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## WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH KIDS TODAY, LOTS

Less than 40% of Americans believe today's children, once grown, will make this country a better place, according to a survey released by Public Agenda. While "grousing" about the younger generation has become a national pastime, other indicators predict a troubling future: drug use is on the rise among adolescents, about 1 in 3 children do not live in a two-parent household and seven in ten public high school students say cheating on tests and assignments is common, according to thesurvey, "Kids These Days: What American Really Think About the Next Generation."

Americans surveyed indicate problems with not only highschool-age youngsters, but also children age 5 to 12. Younger children were categorized by respondents as "lacking discipline"and "spoiled." Only 12% say it is very common for children to treat people with respect.

'Americans are frightened for and in some cases frightened of our children and fault parents for the problems they see, "said Deborah Wadsworth, executive director of Public Agenda.

"The public does acknowledge how difficult it is to be a parent in today's world, but is riveted by one goal -- the necessity of teaching all children the values of integrity, ethical behavior, concern for others, respect, civility, compassion and

responsibility." Other findings: 61% say children's failure to learn such values as honesty, respect, and responsibility is a very serious problem; nine in ten say the failure to learn values is widespread -- only 8% say it mostly affects kids from disadvantaged backgrounds; 65% who say they have a lot of contact with teenagers describe teens disapprovingly, and 63% of black, 61% of Hispanic and 49% of white parents say it is common for teens to get into trouble because they have too much free time.

Respondents also were asked questions regarding parents.



The results include: 63% say it is very common for parents to have children before they are ready to take responsibility for them; half of the general public and half of parents surveyed say it is very common for parents to equate buying things for children to caring for them; only 19% of parents think it is very common for parents to be good role models and teach their kids right form wrong. While four in ten parents say parents who resent advice about their children are very common, about half of all surveyed say it also is common for parents to sacrifice and work hard for their children.

The survey includes questions on what solutions help or hinder the raising of children. Overall, respondents indicate that government programs designed to improve the health and economic circumstances of young people "miss the mark" in three ways: First, respondents identify the problem

withchildren as a moral one, not one of money or health. People surveyed also say the primary problem rests with parents, not the government. And, the public is skeptical of govern-ment intervention on behalf of families, primarily due to the failure of the welfare system.

Instead, respondents point to solutions aimed at sharpening a child's moral compass. In particular, public schools should reinforce wellaccepted values, such as being responsible on time, and disciplined (83%); the value of hard work (78%); and honesty and tolerance of others (74%). Two-thirds of respondents say that improving public schools would be a very effective way to help young

Six in ten respondents say more after-school programs is an effective way to help children. Fifty-three percent also believe that a greater reliance on volun-teer organizations like the Boy Scouts would be an

effective way to help children.

More than half of those surveyed (55%) who acknowledge that the work world puts stress on parents' ability to do a good job call for more flexible work schedules for parents.

"This groundbreaking research is a 'wake-up' call to many in the non-profit arena who want to make a profound impact on children's lives," said Ken Barun, president and CEO of Ronald McDonald House Charities. "While these findings are sobering, the study will help us understand and address those roadblocks to getting more people involved in finding solutions."

"Kids These Days" was conducted for Ronald McDonald House Charities & The Advertising Council. Information on how to get a copy of "Kids These Days," contact Public Agenda at 212/686-6610; fax -- 212/889- 3461.

#### El Problema De La Ensenianza Bilingue No Es Lo Que Ustedes Creen Que Sea

Por Domenico Maceri

by Bidal Agüero

issue I wrote about my

read the experiences of my

daughter Amalia as she went

to school and how they might

My dad called me last week

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working on the paper and the

nearing, and he sits me down

for some reason. So, we're

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in front of the computer and

I said I can't write under

pressure--he says "If you are

going to be a journalist you

Well unlike my dad, I

attended a "whiter" school.

Except for the first couple of

years where I only remember

a little boy throwing up on my

brand new pants. But I also

saying my name correct.

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says, "Write."

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Last year in our graduation

El Presidente de México repitió la frase, haciendo énfasis sobre la última palabra, y fijando una mirada firme sobre el intérprete. Los reporteros y los televidentes observaron, a medida que el intérprete abochornado hizo la corrección. El Presidente de México tiene un doctorado de una prestigiosa universidad de Estados Unidos y conoce bien el inglés. El Presidente

de Bidal

bién graduado de univerestadounidenses sidades prestigiosas, no sabe español, pero tuvo la suerte de que sus palabras se interpretaran correctamente. Otro presidente de los Esta-

de los Estados Unidos, tam-

dos Unidos tuvo menos suerte. Su intérprete torció sus palabras de cariño hacia el pueblo polaco como un deseo sexual. La audiencia polaca estuvo escandalizada.

still remember my first day at Stewart School as a third grader. Mrs Markeson was calling roll and says "Amelia U-gur-air-o?" I said no, "Amalia Aguero." Oh you mean "A-mall-lee-u?" I said

yeah I guess. I spent the rest of my school years calling myself "Amall-lee-u" and eventually my sister said I talked like a

"white girl". I attended Evans Jr. High where everybody that was anybody wore name brand clothes. I admit I wanted these clothes and I begged for them. So I guess you could of called me an all American coconut back in my day.

Until the summer before my

senior year at Lubbock High, my dad made me go as a student exchange student to Mexico. I did not want to go, but he made me. Against my will, I left for one month and I had the time of my life. I learned about my culture and most of all, I experienced my culture. Something that had lacked in my school experience. I was so caught up in the materialistic world of public school, I was missing

All the years I spent trying to impress the "cool" group, I could of spent being myself. graduated with the Class of '93, not with honors, but of knowledge.

the beauty of my culture.

I challenge all graduates to use this knowledge to advance in education. But also to trust your own judgment in life. Never put yourself under pressure, unless you know you can meet your deadline!

Cuando se trata de asuntos internacionales, la mayoría de los nacidos en los Estados Unidos se quedan tanto sin habla como sus presidentes. Esto se debe, en parte, a que el inglés es la `lingua franca' lotos, del turismo, de los negocios, de las publicaciones científicas, etc. De modo que permitimos que otros aprendan nuestro idioma. Suponemos que todo esté en inglés.

Pero la razón principal de que esta nación tenga la lengua trabada tiene que ver con nuestro sistema de enseñanza, el cual mira hacia adentro en vez de hacia afuera. El estudiar idiomas y culturas extranjeras se ve como algo supérfluo, algo que no es digno de una atención seria.

La enseñanza japonesa hace lo contrario. Con una economía de exportación, los japoneses comprenden que, a fin de vender sus productos, tieque conocer a clientes. El lugar donde se del siglo -- el idioma de los pi- debe empezar es con el idioma. En el Japón, el inglés es una asignatura fundamental desde los grados más preliminares. Los japoneses entienden que el aprender un idioma necesita de largo tiempo, y dan ese tiempo a sus estudiantes.

El aprender sobre la clientela va más allá de las meras palabras. El estudio de la cultura, la historia, la geografía, la política y las tradiciones es una parte integral del idioma. Los idiomas y las cul-Continue on Page 2

#### The Trouble With Bilingual Education Isn't What You Think It Is

By Domenico Maceri

The Mexican president repeated the sentence, emphasizing the last word, giving the interpreter a stern look. television Reporters and viewers watched as the embarrassed interpreter made the correction. The Mexican president had a doctorate from a prestigious Ivy League university and knew English well. The U.S. president, also a graduate of prestigious U.S. universities, did not know Spanish, but was fortunate that his words were interpret-

ed correctly.

Another U.S. president was less fortunate. His interpreter twisted his expression of love for Polish people into a sexual desire. The Polish audience was shocked.

When it comes to international affairs, most U.S. natives are as speechless as their presidents. This is partly because English is the century's lingua franca -- the language of pilots, tourism, business, scientific publications, etc. So we let others learn our lan-

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#### LISD Head Start/Pre-Kindergarten Ballenger Early Childhood Martin Early Childhood

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- 2. Address verification
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- 5. Child's immunization record
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#### News Briefs The National Education Goals

GOAL 1: READY TO LEARN

All children in America will start school ready to learn. GOAL 2: SCHOOL COMPLETION

The high school graduation rate will increase to at least

90 percent. GOAL 3: STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND CITIZENSHIP

All students will leave grades 4, 8, and 12 having demonstrated competency over challenging subject matter including English, mathematics, science, foreign languages, civics and government, economics, arts, history, and geography, and every school in America will ensure that all students earn to use their minds well, so they may be prepared for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment in our Nation' modern economy.

GOAL 4: TEACHER EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Nation's teaching force will have access to programs for the continued improvement of their professional skills and the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to instruct and prepare all American students for the next century.

GOAL 5: MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

United States students will be first in the world in

mathematics and science achievement.

GOAL 6: ADULT LITERACY AND LIFELONG LEARNING Every adult American will be literate and will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

GOAL 7: SAFE, DISCIPLINED, & ALCOHOL- AND DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS

Every school in the United States will be free of drugs, violence, and the unauthorized presence of firearms and alcohol and will offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning. GOAL 8: PARENTAL PARTICIPATION

Every school will promote partnerships that will increase parental involvement and participation in promoting the social, emotional, and academic growth of children. National Education Goals Panel, 1255 22nd Street NW; Suite 502; Washington, D.C. 20037 202/632-0957 (Fax); e-mail: negp@goalline.org .Web site: www.negp.gov

#### Bilingual Students: New Approach To Improve Literacy Limited English-speaking students are benefiting from a new

approach to improving literacy skills. The Bilingual Cooperative Integrated Reading and Composition program was examined by researchers at Johns Hopkins and Howard Universities (FOCUS, WestEd, Fall 1997).

Researchers compared the progress of second- and third-grade students in both traditional transitional bilingual programs and in BCIRC. The traditional group learned through round-robin oral reading and workbook activities. BCIRC students worked cooperatively on speaking, listening, reading and writing activities.

FOCUS explains that in the BCIRC classes, teachers first would read a story, students then read it aloud in pairs, which allowed them to alternate sentence by sentence and then paragraph by paragraph. Next they read silently on their own. The pairs re-united to work together on questions about the story and on vocabulary.

BCIRC teachers also directly taught students writing skills and reading comprehension strategies.

Findings from the study:

BCIRC second graders scored higher on the writing component of a Spanish assessment than their counterparts;

BCIRC second graders scored slightly better on the reading component; BCIRC third graders scored significantly better on the reading component of an assessment in English.

Sittin' Here

Thinkin

Dr. Spock

by Ira Cutler

Dr. Benjamin Spock, the baby doctor to the world, died in

He was the author of "The Common Sense Book of Baby and

Child Care," first published in 1946 and since reprinted and up-

dated time and again. Baby and Child Care is the second largest

selling book in human history, trailing only the Bible. The vari-

ous editions of Dr. Spock's book have sold 50,000,000 copies and

I became conscious of the revered paperback the copy in our

house was worn and torn and a lot of the pages were curled but

it was always around. A young mother in the post-Wold war II

had a copy of Dr. Spock. She describes herself and her friends as

loving mothers who were inexperienced and nervous. "When

something happened wrong with your child," she recalls, "you

turned to your copy of Dr. Spock." Those were the days when

doctors made house calls and she says Dr. Spock helped to give

her confidence until the doctor arrived. The book was conven-

iently organized into sections so that when a child had an ear-

ache, the parent opened it up to the earache section and got

and Child Care. He was born in 1903 in New Haven, Connecti-

cut, attended Yale University and was on the 1924 Olympic Gold

Medal winning crew team. He was educated as a pediatrician at

Columbia Medical school and also, significantly, studied psy-

choanalysis. For ten years, from 1933 to 1943, Dr. Spock was a

actually a doctor with a private practice. He has become so large

a figure that it is amazing to realize that some people out there

had Dr. Spock himself as their doctor - looking down their

out of child care and took some of the mystique out of medicine.

Written in plan English, it spoke simply, directly and respectful-

ly to the mothers (and occasional fathers) who depended on it.

Most importantly, and well before his time, Dr. Spock suggested

to parents that they should trust their instincts and that most

child-related problems were well within the scope of their in-

what today is known as "parent empowerment," i.e. the idea

that professionals like teachers, doctors, social workers do not

have all the answers and ought to be accountable to parents.

My mother recalls that as soon as the doctor left she would read

Dr. Spock's book to check on the advice she had been given. Dr.

Spock gave parents information and, with that information,

they began to be more confident and informed consumers of

strictness and firm discipline were thought of as the keys to

bringing children up right. In ways that later became controver-

sial, Dr. Spock gave parents permission to lighten up and to be

ules and frustrated by warnings that hugs and kisses would

spoil their babies. For example, according to Dr. Spock, "most

pediatricians at that time had been taught that thumb sucking

was a bad habit that mothers must stamp out by painting nasty-

tasting stuff on their (babies') thumbs, or using aluminum mitts,

or spread-eagling the baby by tying his wrists to the slats of the

cribs as he lay on his back." Dr. Spock advised parents to relax

and counseled that many things would straighten themselves

came rebellious teenagers, and rock 'n roll and anti-war activism

flourished, such notables as Vice President Spiro Agnew looked

around for someone to blame and found Dr. Spock. It was the

permissiveness taught by Dr. Spock, they argued, that was caus-

ing such unrest and such lack of respect for authority. The wi-

despread unwillingness to believe that killing Vietnamese was a

right and proper thing to do was an example, to Agnew and oth-

committed anti-nuclear activist, Dr. Spock became one of the

first and most respected adults to protest personally against the

Vietnam War. At the height of national unrest over Vietnam

involvement, Dr. Spock stood by the young people he helped to

raise and took serious personal risks to save their lives. He was

arrested for protesting, tried and convicted and sentenced to

two years in prison. (The sentence was later reversed by the

come fabulously wealthy but it seems that Dr. Spock, for all his

wisdom, was not a great businessman. Despite selling 50,000,000

copies of a book, Dr. Spock died broke, with his widow trying

desperately to raise the funds she needed to keep him out of a

nursing home. Dr. Spock's political views - he was not only anti-

war but also a socialist - limited the influence he might other-

wise have had on children's issues. In a way, his popularity and

influence was still another casualty of the Vietnam War. He

never cashed in on his fame, never endorsed brands of baby food

namesake, Dr. Spock lived long and prospered in all the ways

that really count. He will long be remembered and deeply re-

later than it should have been, but no disrespect was meant to

the good doctor. It was just that, as a member of that spoiled,

self-indulgent, disrespectful generation that he helped to

create, I was not self-disciplined enough to get to it on time.

Ira Cutler, says he's seeking a semi-legitimate outlet for thoughts and ideas

too irreverant, too iconoclastic, or just too nasty for polite, serious, self-im-

portant company. He promises us a Monday column most weeks. More re-

cently Ira has become involved in communicating in another way, through

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All in all, though, in the words of his famous Star Trek

This column, you may have noticed, was written two months

Today, quacks who write silly, best selling self-help books be-

Ultimately, Dr. Spock did his critics one better. Already a

ers, of the dangers of "permissiveness."

or otherwise cheapened himself for profit.

Sorry, doc, but I know you will understand.

speeches which he calls Standin' Here Talkin'.

Thanks for everything.

federal Court of Appeals.)

spected.

By the 1960's, when the generation he helped to raise be-

Until then, mothers felt straitjacketed by rigid feeding sched-

Dr. Spock started writing about child care in a time when

"Trust yourself," Spock told parents. "You know more than

It may be that Dr. Spock's influence was an early example of

Dr. Spock's book was successful because it took the mystery

Dr. Spock had a busy life even before the publication of Baby

era, my mother reports that all the women in the neighborhood

Born in 1946, I was a Dr. Spock baby all the way. By the time

March at the age of 94.

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nate expertise.

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you think you do."

throat and asking them to say ahhhhh!

been translated into 42 languages.

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guage. We expect everything to be in English.

nation is tongue-tied has to do their Japanese counterparts -with our educational system. if we allowed them to use it. It looks inward rather than All we need to do is see the outward. The study of foreign linguistic and cultural relanguages and cultures is sources seen as a frill, not worthy of children possess as the gifts serious attention.

Japanese education does the earliest grades. The Japanese understand that learning language takes a long time, and they give their students that time.

Learning about the customers goes beyond mere words. The study of culture, history, . geography, politics and traditions is an integral part of

Languages and language. cultures are essential for an outward-looking educational system.

When it comes to learning languages, U.S. students But the major reason this could have an advantage over immigrant that they really are.

Most of our bilingual educaopposite. With an export econ- tion programs today are deomy, the Japanese understand signed to teach non-Englishthat in order to sell their pro- speakers a few basic subjects ducts, they have to know the in their native language customers. The place to start while they learn English, and is language. In Japan, Eng- to move them to English-only lish is a basic subject from the instruction as fast as possible, thus turning them into monolingual Americans.

> Rather that eliminating such programs, we should expand them. Immigrant children's native languages should be maintained. We also should make sure these children grow up literate in English and in their native

tongue.

But that's not all. Bilingual education should be available to all U.S. children. Many school districts already have bilingual programs which easily could be restructured to teach English-speaking kids to speak Spanish or another second language. They would become not only bilingual, but also bicultural. Spanish-English bilingualism may be easiest to achieve. However, some districts may choose French, Japanese, Russian or Chinese instead.

Regardless of languages, bilingualism makes children better learners because their minds are more flexible and agile than those of monolingual children. Just as a concept may be expressed in two ways using different words, bilingual children can see that problems may have more than one solution.

Bicultural children aren't bothered by cultural practices that shock others. Bicultural children have a more com-

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turas son indispensables para un sistema de enseñanza que mire hacia afuera.

Cuando se trata de aprender idiomas, los estudiantes de los Estados Unidos podrían tener una ventaja sobre sus colegas japoneses -- si les permitiéramos usarla. Todo lo que necesitamos hacer es fijarnos en los recursos idiomáticos y culturales que poseen los niños inmigrantes como los dones que realmente son.

La mayoría de nuestros programas actuales de enseñanza bilingue están destinados a enseñar a quienes no hablan inglés unos cuantos temas básicos en sus idiomas natales, mientras que aprenden inglés y se mudan a la enseñanza en inglés solamente tan pronto como sea posible, para convertirlos así en estadounidenses que hablen un sólo idioma.

Antes de eliminar tales prodeberíamos amgramas, pliarlos. Los idiomas nativos de los niños inmigrantes deberían ser mantenidos. También deberíamos asegurarnos de que estos niños crezcan siendo instruídos en inglés y en sus idiomas nativos.

Pero eso no es todo. La enseñanza bilingue debería estar disponible para todos los niños estadounidenses. Muchos distritos escolares ya tienen programas bilingues que podrían ser re-estructurados fácilmente para enseñar a los niños de habla inglesa a hablar español. Ellos no solamente serían bilingues, sino también biculturales.

El bilinguismo en español e

plete picture of reality, which becomes essential in understanding a smaller and more complex world.

Yet becoming bilingual is not something that can be accomplished in a weekend workshop. Learning languages and culture takes a long time, and that's why major industrial countries require their children to study languages from the earliest grades. Even Ron Unz, sponsor of a proposition that would eliminate bilingual education from California schools, has written that in today's world, bilingual entrepreneurs or employees have a "distinct edge over their English-only peers."

He's absolutely right, and we should give that edge to all children.

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geles Times Syndicate

inglés puede ser el más fácil de lograr. No obstante, algunos distritos escolares pueden escoger al francés, el japonés,

el ruso o el chino en vez del

español.

Sin perjuicio de los idiomas, el bilinguismo hace que los niños aprendan mejor, porque sus mentes son más flexibles y ágiles que las de los niños monolingues. Así como se puede expresar un concepto de dos modos empleando distintas palabras, los niños bilingues pueden ver que los problemas pueden tener más de una solución.

Los niños biculturales no se molestan por las prácticas biculturales que estremecen a otros. Los niños biculturales tienen un cuadro más completo de la realidad, que llega a ser indispensable para comprender a un mundo más pequeño y complejo.

Sin embargo, el llegar a ser bilingue no es algo que se puede lograr en un taller de trabajo durante un fin de semana. El aprendizaje de los idiomas y las culturas toma mucho tiempo, y ésa es la razón de que los principales países industriales exijen que sus niños estudien idiomas desde temprana edad.

Hasta Ron Unz, auspiciador de una propuesta que eliminaría la enseñanza bilingue en las escuelas públicas de California, ha escrito que, en el mundo de hoy, los empresarios o empleados bilingues tienen una "ventaja distintiva sobre sus colegas que sólo hablan inglés".

El tiene toda la razón, y debemos dar esa ventaja a todos los niños.

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## Advice to Newt Stick to English

By Carlos Conde

Let's hope that by the time House Speaker Newt Gingrich American Citizens (LULAC), his luck will have changed with Latinos.

All his good intentions, somehow, seem to turn out bad. The latest is the stuff on which Jay Leno and David Letterman built careers.

Early this month, Gingrich sent salutations to the nation's 18 million Mexican Americans on their native land's "Cinco de Mayo" celebration. The Spanishlanguage press release distributed by his office identified Gingrich as the "Hablador de la casa." That was just one of several mangled translations in the document.

Unfortunately, his press office relied on a computer dictionary, which thinks literally, and the speaker came out being called the "Big Mouth of the House." Or "Loudmouth," whichever you prefer for your comic routine. In my hometown, it also means

Of course, all of his critics in Washington suddenly speak perfect Spanish and all will quickly tell you that the correct translation is "Presidente de la Camara Baja" or "Presidente de la Camara de Representantes." In this instance, they are right.

Gingrich's sloppy translation has no defense. But that's not my point. My point is that there is no perfect Spanish, nor perfect reaches Dallas on July 1 to ad- Spanish-speakers in Washingdress the national convention of ton, Mexico City, Lima, Argenthe venerable League of United tina or maybe even Madrid, unless they go around carrying the dictionary of the Real Academia de la Lengua Espanola, the socalled bible of the Spanish language. Even then, some Spanish-speakers may have problems understanding exactly what the other is saying.

The language has been so badly mangled through the years, particularly in the United States, that sometimes you need a interpreter when you get a Mexican, a Puerto Rican, Cuban or a South American involved in a conversation. Chicanos in Texas hardly speak like New York Boricuas, or vice versa, even when they ease up on the Spanglish. It's the same in Latin America, but with different var-

When I lived and traveled throughout South America, I often had to adapt to the particular lexicon of each country. I speak fluent Spanish but I was raised with the Mexican vernacular, perfectly correct and acceptable in Mexico (and listed in though they carry the same connotation. On occasion, others laughed at my use of Spanish,

columnists do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the publisher or of advertisers. just as I did at theirs. I say cacahuates when I want peanuts; in Colombia, they ask

for mani. I eat guajolote; in Lima, they call their turkey pavo. I put on a traje, a suit, and in Quito, they put on a terno. I fill up with gasolina and check my llantas; in Montevideo, they use nafta and put air

in their neumaticos.

The list of different words with similar meanings is endless and no one nation or one people or even level of society can claim to speak perfect Spanish. For the Real Academia dictionary) many years, Colombians and Pebut not in other countries. ruvians made that claim; yet Pe-Many words are different ruvians will invite you into their living for lonche (afternoon tea) whereas in Mexico, they will show you to their

sala, or living room, for a merienda (afternoon snack).

Add that to the Spanglish used by different Latino groups all over the United States and you have a smorgasbord of words that will give even the native speakers a bad case of lexical indigestion.

So why are we laughing at someone who is not even a native Spanish speaker and who relied on a machine to express his good wishes in a simpatico way? My advice to Speaker Gingrich is to stick to English and stay away from foreign tongues, particularly Spanish. It can get you into trouble where you least expect it.

I can give you two personal Continue on Page 10

AMERICA'S HIGH-TECH HYPOCRISY ON NUCLEAR TESTING

EDITOR'S NOTE: Hypocrisy is the word that springs to mind as ourgovernment professes shock and outrage over India's nuclear weapons tests yet forges ahead with a vast new multibillion dollar weapons program of its own. PNS commentator Bruce Allen is a writer and activist with Peace Action.

BY BRUCE ALLEN, PACIFIC NEWS SERVICE

The White House, Congress and the media profess to be shocked or mystified at India's recent nuclear tests in a world struggling toward nuclear disarmament. But one need look no further than March 20 of this year for an act that helped push the buttons in New Delhi.

On that day, 900 feet under the Nevada desert, the United States conducted the third in an ongoing series of nuclear test explosions which it calls "subcritical." These are detonations of plutonium and dynamite which stop just short of achieving critical mass and a sustained chain reaction.

In other words, we no longer need to test full-scale bombs. We can use supercomputers with data from subcritical tests to predict the effects of a full-scale explosion with great precision.

The Clinton Administration claims such tests are exempt from the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), which the president signed with great fanfare in 1996. No other nation has the technology to conduct such tests.

These tests are part of a \$40 billion U.S. investment in developing another generation of nuclear weapons -- even as some of the old ones are dismantled.

This project is called "Stockpile Stewardship" - a name that implies watching over existing warheads until they are dis-

But Stockpile Stewardship involves designing and testing new weapons while maintaining a guise of compliance with the CTBT. It has already been instrumental in designing replacement warheads for the Trident submarine fleet as well as new "bunker buster" bombs, capable of penetrating underground targets.

It also includes the \$5 billion National Ignition Facility, which will use the world's largest laser array to create laboratory-scale hydrogen bomb blasts. Another effort is the \$250 million Academic Strategic

Alliances Program, a collaboration with five major universities to advance high-performance computer simulation of nuclear detonations.

While the Stockpile Stewardship program has largely been ignored by the U.S. media and hence the U.S. public, it's no secret to the rest of the world. When the first subcritical test went off last July, it was immediately condemned by many observers -- including India, which refused to sign the CTBT because it failed to expressly forbid such high-tech high jinks. "India has taken note of the 'subcritical' underground nu-

clear test conducted by the USA. . . and is concerned that this has been justified as an activity permitted under the CTBT," the Foreign Ministry stated at the time. "It is a matter of regret that . . . the CTBT contains loopholes which are exploited by some countries."

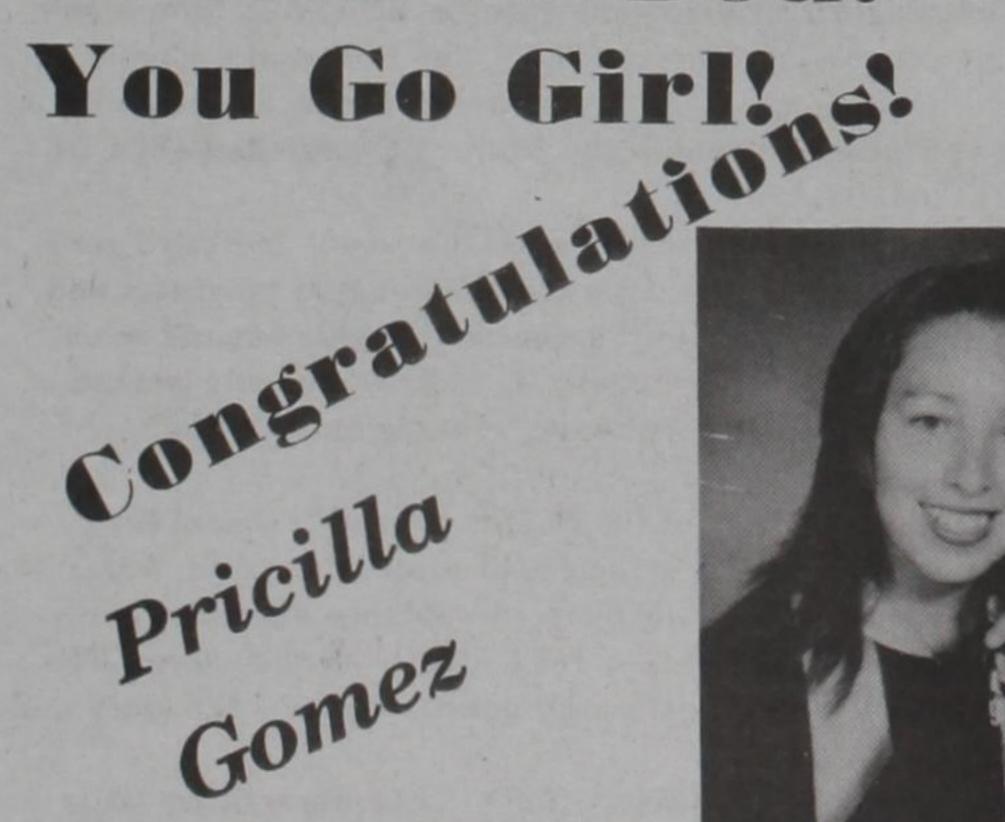
Now, less than two months after our third subcritical blast, our leaders claim they can't comprehend what could have driven India to conduct an old-fashioned, untidy blast. White House spokesman Mike McCurry can say India's actions run "counter to the effort the international community is making to promulgate a ban on such testing."

And Clinton himself admonished that India "can be a great country in the 21st century without doing things like this. It simply is not necessary to manifest national greatness by doing this. It is a terrible mistake."

Some Administration supporters justify the Stockpile Stewardship program as a way of coaxing a reluctant Republicandominated Congress to ratify the CTBT when it comes up for a vote later this year.

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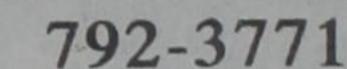
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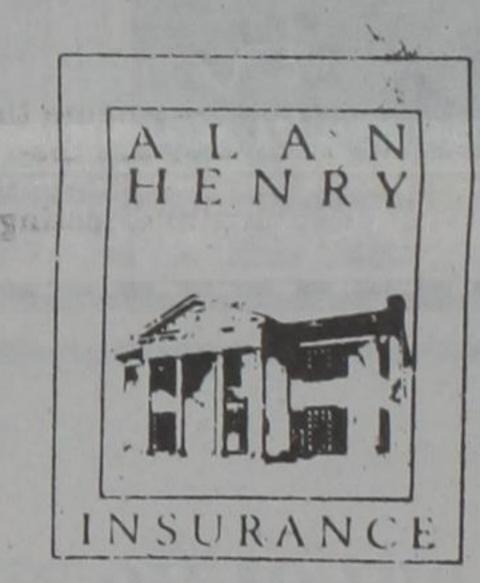
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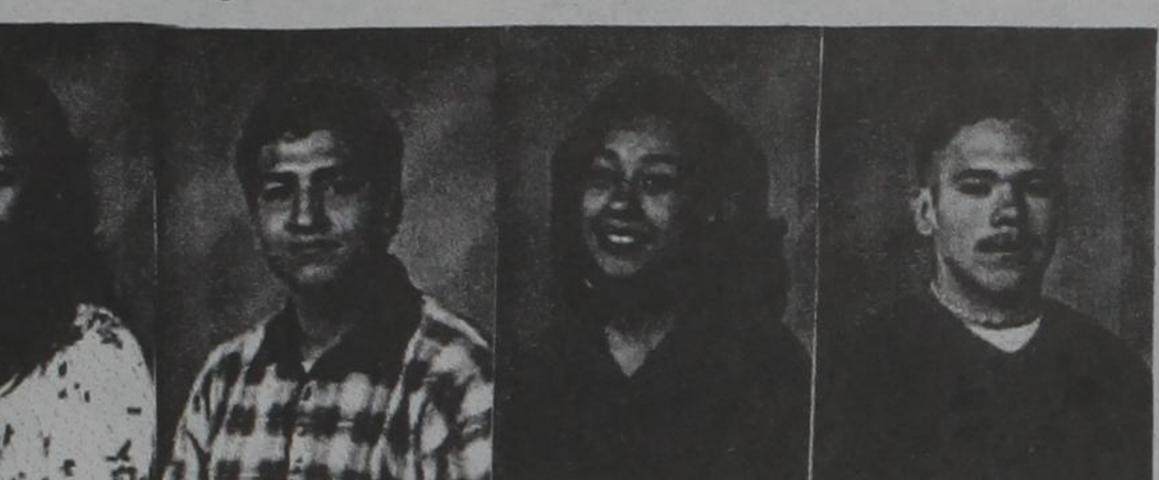
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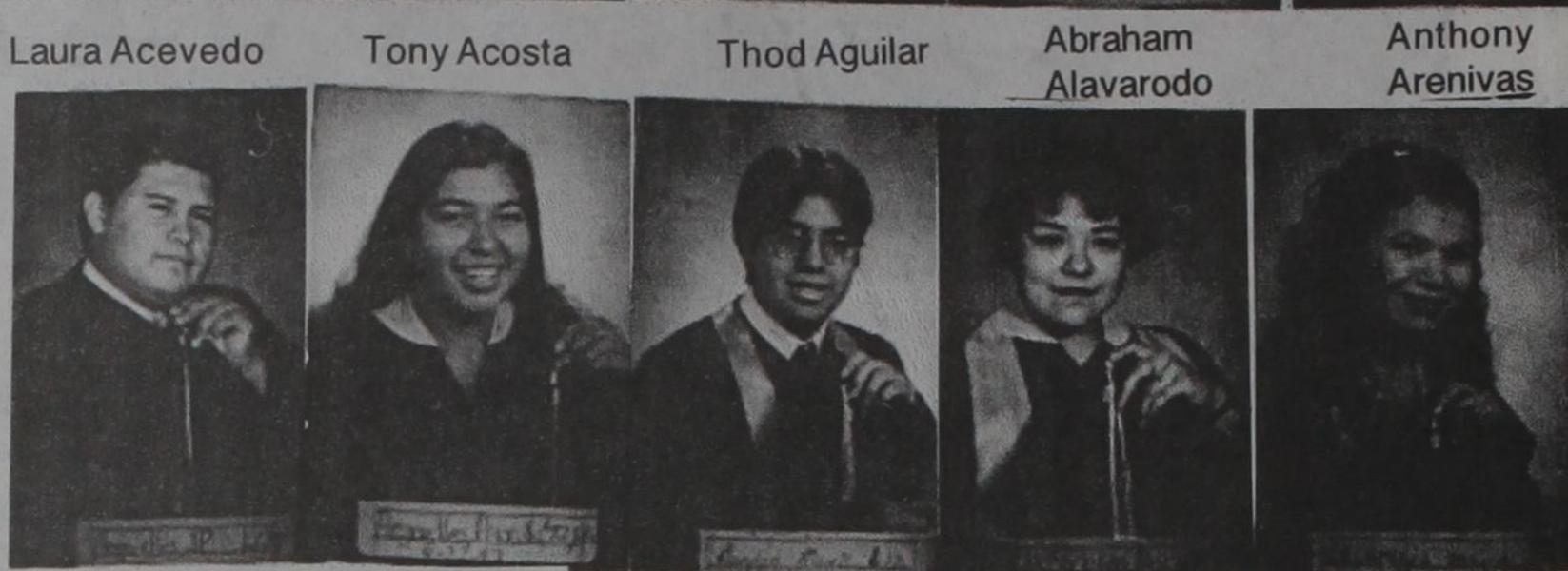
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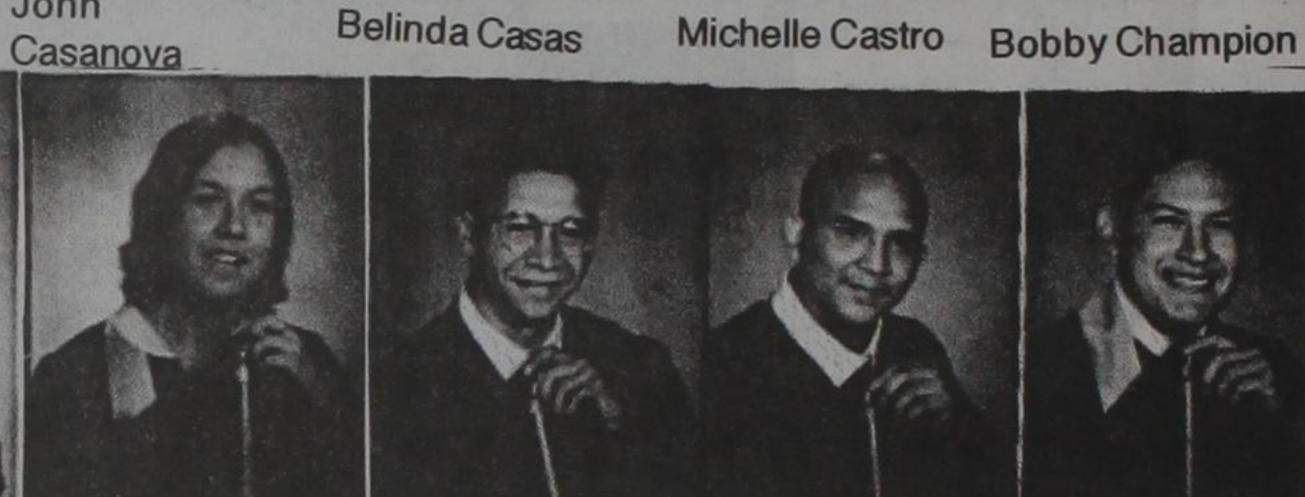
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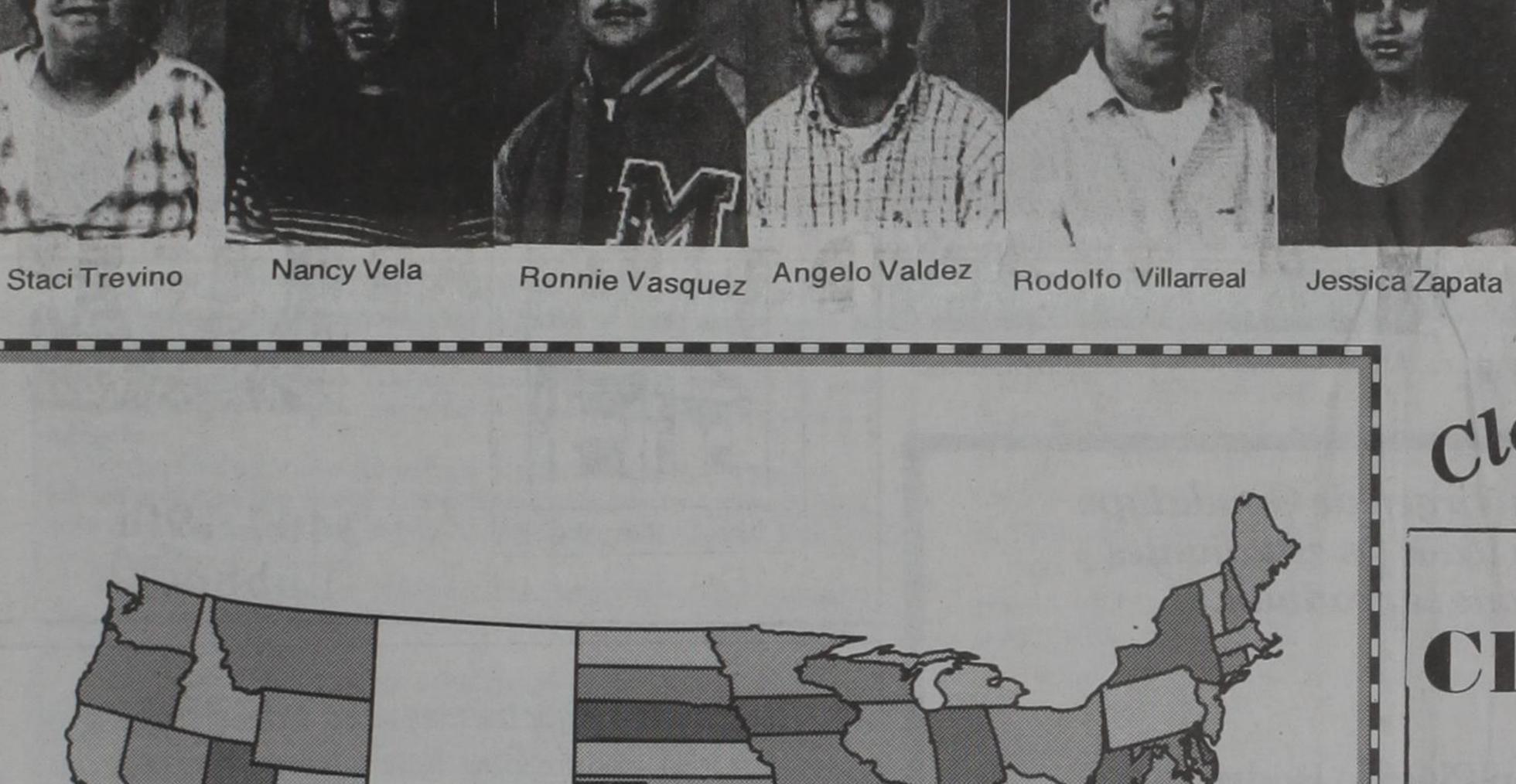
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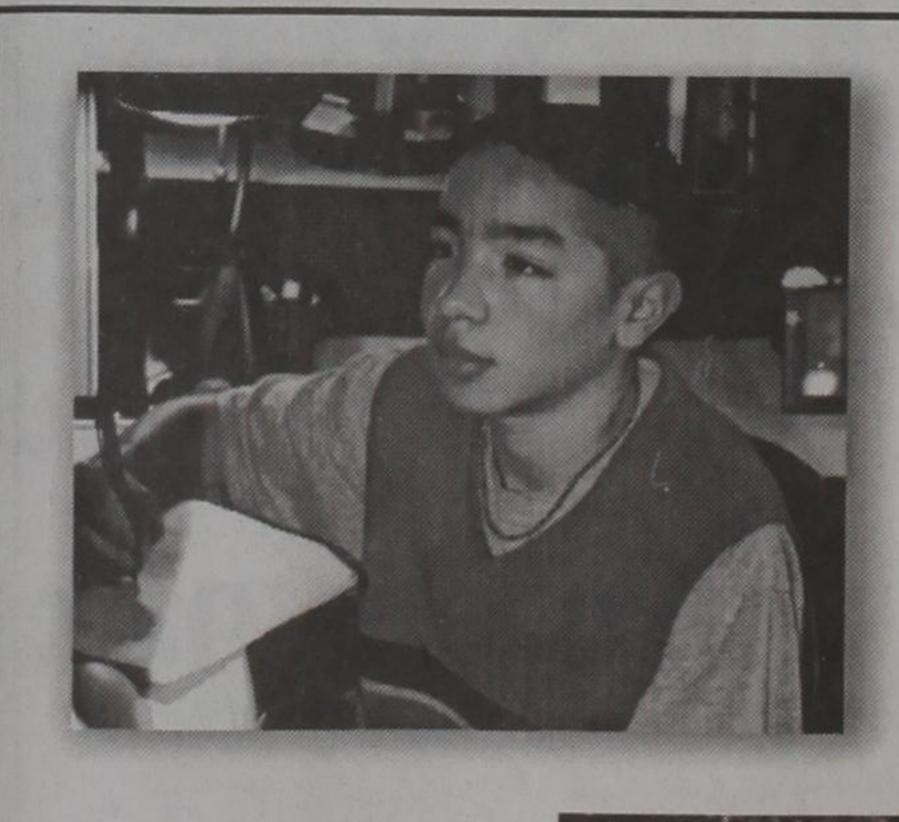


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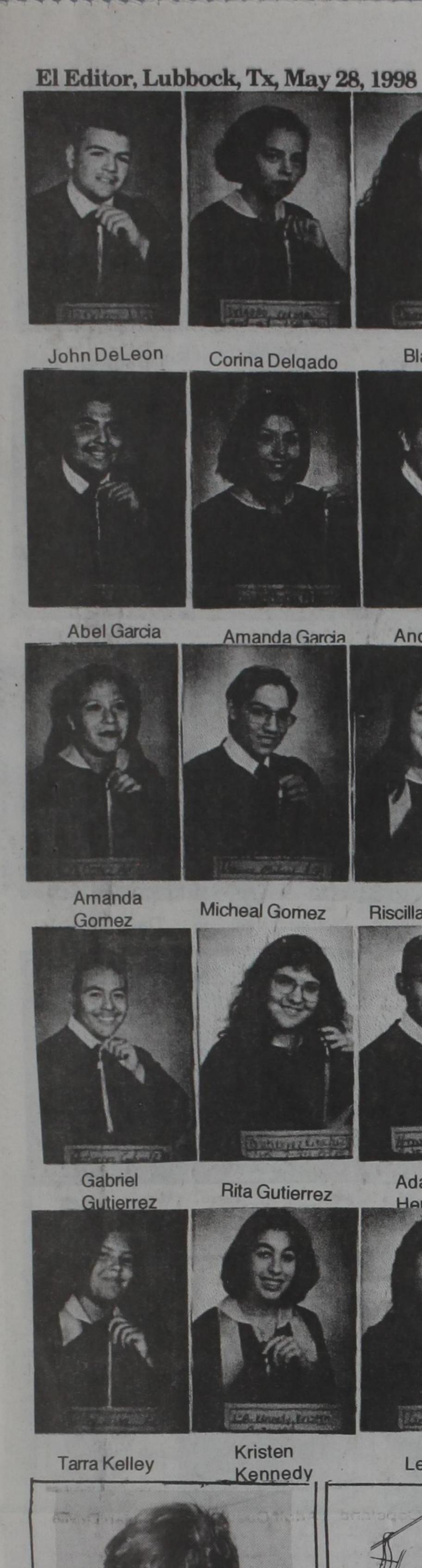
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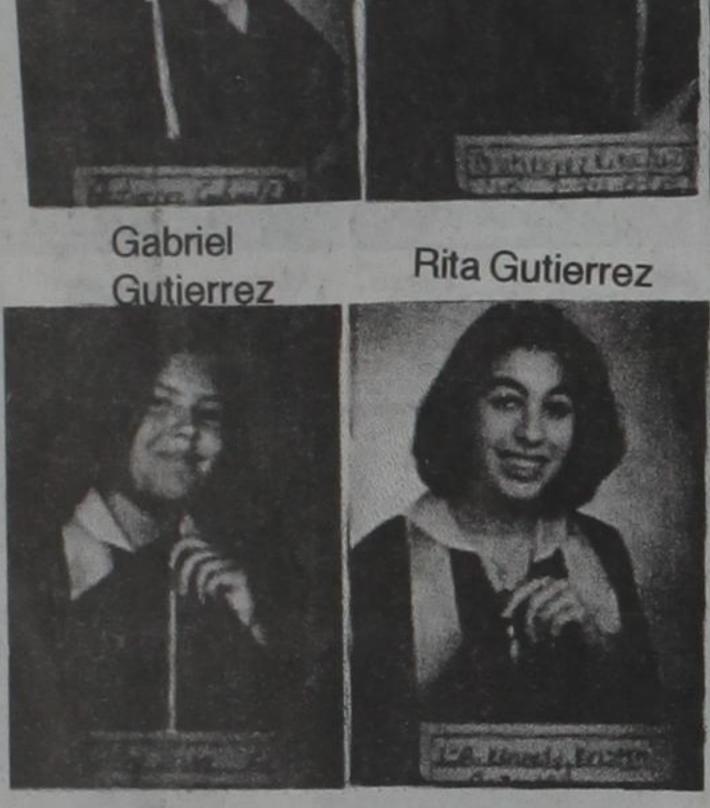
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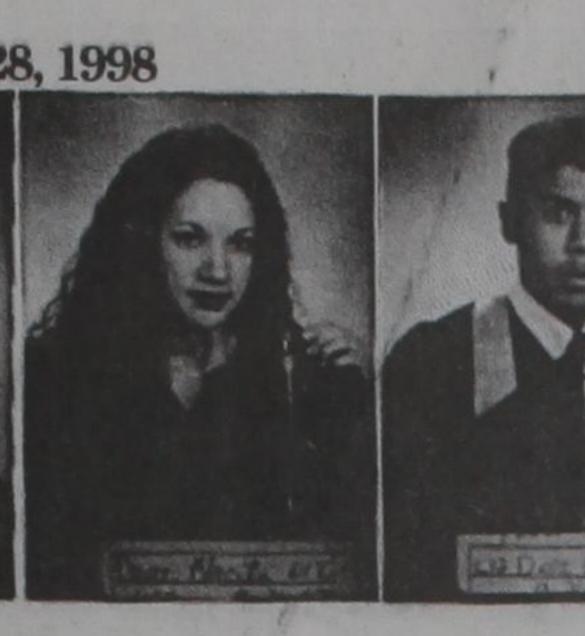






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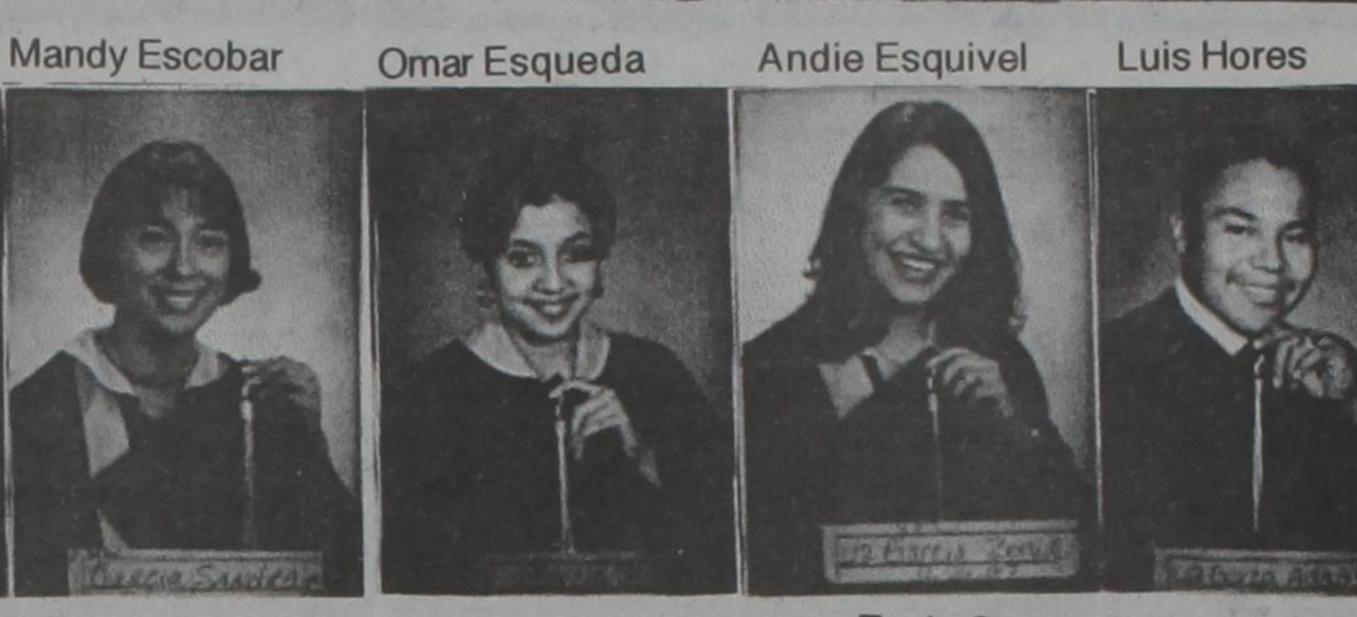


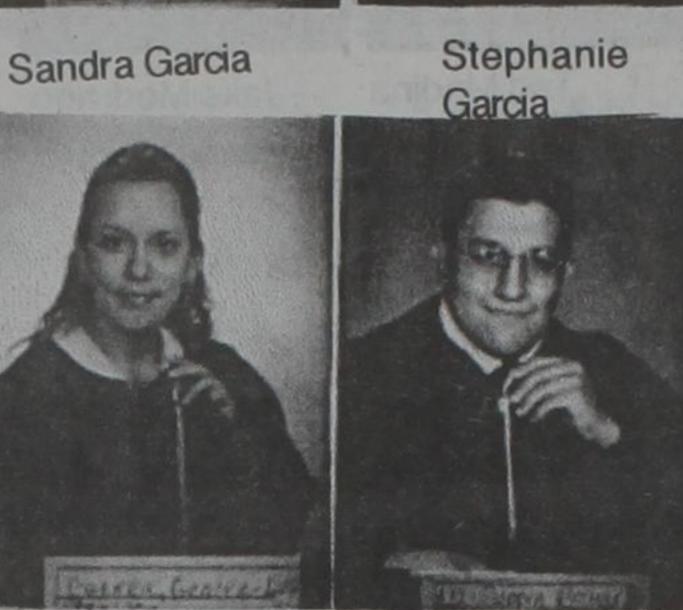




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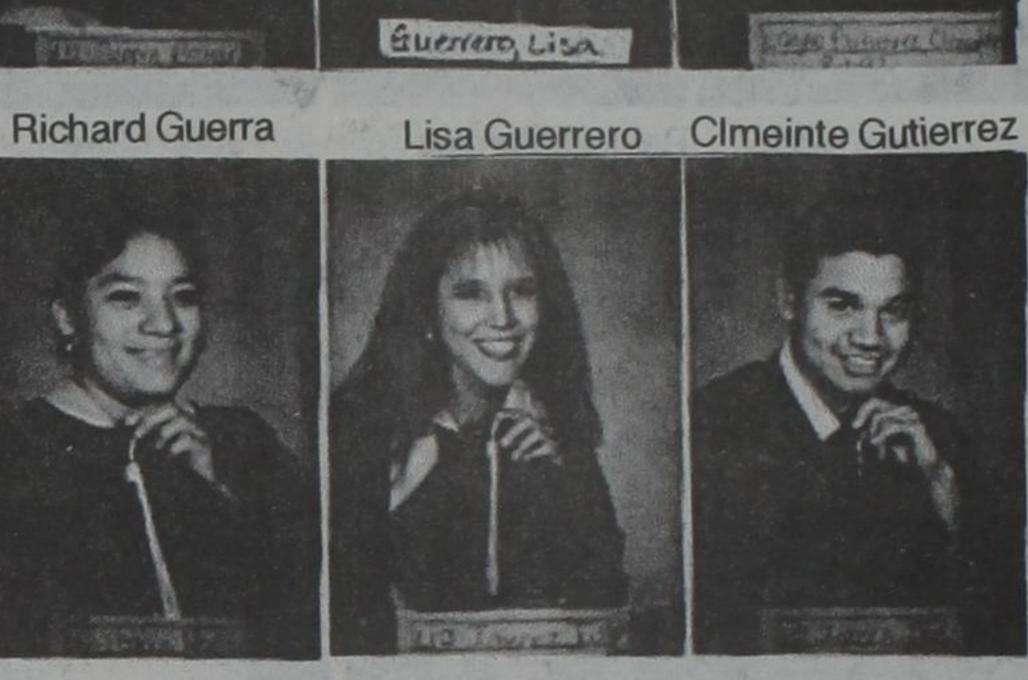


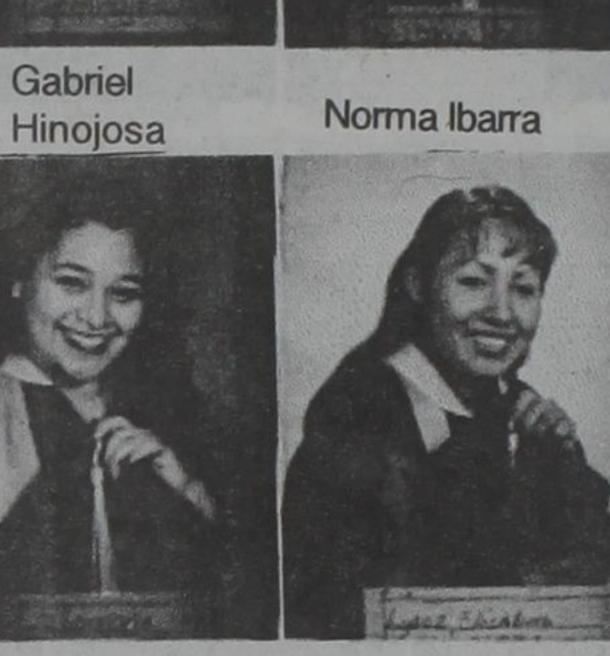


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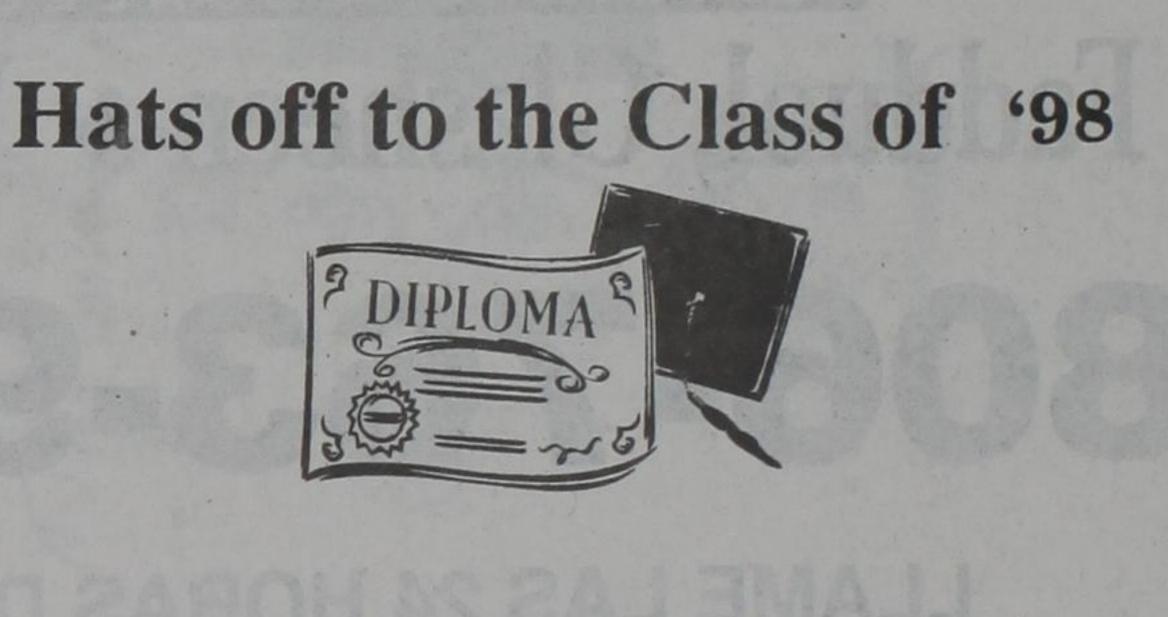


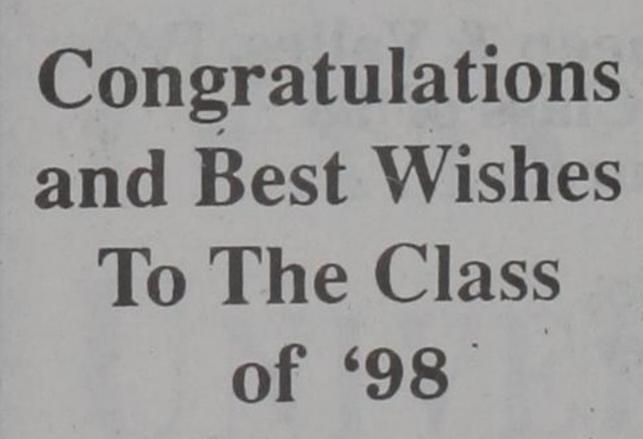


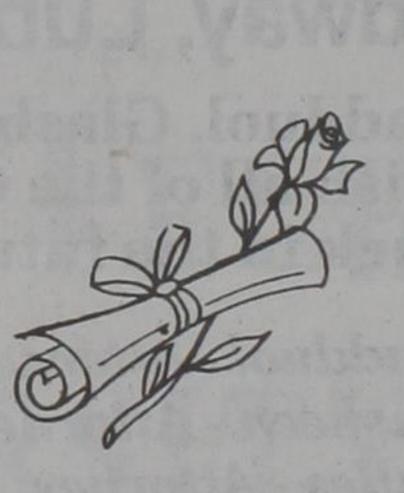
















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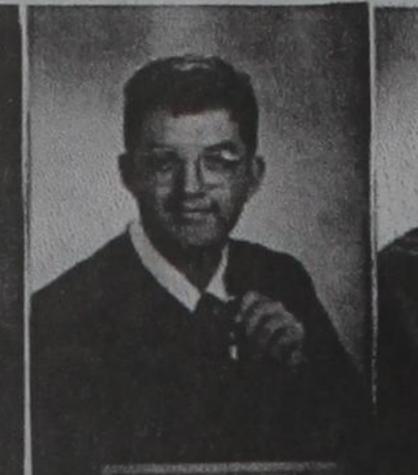


















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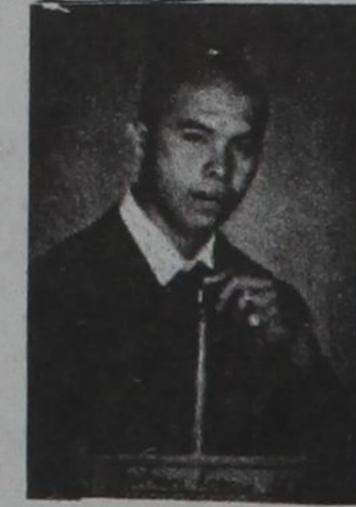
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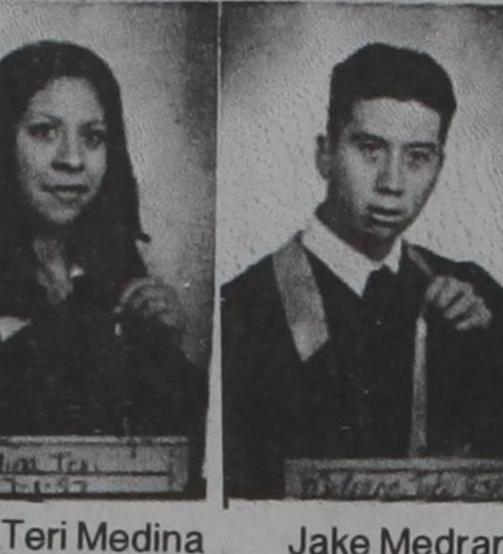
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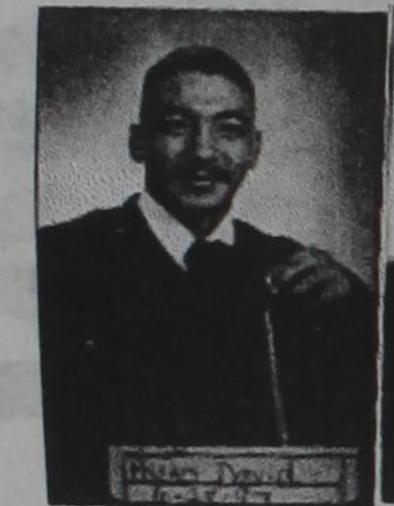
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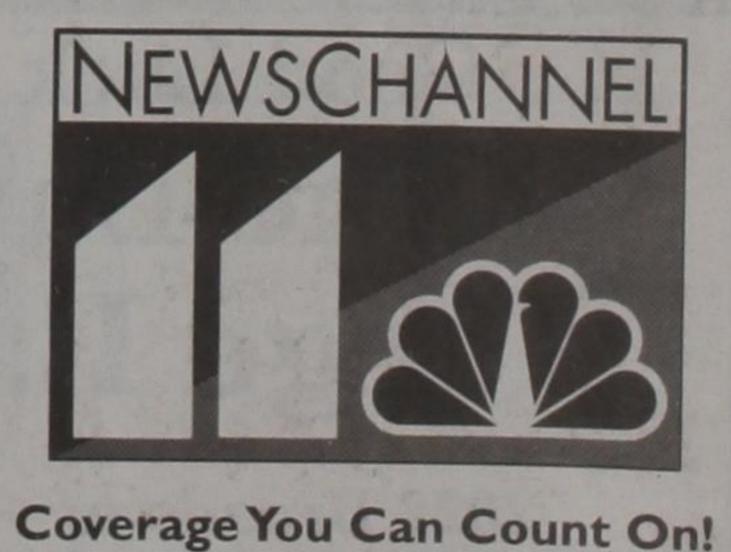
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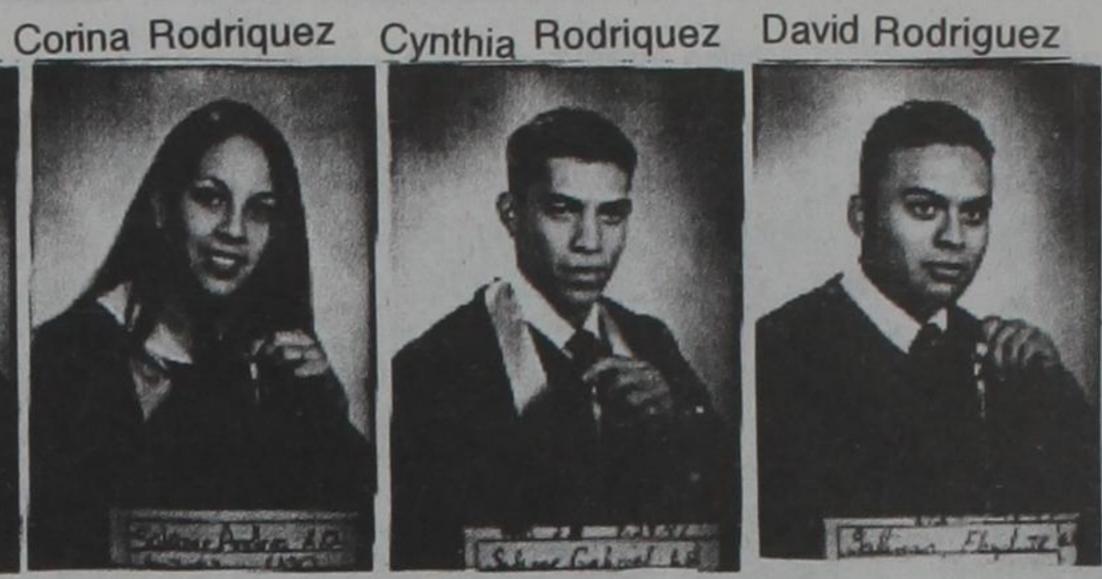
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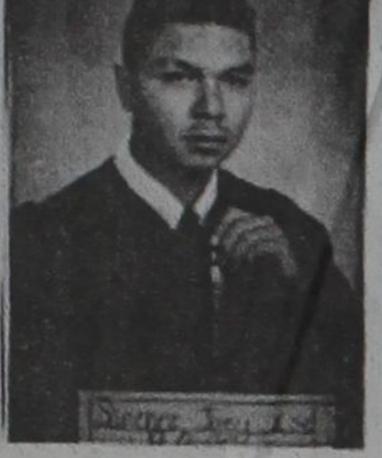
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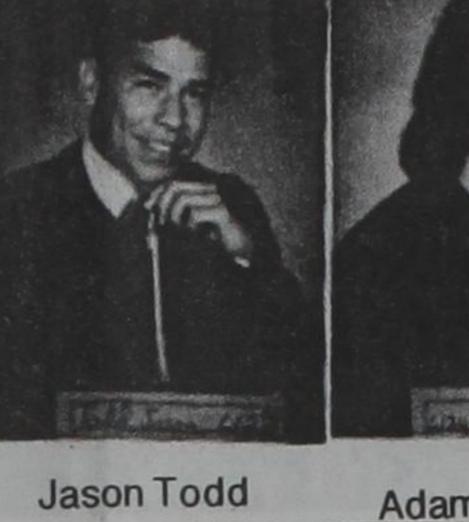


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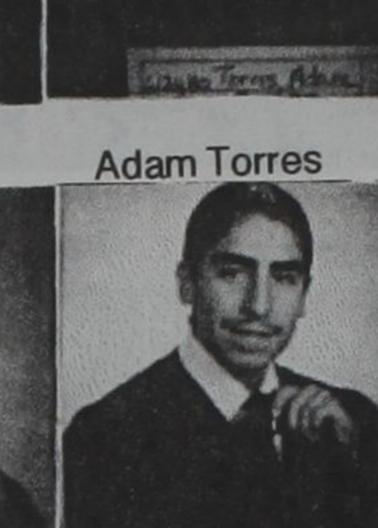
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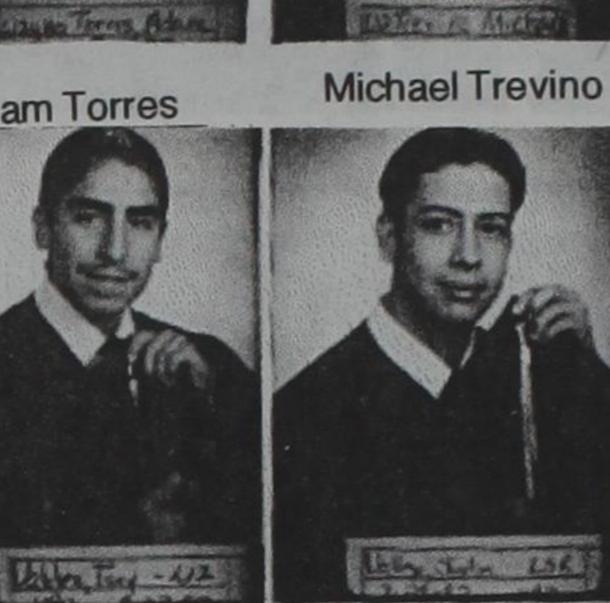
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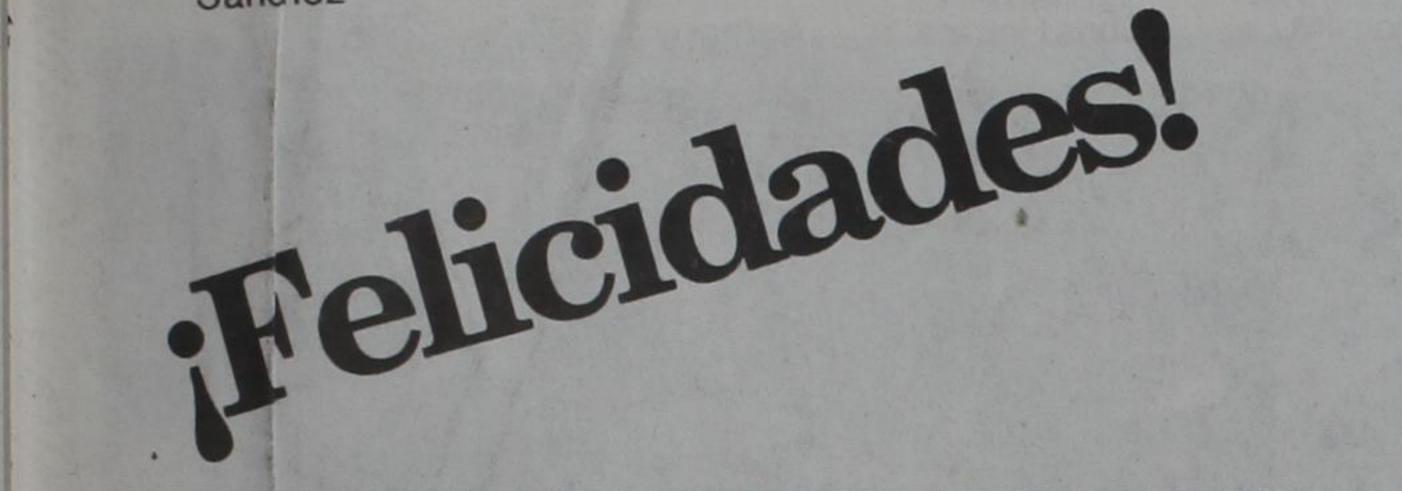


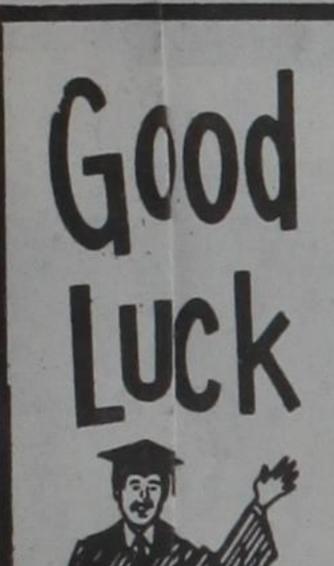
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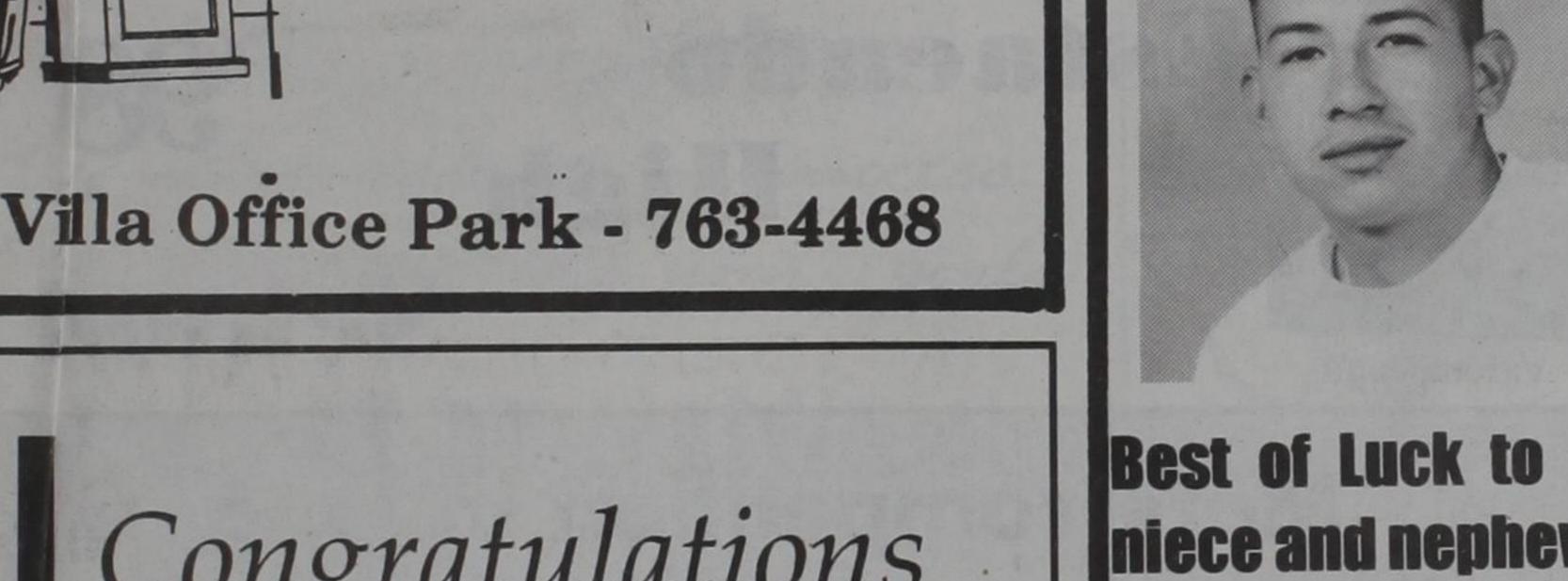




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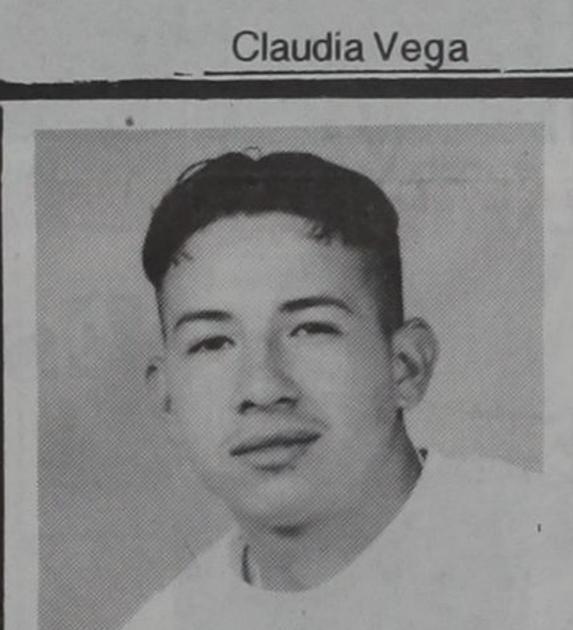
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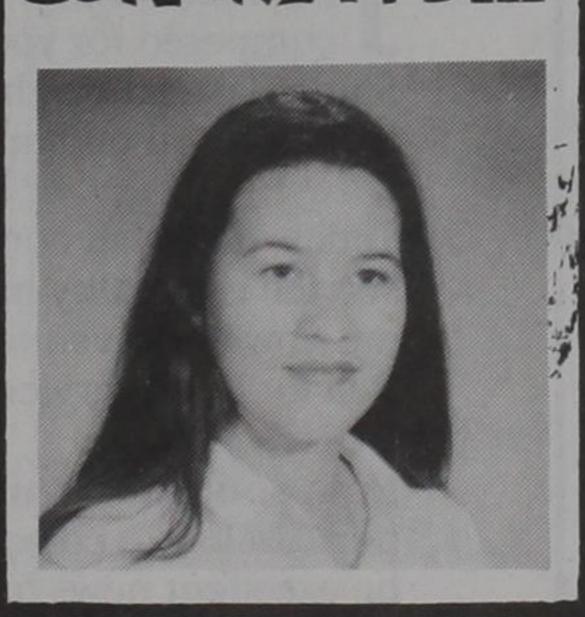
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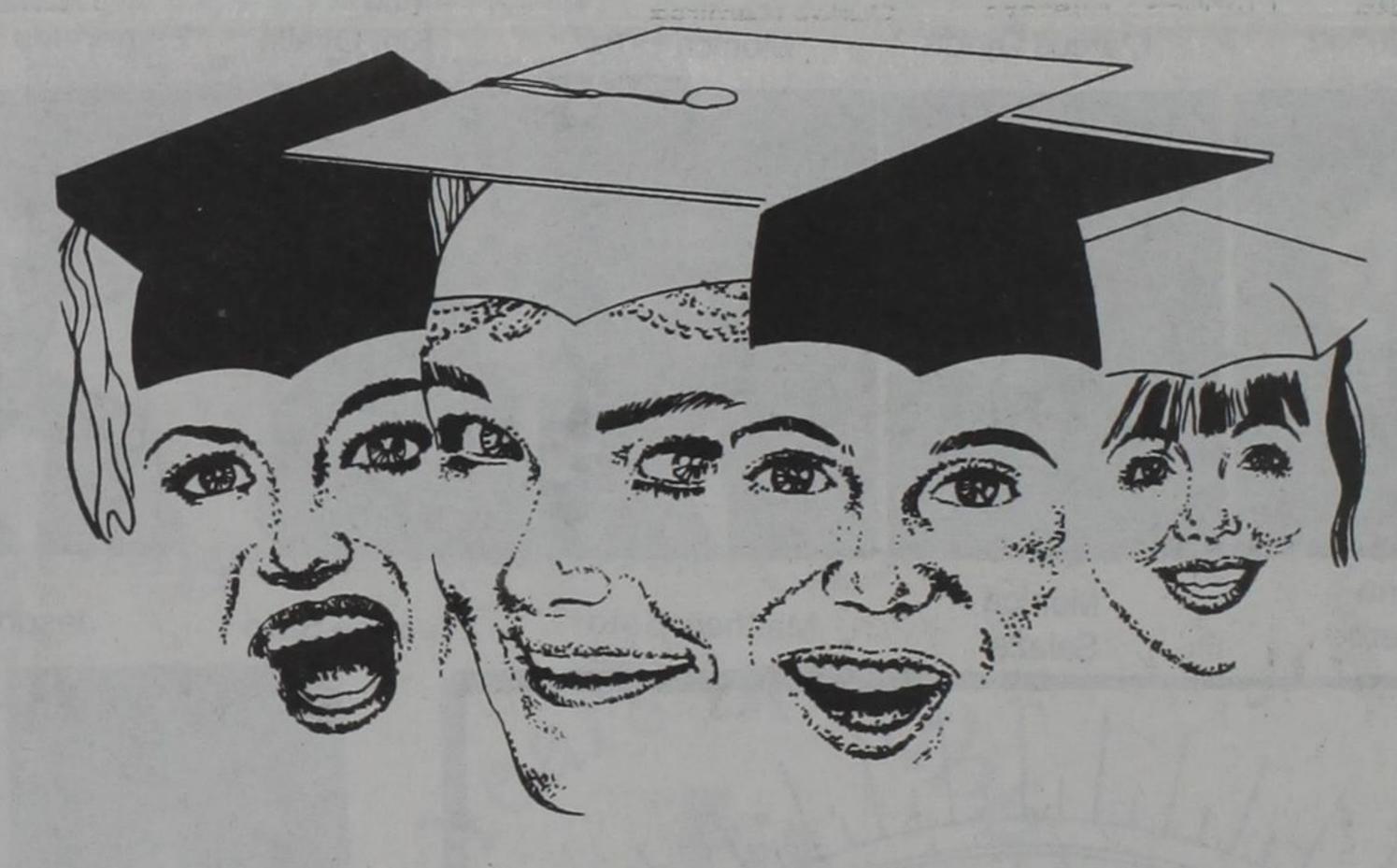
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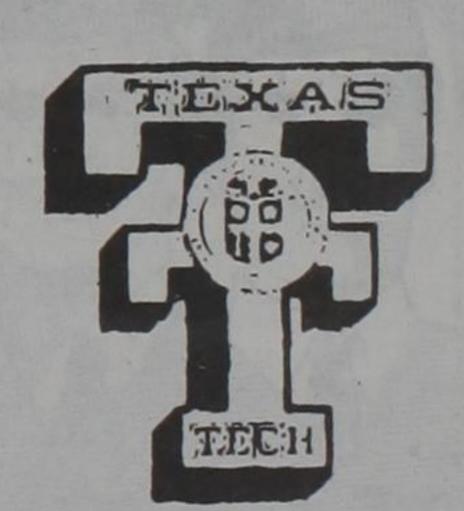
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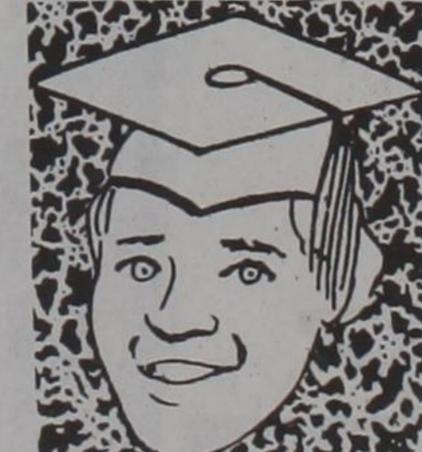
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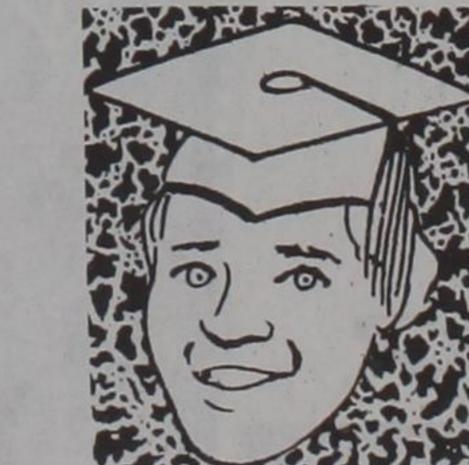
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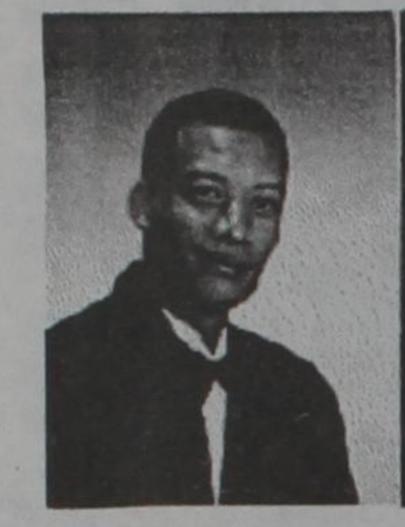


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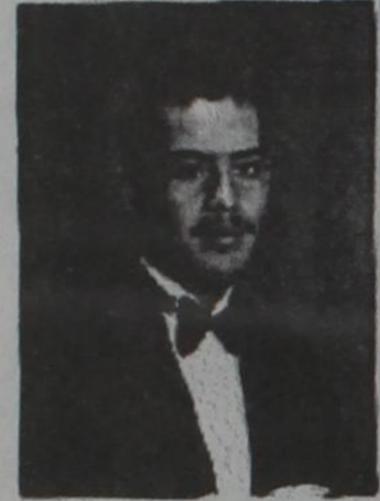


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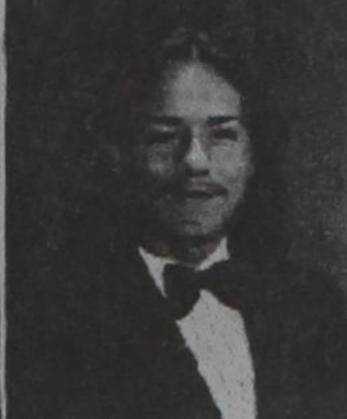
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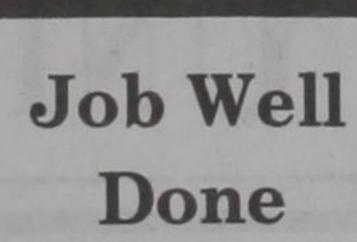


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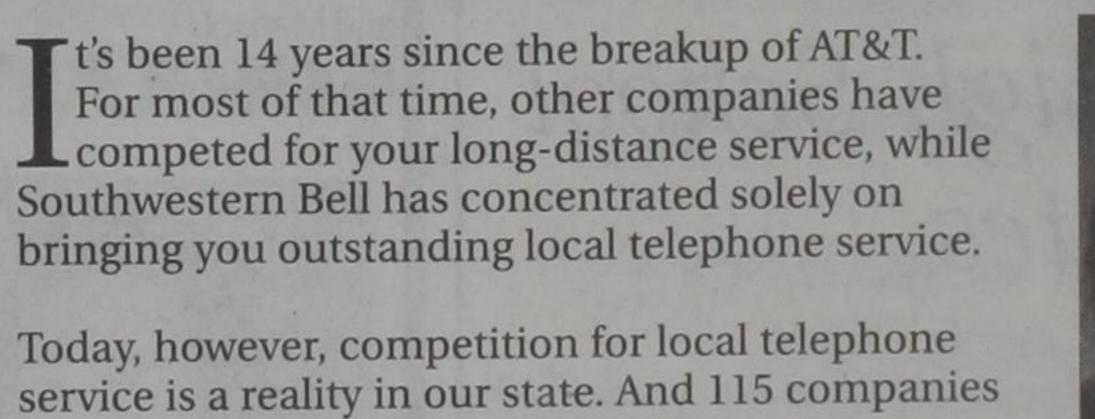
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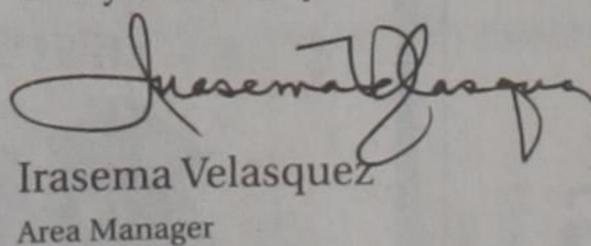
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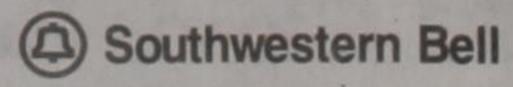
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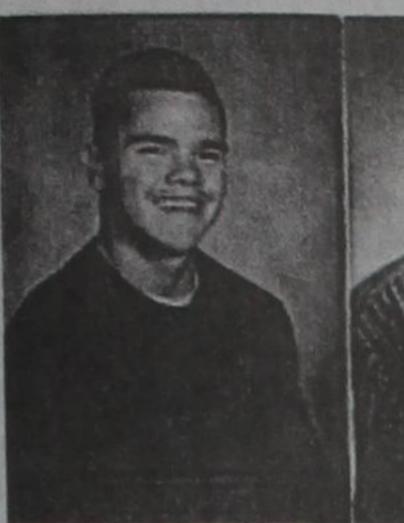
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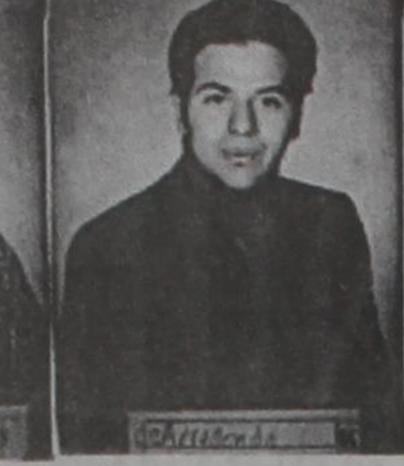




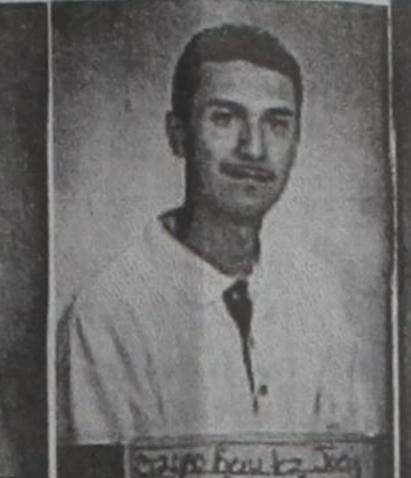
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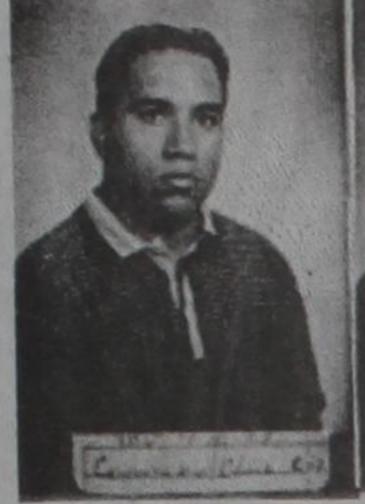
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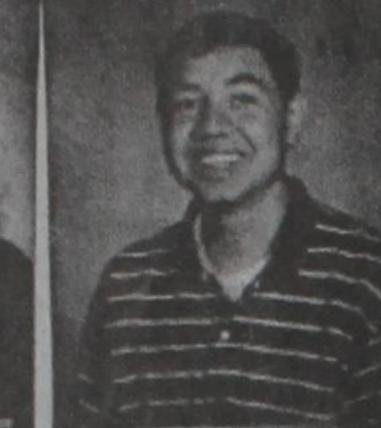
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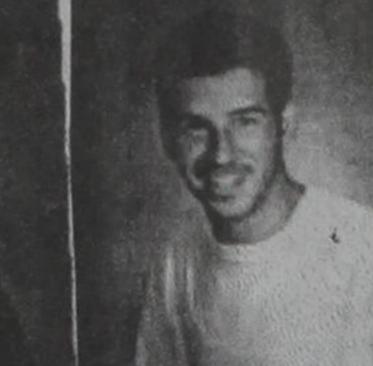
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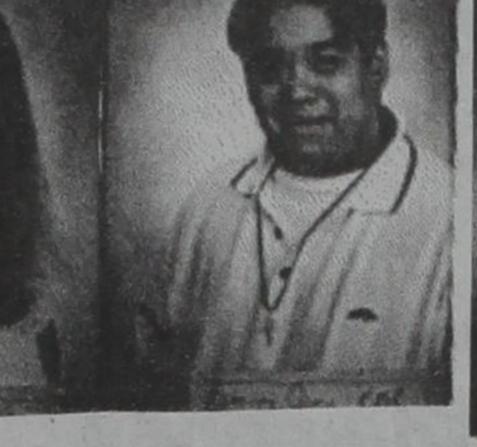
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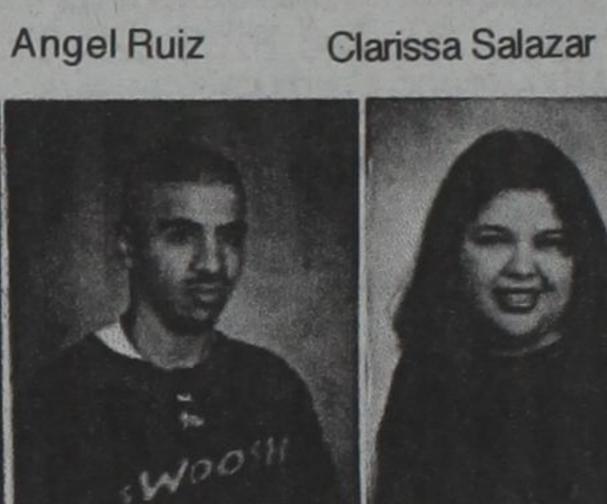


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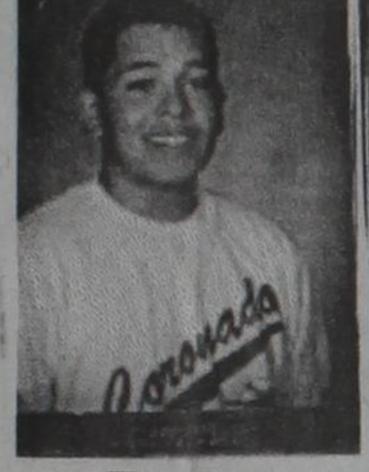


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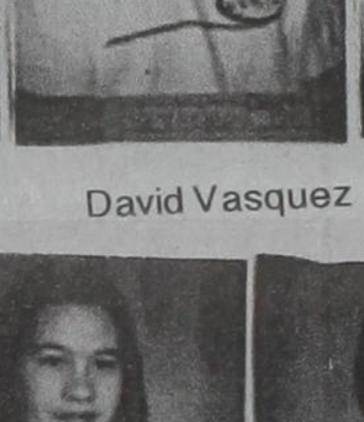
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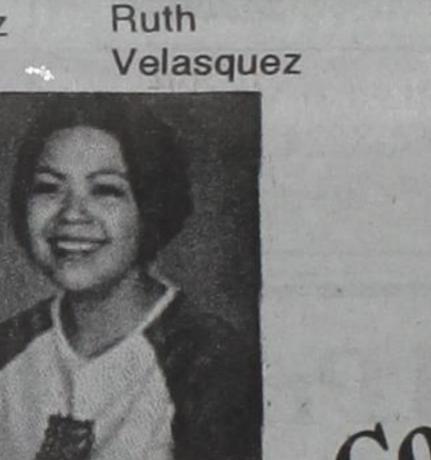
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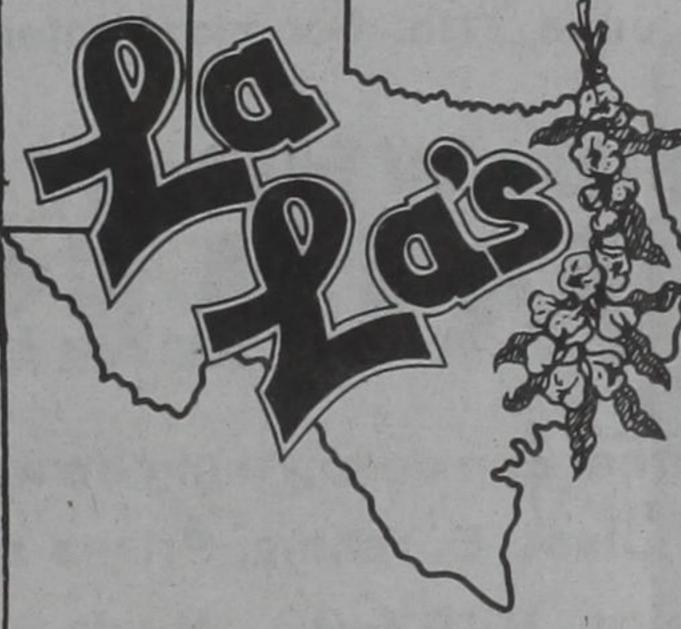
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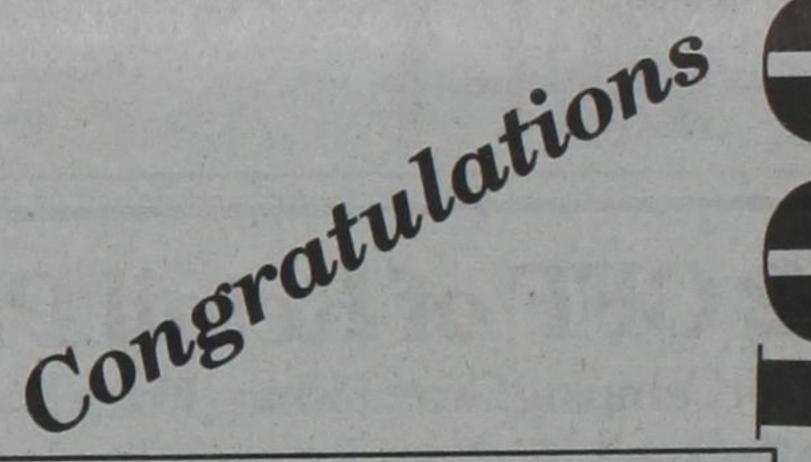
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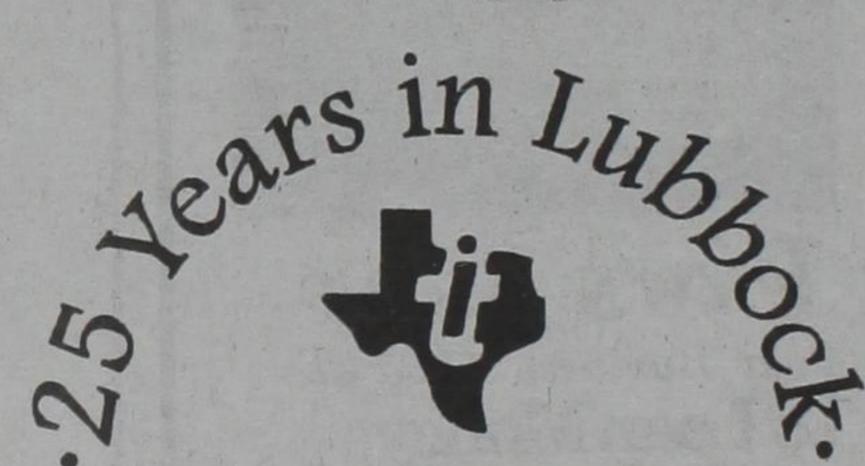
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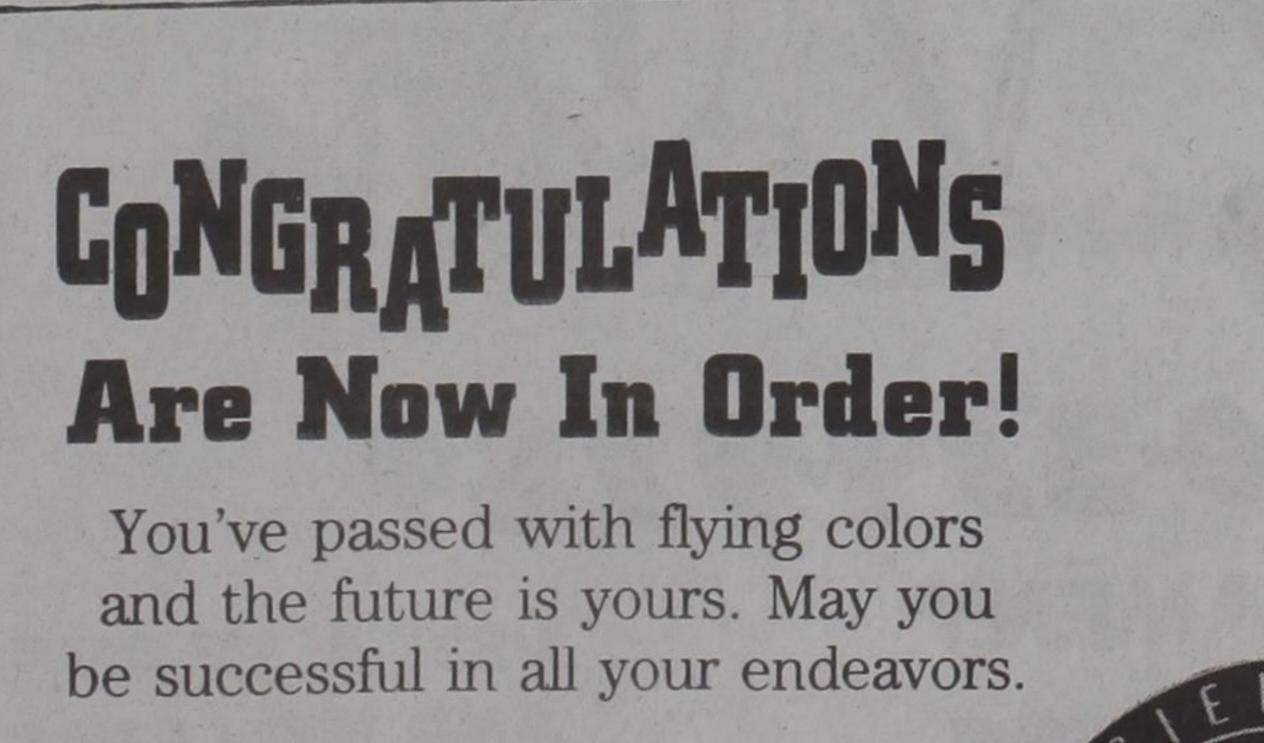
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## Texas SuperCup/Menudazo Festival Ok'd to Be

## Hispanic World Qualifier

Up until now, all the Hispanic teams in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico thought they would have to go 700 miles to Harlingen to the Hispanic State Tournament to enjoy the privilege to go to the World Tournament in Kansas, just 400 miles away.

Well as of tonight.....10:30 central time... Thursday May 14, 1998...by word of Rico Coronado, National Hispanic Director of USSSA and Bobby Drum. West Texas Area Director or USSSA, you don't have to travel that far.

Now Hispanic Teams ---Competitive and Recreational and Women, have only to place in the top 50% of the bracket to be qualified to go to Hutchingson, Kansas to enjoy the excitement of a World Hispanic Tournament with over 300 teams competing.

Bidal Aguero, tournament director for the Texas Super-Cup said that he expects the tournament to be a great success.

"We have been working for this for almost 10 years. Last year we hosted 60 teams now

with this honor we hope to double this figure."

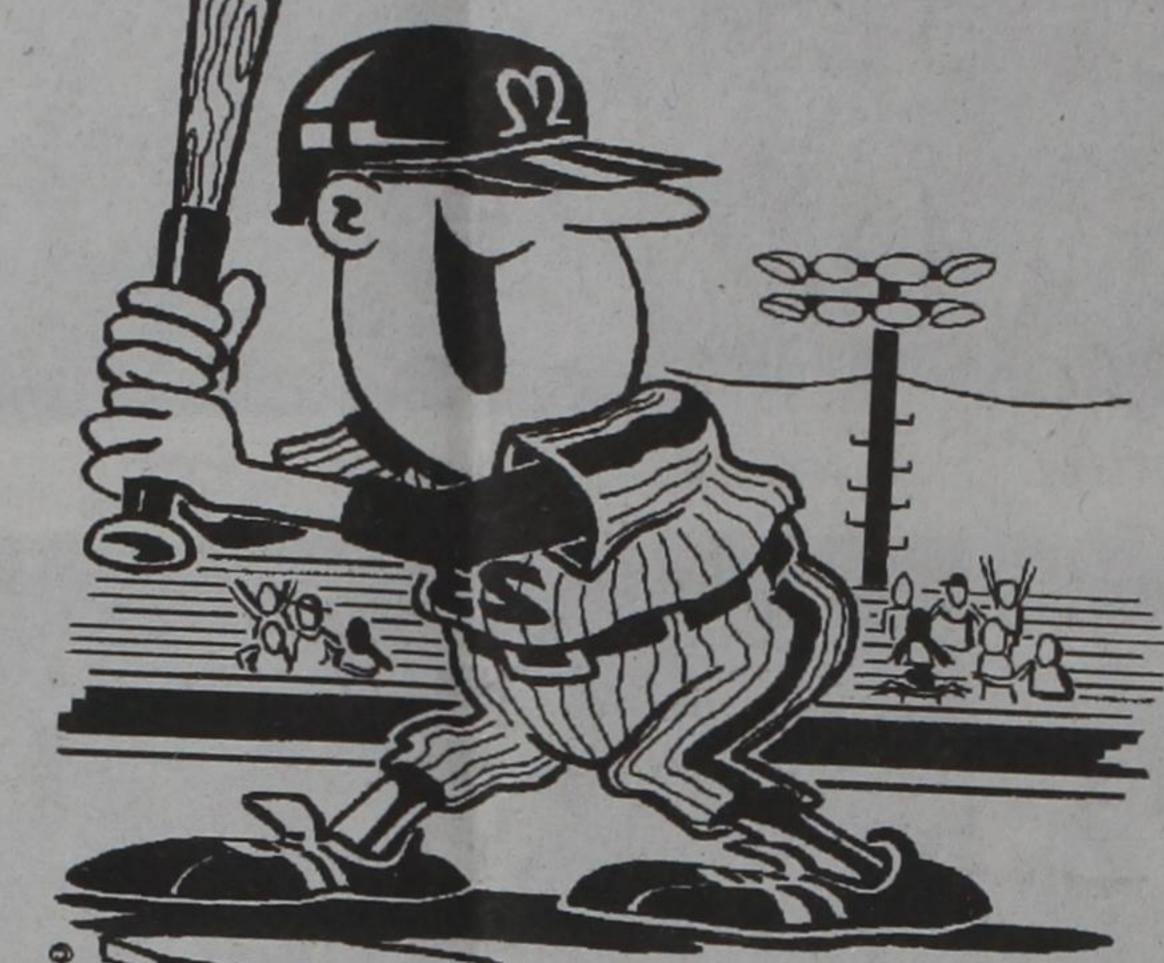
Aguero said that he has gotten commitments for the Lubbock Parks and Recreation, the Lubbock Sports Authority and Lubbock Motels and Hotels to help make the Texas SuperCup/Menudazo Festival as much a success as possible.

"Every year we try to make the Menudazo Festival a Family Festival including sports and activities for the whole family. This year we plan to double our efforts to have families have a good time when they visit Lubbock.

The Texas SuperCup-Menudazo Festival is scheduled for July 19 to 21st.

Along with the Softball Tournament which includes Men's B/C and D/E, the Festival will also have a Women's and C-Rec Recreational Softball Tournament, a Women's Fastpitch Softball, an over 40's Old-timer's Softball, a Baseball plus Horseshoe, Washers and Volleyball tournaments.

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#### Foreman-Holmes:

Houston or Vegas? LAS VEGAS - The promoter of a proposed fight between former heavyweight champions George Foreman and

Larry Holmes wants the bout to take place either in the Houston Astrodome or at a Las Vegas casino. Roger Levitt said he has

talked with representatives of the Astrodome, the Las Vegas Hilton and the MGM Grand. Spokesmen for the casinos described the talks as very preliminary

Both Foreman and Holmes are signed, according to Levitt, but no date has been set.

Foreman will be 50 Jan. 10, and Holmes will be 49 Nov. 3.

Nevada boxing officials said both fighters would have to undergo extensive physicals if they were to fight in the state because of their ages.

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ruvian-Bahamian Davis Cup match. The referee told some unruly Peruvian fans to keep quiet or he would take away team points. The translation was fine until the last part, when my wife said the referee would 'quitar las putas' if they didn't behave. A howl went up from the Peruvians. What she meant was puntos. Her translation said, "Be quiet or he'll take away your team's whores."

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examples that were just as em-

once asked to interpret at a Pe-

My Anglo-American wife was

When I went to live in Caracas, before I became familiar with the Venezuelan vernacular, a very proper and social-. minded female journalist called to welcome me to the city.

Trusting my Mexican parlance, I was astounded to hear someone I barely knew invite me to "drop by to make love." Before I could comb my hair and slap on some after-shave, found out that what she really meant in her local jargon was to come by and we'll have a drink."

Be careful, Newt, and everyone else, with the Spanish language.

(Carlos Conde, of Falls Church, Va., is a free-lance writer.)

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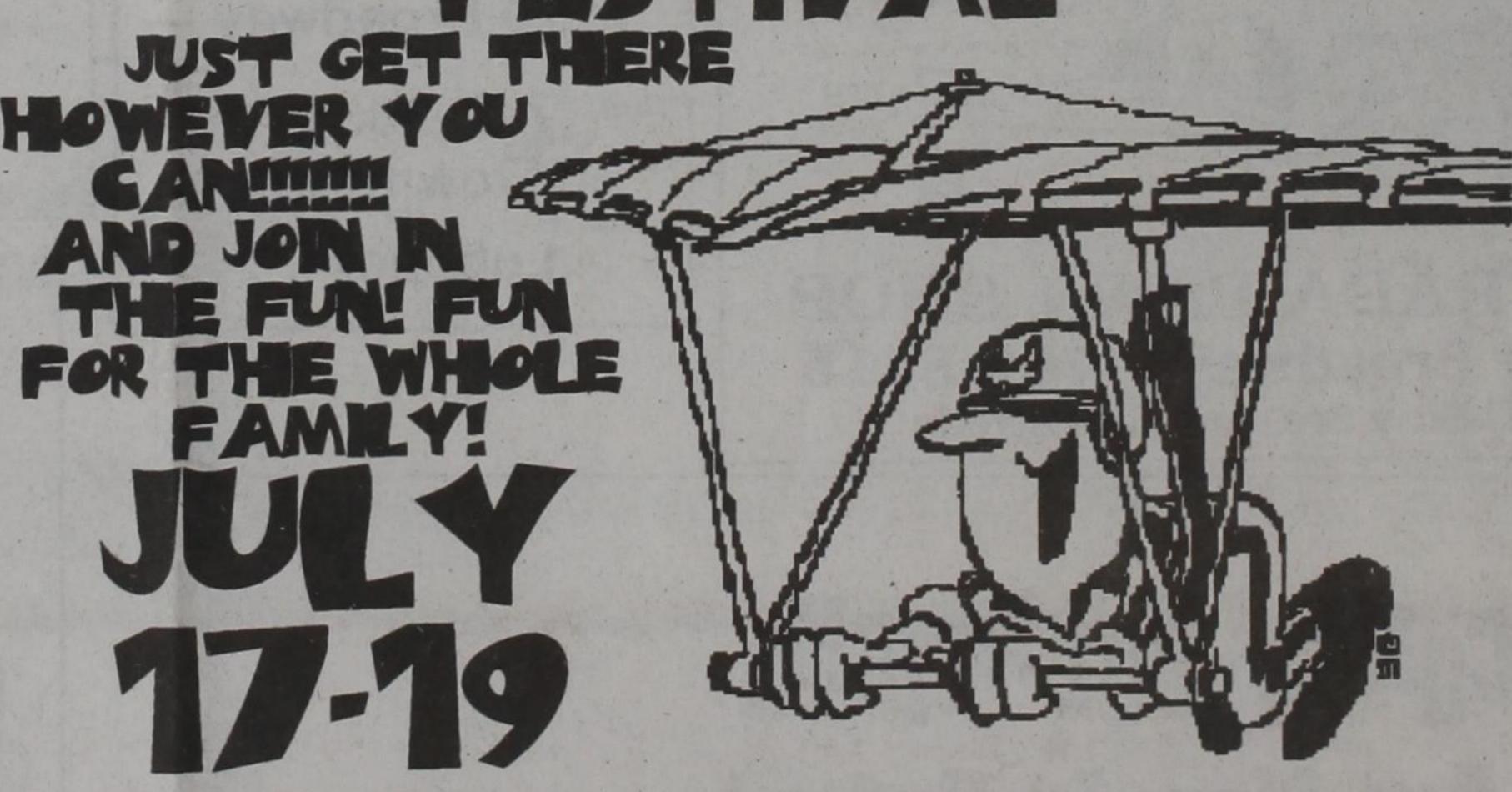
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