Staff Writer

Elizabeth Aguilar was born on April 18. 1995 in Mexico City. Her hobbies are singing, and learning to dance different kinds of

an International law-

changed her life be-

cause she made the

"PPAS made me real-

ize how much I love my

family," Aguilar said.
In her time at PPAS.

Aguilar has learned

to be more respon-

sible, organized, faith-

ful, and leave every-

thing in God's hands.

Favorite Class:

Favorite Teacher:

Library

yer,

best

"Aguilar said.

She said PPAS

friendships.

music. Aguilar is part of the Chamber Choir and also a singer in the Praise Band Team. After graduating, she plans to go to college and get into law school. "I am planning to get a law degree as

to study in the U.S.
"I want to study at
Texas A&M Univergood job and have a family," Aranda said.

bra II

Ms. Kriegel

Mr. Meek Best Friends: Sarai B, Alexandra G,

to be doctor



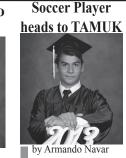
Staff Writer Sergio Galvan, 17-year-old senior from San Fernando, Tamuolipuss, Mexico came to PPAS in 2010 to learn another language and learn a new life without his parents.

He enjoys playing soccer, which led him to participate in the Eagles soccer team for three years. He participated in basketball and baseball as well. "I've learned how

to take good and bad decisions, don't waste your time doing nothing," Galvan said. He said that 'burn-fire' is his happiest memory. However he feels

excited about knowing his graduation is coming, and he wants to study medicine. Favorite Class:

Algebra I Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Perkins Best Friends: Tavo R, Cesar G, Rene V



Staff Writer

Guillermo Aranda. 18, said that he wants a graduate degree in civil engineering from a college in the U.S. "I describe myself

like an awesome, happy and unique person," Aranda said. Aranda said that he came to PPAS because his parents thought it was a better opportunity for him

sity-Kingsville, and then I want to get a Last year, Aranda was chosen as athlete of the

year because he qualified for state in track for the category of thrower. and he was also chosen to be in the first team in Texas soccer. Favorite Class: Alge-Favorite Teacher:

Physics L, Andrea M,

Baseball player From soccer to medicine



Staff Writer Armando Garcia, 17,

from Valle Hermoso, Tamaulipas, Mexico describes himself as funny, cheerful, and friendly. One of the many things he learned at PPAS was to live as a family and to control his emotions. He enjoys hanging out with friends on weekends, sleeping, and playing soccer. Garcia was cap-

tain of the soccer team. 'We started from the bottom, and now we are leaving all together from the highest point. We did it, brothers," Garcia said.

Garcia plans to follow his father's step, who is his role model, by studying medicine at the Universidad Autonoma de Tamaulipas.

Favorite Class: Geography Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Moreno **Best Friends: La Suit**

NHS member will be lawyer



Staff Writer

From Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico Yleana Balboa, 18-year-old senior, was born on May 5, 1995. Balboa plans to attend La Salle University where she study will law. Her goals are to be

more responsible, pa-

tience and organized.

During her three vears, Balboa was part of National Honor Society (NHS), basketball, 4-H, Peer support team. Social committee treasurer, a dual credit student at Coastal Bend College and was named in Honor Roll.

"I will never forget the people that became my family. I certainly know this was God's will for each one of us, so I am happy to take every moment with them," Balboa said.

Favorite Class: Favorite Teacher: Pastory Mary Best Friends: Carla Zenia D

Track member



Staff Writer

17-year-old Cesar G17-year-old sar Garcia, from San Fernando Tamaulipas, Mexico is planning to attend University of Texas at Brownsville (UTB). Garcia came to PPAS two years ago to im-

prove his English skills. "It is hard to be here but at the end everything is worth Garcia said Garcia has been in-

volved in track and 4H. He said that one of the best things that happened to

him when he came to PPAS was meeting his girlfriend and making more friends. "Being at PPAS helped me to learn how to be responsible and clean," Garcia said. Favorite Class: Pre

Cal **Favorite Teacher:** Mr. Meek Best Friends: Sergio G, Javier C, Carlos Z

PPAS teaches responsibility



Staff Writer

Sarai Bernardino was born on April 28, 1995 in Mexico City, Mexico. She was part of the varsity basketball team

at PPAS for two years

and the track team.

After graduating, she plans to go to Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico (UNAM). "I would like to go to Mexico and spend time with my famenjoy summer and keep studying,'

Bernardino said. She said that PPAS has changed her life in many ways. She has learned to be responsible and that sometimes you need to make sacrifices to gain what you want. "I have learned to be a

better person. PPAS has taught me values and valuable lessons that have helped me to mature," Bernardino said. Favorite Class: English IV **Favorite Teacher:** Mrs. G

beth A, Alexandra G, Karla C Plans to major

Best Friends: Eliza-



Staff Writer

Uzziel Garcia was born on October 7, Coahuila, Mexico. He likes rock music and his favorite band is Nirvana. He has been in Praise Band as the bass player for two years and he said he enjoys playing in Chapel with his friends. He was also part of the 2012 state soccer Runner up team.

After graduating, he plans to go to TAMUK. "I will like to pursue a mechanical engineering career because it attracts my

attention,, "Garcia said. He said that PPAS has changed his life in many ways. He has learned to be responsible and to really enjoy time with his friends.

Favorite Class: English IV Favorite Teacher: Mrs. G Best Friends: Regina H, Santiago N, Guillermo A

Senior will



Staff Writer

Adrian Castrellon, 18-year-old senior, was born on April 22, 1995 in Brownsville. He actually lives in Valle Hermoso, Tamaulipas, Mexico.

Baseball, soccer and 4H are the activities that Castrellon participated at PPAS his three years at the school. Castrellon was in 4H his freshmen

and sophomore year, cheer his sophomore year to soccer manager his senior year. This year, Castrellon practiced baseball. He plans to study arts at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

"Something I would never forget is the study club at the boy's center," Castrellon said. Favorite Class: Library Favorite Teacher: Mr. Robertson Best Friends: Sergio G, Javier C, Ar-

Choir member grew spiritually

mando G



Staff Writer Alexandra Gonza-

lez is an 18-year-old senior at PPAS. She spent three years at PPAS. Her parents sent her here to make her strong spiritually and to learn English. There are many things that she likes about PPAS, but the best thing she likes was that she could have special experiences like meeting students who are from different countries.

Because she wanted to be closer with God, she joined Choir, Praise band, and CMC during the three years. "Since I arrived here, PPAS had changed me a lot. I could say that I found one of my best friends in my life and I grew a lot both

ally," Gonzalez said. Favorite Class: Pre Favorite Teacher: Mr. Robertson **Best Friends:** Elizabeth A, Sarai B,

spiritually and mor-

Graduate to study engineering



Staff Writer 17-year-old Senior

Karla Castro is from Irapuato, Guanajuato, Mexico. Her favorite subject is music. In her free time, she likes to do is play the guitar and listen to music. Her strengths are in math and what has helped her be a good student through the years is her dedication. She would like to study chemical engineering at a

university in Chicago. She came to PPAS because her brother was a graduate from here. She has had a lot of good memories at PPAS, but what she will remember the most, is the people. "Take advantage while

She said time went fast, but as her last year is about to end, she does not want it to. **Favorite Class:** Library Favorite Teacher: Mr. Meek Best Friends: Ana M,

Elizabeth A, Daniela

you are here," she said.

From PPAS to UT-Austin



Jimena Gonzalez, 18-year-old from Matamoros, Tamaulipas, México, has participated in cheerleading, soccer, track, Student Council, volleyball, 4-H and NHS. "I'm going to miss watching movies with my friends and the

moments of laughing at the senior table," Gonzalez said. Gonzalez plans to study actuarial science at University of Texas at Austin. She said that being at

PPAS helped her to be more independent and to focus on her studies. "I see myself opening my own business," Gonzalez said

Favorite Class: Spanish Favorite Teacher: Ms. Kriegel Best Friends: Katia L, Rebecca L, Javier

Future educator Senior wants heads to N.Y.



Staff Writer

Eighteen-year-old Yi Guo, from Shanghai, China, has been at PPAS for four years. Since her freshman year, Guo was a very shy person, but her closest friends know how funny she really is. Guo considers her-

son. In her free time, she loves to sleep. This year she joined the basketball team. "I was super tired, I still don't know what I was think-Guo ing," said. Guo looks forward

self an introvert per-

to her future, and her education. She is planning to go to St. Joseph College in New York and earning a degree in education.

"I became more responsible. I am really proud of myself learning English and a little bit of Spanish," Guo said. Favorite Class: Pre Cal Favorite Teacher: Mr.

Robertson **Best Friends:**

Filiberto O Graduate



Staff Writer

Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico describes ĥerself as a funny and extrovert girl. Luna better known as Ale Luna came to

tolerate others and have good relationships. Her role-models are

as the people who taught her to be the person she is now. She has been manager of the Cheerleading squad and part of the Social Committee.

homeopathy at University of Texas-Brownsville or

English Ms. Kriegel **Best Friends:** Everybody

Hopes for

Athlete pursues

marketing

Staff Writer

Tamaulipas,

From Comales,

Orlando Cepeda, 17

describes himself as

friendly, sympathetic,

and remarkably tall.

Cepeda participated in

soccer, basketball, and

track. Besides to learn-

ing to maneuver the

ball, he also said that he

learned to be more re-

sponsible and to value

his family and friends.

"I met a lot of friends,

and now all of them are

part of my family. I love

them," Cepeda said.

is his father. He said he

admires him because he

is hard-working, caring,

respectful, and loving.

study marketing the University of

Texas at San Antonio.

Favorite Class: Ani-

Favorite Teacher:

Best Friends: Em-

manuel R, Armando

mal Science

Ms. Kriegel

G, Samuel R

Cepeda plans to

Cepeda's role model

Mexico,



Staff Writer

Zenia De Leon, 18-year-old, said that she wants a graduate degree in psychology from a U.S. college such as the University of Texas San Antonio.

"I describe myself as a happy person that is sincere, but gets mad so easily," De Leon said. De Leon said that she came to

PPAS to learn English and experience something "After college, I just want to find a

job and travel around the world, then an awesome family," De Leon said. Favorite Class: Ge-

ometry Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Gonzalez Best Friends: Katia N, Kheila N

to study art

Staff Writer

"Never forget God,

in the good and in

the bad," is what

17-year-old senior

Priscila Gutierrez

wants to say as ad-

vice for the other

students at PPAS.

Gutierrez is from

San Fernando, Tam-

aulipas, Mexico; and

was born on June 6,

1995. Gutierrez likes

to listen to music and

watch Korean dra-

mas in her free time.

Her favorite activity

that she participated

at school was 4-H in

which she won a red

ribbon for her lamb

at the livestock show.

Gutierrez hopes to

study psychology

with a specializa-

tion in art, to travel,

and to continue

studying English.

Favorite Class: U.S.

Best Friends: Cesar

G, Sergio G, Gustavo

Senior aims

After graduation

Plans to study



Staff Writer

Ciudad Valles, San Luis Potosi, Mexico is where 18 year-old senior Daniela Dueñas is from. She likes to have different opportunities, and that is how she ended up at PPAS. "I saw a door and opened it," she said.

She would like to study educational administration at the Autonoma de Nuevo León, Monterrey, Mexico. She believes her

character and having an open mind has and will continue helping her succeed. At school, she has participated in vol-

leyball, CMC, and drama club. Some of her greatest achievements are winning 1st place as best actress in district, and 2nd place as best actress in the state competition. Favorite Class: Bible Favorite Teacher:

those who may have touched my life Best Friends: you know who you are

Prom Queen will cheer in college



Staff Writer Regina Hernandez was born on October 28, 1994 in Mexico Her hobbies are singing, dancing, and sports. She was 2013 Prom Queen and Best District Actress. She was also part of Track, Soccer, and Volleyball team. graduat-After

ing, she plans to go Menlo College. "I am planning to work all summer and then head to college to be an undergraduate cheerleader who plans to major in marketing

keting communica-tions," Hernandez said. This is her last and third year at the school, and she said that PPAS has changed her life in many ways. She has learned to value all the things she has, and the school has helped her to have a closer relationship with God.

Favorite Class: Art II Favorite Teacher: Mr. Robertson Best Friends: you

know who you are Athletic senior



Staff Writer

Mathilda Mirefrom Kingsville, les, has been at PPAS for three years, starting her sophomore year. Since then, Mireles

and was soccer captain.

pus ministry tech team and what he likes about the school is the international experience it offers. Magallanes said

that he will never forget his friends from around the world. **Favorite Class:**

English Favorite Teacher: Mrs. G Best Friends: Nathan Z, Kike V, Hyunsuk

Seventeen-year-

has worked hard to keep her grades up. With her free time at PPAS, Mireles joined 4-H, volleyball, track and field, cheerleading

Mireles is look-

hard work pays off in the end," Mireles said.

high school experience and that she will give everything to do better in college. **Favorite Class:**

Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Gonzalez **Best Friends:** Mariana G, Hefzi G, Ana G

Track member



Staff Writer Alejandro Hernan-Rio Bravo, Tamaulipas

Hernandez is 18-years-old he was born on Oc-1994. tober 10, During his time in PPAS he part of the soccer

who came to PPAS to

finish high School.

He participated in the state soccer tournament, receiving second place all-state. When Hernandez finishes high school, he is planning to attend UTPA in Edinburg. Hernandez's most

vivid memory and

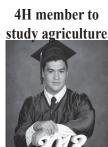
the one that he will

not forget is the soc-

cer state tournaments

and also the friends that he met at PPAS. Favorite Class: Library Favorite Teacher: Mr. Meek Best Friends: Alex P,

Farid R, Enrique V



Staff Writer Felipe Herrera is an 18- year old sefrom Valle nior Hermoso, Mexico. Herrera only attended his senior year at PPAS.

During his stay at PPAS, Herrera was in 4-H, cross country and he was also named student of the month for February. Herrera plans to attend Texas A&M Uni-

versity-Brownsville and then may transfer to its branch in Austin. While at college, Herrera wants to major in agriculture. Herrera said he's always going to cherish his memories at

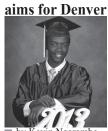
PPAS and that he's

going to miss the

people most of all.

Favorite Class: Animal Science Favorite Teacher: Mr. Robertson Best Friends: Alejandro H, Yurim L, Joseph K

State champion



by Kevin Staff Writer

Daniel Ishimwe is an eighteen year old senior from Kigali, Rwanda, central Africa, and has been at PPAS since junior year. While attend-

ing PPAS, Ishimwe participated in basketball, cross country, soccer and was also the 2012 110- meter hurdles champion. After graduat-

ing, Ishimwe hopes to attend Denver University and major in comengineering. After college, he wants to return Rwanda and

start working to

help

his parents.

Favorite Class: Physics Favorite Teacher: Mrs. G **Best Friends: Nathan** Z, Elizabeth A, Gustave R

Actress hopes to



Staff Writer

Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico is 18-vear-old where Senior Cynthia Jacobo is from. Jacobo has been at PPAS for three years and is proud of entering National Honor Society, winning 2nd place in the science fair and starting a drama club. She wishes to study filming at the University of Texas at Austin.

"I will like to graduate with a Master's degree in filming and study acting to be a successful director and actress," she said. She said coming to

'Something I have learned is to trust in who you are," Jacobo said. Favorite Class: Theatre Arts Favorite Teacher: Mr. Saenz

Best Friends: you know who you are

the school helped her.

new culture

Newcomer learns



Staff Writer

Sabrina Kambanda was born on June 11, 1992 and arrived six months ago from Kigali, Rwanda, Africa. Kambanda learned how to live with people, who have a different culture from PPAS. She participated in basketball. Kambanda wants

study psychology at Lincoln University and she describes herself as shy. She likes to dance and her favorite movie is Kambanda enjoys her communication class,

inspires banda is her dad. "I will miss all my friends and Mrs. Tamra and Mrs. G's humor," Kambanda said **Favorite Class:**

Favorite Teacher:

U, Anais U, Fran-

Best Friends: Silivie

Speech

Mrs. G

cine U

Twilight Lambarria PPAS especially all especially when Mr. her friends. She added Meek was dancing. that her best year was The person who her first one when she Kamwas a sophomore.

> Robertson Best Friends: Jimena G, Job R, Katia L

Future dentist will miss friends



was born in Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico on March 26, 1995. She lives in Los Fresnos. Lambarria has been at PPAS for three years. During her time, she partici-

pated in volleyball,

track, and swimming.

Rebeca Lambarria

Staff Writer

Lambarria's plan for the future is to to University of Texas at Austin and study Dentistry. "The best thing about PPAS is my friends," said. She will never forget

Favorite Class: English Favorite Teacher: Mr.

Adriana S, Sofia V, strives for UTB



Alejandra Luna from

PPAS to have a better education and learn English. She also said she did not just learn academics, she learned how to

e her parents. She describes them She plans to study

Favorite Class: Favorite Teacher:

Mexico.

for big screen



a student at PPAS who

came from Monterrey

Nuevo Leon, Mexico

ning to attend col-

where he will be ma-

joring in filmmaking.

He is part of cam-

Staff Writer

Daniel Magallanes is

to study in the US. Magallanes was born on January 18, 1995. After graduating from PPAS, he is planlege at Tec Monterrey

> ing forward to her future, planning to study Forensic Science at Texas A&M University-Kingsville. "Responsibility and

> She also said that is very happy about being done with her

Physics

Semor is set

Drummer plans Senior continues to be engineer

mechanical

American

come

de

Physics

Mr. Meek

Best Friends:

lunch table

September 22, 1995.

He wants to study

neer or marketing

and he likes to play

ball and wants to

do so in college.

At PPAS, he is part

of praise band, where

he plays the drums.

PPAS for three years

and what he likes

about the school

is that friends be-

through high school

and now he is ready

to college at Uni-

versidad Autonoma

Favorite Class:

Favorite Teacher:

Victor R, Uzziel G,

Senior learns responsibility

brothers.

He is almost

Guadalajara.

He has been at

Omar Moreno From Alende Nuevo Leon, Mexico, Samantha Moreno came to is a 17-year-old senior from Gua-PPAS in August 2010. dalajara, Mexico. "I came here to be He was born on

foot-

successful and become whatever God had planned me to be, though it's a tradition of my family, coming and studying at PPAS from my father," Moreno said.

She said she feels excited because she knows it's a new step that she's taking in her life to become someone successful. Moreno has been

in cross-country, volleyball, soccer, bas-ketball, cheerleading, and track and field. She also has been participating in choir, CMC, National Honor Society, theater, and 4-H. Moreno said that she's happy because it seems like she'd found true friends at PPAS.

Favorite Class: Reading II Favorite Teacher: Mrs. G Best Friends: Daniela D

Future longhorn



Staff Writer

Muzquiz,

Job Ramirez, from

He wants to attend

Mexico was born on May 15, 1995.

University of Texas at

Austin to study me-

chanical Engineering

himself as reserved,

knowing when it is nec-

essary to talk, a good lis-

tener and a great friend.

at PPAS, he partici-

pated in 4-H, NHS,

Track, was freshmen

vice president, praise band and CMC.

are to get a good

money to start a band.
"I will miss the

place," Ramirez said

Favorite Class:

10b.

people

Calculus

Ramirez's goals

obtain enough

not

In his three years

Ramirez describes

Coahuila,

Staff Writer

Maria Pinto from Valle Hermoso, Tamaulipas, Mexico had a great experience at PPAS, she said, since she joined the

family a year ago. She has participated in the Bible club, track, and National Honor Society. "I learned to be responsible, to take

care of myself, to organize my time, to respect others' opinion and to accept the consequences of my decisions," Pinto said. Her next step is

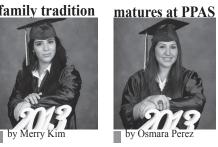
to go to the University of Texas-Pan American, she wants to study medicine and specialize in neurology.

Class president

chooses advertising

Favorite Teacher: Mr. Meek Best Friends: Se-**Favorite Class:** bastian G, Rebeca, Physics Best Friends: Ana V Jimena G

family tradition



Staff Writer

18-year-old An-Morton from drea Rio Bravo, Tamaulipas, Mexico, wants to study communications at Universidad de

Graduate

Monterrey (UDEM). Morton has been involved in basketball, soccer, track, cheerleading, Student Council, social committee and peer support team.

She said that she will never forget the dancing walks with her roommates and the good times at the senior table. "Being at PPAS

helped me to grow more

mature and be aware of God's graciousness," Morton said. She said that the

best thing that hap-pened to her was the friends that became like siblings for her. **Favorite Class:**

U.S. History **Favorite Teacher:** Mrs. Alegria **Best Friends:** Yleana B, Carla L,

will go to Miami

Farid Redondo is a

senior at PPAS and

was born in Puebla,

Mexico, but he lives in

Cartagena, Colombia.

old and was born on December 12, 1994.

He came to the U.S. to

complete high school.

At PPAS, Redondo

participated in soccer,

track & field and was

on the yearbook staff.

After he graduates,

he is attending college

at Miami Dade Col-

lege, where he will

major in marketing.

will never forget about

PPAS is his friends the

state soccer tourna-

ment that he enjoyed

a lot and Mrs. Garcia.

Favorite Teacher: Mr.

Best Friends: Alex H,

Samuel G, Enrique V

Favorite Class:

Library

Garcia

The thing that he

Redondo is 18-years-

Colombia native Soccer captain to

Ball player



Arnaud Muhire is an 18- year old senior from Kigali, Rwanda; Central Africa, and this was Muhire's first year at PPAS.

While at PPAS, Muhire participated in basketball and was also named as student of the month for Mav. After graduation, Muhire wants to travel

to Miami, where he

plans to attend college at Florida International University. He will major in civil engineering and after he graduates college, he wants to

go back to Rwanda and start working.

Favorite Class: U.S. History **Favorite Teacher:** Mrs. G Best Friends: Joseph K, Gustave R, Aime S

be stockbroker

Staff Writer

18-year-old Senior

Victor Rios from

Juarez, Michoacán,

Mexico, plans to

be a stockbroker

and attend Dordt

College in Iowa.

to improve his Eng-

lish and experi-

ence an adventure

away from home.

years at the school,

Rios was involved

in soccer, where

he was one of the

captains his last

year and track.

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and

History

Mr. Meek

"I see myself in

vears working

living in L.A.

enjoying the

hard work I have

done," Rios said.

Favorite Class: U.S.

Favorite Teacher:

Best Friends: Uzziel

G, Santiago N, Omar

During his three

He came to PPAS

study dentistry for California

Staff Writer

Seventeen year old,

Katia Navar is from

Valle Hermoso, Tam-

aulipas, Mexico. Na-

var has been at PPAS

for three years, where

she joined cross

country, basketball,

soccer, track and the

cheerleading team.

the Honor Roll List

and she was also

selected as Eng-

lish Top Student.

var learned how to

make friends, to be-

come responsible

and to manage her

own time. Navar

wants to pursue a

degree in either den-

tistry or odontology.

"I would like to go

to UT Austin, but I

think that I am going

to UTPA," Navar said.

Favorite Class:

Favorite Teacher:

Best Friends: Zenia

be accountant

guez said that she

wants a graduate de-

gree in accounting from a U.S. college.

my next step that is

college in the U.S.,

but at the same time

I feel worried for de-

fining what I am do-

ing for the rest of my life," Rodriguez said.

she wants to study at

UTPA, and she de-

scribed herself as a

strong person, car-

ing and a leader.
"I want to get mar-

ried after college,

but continue with my

studies to become bet-

ter," Rodriguez said.

Favorite Class: Alge-

Favorite Teacher:

Best Friends: Katia

N, Alexandra G,

Mrs. Perkins

bra II

Frida M

Rodriguez said that

"I feel exited about

U.S. History

Mr. Meek

D, Kheila N

At PPAS, Na-

She was named to



Staff Writer

"I'm a very positive person, active and patient. I try to help people and learn something from everyone," said Santiago Nava, 18.

Nava said that he is excited to start a new school in his life and have a good job by the time he finishes his career. "I came to PPAS

so that I could graduate from a U.S. high school and college too," Nava said. Nava mentioned

that he wants a graduate degree in Industrial Engineering. "I would like to attend the University of San Diego at California," Nava said.

Favorite Class: Physics Favorite Teacher: Mr. Robertson Best Friends: Uzziel G, Nathan Z,

Senior excels Leader aims to in track



Staff Writer Staff Writer Klarissa Rodri-

Samuel Rivero, 18. spent three years at Presbyterian PPAS. During those years, he was doing his best in academic and athletic areas, including track and soccer.

Rivero said when he came to PPAS, everything was hard and he couldn't understand classes well, however, he studied a lot to be

able to graduate. He was one of the fastest track members, earning running categories.

"I really thank Emmanuel Rossano, Orlando Cepeda, and Hyunsuk Choi for being my friends during. I will miss you a lot," Rivero said.

Favorite Class: Physics **Favorite Teacher:** Mr. Meek Best Friends: Emmanuel R, Orlando C, Hyunsuk C

From soccer PPAS changes to doctor



real. freshmen

versity, where she wants to study industrial engineering. "PPAS changes

your whole life. It makes you mature but still having fun and laughing" Villarreal said. She also said she

learned a lot at PPAS, such as independence, organization, responsibility and to enjoy life. Villarreal will miss living at PPAS, and she will never forget her high school experience.

Favorite Class: English IV **Favorite Teacher:** Mr. Meek

Top student to PPAS was worth it for senior



Staff Writer

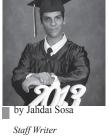
Seventeen-yearold Kheila Nuñez is from Valle Hermoso, Tamaulipas, Mexico. Nuñez has been at PPAS for three years, where she joined soccer and basketball. She was also part National Hon-

or Society and the Peer Support team. Even though she miss her family, Nuñez said that her time at PPAS was well worth it, and that she is very proud of her accomplishments. "At Pan Am, I

learned to share and to be helpful to others," Nuñez said. Nuñez is looking forward to her future and her education. She will be going to the Tecnologico de Monterrey in Monterrey, Mexico, where she will earn a degree in business administration.

Favorite Class: Algebra II **Favorite Teacher:** Mrs. Perkins Best Friends: Katia N, Zenia D,

Soccer player to attend UTB



From San Fernando, Tamaulipas, Mexico, 17-year-old Gustavo

Rodriguez was born on May 26, 1995 and he came three years ago to PPAS. Rodriguez has chosen The University of

Texas at Brownsville (UTB) to attend to become an engineer. During his time

at PPAS, he was involved in several activities such as soccer, baseball and track. Rodriguez said that his favorite thing at PPAS is that he has a lot of friends. Rodriguez said he

will never forget Mrs. Garcia and all the fabulous people he knows at PPAS. Favorite Class: Mr.

Meek **Favorite Teacher:** Speech Best Friends: Kheila N, Katia N, Zenia D

Premont native advances in track



Nathan Zelaya is a 17-year old senior at PPAS. He has been in 4–H during his entire four years at PPAS, cross country captain his junior and senior year, and basketball captain this year.

gional for track, and is a member of National Honor Society (NHS), Campus Ministry Council (CMC), was student council treasurer junior year and president senior year. The four years at

PPAS was one of the hardest times during his life, he said. I remember when I first came to PPAS. I didn't know anything about it or anyone. It was the most frightening thing I had ever done," Zelaya said. Favorite Class: **Aquatic Science Favorite Teacher:**

A, Santiago N, Kike

Graduate expe-



studied at PPAS for four years, learning many things. Ortiz said some-

lege better prepared. He played bas-ketball, baseball

skills to get into col-

at Universidad Auroommate was Kotonoma de Nuevo rean and suitemates Leon (UANL) at were Mexican and Monterrey to major in civil engineering. American. Because derstand different

> Favorite Teacher: Mr. Meek **Best Friends:** Everybody is my friend

learns about God



Emmanuel Ros-

sano is a 17-year-

old senior at PPAS.

He spent three years at PPAS. He likes to play

sports and he was the

goal keeper of PPAS

Eagles soccer team

and he helped the team

go to the finals of the

TAPPS tournament.

he thought it wasn't a

good idea, however,

now, he said he likes

here and will miss it.

thing he learned at

PPAS was about God.

He spent his time in

choir and praise band

He used his musical

skills to praise God

him. If it's his will,

you will get it. Just

believe in him and

praise him. That is

everything we need to do," Rossano said

Favorite Class: His-

Favorite Teacher:

Best Friends: Ar-

tory

Mr. Meek

"Just believe in

He said the best

When he first came.

Gustave Rumongi is one of the fifty two seniors graduating from Presbyterian Pan American School. The eighteen year

old is from Kigali, Rwanda, a country in central Africa. Rumongi has been at PPAS since junior year.

pated in 4-H, track and field, and was a star basketball player

After graduating, Rumongi would hopefully like to attend UTSA and pursue a degree in civil engineering and would like to return back to Rwanda and start his own engineering company. Favorite Class: Pre

Cal Mrs. G

Best Friends: Joseph mando G, Orlando C, K, Arnaud M

Samuel R The 2013 Senior Class of

Presbyterian Pan American School announce their graduation on Saturday, May 18 at 10:00 a.m. in the William Lee

Thomas

Gymnasium

Adriana Sanchez.

year-old senior, from Mexico City, Mexico she was born on September 5, 1994. Sanchez has learned to be more responsible and independent. In her four years at PPAS, Sanchez was part of National Honor Society (NHS), President of the Senior Class, 4H Photography, cross country, basketball, track and was captain of the girl soccer team her junior and senior year. Sanchez wants to study advertising

right," Šanchez said. Favorite Class: English I Favorite Teacher: Mr. Robertson Best Friends: Yi G, Victor R, Jessica S

at the University of

Houston-Victoria.

"My dad inspires me,

he always get things

Senior advises students



Staff Writer

Aime Shema was born in Kigali, Rwanda, Africa and came to PPAS in 2011 as a junior. He said he chose PPAS because it is Christian school.

"I've learned how to become a leader d gotten closer God," he said. He said he feels excited and hopefully it is all that he has expected about college. He is planning to go to Dordt College to study industrial engineering.

He chose Mo-Ranch experience as his happiest memory at PPAS. He said that it was good time with

his classmates. "Keep on working hard and trust Shema said.

Algebra I **Favorite Teacher:** Mrs. Perkins Best Friends: Gustave R, Prince K, Arnaud M

Favorite Class:

Choir member to attend Dordt



Staff Writer

Anais Umuhoza feels excited and nervous at the same time about graduating. She came to PPAS

as a junior in 2011. At PPAS, she learned to live in a society with different people, culture, and language.

The 18-year-old National Honor Society (NHS) member, from Kigali, Rwanda, Africa, participated in basketball, volleyball, and choir.

She has cho-Dordt College to auchar.
"Life is tough but

you must be tougher. So instead of giving yourself reasons why you can't, give yourself reasons why you can," she said.

Best Friends: Sabrina

K, Silivie U, Francine

Mrs. G

During one and half years at PPAS, **Favorite Class: Favorite Class: Physics** Speech Favorite Teacher: Favorite Teacher:

Mrs. G

Faith grows for graduate



Staff Writer Silvie Uwimbabazi, from Kigali, Rwanda, Africa came to PPAS in 2011 as a junior to learn English and have betopportunities.

She said she overjoyed, happy and excited about her upcoming graduation and starting a new life. She is planning

to go to the University of Houston Downtown (UHD). "I've learned a lot at PPAS, working in a society without selfishness, getting closer to God with stronger faith," she said.

she enjoyed playing basketball as a member of Lady Eagles.

Best Friends: Anais

U, Sabrina K, Fran-

Tamaulipas,

18-vear-old Varela was born on July 18, 1994. He came to PPAS four years ago. Varela has chosen University of Texas-Pan American (UTPA) and become a doctor.

good career and a good job," Varela said.

During his time at PPAS, he was involved in some activities and

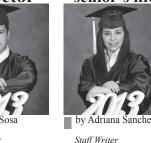
sports such as soccer, Campus Ministry Council and choir. Varela said the things that he liked about PPAS are the students and his friends. "My favorite grade here at PPAS was my junior year because it

more friends and it was more fun," Varela said. **Favorite Class:** Physics Best Friends: Klarissa R, Armando N,

lunch table

was the year that I had

senior's life



Staff Writer From Camargo,

Mexico. Enrique study medicine "I want to have a

Staff Writer

ana S, Angelina G, Elizabeth L

Nineteen-year-old Sofia Villarfrom Monter-

Nuevo Leon, Mexico, has been at PPAS since her year. She is looking forward to college, perhaps Kettering Uni-

Best Friends: Adri-

Staff Writer

He went to re-

Mr. Meek **Best Friends: Memo** riences diversity Filiberto Ortiz has

basketball during all

four years at PPAS.

tional students. My

of that, I could un-

cultures," Ortiz said.

Favorite Class:

Favorite Teacher:

Best Friends: Dan-

Sports lover

iel M, Daniela D,

Samantha M

Algebra II

Mr. Meek

"The best experi-

Alejandro Perez was born in Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico

Senior to return

to Mexico

on January 23, 1995.

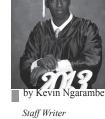
Perez is planning on graduating from PPAS and get a job back home. This is the first and times he just wanted to leave the school, but now he realizes that because he was only year that Perez here, he has better English. He played has attended PPAS, and the reason that he came is to reinforce his

ence and memory I have during the time and soccer at PPAS. I spent at PPAS is He will never forget his friends. to live with interna-He plans to study

> **Favorite Class:** Physics

to be engineer

Rwanda native



During his two years at PPAS, Rumongi excelled both in and out of the classroom. Rumongi partici-

and even got honorable mention on the academic honor roll.

Favorite Teacher: