



Meet the GRADUATES

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Clewiston High School
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**Moore Haven
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COVID-19 crisis changed everything for Class of 2020

By **Katrina Elsen**
Independent Newsmedia

In the fall of 2019, area high school seniors started the year with the normal hopes and expectations for their senior year, with the full school calendar of sports, club and social activities normally associated with the final year of high school.

The school year started as expected. Students enjoyed the fall semester with Friday night football games, other sports, crowning the homecoming royalty, band competitions, rodeo, spending time with friends and all of the other activities that fill a high school senior's calendar.

In January, those who pay attention to international news started hearing about an outbreak of a new (novel) coronavirus. On Jan. 11, China reported the first known death, a 62-year-old man in Wuhan.

On Jan. 20, the World Health Organization reported cases outside China. The following day, the United States announced the first confirmed case in Washington state.

On Jan. 30, WHO declared a global public health emergency with more than 9,000 cases reported worldwide.

Travel restrictions were put in place. Cruise ship passengers found themselves quarantined.

On Feb. 11, WHO officially named the virus COVID-19.

As concerns about the spread of the virus grew, communities debated the best course of action in regard to public events. The traditional handshake greeting was discouraged. Increased hand washing was encouraged.

February fairs and festivals continued as planned in South Florida. The Okeechobee Music Festival went on as scheduled over the first week-

end in March, with extra hand washing stations and health notices.

Stores sold out of hand sanitizer and toilet paper.

By the second week in March, Florida communities made some hard decisions to cancel public events, since the virus appeared to spread at mass gatherings. The Okeechobee County Fair was canceled the day before it was scheduled to open. The Okeechobee Youth Livestock Show moved online.

Some schools started spring break a week early. Others extended spring break to two weeks.

When they left for spring break, students did not know they had left the classrooms for the remainder of the school year.

School officials spent the extended spring break coming up with plans for "distance learning." Schools provided students with computer tablets. Teachers scrambled to put together lessons for

online classes. Parents found themselves supervising their children's lessons.

At first, both the schools and local officials did not know how long the "social isolation" period would last. They hoped to return to school in April, and then in May, and finally declared students would not return until the fall semester ... at the earliest.

Traditional "senior year" activities such as prom, honors awards night and grad night were canceled or moved online. The local communities tried to make things a little more special for the graduates by putting up signs and organizing "adopt a senior" programs.

With this special keepsake section, the *Caloosa Belle* and *Lake Okeechobee News* congratulates the Class of 2020 on a successful completion of an unusual and challenging senior year, one never to be forgotten.

Athletes try to stay active amid COVID-19 pandemic

By **Richard Marion**
Independent Newsmedia

When Governor Ron DeSantis announced that school would be closed until at least March 30 due to COVID-19, the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) left open the possibility that spring sports could continue in May.

"Pending schools are back in session and afforded the opportunity to resume activities after May 3, by federal, state and local authorities, the FHSAA will follow the advice and guidance available to us at that time regarding the continuance of all FHSAA spring sports," read the statement released by FHSAA on March 31. "In light of the current situation, the FHSAA staff is actively working on creative solutions for the continuance of spring sports, which could extend through June 30."

But on April 20, two days after Gov. Ron DeSantis announced that schools would remain closed for the 2019-20 academic year, the FHSAA broke the bad news about spring sports.

"It is with heavy hearts that the FHSAA has decided to cancel all FHSAA affiliated events, inclusive of the state series and all championship events, for spring sports," said the FHSAA in a press release. "The safety of our student-athletes, coaches, officials, and fans is our top priority. With the evolving threat of the COVID-19, we must ensure that we do not contribute to the spread of this illness. We are deeply saddened for our student-athletes who have seen their seasons and or high school careers end so abruptly."

The unexpected end of all high school sports for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year meant the Moore Haven Terrier football program

would miss out on their spring game.

Besides the obvious financial hit that comes from hosting no spring football game, players also missed out on some key practicing and conditioning that most teams perform around that time of year. Moore Haven football coach Brent Burnside turned to online workouts to keep his kids active.

"I have found some things that other programs are doing online for at home workouts," explained Burnside. "I have taken a lot from the University of Central Florida football program and tried to get that out to the kids. We are in danger of losing our strength and conditioning over the summer and we are wading into uncharted territory."

Burnside was prepared to work around not having a spring game, but the uncertainty on exactly when things could return to normal makes things difficult.

"Many fear that if we start up on time that the injury rate will be high with contact sports because the kids just won't be prepared," continued Burnside. "I am originally from Missouri where we did not have spring football and I have a plan if we don't get much of the summer and start on time. It's hard to plan for anything because there is so much uncertainty as far as a green light."

Clewiston coaches also utilized the internet to keep their athletes active during lockdown.

Tiger boys basketball coach Bryan Pep issued a push-up challenge to help kids stay healthy, while Lady Tiger basketball coach Nicole Pope issued a squat challenge. But coaches published video of themselves doing the challenge to encourage others.



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Moore Haven senior Leonard Sampson Jr. helped lead the Terriers to a comeback win over Okeechobee on Sept. 20.



Lake Okeechobee News/Richard Marion

Clewiston senior Jaivus Chavers is pictured here on the Tigers' homecoming night.

*I would like to congratulate the
Graduating Class of 2020.*

*You will forever be remembered as the
class who overcame tremendous obstacles
and I commend you on staying the
course.*

*I would encourage each of you to go
confidently in the direction of your
dreams.*

- Sheriff Steve Whidden



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The 2020 Clewiston High School Graduates!



Ashley Acevedo



Ma Kirya Adderley



Shakaila Albert



Dakota Ali



Kylee Allred



Brenda Alvarado



Jason Alvarado



Alfred Aviles Sr



Shana Balentine



Youngsta Banks



Shayna Barnes



Dalnesha Barr



Haile Barraza



Willie Barrera



Carlee Billie



Evelyn Bonnilla



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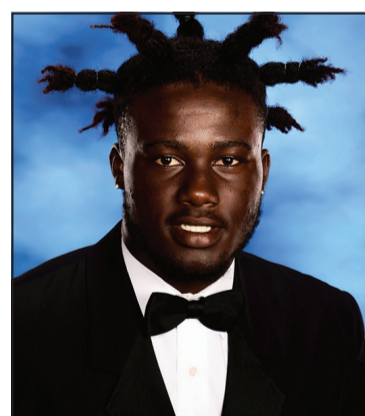
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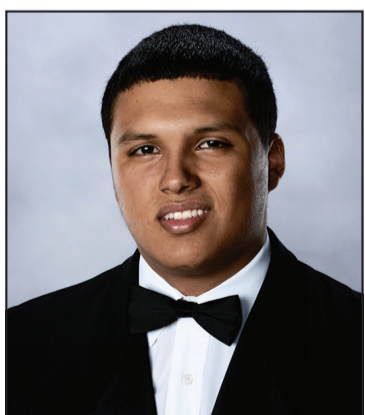
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 Class of 
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Juan Galvan Jr



Andrea Garcia



Eddie Garcia



Jazmin Garcia



Miranda Giddens



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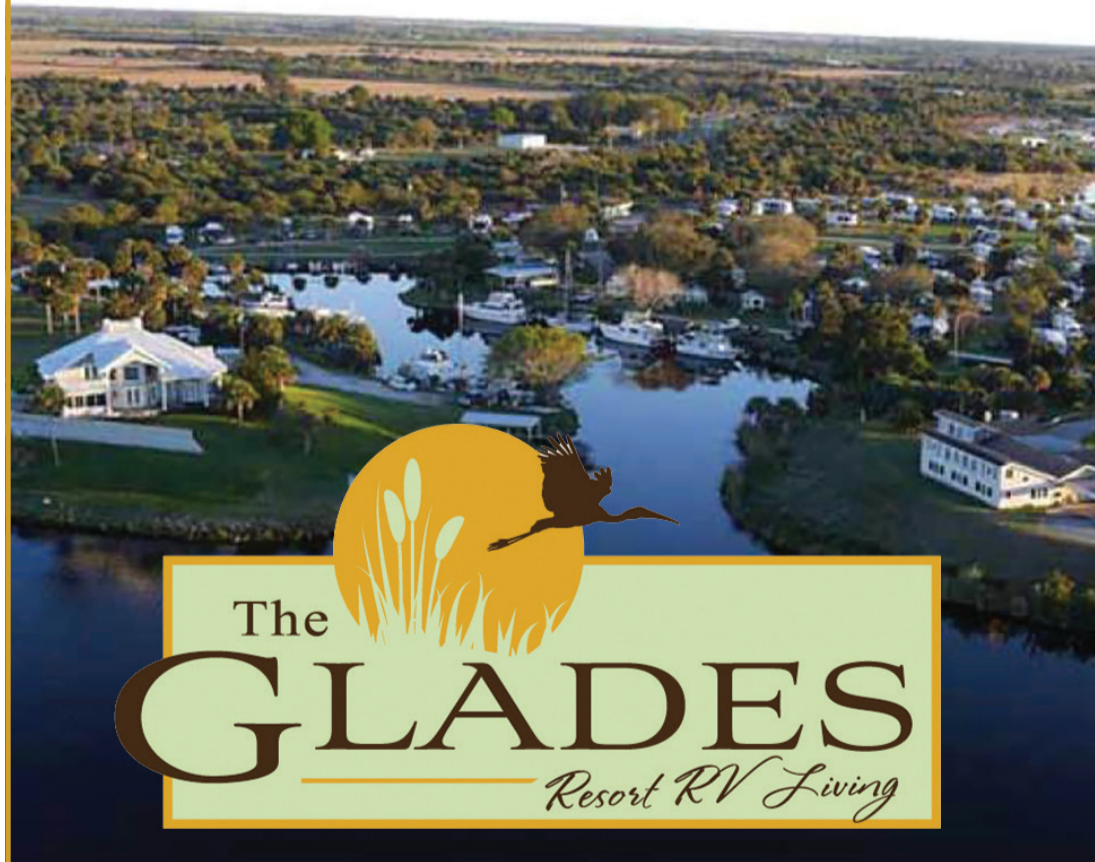


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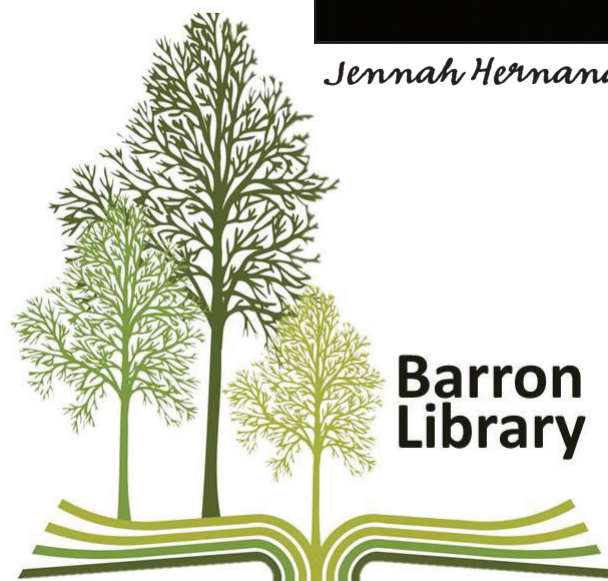
Tierra Hughes

Congratulations Area Graduates!



Class of 2020! We are proud of you and look forward to seeing all the places you'll go!

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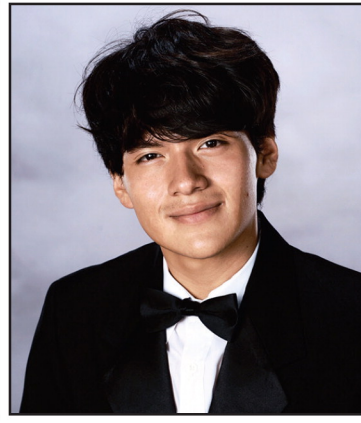
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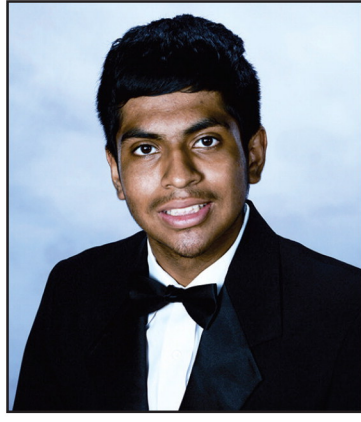
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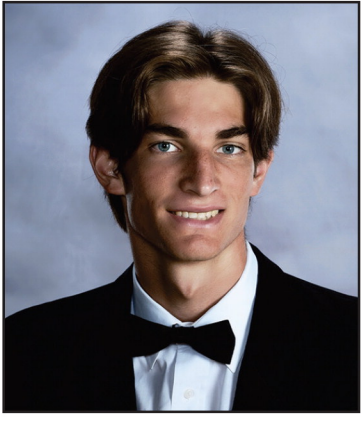
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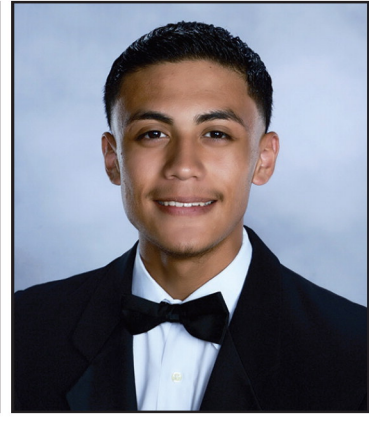
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Alex Morrell



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Jada Moulton



Chloe Murphy



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Omar Olquin



Thania Olvera



Fernanda Paniagua



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Chelsea Parrish



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Follow your dreams
but remember
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Congratulations,
Jennah Raquel
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Love
you!!!



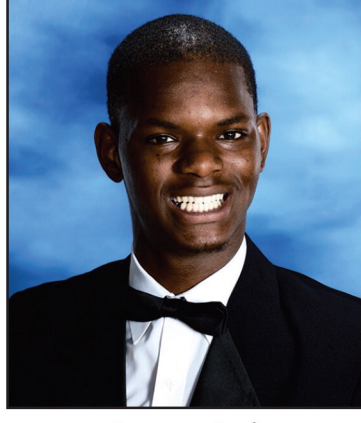
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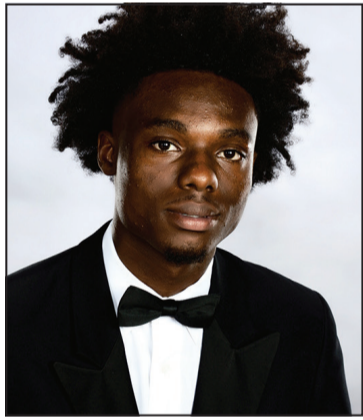
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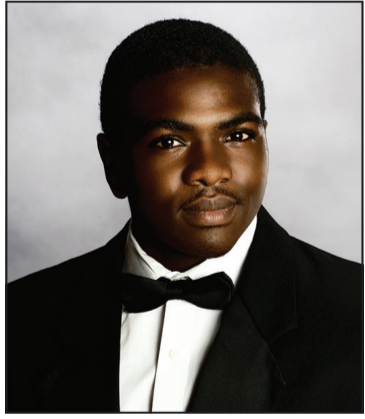
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Norma Velazquez



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Carlos Villalobos



Carlos Villanueva



Karlie Villatoro



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Justin Whitehead



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 Zachary Bryant
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 Yolanda Cruz

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 Jasmine Delgado
 Jesus Desantiago
 Alain Diaz
 Lillianna Dunivent
 Caleb Dyer
 John Robert Eaton
 Isabell Espinoza
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Justin Cade Gibson
 Moises Gonzalez
 Solmari Gonzalez
 Cameron Gurley
 Orion Haneboutta
 Quanteor Harris
 Issac Hernandez
 Alaysha Johnson
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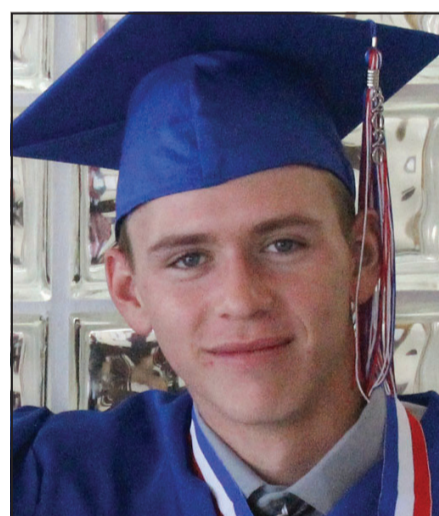
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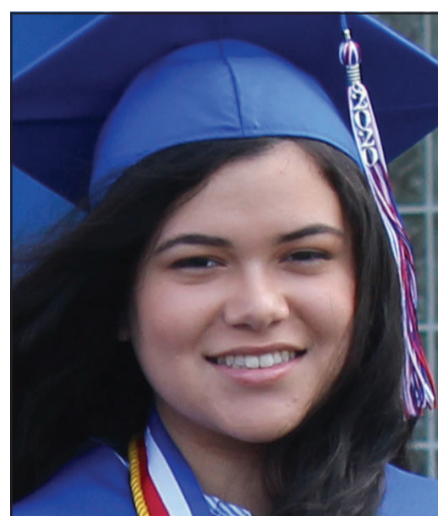
The 2020 Clewiston Christian School Graduates!



Taylor Bain



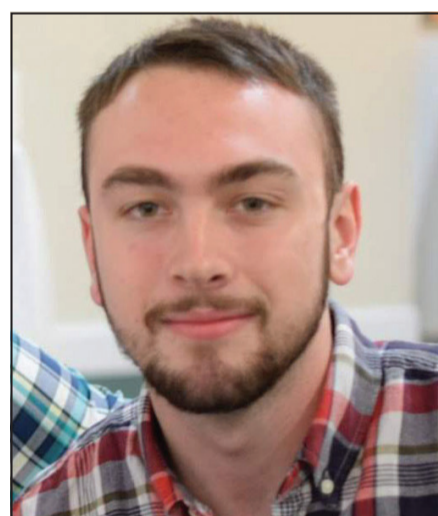
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Kaleb Hyslope



Nathan Johnson



Rachel Kwitz



Anthony Perez



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VISION STATEMENT:

Engaging the mind, nurturing the spirit, transforming the world for the glory of God.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Clewiston Christian School exists to assist the home and church in their endeavor to "train up a child in the way he should go." -Proverbs 22:6 Its mission is to educate future Christian leaders who will seek to impact their world for Jesus Christ through academic excellence and spiritual vitality.

For in the gospel righteousness of God is revealed--a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

Romans 1:17



The 2020 LaBelle High School Graduates!



Ranaja Adams



Julio Aguilar



Stephany Aguilar



Eduardo Aguirre



Katherine Aguirre-Gallardo



Jaidon Austin Aispuro



Genaro Alanis



Cristian Aleman



Karina Aleman-Popoca



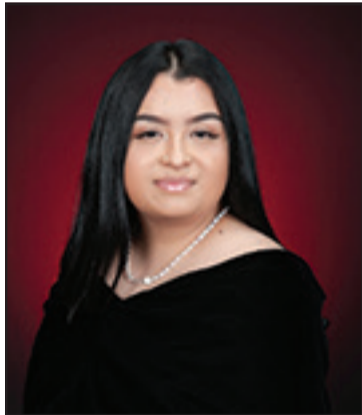
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Mariana Alvarado



Mario Alvarado



Karla Amaya



Tiana Anderson



Mary Cruz Angel



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Leanne Armour



Kalynda Bailey

The Walk across the stage in front of you!

By Mikey A. Foster

Former Principle at LaBelle High School

Congratulations to you, the graduating Class of 2020. Please spare me a few moments before you take that very special walk across the stage in front of you.

The walk you are about to take actually began with a walk quite a few years ago. Maybe your mother or your father held your tiny hand as you walked into that very first classroom and you started school for the very first day. Did you see her tears as your mother let go of your hand and left you behind to the care of your teacher? The walk had begun but there were many milestones to pass before today. Those first few years in elementary school are now most likely covered with cobwebs in your memory. Maybe you remember when you completed 5th grade and were ready to enter a new school with a new name...the middle school. Your first year in middle school you were the smallest and the youngest and the high school was a long way away, but you kept steady with your steps as you walked on towards high school. Your 6th grade year faded away, your 7th grade year is but a distant memory, and your 8th grade year, well, you were just waiting for that first walk in the hallways of the high school.

To some of you it may seem like a long time ago, to others of you it may not seem so long ago, but now you can feel the excitement of what your goal was so many years ago even when maybe you did not even have a goal. There is an old song that has a lyric, you may know the song, "a dragon lives forever, but not so little boys and girls".

Somewhere along the walk you put away the toys of your childhood that so held your interest just a short time ago. You are growing older, your interests are changing. There is another lyric that you probably do not know, "it is just a box of rain or a ribbon for your hair, such a long long time to be gone, a short time to be there". What is a box of rain? What is this place that we call school? What has it done for you? Why did you give it twelve or so years of your life? What seemed such a long time, even four years ago as you walked the halls of the high school for the very first time, now as you are about to graduate, seems as if only a short while.

It is but a short walk across the stage but this walk signifies the end of that walk you took into your very first classroom. As you cross the stage to receive your diploma and have that ribbon for your hair placed on the other side you are walking into the future, but it is a new walk. And, please let me tell you, you hold the course of your future. It will be your steps that determine where you go. The choices are endless. As you go into your future you will make some mistakes, learn from them. You will also make some good decisions, learn from them also. Do not ever forget to show love to your parents, they gave you life itself. Keep your faith. May all of your dreams come true, now, go from here and do wonderful things.



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Some of the Class of 2020 before the pandemic struck.



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LHS Class of 2020 top five Honor Graduates

Special to the Caloosa Belle

LABELLE - LaBelle High School (LHS) was pleased to announce this year's Class of 2020 Valedictorian, Sarah Sodrel, and Salutatorian, Sadie Gaskins. Top 5 Honor graduates also include Yuliances Fernandez, Abel Cornejo-Jaramillo, and Marisabel Ortiz.

Sarah Sodrel, Valedictorian is ranked number 1 of 348 students and has a weighted GPA of 5.12. She has completed 111 community service hours.

As a member of the LHS Varsity volleyball team for four years, Sarah served as the Captain for three years. She tied the school record for number of assists (40) in a single game in her sophomore year and broke the school record this year with 42 assists. Her additional leadership experiences include graduating from the Hendry/Glades Youth Leadership Program and holding the position of President for the United States Youth Team Penning Association. She is a multiple-time world champion in team penning and ranch sorting. Sarah is currently attending Florida Gulf Coast University as part of the Accelerated Collegiate Experience (ACE) for high school students, where she is on track to graduate from the program. Her plans are to continue at FGCU, where she will start the fall semester as a junior in the FGCU Honors program majoring in Business Management. She has also been hired by FGCU to work as a mentor for future students attending the ACE program. Sarah is an active member of the First Christian Church and volunteers with their meal program called the Disciples' Diner. She would like to acknowledge that without God the support of her family and friends - none of her accomplishments would have been possible. Sarah's parents are Noah



and Tammy Sodrel.

Sadie Gaskins, Salutatorian is ranked number 2 of 348 students and has a weighted GPA of 4.79. She has completed 140 community service hours.

Sadie has been a member of the LHS Cowboy Marching Band for four years. She has held the leadership positions of: Drum Major (2019-2020), Band Captain and Woodwind Captain (2018-2019), and Alto Saxophone Section Leader (2017-2018). Sadie received a Superior rating for alto saxophone solo at the Solo and Ensemble Music Festival in 2017 and a Superior rating for saxophone quartet in 2020. She has participated in several honor bands including the Heartland Honor Band (2017 through 2020), Nine Star Honor Band (2017), UCF Rising Knights Honor Band (2019), and UM Frost Honor Band (2020). Sadie participated on the LHS Varsity Cross Country team for three years and the Varsity Track and Field team for four years. She held the position of Captain of the Varsity Girls' Cross Country Team, 2019 season and Captain of Varsity Girls' Track and Field, 2020 season. In addition to her musical and athletic abilities, Sadie has been a barrel racer for nine years. She is a NBHA (National Barrel Horse Association) World Championships qualifier for the years of 2015 through 2020. Sadie is a member of the National Honor Society and has taken several college courses at Florida SouthWestern State College. She will attend Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas on a full tuition scholarship majoring in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. Sadie's parents are Tom Gaskins, III and Jennifer Gaskins.

Yuliances Fernandez is a Top 5 Honor graduate with a weighted GPA of 4.784. She has completed 91.25 community service hours. Yuli is the Class of 2020 Senior Vice-President and a member of the National Honor Society. She has provided math tutoring at LHS for 2 years. Special recognitions awarded to Yuli are the Hendry County Sunshine State Scholar for 2019, and the Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award. Yuli will be attending the University of Florida majoring in Microbiology and Cell Sciences. Yuli's parents are Yael and Julio Fernandez.

Abel Cornejo-Jaramillo is a Top 5 honor



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From left to right -Sarah Sodrel, Sadie Gaskins, Yuliances Fernandez, Abel Cornejo-Jaramillo and Marisabel Ortiz.

graduate with a weighted GPA of 4.780. He has completed 61 community service hours. Abel is a dual enrolled student at Florida SouthWestern State College and will obtain his AA degree by the summer. He has participated in the Powerlifting Club (Freshman Year), Robotics Club at FSW (Junior Year), and the Biodiversity Club at FSW (Junior Year). As part of the Robotics Club, he held the leadership position of President. He will continue his education at Florida Gulf Coast University and major in Biology. Abel's parent is Maria Jaramillo.

Marisabel Ortiz is a Top 5 honor graduate with a weighted GPA of 4.77. She has completed 76 community service hours. Marisabel participated in Soccer, Cross Country, and Track and Field.

She is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Key Club, and the Joy Mind Union Club- which she is the co-president of. Marisabel is the originator of the Joy Mind Union Club which focuses on normalizing talking about mental health and spreading positivity in the community. Other recognitions include A Honor Roll (2016-2017), AB Honor Roll (2017-2018), American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Participant (2019), and AP Scholar. Along with her high school diploma, Marisabel will receive her AA degree from Florida SouthWestern State College. She will continue her education at the University of South Florida and major in Biology. Marisabel's parents are Edith and Ramiro Ortiz.



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Eric Bedolla



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Stephane Calzada



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Daniel Carlos



Brianna Carnevalino



Daisy Casiano



Flora Arley Casiano



Jose Ramon Casiano



Abigail Casillas



Hector Castaldi



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Nadia Castillo



Jonathan Castro



Michel Ceballo



Yasmin Ceballo



Alex Ian Chairez



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Anna Pearl Cook



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Damien Rico Deleon



Leighann Deleon



*Raymond
Delgado-Zamora*



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Miguel Angel Diaz



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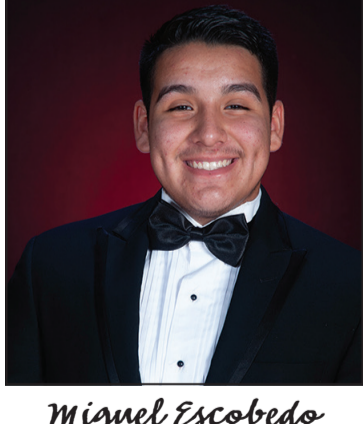
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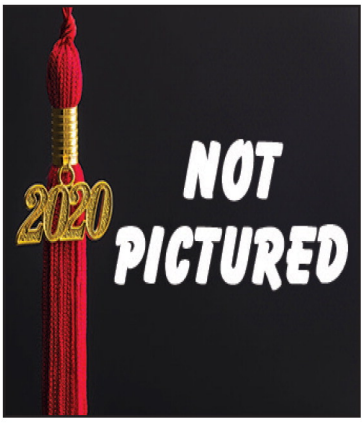
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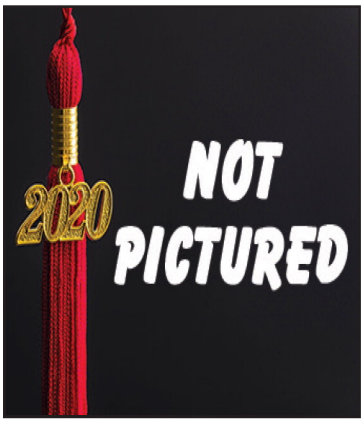
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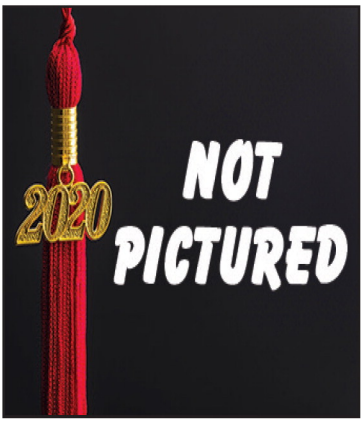
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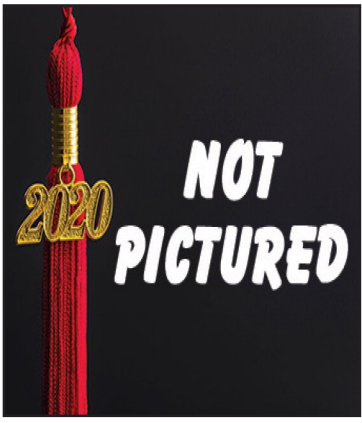
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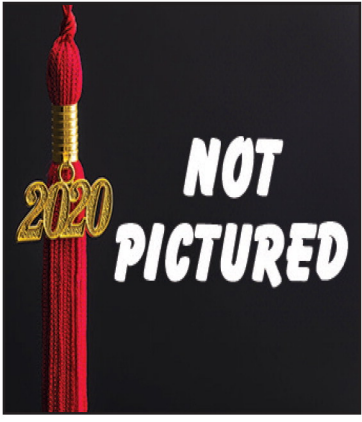
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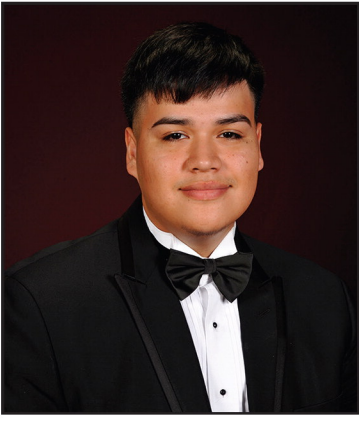
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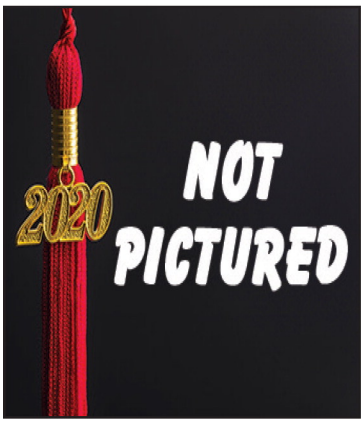
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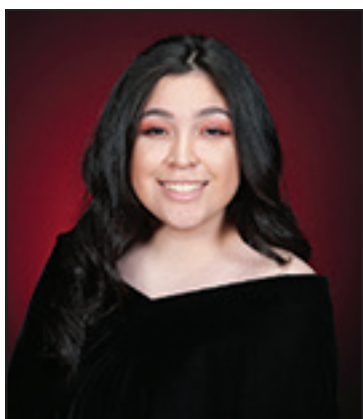
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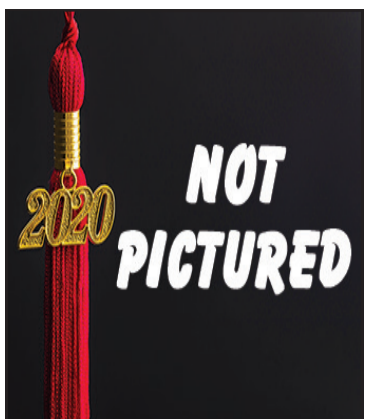
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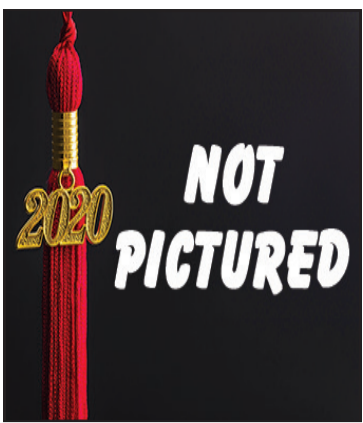


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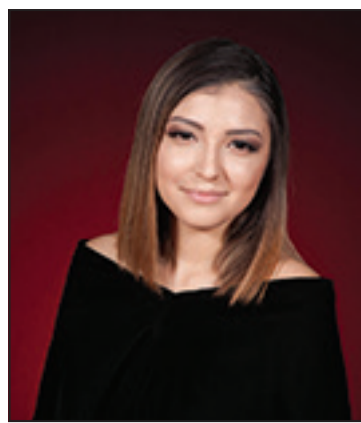
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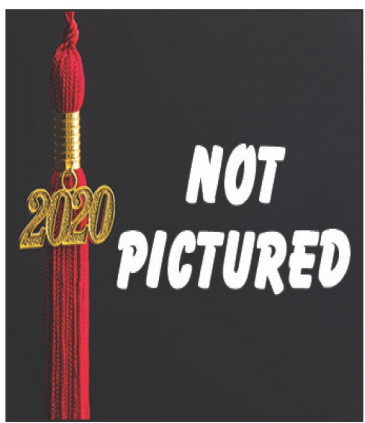
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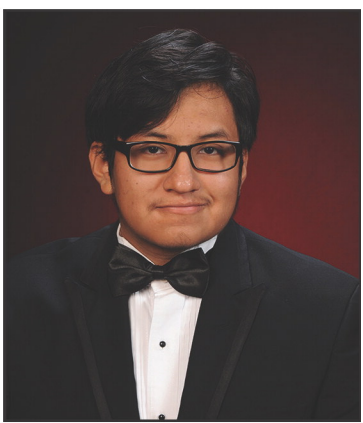
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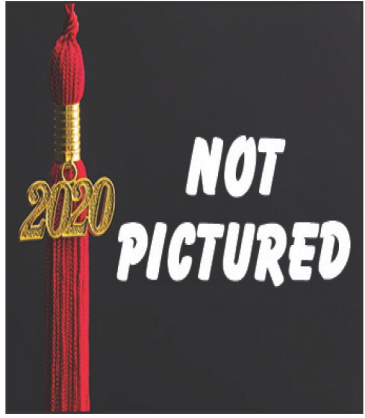
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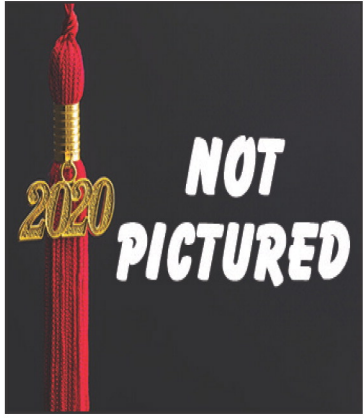
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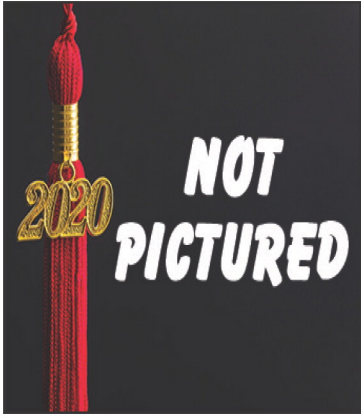
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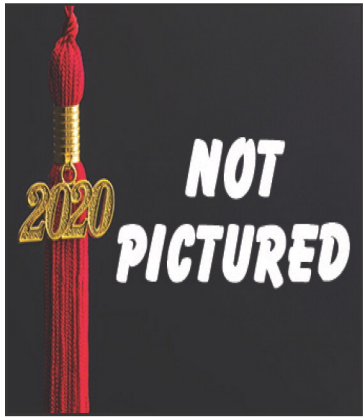
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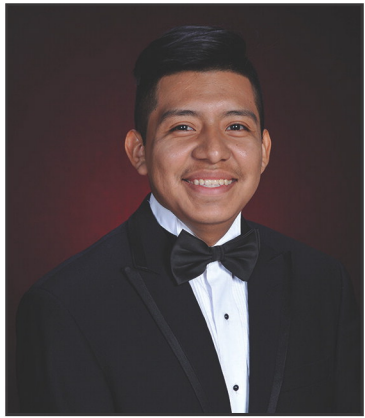
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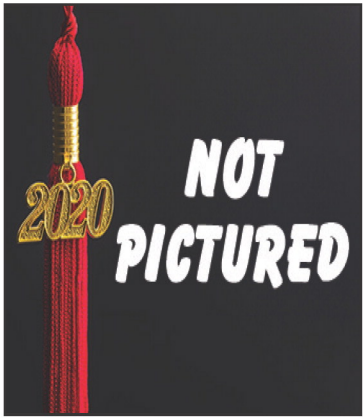
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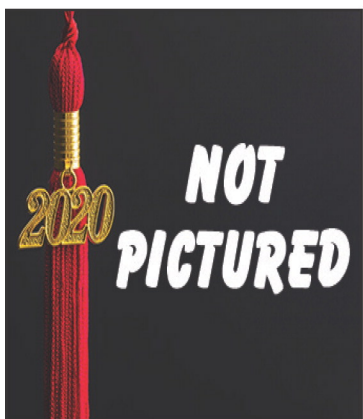
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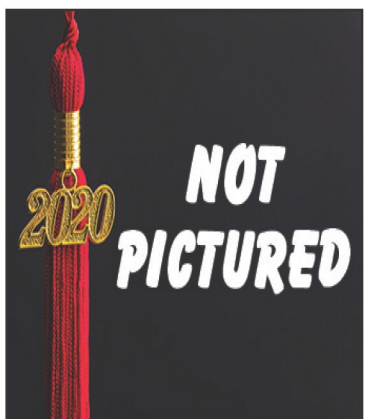
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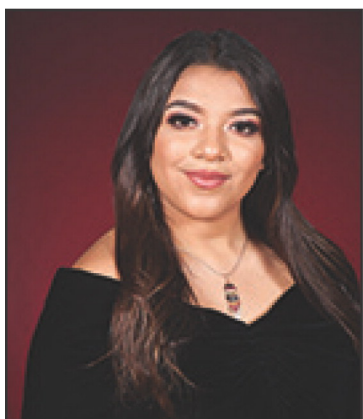
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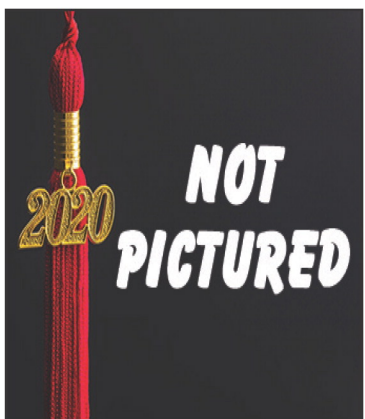
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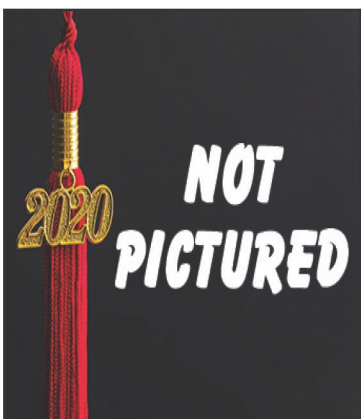
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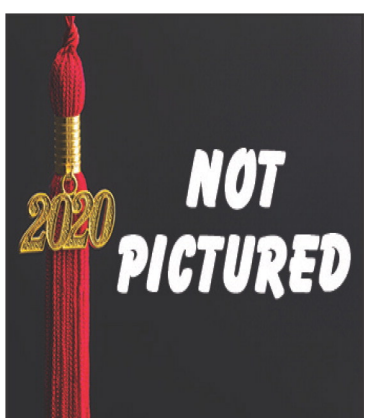
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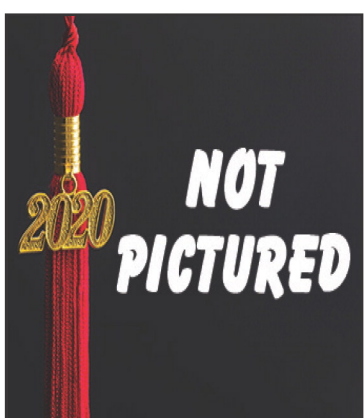
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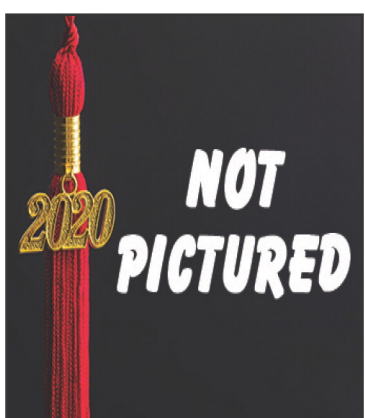
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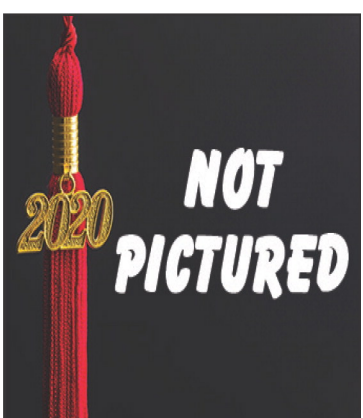
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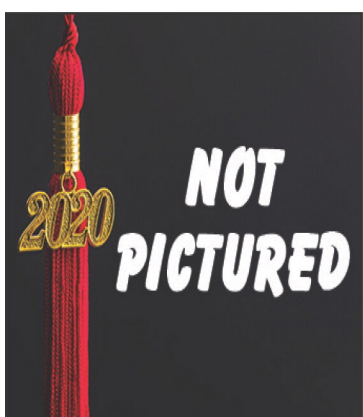
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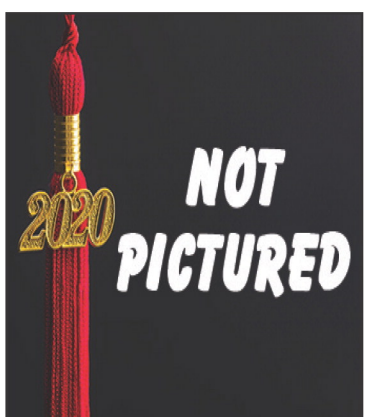
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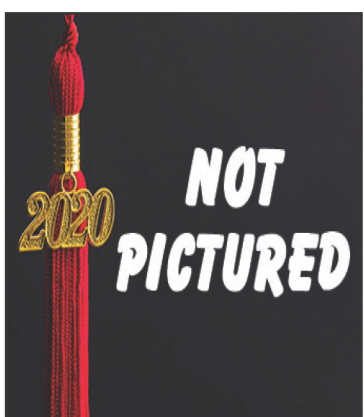
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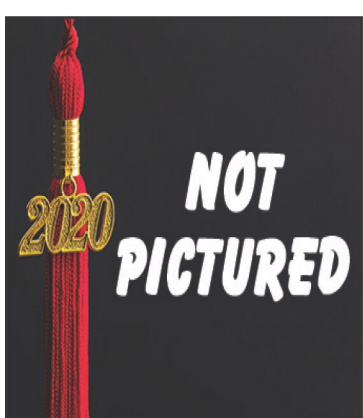
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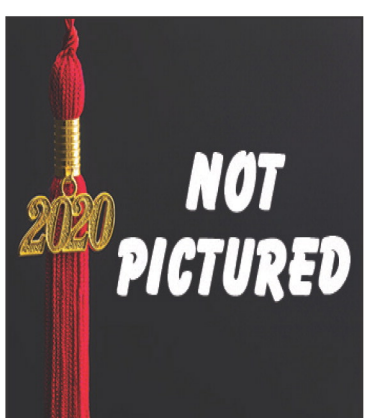
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 It was just a moment ago when you made your first friend.
 It was just a moment ago when first grade seemed to never end.
 It was just a moment ago when adolescence seemed to win.
 It was just a moment ago when high school began.
 It all seemed to happen just a moment ago and now this chapter too must end.

The Kiwanis Club of Labelle would like to take a moment and Congratulate The Class of 2020 and say "Job Well Done". We wish you all the best as you step into the next chapter of life. May you find strength in every new challenge and the courage to face them each day.

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2020 Moore Haven High School Graduates!

MHMHS to graduate full class of 65 on June 26

Seniors, parents to have input into what ceremony will look like

By Chris Felker

Independent Newsmedia

MOORE HAVEN — The 65 seniors of the Class of 2020 at Moore Haven Middle-High School, along with Glades County School District officials, opted to wait rather than rush to a drive-thru or virtual graduation as other districts have done.

Moore Haven Middle-High Principal Janice Foster said they originally had a “Plan A” for a drive-by commencement exercise to replace the usual graduation ceremony, but one parent objected. The traditional ceremony would have been impossible given the size of the campus and necessary physical distance guidelines imposed by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) due to the coronavirus pandemic.

That single parent “wanted to postpone it and wanted the seniors to be able to have a say in what was going to happen,” she said.

“And I’m like, ‘Well, CDC guidelines tell us how we’re going to have to have graduation.’ So that’s why we’re postponing making plans until we see what the CDC guidelines are,” in hopes they might be adjusted sometime this month in view of many districts nationwide wanting to give their grads the traditional commencement with all the trappings.

Ms. Foster says students have adjusted pretty well to the necessity to move classes into an online learning mode for the rest of the spring semester after schools were closed in March. And Glades Middle-Senior High School will have a graduation rate of 100% of its seniors this year.

Most seniors’ opinion ruled

The principal explained that it was decided after polling the seniors to postpone graduation until Friday, June 26, as a majority wanted.

“Of course, this is an unfortunate situation that the Class of 2020 has had to go through. You know, they’ve been trying to be real good about stuff ... the parents still really want to have a traditional graduation,” she said.

However, “We don’t know how much of a traditional graduation we can give them, staying in line with the CDC guidelines, so that’s why we are trying to give them some time to determine really where we can go and what we can do for a graduation,” Ms. Foster explained.

As a result, “we are scheduling to have a meeting sometime during the week of June 15 with some seniors to determine what graduation will look like on June 26,” she said.

Some rituals already have taken place, weeks ago.

“Cap and gown distribution was May 22,” Ms. Foster said. “We did a drive-thru to give them their cap and gowns. We also gave them each a ChromeBook as a graduation gift along with the cap and gown. One of the organizations bought some magnetic signs with their name and picture on it to put on their car. That was given to them that day also, to try to make it special as much as we could.

“The district bought the ChromeBooks. And then, one organization bought them a T-shirt. There was a whole package of stuff in their bag that they received,” she added.

Asked about how she thought the senior class did considering all the distractions they’ve been through this year, Ms. Foster found a blessing in disguise:

“I think it’s probably made them the mature, with how situations are out of our control, and sometimes we have to deal with what we’re handed and alter our plans even though it wasn’t the Plan A that we had in mind. We have to come up with something different.

“I think they’ve handled it really well. There are still, of course, mixed feelings amongst the students. You know, some of them wanted to go ahead and graduate and get it over with, and others wanted to wait to have a more traditional graduation. So we are trying to go by the majority, who wanted to wait.

“And that way we can keep in mind what they would really like for us to do. And I think they really appreciate it.”

The principal said she asked the seniors to be thinking of some ideas and to bring them forward when they meet with school and district officials next week — which she thought probably might happen virtually, through Zoom or some other communications software.

“So we’re just doing like everybody else, trying to stay safe and give our seniors as much of a traditional graduation as we can, abiding by the CDC guidelines,” Ms. Foster stated. “But no matter what kind we have, we are going to record it and livestream it.”

MHMHS 2020 honors students

According to MHMHS Guidance Counselor Angie Hough, the following youths qualified as honors students and received their honor cords along with their caps and gowns:

- Horacio Pereira – Valedictorian; Honors GPA – 4.48; Dual Enrollment Credit Hours: 30.
- Kiyah Coco – Salutatorian; Honors GPA – 4.34; Graduated June 5 with Associate of Arts Degree from Florida SouthWestern State College; Community Service Hours: 436.
- Sheldon Garcia, Honors GPA – 3.89.
- Tracie Branch, Honors GPA – 3.73.
- Makayla Strenth, Honors GPA – 3.71.
- Zedric Redd, Honors GPA – 3.65.
- Madison Corwin, Honors GPA – 3.65.
- Raul Ortiz, Honors GPA – 3.64.
- Joe Perry, Honors GPA – 3.62.
- Zahn Cunningham; Honors GPA – 3.60.
- Kaleigh Williams, Honors GPA – 3.60.
- Olivia Cook, Honors GPA – 3.58.
- A'trelle Thomas, Honors GPA – 3.57.
- Rayne Schmidt, Honors GPA – 3.56.



MOORE HAVEN — Mary Brewer prepares to take the handoff of her bag. All of the graduates-to-be got a number of various presents from local institutions as well as a ChromeBook from the Glades County School District.



MOORE HAVEN — Zedric Redd receives his graduation gift bag on May 22 during a drive-thru at Moore Haven Middle High School.



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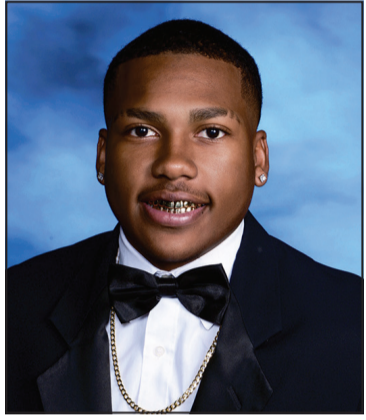
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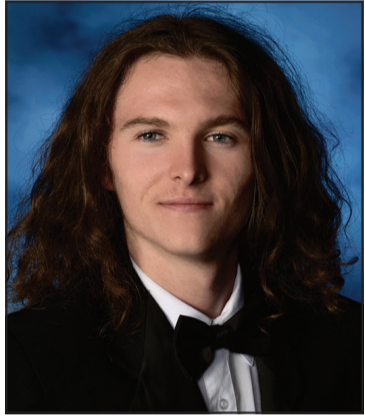
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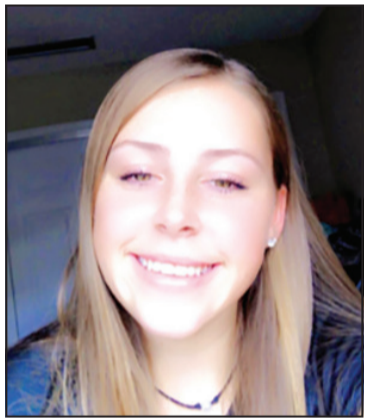
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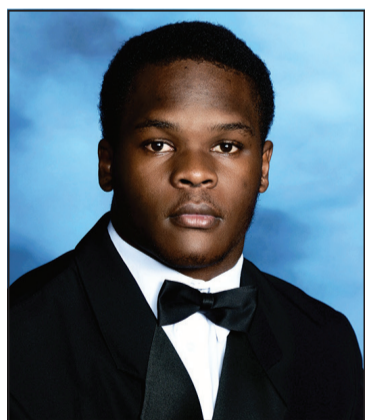
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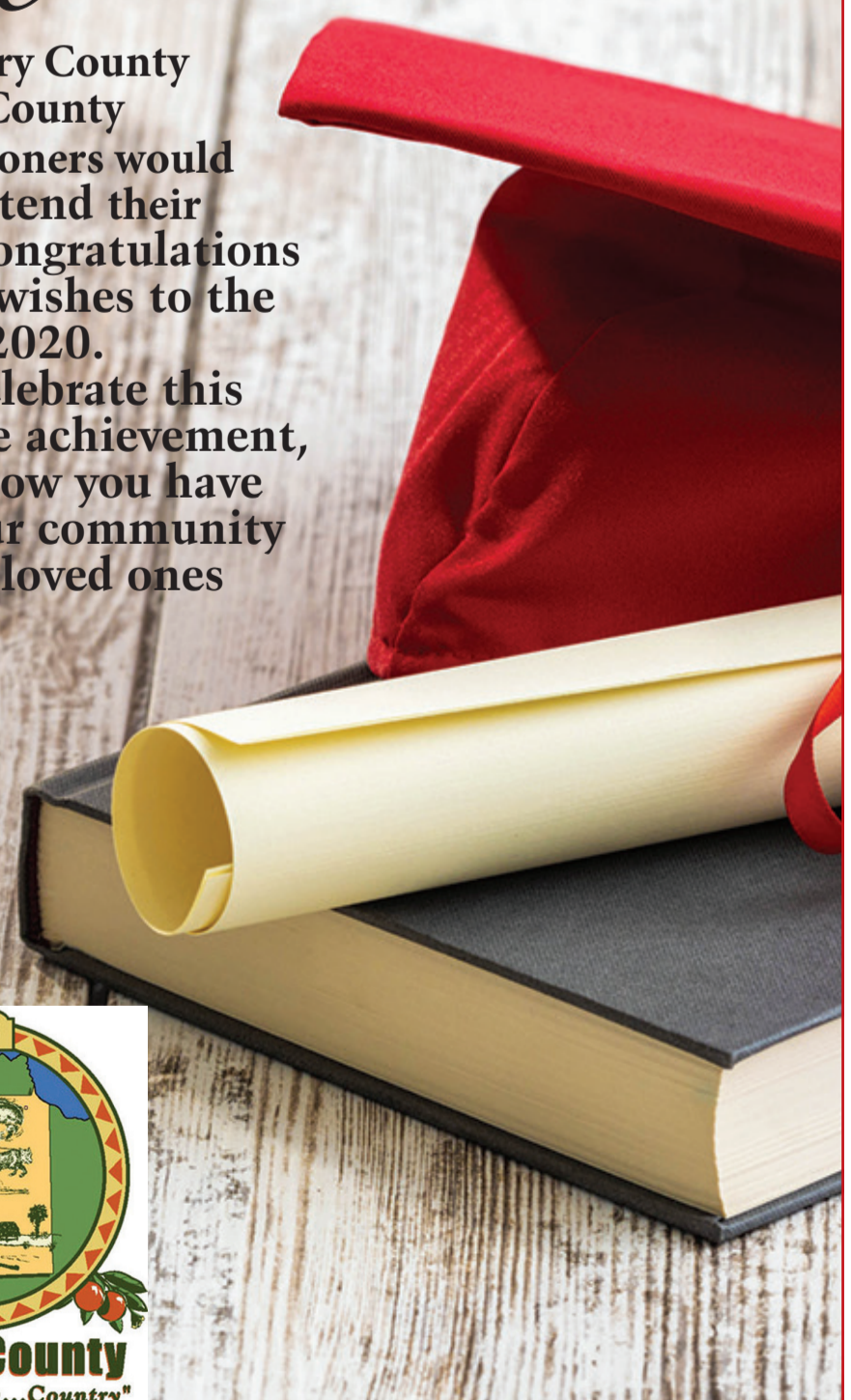
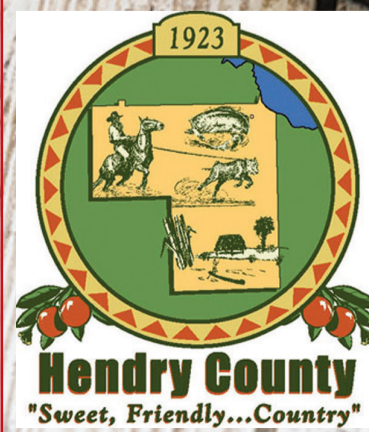
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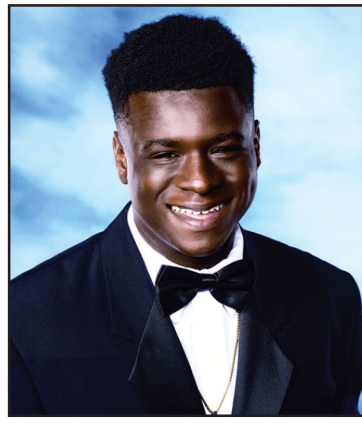
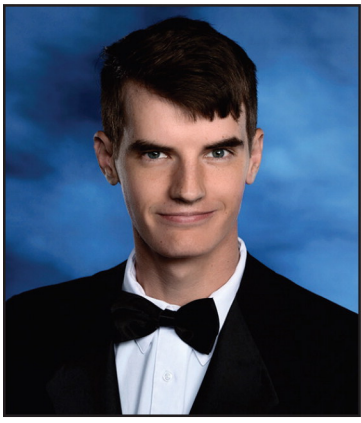


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Honoring Our Graduates

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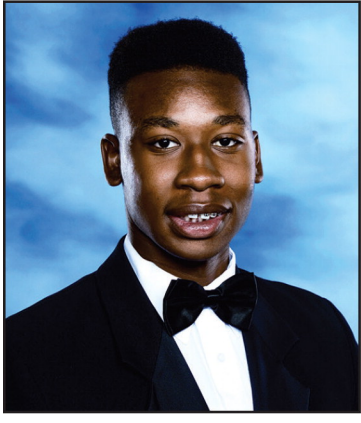




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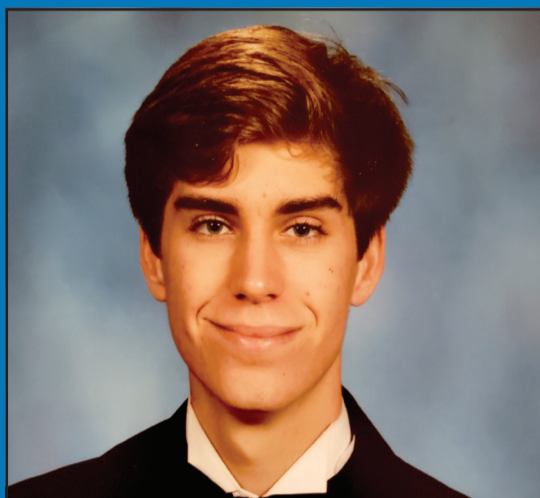
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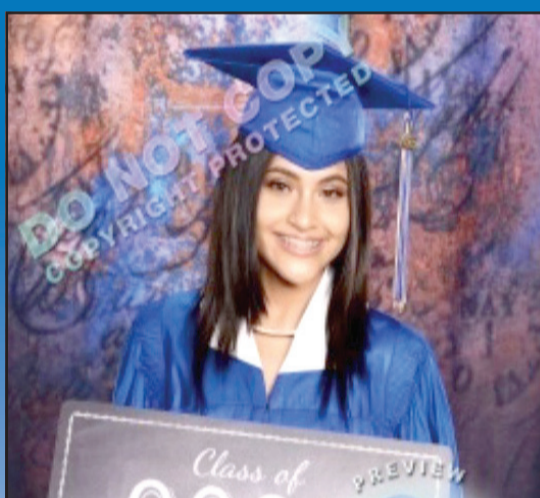
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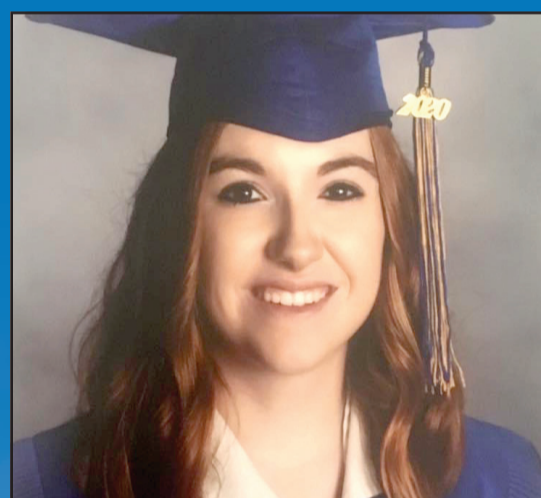
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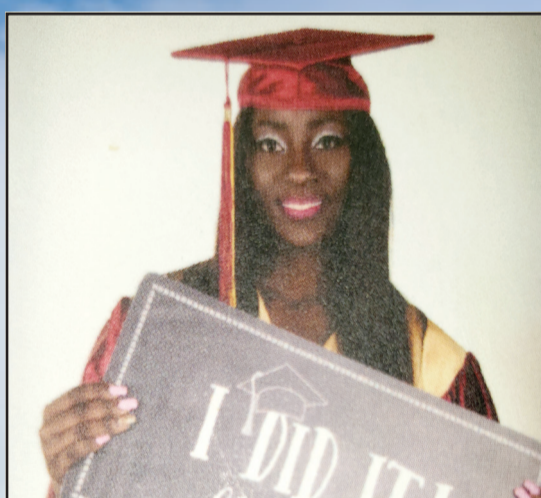
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