

WASHINGTON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Zachary Gordon Thornton - Class Vice President

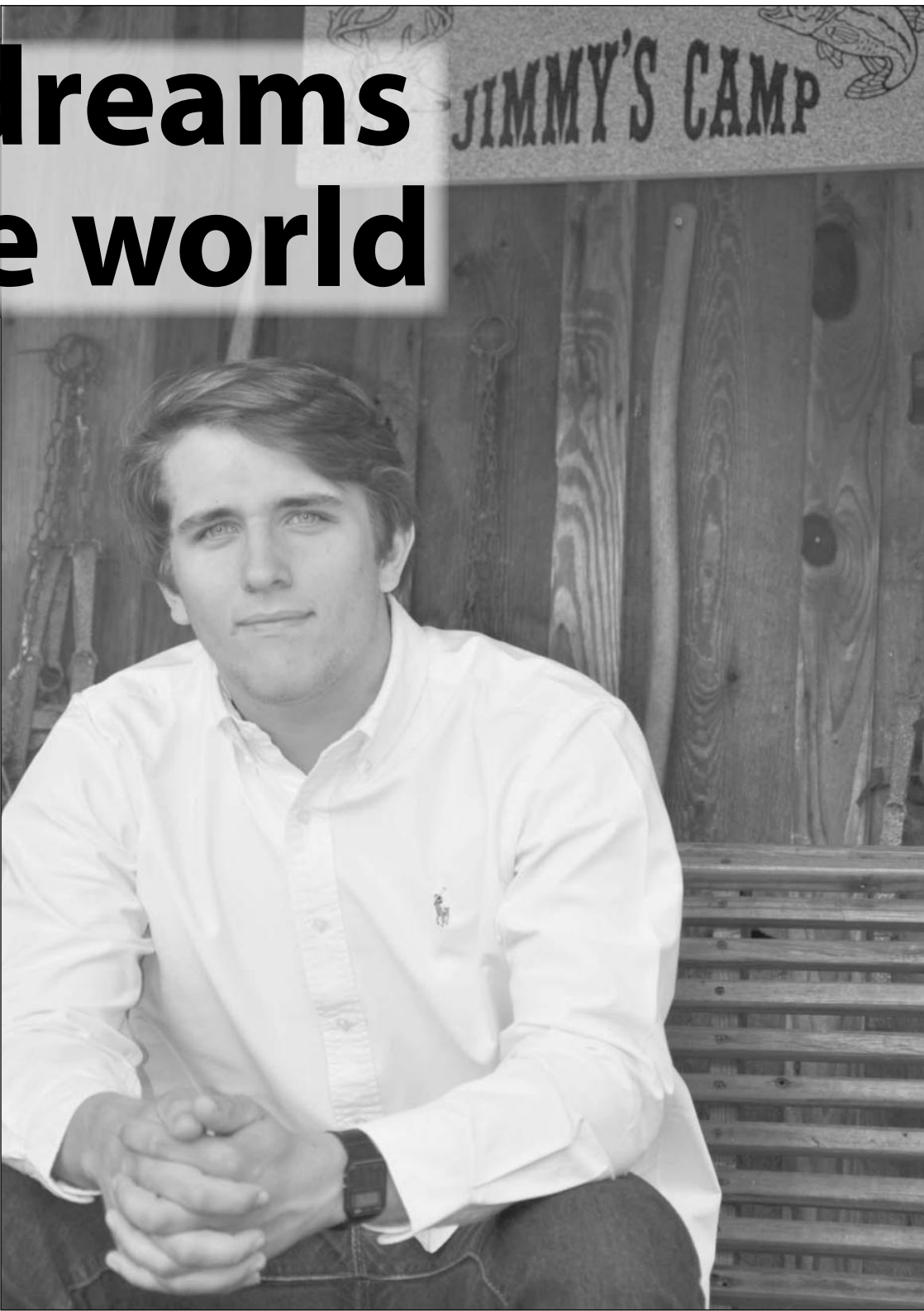
Washington County’s graduation ceremony Tuesday, May 21, 8 p.m. at Jordan Wilcox Stadium

Thornton has dreams of traveling the world

He would like to do mission work and help get Bibles to people who need them

- **SCHOOL:** Washington County High School
- **FULL NAME:** Zachary Gordon Thornton
- **AGE:** 18
- **PARENTS:** Shane and Angie Thornton
- **GPA AND HONORS:** 3.86, National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society and was awarded an internship with AMNS.
- **COLLEGE PLANS:** Coastal Alabama onto the University of South Alabama
- **MAJOR:** Mechanical Engineering
- **ULTIMATE GOAL:** To travel the world
- **WHAT IS THE HARDEST THING YOU DID IN HIGH SCHOOL:** Learning to balance school, church, sports, jobs, family and friends.
- **WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE COURSES?** English and pipefitting

- **WHO WERE YOUR BIGGEST INFLUENCES?** My parents, employers, family and friends.
- **NAME AN ISSUE LOCALLY, STATEWIDE, NATIONALLY OR INTERNATIONALLY YOU WANT A REALISTIC CHANCE OF BEING INVOLVED WITH AND WHY:** I have had a heart for a mission since I was very young. I would like to help get Bibles to China and other countries, where the Bible is banned.
- **WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF 10 YEARS FROM NOW?** I see myself working as an Engineer, married and starting a family. Family is very important to me. I would like to buy my childhood home and live in Chatom. I also want to travel and possibly do mission work with my family.
- **WHAT SORT OF TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS DO YOU HOPE WE WILL SEE 10 YEARS FROM NOW?** I would like to see more advancements in medical technology to enhance finding cures for cancer and other diseases. I would love to see more advancement in more automobile technology since it is a hobby of mine.



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do my very best. My dad has always worked and sacrificed to make sure I have everything I need. Mrs. Mona Shea Givens, she started teaching me dance and baton at the age of 7, but she taught me so much more between the 8 counts: How to carry yourself with pride; don’t practice until you get it right, practice until you can’t get it wrong, and of course, when things don’t go the way you planned, let it make you better and not bitter. Lastly, Heidi Jackson, my sweetest angel friend. We met our very first day of kindergarten and became fast friends. She moved away our 2nd grade year, but we remained in touch through the years. January 2018, Heidi lost her battle with leukemia. Through it all she never lost her smile or her faith. Every day I strive to be like Heidi and have “faith like that.”

- **NAME AN ISSUE LOCALLY, STATEWIDE, NATIONALLY OR INTERNATIONALLY YOU WANT A REALISTIC CHANCE OF BEING INVOLVED WITH AND WHY:** I want to be a part of putting Alabamians to work, and specifically bringing jobs to our community. I am already so impressed by the job the vo-tech has done to get some of my classmates

ready to enter the workforce as soon as we graduate. Hopefully I will be able to put the marketing and communication skills I learn in college to good use and bring more jobs to Washington County.

- **WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF 10 YEARS FROM NOW?** Of course I want to be successful, but I am unsure of how I will define that over the next few years. Maybe you will see me on American Idol or maybe I will be back in

Washington County.

- **WHAT SORT OF TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS DO YOU HOPE WE WILL SEE 10 YEARS FROM NOW?** I really hope we see technological advancements in our school system. They have already been able to place a Chromebook in every student’s hands and I hope that kind of progress stays, by keeping out students up to date with all technology advancements.



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