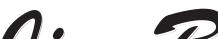
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# Valedictorian Chelsey Peace, from a single-parent household, wants to teach math close to home



Chelsey Peace has had a penchant for excelling academically. With a 4.6 weighted gradepoint average, she indeed has exceeded her goal as Zephyrhills High's 2024 valedictorian.

confident that their order would not be flip-

ute, but it didn't turn out that way," Peace said. "Obviously, my competition, she's great."

Her grades and class ranking notwithstanding, what makes Peace's achievements so re- at this point with Peace saying, "The possibilimarkable is that she did it while being from a single-parent household. With her mother out Aside from her academic credentials, Peace of the picture at an early age, she was primarily has worked two part-time jobs and has been the raised by her father, Bill Peace.

"I'm kind of representing all the kids com-ers of America. ing from a single-parent household," Peace said. "It may be out of the ordinary but there are lutatorians, Peace said she has some stress about many that can relate."

from his daughter being quite an extrovert and not shy at all. Indeed, Bill noted, that is what makes Chelsey so endearing. "I don't really want to talk about myself,"

she would go up to strangers and start a conver- across the stage. sation. It was the sweetest thing."

"She's very outgoing and has been on top of her academics since Day 1," said Kristen Hardy, counsel-or for the senior class. "She's tena-cious. She's one of those kids who is very dedicated and motivated."

Retired from the U.S. Navy after serving for 21 years, Bill later be-came a deputy with the Pasco Sheriff's Department. He also raised his son Kyler, who wrestled at Zephyrhills High and graduated eight years ago.

"It was a struggle," he said, not-ing that the sheriff's department worked to accommodate him with his work schedule.

Chelsey, who attended West Zephyrhills Elementary, Centennial Middle and Zephyrhills High, noted that her brother "definitely got the athletic gene while I'm in academics."

Peace has a burning desire to be a math teacher. She has done some tutoring, putting that role in perspective by saying, "I think teachers, in their own right, are managers."

Hardy would like Peace to aspire to something higher. Perhaps in school administration or even becoming a principal.

Nonetheless, Peace differs: "No, it's not in student's life. I just love math and enjoy helping She narrowly edged salutatorian Chloe others; that lightbulb moment when they get it. Poulimenos, but admittedly was not always It makes me feel very satisfied. It makes me feel very satisfied.

"I really hope I can help kids bridge that flopped at the end. "I expected to get beat out at the last min-"I expected to get beat out at the last minate math. I just think they lack the foundation.'

If Peace indeed becomes a teacher, Hardy said, "We're hoping she stays in our county." The likelihood of that happening is strong

Aside from her academic credentials, Peace school's president for the Future Business Lead-

Like some previous valedictorians and saher upcoming graduation speech. She intends to Her father noted that outlook stems, in part, deliver a poignant message to her fellow class-

"Chelsey's able to be very charming and I Peace said. "I definitely want to motivate the appreciate that with her," he said, adding that class but some of them won't be listening be-when Chelsey was young, "At grocery stores cause they are going to be anxious to walk

# **Chloe Poulimenos is** the second salutatorian in her family

Graduating among the top two in one's class is a rare occurrence — not so much in the Poulimenos family.

Chloe, this year's salutatorian, is the second standout student in her family to graduate second overall in her class. Alexandria, Class of 2021, was the first to achieve that remarkable academic feat.

"She was happy for me," Pouli-menos said of her older sister. "She thought it was funny, the coincidences. I think she influenced me a lot. She

helps me with studying." "I'm proud of her," Alexandria said. "I helped her out by kind of guid-ing her through the process. She's a hard worker."

For Poulimenos, finishing second in Zephyrhills' Class of 2024 admittedly was not as difficult as some might

think. "I didn't work that hard," she 'I guess it was the course load I was taking. When I found out I was in the running for second I was excited."

That excitement stems, in part, in the way that Poulimenos approaches her studies.

"I'm kind of addicted to school-work," she said. "I love learning."

Another thing Poulimenos has in common with her older sister is planning a career in the medical profes-BayCare Hospital in Wesley Chapel.

both really liked it," Alexandria said. "We both College are into science.

For her part, the younger Poulimenos, who hills, saying, "I'm so glad I got that experience."

guage arts, and Gina Granger King, social stud- to soft rock and does not watch much television. ies. Poulimenos ranked Pasco-Hernando State College professor Diana Cobble atop that short list.

"She's the sweetest person I ever met," Pou- academically. limenos said of Cobble, who teaches sign lan-guage and language arts. "She just really takes she said, which is something she has done for ate about what she teaches.

"I haven't met a deaf person yet, but if I do I'm make a difference." prepared."



Poulimenos is not interested in attending a sion. Alexandria went to Pasco-Hernando State crowded college or university with lots of peo-College and is now a radiology technologist at ple on a big campus. Admittedly an introvert, she seeks a smaller school and one that is close "We took anatomy in (high) school and we to home with plans to start at Hillsborough State

"I get homesick easy," she reasoned.

Her family moved to the east Pasco area in addition to the high school has been taking from Indiana when she was in grade school. dual enrollment classes at PHSC, would like to Poulimenos attended New River Elementary, work in ultrasound. She also has volunteered in Stewart Middle and Zephyrhills High. Her fa-the emergency room at AdventHealth Zephyr- ther Demetrius is an engineer and her mother Jill is a nurse.

Like many students who excel in the In what little free time she has Poulime-classroom, Poulimenos had mentors who nos said she likes to read, primarily the classics shaped her path along the way. She credited like George Orwell's "1984" and science fiction Zephyrhills High teachers Catherine Astl, lan- books by Blake Crouch. She also enjoys listening

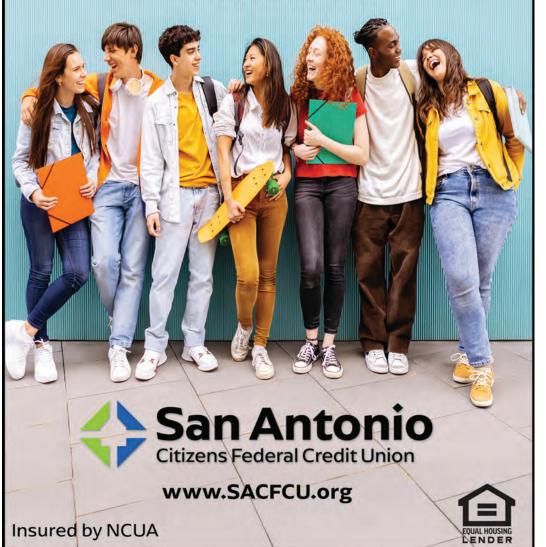
> Poulimenos had some parting words of advice for any students seeking a top-10 finish in their class or just anybody wanting to do better

an interest in her students and she's so passion- the past two years. "Study. Do your work. I think it makes a difference if you get high A's As for taking that elective, Poulimenos said, instead of low A's. A couple of points can really

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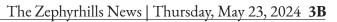
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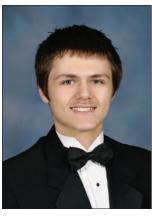
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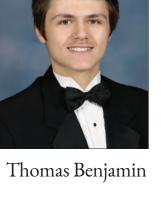
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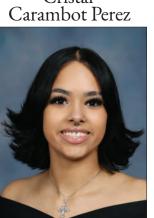






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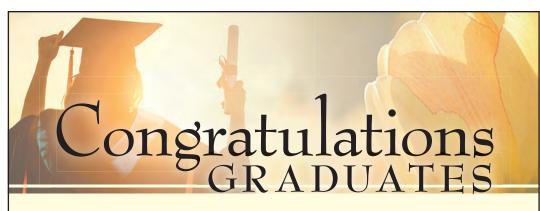
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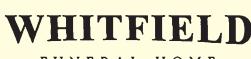


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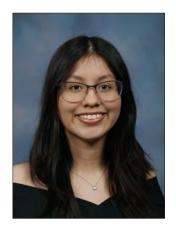
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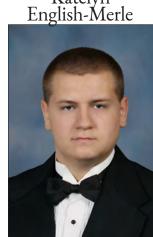
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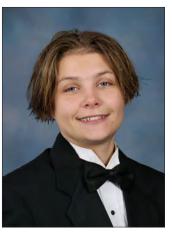


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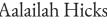
















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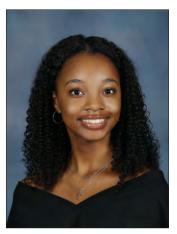
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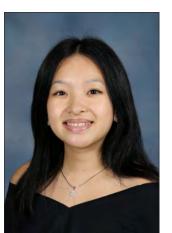
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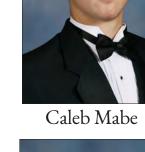
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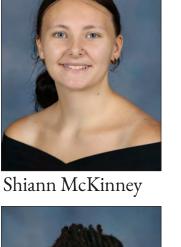




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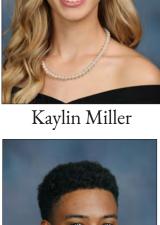


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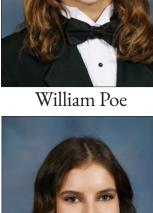


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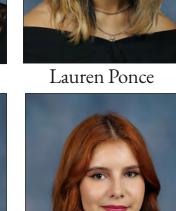
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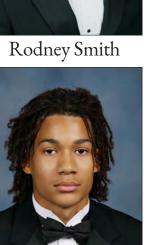




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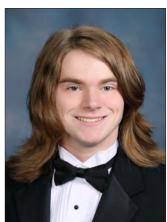


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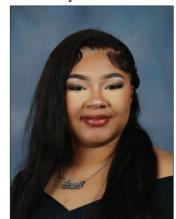
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- & the Library
- · sidewalk Chalk
- · Bubbles · Hula Hoops
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