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Coach Tucker
DOB July 20, 1955

**The only person
who can stop you
from reaching
Your goals is
'YOU'**



ROBERTO TUCKER

D.O.B. July 20, 1955

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CAREER SUMMARY

Roberto Tucker is a distinguished educator and soccer coach whose career spans more than three decades of excellence in youth, high school, collegiate, semi-professional, and professional soccer. Renowned for his leadership, integrity, and commitment to player development, Coach Tucker has built championship programs while mentoring hundreds of student-athletes who advanced to collegiate and national levels. His impact extends beyond wins and titles, shaping lives through education, discipline, and opportunity.

EDUCATION

University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP)

Bachelor of Science in Education

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP & TEACHING

Our Lady of the Valley Elementary School — El Paso, TX

Second Grade Teacher & Physical Education Instructor

1995–2017

St. Michael School — El Paso, TX

ESL Teacher & Physical Education Instructor

1993–1995

Canutillo Elementary School — Canutillo, TX

Physical Education Teacher

1990–1991

COLLEGIATE COACHING CAREER

State Fair Community College (NJCAA) — Sedalia, Missouri

Head Coach

2025–Present

Western Texas College — Snyder, Texas

Head Coach

2022–2025

State Fair Community College — Sedalia, Missouri

Head Coach

2017–2022

University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP)

Head Coach

1987–1991

- National Collegiate Club Soccer Champions (1989 – Kansas City)
- National Coach of the Year

HIGH SCHOOL COACHING DISTINCTION

Cathedral High School — El Paso, TX

Head Coach

2002–2003

- TAPPS State Champions (2002)
- State Coach of the Year

Cathedral High School — El Paso, TX

Head Coach

2016–2017

- TAPPS State Runner-Up
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PROFESSIONAL & SEMI-PROFESSIONAL COACHING

Intercity Semi-Pro UPSL Team — El Paso, TX
Head Coach
2015–2017

El Paso Patriots ("A" League – Professional) — El Paso, TX
Head Coach
2000–2005

OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (ODP)

New Mexico ODP – Youth Girls U14 — Albuquerque, NM
2001–2005

New Mexico State Women's ODP — Albuquerque, NM
1993–1996

YOUTH CLUB LEADERSHIP

FC Dallas Boys Program — El Paso, TX
2010–2017 | U12, U14, U16, U17

Xtreme Soccer Club (Girls) — El Paso, TX
2005–2010 | U12, U14, U16, U17

Legacy Soccer Club (Girls) — El Paso, TX
2000–2005 | U10–U17

Dynasty Soccer Club (Girls) — El Paso, TX
1996–2000 | U12, U14, U16

Santos Soccer Club (Boys) — El Paso, TX
1991–1995 | U14–U18

CHAMPIONSHIPS, HONORS & RECOGNITION

- Texas State Champions — Santos Soccer Club (1992)
 - Regional Champions; advanced to competition at the U.S. Olympic Training Center, Colorado Springs
 - Dynasty Soccer Club: Multiple Out-of-Town Tournament Championships (1998)
 - Dynasty Soccer Club: City Champions
 - Dynasty Soccer Club "Equipo de la Semana" — Canal 26 Univisión (2004)
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LEGACY OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

Coach Tucker is widely respected for developing elite players who advanced to NCAA Division I and national prominence.

Notable Athletes:

- Nicky Thrash — President's Cup Champion (Arizona); NCAA Division I recruit at Texas A&M; four-year collegiate player; Head Coach at Rice University; recipient of the Hermann Award
- Holley Cohen — University of Texas at El Paso; single-season scoring record (21 goals)

Collegiate Advancement Highlights:

- Rebecca Alvarez — Louisiana Tech University (Division I)
- Gina Soto — University of Texas at El Paso (Division I)
- Mackenzie Waldon — Iowa State University (Division I)
- Adriana Mendoza — Mississippi State University (Division I)
- Wendy Sanchez — Division I
- Bianca Vigilante — Division I
- Melanie Lunghi — Adams State University
- Ashleigh Young — Division I
- Sasha Ortiz — College of the Southwest
- Cinthia Prieto — Division I
- Jessica Shane — St. Edward's University
- Diane Bocklage — Division I
- Brittani Montgomery — University of Colorado
- Mitsy Dominguez — Howard Payne University

Legacy Players Advancing to UTEP:

- Janet Esparza
- Holly Cohen

- Stephanie Merrell-Morales
 - Valeria Diaz
 - Brenda Fierro
 - Trina Contreras
 - Sarah Ramirez
 - Janne Williams
 - Kaeterine McShane
 - Patricia Stanley
 - Erika Hay
 - Gina Soto
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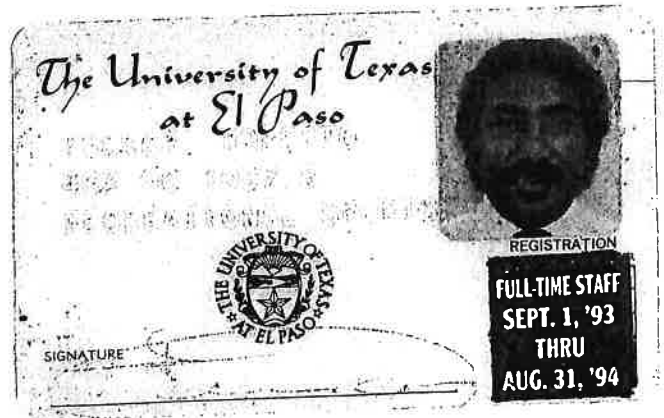
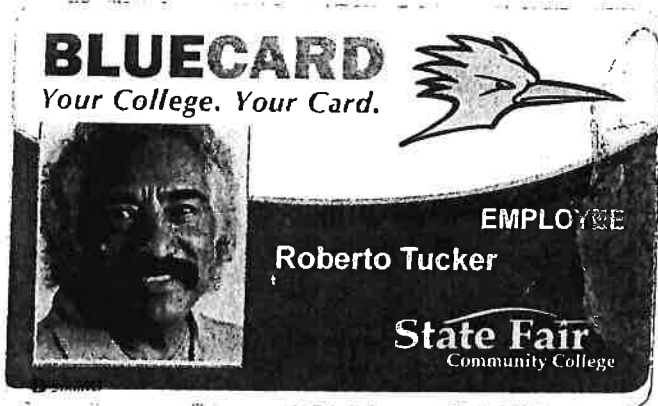
ENDURING IMPACT

Roberto Tucker's career reflects sustained excellence, championship success, and a lifelong commitment to mentoring young athletes through sport and education. His influence is evident in the programs he built, the titles he earned, and the generations of players whose lives he shaped—making him a deserving Hall of Fame honoree.



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ROBERTO TUCKER



Roberto Tucker: A Lasting Legacy in El Paso Soccer and Education

When one thinks of soccer in El Paso, one must begin with Roberto Tucker. For more than four decades, Coach Tucker has stood as one of the most influential and successful figures in the sport, not only in El Paso but throughout the Southwest. His extraordinary career reflects a rare combination of competitive excellence, leadership, and an unwavering commitment to developing young people—both as athletes and as students.

Coach Tucker's coaching experience spans every level of the game, including youth soccer, high school, state-level Olympic Development Programs, NJCAA collegiate soccer, university club competition, semi-professional UPSL teams, and professional "A" League soccer. This breadth of experience is a testament to his deep knowledge of the game and his ability to lead athletes at every stage of development.

One of the defining achievements of Coach Tucker's career came in 1989, when he led the University of Texas at El Paso men's soccer club to a National Championship. He later guided Cathedral High School to a Texas State Championship in 2002, further cementing his reputation as a championship-caliber coach. Over the course of his career, he has won five state championships in Texas and two state cups in New Mexico—accomplishments that reflect sustained excellence rather than isolated success.

After concluding his playing career in the Mexican National League, Coach Tucker began his coaching journey at UTEP. Over an extraordinary 39 consecutive years of coaching, he accumulated more than 800 victories, a remarkable achievement that speaks to his consistency, preparation, and ability to build winning programs year after year.

Equally significant is Coach Tucker's impact as an educator. He devoted 22 years to the field of education, serving as a classroom teacher, physical education instructor, and mentor to countless students. In recognition of his dedication and excellence, he was named **Teacher of the Year for the 1997–1998 school year** and was honored by the *El Paso Times* as **Teacher of the Day**. On January 29, 2000, he received the **Isidro Dovali Memorial Education Award**, a distinction that reflects his profound influence on students and the educational community. These honors underscore the respect he earned not only as a coach, but as an educator committed to shaping character, discipline, and lifelong values.

Beyond wins and titles, Roberto Tucker is widely regarded as one of the premier youth player developers in the region. His Legacy, Dynasty, and Xtreme girls soccer programs alone produced more than 200 players who advanced to NCAA Division I, Division II, and NJCAA colleges nationwide. These athletes benefited not only from elite training, but from the guidance, accountability, and belief that Coach Tucker instilled in them.

Coach Tucker's influence reaches far beyond the soccer field. For nearly four decades, he dedicated his life to helping young people reach the next level academically, athletically, and personally. His career represents a rare fusion of championship success, educational excellence, and service to the El Paso community.

For his unparalleled contributions to soccer, his lasting impact as an educator, and his lifelong commitment to mentoring youth, Roberto Tucker is unquestionably deserving of induction into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame. His legacy continues to shape lives, programs, and the future of the sport throughout the region.



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TO: Voters of the EL PASO ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Roberto Tucker's resume highlights four decades of coaching excellence spanning from the early 1980s through the 2020s. Four decades of unwavering responsibility, dependability, dedication and sacrifice. Throughout his remarkable career, he consistently produced championship-caliber teams across youth, high school, and adult levels—guiding squads to countless tournament victories, league championships, and regional titles. His teams didn't just compete; they dominated with discipline, skill, and heart. But the numbers—the trophies, the wins, the accolades—tell only a fraction of his story.

Roberto's coaching philosophy has always been rooted in a simple but profound belief: soccer is a vehicle for building character, not just athletes. He understood that the lessons learned on the field—how to handle defeat with grace, how to celebrate victory with humility, how to support teammates in their struggles—would serve his players far longer than any trophy ever could. He balanced the pursuit of excellence with the development of the whole person, never sacrificing one for the other. His practices were demanding but purposeful: his expectations were high but fair. He taught that true success meant leaving the field better than you found it, and leaving your teammates better than you found them.

The real story, however, is found in the thousands of boys and girls, men and women, who learned life's most valuable lessons under his guidance. There's the young player who struggled with anger issues and poor grades, whom Roberto mentored through countless one-on-one conversations, eventually watching him graduate with honors and become a teacher himself. There's the shy girl who barely spoke during her first season, whom Roberto patiently encouraged until she found her voice—not just on the field as team captain, but in life as a confident young woman. Through his example and his words, players learned the value of respect for opponents, officials, and themselves. They discovered the importance of teamwork, understanding that individual talent means nothing without collective effort. They developed skills in trusting their teammates and coaches, even when the path forward seemed uncertain. They embraced the value of honesty, knowing that integrity matters more than any shortcut to victory. And perhaps most importantly, they internalized the power of continued growth—the understanding that improvement is a lifelong journey, not a destination.

We often judge a coach's career success by win-loss records, championship banners, and tournament titles. By those measures alone, Roberto's career would be impressive. But his record of true coaching success goes way past this narrow view. His GOAL has always been to develop in individuals a deep respect for life and life's lessons, both on and off the field. Former players don't just remember the games they won under his leadership; they remember the man who

believed in them when they didn't believe in themselves. They remember the coach who showed up not just for practices and games, but for their graduations, their weddings, their moments of crisis. They carry his teachings into their careers, their families, and their communities.

I have known Roberto throughout his 40+ years of devoted service to the sport of soccer. Dependability, responsibility, and accountability are only three of the many adjectives that describe his character. His involvement as a committee member in the successful El Paso/Juarez International Game (1988-1995), Soccerfest International (1990-2000), the World Collegiate Soccer Championship (1992), and the 1993 State Games of Texas was so vital to these successful events. Roberto didn't just serve on committees—he transformed them. He brought organizational excellence, attention to detail, and an ability to coordinate complex logistics that made these events run seamlessly. The soccer portions of these multi-sport events consistently drew the highest participation numbers, received the most positive feedback from athletes and families, and set the standard for how youth tournaments should be conducted. His ability to recruit quality teams, secure top-tier officials, and create competitive yet fair brackets made these tournaments destinations that teams traveled from across the region to attend. I can truthfully say he was a major, truly a major reason the soccer portions were recognized as top administrative achievements.

Roberto Tucker's legacy extends far beyond the soccer fields of El Paso. He helped build the foundation of youth soccer in our community, establishing standards of excellence and sportsmanship that continue to guide coaches and programs today. The organizational structures he helped create, the coaching clinics he led, and the mentorship he provided to younger coaches have multiplied his impact exponentially. Generations of El Paso families have been touched by his influence, and the ripple effects of his work will be felt for decades to come. He didn't just coach soccer; he helped shape the character of our community.

As a person, I have witnessed a gentleman who not only gave his life to the sport of soccer but to all the players he touched. Roberto Tucker represents the very best of what a coach can be—a teacher, a mentor, a role model, and a friend. His legacy isn't measured in wins and losses, but in the countless lives he enriched, the values he instilled, and the example he set. The young people he coached have become teachers, coaches, parents, and community leaders who carry forward the lessons he taught them. In that sense, Roberto Tucker's greatest victories are still being won every day, in the lives of those he inspired. That is the mark of a truly exceptional coach, and a truly exceptional human being.

Bob Azar 2014

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TOGETHER WE RISE
January 26, 2026

To Whom It May Concern:



GIRLS
ACADEMY

I am writing a letter of recommendation for Roberto Tucker's entrance into the El Paso Sports Hall of Fame. I am very familiar with the El Paso Sports Hall of Fame as two of my close friends are members of it – Bill Knight and John Folmer. I was the head coach of UTEP Soccer from 2001 until 2018 and we had our soccer office in the Don Haskins Center, and I walked around the concourse where the plaques of your membership are displayed.

Roberto Tucker should be the next plaque displayed in the Don Haskins Center as a member of the El Paso Sports Hall of Fame. I started as an assistant coach at UTEP Soccer in 1997 and left in 2018 as the head coach. During that time, Coach Tucker was the number one youth soccer coach in El Paso. Coach Tucker produced the most college players in the city. Two of his biggest players are Holly Cohen whom I coached at UTEP and is a member of the UTEP Sports Hall of Fame, and Nicki Thrasher-Adams. Holly Cohen scored the most goals in UTEP Soccer in a season with 21 goals. This record will never be broken, and Coach Tucker was a massive part of her development. Nicki Thrasher-Adams played collegiate soccer for Texas A&M and was up for the Hermann Award which is the honor given to the top Division I soccer player every year. Nicki is now the head coach of Syracuse University. If you ask Nicki who had the biggest impact on her soccer development, she will say Coach Tucker. Coach Tucker has developed literally hundreds of players in El Paso who have gone on to play collegiate soccer. He sent me at UTEP Soccer some of our most talented players ever – Holly Cohen, Kat McShane, Ja'net Esparza to name a few.

Coach Tucker also coached the men's club soccer team at UTEP. Most people know that UTEP won the 1955 Basketball National Championship. However, Coach Tucker won the National Championship as well with the UTEP Men's Soccer club team as well. On top of that he won the State Championship as the head coach of Cathedral high school.

On top of his success, Coach Roberto Tucker is a class act. He worked with me every summer on our UTEP Soccer summer camps and he was our best coach year after year. The kids loved playing for him. I loved working with him and trading soccer stories. There is no better and more deserving person than Roberto Tucker for entrance into the El Paso Sports Hall of Fame. It is an honor to write a letter on his behalf. Please let me know if you would like additional information on Coach Tucker.

Regards,

Kevin Cross
RISE Girls Academy Director
kevin@risesc.org; (915) 373-5091

Good Luck, Manuel

February 2, 2026

Dear Sir / Madam,

It is my honor to recommend Roberto Tucker for induction into the El Paso Hall of Fame. Roberto has been an influential figure in the El Paso soccer community since his arrival in 1987, and his contributions over nearly four decades have left a lasting legacy on players, clubs, and the sport itself.

Roberto began his work in El Paso as part of the American Soccer School development program, where he quickly distinguished himself as a knowledgeable and dedicated coach. He went on to lead the Santos Soccer Club, guiding the team to multiple tournament victories and regional championships. His ability to develop players and build competitive teams became a hallmark of his coaching career.

Roberto's impact on girls' soccer in El Paso has been especially significant. He coached several prominent girls' teams, including the Legacy Soccer Team—an exceptional group from which 11 players continued on to compete at the University of Texas at El Paso, the Central Coast Dynasty Futbol Club and the Extreme Soccer Club.

His accomplishments extend to the high school and collegiate levels as well. Roberto led Cathedral High School to a state championship in 2002 and a state runner-up finish in 2017, achievements that reflect both his technical expertise and his ability to inspire young athletes. In addition, he coached the University of Texas at El Paso Boys Club, guiding the team to a National Championship, further solidifying his reputation as one of the region's most accomplished coaches.

Since 2017, Roberto has continued to dedicate his time and talent to coaching several girls' teams, shaping the next generation of players with the same passion and commitment that have defined his career.

Roberto Tucker's long-standing dedication, proven success, and profound influence on soccer development in El Paso make him exceptionally deserving of recognition by the El Paso Hall of Fame. His career reflects not only coaching excellence but also a deep commitment to the growth and success of young athletes in our community.

If I can provide any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at ffeliberti@aol.com.


Manuel Feliberti

February 5, 2026

El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame
720 Arizona Ave
El Paso, TX 79902

To the Members of the Nominating Committee:

It is my privilege and honor to recommend Roberto Tucker induction into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame. Coach Tucker has made exceptional contributions to soccer in the El Paso area and is highly respected both as a coach and as an individual. I have known and worked with Coach Tucker as an Assistant Coach for almost 20 years since my daughter joined his youth soccer team and am proud to call him a friend.

Coach Tucker began his soccer career in Mexico and continued in the United States, where he attended UTEP to become a teacher. While at UTEP, Coach Tucker led the Men's Club Soccer team to a National Championship. It is my understanding the success of the club team led to the establishment of UTEP's NCAA Women's Soccer program. Coach Tucker remained actively involved with UTEP Soccer through his regular participation in its summer camps and his close relationship with then Coach Kevin Cross.

Beyond UTEP, Coach Tucker coached with the El Paso Patriots Soccer Club and helped guide them to the finals of the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup in 1995. Coach Tucker also led the Cathedral High School boys' team a State Championship in his first year. He later returned to Cathedral, where I was privileged to be his Assistant Coach, taking them to the State Finals. I later worked with Coach Tucker at Inter City, a United Premier Soccer League team in El Paso.

Coach Tucker's greatest impact has been on El Paso youth soccer. I could argue the growth of youth soccer in El Paso was due in large part to Coach Tucker's success. He founded and coached successful girls' teams, including Xtreme (where my daughter played), Legacy, and Dynasty, leading the teams to successes in competitive regional tournaments. His reputation led to coaching roles in the Olympic Development Program in both El Paso and Albuquerque. His greatest legacy though was helping many players advance to collegiate soccer, including at UTEP. One of his former players, Nikki Thrasher, became a Head Coach and made it known she would consider any of Coach Tucker's players for her teams, a tribute to his coaching.

What makes Coach Tucker unique, in addition to his coaching accomplishments, is his dedication to developing his players' character and sportsmanship. He serves as a role model, is a committed family man, and remains active in his community and church. Despite personal losses, he maintains a positive attitude and continues to coach at the collegiate level and recruits' talent from El Paso, providing opportunities for aspiring athletes.

In summary, I humbly submit Coach Tucker is a deserving candidate for the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame, recognized for his significant impact on soccer in El Paso and his exemplary personal qualities.

Respectfully,

Robert Casper,
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Recreational Sports
Department

January 17, 1995

To whom it may concern:

I have the distinct pleasure of knowing Roberto Tucker the past seven years as an outstanding employee and friend. During his tenure at the University of Texas at El Paso, I have found Roberto to be extremely responsible, professional, and absolutely dependable. He is hard working and possesses a positive attitude which carries over others.

Due to our common interests in soccer activities, we have developed a long standing friendship. Having observed Roberto take the U.T.E.P. soccer club to a national championship in 1989, it has become apparent that the leadership and organizational skills he possesses have allowed him to develop into a highly respected coach.

I feel Mr. Tucker would be an excellent choice for your institution and encourage you to give him serious consideration in your search.

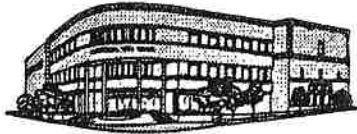
Should you have any questions regarding Roberto, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Hector Munoz".

Hector Munoz,
Director

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Cathedral High School

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December 6, 2004

To Whom It May Concern:

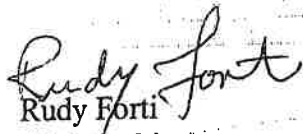
This letter is in support of Mr. Robert Tucker. As Athletic Director for Cathedral High School, I have known Mr. Tucker for 2 years in the capacity of Varsity Soccer Coach at Cathedral High School.

In his first year (2002) as Varsity Coach, Mr. Tucker coached the team to the State Playoffs where they won the State Championship in TAPPS (Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools). The second year (2003), Coach Tucker took the team again, all the way to the Final Four, where Cathedral finished third.

Coach Tucker had good rapport with all the players. He interacted with each player in a positive manner, always encouraging those players who were having difficulties.

Coach Tucker is very knowledgeable in Soccer and will be an asset to your program.

Sincerely,


Rudy Forti
Athletic Director
Cathedral High School



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To Whom It May Concern

January 16, 1998

Re: Roberto Tucker

I would like to take this opportunity to commend Roberto Tucker. For the past three years, Roberto has been the New Mexico State Soccer Association's head coach for the women's select soccer team.

Roberto has had the responsibility of coordinating tryouts statewide, making statewide selections and representing the state at the regional tournament. These duties involved travel throughout the state and required extensive planning and lots of responsibility.

I find Roberto to be a pleasure to work with and a dedicated team player.

Very truly yours,

Michael L. Maloney
President



May 26, 2000

To whom it may concern:

I have had the pleasure of knowing Roberto Tucker the past five years. During his years of coaching here with the El Paso Patriots, I have found Roberto to be very responsible, professional and dependable. He is a very hard working individual with a very positive attitude. I found Roberto to be a pleasure to work with. During his time here with the El Paso Patriots Roberto has had a lot of different responsibilities, including coordinating try-out sessions and extensive team training.

I feel Roberto would be a great choice for your institution. I encourage you to give him serious consideration in the process of your search. If you should have any questions regarding Roberto please feel free to contact me at the number below. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely



Mitchel Doblado

El Paso Patriots General Manager



SOCCKER

April 15, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of Roberto Tucker who is applying for the Head Women's Soccer coaching position at Ranger Junior College. It is a pleasure to write this letter for not only a gifted and dedicated colleague, but also for an exceptional human being who I am privileged to identify as a friend.

The coaching career of Roberto Tucker is long and colorful, ranging from youth to the professional level. His ability to encourage his athletes and to excite them about playing the game of soccer is a priceless gift. Coach Tucker's resume is an amazing testament to his desire to further the game of soccer in America, and in so doing, he has touched the lives of countless athletes who have continued on to achieve the highest levels of greatness. Playing for Coach Tucker means that you have gained excellent soccer knowledge, but most importantly, you have acquired a friend and supporter for life.

As the head women's soccer coach at the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP), I am always in search of coaches who are capable of having a positive impact in the community. Coach Tucker has coached the UTEP summer soccer camps for the past eight years and his presence enhances the training and the message of perseverance that we attempt to impart to the youth who attend. Coach Tucker's positive motivational techniques provide for an energetic and exciting learning environment where all players will improve.

I am excited for the athletes of Ranger Junior College who may have the opportunity to play for Coach Roberto Tucker. Though it would be a significant loss for the El Paso soccer community, Ranger Junior College would be gaining an invaluable soccer mind and an amazing human being. Please contact me should you require any further recommendation.

Sincerely,

Kevin Cross
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Kevin Cross
Head Coach

2005 NCAA
Tournament
Second Round

WAC Mountain
Division
Championship

WAC Coach
of the Year

Central Region
Coach of the Year

3 Conference Players
of the Year

2 Conference Freshmen
of the Year

15 Conference All-
Tournament Team Players

34 All-Conference Players

35 Conference Players
of the Week

14 All-Central
Region Players

2 Freshman
All-Americans

6 Academic
All-Americans

135 Academic
All-Conference Players

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The University of Texas at El Paso

has conferred on

Robert D. Tucker

the degree of

Doctor of Science in Education

and all the rights and privileges thereunto appertaining.

In witness whereof, this diploma duly signed has been issued and the seal of the University affixed.

Issued by the Board of Regents upon recommendation of the faculty at El Paso, Texas.

July 26, 1991

John A. Beckwith
Chairman of the Board of Regents

Hans Mark
Chancellor



Lina Valerio
President

John E. Galt
Dean, The College of Education



UNITED STATES SOCCER FEDERATION

This is to certify that

Roberto Tucker

has attended and successfully completed the

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Roberto Tucker

1993

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Our Lady of the Valley School

8600 Winchester Drive, El Paso, Texas 79907



**"A Child's Future
Begins Today"**

Teacher of The Year 1997 - 1998

We congratulate Mr. Tucker for receiving Our Lady of the Valley's "Teacher of the Year" Award.

Mr. Tucker has been teaching for eight years. He attended the University of Texas at El Paso. He has taught at Our Lady of the Valley School for over 3 years. Mr. Tucker is also the Assistant Coach for the Patriots Pro Soccer Team.

Mr. Tucker motivates his children to achieve their goals. His hands-on methods give his students a higher level of education and a stronger spiritual foundation.

On behalf of the faculty and students. Congratulations and may God Bless you Mr. Tucker.

Sr. Caroline Vasquez
Principal



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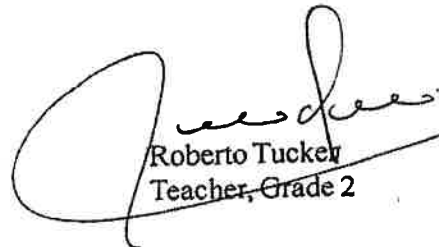
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02 February 2000

Dear Sirs,

I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your kindness and generosity in awarding me the Isidro Dovali Memorial Education Award during the Annual Diocesan SEED Awards Ceremony. I feel unworthy to receive this award and I humbly accept it on behalf of all those who make my job easier. I look forward to continuing my efforts in "Lighting the Way to a New Century" for all my student, present and future.

Again, I thank you very much for your consideration.


Roberto Tucker
Teacher, Grade 2



Hector Enriquez, Jr.

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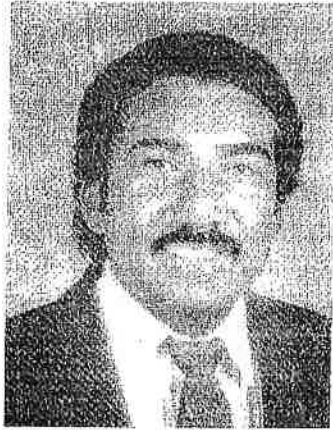
This is to certify, that the Index-File Records at the El Paso County Clerk's Office, have been checked for a possible criminal (misdemeanor) record on the bearer
ROBERTO TUCKER D.O.B 7-20-55 *and none has been found. the records referred to, are not substantiated by fingerprint search.*

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Our Lady Of The Valley School's Teacher Of The Year

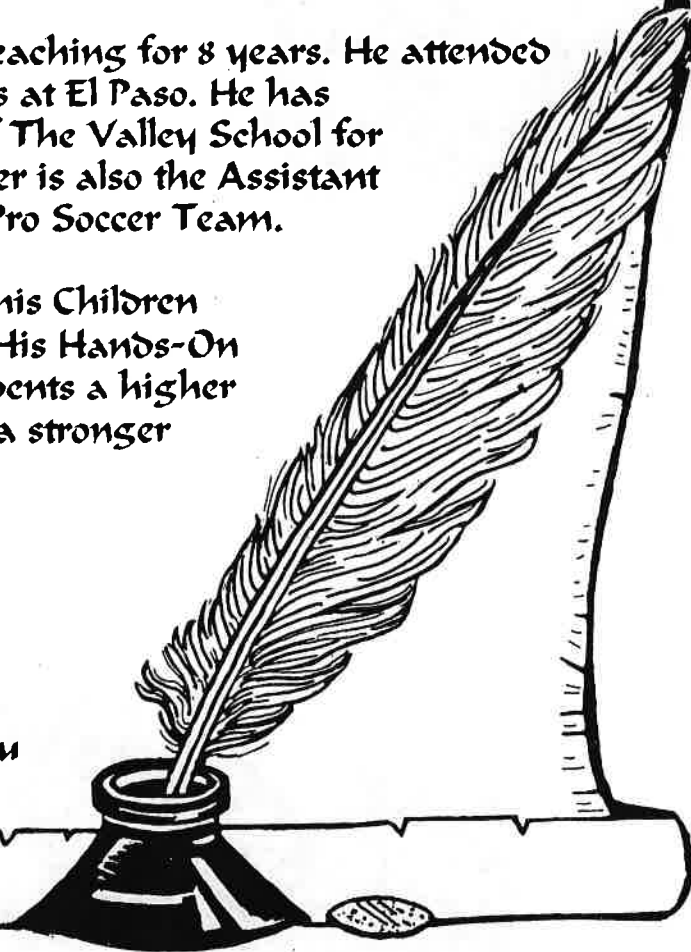
We Congratulate Mr. Robert Tucker for receiving Our Lady Of The Valley School's "Teacher Of The Year Award"

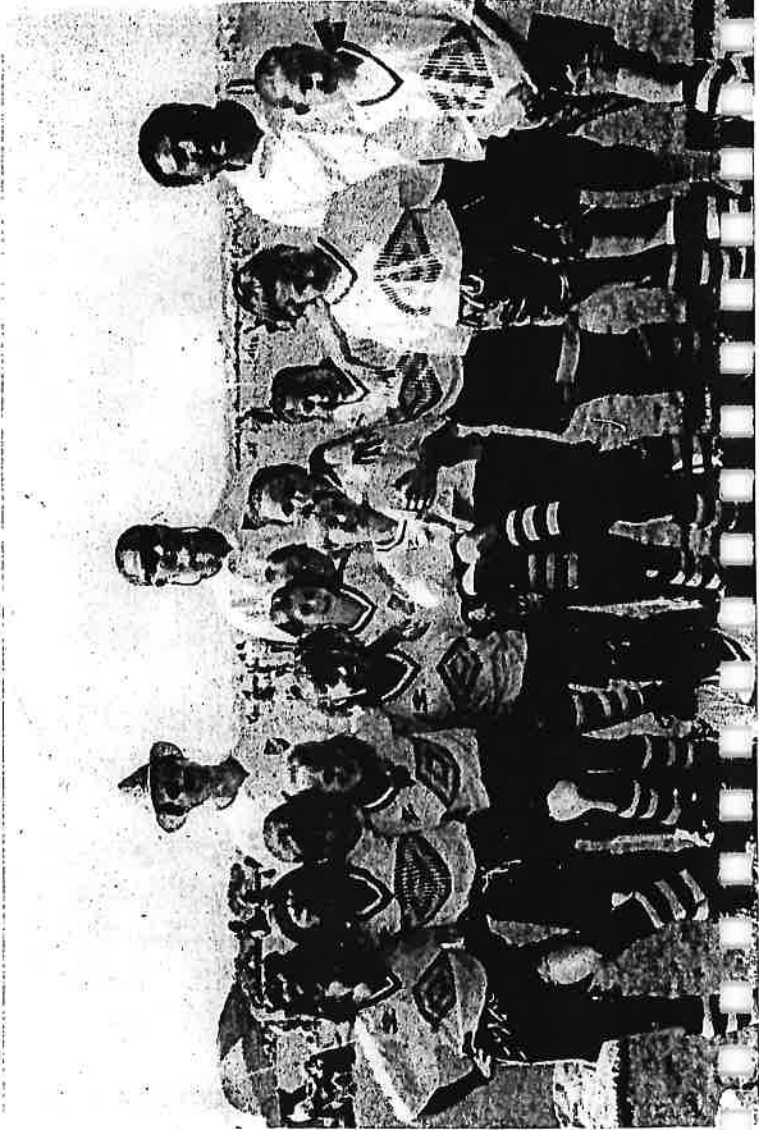
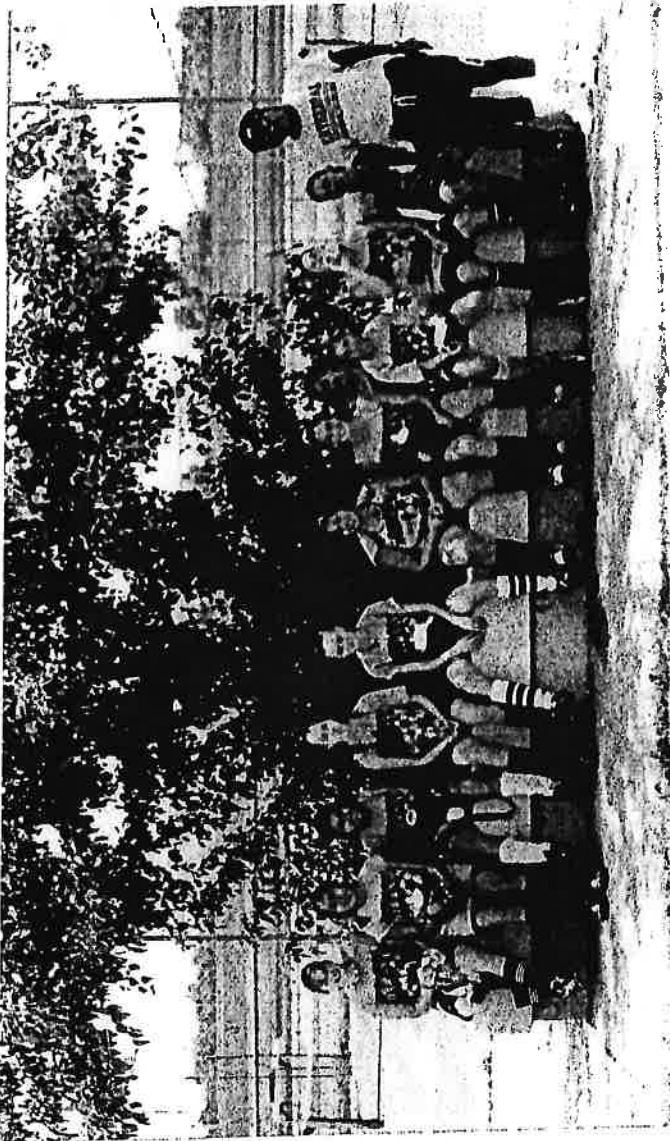
Mr. Tucker has been teaching for 8 years. He attended the University of Texas at El Paso. He has taught at Our Lady Of The Valley School for over 3 years. Mr. Tucker is also the Assistant Coach for the Patriots Pro Soccer Team.

Mr. Tucker motivates his Children to achieve their Goals. His Hands-On methods gives his Students a higher level of Education and a stronger Spiritual Foundation.

On behalf
of the Faculty
and Students

Congratulations
and May God Bless You
Mr. Tucker





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April 16, 1999

Roberto Tucker,

On behalf of the staff and community of Capistrano Elementary, I would like to thank you for saying "YES" to celebrating the future of our children and making our third Career Fair a success. Your presence today will help create our childrens' dreams for tomorrow. I greatly appreciate your contribution of time and sharing and look forward to seeing you at our future Career Fairs.

Sincerely,

Irene A. Campos
Counselor

Light tomorrow with to-day!
Elizabeth Barrett Browning

Patriots earn 1st victory

By Paul MacKinnon
Special to the Times

Paco Chavez knows that a ho-hum victory beats an exciting loss any day of the week, so the El Paso coach was thrilled Friday night after watching the Patriots claim their first victory of the season.

PRO-40	0	The Patriots recorded a 2-0 shutout over the
PATRIOTS	2	

United States Pro-40 Select team in front of a crowd of 4,310 at the Socorro Student Activities Complex.

The Patriots rebounded after a losing a 4-3 thriller in the team's home opener last Saturday against San Diego.

Midfielder Cesar Marquez's diving header provided the offense and Alfredo Estrada made that 1-0 halftime lead stand up with a stellar night in goal.

"Criminal, (giving up) four goals in a game is criminal," Chavez said, reflecting on the season-opening loss. "I'm happy, we beat a good team with good players like (former Patriot and current Dallas Burn) Kirk Wilson."

Wilson, a member of the Coronado High 1996 state championship team, is on loan to the Pro-40 team for games in El Paso and New Orleans before returning to the Burn. The Pro-40 team is made up of young players, most of whom belong to an MLS team.

"It was real tough, four or five of us have never played with this team before and it's not like we get to practice or anything," Wilson said.

Marquez broke a scoreless tie with nine minutes to play in the opening half. The midfielder threw himself into a pile, heading an Eduardo Morales chip past beaten goalie Scott Vallow for a 1-0 lead.



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Patriots midfielder Cesar Marquez, right, battled Sere Daniv for the ball in the first half Friday.

"In Mexico, I score a lot of goals with my head," Marquez said. "On my first header I almost scored, so I had to motivate myself to keep trying."

Estrada made that circus goal stand up, knocking away several late scoring efforts, including a 30-yard bullet on goal in the final three minutes

to preserve the shutout. "The difference is that there was more teamwork tonight (defensively)," said Estrada, a 1992 Del Valle graduate.

OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY



GRADE 2

SR. CAROLINE VASQUEZ, PRINCIPAL
MR. ROBERTO TUCKER

2008-2009



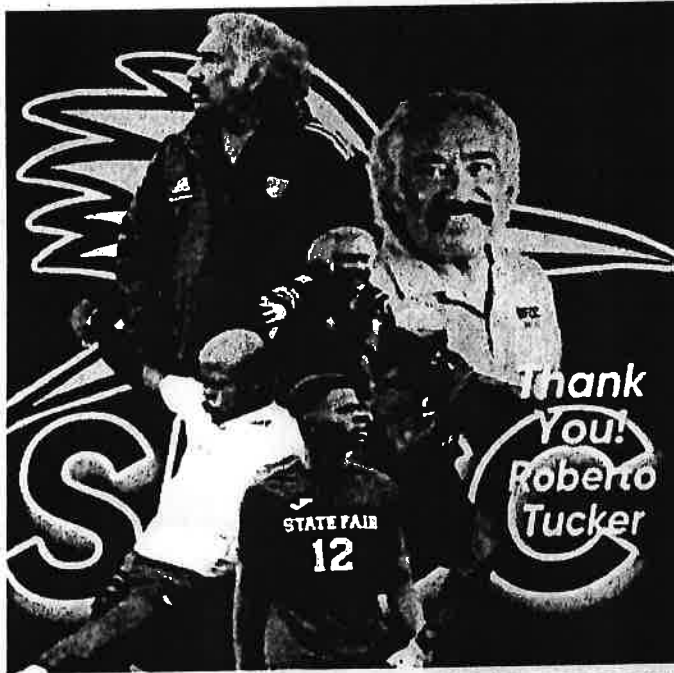
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Thank you for your time while I was in Sedalia. I appreciate everything you've taught me and the co... more





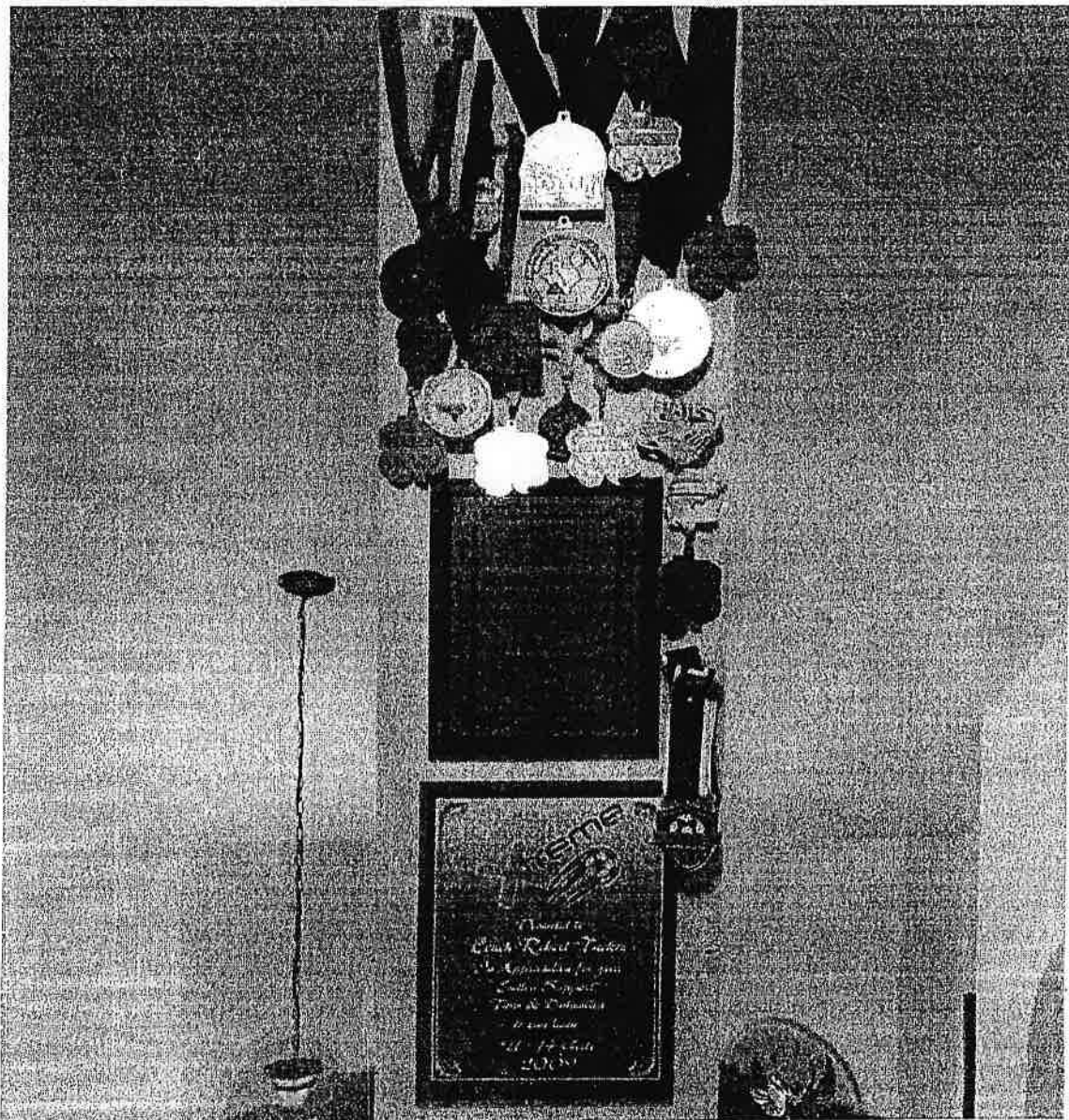
Roberto Tucker

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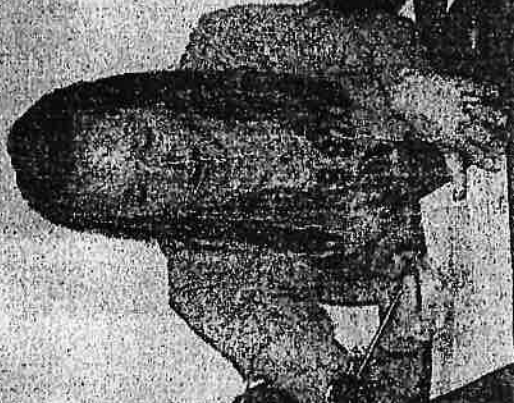
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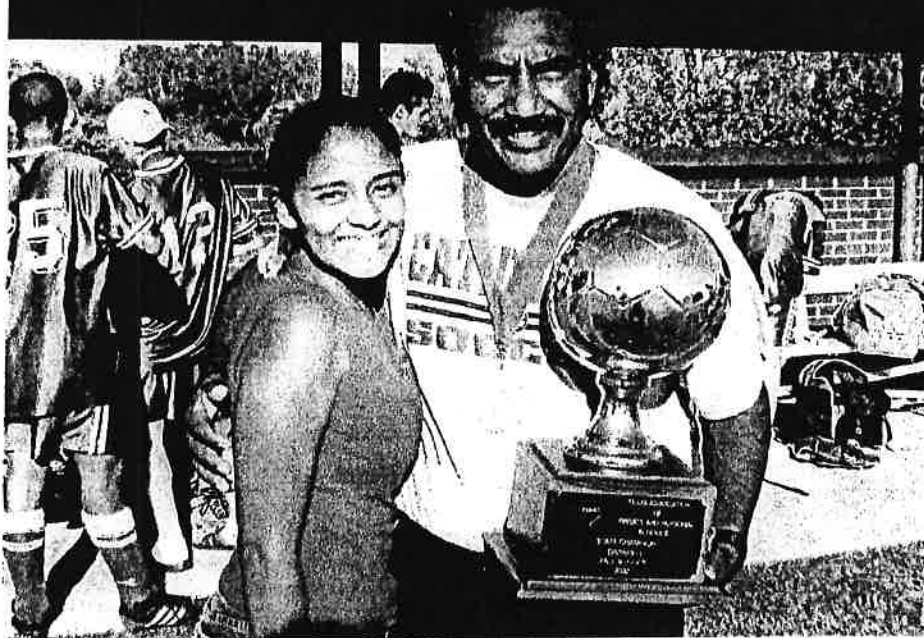
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2002 TAPPS State Champions

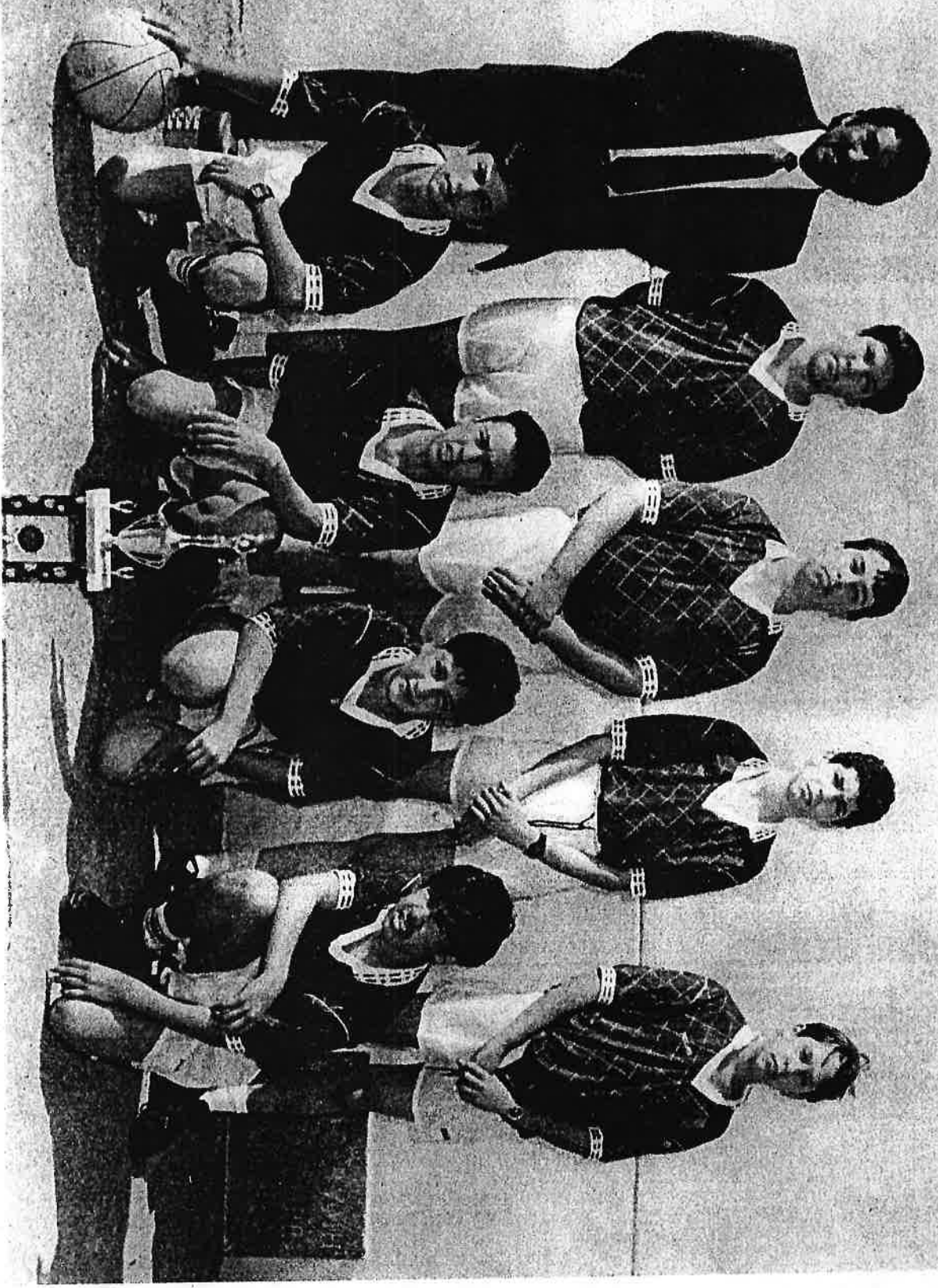


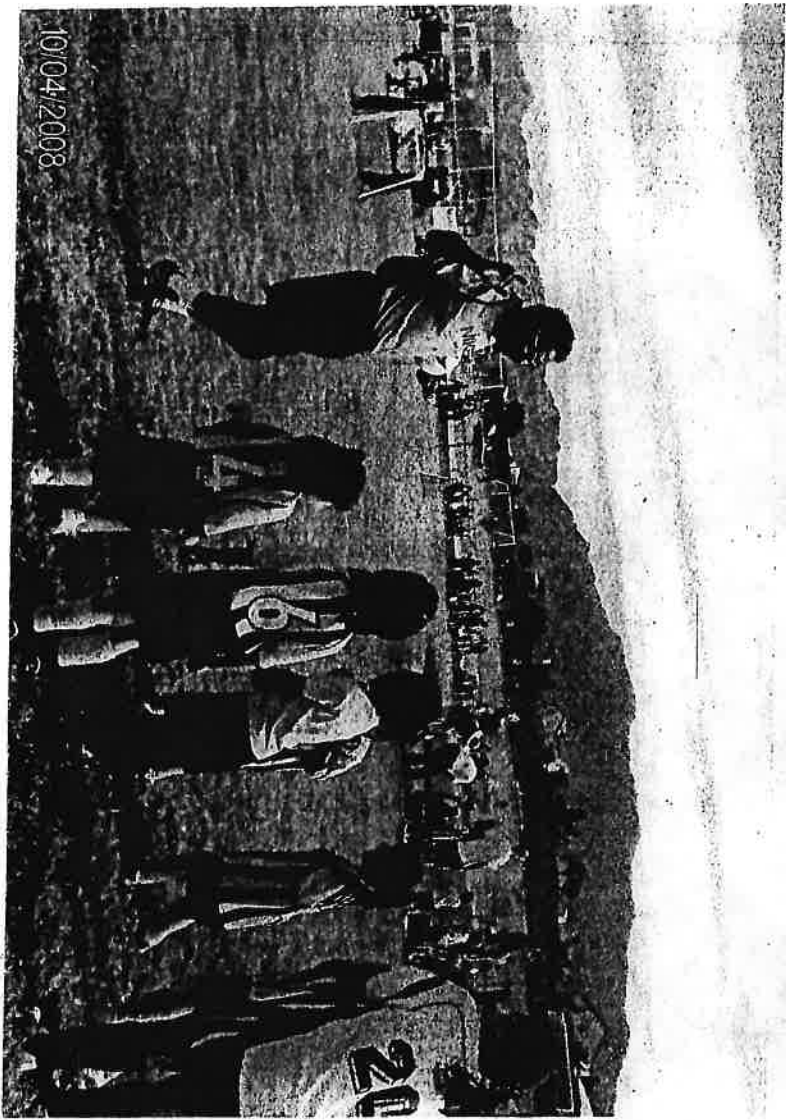
Coach Tucker &
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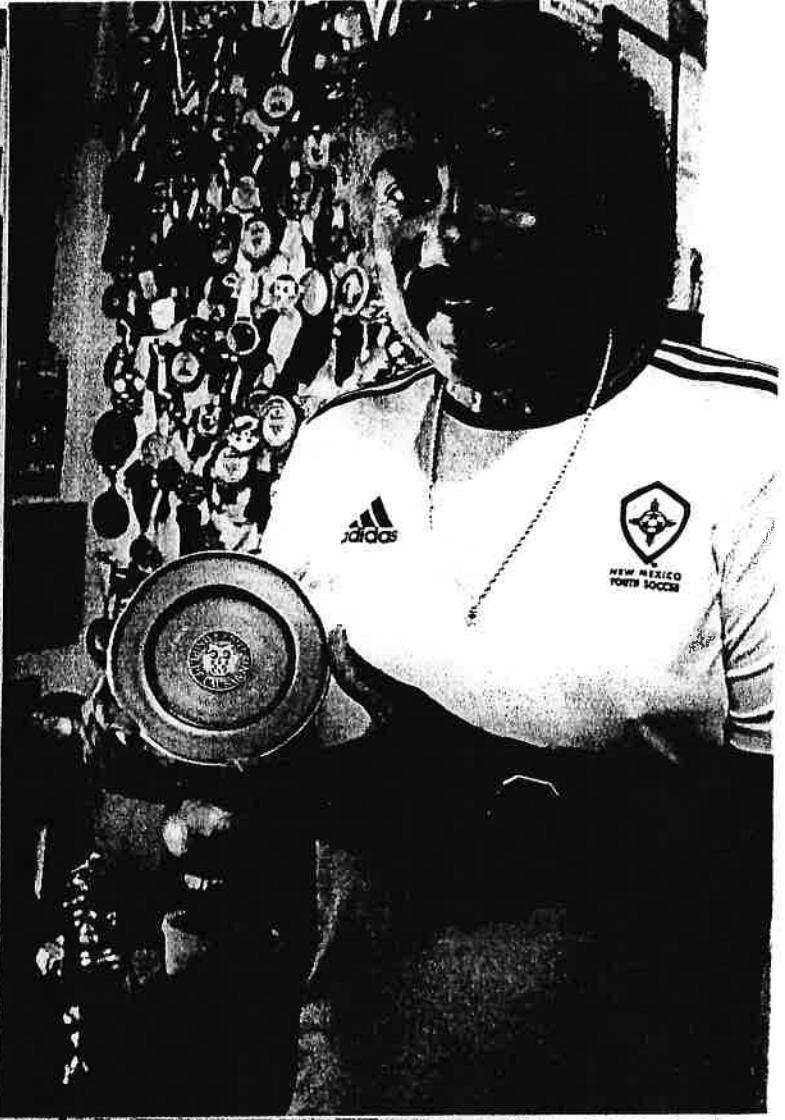
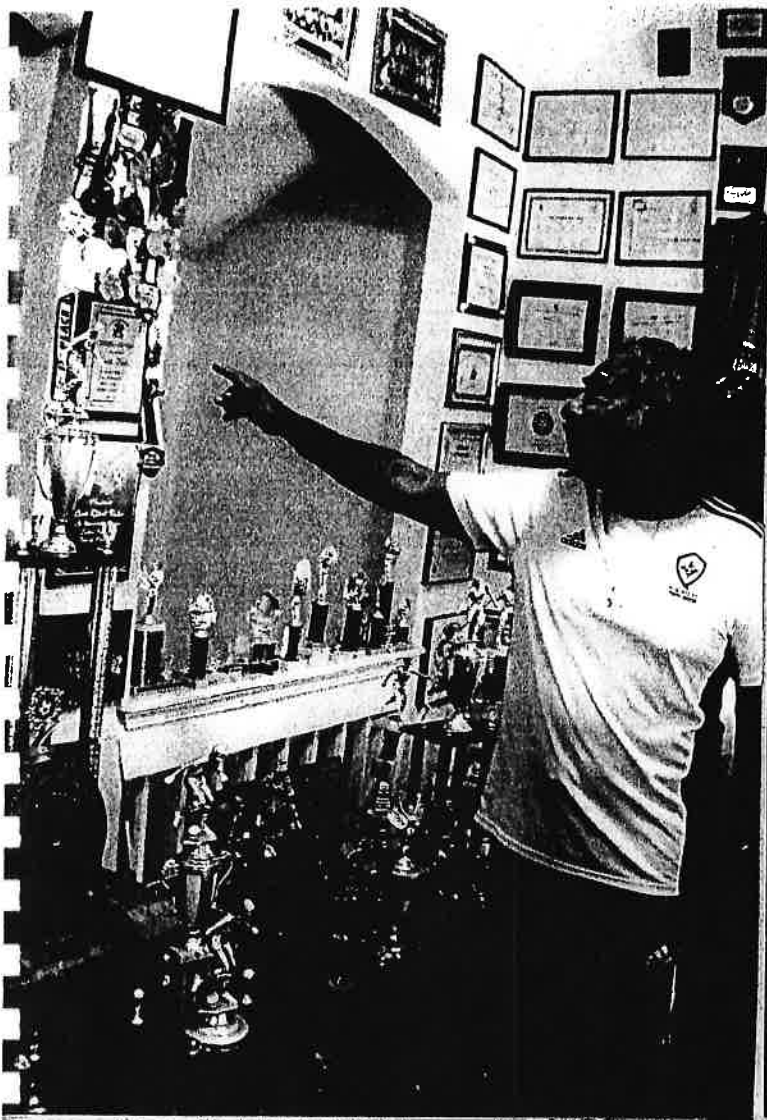
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Highway

Coach Roberto Tucker was born in El Paso Texas July 20 1955. Coach Tucker has been considered the most important soccer developer of talent in El Paso. He has coached for over 25 years. There are more than 100 players that played college from his teams. This is the list of players that play for U.T.E.P from his developed.

- 1.-Janet Esparza
- 2.-Holly Cohen
- 3.-Stephanie Merrell (Morales)
- 4.-Valeria Diaz
- 5.-Brenda Fierro
- 6.-Tina Contreras
- 7.-Sarah Ramirez
- 8.-Jeanne Williams
- 9.-Kaeterine Mcshane
- 10.-Patricia Stanley
- 11.-Erika Lay
- 12.-Gina Soto (2010)

*coach Tucker graduated from U.T.E.P with the degree
in education.*



JANET ESPARZA, UNA DE LAS MEJORES JUGADORAS QUE A DADO EL PASO, TEXAS

La chiquita y talentosa jugadora paseña que tiene una gran trayectoria como futbolista desde que jugaba a nivel infantil, pronto estará jugando futbol colegial en la Universidad de Nuevo México.

Janet fue parte de la selección del Estado de Texas menores de 16 años. También fue la mejor jugadora de preparatorias por 2 años consecutivos. Nombrada en el primer equipo del distrito escolar por dos años. Tres años consecutivos ha formado parte del equipo estatal de Nuevo México y ha representado al Estado en los campeonatos regionales en Las Vegas, Nevada, Colorado Springs, Salt Lake City y Utah.

Bajo la mirada del entrenador Roberto Tucker quien habló muy bien de Janet aludiendo que puede llegar muy lejos ya que tiene mucho talento y determinación.

Por lo pronto Janet después de estudiar ofertas para jugar con las Universidades de Iowa, Kansas, U.T.E.P. y U.N.M. decidió irse a jugar a U.N.M. porque siente que es en el equipo que puede desarrollarse mejor ya que conoce bien como juegan la mayoría de las jugadoras, pues están con ella en el equipo estatal de Nuevo México.

Ella mencionó que su objetivo es lograr graduarse de la Universidad combinando su carrera con el futbol.





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Sanchez signs with Miss. Valley St.

By Lenny Jurado

EL PASO TIMES

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El PASO — It was Wendy Sanchez's day to shine Wednesday, and she fittingly was given the spotlight treatment inside a darkened Canutillo High School auditorium.

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A mass of boys and girls soccer players, as well some administrators and coaches, gathered to honor one of the school's top two sports stars.

On stage, Sanchez sat at a table among relatives and signed a Division I letter of intent to play soccer for Mississippi Valley State University in Hixson, Miss.

"It was nerve-racking," Sanchez said of being the center of attention. "You can kind of say I'm used to it because of basketball and soccer, but it was just 10 times more pressure."

Sanchez's written commitment made her Canutillo's first Division I girls signer in at least the past 11 years. Eagles athletic director Scott Brooks said,

"I think she's very deserving," said Claudia Martinez, Sanchez's varsity coach the past three seasons. "Overall, she's just a talented athlete."

"With soccer, even though she



Senior Wendy Sanchez of Canutillo High School signed with Mississippi Valley State on Wednesday at CHS.

VANESSA MONSIVAIS / EL PASO TIMES

cause she was playing basketball, whenever she came in she gave it her all."

While on the basketball court, Sanchez played guard and helped the Eagles to a District 2-4A title and was named all-city honorable mention.

Her transition to soccer was seamless, thanks to playing year-round with the club organization Team Xtreme.

"It kept me in shape," said Sanchez, a three-year varsity

(acclimate) very quickly with the rest of the players. They may not know the players, but they understand the concept."

Speaking through a shaky voice, an emotional Sanchez spoke to the audience and thanked all of her many supporters.

Uncle Tucker gets much of the credit for her scholarship, Sanchez said.

"Without him pushing me in practice and starting up that team, then I don't think I would have (made it to this point)," she said.

Signing a D-I scholarship certainly is a milestone for Sanchez, but it also is a family first.

"I'm going to be the first one in my family to go to college, receive a full-ride scholarship," she said.

It all starts with hard work, she added.

"If you practice hard every day and you're committed, then anything's possible," she said. "I never saw myself being the first girl here at Canutillo (to sign a D-I letter), and now that this opportunity came, it shows that anything is possible as long as you put your mind to it."

Lenny Jurado may be reached at jurado@elpasotimes.com; 545-6167.

Xtreme players that sign with college
U-12 to U-17 (2005-2010) Coach Tucker

Name	college	Division
1.- Rebecca Alvarez	Louisiana Tech	1
2.-Gina Soto	U.T.E.P.	1
3.- Mackenzie Waldon	Iowa State	1
4.-Adriana Mendoza	Mississippi State University	1
5.-Wendy Sanchez	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	1
6.-Bianca Vigilante	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	1
7.-Melanie Lunghi	Adams State	11
8.-Asheigh Young	“ “ “ “ “ “ “	11
9.- Sasha Ortiz	College of the Southwest	11
10.-Cinthia Prieto	“ “ “ “ “ “	11
11.- Jessica Shane	St. Edwards	11
12.- Diane Bocklage	“ “ “ “ “ “	11
13.- Brittani Montgomery	Colorado State “ “ “	11
14.-Amber Smith	John Brown University Ark	11
15.-Mitsy Dominguez	Howard Payne University	11
16.-Vanessa Neutzler	Pending	

College options clearly Xtreme

By Lenny Jurado
EL PASO TIMES



VANESSA MONSISVAIS / ASSOCIATED PRESS

EL PASO — It seems these days there are so many avenues toward getting an athletic scholarship.

Athletes can send coaches game film, they can earn a scholarship on the merits of high school achievements, or in some cases, their performances with club/city-league teams can prove the difference.

Among the club soccer ranks, Team Xtreme Club actually has 11 girls on its most recent U-17 team with scholarships. Six of those players are going Division I.

Ask those in the know, and they will tell you that playing on club teams is just as important as, if not more crucial than, being on a high school team when it comes to getting recognized by colleges.

"Coaches hardly travel to see high school games," Xtreme coach Roberto Tucker said. "They concentrate more on club because of the competition lev-

el, and they (players) are more select, so the coaches go over there and pick up the players they need."

Team Xtreme has 11 of its players signed to scholarships. Pictured is (l-r) Diane Bocklage, who signed with St. Edwards University, and Wendy Sanchez and Bianca Vigilante, who both signed with Mississippi Valley State.

Team Xtreme scholarships

- ▶ Rebecca Alvarez, Coronado, Louisiana Tech (Division I)
- ▶ Diane Bocklage, Coronado, St. Edwards
- ▶ Mitsy Dominguez, Jefferson, Howard Payne
- ▶ Melanie Lunghi, Coronado, Adam State College
- ▶ Adriana Mendoza, Franklin, Mississippi Valley State University (Division I)
- ▶ Wendy Sanchez, Canutillo, Mississippi Valley State University (Division I)
- ▶ Amber Smith, Coronado, John Brown University
- ▶ Gina Soto, Coronado, UTEP (Division I)
- ▶ Aileen Urrutia, Ysleta, College of the Southwest
- ▶ Bianca Vigilante, Jefferson, Mississippi Valley State University (Division I)
- ▶ Ashleigh Young, Coronado, Adam State College

Many of Xtreme's players have been gunning for scholarships since their middle school days.

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"When we started this team, my uncle always said that we all had potential," said recent Canutillo graduate Wendy Sanchez, Tucker's niece.

"It was kind of like a goal he set up. I know you guys will get scholarships. It's just about the will power you guys all have. If you guys want to, you will get it, and I know you guys can." At first that kind of seemed unbelievable. We were young, so we didn't think of that. But now we're (graduates), and more

than half of the girls on our team are going on to play soccer at the next level."

Diane Bocklage, a former Coronado soccer player moving on to St. Edwards University in Austin, credited club soccer for helping her earn a scholarship.

"It developed my skills over the years," she said. "I learned a lot from this team. Also, Coach Tucker is well-known in the soccer community, and he pushed us to go and play games. And personally, he helped me a lot in mine because he actually got me into a practice at St. Edwards."

The coach there liked me, and the next week he e-mailed me

and asked if I would consider going to St. Edwards."

It also helps to win major tournaments, which Xtreme did by capturing the Texas Cup last year in Dallas.

"After the match, there were no less than 20 coaches waiting for us, and they approached every one of the players — 'What is your status? Would you like to go to my college?'" Tucker recalled.

"When I came back from the Texas Cup, over the next few weeks I received no less than 60 to 70 e-mails from coaches."

The opportunity is made available to the players, but they have to put in the time and

sweat and meet those moments halfway.

"You never saw any of these girls give up," Xtreme player and recent Jefferson graduate Bianca Vigilante said. "They'd get knocked down during the games, and they'd get back up. There was not one doubt in anybody's mind (about scholarships)."

"Yeah, there were a couple times when we wondered what our team was going to bring us, but finally a couple years later we get to see that all of our girls are signing. Don't give up, reach your dreams."

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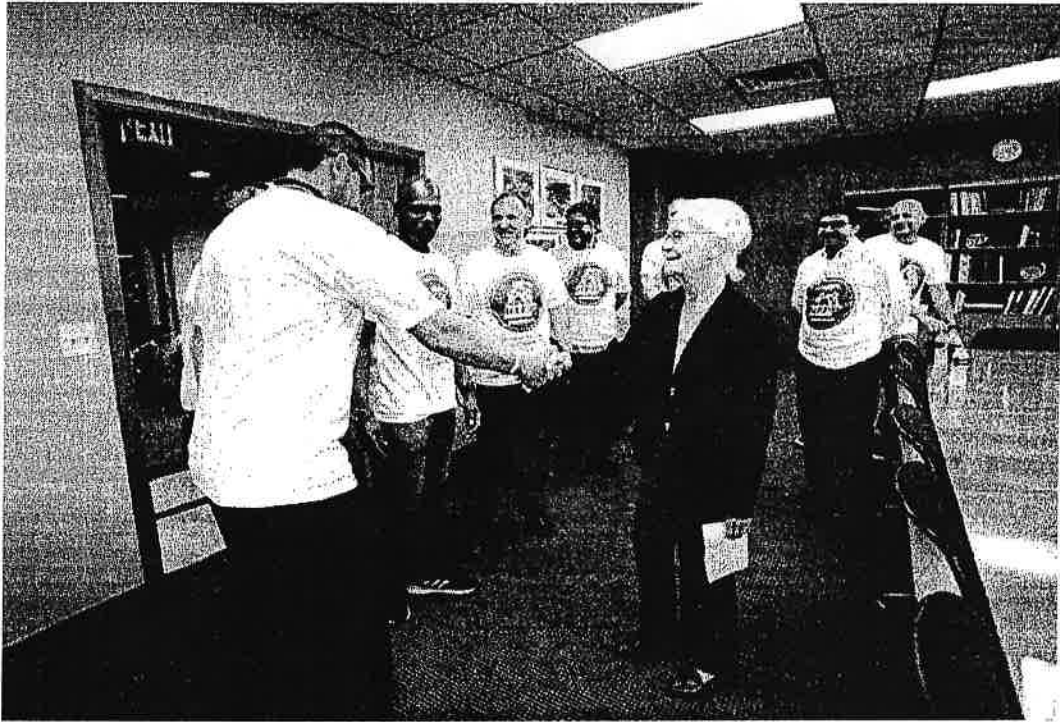
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It was a pleasure meeting you last weekend at the President Day Tournament. I am really glad you came over so that we could touch base in regards to Stanford and Nicky.

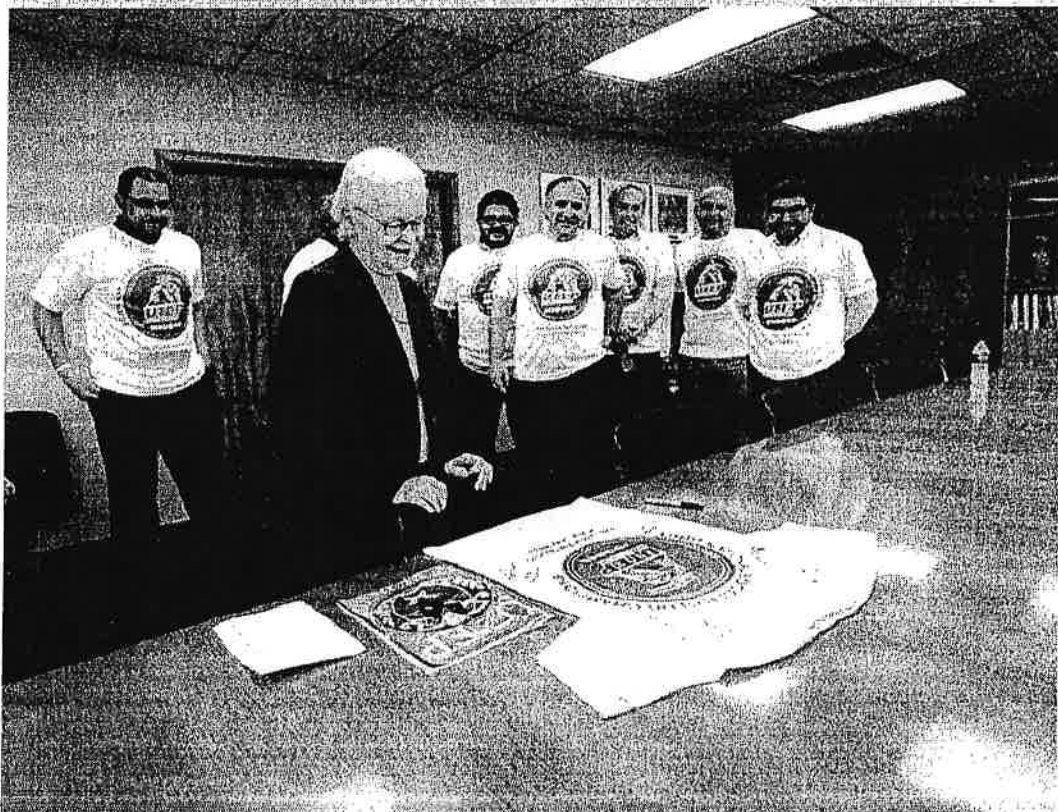
As I mentioned to you, I was very impressed with N as a player. It is obvious that she has been coached well. She has all the traits to really excel at the next level. I was really excited to learn about her enthusiasm for the game and her willingness to work hard. Although, both of those attributes came through pretty clear after watching her play.

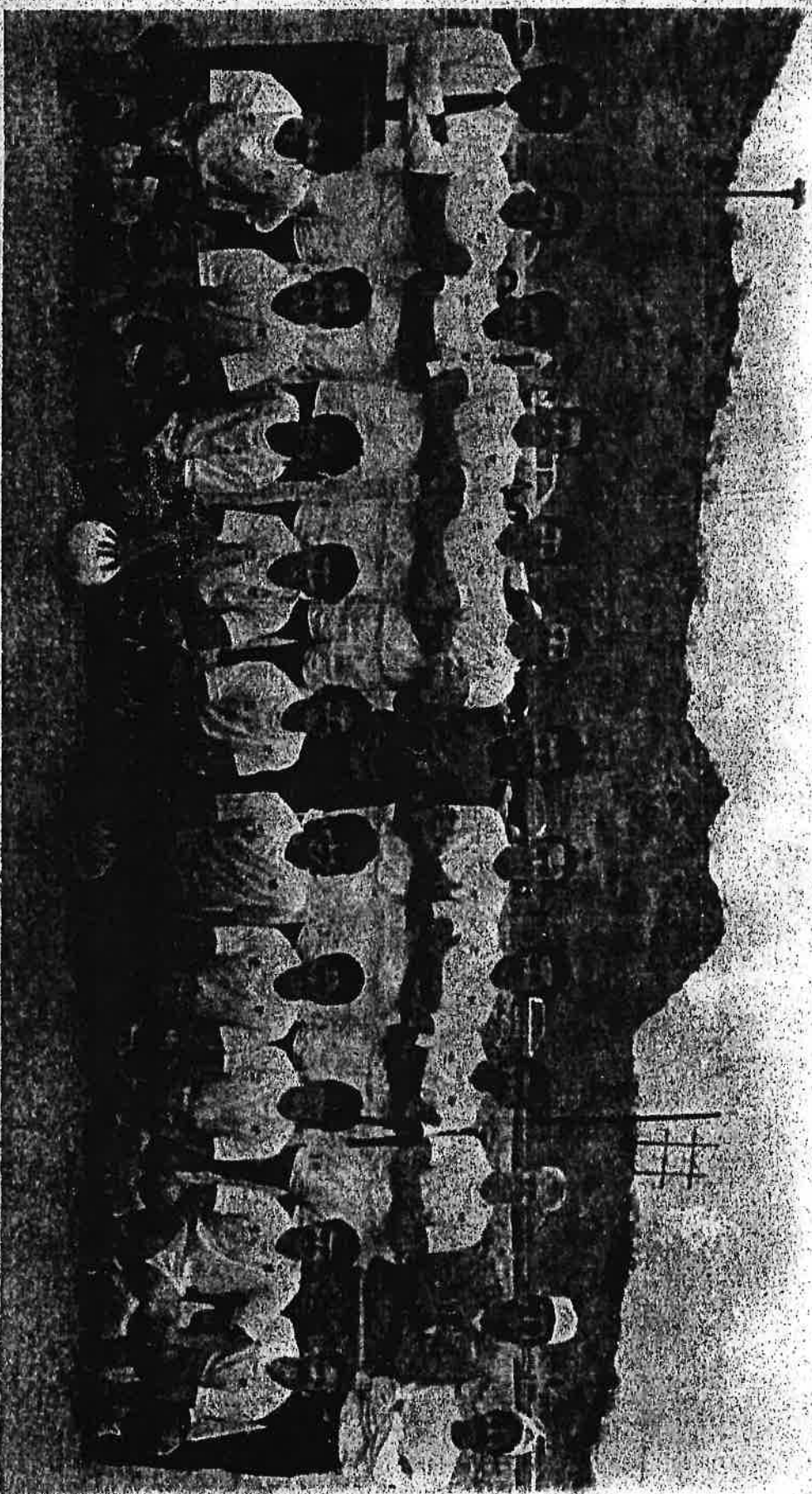
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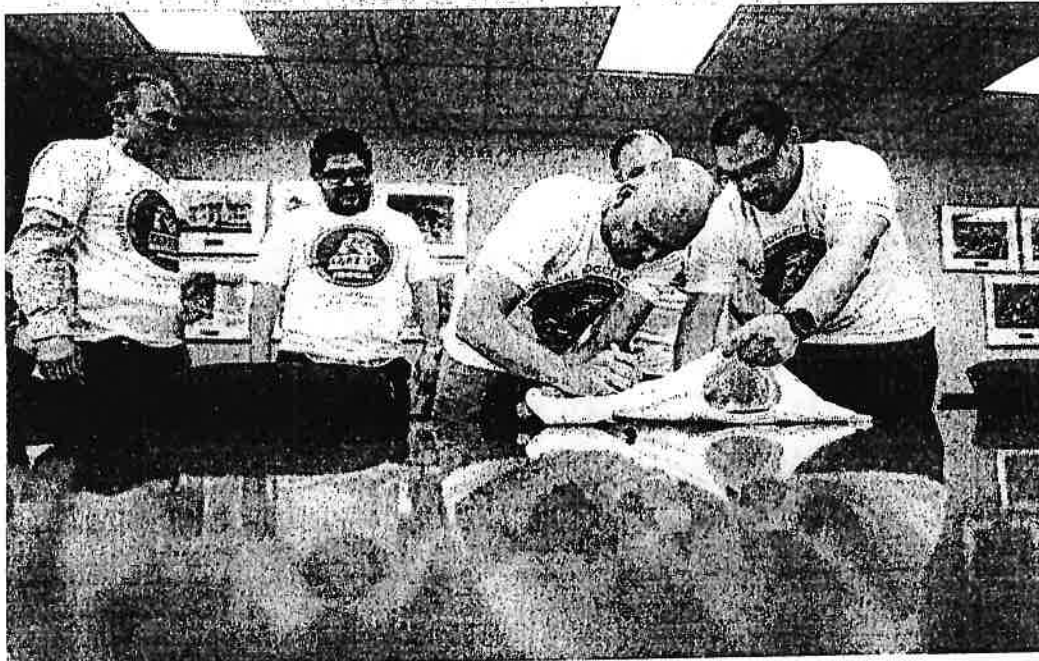
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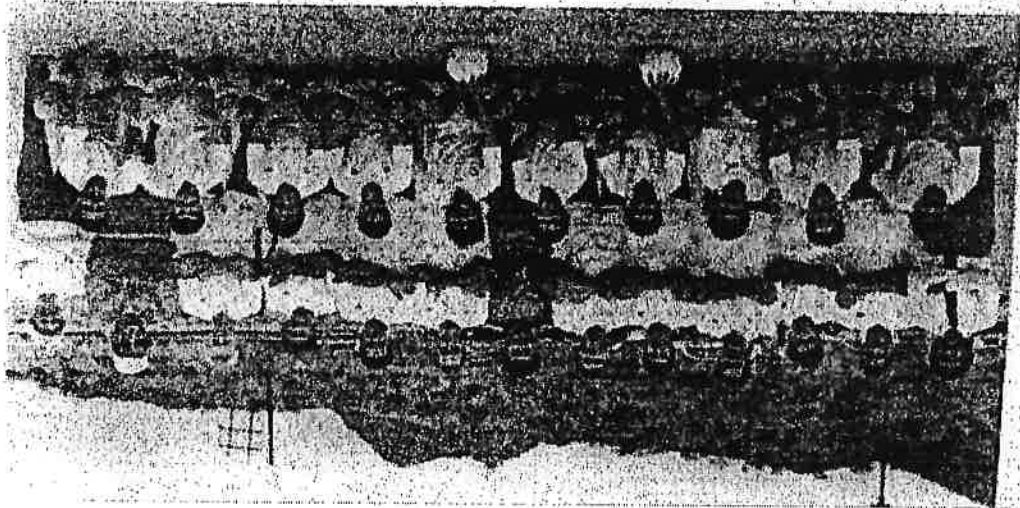
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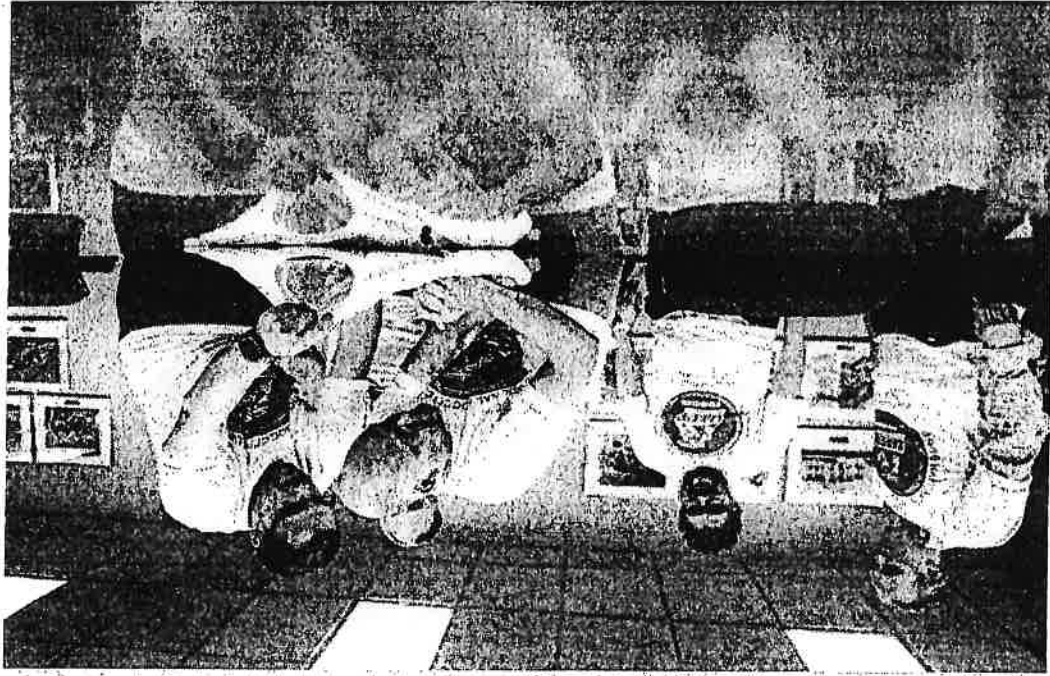
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Members of UTEP's 1989 men's soccer club national championship team reunited on campus to pay homage to UTEP President Diana Natalicio on Thursday, July 18. They presented President Natalicio with an autographed T-shirt to honor her years of service to the University.

That 1989 team capped off their successful 12-2 season by winning the National Collegiate Club Soccer Association tournament. Team members present included Javier McDonald, Rene Franco, Guillermo McFarlane, Roberto Tucker, Luis Villalobos, Luis A. Rincon, Javier Navarro and Victor H. Franco.

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coached by Coach Tucker

Cathedral soccer advances to TAPPS 5A state semifinals with weekend win

Times staff reports

SAN ANTONIO — The Cathedral High School soccer team defeated San Antonio Lutheran 2-0 on Saturday in a Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools regional playoff match.

With the win, Cathedral (11-9

day at Baylor University in Waco.

The Irish, who went 9-9 in TAPPS District 3-5A play, are the defending 5A state champions under coach Robert Tucker — a former coach of the El Paso Patriots and a former UTEP club coach.

Cathedral has made the play-

offs three of the past four years, missing out only in 2001.

The Irish have won both of their playoff matches this season.

They beat Austin Brentwood Christian 3-0 in a bi-district match last week and followed that up with Saturday's win against San Antonio Lutheran.

In Saturday's win, the Irish got goals from Alex Velarde and Giovanni Silva. Giovanni Salcedo assisted on both goals. Goalkeepers Enrique Escalante and Carlos Marquin combined to earn the shutout. Escalante also had a shutout in goal in the team's bi-district victory.

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overall) advanced to the TAPPS 5A state semifinals, which are scheduled for Friday and Satur-

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Montwood

► **Role model/favorite athlete:** Former Montwood state qualifier Montique Ortega.
► **Career highlight:** Being coached by Dean Cardon and John Heinlein and simply being a part of the team.

► **Why I run cross country:** The girls here are awesome. They're like sisters to me.

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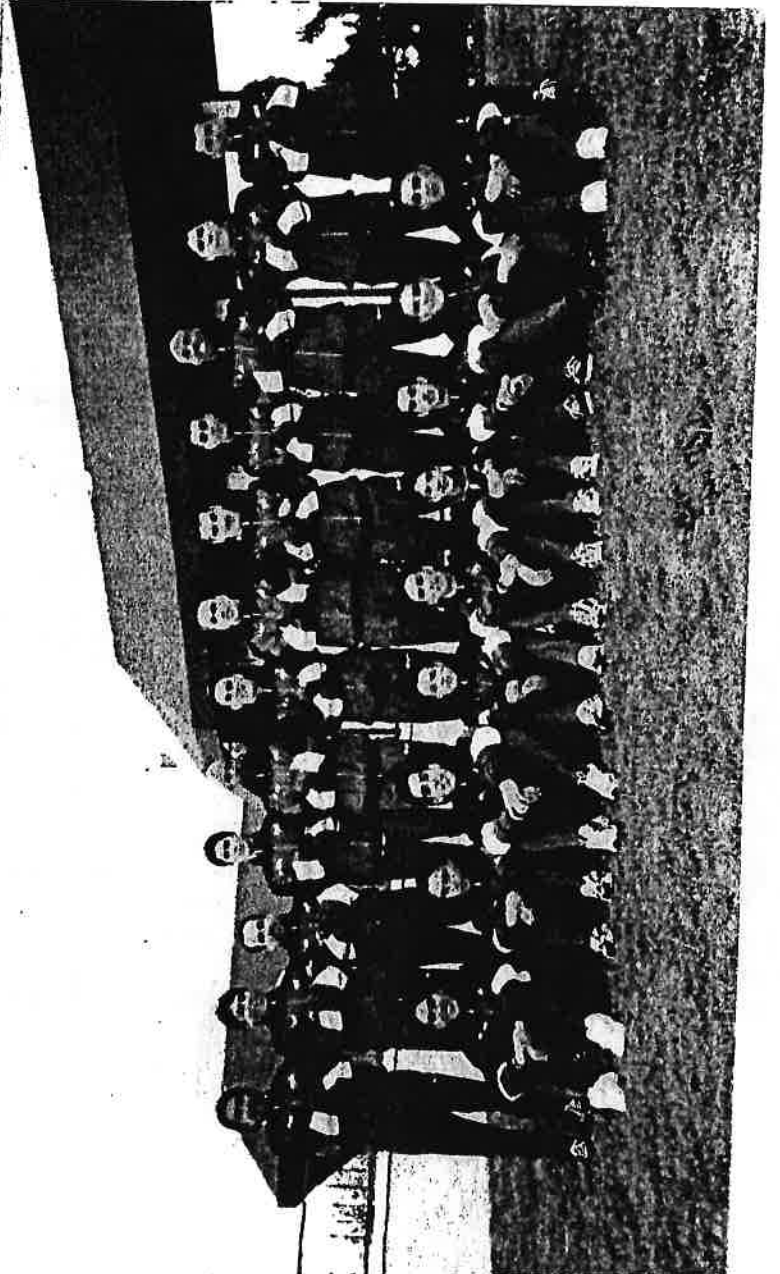
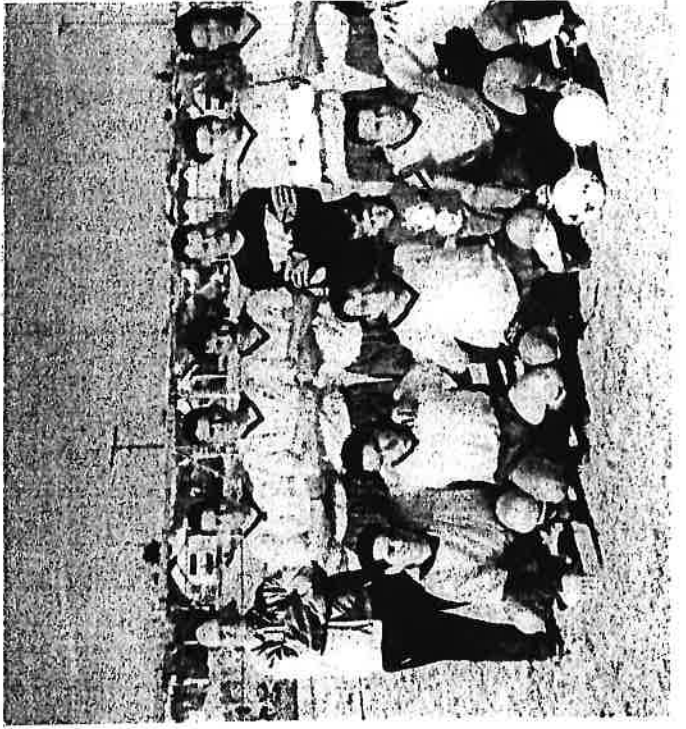
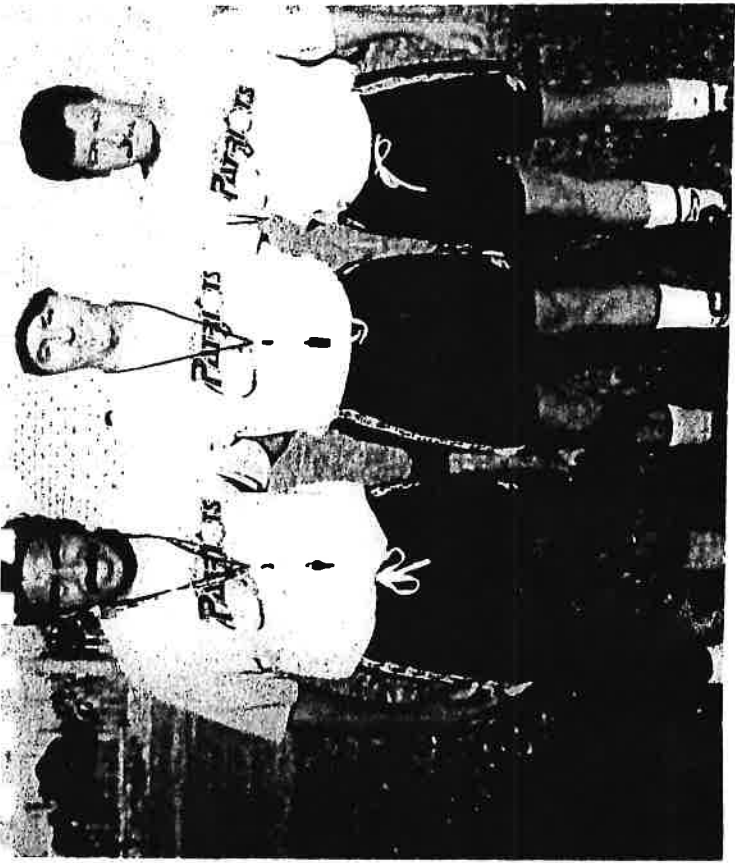
► **Age, class:** 17, senior.
► **Size:** 5-foot-9, 165 pounds.
► **Sport:** Football.
► **Last week:** Threw for 209 yards and three touchdowns.
► **In 10 years:** I can see myself graduating from college.
► **The car I drive:** 1968 California Special Mustang.
► **In my CD player right now:** Linkin Park.



► **Last movie I saw:** "American Pie 3."
► **Role model/favorite athlete:** Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick.
► **Career highlight:** Clinching Chapin's first share of the District 1-4A title.
► **Why I play football:** When I was 8, my dad asked me if I wanted to play football, and I've loved it ever since.



- * Coach Tucker Head Coach Xtreme team
- * Makenzie Waldon Iowa State Division 1 NCAA
- * Rebeca Alvarez Louisiana Tech Division 1 NCAA
- * Adriana Mendosa Mississippi State University 1 NCAA



TEACHER OF THE DAY: ROBERTO TUCKER

Teacher uses hands-on tools to encourage



Every day the El Paso Times profiles an El Paso or Las Cruces teacher, who is nominated as Teacher of the Day.

Today: Roberto Tucker.

Age: 43.

School: Our Lady of the Valley Parochial School.

Educational background: Graduate of the University of Texas at El Paso.

Number of years teach-

ing: Eight.

Current position: Second grade teacher.

Activities outside of teaching: Coaching girls under-19 Legacy team and assistant coach for El Paso Patriots pro soccer team.

The hardest lesson I have learned: Patience is a virtue that must be kept at all times.

People would be surprised if they knew I:

Enjoy singing.

If I could change one thing about my job, it would be: To encourage everyone in my field of the role education plays in a child's future.

Most gratifying experience as an educator: Knowing that my students leave my classroom with a higher level of education than expected.

Why I became a teacher: I love being able to moti-

vate children achieve the

The most aspect of teaching that people today are able to create spiritual foundations for high actions.

The best teaching tool I have used and recommend to others is: Any tool that uses hands-on methods to motivate children.



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Sports

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Bocklage



Lunghi

Three Thunderbirds sign letters of intent

EL PASO — Three girls soccer players at Coronado High School signed national letters of intent on Tuesday in front of the school's library.



Young

Ashleigh Young and Melanie Lunghi each committed to Adams State in Colorado.

"I had gone there for a visit and liked the school," Young said. "Hopefully, I will be winning a lot of games and improving my soccer skills."

Both girls were wearing their Grizzlies shirts already.

"Especially going with (Young), we're going to have fun," Lunghi said. "I always dreamed about playing in college."

Diane Bocklage signed to St. Edwards in Austin.

"I've been playing since third grade, and even then I thought I'd be able to play in college one day," Bocklage said. "It's stressful going through the whole process. So once you find a school that fits you, it is really great."

The three also are teammates on the Team Extreme club soccer team.

Game time

- ▶ **What:** UTEP Miners (17-5, 8-1 in C-USA) at SMU Mustangs (11-11, 4-4) in a Conference USA men's basketball game.
- ▶ **When, where:** 6 p.m. MST today, Moody Coliseum, Dallas.
- ▶ **Last meeting:** UTEP beat SMU, 49-45, on Jan. 6 at the Don Haskins Center.
- ▶ **On TV:** Time Warner Cable Channel 24.
- ▶ **Radio:** KOFX-FM (92.3).



Cathedral Team Roster

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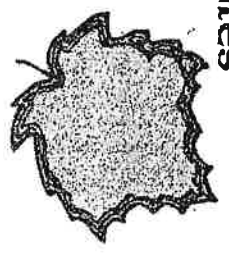
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5	Stephan Aguilar	FB	FROSH
7	Ramon Dominguez	MF	SENIOR
8	Carlos Cardenas	FW	SOPH
9	Carlos Sisniega	MF	SENIOR
10	Giovanni Saucedo	FW	SENIOR
11	Santiago Gonzalez	FB	SENIOR
12	Alejandro Velarde	FB	SENIOR
13	Sergio Fernandez	FB	FROSH
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30	Christopher Fuller	MF	SOPH
	ENRIQUE ESCALANTE	GK	SOPH
	CARLOS MARROQUIN	GK	SOPH

2	RYAN STARK	SOPH
3	BRANDON CAVENDISH	JUNIOR
4	ZACH CLENDENEN	FROSH
5	DAVID STERLING	JUNIOR
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14	JAMES HEARIN	FROSH
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20	KEVIN CHOI	JUNIOR
23	JOSEPH CLINGAN	JUNIOR
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28	TYLER AHRENS	FROSH
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Soccer

Ram signs to play for UTSA

By Felix Chavez
EL PASO TIMES

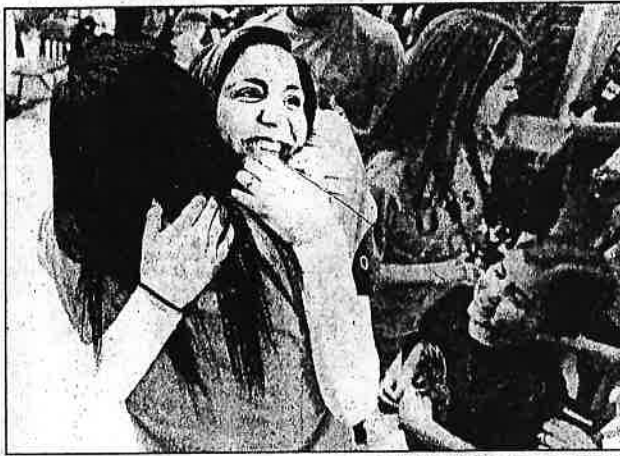
Playing college soccer has long been a dream of Montwood High's Sabrina Gonzalez.

On Tuesday, the center midfielder made it a reality, signing a Division I scholarship with Texas-San Antonio.

"I fell in love with the school and with the program," said Gonzalez, who celebrated her signing with family and friends at the school. "I've played soccer since I was 4 and I put in a lot of time into the sport."

Gonzalez, who was an El Paso Times' honorable mention All-City performer last year, has scored 14 goals this season for the Rams, who are 14-6-1 overall and 9-4 in District 1-5A.

In addition to her strong



MARK LAMBIE / EL PASO TIMES

Montwood senior soccer player Sabrina Gonzalez, left, hugs family and friends after signing her letter of intent to play for UT-San Antonio on Tuesday at Montwood High School.

play on the field, Gonzalez has earned the respect of her teammates and coaches, being named a team captain.

"Sabrina is a very dedicated person to the team," senior goalkeeper Paulina Escobar said. "She has worked hard to help make us a better team, and she's worked hard to become a very good player. She'll

do well at the next level."

Rams coach Jerry Paugh said Gonzalez has been a true leader.

"Sabrina has put in a lot of time and effort and deserves this scholarship," he said.

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Digest

Cathedral advances to state soccer semifinals

Times staff, wire reports

The Cathedral High soccer team rallied Friday to defeat San Antonio Cornerstone Christian 2-1 in the regionals of the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools state playoffs.

Francisco Roman scored the winning goal with one minute left in the game, knocking it by the Cornerstone goalie into the right corner of the net.

Earlier, at the 76-minute mark, Irishman Gerardo Moreira tied the contest. The senior got past three defenders to deadlock the score at one.

"The guys never gave up, even though we trailed from the start," Cathedral coach Robert Tucker said. "We just kept putting the pressure on the Cornerstone defense."

Cathedral advances to next Friday's TAPPS semifinals (Final Four), with its opponent yet to be determined.

SMU tops Miner volleyball: Junior Jennifer Abbruzzese had 18 kills to move into fourth place on UTEP's all-time list, but it was not enough to get the Miners past SMU Friday night in Dallas.

The Mustangs rallied to defeat UTEP 25-30, 30-22, 30-21, 30-25. UTEP is now 9-10 on the season.

4-4 in Western Athletic Conference play. SMU improves to 10-14, 3-5. Abbruzzese also had 19 digs in the match.

Buzzards lose to Amarillo: The El Paso Buzzards fell to 2-5 on the season with a 3-2 shootout loss at Amarillo Friday night.

The Buzzards got goals from Jeff Scharf and Joe Gray, but Brandon Carper's shootout goal won it for the Gorillas.

Aggie ties for fourth at 49er Collegiate Classic: NMSU freshman golfer Danny Bownen finished tied for fourth at the 49er Collegiate Classic Friday in Calimesa, Calif. The NMSU men's team finished fifth in the 12 team field, shooting a three-round 887.

Bowen, who was tied for the lead after two rounds, shot a final round 2-over 74 to finish the tournament at 2-under 214.

Agassi loses temper, match at Paris Masters: Andre Agassi cursed, slammed his racket and told the referee he'd done a "pathetic job."

Otherwise, Agassi took Friday's 6-4, 6-4 loss to Carlos Moya in the quarterfinals of the Paris Masters pretty well, and Agassi still could end up being the world's top-ranked player by the end of the year.

Agassi was angered by sever-

Mountain View runner finishes 2nd in state

Times staff report

The last seconds and Marble Falls front-runner Leo Manzano are all that stood between Mountain View's Alex Ramos and a high school career-crowning victory at the state cross country meet Saturday in Round Rock.

Ramos traversed the Old Settlers Park course in a time of 16 minutes, 1.80 seconds to finish behind only state champ Manzano (15:51.65).

"It's a good feeling," the Mountain View silver medalist said. "My goal was to get in the top three, and my dream was to get first. I missed it by five seconds, but second place isn't too bad."

Cathedral wins state soccer crown

► **Cathedral High School** won its first-ever soccer championship Saturday, out-battling Houston Awty International 2-1 in overtime in the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools Division 1 title game Saturday at Baylor University in Waco, Texas.

► **Short-handed** by two players being given red cards, Cathedral's Alex Velarde stole the ball away from Awty,

Ramos' finish was the best local result on a mixed-bag day for El Paso runners.

Wolfforth Frenship (80) claimed the boys' 4A team ti-

passed it to Giovanni Saucedo, who returned it to Velarde. Velarde hammered the ball in to the left side of the net with 8:44 left in the second overtime.

► **Cathedral (11-6-3)** took a 1-0 lead on a goal by Sergio Omelas.

► **Selected to the TAPPS** all-tournament team from Cathedral were Gerardo Moreira, Francisco Roman, Saucedo and Velarde.

► **While Saul Shahanga (14th, 16:50.85)** led Jefferson to fifth, ahead of Austin (sixth).

San Elizario's Irving Alvidrez took eighth. A cou-

► State cross country results 2C

ple of unpleasant surprises sprang from the 5A girls' field. Franklin's MacKenzie Edwards (11:35.15) crossed ninth, 24 seconds behind Houston Cypress Falls winner Calandra Stewart.

Montwood's Monique Ortega finished 39th. But the city's top two female runners' misfortune was Christina Munoz's gain. The Montwood freshman led all locals, finishing seventh in 11:29.55.

In 4A girls, Jefferson's Ingrid Castillo (eighth, 12:04.15) led the Foxes to a fifth-place team finish.

Coronado goalkeeper signs with Louisiana Tech

By Lenny Jurado

El Paso Times

EL PASO — The sun shined brightly and warmly overhead, providing the perfect weather for Rebecca Alvarez's big moment Tuesday.

With relatives behind her and teammates looking on, the Coronado High School goalkeeper sat outside the team locker room and signed a letter of intent to attend Louisiana Tech in Ruston, La.

Alvarez's career had come full circle. She began as a 6-year-old taking on the boys and will leave El Paso as a highly coveted goalkeeper.

"She's very deserving," Thunderbirds coach Andrea Esparza said. "She has all the characteristics for a Division I goalkeeper, and she's only going to get better. La. Tech is only going to get better with her going over there."

Alvarez is Coronado's seventh signee this season, the second to sign with a Division I program (Gina Soto, UTEP). She moves on to a college program that is in only its sixth season.

"It's really overwhelming," said Alvarez, who chose the Lady Techsters over D-1 offers from St. Louis University and Prairie View A&M. "At the beginning, you kind of want to shoot for the Notre Dame, the North Carolina, but when it comes down to it your senior year, joining a D-1 school, not a lot of girls get the opportunity to come out and play in college."

Alvarez liked the program's family atmosphere, which was important considering it is 890 miles away, and she said



Mark Lambie / El Paso Times

Coronado goalkeeper Rebecca Alvarez signed her letter of intent Tuesday to play soccer for Louisiana Tech. She was joined by family and friends, including her sister Beth Alvarez, left, her mother and father, Mona and Javier Alvarez, and her sister-in-law Amanda Alvarez.

her campus visit felt "so right."

The feeling was mutual for Lady Techster head coach Kevin Sherry, who spoke highly of Alvarez and specifically touted her "striking" on-field communication skills.

"She was a great talker, which you don't find in the women's game very often," said Sherry, who stood behind Alvarez's goal during a club game in November. "And (she communicated) in such a great, positive manner, and it was constant. And, of course, we liked her athletic ability and her ability to protect the goal, but what made her stand out was her communication skills."

Sherry gains a player who was first team all-city as a junior, as well as the District 1-5A Goalkeeper of the Year. Through 18 matches this sea-

son, Alvarez has 123 saves, nine shutouts and 23 goals allowed.

Alvarez is a four-year varsity player, three years as a starter.

Esparza described an athlete who entered the T-Birds' system equipped with the proper skill-set for the position.

"She had that killer instinct already, so her coming in, I knew she was going to be a natural keeper and fit right in," Esparza said. "She's grown into her position very well and has taken on a leadership role."

Alvarez's development began under her brother, Josue Alvarez, was bolstered by playing with various club teams, then was fine-tuned through the Jorge Muñiz Soccer Academy, which she joined as a freshman.

But those early years proved

the most crucial.

"At that time, I was about 16, 17, and me and my buddies would get together and just kind of rip and take some shots and stuff," said Josue Alvarez, himself a former Coronado goalkeeper. "She grew up around us, so she had a higher level of competition already. And when she joined the (Jorge Muñiz Soccer Academy), she started training with boys her age, boys a little bit older and with professional coaches and stuff, so she learned a lot of drills and a lot of technique that a lot of kids at a young age don't learn until they're more advanced, skill-wise."

Playing against boys was "immensely" helpful, Rebecca Alvarez said.

"As a girl, your goal is to play like a guy, believe it or not," she said. "You want the fluid movements, and guys just have that."

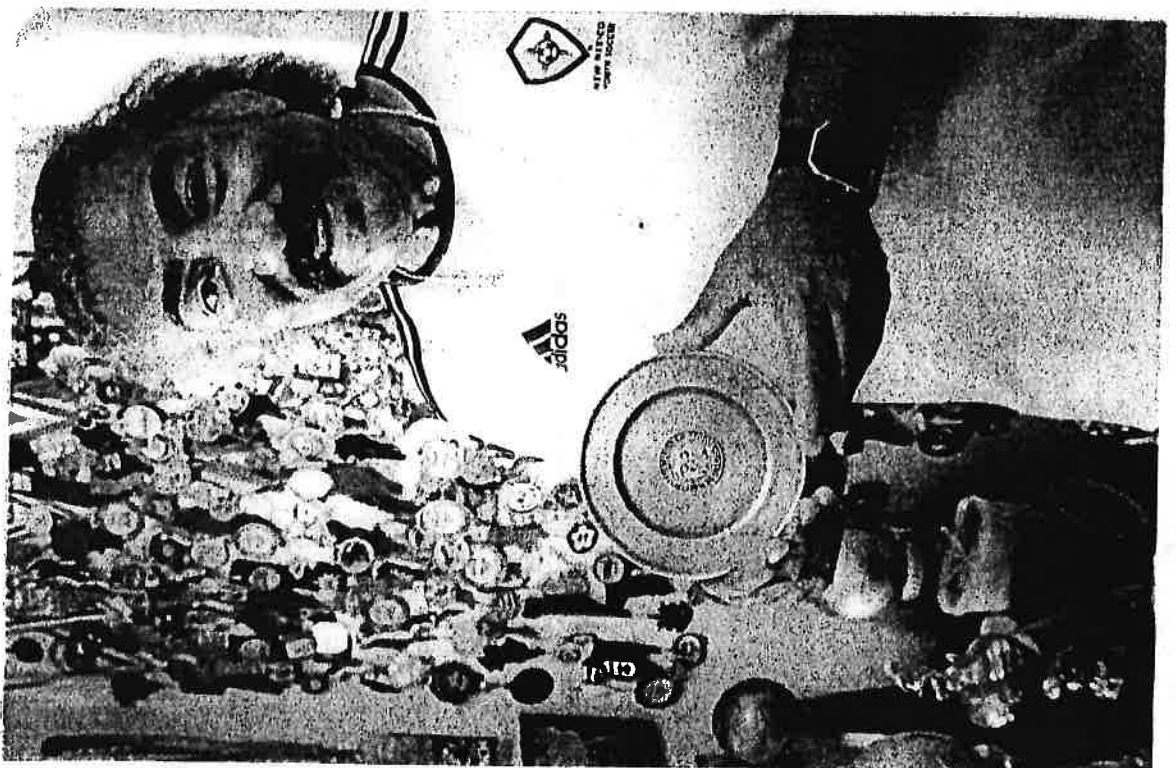
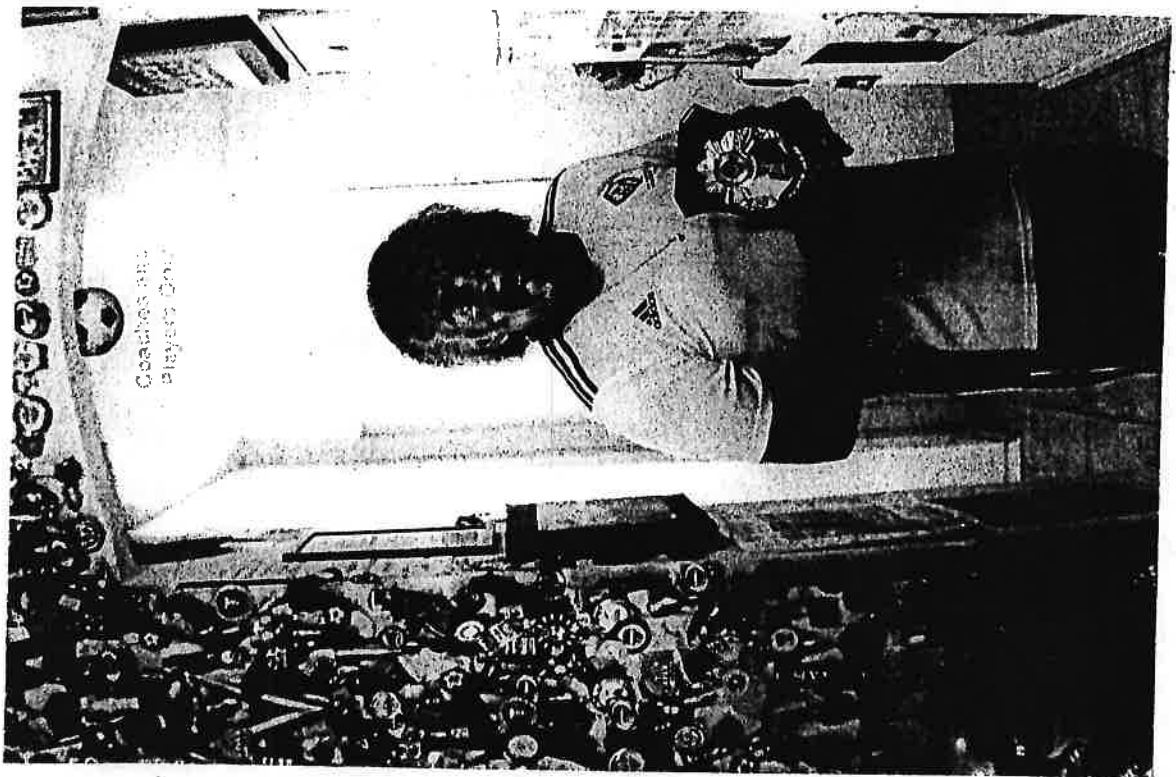
Looking back at high school soccer, Alvarez recalls a sterling career that was forged through hard work and milestones.

"It's been a tough career," she said. "It was a lot of work but a lot of fun. My teammates have become my family, we've won so much together ... and here at Coronado, you learn so much."

Then again, there wasn't too much Alvarez didn't already know.

"She's just a player who's always been beyond her years and knowledge," Josue Alvarez said, "and now that she's moving on to college, she's stepping up the game."

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the Huskies.

Del Valle's special teams standout Edgar Salcido was named both the second team punter and third team place-kicker.

"It's great to be there and represent my city and school," said Salcido who was an APSE first-team pick. "It's still kind of a dream, to be honest."

On the third team was Riverside receiver Jacob



Famile Castillo / El Paso Times

Burges High School's Stacie Telles tries to drive past Andress' Deziree Tollens during the teams' District 1-4A basketball game Friday night at Burges.

scoring, the junior lefty went pointless for the remainder of the quarter. But she scored nine of her team's 11 points over the next eight minutes to hand-deliver a 26-23 edge at the break.

A Deziree Tollens (15 points) steal and coast-to-

Burges can clinch a playoff spot with a win at unbeaten Irvin. Andress has that same opportunity, hosting Chapin. Should either lose, Austin, which hosts El Paso High, could move into a tie, forcing a play-in game for the final spot.

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Coronado's Soto signs with UTTEP

By Aaron Bracamontes

El Paso Times

EL PASO — After signing a national letter of intent to play soccer at UTTEP, Coronado High School's Gina Soto was real quick to say, "go Miners," on Friday outside the school library.

"It's unexplainable actually, but I know I made the right choice," Soto said. "I've seen a lot of their games and I've always pictured myself out there."

Soto invited her friends to go watch her play next season and said that playing in front of family influenced her decision.

"It would have been a pity if my parents didn't get to see me play in college after all they have done for me and my career," said Soto, who started playing at age 6.

Thunderbirds coach Andrea Esparza stood by Soto's side as she signed the paperwork.

"Players like that, who can play at another level, don't come very often," Esparza said. "It's always nice to see any of my players go on to college, and I will be able to watch her play next season."

Like Soto, Esparza also played at Coronado and UTTEP and wishes her luck on her journey. "I know she likes to play in front of people she knows," Esparza said. "It's a good program and it's improved so much."

UTTEP soccer coach Kevin Cross said he is eager to welcome Soto to his team next season.

"She is big time. She has incredible skills and can play with both feet," Cross said. "Gina wanted to play on a team that has

great soccer. She was impressed with our team and we were glad to get her."

Soto will be the second local soccer player to join the Miners next season. Socorro's Alejandra Carpio signed Wednesday.

"This is a big year for us," Cross said. "We were able to find two great El Paso players and they will help our team."

There is already much anticipation on Soto's part for next season and she said she looks forward to sharing the field with a fellow District 1-5A player. "It will be fun to play with her," Soto said. "I have respect for her. She knows how to play and has very good skills."

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Coronado High School senior and UTTEP soccer signee Gina Soto showed off the topping on her cake during a ceremony Friday at Coronado.

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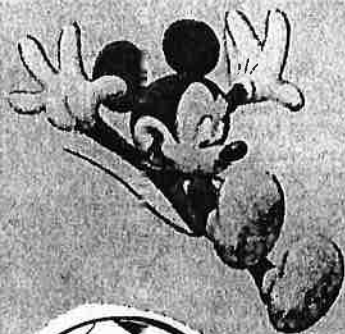
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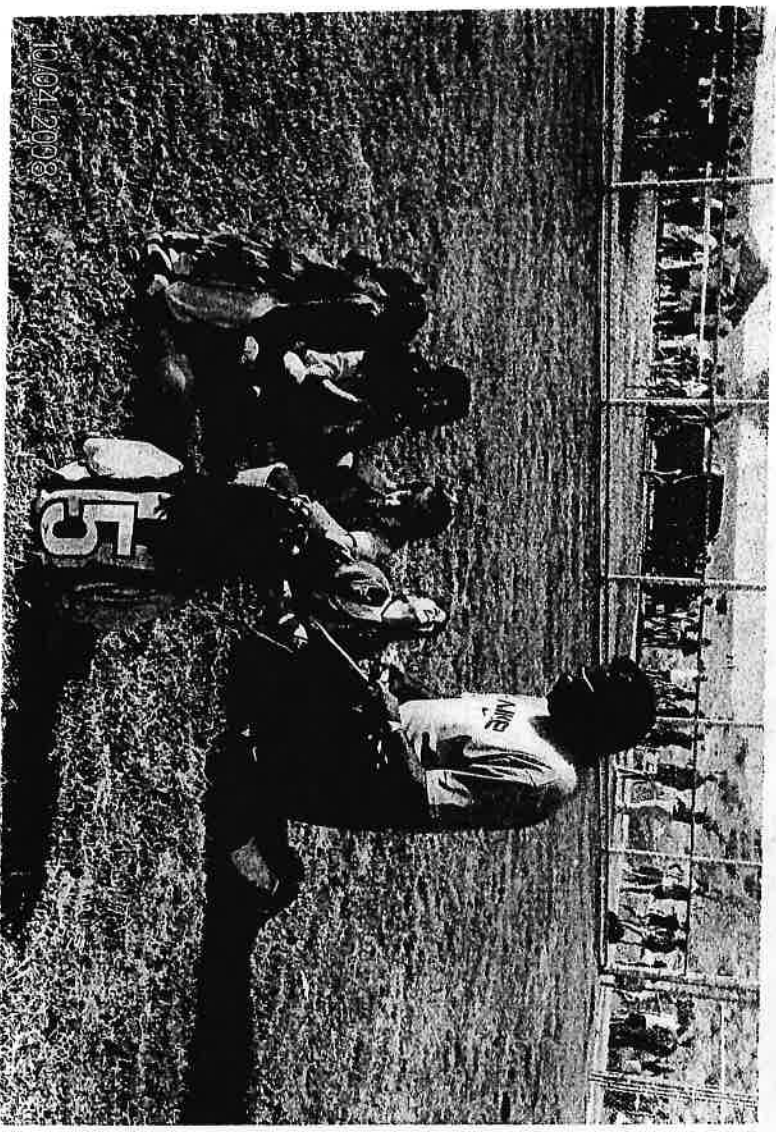
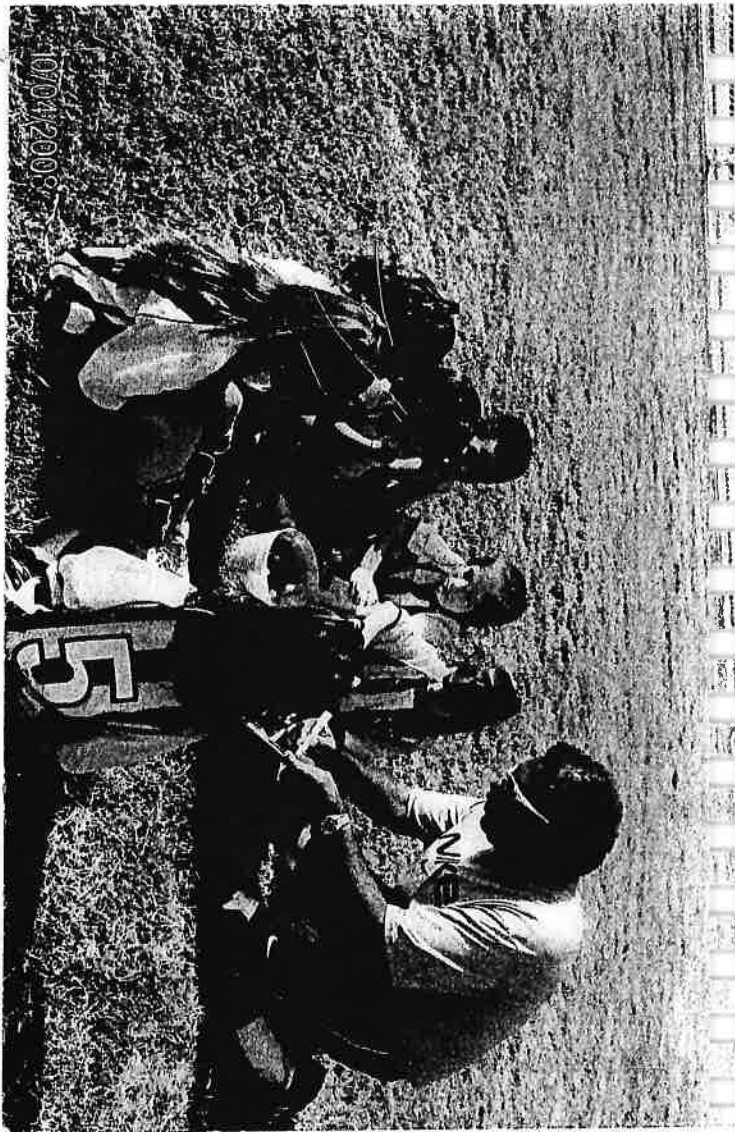
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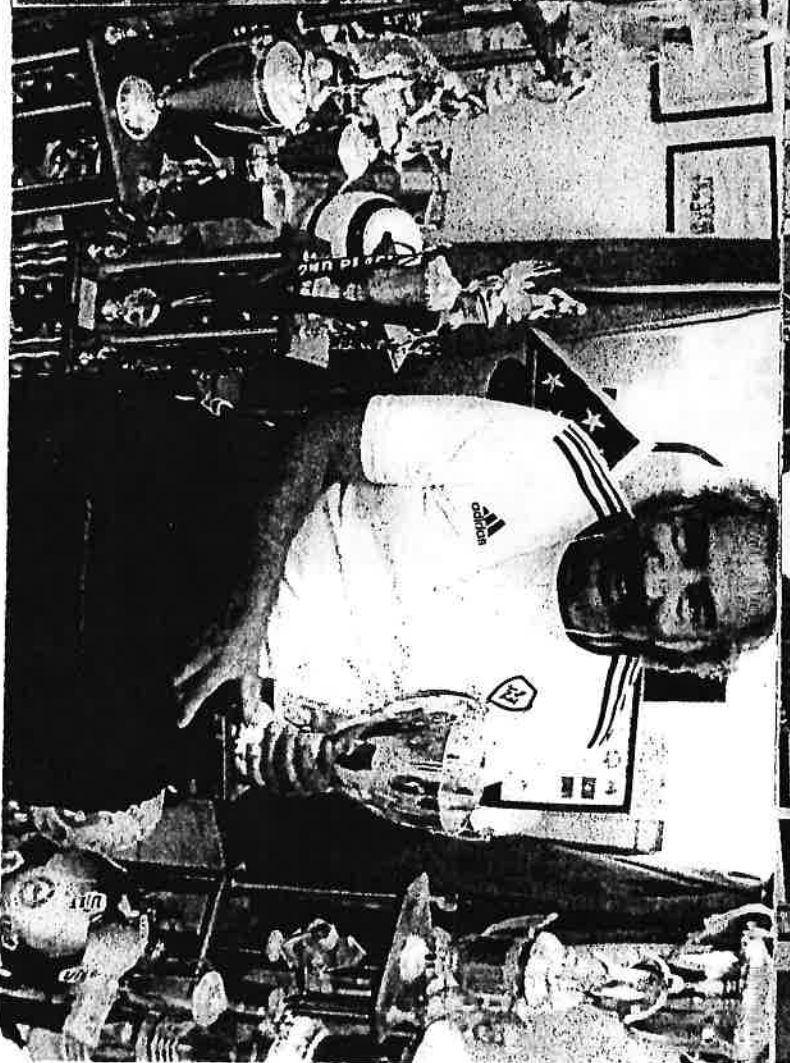
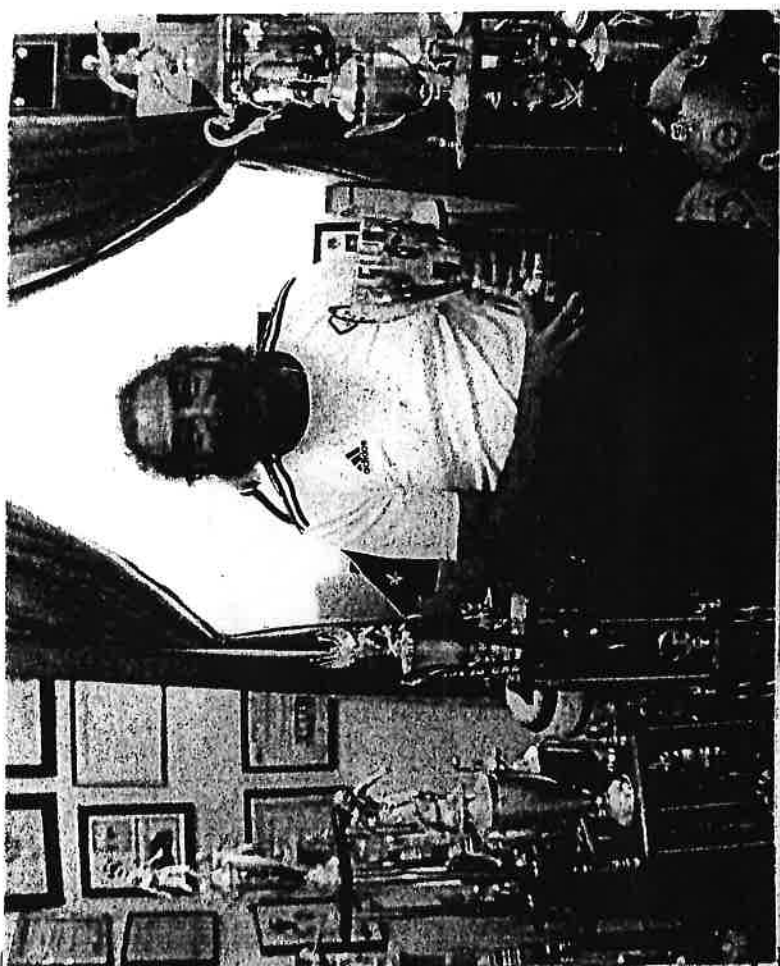
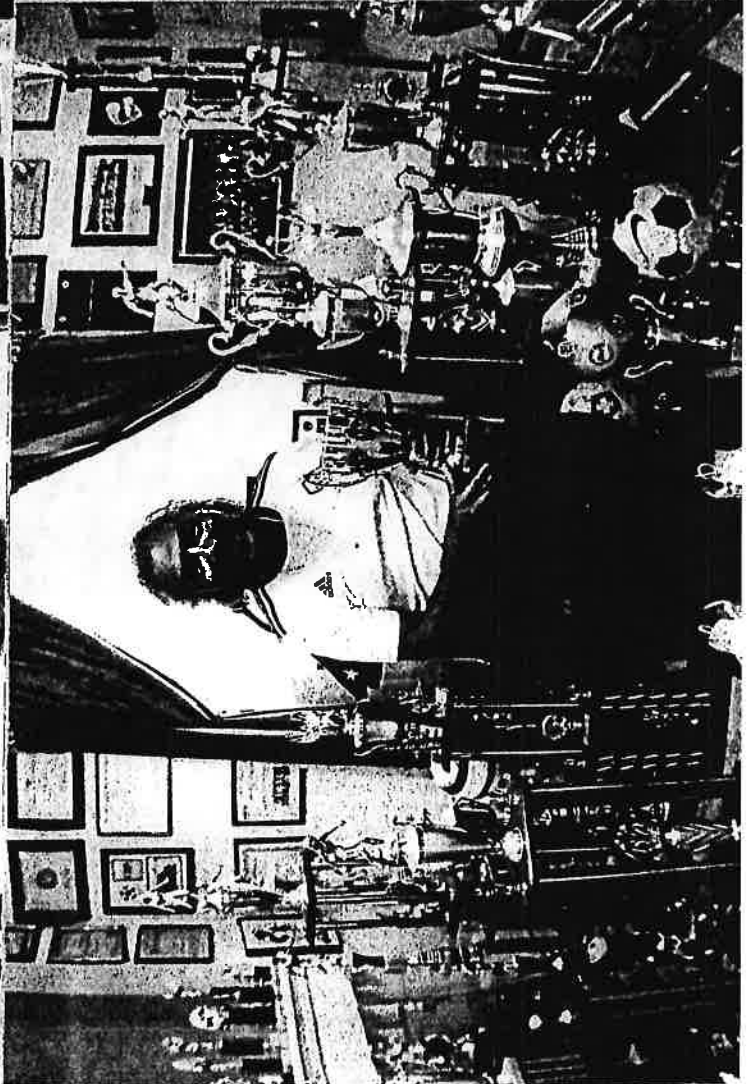
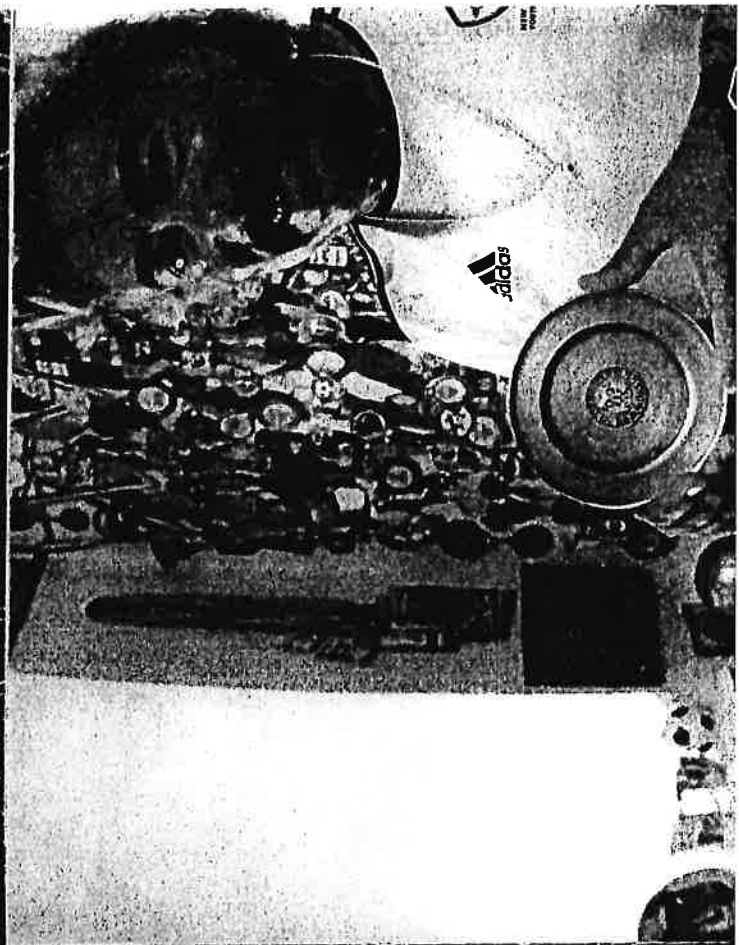
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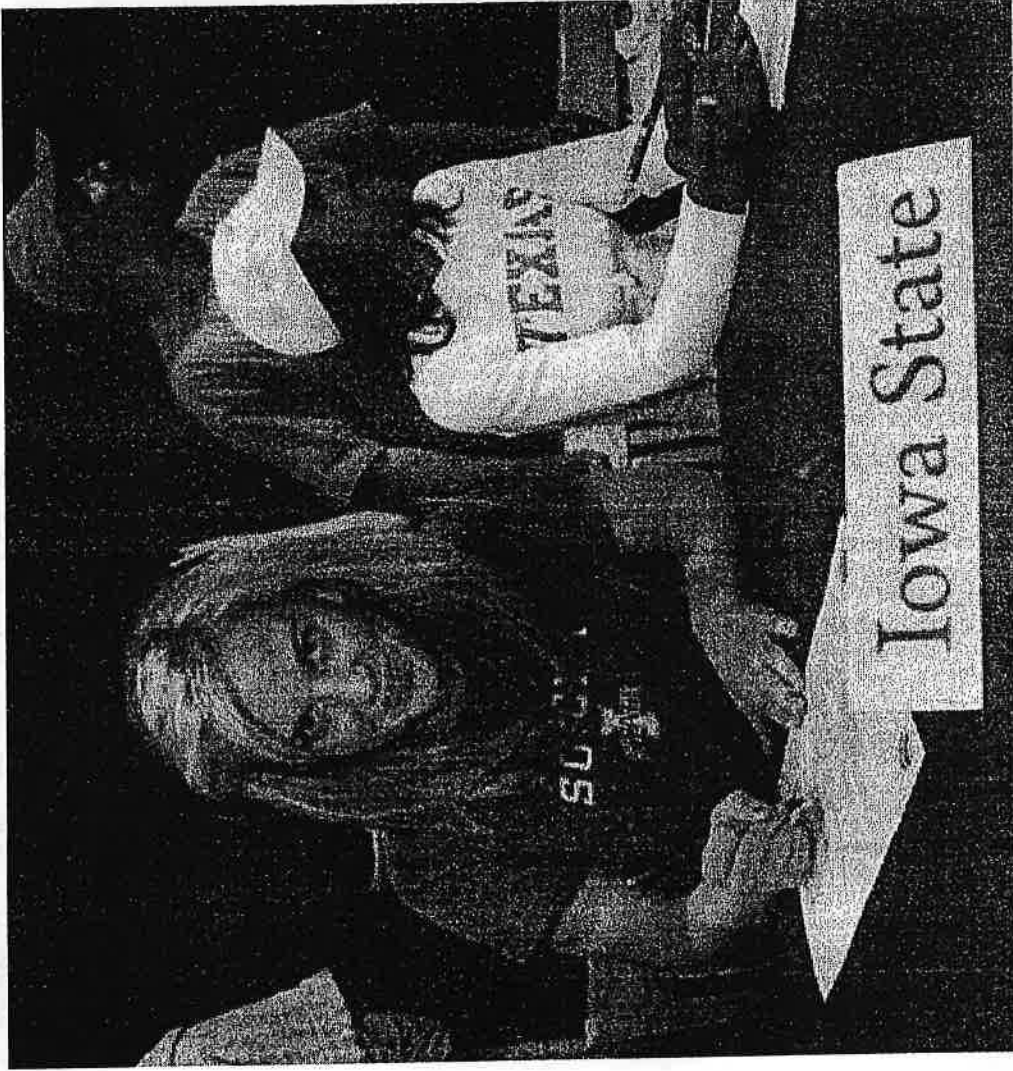


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High Schools

Jefferson senior signs with Mississippi Valley St.



Victor Calzada / El Paso Times

Bianca Vigilante of Jefferson High School, center, is cheered by teammates at her signing party Monday.

By Aaron Bracamontes

El Paso Times

EL PASO — Jefferson High School's Bianca Vigilante will be far from home next year, but for her it will be worth it as long as she gets to play soccer.

Vigilante on Monday signed a national letter of intent to accept a scholarship from Mississippi Valley State University, a Division I school in the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

"The coach (Sonia Curvelo) was very personable, trying to get to know me," Vigilante said. "I was looking at schools in Texas and Colorado, but when I was in Dallas for a tournament with my club, Team Extreme, the coach approached me."

After speaking to current members of

the Devilettes team, Vigilante said she is comfortable joining the squad.

"I got along with the team very well," she said. "Speaking to the girls and the coach, it looks like I will be starting next year."

With the Silver Foxes, Vigilante plays left midfielder, but on Team Extreme she is a left defender. She will play the latter in college.

"She's a very knowledgeable player," Jefferson coach Alfredo Trejo said. "She has been playing this game for a long time and knows what to do out there."

Her skills have allowed her to be a four-year letterman and all-city player, while her leadership has earned her the title of captain on the Foxes squad.

"She will always be the first one there

and the last one to leave," Trejo said. "She is the one who asks, 'What can I do coach.'"

Trejo said that Vigilante excels on corner and direct kicks, but can also be another coach on the pitch.

"She's the one that gets the kids going," he said. "She is also not afraid to get on the other girls. That's what I like about her."

Either way you look at it, Jefferson will be graduating an important part of its squad, and Mississippi Valley will be gaining a valuable prospect.

"I can see myself playing with them and going far with the team," she said. "I am very excited to get out there."

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High Schools

Coronado seniors to continue athletic careers in college

Lenny Jurado

aso Times

L PASO — For 40 minutes Monday, Coronado seniors Jillian Davis and Lenny Jurado were treated to campus celebrities.

Family, friends and teammates continually snapped pictures alongside the two standout athletes, creating time memories destined to be countless iPods and notebook pages. This was a special day for Davis and Smith.

Davis, an outside hitter for the volleyball team, gave her consent to play at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash.

"I'm really excited," Davis

"I like (JBU) because it's a small Christian school, and the team is really nice; they were very welcoming," said Smith, who sported a cross necklace. "And I liked the city."

Both girls drew quite the crowd Monday.

Davis' teammates donned white and blue T-shirts reading "Whitman," while Thunderbird soccer players created a sea of gray "John Brown University" T-shirts.

Such support was well-deserved for these four-year varsity players.

Davis was a three-time all-city selection who made a name for herself as an aggressive, determined hitter with leadership qualities.

This past fall, she played a

vital role as the District 1-5A champion T-Birds reached the Class 5A regional quarterfinals. She averaged 4.1 kills (480 total) and 4.1 digs (50) per set, while totaling 55 aces.

"She led by example," Coronado volleyball coach Raul Lawrence said. "If we needed a point and Jillian was in the front row, we went to her, and that was her leadership; she wanted the ball."

Also a scholar, Davis boasts a 97 grade average, ranks in the top 4 percent of her class and is student body vice president.

A career in surgery could be in her future, but for now Davis is enjoying her re-

maining weeks as a T-Bird. "The ride was amazing," she said. "My team, we grew as one, and we united as one. We became stronger friends for it, and I think that's what I'm going to look back on, the friendships we built on the court."

Meanwhile, JBU gains a soccer player known for her work ethic and reliability.

"I think what defines Amber is her unselfishness," Thunderbird soccer coach Andrea Esparza said. "Also, she's very consistent. Game in and game out, you know what to expect from her. ... She's been one of our big players, not just this year but in past years also. She's usually in double-digit goals

(scored)."

Like Davis, Smith produces in the classroom, as well. She holds a 3.45 grade-point average and is involved in student council and student leadership. JBU has a "very good medical program," and Smith will work toward becoming a pediatrician, she said.

"I'm excited, and I'd like to thank my coaches because they got me this far, especially (Xtreme Soccer Club) coach Roberto Tucker," Smith said. "I'm also excited that I have so many friends and family here (at the signing) to support me."

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Davis, Smith



Baseball

Jefferson graduate signs

EL PASO — Recent Jefferson High School graduate Jessica Shane signed Wednesday to play soccer at St. Edwards University in Austin.



Shane

Shane, a forward, was a four-time all-city selection and finished her senior season with 25 goals and 16 assists.

"When I visited, I loved the city, I loved the school, I loved the coach and I loved the girls," Shane said. "It's a perfect fit."

Saltdogs defeat Diablos

EL PASO — Lincoln beat El Paso 18-4 on Wednesday night in an American Association baseball game.

Lake to be stocked today

ANTHONY — Rainbow Lake will be stocked today and Saturday with catfish. Information: 886-2386.

Times staff, wire reports

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Detroit 4	Baltimore 2
Cleveland 8	Minnesota 1
N.Y. Yankees 8	Toronto 4
Tampa Bay 6	Boston 4
Seattle 11	Kansas City 6
Chicago White Sox 6	L.A. Angels 2
Texas	at Oakland, late

National League

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San Francisco 10	Houston 6
Atlanta 6	San Diego 2
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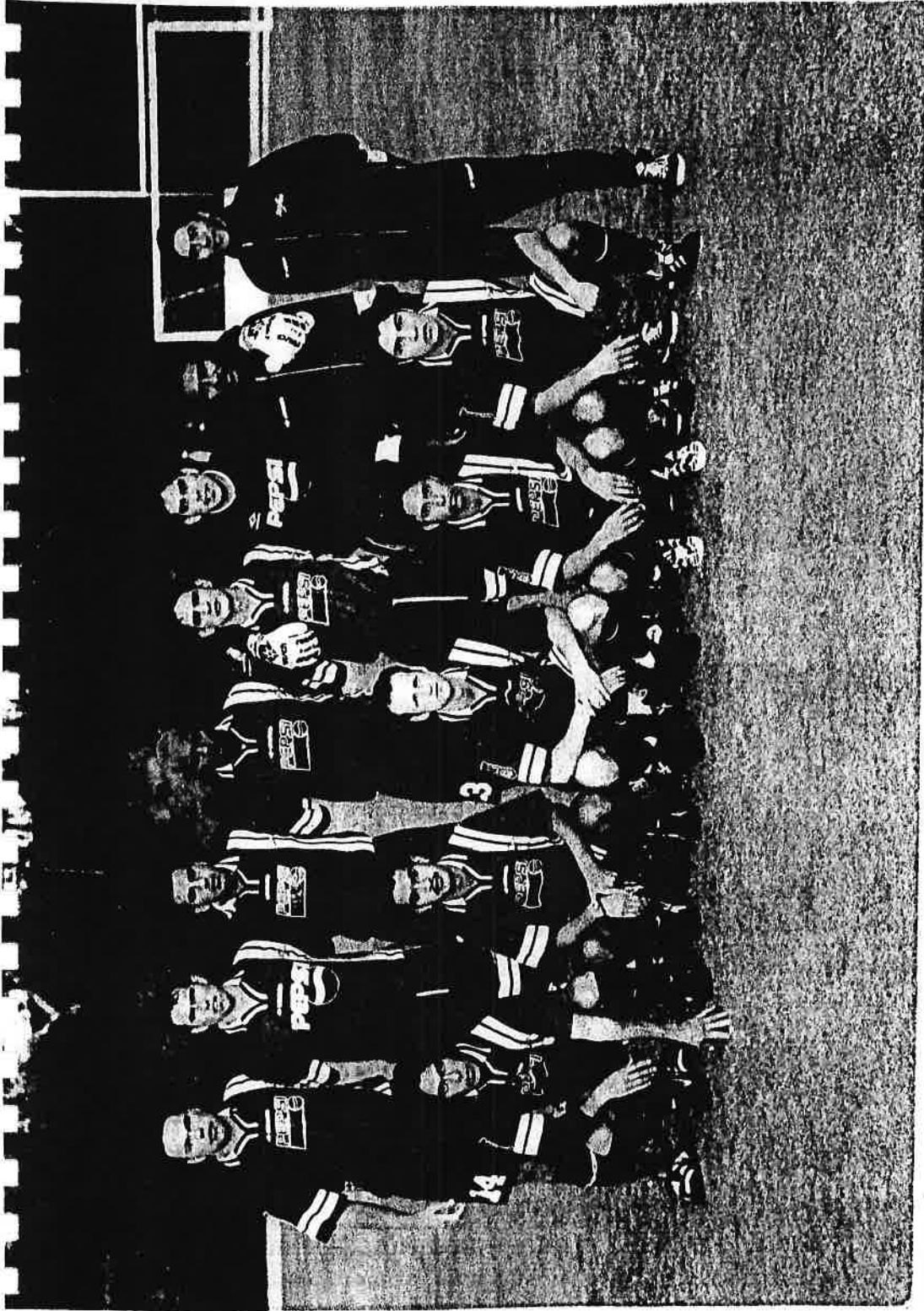
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AYSO PHILOSOPHY FUN, FAIR AND SAFE

Everyone Plays: Every child plays at least half of every game (three quarters of every game if the number of players on the team roster permits).

Balance Teams: Teams are formed each year (no carry-over from last year's team other than the coach's child) and are constructed so that all teams have essentially the same chance to succeed. When games are one-sided, players from neither team are satisfied and little is gained by either team in skill.

Open Registration: AYSO does not restrict membership on the basis of talent, race, religion, nationality or creed.

Positive Coaching: Soccer is FUN for players, coaches and parents. MAKE IT SO!

Good Sportsmanship: We want to create a positive environment based on mutual respect, rather than a win-at-all-cost attitude. All our programs must be designed to instill good sportsmanship in every facet of AYSO. AYSO has always encouraged good sportsmanship in its programs. But, recently we've begun doing more about it. first, we added "Good Sportsmanship" to our philosophy statement in our National Bylaws. Secondly, AYSO recommends that its individual regions promote sportsmanship and ETHICS at all times.