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Tillamook High School Valedictorian

Maeleah Upton encourages others to grow

Maeleah Upton feels that her graduating class has been resilient through the years.

"My hope for my fellow graduates is that...they do not limit themselves as they pursue their careers, college, educations, trade school experiences, and beyond," Upton said. "They are all very deserving of the best and I am so proud of each and every one of them."

As the Valedictorian of Tillamook High School, Upton is graduating with a 4.449 GPA.

During her time at Tillamook High School, Upton was in "The Kids Making Miracles Foundation" at Doernbecher Children's Hospital as the senior chair, Black Box Theatre musicals, the chamber and concert choir program, THS women's soccer as a threeyear varsity captain, THS Charity Drive class chairman, Key Club president, National Stangeland Family Academy and all-state choir member, three-year class of 2020 president, Outdoor School counselor, AFS student liaison, host family, study abroad student, OCFC soccer club participant, and was a member of Tillamook School of Dance, to name a few.

"My favorite memories from my high school experience would definitely include when my soccer team won one of our first league games against Seaside," Upton said. "The other most relevant would be when our class won Charity Drive my sophomore year. Both of these were group efforts from my team and my class which made the win feel even more worthwhile as it was for and with the people around me."

Next year, Upton plans to attend St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. There, she will be doubling majoring in music education and psychol-

ogy in the hopes that she will pursue a doctorate in music. While there, Upton will also be participating in choir, ASL club, and a few of their sports programs.

As she leaves Tillamook High School her advice for incoming freshman is to not let themselves be held back by the belief that they have to be perfect in everything they do.

"Some parts of high school will be tough, but by trying and learning new things we can only grow more as individuals. Best of luck to all of you guys!"



Tillamook High School Salutatorian

Ruby Thompson - be involved, high school memories last forever



"Give everything a try at least once because high school has so many opportunities that go overlooked and they will not be available to you beyond High School."

Tillamook High School Salutatorian Ruby Thompson took her own advice.

While at THS, she was the band president, science club president, a member of the varsity soccer and tennis teams, class secretary, Charity Drive queen; and member of video production and Key Club.

"Even the people the seemingly did everything in their high school career still regret not doing certain things," Thompson said. "The memories that you have with your class are going to last forever, but you can't make them if you choose not to be involved in you class."

After graduating with a 4.42 GPA from THS, Thompson plants to attend Willamette University in the fall to study mathematics and business management.

"I plan on taking part in their five-year undergraduate and graduate course and play in their campus band," Thompson said

She hopes that the rest of her classmates also move on to bigger and better things.

"Remember what we went through together, but [don't] let your accomplishments here define you for the rest of your life," Thompson said.



Neah-Kah-Nie School Valedictorian

Neah-Kah-Nie Valedictorian Ethan Lee plans for future in engineering



When asked what some of his favorite Neah-Kah-Nie High School memories are, Ethan Lee said they are simple: getting lunch with his friends at the Barview Taco Truck.

As Valedictorian of the Class of 2020, Lee is graduating at the top of his class with a 4.4 GPA. During his time as a Pirate, Lee was involved in Speech and Debate, Leo Club, FBLA, and student govern-

"Work hard, have fun, and try new things," Lee said as his advice for success to incoming freshman.

Next year, Lee plans to attend the University of Portland and major in engineering.

"I hope that my graduating class can find a chance to experience other places outside of Tillamook County," Lee said. "I also wish them all the best and hope that they are happy."



Neah-Kah-Nie High School Salutatorian

Jacob Waldon - Live every day like it's your best day'



During his time at Neah-Kah-Nie High School, Jacob Waldron felt it was important to try new things.

"Do sports, join clubs and have fun," Waldron said. "Make friends, try new things, leave your comfort zone. Most importantly, live everyday like it's the best day. Be happy, enjoy the present and look forward to the future."

While at NKNHS, Waldron was a member of the football, wrestling and track teams; participated in FBLA, NOSB, chess, Envirothon, Leo's Club, National Honor Society, student council, and Phi Theta Kappa.

And on top of all that, he pulled of a

4.352 GPA and was named the Salutatorian of his class.

"Getting to have new experiences, meeting teachers, and other great community members," are some of Waldron's favorite high school memories. "Getting up happy everyday [and] looking forward to achieving my goals."

Next year, Waldron will be pursuing a career in dentistry at Pacific University.

"My hopes for my fellow classmates are that they will achieve their goals and become the best version of themselves," Waldron said. "Most of all, I want them to live super happy lives!"



Nestucca High School Valedictorian

Benjamin Hurlimand: Advice from a valedictorian in a pandemic: Don't take things for granted

No one expected how our world would change in just a few months. And the impact has not been lost on graduating seniors.

"Future freshman, don't take any of your time in school for granted," Nestucca High School's Benjamin Hurlimand said, "because you never know when a global pandemic will shut down everything and force you to graduate three months early."

Hurliman is one of three Nestucca High School Valedictorian's that were able to achieve a 4.0 GPA.

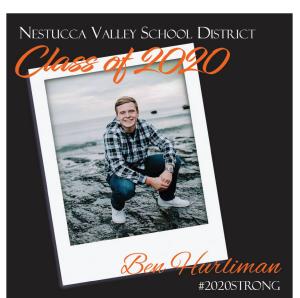
"My favorite high school memories were spending time with all of the friends that I grew up with from preschool," Hurliman said. "And playing sports

with the teammates I had played with since second grade."

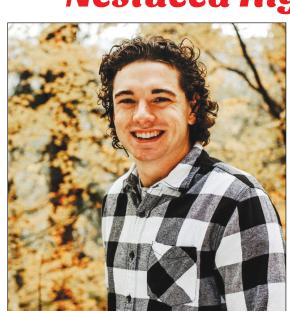
Hurliman was a member of the Bobcat football, basketball, baseball, and track teams. He was also a member of the National Honor Society.

"I hope that our class can all go on and achieve our goals that we have set for ourselves, whatever those goals may be," Hurliman said. "Wherever we may go in our separate lives, I hope that we don't forget the memories we had together as well."

Next year, Hurliman plans to attend Linn Benton for a year and then transfer to Oregon State University to study business.



Nestucca High School Valedictorian



Nestucca Valedictorian Mitchell Richwine looks to play collegiate baseball

Mitchell Richwine is one of three Nestucca High School seniors who were able to achieve the perfect 4.0 GPA and graduate as co-valedictorians.

"The years fly by, take advantage of every moment and enjoy it," Richwine said. "You never know when it will all end so live your life to the fullest."

While at Nestucca, Richwine was a member of the baseball, football, and basketball teams; as well as a member of National Honor Society.

"No specific memory stands out, just all the little memories," Richwine said looking back at his time in high school. "The little memories I have of being in school with friends."

Next year, Richwine plans to attend Chemeketa Community College to play baseball. After his time at Chemeketa, he plans to transfer to a four-year university to continue his athletic and academic career.

"I hope for all of my class mates to find a career and live a happy life," Richwine said.



Nestucca High School Valedictorian

Nestucca Valedictorian Veronica Chavarin, 'Work for a more tolerable future'

When Veronica Chavarin thinks about her favorite memory of high school, it's not what you would expect.

"Sitting in the school commons and getting yelled at by the office for being too loud," Chavarin said. "Then being sent to the library where we'd be yelled at for being too loud [again]."

Despite raising the noise level, Chavarin proved herself as an exemplary student and is one of three Nestucca High School seniors graduating with a 4.0 GPA and was named co-valedictorian.

Chavarin also held the title of class president, was a member of the Bobcat basketball team, and partici-

pated in National Honor Society.

"I hope my class is able to learn from the mistakes of previous generations and continue to work for a more tolerable future," Chavarin said. "In order for this to happen, I hope my class is willing to listen and change regardless of where our biases [are]."

After graduating, Chavarin will attend Tillamook Bay Community College. She hopes to continue her education to one day become an orthopedic surgeon.

"Learn how to laugh at yourself," Chavarin said. "Understand that you don't know what a person is going through...have fun, find what you love to do and pursue it."



Nestucca High School Salutatorian



Nestucca Salutatorian Olivia Leslie looks to career in kinesiology

Olivia Leslie enjoyed her time as a Bobcat and the many memories that came from her time on the volleyball, basketball, and softball

"Beating Faith Bible in double overtime my junior year of basketball," Leslie said of some of her favorite memories. "Or, beating Vernonia at the softball district playoffs my sophomore year."

Leslie is graduating as Nestucca High School's 2020 Salutatorian with a 3.97 GPA.

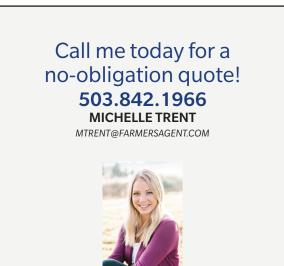
"Get involved with as many activities as

you can," Leslie said, "because it will give you more opportunities to make memorable moments."

In addition to being involved in sport,s Leslie was also a student council class representative and a member of the National Honor Society.

Next year, Leslie will attend Linn-Benton Community College in hopes of pursuing a career in kinesiology.

Leslie hopes her class will go on to be "happy, healthy, and wealthy."







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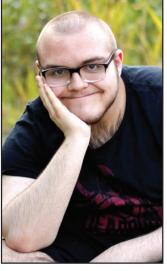
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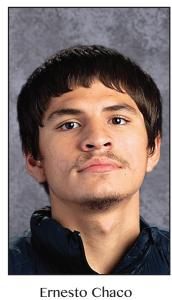
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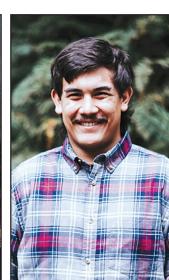
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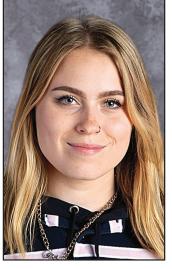
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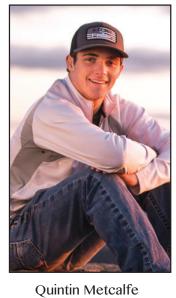
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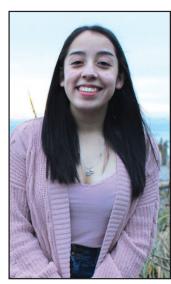
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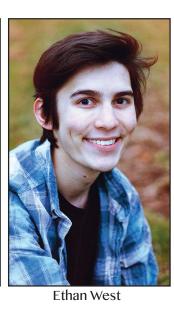
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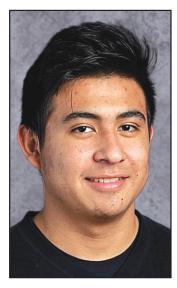
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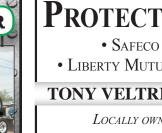




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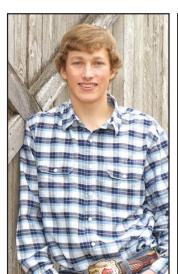
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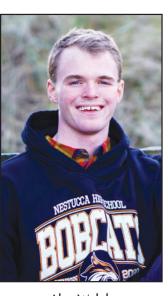
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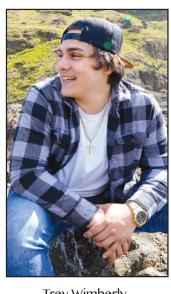




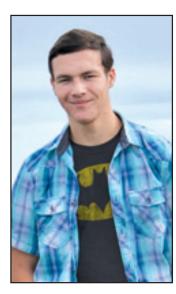
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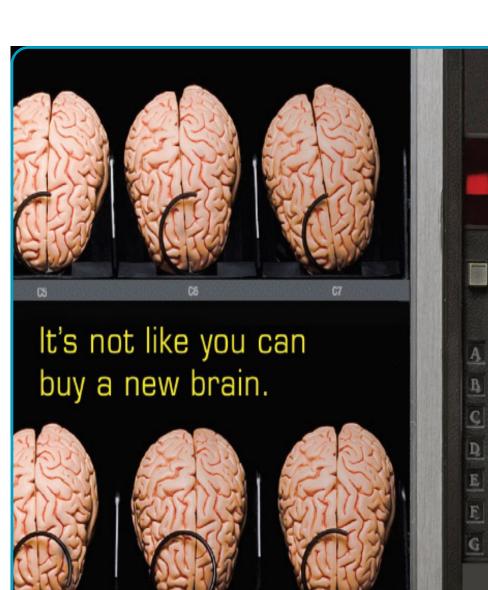
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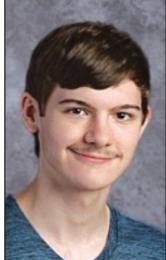
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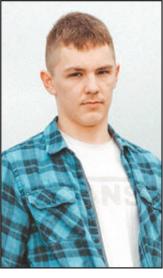


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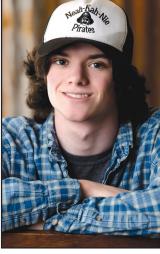
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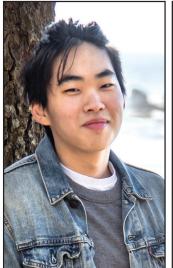
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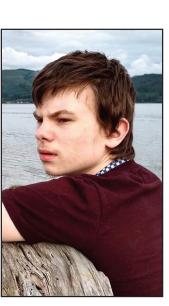
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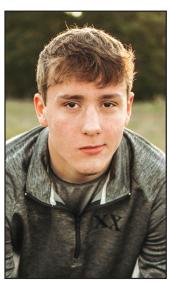
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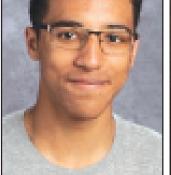
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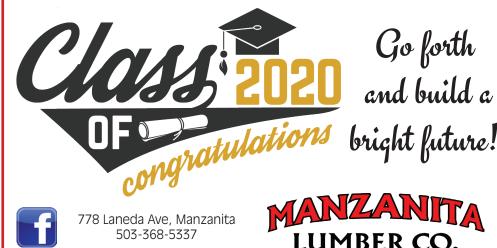
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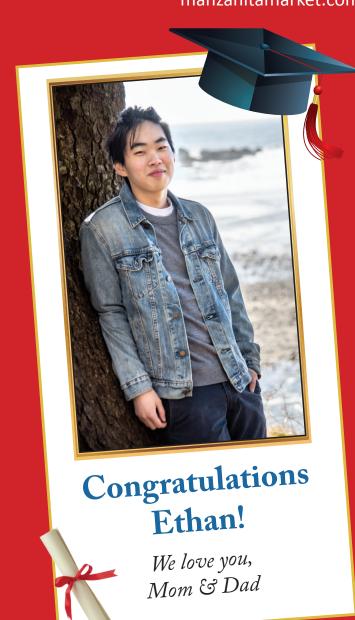
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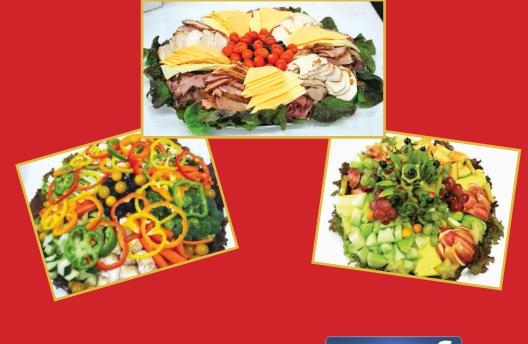
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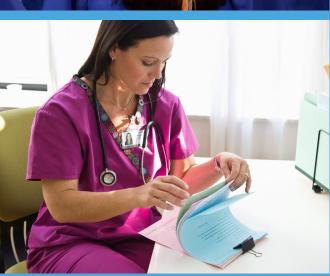


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