

BOLING/EAST BERNARD/WHARTON

# 2015

GRADUATION



Valedictorian  
*of Boling High School*  
Gabrielle Alcala

Valedictorian  
*of East Bernard High School*  
Elizabeth Blackert

Valedictorian  
*of Wharton High School*  
Ross Raybon

Wharton Journal  Spectator



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Wednesday, June 10, 2015

Thursday, June 11, 2015





# WHARTON HIGH SCHOOL

## *Class of 2015*



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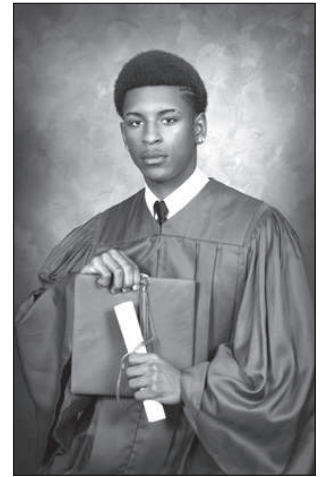
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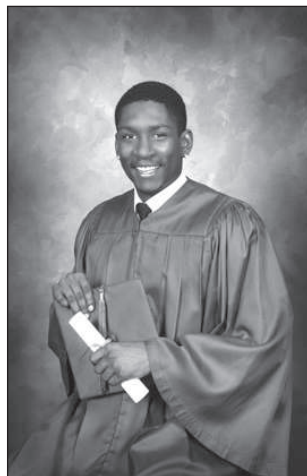
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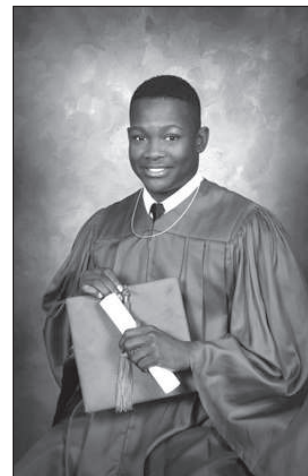
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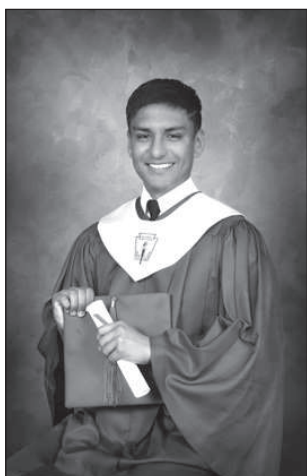
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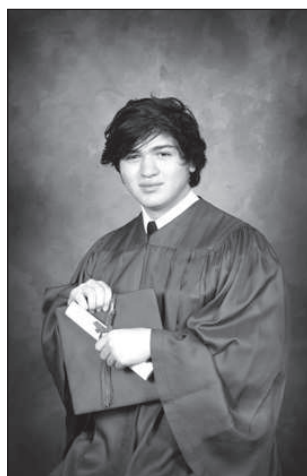
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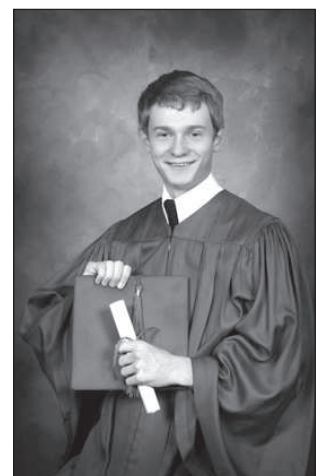
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Mariana Cazares



Kyle Chumchal



# Hinze's Bar-B-Que

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Britney Orsak



Joseph Krenek



Reena Cruz



Ryan Hayes



Jessica Volik



Alex Lopez

*Thank you all for all of your hard work. Congratulations!*



*Libby Hinze*

*Congratulations Libby!  
We are so proud of you!*

Graduation from high school is just the beginning of the bright path that's filled with your dreams and hopes. We are beaming with pride to call you our daughter! May the Lord bless you with courage and endurance to thrive towards your dreams.

Love,

Mom, Dad, Jacob and family





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Reena Cruz



Esperanza Cuevas



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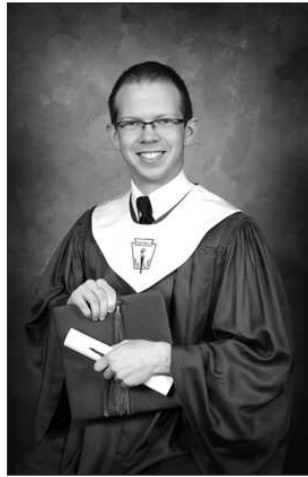
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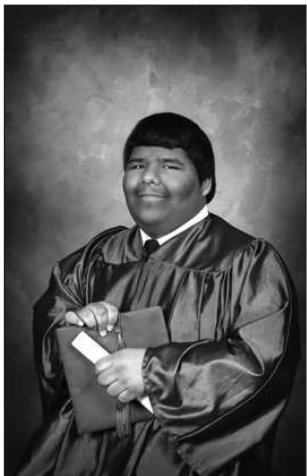
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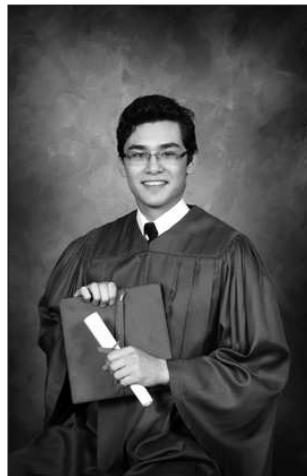
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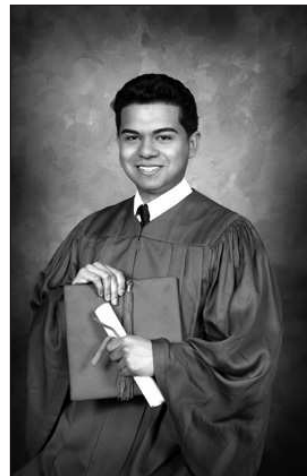
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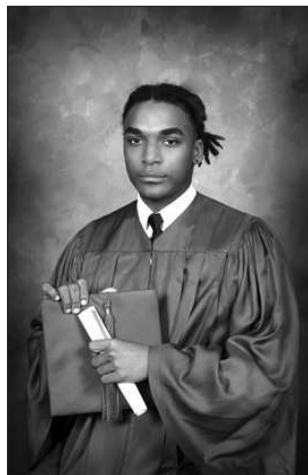
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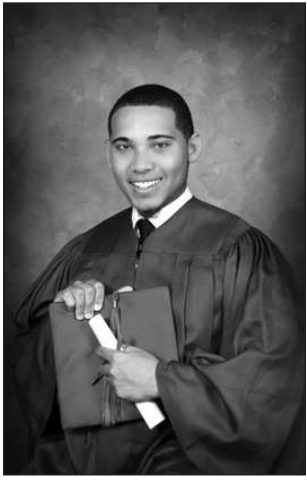


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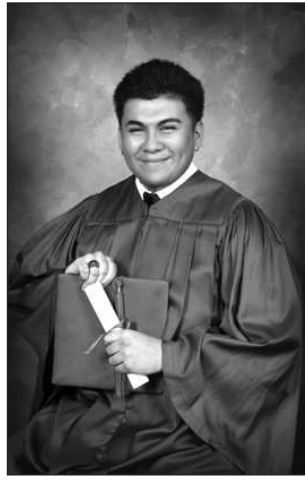




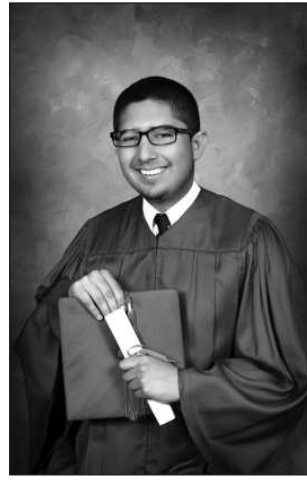
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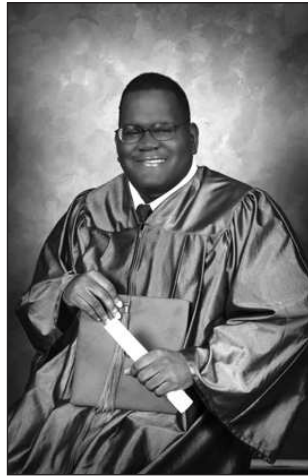
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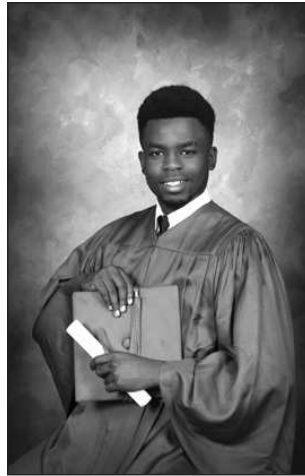
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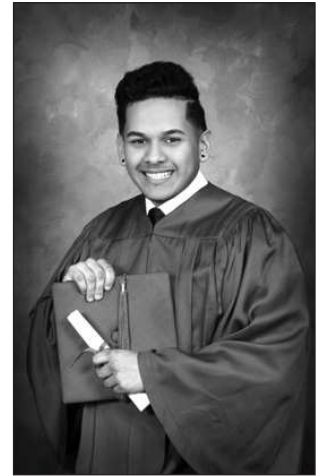
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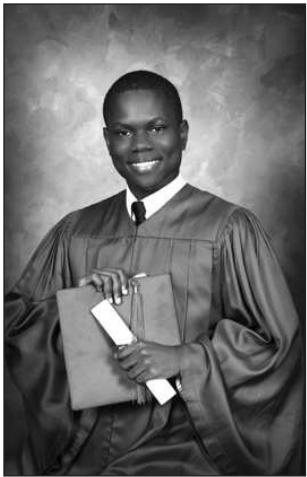
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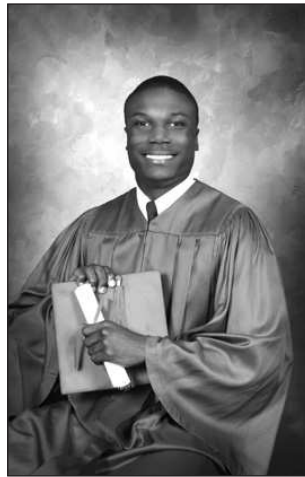
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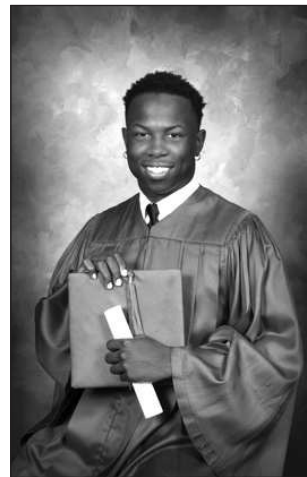
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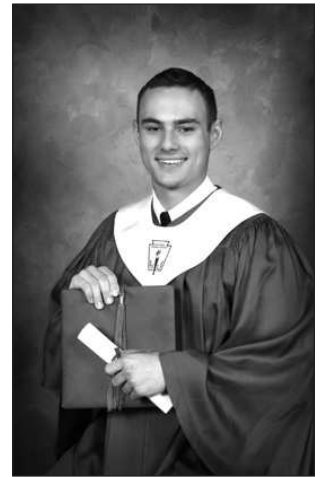
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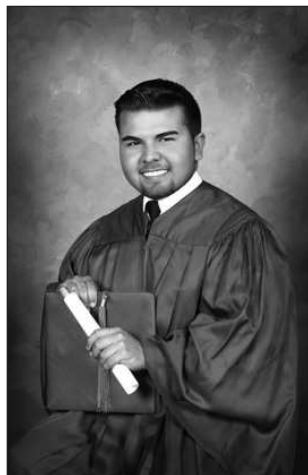
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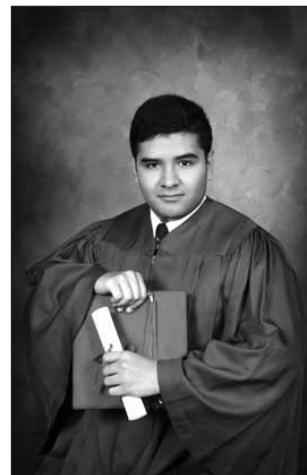
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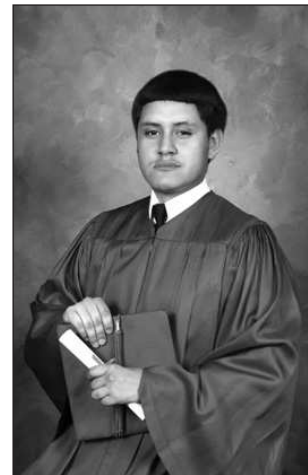
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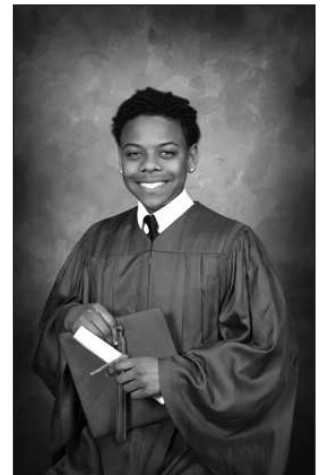
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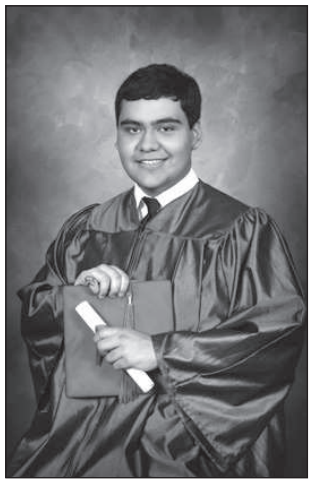


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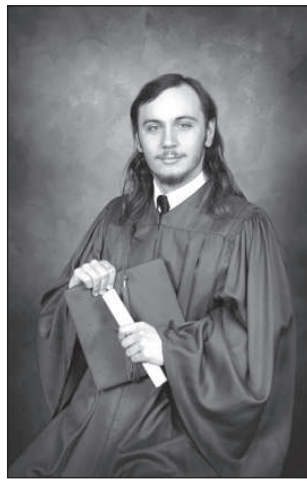




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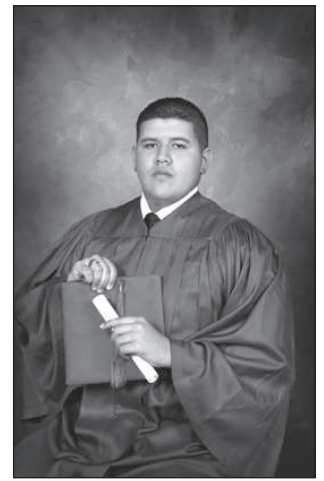
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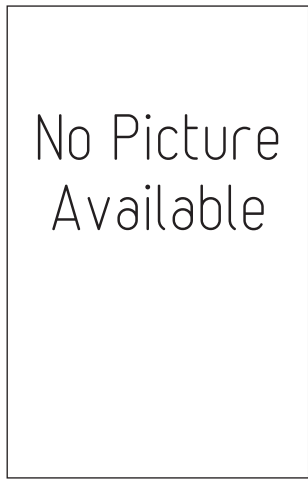
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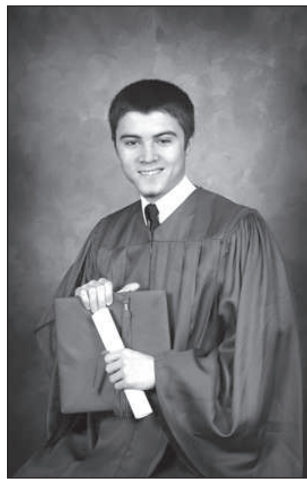


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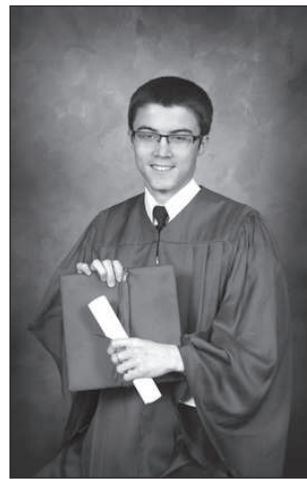


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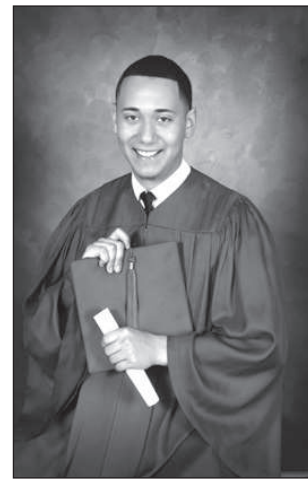
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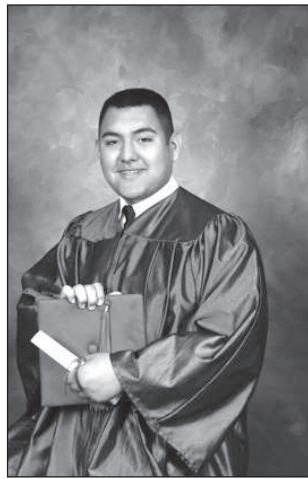
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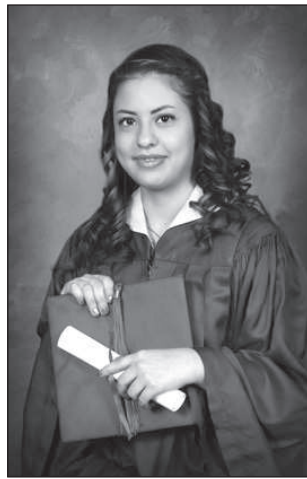
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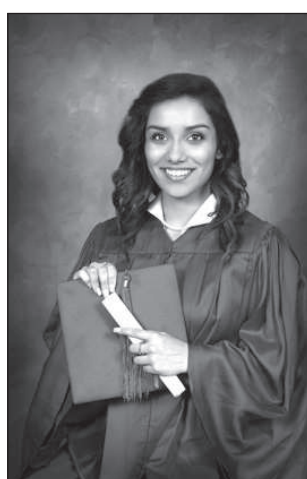
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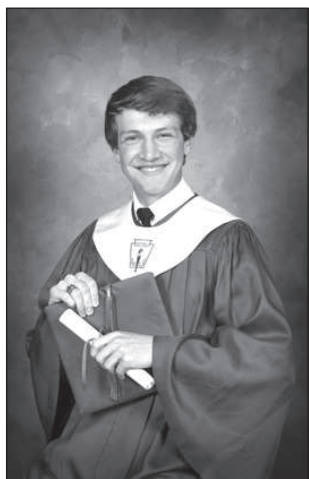
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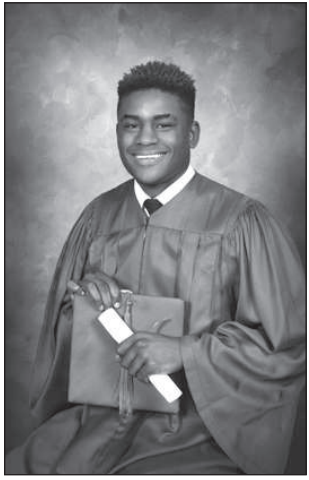


Alexis Rincon

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*With Adulthood*  
*comes Responsibility*

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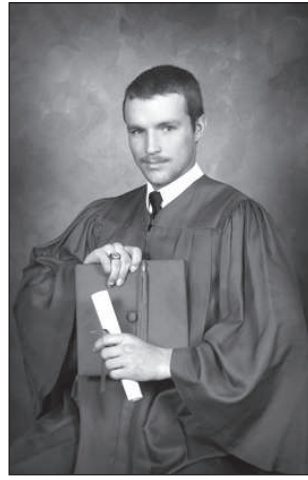




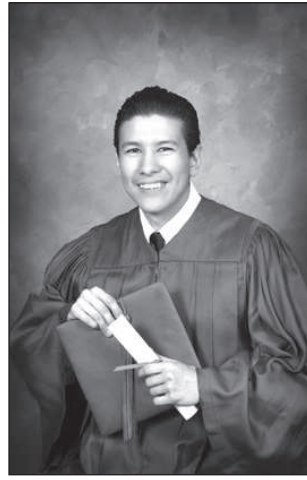
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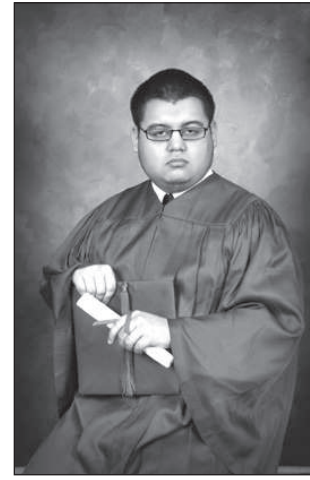
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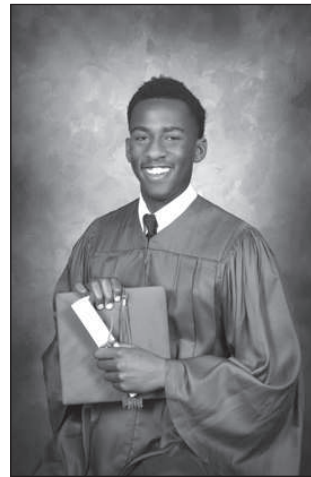
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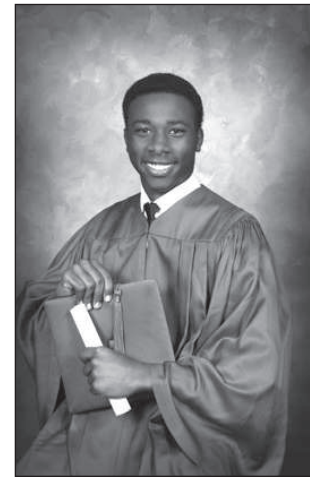
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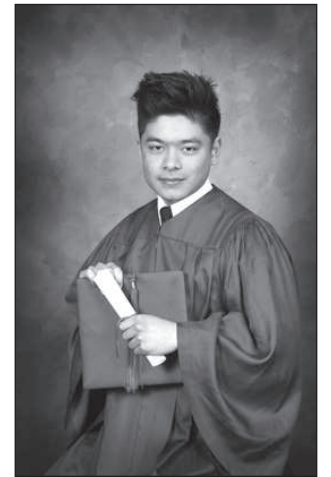
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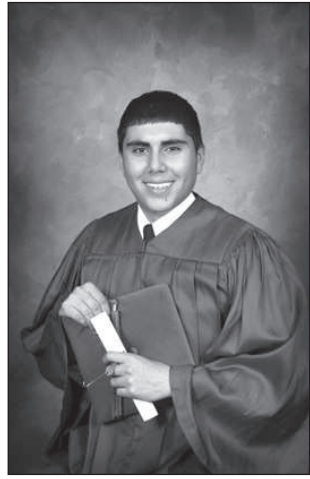
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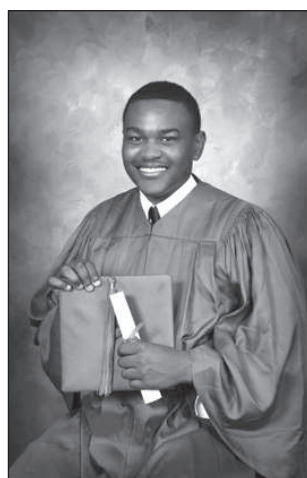
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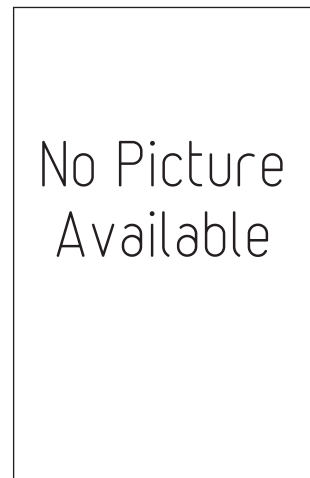
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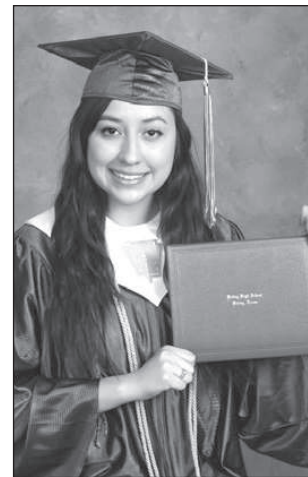
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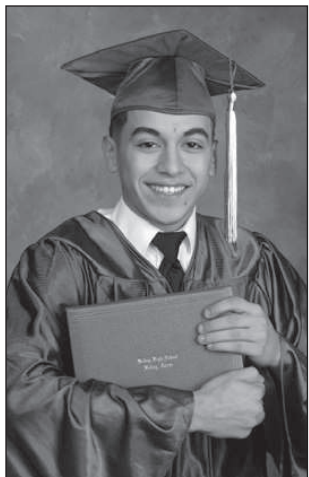
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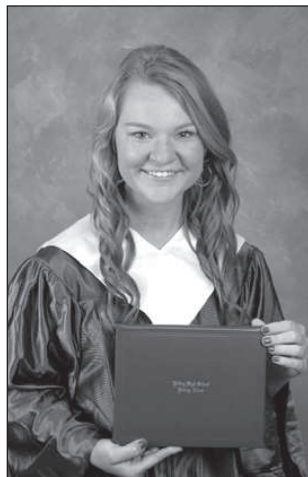
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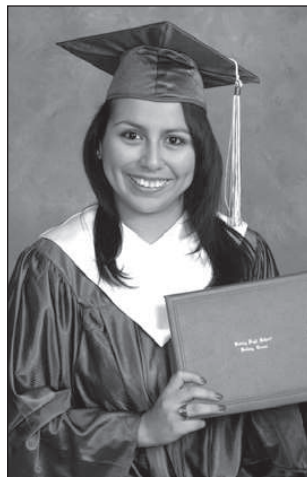
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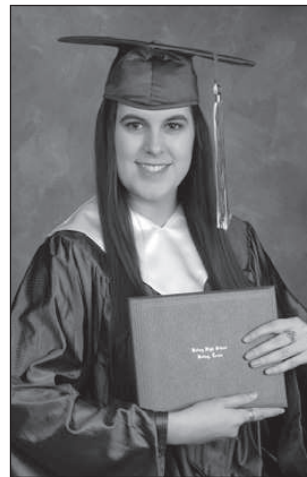
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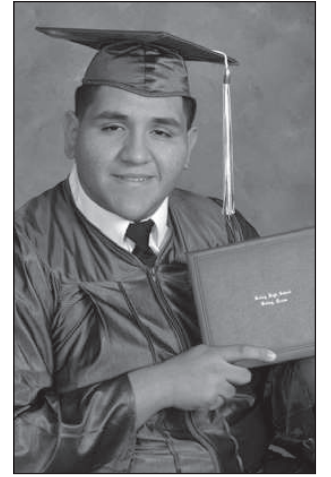
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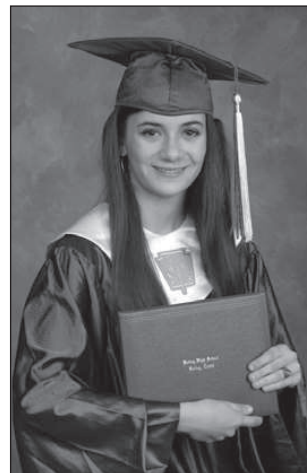
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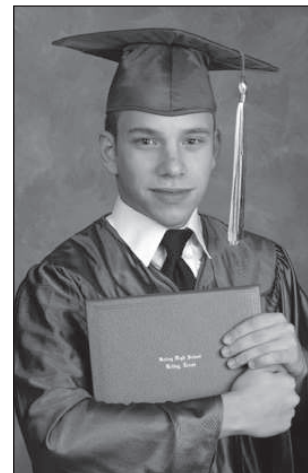
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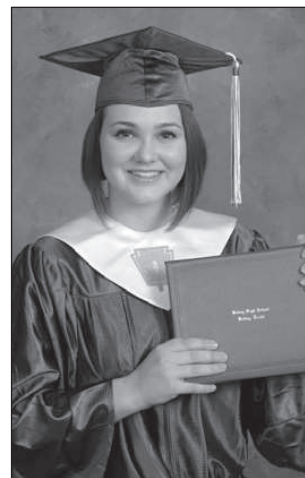
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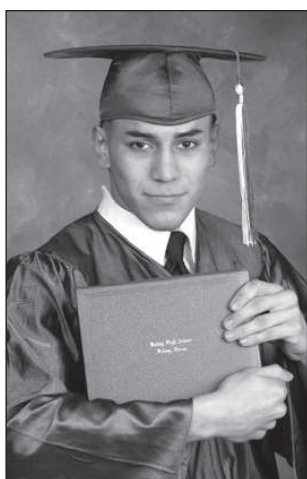
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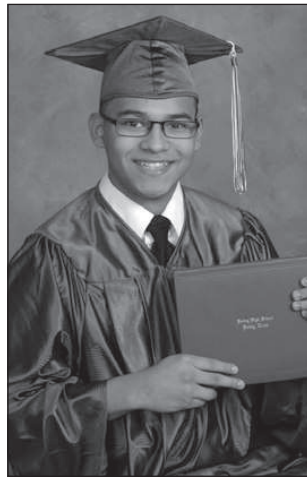
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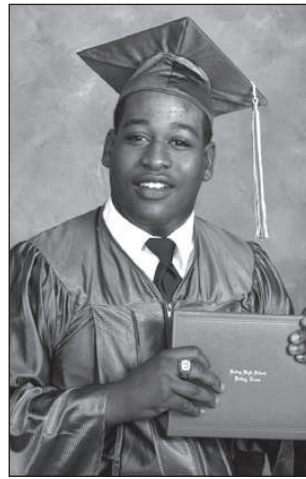
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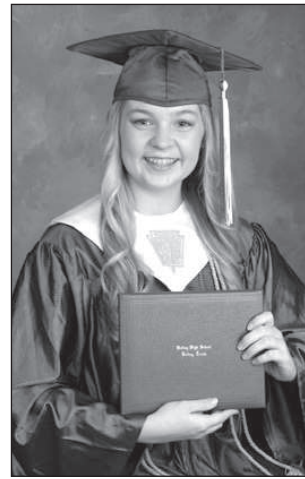
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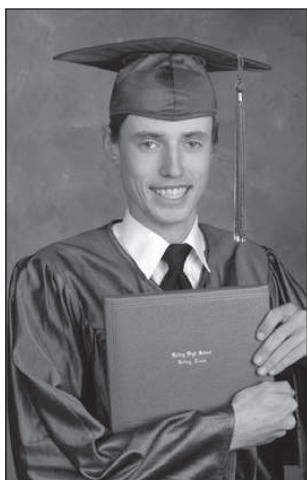
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Heath Kulak



Tametria Lee



**Congratulations,**  
*Graduates!*



*Alicia's*  
*Beauty Salon*

Alicia Rodriguez | Wendy Ustynik | Edie Perez  
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congratulate the  
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*h a i l e y*

**SWOSU**

*Congratulations Hailey,  
We are so proud of you and  
wish you all the best at SWOSU.  
Love, Mom, Dad, Wil, Mimi & Big Mo*

**M**

*Class of 2015*

*"Let no one have contempt for your youth, but set an example for those who believe in speech, conduct, love, faith, and Purity."  
1 Timothy 4:12*

**A**

**D**

**G**

*We are so proud of you Madi  
Love,  
Mom, Dad & Mia*

*Congratulations*  
*Haley Nicole Venclar*

**A&M**

*Amazing how time flies from Kindergarten to High School graduations!!!!  
3 year high school grad and headed to A&M in the fall!  
We are so proud of you! Love, Mom & Daulton*

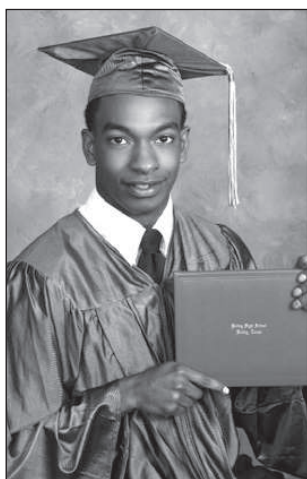
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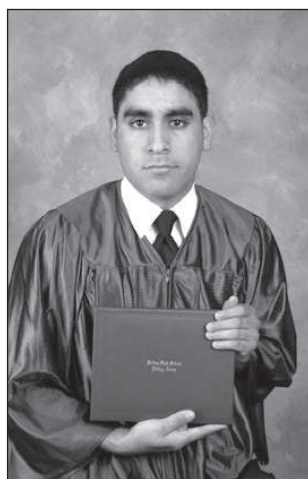
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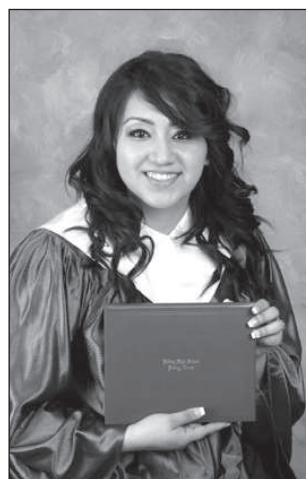
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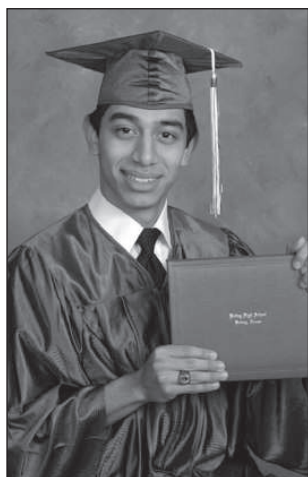
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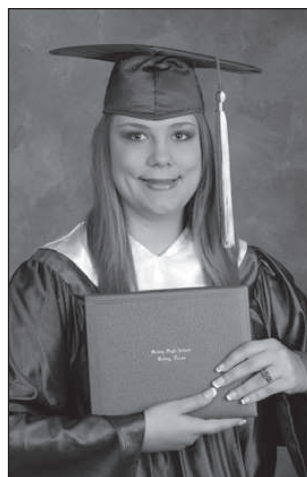
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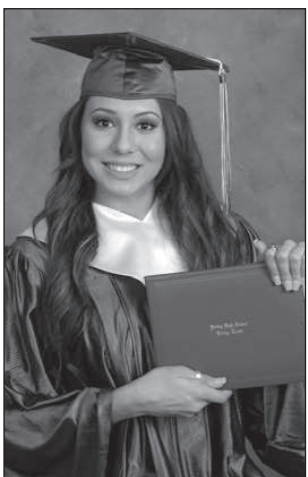
**ARMY**

Take **Pride** in how far you have come.  
Have **Faith** in how far you can go.  
We are very proud of you.

*Love,*  
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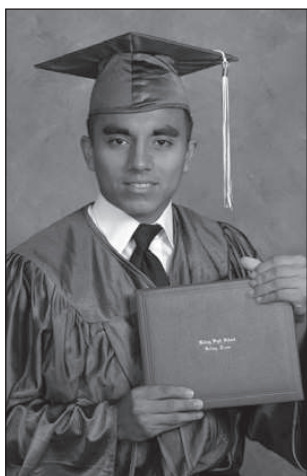
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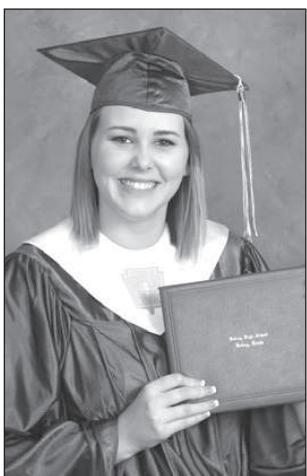
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# Valedictorians

## Ross Raybon Wharton valedictorian

This year's Wharton High School Valedictorian is Ross Raybon, son of Donna and Gary Raybon.

Ross is an excellent student and continues to balance his active school life with his academic one. He is a student who has been actively involved in many school and community activities throughout his high school years.

Maintaining a high GPA, he has been invited to attend the Awards of Excellence Banquet all four years of his high school career and is The President of the National Honor Society.

In addition to his many academic achievements, this young man has shown his dedication to his school and community by his involvement in numerous clubs and organizations. He is a member of Choir, was a Varsity Swimmer for two years, has played Varsity Tennis for three years, competed in Speech and Debate for three years and has been involved in theater. He is this year's president of the Anchor Club, president of WIT and is vice-president of the WHS Book Club.

During High School this student has given countless hours of various community and school events.

He is an active member of the Boy Scouts of America and is an Eagle Scout. He has worked as a lifeguard, and in his free time loves to play the guitar.

Voted "Most Likely to Succeed" and Mr. WHS of the senior class, Ross plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall to study electrical and computer engineering.

## Gabrielle Alcala Boling valedictorian

Gabrielle Alcala is the Valedictorian of the Boling High School Class of 2015. Gabrielle is the daughter of Monica Ortiz of Boling. She is the granddaughter of Joe and Sylvia Ortiz of Boling and Christine and Sam Alcala of Dallas. Her sister, Aubrey Alcala, is also a current student at Boling High School. Gabrielle was born in Dallas and began attending school in the Boling Independent School District in the fifth grade.

She has been active in many clubs, activities and events at Boling High School. She has participated as a one year One Act Play cast member, one year Greenscape member, four year Literary Society member and officer for one year, four year Fire Marshal, four year Spanish Club member and two year Historian, four year member of student council and two year secretary, four year color guard member and two year captain, four year band member and two year officer, four year Boling FFA Member and three year officer, district president, area treasurer, and current chapter president, two year National Honor Society Member, two year speech and debate member and a former UIL participant in Persuasive Extemporaneous Speaking, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Mathematics, Science, and Computer Programming.

Gabrielle enjoys being active in not only her school, but also the community as well. Throughout high school, she has volunteered for Habitat for Humanity, Boling High School blood drives, Boling Community Trash Pick-Ups, Adopt-A-Highway, local holiday nursing home visitations, Newgulf Elementary Science Academy, Wharton Crisis Center food drives, WCYF Special Goat Show, WCYF Pre-School Day, Hearstone Nursing Home Thanksgiving dinner, Wharton County Farm Bureau Ag In the Classroom Day, Holy Family Thanksgiving Feast of Sharing, Boling Youth Football League and Boling Little League

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## Elizabeth Blackert East Bernard valedictorian

Elizabeth Blackert, daughter of Margaret and James Blackert, is East Bernard High School's valedictorian this year.

Blackert has been a member of the band for four years, serving as drum major and band council president. She was also selected to all-state band and was a four-year qualifier for state solo and ensemble.

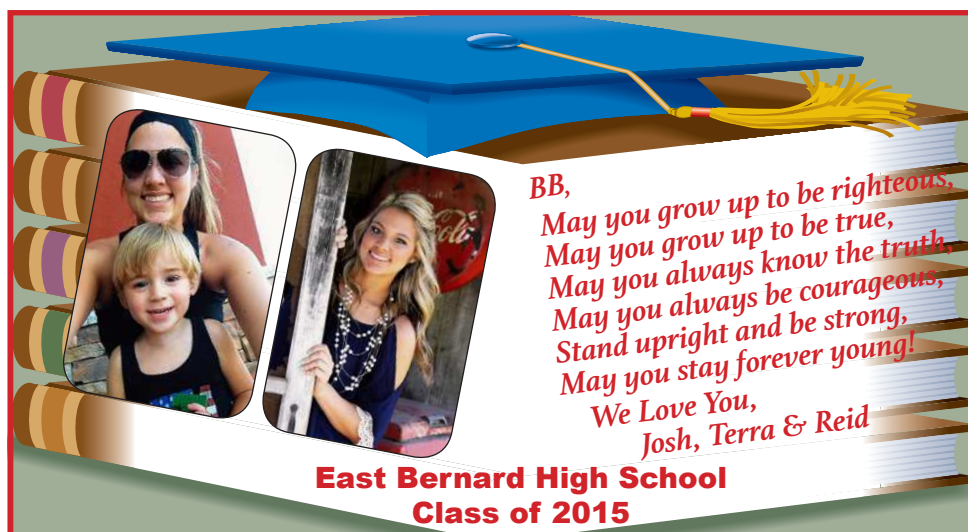
She is on the yearbook staff as copy editor and is a member of the National Honor Society and Future Business Leaders of America.

Blackert has competed in UIL for four years, competing in number sense, literary criticism, computer science and one act play.

She is a member of East Bernard Prairie 4-H and Boots and Bridle 4-H, as well as the San Jacinto Pony Club.

She volunteers at SIRE Therapeutic Horsemanship — a therapeutic riding center for people with special needs and enjoys reading and playing music.

Blackert plans to attend State University New York Polytechnic Institute Colleges of Nanoscale Science and Engineering, majoring in nanoscale engineering.





# Salutatorians



## Fatima Yumira Baca Boling salutatorian

The Salutatorian of Boling High School's graduating class of 2015 is Fatima Yumira Baca. Fatima was born on July 1, 1997, in Plymouth, Ind.

At the age of 2, Fatima and her family moved to Mexico. Her parents, Martin and Argelia Baca, believed it would be good for her to grow up around family and the customs and cultures they had grown up with. Fatima attended school in Mexico.

A couple of months before she turned 10, her parents gave her the

news that they were moving. Even though she was scared and leaving behind many loved ones, Fatima knew new beginnings bring new opportunities and she was ready.

Fatima moved with her parents and brothers, Marcos, Christian and Osmar to Boling. Her parents enrolled her in the 5th grade at Newgulf Elementary. Fatima moved to a new place, knowing no one and not understanding any language other than Spanish; however, she had her mind set on always doing the best that she was capable of and making the people around her not only happy, but also proud.

As her career as a Bulldog pro-

gressed, Fatima made friendships that will last a lifetime and met wonderful people who have helped her, and still help her, get through rough times.

She also enrolled in clubs and other extracurricular activities. Fatima was a member of the BHS band, where she played the clarinet and was voted Vice President in clubs such as FCCLA, Spanish Club, the Literacy Society, and the National Honor Society. Fatima was also voted Prom Queen, Senior Class President, and received the title most likely to succeed, which she hopes she can live up to.

See BACA, Page 23



## Trevor Cook East Bernard salutatorian

Trevor Cook, son of Jerian and Guy Cook, is this year's East Bernard High School salutatorian.

Cook has competed in varsity tennis for three years and UIL for four years in social studies and sci-

ence.

He is a member of the Future Business Leaders of America, where he has served as vice president, student council and the National Honor Society as vice president and Green Team.

His interests include hunting, fishing and playing video games.

Trevor plans to attend Texas A&M University, majoring in biomedical science.



## Sydney Stolle Wharton salutatorian

The Wharton High School Class of 2015 Salutatorian is Sydney Stolle, daughter of Melissa and Brian Stolle.

Sydney is a member of the National Honor Society, has been on the Distinguished Honor Roll and has been invited to the Award of Excellence Banquet for the past four years.

She has excelled in the sports arena, playing tennis and was a re-

gional qualifier in swimming as well as Academic All District.

Sydney has shown her dedication to her school and community involvement in a number of clubs and organizations.

She is in Power Set, a member of the Speech and Drama Club, Student Council, FFA, Anchor Club and Spanish Club. She has been a WHS cheerleader for four years and is this year's captain.

Sydney plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin in the fall.







Karli Seymour



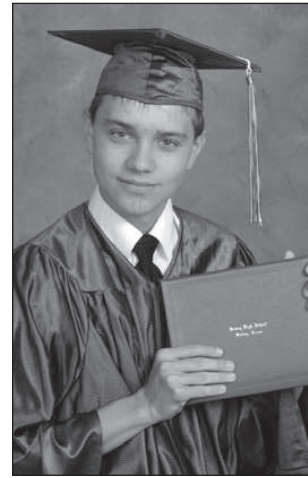
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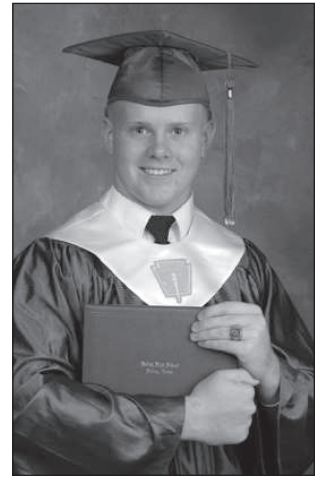
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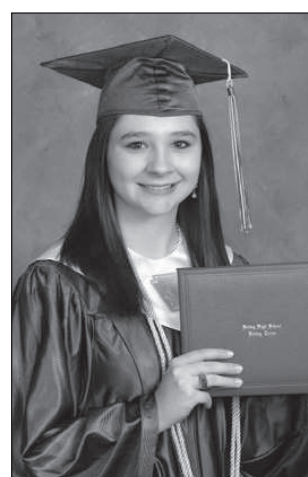
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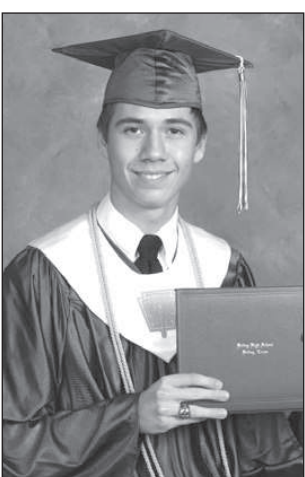
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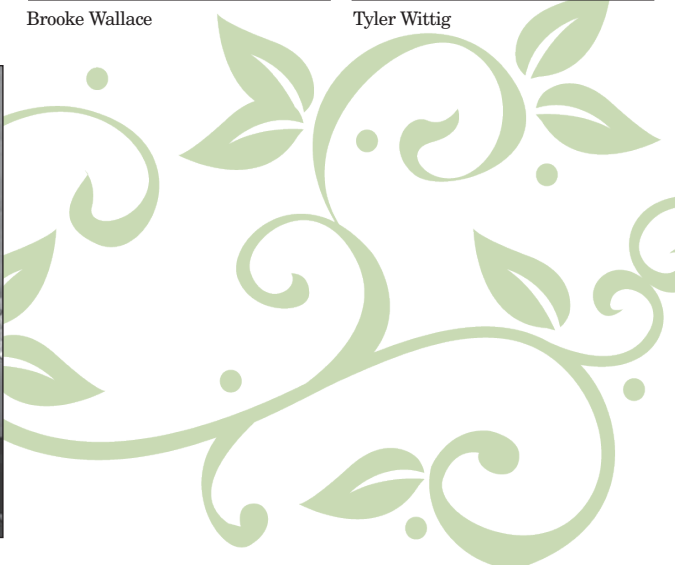
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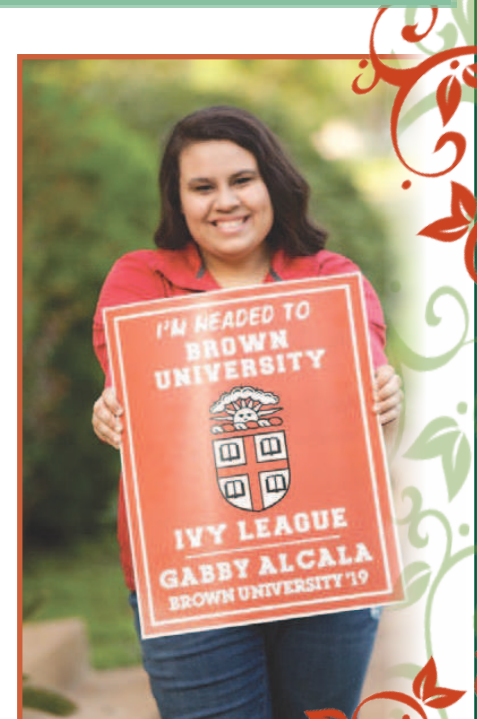
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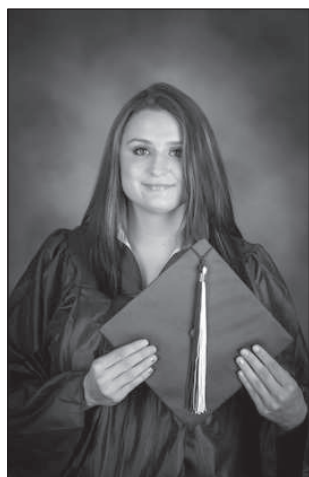
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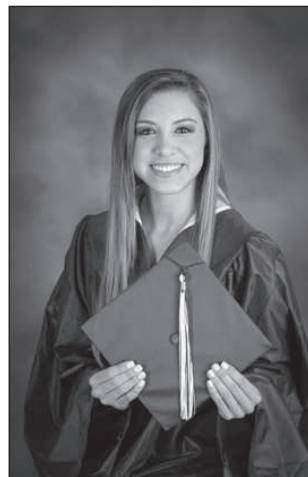
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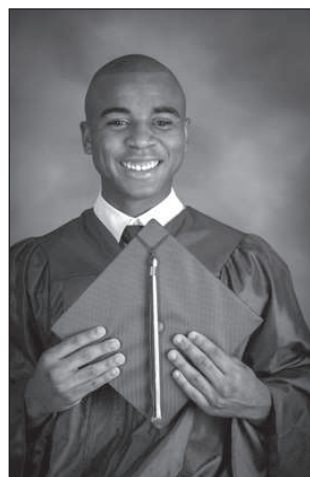
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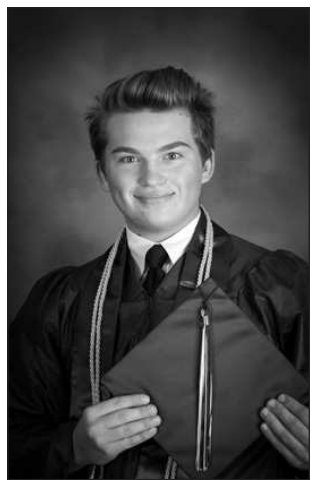
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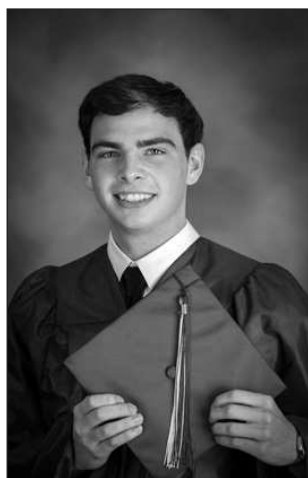
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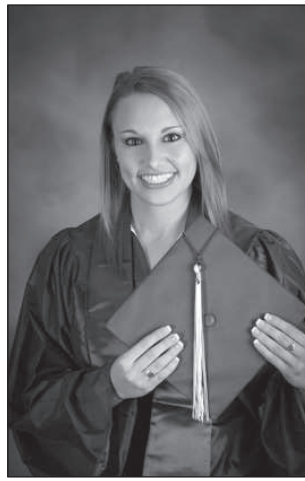




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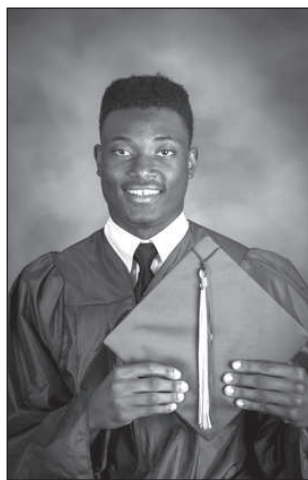
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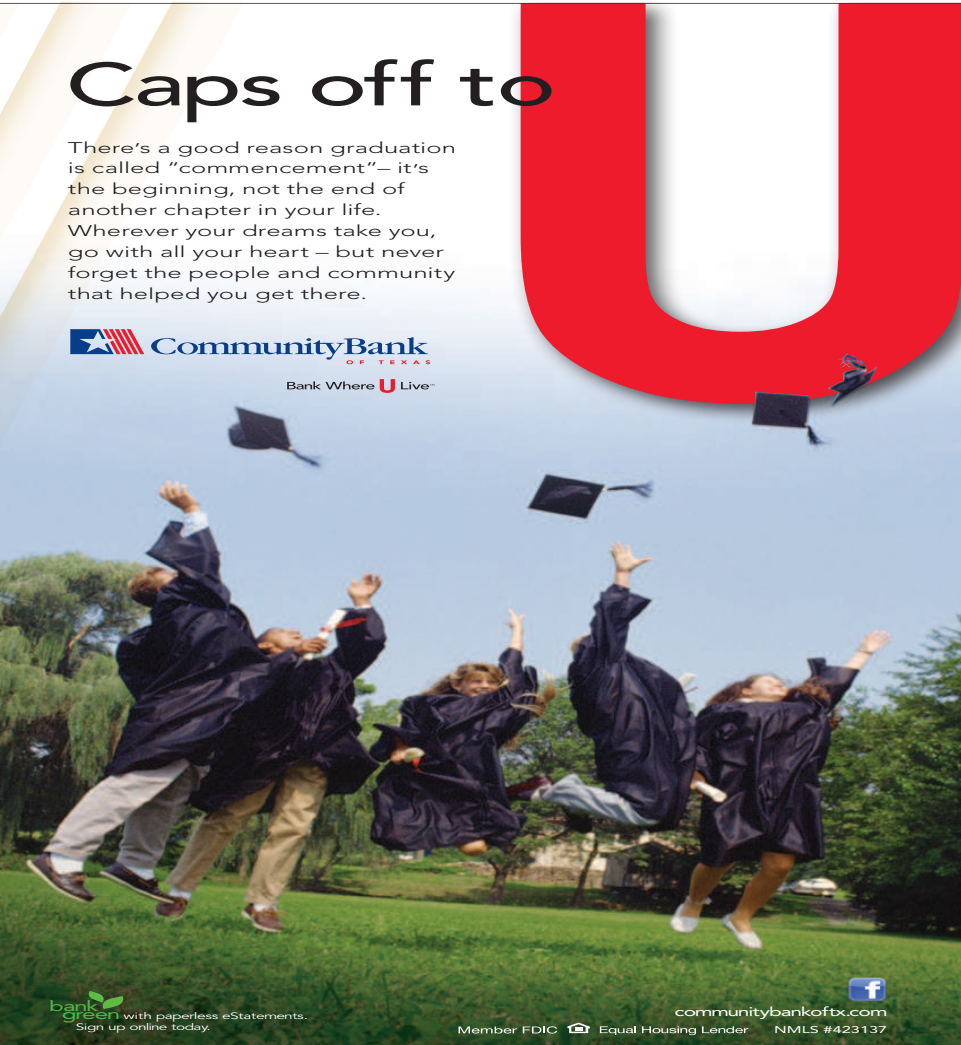
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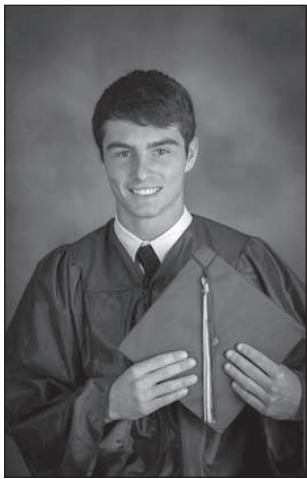
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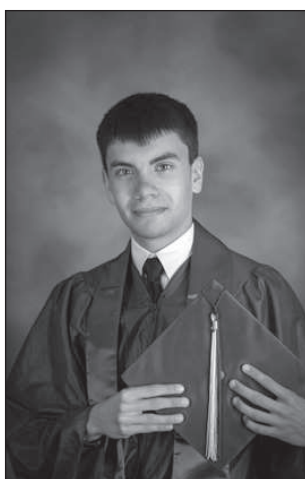
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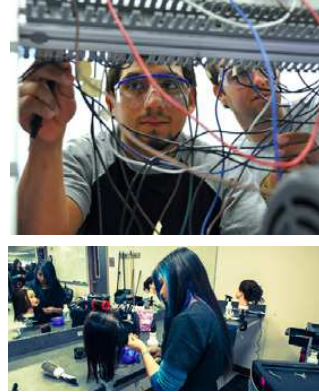
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Wharton School Board President Rachel Rust, left, waits to congratulate Wharton High School graduate Jarett Barker after he receives his diploma from Principal Mark Anglin.

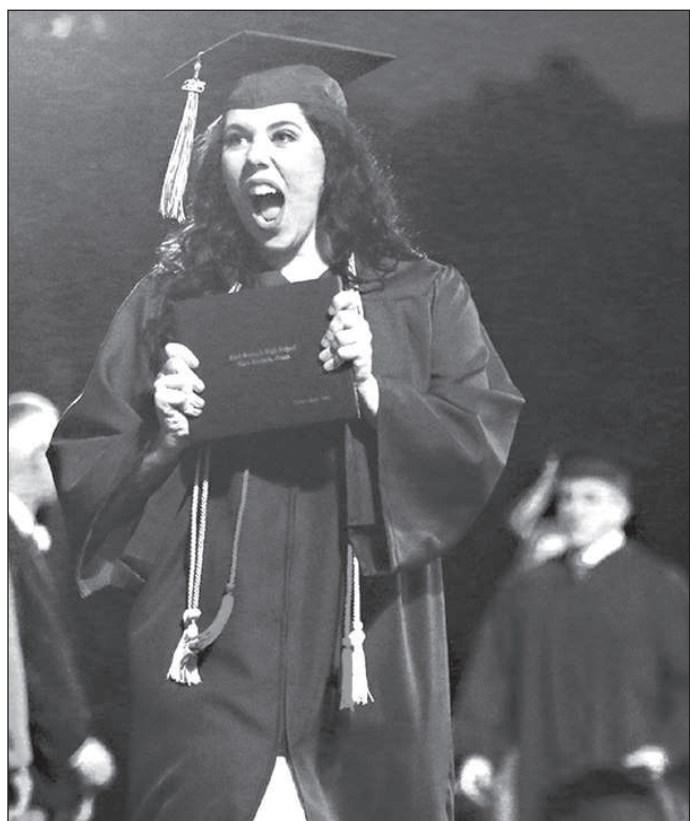
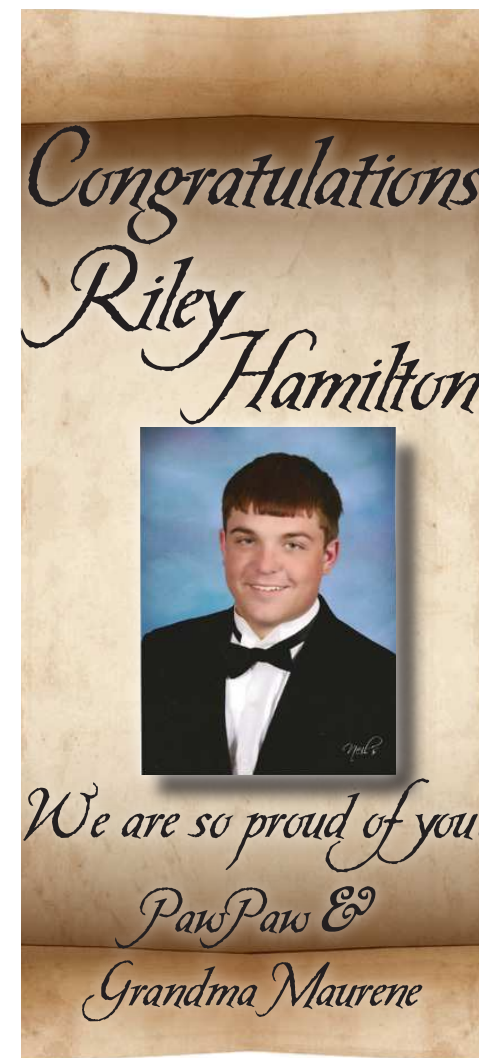


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East Bernard graduate Sarah Sims shows her excitement after receiving her diploma.



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East Bernard's Beverly Keller dances after she receives her diploma.





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## — *Alcala, BHS valedictorian*

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and Toys for Tots annual toy drive. This past year, Gabrielle also started her own Anti-Bullying Program, Bulldogs Don't Bully, to combat bullying issues in Boling ISD and educate students on what they can do to prevent it.

Gabrielle has participated in the Wharton County Youth Fair as a swine exhibitor, academic rodeo competitor and junior fair board member. She has competed in FFA speaking and judging events, marching and concert band and Band Solo and Ensemble. She was also a D.A.R.E. Role Model, a member of the Texas FFA Ford Leadership Scholars

Program and a National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar. Gabrielle is a Guilt-Edge Honor Roll student.

This fall, Gabrielle has committed to attend the Ivy League college Brown University in Providence, R.I. She intends to double concentrate in political science and minority studies, with minors in public policy and psychology. She hopes to be involved in the Brown First Generation Student Union, Center for Students of Color and be a Collegiate Women's Peer Counselor. She also hopes to continue many of the high school activities she was a member of through her collegiate experience.

## Tradition tossing of caps in the air!

Boling High School students toss their caps in the air after they graduated during a ceremony on Friday, June 5 at the Boling High School gym.

## — *Baca, BHS salutatorian*

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Fatima loves music and enjoys reading. Her favorite subject is mathematics and she aspires to follow a career path where she can apply her love for math. Fatima plans on attending Wharton

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Fatima also hopes that after obtaining her degree she can help her brothers reach their goals just as she hopes to reach hers.



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