

Harriet Gibbons  
High School

Graduation  
Journal  
June, 1995

Dear Eileen,

Thank you for all the help that you  
gave me, and have a great summer,  
you - a great teacher. R.O.

Eileen

I'll miss ya next year I enjoyed being  
in your class last year you helped me  
through I'll miss ya I'll come to see  
ya next year if I get a chance  
sense I'm going to college

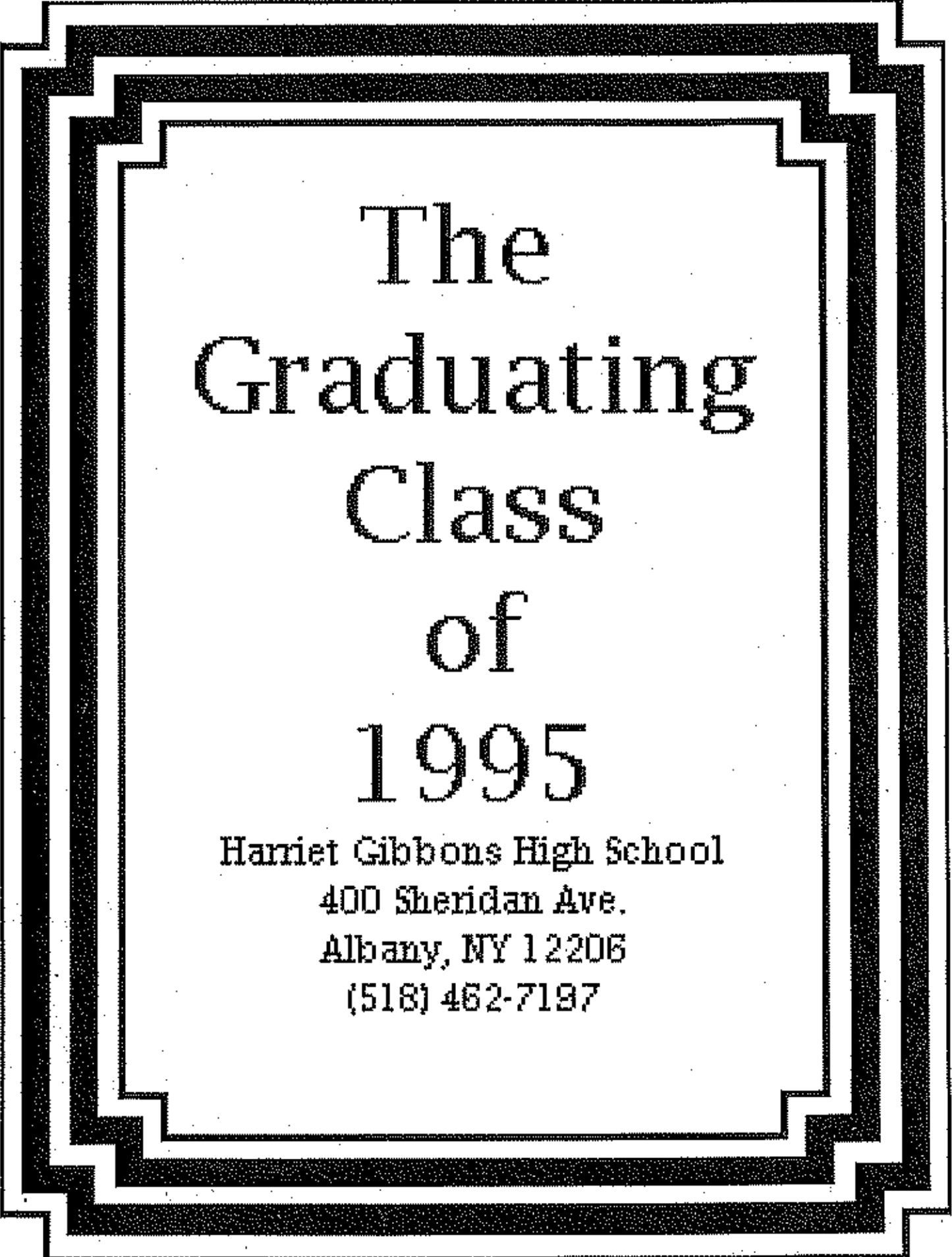
Love  
Marybully

## **You Can Be Whatever You Want to Be**

**There is inside you  
all of the potential to be whatever  
you want to be --  
all of the energy to do whatever  
you want to do.  
Imagine yourself as you would like to be,  
doing what you want to do,  
and each day, take one step towards  
your dream.  
And though at times it may seem too  
difficult to continue,  
hold on to your dream.  
One morning you will awake to find  
that you are the person you dreamed of --  
doing what you wanted to do --  
simply because you had the courage  
to believe in your potential  
and to hold on to your dream.**

**Donna Levine**

**Creeds to live by,  
Dreams to follow**



The  
Graduating  
Class  
of  
1995

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Benjamin Anastasio



Marco Anastasio



Andrea Benson



Delwyne Booker

To a wonderful  
teacher who  
stood by me  
when I  
was in a need  
of help.  
I appreciate  
you being  
there.  
I'll miss  
you.  
Have a  
nice  
summer  
Del.



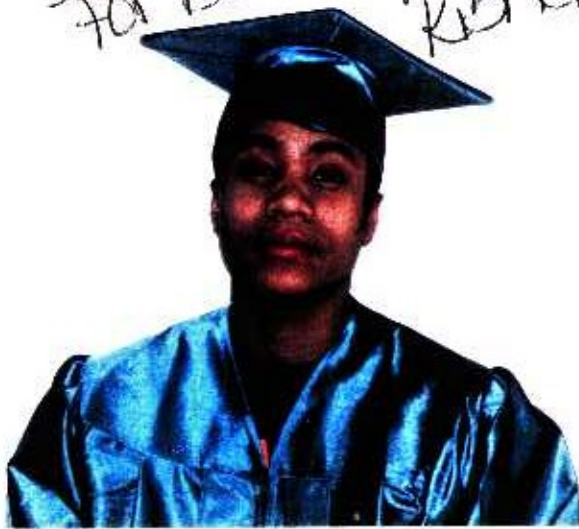
**Josephine Bredice**

To The best from  
one of your best  
Keepin it real best  
Ramion Burt



**Ramion Burt**

To My Best teacher  
In the world thanks  
for being there  
Love  
Kisha



**Nikisha Burton**



**Melinda Buzo**

Have a nice summer.  
Your favorite student  
NaaDiira. 😊



**Tyronne Carr**



**NaaDiira Conrad**



**Christopher Davis**

You encouraged  
me to do my best  
That's why I give  
you the best and  
healthiest thanks all!



**Tracy Giggetts**

Thanks Eileen for everything  
you've done for me  
And I will never forget  
you. He is a great summer  
I'll miss  
you  
-ESB



**Brandon Haight**



**Latosha Harrington**

Eileen, You've been a great  
person and teacher towards  
me. I am going to miss  
your personality and sense  
of humor.



**Brian Igoe**

Thanks for  
giving me  
such a  
chance in  
life. I owe  
you big time.  
Love  
Brian  
1992



**Stanley Lamphere**



Eileen - Thank you for everything. If it weren't for you, I would still be in your class & thank you so much and I will always remember you.  
 Love you  
 Eileen  
 -Karen

P.S. my eyes are not Brown they are green



**Karen Lynch**

Eileen - Thanks for giving me so many classes in your class and show - all these years, you are definitely the best teacher H.G.H.S. has, and I hope you can save all the children from. I'll come camp and tell Spring.  
 in office, freedom and clothes back next year after boots yet - how every thing is

3 years of Thanks,  
 James Lyons  
 I'll miss you  
 Eileen class.



**James Lyons**



**Rondell McIntyre**



**Kathryn Merrick**



**Rebecca Sammons**



**Mary Scully**

*Thanks  
Eileen for all  
your help. Shalisha*



**Shalisha Slaughter**



**Nikita Tarver**

*Nikita Tarver  
Thanks  
Clear good  
looking 95*

Eileen,  
I know, I know, I love  
to much! ♡ ya  
Nancy



**Nancy Toonkel**



**Bridgette Zalucky**



**Dave Williams, Kim DeHart, Dwayne Caldwell  
Senior Class Advisors**



Name: Benjamin Anastasio

Date of Birth: January 20, 1976

Favorite Saying: Who's Matching

Favorite Activity: Skiing, Parties, Hitting the bars

Favorite Class: Jipping Art and going to Kim's room

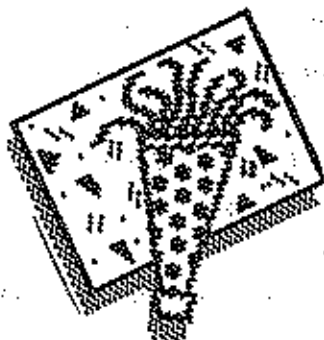
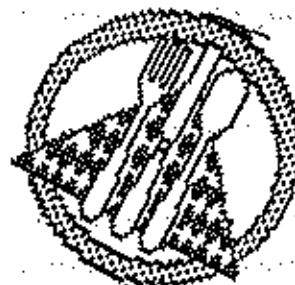
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Devey Hill

Favorite Music Group: Wu Tang Klan

Favorite Car: Lexus, BMW, Ben's Rabbit

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

My diploma and winning Lotto for a couple of million so I can invest my money.



Name: Marco Anastasio

Date of Birth: August 19, 1975

Favorite Saying: All Righty then, Nice backyard, Nice leg of lamb, Hi ya baby.

Favorite Activity: Eating, Sleeping, Smoking

Favorite Class: Gym and Lunch

Favorite Teacher: Devey

Favorite Music Artist: Wu Tang Klan

Favorite Cars: BMW, Lexus, Mustang, or Legend

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A license and a car.

Name: Andrea Benson

Date of Birth: May 14, 1976

Favorite Saying: Sure!

Favorite Activity: Swimming

Favorite Class: Gym

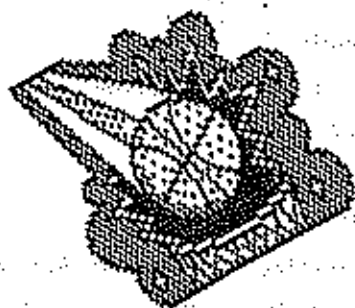
Favorite Teacher: Ms. Zalen

Favorite Music Artist: Adina Howard

Favorite Car: Nissan Ultima

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

My future will be set and ready for me. So I won't have to go through the trouble of finding a good job in the career field I have chosen.



Name: Delwyne D. Booker

Date of Birth: July 31, 1977

Favorite Saying: Find ya Jaw in ya jaw.

Favorite Activity: Basketball

Favorite Class: Math

Favorite Teacher: Bill

Favorite Music Artist: Keith Murray

Favorite Car: Land Cruiser

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

I would like a car, so I can get to places.

Name: Josephine Anna Bredice

Date of Birth: February 10, 1976

Favorite Saying: There ain't no future in frontin'.

Favorite Activity: Playing sports, spending time with Al and friends.

Favorite Class: Biology

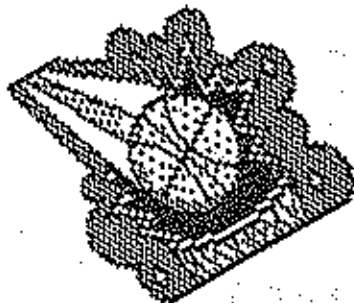
Favorite Teacher: I never favor a person

Favorite Music Group:

Favorite Car: A new 1993 Lincoln Town Car

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A new car, a high paying job that I enjoy and a school where I can concentrate and enjoy.



Name: Reason L. Burt

Date of Birth: October 3, 1976

Favorite Saying: Roll Up

Favorite Activity: Bowling

Favorite Class: Social Studies

Favorite Staff Member: Dave, Kim, Eileen

Favorite Music Group: Big Poppa

Favorite Car: Acura

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

Million Dollars

Name: Nikisha Sozone Burton

Date of Birth: April 7, 1976

Favorite Saying: Key Dog

Favorite Activity: Eating

Favorite Class: Black History

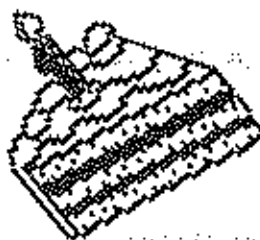
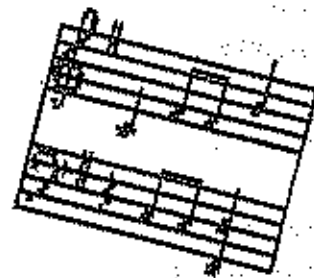
Favorite Teacher: Eileen

Favorite Music Group:

Favorite Car: Lexus

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

I would like a car.



Name: Melinda Susan Buzo

Date of Birth: June 23, 1976

Favorite Saying: I'll be here tomorrow. (Promise)

Favorite Activity: Tennis

Favorite Class: Participation in Government

Favorite Teacher: Bud

Favorite Music Group:

Favorite Car: Ford Probe

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A lot of money and to leave Albany and make something of myself.

Name: Tyronne Carr

Date of Birth: November 4, 1976

Favorite Saying:

Favorite Activity: Chillin'

Favorite Class: Art

Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Houser (Arbor Hill)

Favorite Music Group: Slick Rick, Wu Tang Clan

Favorite Cars: Chrysler Cirrus

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

It would be a guarantee that I'm gonna make it in this world. So I can have something for me and my seed.



Name: NaaDjira Nakia Conrad

Date of Birth: March 16, 1976

Favorite Saying: Dat Ain't Nothin'

Favorite Activity: Smoking

Favorite Class:

Favorite Staff Member: Kim and Dave

Favorite Music Group:

Favorite Car:

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

Name: Christopher R. Davis

Date of Birth: August 5, 1976

Favorite Saying: York what work.

Favorite Activity: Playing football

Favorite Class: Math and Science

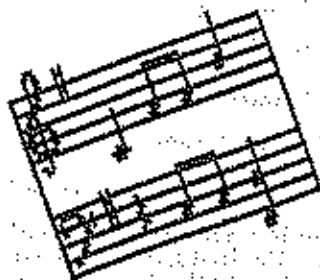
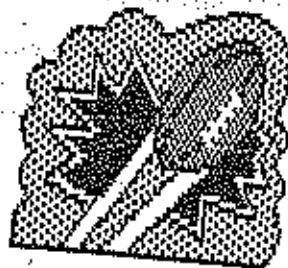
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Neumann

Favorite Music Group: Live

Favorite Car: 79 Chevy Nova

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A scholarship to further my education.



Name: Tracy Giggetts

Date of Birth: March 21, 1975

Favorite Saying: Dat Ain't Nothin'

Favorite Activity: Doing Hairstyles

Favorite Class: Art

Favorite Teacher: Eileen

Favorite Music Group: Method Man

Favorite Cars: Audi

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A car because I need one.

Name: Brandon M. Haight

Date of Birth: March 8, 1976

Favorite Saying: Oh, Hell yeah!

Favorite Activity: Basketball

Favorite Class: Math

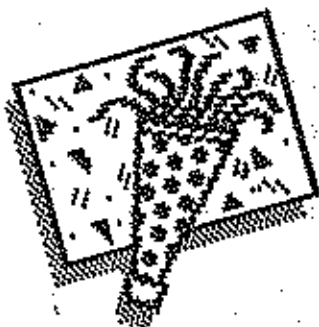
Favorite Teacher: Bill Neumann

Favorite Music Artist: Keith Sweat

Favorite Car: Red convertible SAAB

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

If I could have anything it would be that red convertible SAAB, so I can go out in style while I'm in college.



Name: Latosha Lavon Harrington

Date of Birth: August 5, 1977

Favorite Saying: Dat Ain't Nothin', Shut On Up.

Favorite Activity: Dancing, Walking, Smoking

Favorite Class: African American, Cooking

Favorite Teachers: Eileen and Kim

Favorite Music Group:

Favorite Car: Ultima

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

I would like to have a lot of money so I can take my family away from Albany.

Name: Brian Christopher Igoe

Date of Birth: May 8, 1977

Favorite Saying: I love Shaquita's

Favorite Activity: Stressing teachers out with Stanley and James

Favorite Class: English 5th period with the fellas (Stan and James)

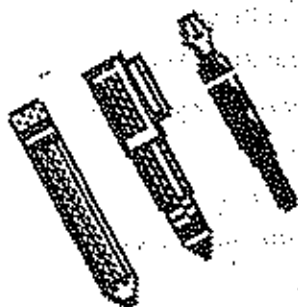
Favorite Staff Member: Mr. Prozik

Favorite Music Group: Pantera

Favorite Car: Diamante

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

Win the Lotto for more than \$50 million, so I can take care of my family and friends.



Name: Stanley Lamphere

Date of Birth: August 21, 1976

Favorite Activity: Driving Bud's blood temperature up, controlling his every thought and stealing holiday flags out of his neighborhood.

Favorite Class: Economics

Favorite Staff Member: Mr. Prozik

Favorite Music Group: Life of Agony

Favorite Car: Tracy's boyfriend's car

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A big cheese bus with reclining seats, tacky Christmas lights outlining the insides, glow in the dark stars on the ceiling, a velvet portrait of James Dean on the back window, the ones with the lights in them, that you see on the walls of Taft Furniture, a cooler of Coors (cans), two colossal pizzas and enough gas to make it to Canada or Myrtle Beach.



Name: Karen Lynch

Date of Birth: September 21, 1976

Favorite Saying: Mean People Suck

Favorite Activity: Dancing

Favorite Class:

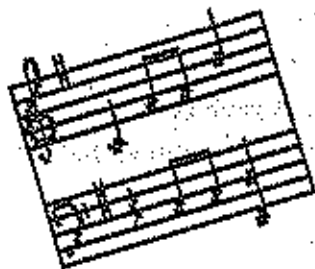
Favorite Teacher: Eileen

Favorite Music Group:

Favorite Car: Ford Mustang

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

My own car



Name: James R. Lyons

Date of Birth: July 5, 1977

Favorite Saying: Shwank, Jerky Ass, Butt

Favorite Activity: Smoking, Playing Music

Favorite Class: Eileen's, Bud's, Dewey's

Favorite Teacher: Eileen

Favorite Music Group: Rye against the machine, Pantera

Favorite Car: 69 Chevy Nova, 42 Ford Coupe

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

Big Red Apple (Hunger), A hundred Million dollars (to buy the apple), I like IKE Button (for show) and it would match my plaid velvet butterfly leisure suit from mozambique, a college degree (hopefully masters.)

Name: Rondell Rodrick McIntyre

Date of Birth: July 15, 1976

Favorite Saying: Take ya Jaw straight off.

Favorite Activity: Basketball

Favorite Class: Gym

Favorite Teacher: Dewey

Favorite Music Group: Dre, Snoop, 2 Pac

Favorite Car: Volkswagon Jetta

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A good education so that I can get into college.



Name: Kathryn Amy Herrick

Date of Birth: June 13, 1977

Favorite Saying:

Favorite Activity: Hanging out and driving around with my friends.

Favorite Class: English

Favorite Staff Member: The whole HGHS staff, especially Kim, Dave, Dewey, Bill and Betty.

Favorite Music Artist:

Favorite Car: Forest green Land Cruiser

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

To do good in college and graduate as soon as possible, and for all my friends to stay together even though we are going to different colleges.

Name: Rebecca Ann Samaons

Date of Birth: October 29, 1975

Favorite Saying: Airighty then and Um, Um, Um

Favorite Activity: Hanging out with my friends, driving and walking around, and spending time with my son.

Favorite Class: Independent Living

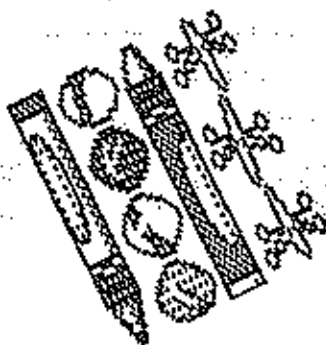
Favorite Teacher: Everyone at Harriet Gibbons

Favorite Music Group: Jodeci

Favorite Car: Dark green Lexus

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

I would have a million dollars and move far away with my son.



Name: Shalisha M. Slaughter

Date of Birth: August 6, 1976

Favorite Saying: Gotta get your groove on!

Favorite Activity: Spending time with my baby, Shaniece

Favorite Class: English

Favorite Teacher: Eileen

Favorite Music Group: T.L.C.

Favorite Car:

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

An all expense payed vacation for two weeks to the Bahamas.

Name: Mary Katherine Scully

Date of Birth: December 30, 1975

Favorite Saying: Airighty than

Favorite Activity:

Favorite Class:

Favorite Teacher:

Favorite Music Group: To Many

Favorite Car: Chevy Blazer

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?



Name: Nikita K. Tarver

Date of Birth: January 9, 1977

Favorite Saying: Stop Playing!

Favorite Activity: D.V., Rapping

Favorite Class: U.S. History

Favorite Staff Member: Dave and Dwayne

Favorite Music Group: Method Man, Redman, Wu Tang Clan

Favorite Car: Lexus

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

I would want a Lexus because I want to leave in style.

Name: Bridgette Zalucky

Date of Birth: September 4, 1976

Favorite Saying: And so I was like

Favorite Activity: Hanging out, walking around or driving

Favorite Class: English

Favorite Teacher: Dewey

Favorite Music Group: Jodeci

Favorite Car: Honda Accord

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

If I could have anything, I would want to do well in life and succeed. I want to be someone when I get older. I also want lots of money and anything I can get my hands on.



Name: Nancy Toonkel

Date of Birth: December 21, 1977

Favorite Saying:

Favorite Activity:

Favorite Class: Economics

Favorite Teacher: Bud Pape

Favorite Music Group:

Favorite Car: Del Sol

If you could have anything after graduation what would it be and why?

A long rest

# Congratulations

## Class

### of

## 1995



It has been one tough year, I have seen many of you mature during the past 10 months and a few of you still have alot of growing up to do. However, I couldn't imagine you any other way.

**Senior Advisor Thanks:**

Thanks for all the fun times and the times I wanted to strangle you.

Thanks for the laughter and the tears.

Thanks for the times you came on time to school and the times you were late.

Thanks for passing classes and failing classes so I can see your smiling face again.

Thanks for the unselfishness and support you have given each other.

Thanks for letting me be your advisor.

**Senior Advisor Wishes:**

I wish for all of you to go out and conquer the world.

I wish for all of you to lead a fulfilling life.

And most of all I wish for all of you to get out of here and make something of yourself.

Follow your dreams.

Love, respect and wishes,  
Kimberly DeHart  
Senior Class Advisor

# Senior Thanks...

## to friends, family and staff

Melinda Buzo: I would like to thank my mother for getting me up every morning "rise and shine." I also would like to thank Mr. Trant and all of my teachers for helping me and putting up with me.

Marco Anastasio: I would like to thank my family for their support and also the teachers and staff at school. I would also like to thank Mr. Prozik and Mr. Trant for giving me a chance.

Latosha Harrington: I would like to thank Eileen for staying on top of me through the year. I would like to thank Dewey. I would like to thank Dave for when I needed someone to talk too. I would of course like to thank Kim for everything. And last, I would like to thank Mr. Trant for giving me the opportunity and chance to prove myself.

Kathryn Merrick: I want to thank my parents for picking me up when I began to fall and for making sure I'm doing what I'm supposed to be doing. I want to thank my friends for always standing by me when I needed them. I want to thank my family for setting a good example for me and helping to make me who I am today. I want to thank everyone at Harriet Gibbons for giving me the opportunity to reach my goals.

Rebecca Sammons: I would like to thank Mr. Trant, Mr. Prozik, all the teacher, the Lynch family, and my friend Bridgette for not giving up on me. But I would mostly like to thank my mom for giving me hope and being there for me through the worst of times and the best of times. I wouldn't have made it through without you. I love you forever with all my heart and my son DeVante too.

Brandon Haight: I would like to thank the whole Harriet Gibbons staff especially Mr. Trant for giving me a second chance, my counselor Bill and God for making it possible.

Nikisha Burton: I give my thanks to the teachers and the staff for putting up with me and my mood swings. And especially Dave for picking me up and putting positive thoughts in my head, and last but not least Betty for annoying me and giving me alot of love support.

Nancy Toonkel: Mr. Trant, thanks for giving me the chance to turn my wrongs into rights and graduate this year.

Ramion Burt: I would like to thank my friends and family who supported me through High School and most of all I would like to thank the staff of Harriet Gibbons. Thanks!

Benjamin Anastasio: I would like to thank my parents and family for being there whenever I needed them. I would like to thank Mr. Trant for helping me turn my life around and for never giving up on me. I couldn't give a bigger thanks to all the teachers and staff at Harriet Gibbons, I will never forget anyone of you and I love you.

NaaDiira Conrad: I would like to thank all of the Harriet Gibbons staff for being there for me even though I was a pain in the ass at times. And most of all Mr. Trant for giving me a chance.

Brian Igoe: I would give a big thanks to all the teachers and staff for always giving me a kick in my ---. Most of all Mr. Prozik, you are the man, you always took care of me and provided me with all the support I have ever needed. Thanks alot. And Kim everything is going to be just fine....Relax.

Delwyne Booker: I would like to thank Big Dave for keeping me in place in school. I also would like to thank my mother who supported me through all these years.

Rondell McIntyre: I would like to thank my father who raised me all alone. Big Dave, Trant, Prozik and Dewey. Thanks!

Shalisha Slaughter: I would like to thank my mother and my sister for helping me out during the last three years of school cause without them I would have not of made it.

Josephine Bredice: I want to thank my mom and family for hassling me to go to school. I would like to thank my love, Albert Beverly, for all the support he has given me. I would like to thank Harriet Gibbons for giving me the chance to succeed. I would like to thank my friend Rachel Iebbie for believing in me.

Nikita Tarver: My mother, my grandmother, my brothers, Kapone, Brownie, Jamel, and Dave. Thanks!

Mary Scully: I want to thank Dave for pushing me to do things and Betty for this last year of calling my house everyday. I want to thank Maria for being so nice and thanks to all my teachers who helped me through my days.

Andrea Benson: My mom, Dave, Dwayne, Ms. Abunaw, Maria, Kim, Betty, Mr. Trant and Mr. Prozik. Thanks!

Christopher Davis: I would like to thank my family, and also the Harriet Gibbons school staff members. I would like to thank my mother and father, David and mostly Mr. Prozik.

Stanley Lamphere: Thanks Dave, Mr. Prozik, Dwayne and Kim for putting up with us at meetings.

James Lyons: I'd like to thank all the staff at HGHS and my mother, especially Eileen for giving me so many chances and so much help, and I hope Dewey doesn't get high blood pressure from the students, I also like to thank Kim, Ann, Betty, Maria, Big Dave, Dwayne, Tony, Bill, Ahmed, and Bud for helping me get through school. And Mr. Prozik for cutting me so much slack. Thanks!

Karen Lynch: I would like to thank Eileen Kawola and Kim DeHart, Betty, Mr. Prozik, Big Dave and Mr. Trant for putting up with my stubborn attitudes, my lateness, and for showing me that I can get what I want if I really try. The person I would like to thank the most is my mother for dealing with me my whole life, and never giving up on me when everybody else did. I love you for that.

Tyrone Carr: I would like to give thanks to the whole staff of Harriet Gibbons High School who helped me squeek through these difficult years. Special thanks to Mr. Trant for the special favors, and going out of his way and excepting a 'hood' to his school. Most of all thanks to my mother for inspiration and motivation. I told you I would make it.

Bridgette Zalucky: I want to thank Mr. Trant, all the teachers especially Dewey for making me laugh when I'm there and all my friends.

Tracy Giggetts: A thank you to Dewey most of all because without his time and hard work with me, I might not have made it to the 12th grade. Thanks to Eileen and Curt for the important talks that got me through.

# Senior Plans, Hopes and Dreams

**Melinda Buzo:** I hope to begin college in the fall and some day be able to help children.

**Marco Anastasio:** My plans are to make lots of money and to wed a very beautiful woman and have a family. Also, to become a professional soccer player, last but not least to have a new eye.

**Latosha Harrington:** My plans are to go to the Army for 4 years and then major in criminal justice at Spellman University in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Kathryn Merrick:** After graduation I hope to achieve the same success in college that I have had in high school so that I can achieve all of my goals.

**Rebecca Sammons:** My plans and goals are to attend Mildred Elley in January. But in the meantime, get a full time job at St. Peters and take good care of my son.

**Brandon Haight:** My plans are to complete college and dream of making it in the N.B.A.

**Nikisha Burton:** I wish that myself and everyone else in the Senior Class moves forward to success and live a long, powerful, fulfilling life.

**Nancy Toonkel:** To fulfill my dreams and become an accomplished animator.

**Benjamin Anastasio:** College, College, College.  
Money, Money, Money!

**Ramion Burt:** My plans after High School is to go to college as an undecided freshman and then choose my major when I get there.

**NaaDiira Conrad:** I wish to make a lot of money at what I do.

**Brian Igoe:** In the future I would like to see myself successfully open a construction business and raise a family.

**Delwyne Booker:** I want to find a good job and make a lot of money.

**Rondell McIntyre:** College. Make Mad Money.



Shalisha Slaughter: After high school, I plan to go to college and successfully complete my courses for a nursing degree. Then start out in the work force.

Josephine Bređice: "If you dream about it, you can do it." After graduation I am planning to go on a little vacation and then off to college in Albany. I am planning to transfer in a year or two to a college out of state.

Nikita Tarver: To move to Maryland and just get out of Albany.

Mary Scully: My wish is to find a good job for myself and to do the best with my kids and make a good life for them.

Andrea Benson: After I graduate, I plan to go to college, then to the armed forces to get the training I need to become a police officer.

Christopher Davis: I would like to attend a college to study Business Management and also have a good paying job.

James Lyons: After graduation I hope I do well in boot camp and make a good career in the Marine Corps. When I get out, I hope to grow my hair in again, unless I get bald, then, maybe I'll become an accountant and live in a one bedroom apartment with no phone or tv and talk to my dead blue goldfish till John Stewart comes on. And graduate from college.

Stanley Lamphere: Good Luck!

Karen Lynch: My plans after graduation, I would like to go to college. My goals are to see and travel to other parts of the world.

Tyronne Carr: After graduation I plan to go to college to make the most of myself and prove the Arbor Hill stereotype wrong. It's not the environment that makes the person, its the person. I never want to lose the things that keep me young and vibrant.

Bridgette Zalucky: After graduation, my plans are to go to Mildred Elley and keep my job.

Tracy Giggetts: Hopefully with lots of time, hard work and effort I'd like to go on to medical school. I want to become a pediatrician.

# Senior Prophecy

what do the stars tell us  
about the future

Ben Anastasio - We predict that Ben will manage a literary import/export business named "Let Me Tell You What Happened To Me Last Night." His best seller will be the Jeopardy Game.

Marco Anastasio - We predict that Marco will become a famous explorer. Like Marco Polo he will wander the hallways of the world forever trying to escape being in double jeopardy.

Andrea Benson - We predict that Andrea will come back as a tutor to help Alicia Merritt finish her senior year.

Delwyne Booker - We predict that Delwyne will lead a revolution on his college campus with the slogan, "Let me wear my walkman or I'll whistle loud and long."

Josephine Bredice - We predict that Josephine will ask her boyfriend for more vocabulary lessons.

Ramion Burt - We predict that Ramion will develop a traveling educational workshop for Albany Elementary school teachers entitled, "Reading Tall Books."

Nikisha Burton - We predict that Nikisha will return to Eileen's class as the new Attorney General, but we are afraid to predict exactly what she'll say. ??

Melinda Buzo - We predict that Melinda will quit BJ's Wholesale Club and drive in the Lebanon Valley demolition derby.

Tyronne Carr - We predict that Tyronne will take art classes in a college where Dan O'Brien tells all Tyronne's professors to give him an incomplete.

NaaDiira Conrad - We predict that NaaDiira will model beauty and grace to the world as she has the Harriet Gibbons. However, the beauty agents will continue to spell her name N a d i r a.

Chris Davis - We predict that Chris will rise in the ranks of business to own Mobil Oil Company and sell McDonald's hamburgers on the side.

Tracy Giggetts - We predict that Tracy will attend all of her meetings when they are announced over the loud speaker.

Brandon Haight - We predict that Brandon will take over Mr. Clement's job while still working part time at Little Caesar's.

Latosha Harrington - We predict that Latosha will teach the Army that everybody has to live by Tosha's rules.

Brian Igoe - We predict that Brian will survive a Marine invasion by arriving late to the battle, after having stopped along the way to flirt with all the local girls.

Stanley Lamphere - We predict that Stan will spend his lifetime interviewing vampires for Anne Rice novels. He will eventually play the leading man in her latest movie, "The Vampire Artist from the Fifth Dimension."

Karen Lynch - We predict that Karen will move to California where she will finally learn to wake up early with all the chickens.

James Lyons - We predict that James will start a rambling lingo after dessert tonight and not finish until his drill sergeant says, "Say What, Misterrrrrrrrrr?"

Rondell McIntyre - We predict that Rondell will become a conservative accountant and determine a way in which Bill Neumann can deduct his 300 point bowling score from his taxes.

Kathryn Merrick - We predict that Katie will become Lois Lane for the Alternative Daily Planet Food and Nutrition newsletter. She will eventually find her Superman.

Rebecca Sammons - We predict that Rebecca will answer all of the essay questions on her future tests.

Mary Scully - We predict that Mary will start her own "Dear Mary" column on the internet. She will give advice to the lovelorn and suggest when it is proper etiquette for one to place a q-tip in one's ear.

Shalisha Slaughter - We predict that Shalisha will return to Harriet Gibbons to find and pass her sixth period class.

Nikita Tarver - We predict that Nikita will join the Albany Legal Association after publishing his self help book, "How to Become a Lawyer by Chillin' on the Corner Wid My Boys."

Nancy Toonkel - We predict that Nancy will take with her to college Ms. Abunaw who will make her call her mother to tell her she is safe on campus.

Bridgette Zalucky - We predict that Bridgette will complete all of the back work missed as she has in the past.

# Senior Superlative Awards

Best Smile	Ben Anastasio	NaaDiira Conrad
Best Dressed	Ramion Burt	NaaDiira Conrad
Best Looking	Brian Igoe	Latosha Harrington
Best Friends	Rondell McIntyre & Delwyne Booker	Rebecca Sammons & Bridgette Zalucky
Most Artistic	Tyrone Carr	Nancy Tonkel
Most Athletic	Rondell McIntyre	Bridgette Zalucky
Most Popular	Ramion Burt	NaaDiira Conrad
Most Talented	Tyrone Carr	Kathryn Herrick
Class Flirt	Brian Igoe	Melinda Buzo & Karen Lynch
Most Unique	Stanley Laphere & Nikita Tarver	Karen Lynch
Most Quiet	Brandon Haight	Tracy Giggetts
Class Clown	Marco Anastasio	
Most Likely to Succeed	Christopher Davis	Kathryn Herrick
Most Likely to get Married	Benjamin Anastasio & Brandon Haight	Latosha Harrington & Karen Lynch
Shyest	Brandon Haight	Shalisha Slaughter
Nicest	Brandon Haight	Karen Lynch
Best Party Friends	Benjamin Anastasio, Marco Anastasio, Brian Igoe, Stanley Laphere, James Lyons	Latosha Harrington & NaaDiira Conrad
Most Talkative	Benjamin Anastasio	Nikisha Burton
Most Outgoing	Marco Anastasio	Nikisha Burton
Biggest Appetite	Marco Anastasio	Latosha Harrington
Class Storyteller	Benjamin Anastasio	Mary Scully
Most Helpful	Christopher Davis	Josephine Bredice
Most Considerate	Rondell McIntyre	Karen Lynch
Most Sophisticated	Ramion Burt	NaaDiira Conrad
Class B.S.'ers	Stanley Laphere	Nikisha Burton
Noisest	Marco Anastasio	Nikisha Burton

## You Can Succeed

If you go through life  
    searching for a goal  
And you keep searching  
    until it is found  
If you open all the doors  
    leading to success  
And you find happiness  
    behind each one  
If you can raise a smile  
    to everyone you see  
And you hold no grudge  
    toward anyone at all  
If you live each day  
    to its utmost  
And you see things as they are  
    instead of as they are not  
Then you have found  
    life's truest meaning  
And where others have failed  
    you will succeed.

Marycarol B. Soistman

Creeds to live by,  
Dreams to follow



# Faculty



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Graduation Booklet by Kim DeHart and Eileen Kawola

## Believe in Yourself

Believe that you have the destiny, the innate ability, to become all you expect of life. Experience all of life's peaks and plateaus. Find the meaning of life's struggles and accomplishments. There you will find the meaning of life and life's work.

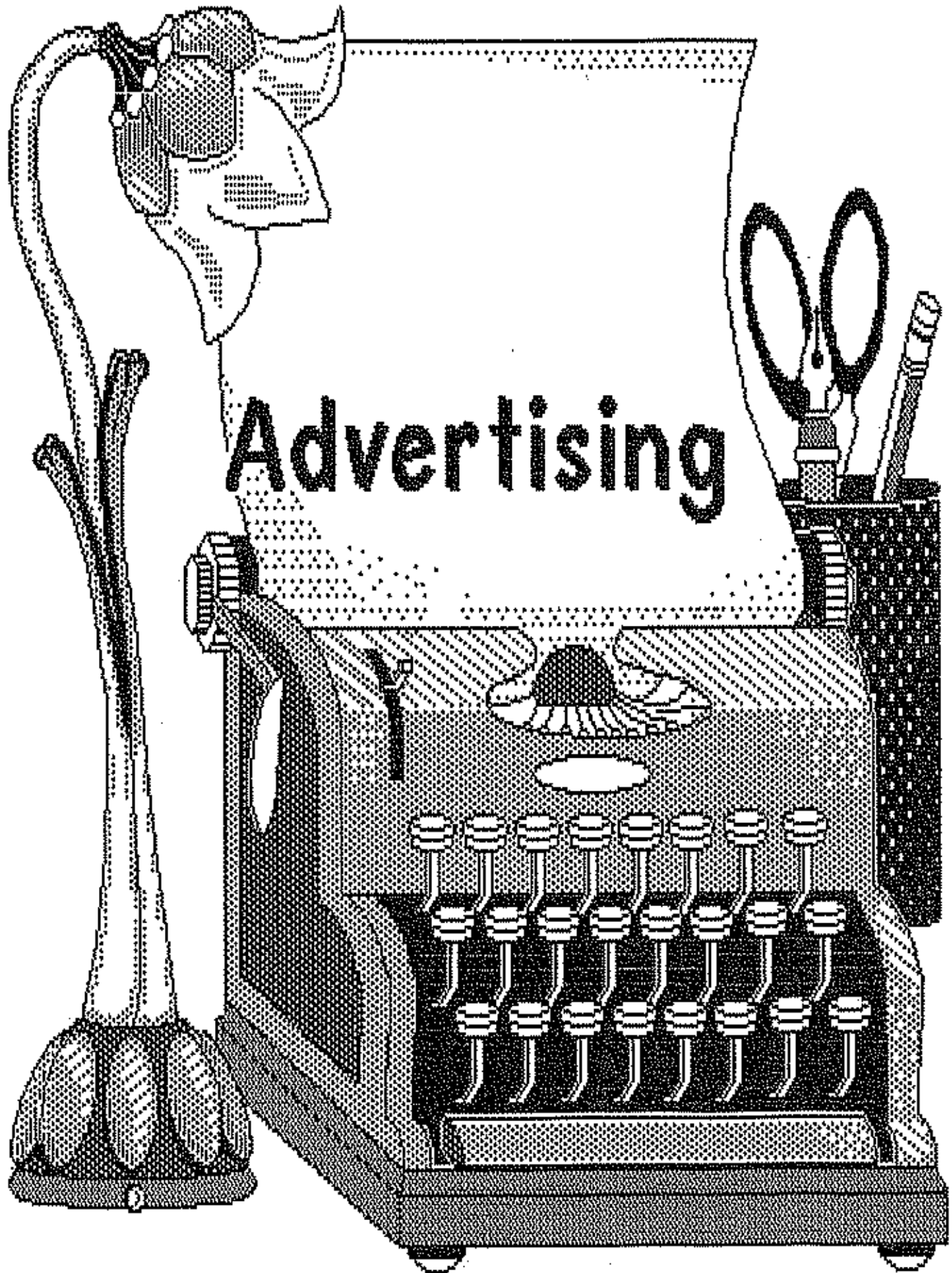
Trust in your deeply hidden feelings, because they show the person you are. Take hold of each opportunity, and make the most of it.

Know the person that you are, the needs that your life contains. Search deeply to capture the essence of life. Find your limitations and build upon them. Create within yourself a person who is strong and capable of withstanding pain.

Know that life will offer some disappointments, but remember, through those situations you become a stronger, more stable person. Don't overlook obstacles, but work through them. Remember that each road you choose will offer some difficulty. If life were meant to be easy, there would be no challenges and no rainbows.

**Sherrie Householder**  
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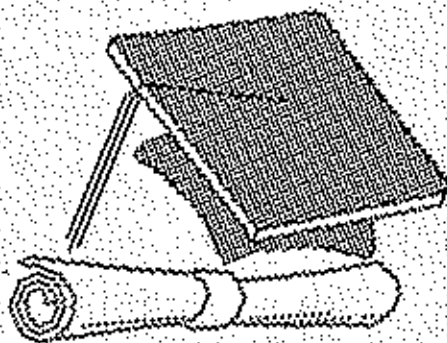
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# Congratulations!



from:  
Glenn Marrow  
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Congratulations  
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the family of  
Ben Anastasio



**Congratulations,  
Marco,  
on your graduation!**

Love,  
Dad, Angie, Benny and Annie

From: Margaret Clark  
To: Delwyne Booker

## Knowledge is Power!

To do your best-  
To work diligently-  
To achieve your goal makes it all  
worthwhile in the end.

To my son, Delwyne,  
who I love very much, and who I  
know is the type of person who is  
always striving to succeed in  
whatever it is he is doing. I wish  
him all the best. And I would like  
to say:

**Keep looking to the  
sky which cometh  
your strength and  
help!**

Love, your mother

### Me and the Mule

My old mule,  
He's got a grin on his face.  
He's been a mule so long  
He's forgot about his race.

I'm like that old mule -  
Black - and don't give a damn!  
You got to take me  
Like I am.

Langston Hughes



From Bill Tannenbaum  
To: Brandon Haight

**Wisdom is knowing  
what to do next.**

**Skill is knowing  
how to do it.**

**And Virtue is doing  
it.**

**Congratulations on your  
Graduation!**

To: Delwyne Booker  
From: Albert Mims, Jr.

To a young man with his eyes on  
the horizon and beyond...a young  
man with stars in his eyes for a  
better future for himself and his  
peers...a young man without  
drugs, guns or anything to stop  
him from reaching his goals.

**May God bless you  
and be with you  
always!**

*Josie,*

*I wish you all the best of luck with your future. I hope you make it. Just use your brains and you'll be alright. And always remember everybody loves you. God bless, good luck, peace, love and happiness.*

*Love,*

*your sister, Monica*

*your nieces, Mercedes and Nina*

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## CONGRATULATIONS NANCY!

LIFE REALLY BEGINS AT 17  
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MICHAEL, KATE & CHLOE

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CONGRATULATIONS  
CLASS OF 1995

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Dear Nancy,

Congratulations  
on your graduation!  
May you be  
successful in your  
future art endeavors.

Love,  
Uncle Michael  
Aunt Maren  
Cousins: Adam, Shaina

Congratulations  
Nancy!

from your brother  
Matt and his friends:  
Leon, Nate, Vuki,  
Andre, Quincy,  
Davon, Jay, Josh &  
Dan



from: Wendy Shotsky

Congratulations  
Nancy!

And best wishes  
to the entire class  
of '95

Dear Nancy,

Congratulations!  
We are very proud  
of your  
accomplishment.

Keep up the good  
work in college.

We love you,  
Grandma and Grandpa

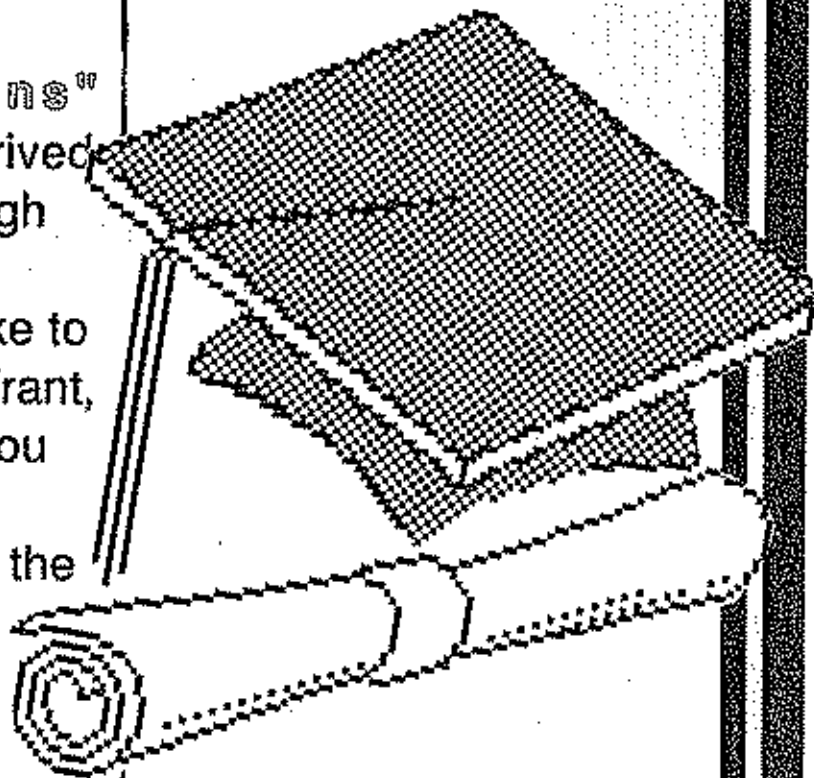
To Chris,

"Congratulations"

The day has finally arrived  
that you made it through  
school.

We would also like to  
thank Mr. Prozik, Mr. Trant,  
Mr. King and Dave. You  
were there to make it  
possible for Chris and the  
rest of the students.

Love,  
Dad & Mom  
& Family



From: Lawrence Toonkel

Congratulations  
to the class of  
1995!

Nancy,  
I am very proud of you.  
Best of luck in your future  
endeavors

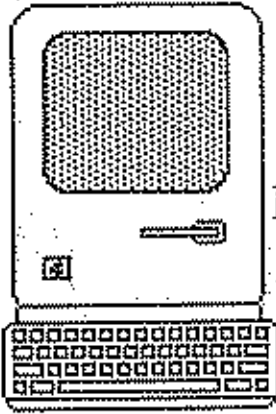
Congratulations to  
the Class of '95

And good luck, Nancy,  
in all that you do.

from: The Barish Family



# Congratulations Katie!



May you have a wonderful future!  
Love,  
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Melinda

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Love, Mom

Melinda I wish you  
good luck in all you  
do. You are the  
right person for the  
right decision  
'Bless you'  
Grandma M.B.

For a special time  
Melinda -  
Only happiness and  
everything good in life  
Come to Sydney  
Aunt Shirley  
Uncle Tom  
Richie

Did we embarrass  
you enough yet?  
Good luck with  
whatever you  
can find  
to put up  
with you!  
Sandy  
Motor Town  
Good Luck  
Mouth

John B. Mampa  
Good Luck

Congratulations!  
Keep up the  
good word.  
Best wishes  
for a bright  
future.  
Love,  
Brendon J.

Congrats Keri and  
Good Luck! Your  
going to need it.  
By the way Merry Luck!  
Grandpa M.  
Melinda -  
Get your own  
clothes congrats!  
P.S. Mike  
Here's a  
flower!

Melinda

**TO THE 1995 GRADUATING CLASS AT  
HARRIET GIBBONS HIGH SCHOOL**

**CONGRATULATIONS,  
AND MAY ALL YOUR DREAMS  
BECOME REALITY.**

**FROM: A.C.D.S.S. YOUTH INTERN COORDINATORS  
DENISE BLACKMON AND RALPH GOINS**

**Congratulations  
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**I am so very proud of you and wish  
you the best always.**

**Love,  
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Harriet Gibbons High School who have, indeed, risen.

**Still I Rise**

You may write me down in history  
With your bitter, twisted lies,  
You may trod me in the very dirt  
But still, like dust, I'll rise.

Does my sassiness upset you?  
Why are you beset with gloom?  
'Cause I walk like I've got oil wells  
Pumping in my living room.

Just like moons and like suns,  
With the certainty of tides,  
Just like hopes springing high,  
Still I'll rise...

Maya Angelou

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**Little Caesars**

A poem for the graduates of Harriet Gibbons High School  
(many of you have had a hard struggle to get to this day - but you are here!)

### Still Here

I've been scarred and battered.  
My hopes the wind done scattered.  
Snow has friz me, sun has baked me.  
Looks like between 'em  
They done tried to make me  
Stop laughin', stop lovin', stop livin' -  
But I don't care!  
Cause I'm still here!  
Langston Hughes

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To the graduating class of Harriet Gibbons High School - 1995



### I Dream a World

I dream a world where man  
No other man will scorn,  
Where love will bless the earth  
And peace its path adorn.  
I dream a world where all  
Will know sweet freedom's way,  
Where greed no longer saps the soul  
Nor avarice blights our day.  
A world I dream where black or white,  
Whatever race you be,  
Will share the bounties of the earth  
And every man is free.  
Where wretchedness will hang its head  
And joy, like a pearl,  
Attends the needs of all mankind -  
Of such I dream, my world!

I wish for you happiness and success. But most of all, I wish for you the world described above in the poem by Langston Hughes.

Love, Eileen

**Best of wishes  
from the Harriet Gibbons' staff**

Seniors,

You alone are responsible for your behavior. Please live that way. Think about others and your life will be much more joyous than if you only consider yourself.

God bless you,  
Mr. Hulbert

To the class of 1995,

Trust in the lord, believe in yourself, work hard and you will succeed.

Congratulations and good luck!

Mrs. Yvonne Abunaw

To the fine young people graduating this year who had me for English back at School #21 - Rondell, Delwyne, Naadiira, Christopher, and Tyronne.

Congratulations, and "Do the right thing..."

Mr. Balint

Best Wishes to you:

Gain

Rewards

Awards

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Triumphant

Excellence

in all you do. Dewey

Good luck to the Class of '95! Try hard to follow your dreams and live a life which you imagined, and live it in your own way.

Bill Neuman

Seniors:

Remember you can always continue your education at the library. Best Wishes for the future.

Ann Eignor



To the graduating class of '95:

Graduation offers an opportunity to express sincere appreciation for the contribution you have made to the success of our school. Thank you and may your future endeavors be successful, rewarding and happy ones.

Don M. Prozik

To all the seniors - I WISH YOU WELL!

Joan Bigley

Dear seniors:

CONGRATULATIONS! May you enjoy success and good luck in all your endeavors!

Mrs. Zalen

CONGRATULATIONS from from School and Business Alliance.

Curt King

To the Seniors:

I wish to extend to you my sincerest congratulations on a wonderful achievement. You will always be remembered as the Class of "95". Yet to me, I will always remember you individually, particularly for the unique contributions that you have made to H.G.H.S. as well as to myself.

Sincerely,  
E. Trant  
Principal, H.G.H.S.

**SENIORS**

**BEST OF LUCK!  
WE LOVE 'YA**

**DAVE  
&  
DWAYNE**

*If you know  
who you are and  
what you want and  
why you want it  
and if you have  
confidence in yourself and  
a strong will to obtain  
your desires and  
a very positive attitude  
you can make  
your life  
yours  
if you ask.*

*Susan Polis Schultz*

*Creeds to live by,*

*Dreams to follow*