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Texas A&M-Corpus Christi McNair Scholars Present at Penn State McNair Summer Research Conference July 18-20

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Five McNair Scholars from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi will participate in the 16th annual Penn State McNair Summer Research Conference Friday, July 18, through Sunday, July 20, in State College, Pa.

The scholars will give the following presentations.

- **Amy Brown**, a senior sociology major – “The Educational Experiences and Perceptions of Mexican-American Female and Male High School Students.”
- **Michael Parker**, a senior sociology major – “Urban Renewal Study/Weed and Seed Update 2008.”
- **William Scott**, a senior history major – “Making a Killing: The Institutionalization of War Profiteering in the United States, 1935-1955.”
- **Jerahme Martinez**, a senior chemistry major – “Cnidarin Colony Growth and Feeding Behavior under Chronic and Pulse Exposures to Hydrophobic Organic Chemicals.”
- **Julia Vasquez**, a senior health science major – “Cryptic Diversity of Bathygobius Soporator Species Complex.”

The McNair Scholars program is a federally-funded program that provides first-generation, low-income, minority college students with paid internships and mentoring to prepare for enrollment in graduate programs and to obtain a Ph.D.

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