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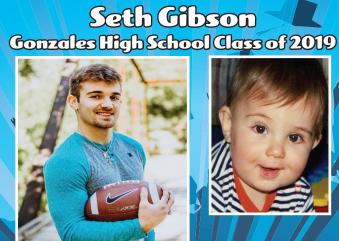
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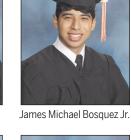
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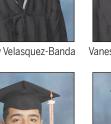








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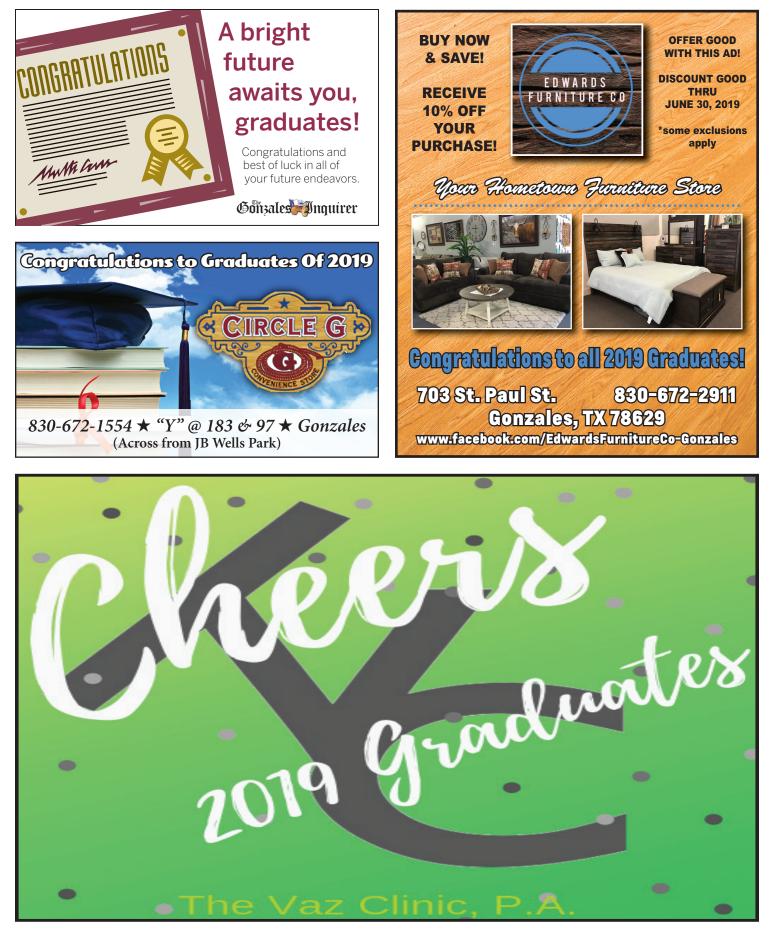
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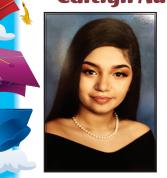
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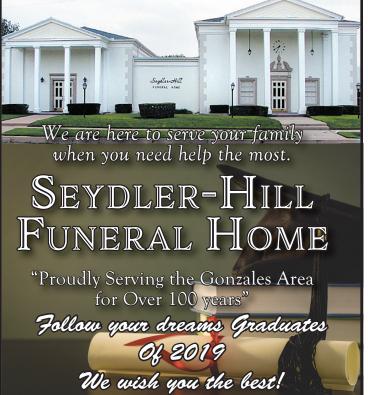


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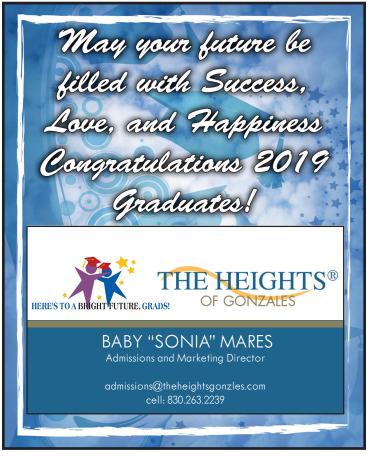




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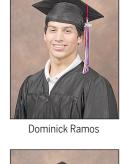
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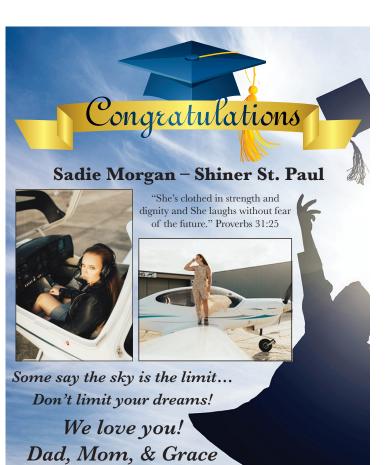


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## **READ THESE WORDS:** HAVE FUN IN COLLEGE

Editor's note: I write a version of this column every year for graduates with a few tweaks here and there. The overall theme is about the same. Don't forget to have fun in college.

ou're going to hear this a lot: "Today is the beginning of the rest of your life." Except real life doesn't quite start when you enter college. Consider college as the minor leagues. You haven't reached the majors quite yet, but your time spent in the minors is vital.

To be more accurate, let's say graduation is the beginning of your training to live the rest of your life.

We all remember these rules we were taught growing up: Look both ways before crossing the street, don't take candy from strangers, nothing good happens after 2 a.m., always have a designated driver, liquor before beer you're in the clear, etc.

Though some of the above can be good tidbits of advice, there's one rule for me that reigns supreme.

Have fun.

This simple rule will take you far in reaching whatever goals you set for yourself whether it's success, happiness or maybe both, especially for those headed to college.

I imagine my entry into college is a bit peculiar to some here in county. I graduated high school in Germany because my dad was still in the military and our last duty station was overseas. Before Germany, my family lived in North Carolina, where we spent almost five years.

Knowing that I was going through senior year in a foreign country, there were no chances for campus visits, unless I (read: my parents) wanted to dish out that \$1,000-plus plane ticket for me to do so. All my research came through the Internet, hoping that the biggest decision I'd ever make in my life up to that point wouldn't also be the biggest mistake I'll ever make.

Then one day I get a message from one of my best friends, Adam. He



tells me that he just checked out this school, the University of North Carolina-Greensboro.

I remember him saying the facilities were great, it's not a big campus but the sports teams are Division I, so UNCG was far from a small school.

Then he said the phrase that pretty much convinced me to apply.

"We can be roommates."

Great thing about my friend, he knows how to have fun. So what better way to reintroduce myself to North Carolina life than to room with someone I know who is so outgoing that it would be criminal if I didn't meet any new friends.

That freshmen year I did meet some cool people, but because I was homesick (my family was an eight-hour flight away) I didn't maximize on my fun.

Sophomore year? That was a blast, especially since I opened up more.

After experiencing many (my student loans statement still tells me "too many") years in college, here are some tips that I believe are helpful:

Live on campus if you can. That's how you meet new people. College is all about experiencing something different, cohabitating with those with different worldviews than you. It's hard to do all this while eating dinner or studying for a mid-term at home versus eating at the cafeteria or spending your time at the library or the study room in the dorms.

If you're already living in the dorm, have an open-door policy. My sophomore roommate had this tremendous idea of keeping the door open while we were in there. It forced us to keep a clean room while also attracting others to come in to say hey. I met a lot of great friends through this open-door policy.

#### Don't feel "stuck" with your major.

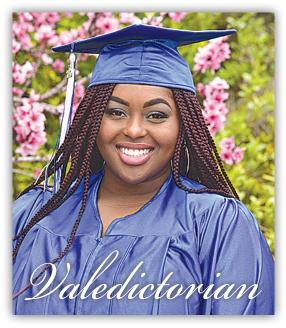
started out school vying for a computer science major. Then I got cocky and added mathematics, thinking it would be easy to double major. A few failed classes later, I went down to a math minor and then dropped it altogether. Then finally I decided that computer science wasn't for me, but I had enough credits to get a minor in it, so I stuck with the minor and changed my major to English. It took me six years from start to finish to get my bachelor's degree, but I am a much happier person now doing what I am doing than I was trying to get through computer science. If you're not happy with your major, don't feel stuck. Talk to some professors you trust. They can help you decide what path to take. Which brings me to...

Keep in contact with your professors. They have the answers. If you need their help outside of class, they will spend time to do so. College professors spent most if not all of their educational career on that specific topic they are teaching. Their courses are very important to them and they are more than willing to help any student who asks for it.

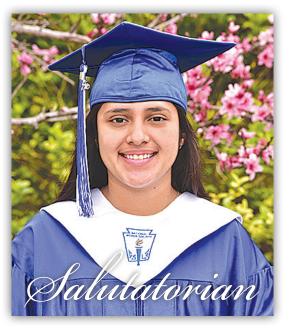
**Make time for some fun.** I know grades are important. You don't want to fall into that academic probation trap. But college isn't all about the books, it's about experiencing something different. I've been blessed to have lived in different places outside the country. There are those who I know who haven't been outside of their respective county, let alone state. Staying in your books or camping out at a library for most of your college life won't do you any good in the real world. Study, but afterwards, go out and do something where you're interacting with different kinds of people.

**Don't waste this great opportunity.** This experience will open your eyes to a new world. In the classroom, turn in homework, try not to skip class, etc. But after the work, make time for some play. You're not going to get these years back. Make them valuable. Enjoy college. Have fun.





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# VALEDICTORIAN HONORS

Commencement season is an important time in a soon-to-begraduate's life. There is excitement at the prospect of new opportunities on the horizon as well as a feeling of accomplishment for successfully making it through years of schooling. Receiving a top honor such as valedictorian can be the icing on the cake of a job well done.

Academics can be very competitive. The highest academic honor a student can receive in high school is to be named valedictorian of his or her class. Typically, valedictory honors are determined by grade point average: however, some schools may measure rankings differently. For example, certain schools may have weighted GPAs, which means students in higher level classes can earn weighted GPAs. If a student takes an advanced-placement course, he or she can garner a 5.0 score for that class by earning an A grade. Standard courses may top out at a 4.0 for a course for an A grade, according to



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PrepScholar, a school-testing guide and tips resource.

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Once these qualifications are determined, students eager to compete for the top prize can do the following.

• Take a variety of courses, including AP classes when available.

• Study and do well on exams and inclass assignments.

• Do not be afraid to take risks and challenge oneself.

• Maintain a good rapport with teachers and seek extra credit when available.

• Maintain an optimistic outlook even when things may not be going as planned. Adapt to the situation and make changes that can bring success, rather than throwing in the towel.

Being named valedictorian is a great honor for students that may propel some to academic success for years to come.













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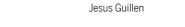


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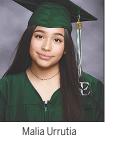


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