There were plenty of laughs and even a few tears as players, parents and coaches gathered to honor the graduating class of 2012 Tuesday night in front of an overflow crowd in the Payette Room of the dwntown Hampton Inn.

Individual players and their parents were introduced, and most read letters to one another expressing their pride, gratitude and satisfaction for having come so far. Many of the parents recalled the players' first steps soccer, and the players all thanked their parents for their ongoing love and support.

The evening started with a coaching seminar led by Chris Gores, assistant coach of the men's soccer team Harvard, who then led a question-and-answer session for players interested in playing collegiate soccer someday.

But the highlight of the evening were the players themselves. Dozens of younger players watched as the seniors received accolades from parents and coaches, inspiring dreams that they may one day take the sa stage.

"I am extremely proud to see so many of our high school seniors graduate and continue on playing soccer a the collegiate level, said Lee Riley, president of Idaho Rush and a former team coach for most of the player "Your accomplishments have set a high standard for Rush players who will follow in your footsteps, and you leadership by example shows them what is possible through hard work, perseverance and dedication."

Below are profiles for each of the competitive program's graduating class of 2012:

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Meaghan Clark

- **#0, goalkeeper**
- **Schools of interest:** Boise State, Concordia (Ore.)
- **Major:** Physical therapy
- **Best soccer memory:** 2009 High school district shootout

Eleanor Collins

- **#2, defender**
- **Committed to:** Treasure Valley CC (Ore.)
- **Major:** Marketing/law enforcement
- **Best soccer memory:** 2007 President's Cup champions

Nick Davey

- **#10, forward**
- **Committed to:** Harvard University (Mass.)
- **Major:** Economics
- **Best soccer memory:** 2011 State Cup final win, 3-1 over Nationals

Andrew Delarosa

- **#8, midfielder**
- **Committed to:** Embry-Riddle Aeronautical College (Ariz.)
- **Major:** Aerospace engineering
- **Best soccer memory:** 2010 National President's Cup finalist

Kevin Fekete

- **#11, forward**
- **Committed to:** Northwest College (Wyo.)
- **Major:** Engineering
- **Best soccer memory:** 2011 High school district champions

Makayla Fisher

- **#8, defender**
- **Schools of interest:** Lewis & Clark College (Ore.), Westminster (Utah)
- **Major:** Spanish, pre-med
- **Best soccer memory:** 2010 high school state

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Nate Hunt

- **#2, defender**
- **Committed to:** Northwest College (Wyo.)
- **Major:** Undecided
- **Best soccer memory:** 2011 high school district champions

Andres Idoeta

- **#22, midfielder**
- **Committed to:** Walla Walla CC (Wash.)
- **Major:** Undecided
- **Best soccer memory:** 2010 high school state champions

Garrett Jones

- **#5, midfielder**
- **Committed to:** Seattle Pacific University (Wash.)
- **Major:** Business
- **Best soccer memory:** 2011 high school state championship goal

Hector Martinez Jr.

- **#3, forward**
- **Committed to:** North Idaho College
- **Major:** Undecided
- **Best soccer memory:** 2011 Southwest Idaho Conference high school player of the year.

Will Moats

- **#7, midfielder**
- **Committed to:** Northwest College (Wyo.)
- **Major:** Undecided
- **Best soccer memory:** Playing for Jens with the U18 boys team

Bryson Pavel

- **#20, defender**
- **Committed to:** Seattle Pacific University
- **Major:** Undecided
- **Best soccer memory:** 2011 high school state championship

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Graham Reid

- **#4, defender**
- **Committed to:** Seattle Pacific University
- **Major:** Business/political science
- **Best soccer memory:** Beating Slammers 3-1

Debbie Ryan

- **#11, midfielder**
- **Committed to:** Oklahoma Baptist University
- **Major:** Undecided
- **Best soccer memory:** Scoring a goal against my old club

Mehmed Selimovic

- **#15, forward**
- **Committed to:** Grand Canyon University
- **Major:** Sports management
- **Best soccer memory:** U15 Idaho State Cup champions

Juan Carlos Soria

- **#9, midfielder**
- **Schools of interest:** Santa Clara (Calif.), Loyola Marymount (Calif.)
- **Major:** Marketing/criminal justice
- **Best soccer memory:** Beating Slammers 3-1

Eli Szuch

- **#19, forward**
- **Will attend:** BYU-Idaho
- **Major:** Business law
- **Best soccer memory:** 2011 adidas Blue Chip Showcase

Jake Wicher

- **#18, midfielder**
- **Will attend:** University of Idaho
- **Major:** Engineering
- **Best soccer memory:** Hotel room talks while traveling

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