BEFORE  When Robert Chamberlain, Jamie Jeffers, and Drew Cameron graduated from West Valley High in Fairbanks, Alaska, in 2003, the three classmates got together to spell out Village People style, the initials of the college they all were bound for later that summer.

AFTER  Four years later, on May 13, the three were at it again—looking more erudite but still good at holding odd postures—this time as UPS graduates.