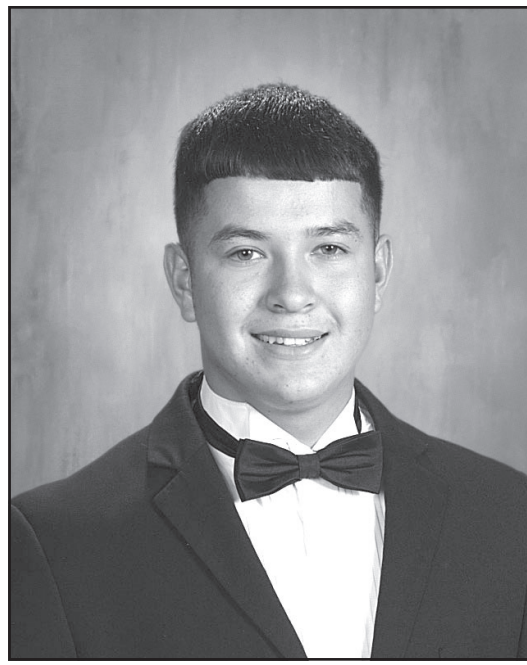
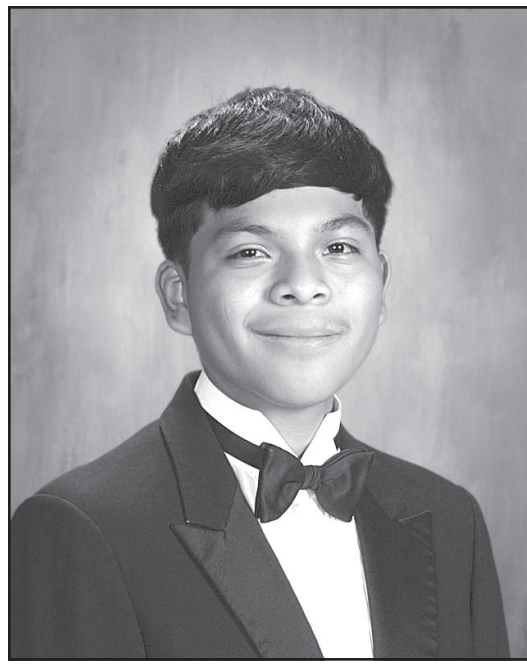


Prisilla Jaramilo-Robles
Clemente Jaramillo and Perla Robles
Plans to enlist in the Marine Corp.

Kaden Osten Jeter
Justin and M'Kell Jeter
Plans to attend WT A&M University
and major in Agricultural Business.

Eduardo Antonio Jimenez
Isidro Jr. and Connie Jimenez
Plans to attend Amarillo College and
study Radiology and work at PMC.

Eduardo Julian Juarez



Michael Anthony Lopez
Michael Anthony Lopez
Mark Galan and Debbie Gil
Plans to attend South Plains
College and major in Business and
Management.

Diego Angel Lorenzo Silva
Magdalena and Francisco Silva
Plans to attend Texas Tech
University to major in engineering
& minor in general business. He
also plans to work at Cargill.

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Obituary



Rex Rucker Nelson

Born on February 19th, 1946, Rex passed away on May 14th, 2023 in Pagosa Springs, Colorado. He grew up mostly in west Texas and eastern New Mexico, residing in southern Arkansas for a few years. Rex graduated from Friona High School, Friona, Texas, in 1964 and went on to Texas Tech University majoring in agricultural engineering. After graduating from Tech in 1968, he studied at Oklahoma State University earning a master's degree in agricultural engineering in 1970.

He was hired in 1970 at Ditch Witch (Charles Machine Works). Ed Malzahn, the inventor of the Ditch Witch and the owner of the company, personally hired him and Rex was so proud. For the next 39 years he did his best as a loyal employee to help Ditch Witch grow. He worked on the development of trenchers for many years but always talked with great pride of his last years as design team manager on the Jet Tracs devel-



oped by Ditch Witch. He retired from Ditch Witch in April, 2009. He and his wife moved to Pagosa Springs to reside in the mountains he loved so much.

On December 23rd, 1978 he married Marlys Knutson, the love of his life, in Fargo, North Dakota. Their family was completed when they became the proud parents of two children: daughter Moriah Nelson born December 7th, 1985 and Nathan Nelson born March 23rd, 1988. Rex was passionate about his family. They enjoyed many family vacations across the western United States. Rex was proud to become a grandfather and very much enjoyed spending time with his 3 granddaughters: Jacqui 17, Vivien 4, and

Margaret 2.

Rex was also very involved in his church, Pagosa Bible Church in Pagosa Springs, Colorado. Rex never wanted to miss church or his Thursday morning men's Bible study. He never missed an opportunity to help his church by volunteering in many capacities and serving as an elder for many years. He loves his family in Christ dearly.

He is preceded in death by his mother Iola, father Jack, and younger brother Roger. He is survived by his wife Marlys, daughter Moriah, son Nathan, and granddaughters Jacqui, Vivien, and Margaret.

A Celebration of Life service for Rex will be held Saturday, June 24th at 2 pm. at Pagosa Bible Church. Donations in his memory may be made to Pagosa Bible Church, 209 Harmon Park Drive, Pagosa Springs, Colorado 81147.

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Helen Louise Elster Pharis

Helen Louise Elster Pharis, 92, left this earth to meet her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, May 17, 2023.

A graveside service will be held 11:00 AM Thursday, May 25, 2023 at Ft. Mitchell National Cemetery, Ft. Mitchell, Alabama. The family will receive friends from 5:00-7:00 PM Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at McMullen Funeral Home and Crematory, 3874 Gentian Blvd. Columbus, GA 31907.

Helen was born June 24, 1930, in Letitia, NC, to the late Charles Joshua and Mary Ella Elster. Helen grew up in North Carolina and Georgia. She married the love of her life, Allen, in 1947, and their Army life allowed them to enjoy ex-



tensive travel. After retirement from the army, they settled down in Columbus, Georgia, where they were members of Beallwood Baptist Church. Helen has lived in Friona, Texas, since 2014, where she was a member of First Baptist Church, Friona.

Other than her parents Helen was preceded in death by her loving husband, Allen, and by her grandson, Luke Rauscher.

Left to cherish her memory are her children, Stephen Pharis (Joy) of Lake Park, GA; Donna Pharis of Atlanta, GA; Patty Haile (Homer Allan) of Friona, TX, and Dee Dee Rauscher (Paul) of Milton, NC, fifteen grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, and five great-great grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Prairie Acres Nursing Home, 201 East 15th Street, Friona, TX 79035

All local arrangements were by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Notice to Bidders

Pursuant to the Local Government Code Annotated Chapter 116, notice is hereby given that the Parmer County commissioner's Court will select a depository bank for Parmer County Funds and Parmer County School Funds.

Sealed applications must be brought or mailed to the office of County Judge Isabel Carrasco, 401 Third Street, Room 104 at the Court House, or mailed to P O Box 506, Farwell, Texas, 79325, to be received no later than 10 a.m., Friday, June 9, 2023, at which time all applications will be considered.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. The Depository Contract will be awarded at the 10 a.m. Commissioner's Court meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioner's Court.

Isabel Carrasco
Parmer County Judge

Frona ISD WILL SERVE UP GOOD NUTRITION FOR LOCAL CHILDREN THIS SUMMER.

Bringing healthy summer meals to "Frona" children ensures kids have a healthy vacation and return to school ready to learn.

Frona - This summer, Friona ISD will connect children 18 and younger and enrolled student with disabilities up to 21 years old with healthy, no cost summer meals. The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a U.S. Department of Agriculture nutrition program administered in the Lone Star State by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). For the children who rely on school meals during the academic year, these meals offer a source of good nutrition when school is out for the long summer vacation.

"Frona children need good nutrition year-round so they can learn, grow and succeed in life," said "Ashley Smith, Director of Student Services". "With nearly 2 million food insecure children living in Texas, these healthy meals are vital to nourishing young Texans during the summer vacation."

Frona Junior High Cafeteria
May 30, 2023- June 23, 2023
Breakfast 7:30 am - 9:00 am Lunch 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Frona ISD is one of the nonprofit organizations partnering with TDA to serve meals across Texas. Families are encouraged to use these three tools to find a meal site anywhere in the state:

- Call 2-1-1 to speak to a live operator
- Visit www.SummerFood.org for an interactive site locator map
- Text FOOD or COMIDA to 304-304

Organizations partner with TDA to serve meals in areas where more than 50 percent of children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals in the National School Lunch Program. Eligible sponsoring organizations include schools, faith-based groups, nonprofit summer camps, government agencies and other tax-exempt organizations. All meal sites must be sponsored by an organization that has a contract with TDA.

Summer meal sites help children succeed by providing the nourishment they need to return to school in the fall ready to thrive.

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Frona ISD SERVIRÁ UNA BUENA NUTRICIÓN PARA LOS NIÑOS LOCALES ESTE VERANO.

Llevar comidas saludables de verano a los niños de "Nombre de la Comunidad Aquí" asegura que los niños tengan unas vacaciones saludables y regresen a la escuela listos para aprender.

Frona - Este verano, Friona ISD conectará a los niños de 18 años o menos y a los estudiantes matriculados con discapacidades de hasta 21 años con comidas de verano saludables y sin costo. El Programa de Servicio de Alimentos de Verano (SFSP) es un programa de nutrición del Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos administrado en el Estado de Texas por el Departamento de Agricultura de Texas (TDA). Para los niños que dependen de las comidas escolares durante el año académico, estas comidas ofrecen una fuente de buena nutrición cuando la escuela está fuera para las largas vacaciones de verano.

"Frona los niños necesitan una buena nutrición todo el año para que puedan aprender, crecer y tener éxito en la vida", dijo Ashley Smith, la Directora de Servicios Estudiantes. "Con casi 2 millones de niños con inseguridad alimentaria que viven en Texas, estas comidas saludables son vitales para alimentar a los jóvenes tejanos durante las vacaciones de verano".

Frona Junior High Cafeteria
30 de mayo de 2023- 23 de junio de 2023
Desayuno 7:30 am - 9:00 am Almuerzo 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Frona ISD es una de las organizaciones sin fines de lucro que se asocian con TDA para servir comidas en todo Texas. Se anima a las familias a usar estas tres herramientas para encontrar un sitio de comida en cualquier parte del estado:

- Llame al 2-1-1 para hablar con un operador en vivo
- Visite www.SummerFood.org para obtener un mapa interactivo del localizador de sitios
- Envíe un mensaje de texto a FOOD o COMIDA al 304-304

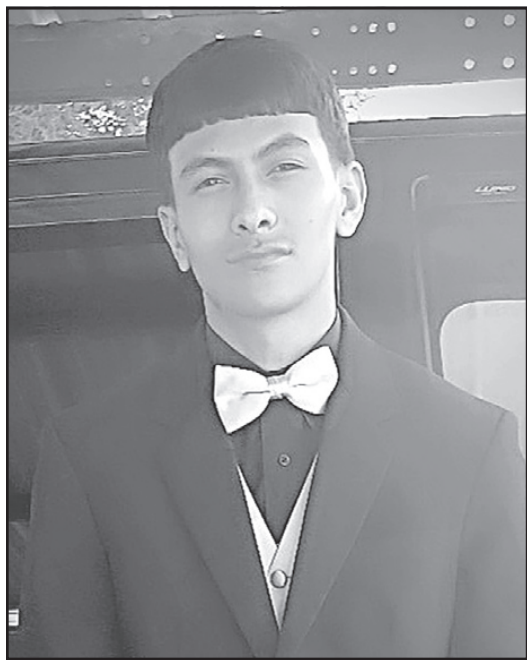
Las organizaciones se asocian con TDA para servir comidas en áreas donde más del 50 por ciento de los niños son elegibles para comidas gratis o a precio reducido en el Programa Nacional de Almuerzo Escolar. Las organizaciones patrocinadoras elegibles incluyen escuelas, grupos basados en la fe, campamentos de verano sin fines de lucro, agencias gubernamentales y otras organizaciones exentas de impuestos. Todos los sitios de comidas deben ser patrocinados por una organización que tiene un contrato con TDA.

Los sitios de comidas de verano ayudan a los niños a tener éxito al proporcionarles la nutrición que necesitan para regresar a la escuela en el otoño listos para prosperar.

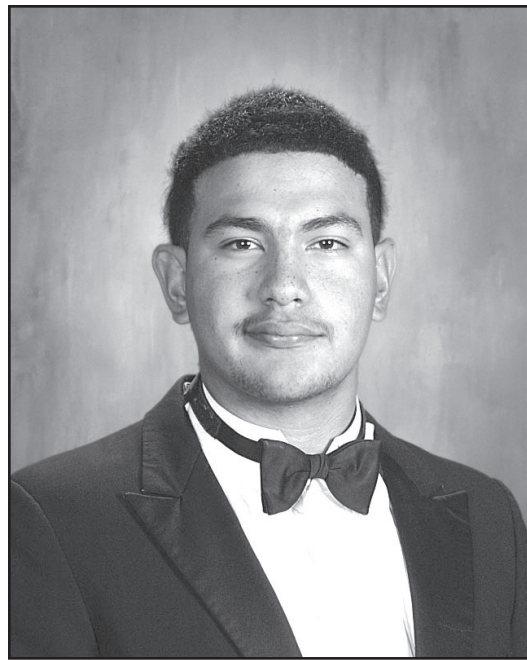
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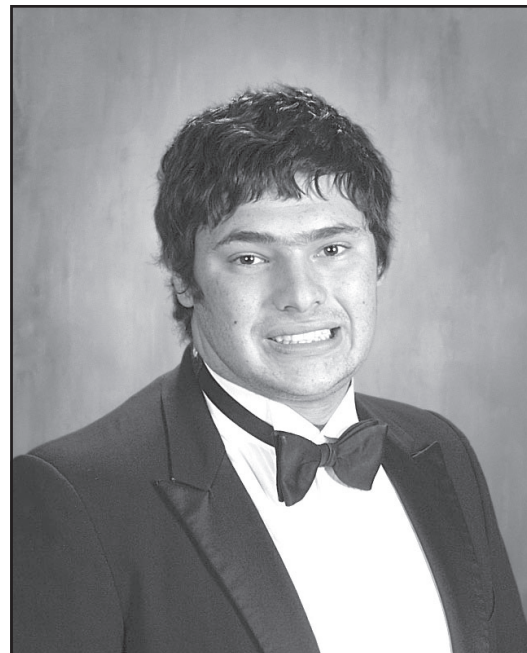
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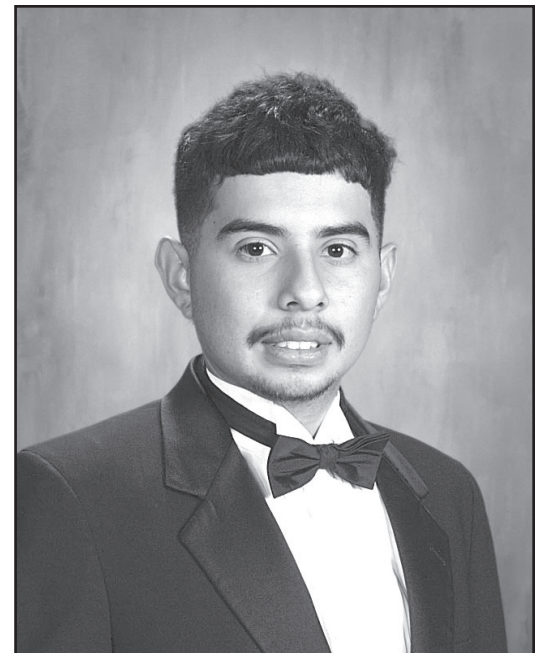
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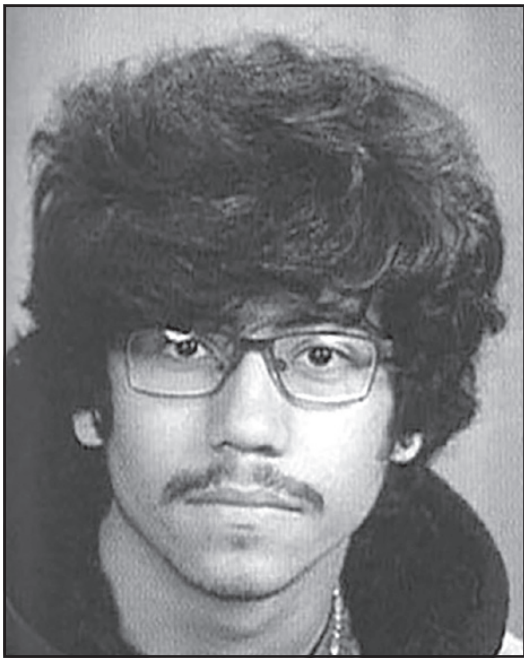
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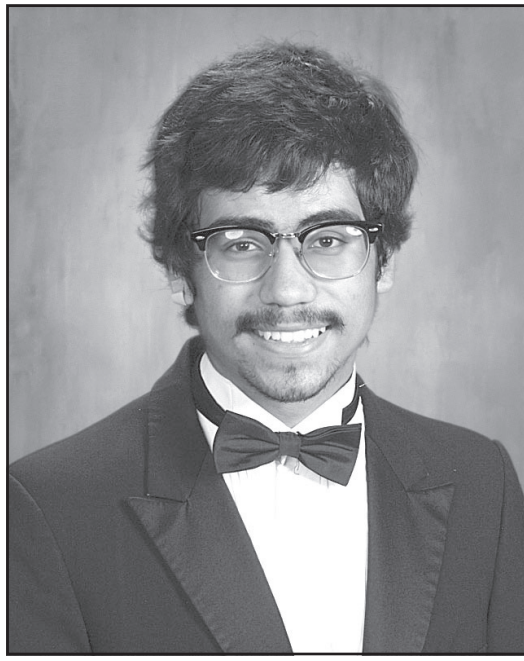
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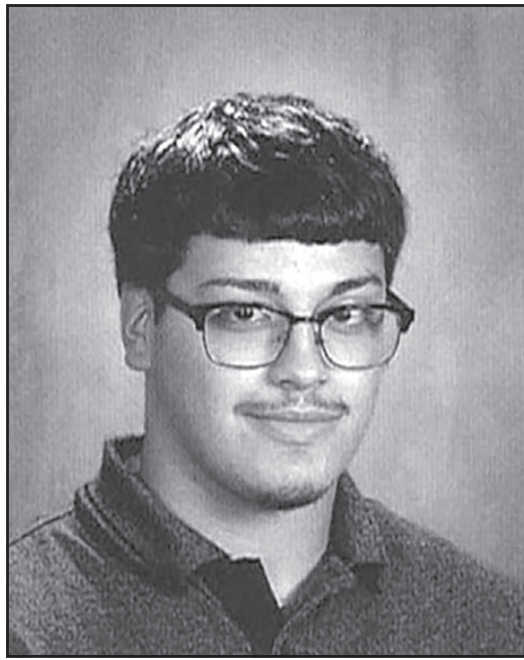
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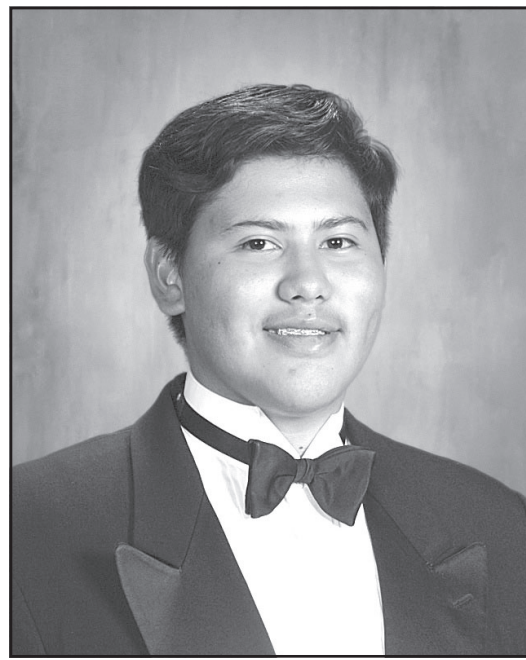
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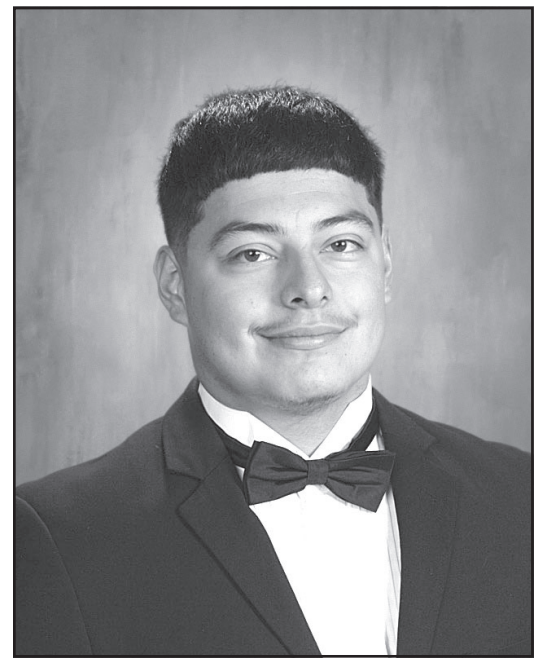
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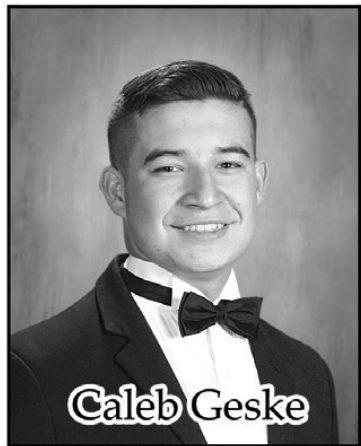
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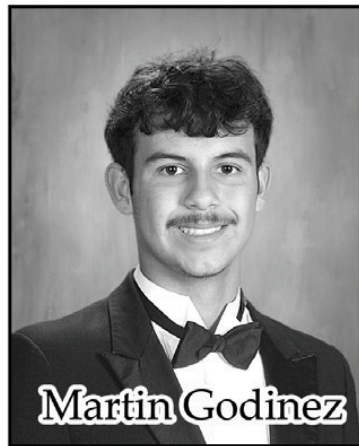
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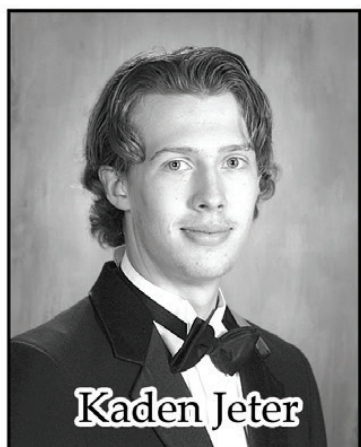
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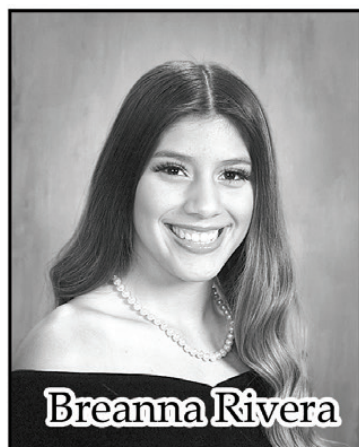
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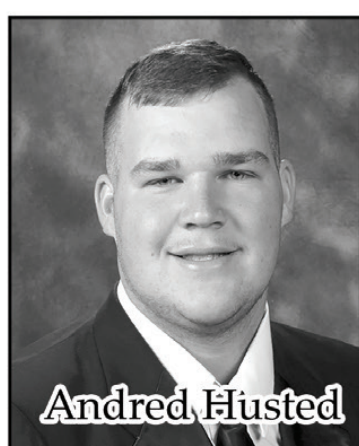
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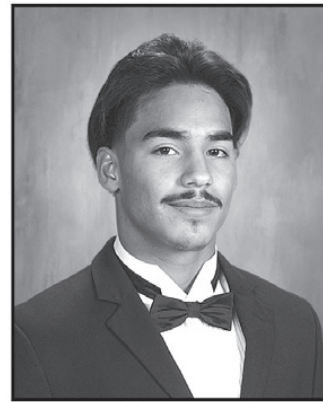


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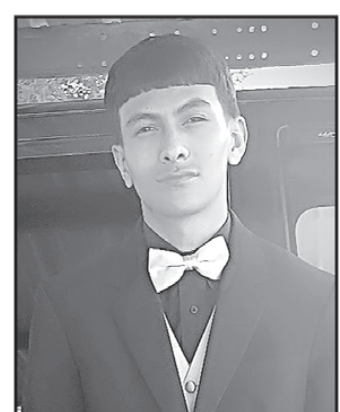


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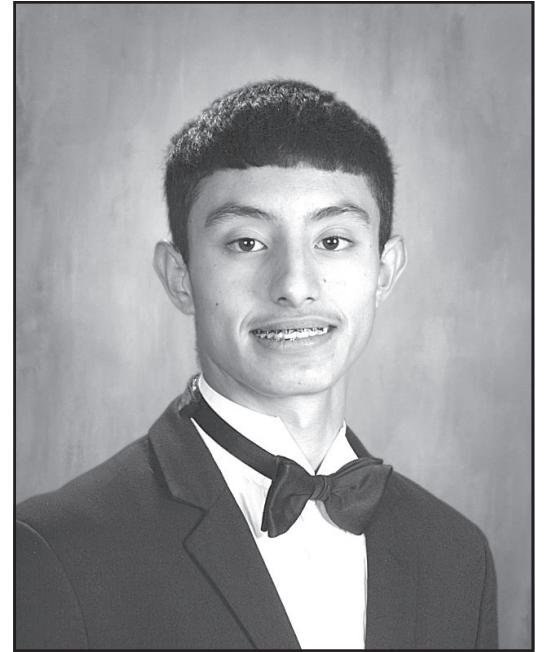
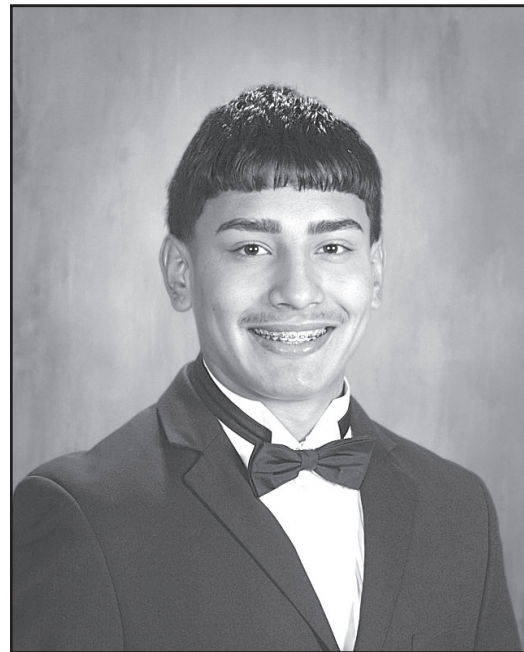
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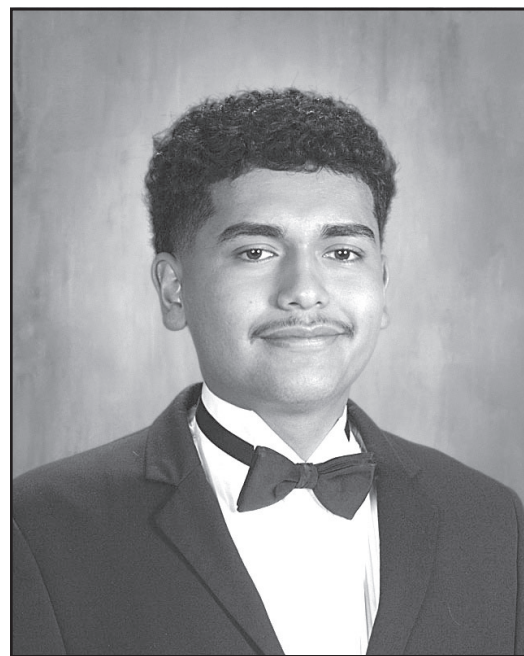
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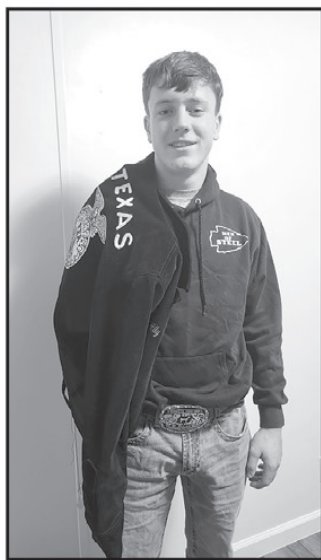
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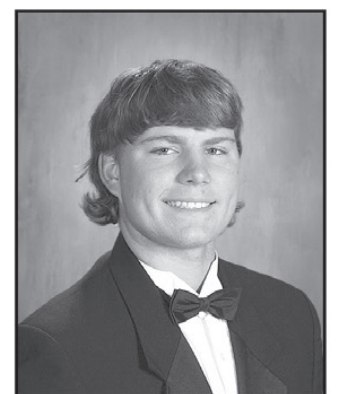
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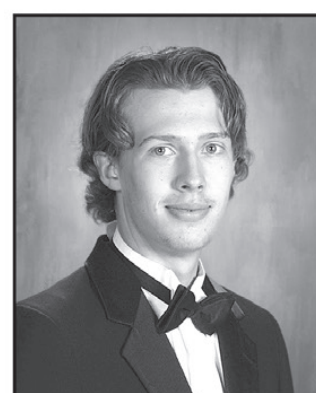
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Congratulations Graduates!

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Graduation season is here which combines the satisfaction of completing a chapter of one's life, while simultaneously bringing graduates with the pressing question of what's next. A select few may have a good bead on what's next, others sheepishly respond with the anxious truth that they have no idea, and many between those extremes are trying to make the most of the direction and dreams they have at the moment. In thinking through this dilemma, let's be clear that it is not a sin to not know what you will be when you grow up, but it definitely won't go well in the long run if you don't take into account the Lord's direction for your life.

Psalm 31:3 is a great verse in this regard that prays, "For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me." Notice that be-

fore you get to the leading of God there is first a focus on the character and care of God. He is a rock and a fortress and you can build your life on His Word and truth, but notice that God is also personal. The psalmist said, "For you are my..." which tells us he knew God personally and he was committed to the Lord personally. After focusing on the character of God and his personal commitment, then he brings up the request for the Lord's leading. This request is not a selfish request for one's own good, but is a desire for the Lord to be glorified in the direction of your life, which God knows. Just as the hymn would proclaim "Follow, follow, I will follow Jesus; anywhere, everywhere, I will follow on," so the upright desire for God's guidance is not to be squandered on selfish motives, but is to be spent and lived for God's glory.

Panhandle Parables

Memories

By Jeff Procter, Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

I often write about memories of various things like school, Pop & Grams farm, and childhood. Like you I am thankful for memories. In some cases that is all I have left of a loved one or an event. I have learned many lessons by remembering something. As we enter the launching of summer, the ending of school, both worthy of celebration, but just before we take a solemn moment to remember a very simple fact, we have schools, we get to enjoy summer because there were many in our nation's history that sacrificed all up to and including their very lives to allow us such freedoms. Lest we forget the sacrifice and honor it with good citizenship, we will only have memories of freedom and not the reality of being free. Next Monday, I personally invite you to sacrifice a little time and go northeast of town to our cemetery and remember. To remember, freedom is costly, and worthy of thinking of those who have been laid to rest serving this country we call home.

God has always desired His children to remember things. He has asked us to

remember His Word, His sacrifice, His love. We must be a people to remember or we will learn lessons again that should be hindsight, but because we forget we often repeat the mistakes of those who have gone on before. He has watched time and again those who should have remembered, forget, and the cost must be paid again and again. We have been called to so much more and that can't be given if we can't remember.

So, take a little time this weekend and honor those who loved this country and by proxy loved you enough to pay a high price for freedom. Thank those families who have lived with the absence of a fallen soldier. Then go and live in a manner that honors God and those who gave so much that you can do more with your life in this free land than cook a hotdog. I read a quote that simply says, "They gave up their tomorrows, so we could have our todays." Thank you, God for this country. May we find a way back to You that we may truly be free. Thank you, soldiers of every war who defended our freedoms with their lives. Memories...do not forget.

Look and Concentrate on the Good

By Teena Hughs

Full disclosure: I am in tears as I write this. I just finished watching one of the sweetest videos I have ever seen. A woman was in a barbershop getting her head shaved. There is no sound to this video, but you know the woman is having a difficult time.

The barbers in this shop were young men, probably in their early 20s. When the one shaving the lady's head realized the reason she was getting her head shaved, cancer and chemo, he started shaving his own head. You could read her lips telling him to stop. He just kept laughing and shaving his head! Then another barber walked over and the barber gave him a Mohawk haircut; then, another barber did the same thing!!!

These young men didn't hesitate to act. They weren't sad; they were totally happy, trying to cheer up the lady. Of course, the lady was in tears at their kindness.

In Sunday school today, we started talking about some of the bad things going on in the world; to be sure, there is no shortage of things to talk about. Then, the conversation turned, and we started talking about good things happening in the world.

Many good things are happening in the world; sometimes we just have to want to see them. We have to not give in and dwell on all the bad. That will eat you up and literally depress you!

I was so proud of my class for not dwelling on the bad, but also talking about the good.

Most of us are at an age where we don't feel like there is much we can do to change the bad of this world. Even if we were younger, we would probably feel

like we couldn't do much.

As it turns out, we do many things that touch other people. One lady is an artist, and her beautiful pictures of God's creation bring joy to many. One couple donates their time and talents to Veterans and Special Olympics; they also have chickens, and they give eggs to all of us. One lady calls people and checks on them all the time; she also runs errands for people, and she has the gift of hospitality. One lady shares her musical gifts with people; she is our church pianist and worship leader! Another man is a fixer, and he keeps everything running at our church; he is the most reverent acolyte you will ever see. One lady has trouble with her memory, but she is the best dish washer in our church. Everyone has a garden, and we all share our produce with others.

We all agreed that when we find ourselves in situations where we feel hopeless, where we don't feel like there is anything we can do, we can pray! We know God is in control, and if we ask, He will show us what we can do, even if it is just praying.

The young men in the video did what God wanted them to do, whether they realized it or not. On the darkest days of the lady's journey through cancer and chemo, she can look back on that day, and see what the Light did for her through those selfless young men. Hopefully she will let that comfort her and put a smile on her face! God is so good, and there is definitely a LOT of good happening in the world. Hopefully we will look and concentrate on the good and pray for the bad! Take care and have a great week!!!!

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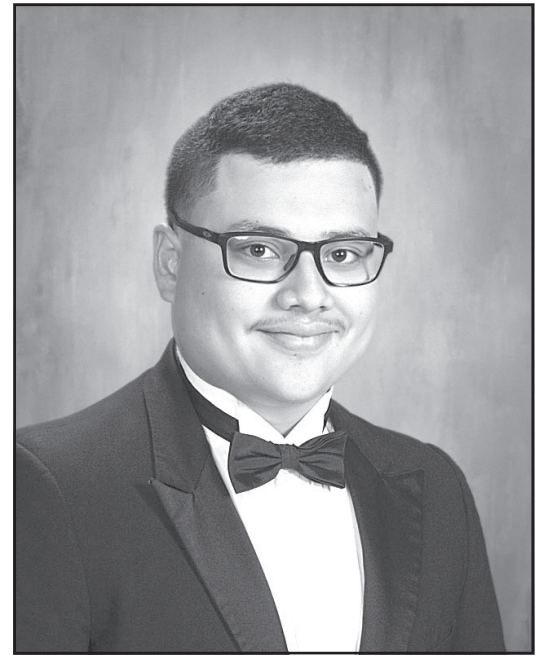
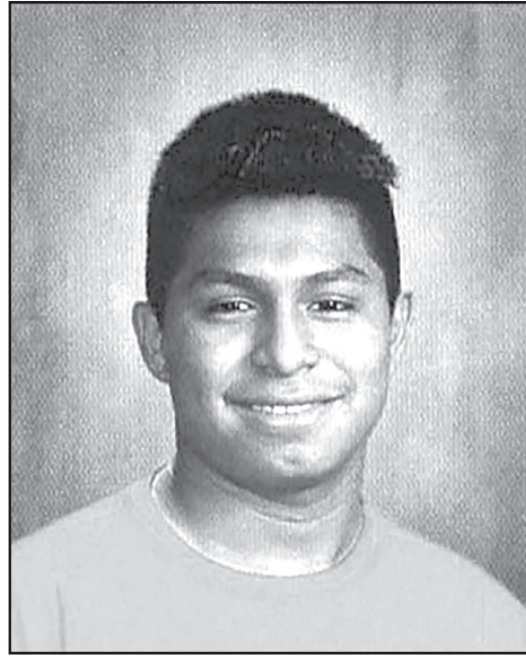
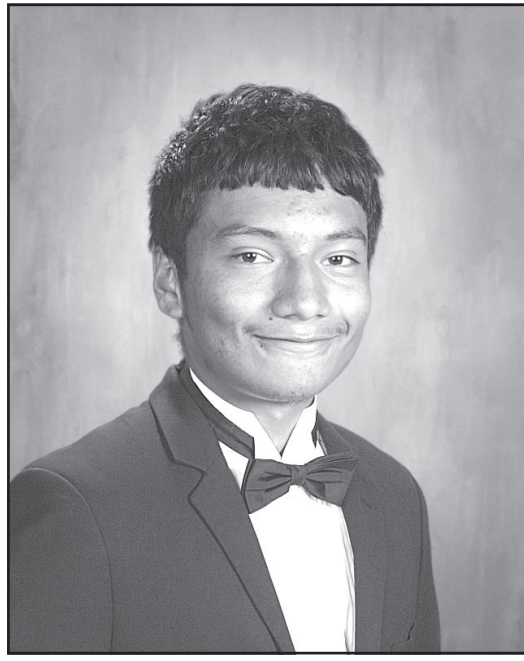
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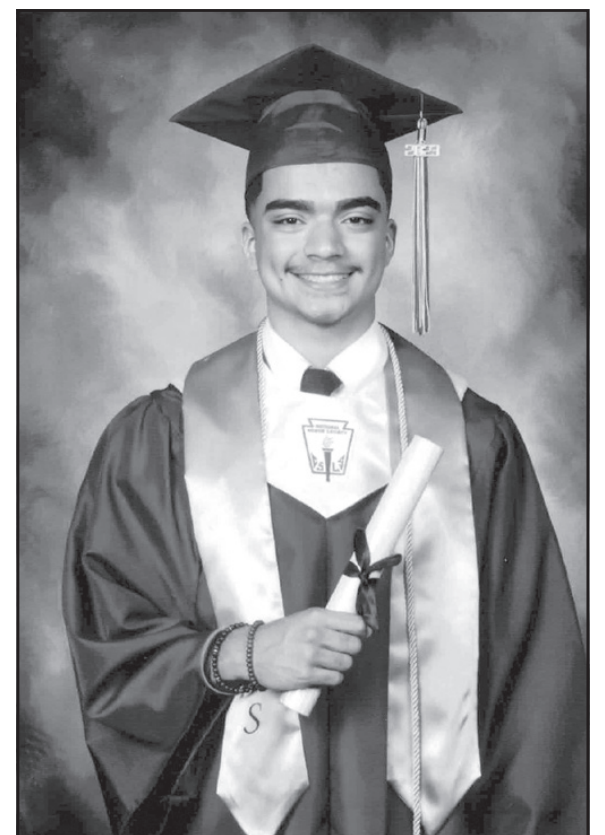
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Walker to graduate from Saginaw High School

Dante Isaiah Walker will graduate on May 27, 2023 from Saginaw High School. His parents are Charles & Esmeralda Walker. Grandparents are Freddie & Jessie Walker of Friona, Edelmira Marin of Friona, and Moises Silva of Bovina.

Dante is an AP Scholar with Distinction, member of the National Honor Society, College Board African American Recognition Program, and was elected *Most Likely to Succeed*.

Dante will attend the University of North Texas to pursue a degree in electrical engineering.



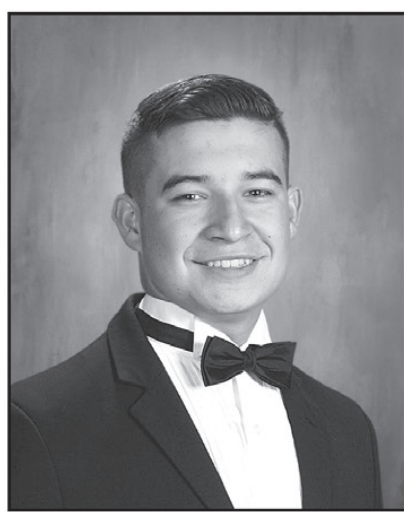
Congrats to these special graduates and the Class of 2023!



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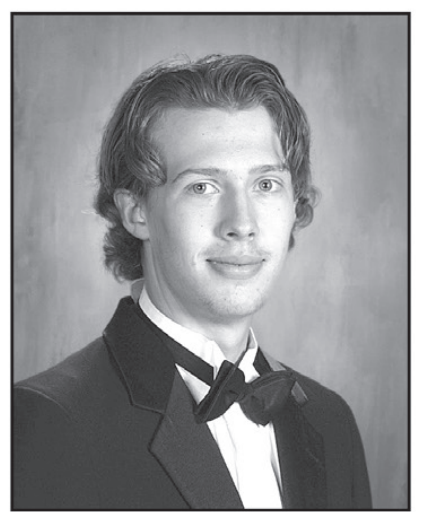
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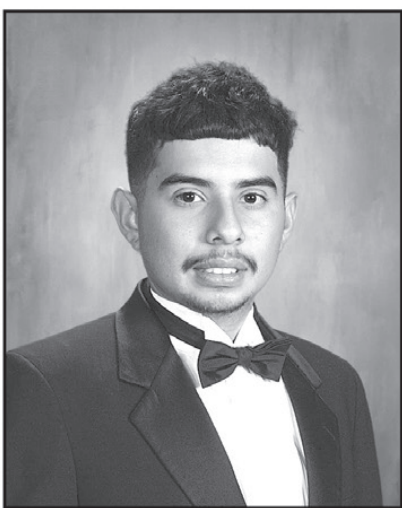
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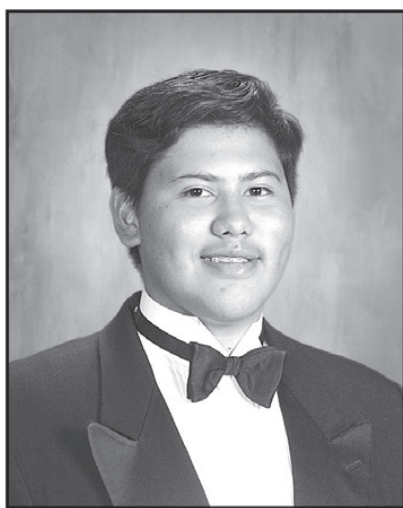
Carter Gilley



Kaden Jeter



Uriel Pina



Ivan Reveles



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2023 Top 10 Graduates



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Congratulations Class of 2023!



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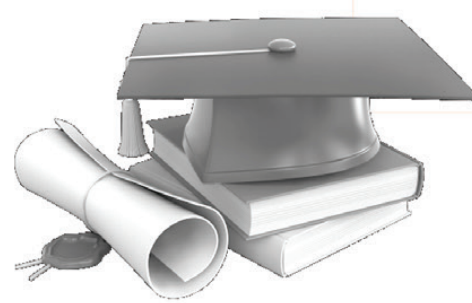


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Congratulations to Our 2023 Scholarship Winners



Gabriel Abarca
Son of Aaron and Tonia Abarca



Emma Schueler
Daughter of Wade and Candice Schueler



Hunter Widner
Daughter of Terry Widner and Mindy Neal

