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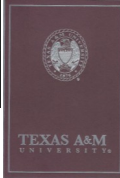
Congratulations to Aric

Andrew Hagy, new Texas A&M graduate...Aric rec'd a Bachelor of Science degree w/a major in Agricultural Leadership on December 13th! Parents Richard & Beverly, as well as Grandparents Carole & R. Burt & Norma Hagy, Navarro cousins, & other family members, attended the big event at College Station!

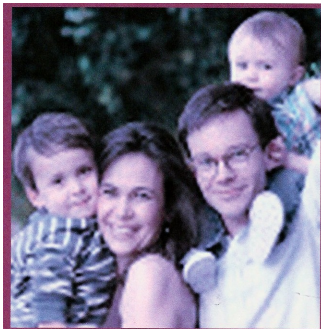
FAMILY ATTORNEYS:



In Laredo, Attorney Uri, wife Susie (Farias) Druker & sons Ryan, Arie & Noah!



Congratulations also to Miguel Andres Trevino, who joined his dad Pepe III & other family attorneys in the practice of law!! (Mom Adrienne is very proud!)



In Menlo Park, California, Attys Rosanna (Garza) & Nate Lipscomb & sons!



Attorney Dayna Holm in Flint, Michigan

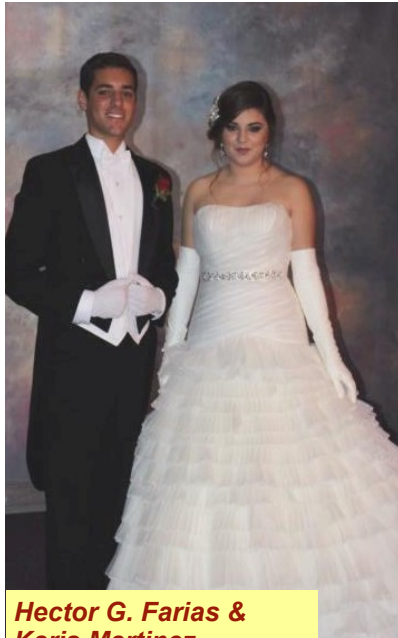


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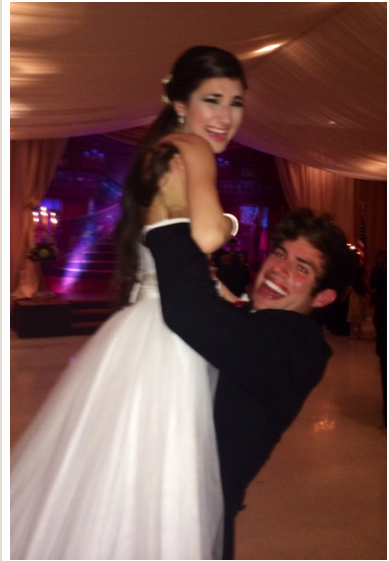
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DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION BALL



Hector G. Farias & Karis Martinez

Laredo's Society of Martha Washington Presentation & Ball was held in Laredo on November 30th & was the setting for several pretty debutantes to be presented into local society. Three of the lucky ladies had as their escorts these very handsome young men, who may not even be aware that they're related! (Hector's grandmother Diana is 1st cousin of Scott's grandfather, J.C. Trevino Jr. (Dec'd). Preston's aunt Debbie Swisher is 1st cousin of Hector's dad, Gonzalo.)



Preston S. Campbell & Kissandra Kahn



Hector w/Aunt Cristina Farias & Karis!



R. Scott Treviño & Elizabeth Arciniega



Martha Washington, as portrayed by Adrienne Treviño (Scott's aunt) in 2007!



Hector's grandmom Diana Farias & Aunt Olvido Flores



Hector's Uncle & Aunt, Uri & Susie Druker



Christina Elizondo & children, J.D., Adrian & Christian, smile for the camera. Christina is the daughter of Annie Salinas Dodd.



So glad to see Jodie Powell & sis, Lori Denis! The Barnes girls, including Vicki Barnes & Christi Kalmbach, are as pretty as ever! Mom Olga would have been so proud of them!



Wow, what a cute picture! That's Evelyn Landis, looking dapper as the groom w/her cousins in this old photo, & a more recent one, w/Grandson Robert A. at his Baptism, son Robert & his wife, Ali!



Proud new grandparents are Danny & Mari Salinas! Penelope Martinez was born to Dan's daughter, Denise, on November 20th!



What could have happened to Alesandro Farias? Maybe a bee sting? No, as per dad Felipe, he was hit by a baseball during a Tournament, but recovered just fine!



Glad to see a photo of Dr. Rocky Shah's parents, Arvind & Charu, who are originally from Gujarat on the northwest coast of India, (known as the Jewel of the West)! Mr. Shah is a retired college professor; Mrs. Shah is a housewife! Drs. Heather & Rocky are expecting Baby No. 3 any day!



FAMILIES & MORE FAMILIES:

Among all these fine-looking folks is a nurse, a doctor, an attorney, a stewardess, a pilot or two, etc. Dad Don is a retired Army Lt. Col. & he & wife June now spend time on lots of volunteer work, health permitting!



Don & June Graesser family—Together for Thanksgiving in College Station, Texas



Jeff & Karen Varnon—Knoxville, Tennessee

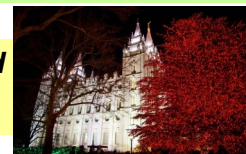


Sincere condolences to the Varnon family! Karen's mom, Kathryn Street, passed away on November 19th! She is really missed by all her family!



Rebecca Varnon will be performing in Knoxville's Nutcracker Suite ballet for her 10th year! On a more serious note, her brother Jordan is preparing to leave in January on an LDS Mission call to Kennewick, Washington. The young man will serve in the Mormon Church's Spanish mission for 2 years! All the best, Jordan! Dad Jeff, a Wright cousin, is an IT Engineer, on contract w/the Dept. of Energy, & works at Y12 Nat'l Security Complex, Oak Ridge, Tenn. Mom Karen is a hard-working housewife!!

Temple Square, Salt Lake City, with red lights on Cedar of Lebanon tree!



Why spend money on fancy toys, when empty cartons will do? Jaxson & Jesse Reddam & Amelie & Giuliana Galli are perfectly happy with these “toys”!



Cousins Lily & Mia Shah & Tatum Nickel, visited w/grand parents Sam & Janet Patty in their new home in Madison, Alabama.

California Trip

A 2-week trip by car took Steve, Lisa, Cassie & yours truly to California to celebrate Thanksgiving w/Jesse & Gabby Reddam & kids & Alice & Perry Reed. Somewhere in New Mexico, Lisa pulled over to have a good look at a Cotton plant! Our stop at the Grand Canyon was in the middle of a blizzard, so we didn't see anything there, but snow & ice. Traveling thru West Texas, New Mexico & Arizona to California City meant miles & miles of looong stretches of desert & mountains, but also plenty of pine forests, many wind turbines, & very long trains, going who-knows-where!

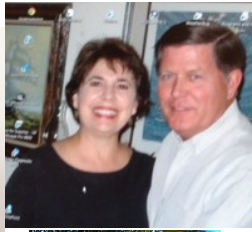


Jesse is stationed at Edwards AFB; Gabby is a housewife & Scentsy representative. For fun, he rides a 4-wheeler in the desert!



The whole family enjoys outings in the Mojave Desert in their RV, where little Jesse rides his own 4-wheeler (above, left), & Jaxson rides his little putt-putt! (Harley, their pup, goes, too!)

I spent a few days w/Perry & Alice Reed in Riverside, who took me to visit daughter Lilli Coffin & family in Oceanside! (Chris was working, unfortunately). Haley was home from college in San Francisco!



The kids participate in all kinds of sports & are also musically talented!!

Riverside is all lit up at Christmas, w/open shops, a horse-drawn carriage & a tree-decorating contest! The weather was nice, we enjoyed the evening, & ended at the Reed's for a light supper. What fun!



Little Jesse by a Borate rock as big as he is!



Cassie & little Jesse are in front of a picture of the present mine, the largest in the world, located in Boron, California. The borax deposit was discovered in 1913 & has had several owners. Borate substances are used in numerous products besides soap, including household items, & even rocket fuel!

(The 20-mule team actually consisted of 18 mules & 2 horses!)



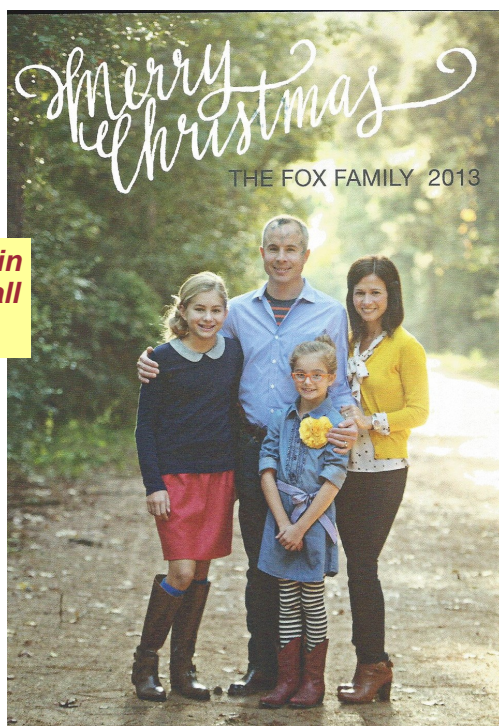
Before leaving California, we did make one sight-seeing trip to the Borax mine near California City. Borax was originally mined out of Death Valley & hauled to a railway at the Mojave Desert by the famous 20-mule Team, as seen on that TV program! That mine is now closed.



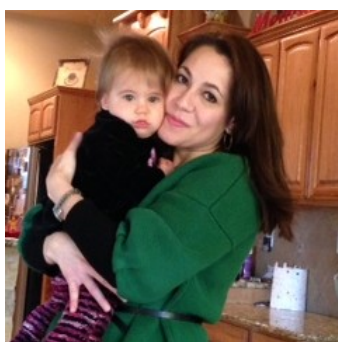
Cassie, Jesse & Steve walked the length of the Team!



A pretty Hanukkah card was rec'd from the family Druker, w/photos of their beautiful children! This year, Hanukkah (aka Festival of Lights) fell between Nov. 27th & Dec. 5th, & celebrated the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem!



Another nice card is this one from the Fox family in Houston! Wow, those pretty girls are almost as tall as their parents!



Both Aunts Nina Farias & Kim Ridgley just HAD to cuddle w/little Natalie Rose Ridgley! A Cutie!



The Robot piñata for Jake's 4th B'day Party was bigger than Jake & big brother E.T. (Jake is now recovering from Walking Pneumonia!)

THE GRADUATE!

Aric w/mom Beverly & dad Richard, plus other relatives, about to eat an A&M cake!



Queen Daniella Navarro (in blue, center) & fellow cast members at Ldo United High School's Madrigal show. The cast prepares all the set decorations, food, & costumes! A very authentic yearly affair presented by the students!



Celebrating my birthday w/Office mates!



Congrats to McKenzie Burke, who was inducted into the Nat'l Honor Society at O'Connor HS! Proud Grandparents: Martha & Ed Ridgley!

Pieter, Tessa & Angelique Van Dyk w/Chanel & Joshua Langford, posing dramatically for a special event?! As always, they all look great!



So glad son Mike Wright has now retired (for a 2nd time) from the Air Force & is now at home w/Linda in San Antonio!



What pretty cousins! Anissa Farias & Aubrey Woodruff (w/dad, Jimmy!)

Here's wishing a speedy recovery to Rosemary Swisher, Pat Deliganis, & Laura Saldivar's mom, all currently dealing w/serious health issues!

Nancye Hagy w/ Laura Saldivar at a recent function!



Still celebrating, w/Diana DeWall & Shawn Langford!

