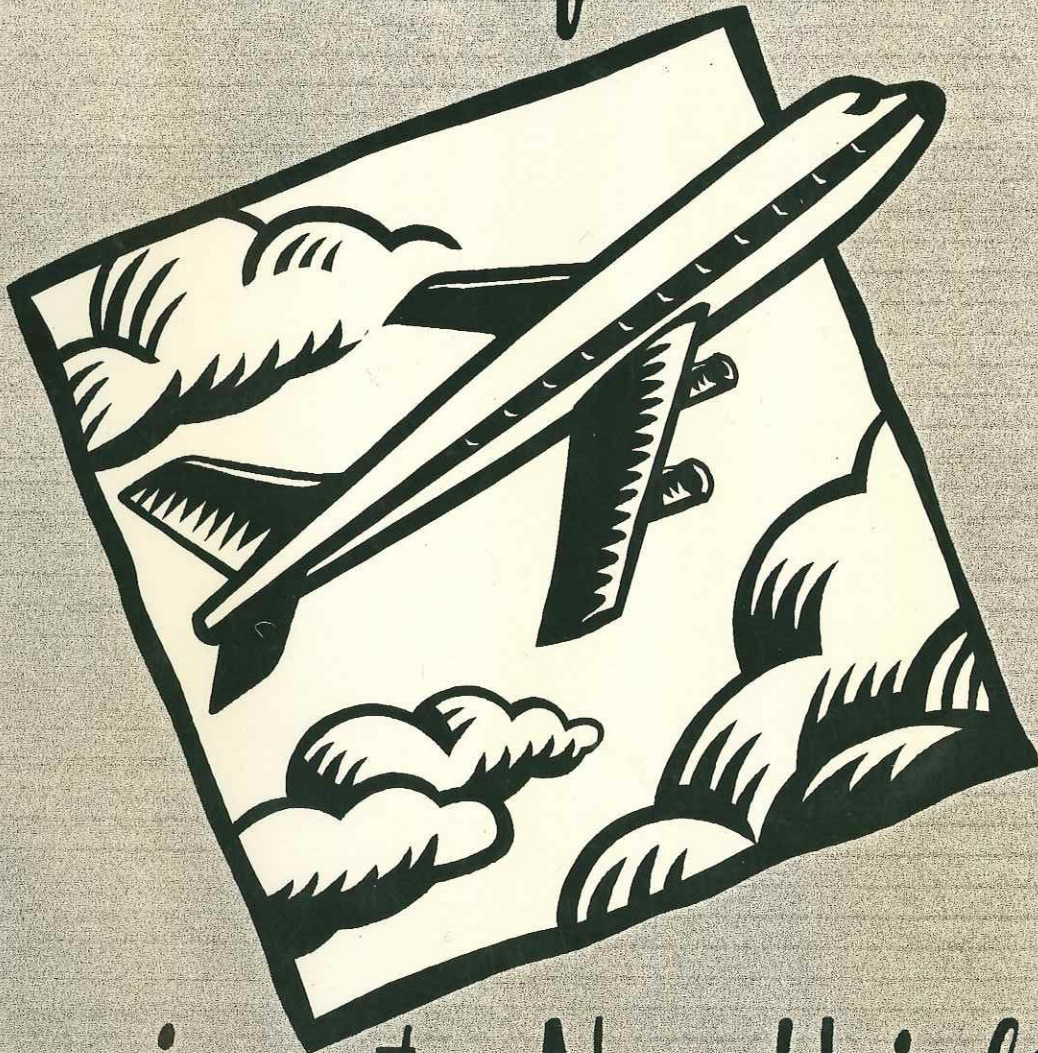
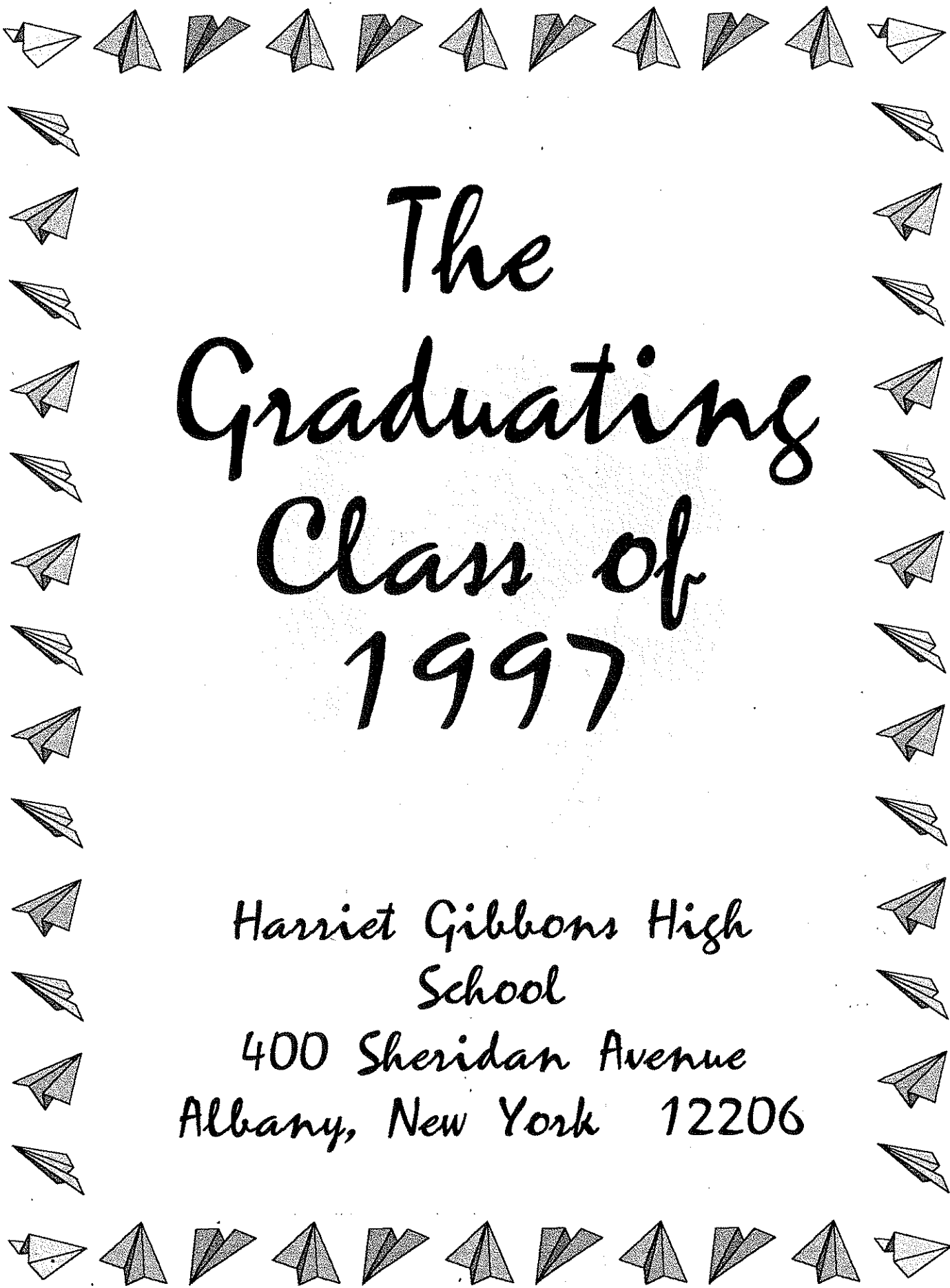


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A Whole New World *(Aladdin)*

*I can (tried to) show you the world
Shining, shimmering, splendid
Can you tell me now when did
You last let your heart decide?*

*Unbelievable sights
Indescribable feeling
Soaring, tumbling, freewheeling
Through an endless diamond sky*

*Oh, I can open
your eyes
Take you wonder
by wonder
Over, sideways,
and under
On a magic car-
pet ride*

*A whole new
world
A new fantastic
point of view
No one to tell us
no
Or where to go
Or say we're only dreaming*

*A whole new world
A dazzling place I never knew
But when I'm way up here
It's crystal clear
That now I'm in a whole new world
With you*



*A whole new world
A hundred thou-
sand things to see*

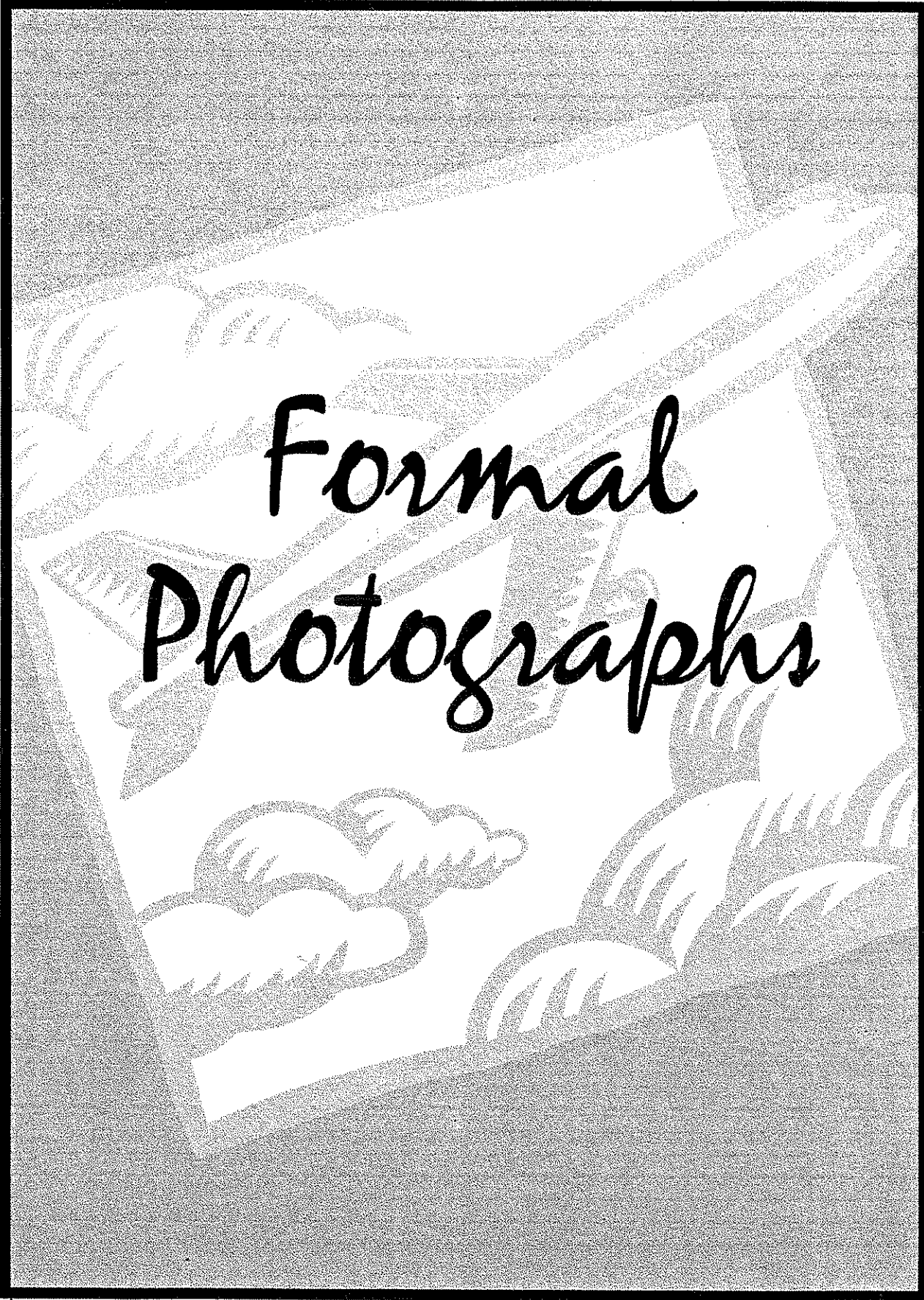
*I'm like a shooting
star
I've come so far
I can't go back to
where
I used to be*

*A whole new world
With new horizons
to pursue
I'll chase them
anywhere*

*There's time to spare
Let me share this whole
new world with you*

*A whole new world
That's where we'll be
A wondrous place
For you and me*

From: Kim DeHart



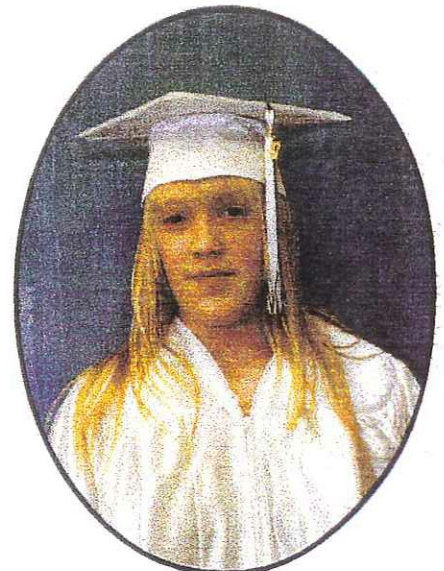
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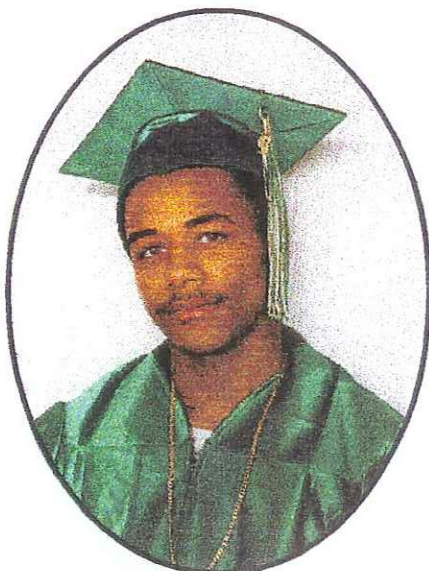
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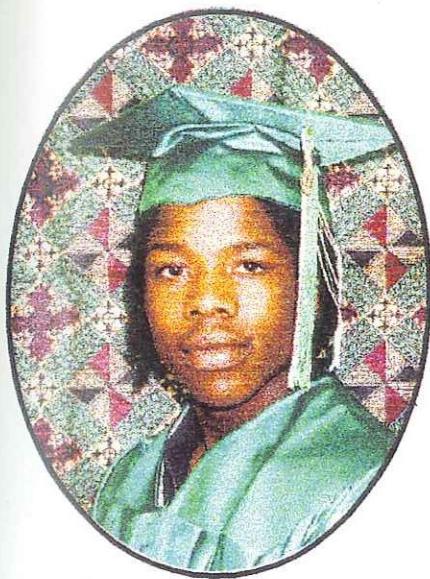
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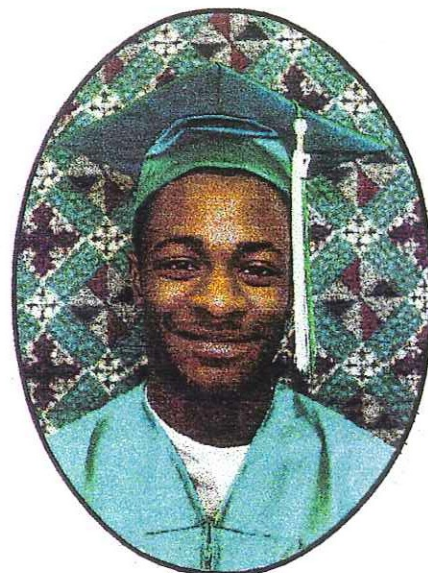
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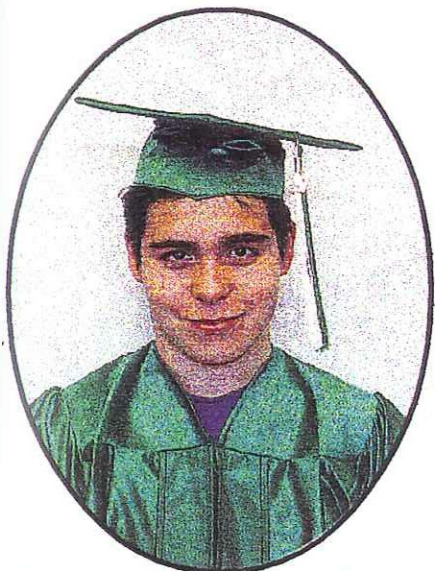
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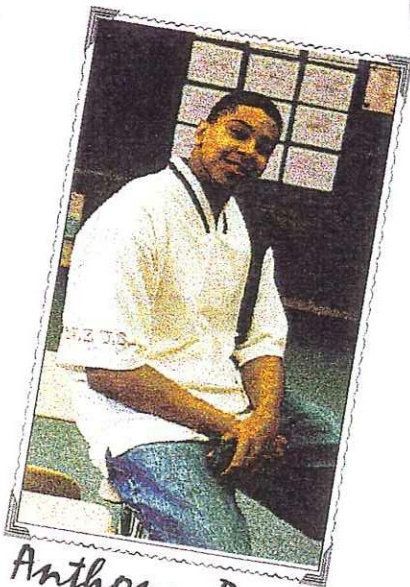
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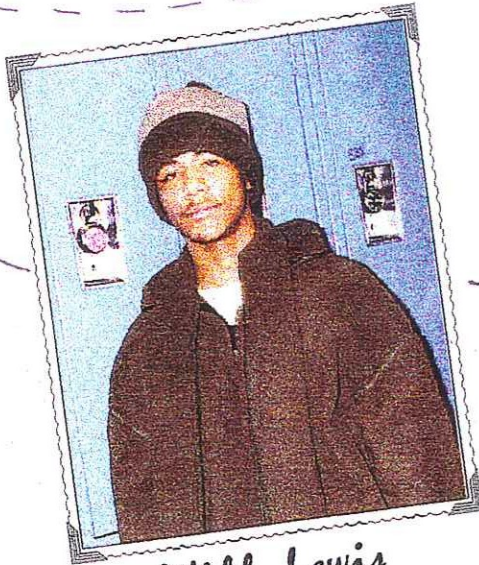
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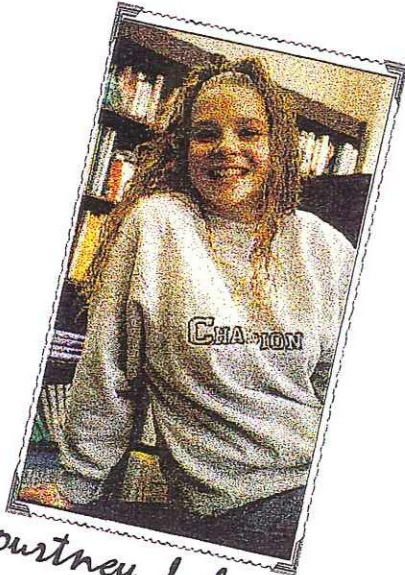
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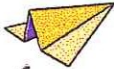
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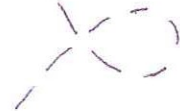
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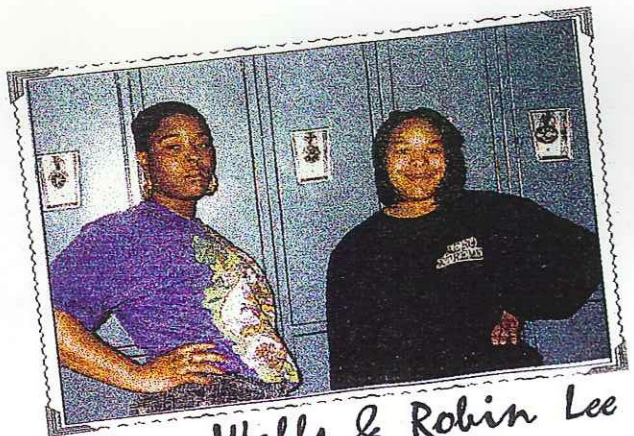




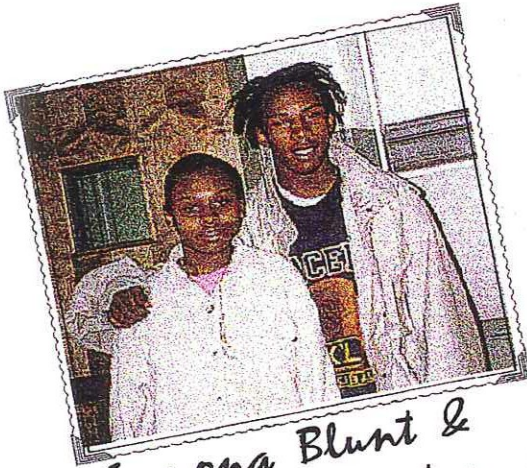
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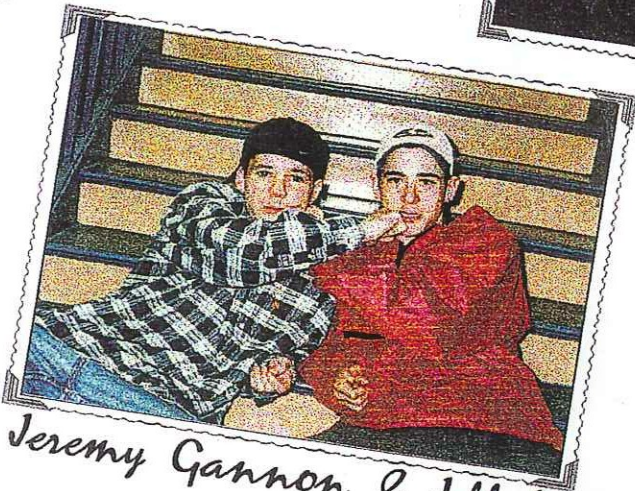
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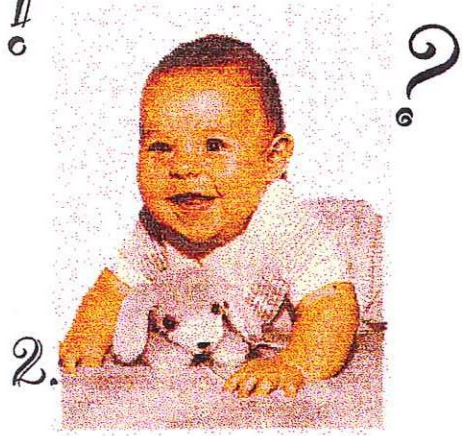
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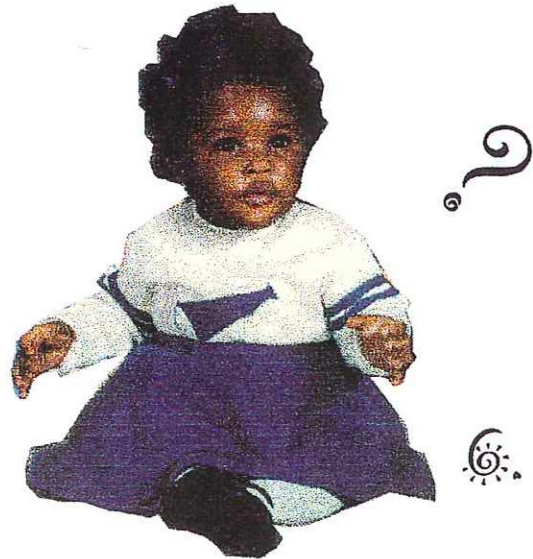
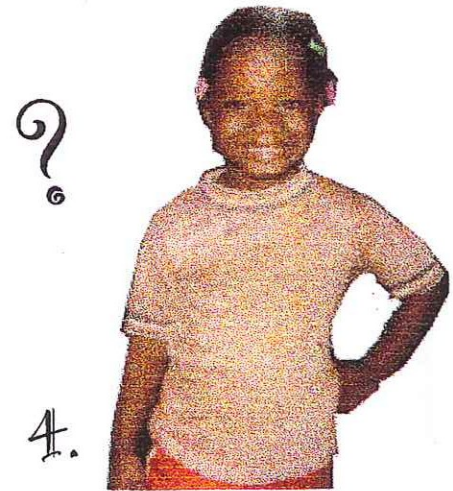
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You Must've Been a Beautiful

Baby!!!



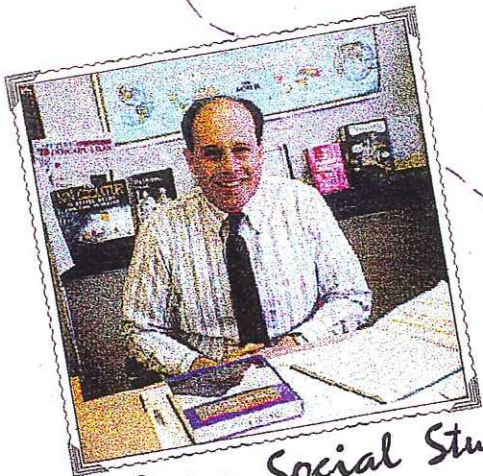
Can you guess
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babies
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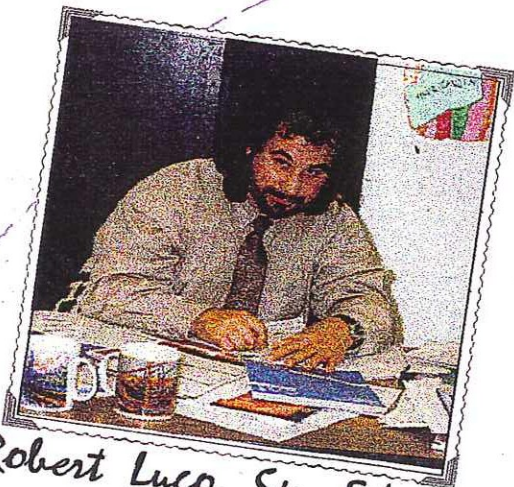
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Robert Lugo, Sp. Education



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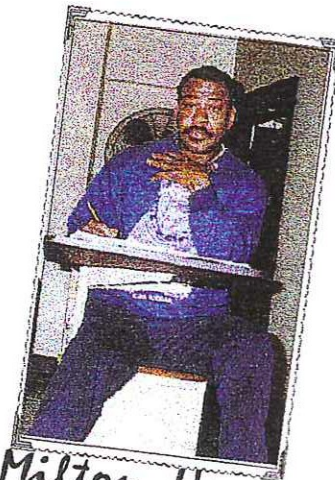
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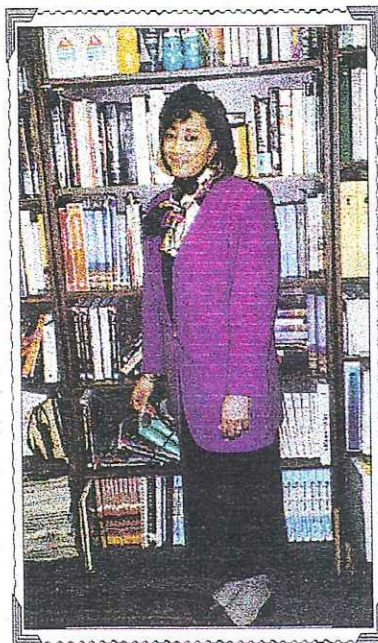
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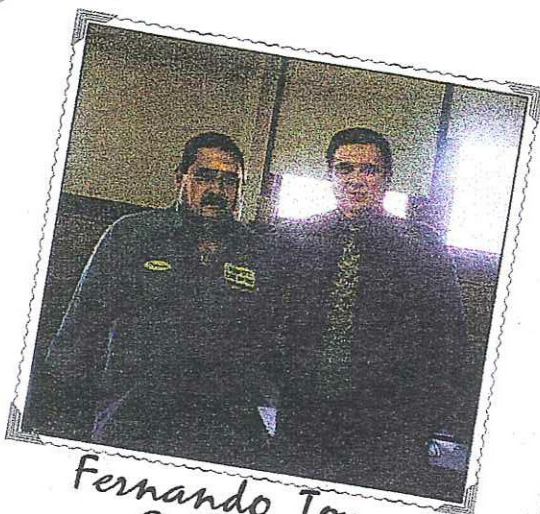
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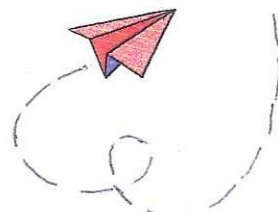
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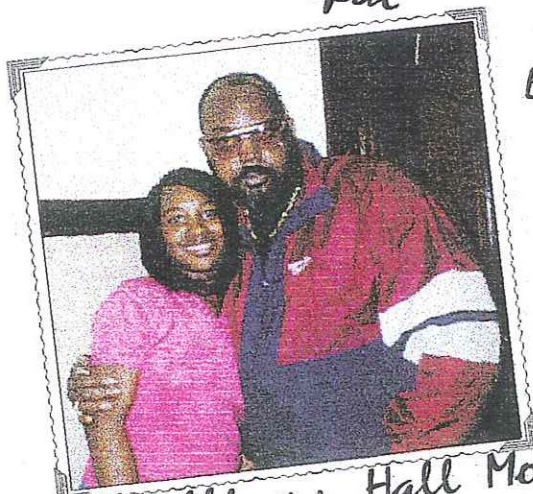
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& Lateefah Watson



Dave Williams, Hall Monitor/
Senior Advisor
& NaCoyia Tarver



Rena Quigley,
Custodian



Gerald Guzik,
Principal



Senior Statistics

Shannon Thomas

Date of Birth: 6/13/77

Favorite Saying: Jack Doodle Squat

Favorite Activity: Bowling, Talking on the telephone

Favorite Staff Members: Kim DeHart, Dan Hulbert

Favorite Music Group or Person: Foxy Brown, 702

Favorite Car: Honda Accord

Person Most Admired:

Graduation Wish: A Car, Hitting the lotto so I can move away.

Robin Lee

Date of Birth: 3/24/78

Favorite Saying: Word Bond!

Favorite Activity: Cooking and Eating

Favorite Staff Members: Eileen, Maria, Betty, Dave, & Dwayne

Favorite Music Group or Person:

Favorite Car: BMW

Person Most Admired: My Brother

Graduation Wish: Win the lottery, so I could use it help people and myself

LaShanta Malloy

Date of Birth: 10/4/78

Favorite Saying: I can't do that, you seen Roy

Favorite Activity: Shopping, Going to Lifestyles

Favorite Staff Members: Dewey Hill, Eileen Kawola

Favorite Music Group or Person: Lil' Kim

Favorite Car: Lexus

Person Most Admired: My grandmother (Ruth McCall)

Graduation Wish: Mad Money, cause I need it.

Nacoyia Tarver

Date of Birth: 6/11/79

Favorite Saying: That's sad. I couldn't do that.

Favorite Activity: Volleyball

Favorite Staff Members: Dave & Dwayne

Favorite Music Group or Person: Lil' Kim, Foxy Brown

Favorite Car: Neon

Person most Admired: My sister

Graduation wish: A million dollars

Name: Amanda Clemente

Date of Birth: 10/28/97

Favorite Saying: Mind your business

Favorite Activity: Volleyball

Favorite Staff Member: Kim

Favorite Music Group or Person: L.L. Cool J

Favorite Car: Lincoln Town Car, Lexus

Person Most Admired: My grandmother

La'Toya Cancer

Date of Birth: 5/31/78

Favorite Saying: You Loose

Favorite Activity: Going shopping & chillin' with my boo & my daughter.

Favorite Staff Members: Eileen Kawola, Dewey Hill, Mr. Prozik

Favorite Music Group or Person: Bad Boy Entertainment, Mase

Favorite Car: Lexus, Jeep

Person Most Admired: My mother & daughter. They're my inspiration.

Graduation Wish: A scholarship to pay for my schooling and to be filthy rich.

Jeffrey McNally

Date of Birth: 6/22/77

Favorite Saying: Chillin', Chillin'

Favorite Activity: Wrestling, Basketball

Favorite Staff Members: Dewey & Taylor
(mate)

Favorite Music Group or Person: Wu-Tang

Favorite Car: 1950 Mercury Custom

Person Most Admired: My father, Joseph
McNally

Graduation Wish: Mercedes Benz, To travel
to California

Jeremy Gannon

Date of Birth: 3/23/79

Favorite Saying: Chillin', Chillin' 40

Favorite Activity: Chess, Basketball, and
the unmentionable

Favorite Staff Members: Kim, Dewey, &
Bill

Favorite Music Group or Person: Wu-Tang

Favorite Car: Rolls Royce

Person Most Admired: My grandfather

Graduation Wish: A Lexus GS300 and
LX450 Jeep

Rayshell Mullens

Date of Birth: 8/19/79

Favorite Saying: You buggin' out

Favorite Activity: Playing with little kids

Favorite Staff Member: Mrs. Venter

Favorite Music Group or Person: Mary J.
Blidge

Favorite Car: Infinity

Person Most Admired: My father's mother

Graduation Wish: For my father and my
mother to get back together so that we
could be a family again.

Richard Dyer

Date of Birth: 10/23/77

Favorite Saying: Freedom

Favorite Activity: Basketball and Football

Favorite Staff Members: Betty & Mr. H-man

Favorite Music Group or Person: Wu-Tang

Favorite Car: Honda

Person Most Admired: My Grandfather, Steve

Graduation Wish:

Will Lewis

Date of Birth: 2/17/78

Favorite Saying: Whatever man?

Favorite Activity: Making Money

Favorite Staff Members:

Favorite Music Group or Person: NAS

Favorite Car: Lexus Land LX450

Person Most Admired: Myself

Graduation Wish: \$5 million to travel the
world

Latasha Gause

Date of Birth: 5/1/77

Favorite Saying: Yeah Right!

Favorite Activity: Horseback Riding

Best Friend: Pretty W

Favorite Staff Members: Dewey, Kim, Eileen,
Dave & Dwayne

Favorite Nigga: "Veno"

Favorite Music Group or Person: Foxy
Brown

Craziest Friends: The bunch

Favorite Car: Lexus Jeep

Weirdest Friends: Medina

Person Most Admired: Myself

Favorite Place: My bedroom

Graduation Wish: To go and see my grand-
mother because she's sick.

Eugene Mayo

Date of Birth: 10/21/78

Favorite Saying: Steal the knowledge

Favorite Activity: Chillin'

Favorite Staff Members: Big Dave

Favorite Music Group or Person:

Favorite Car:

Person Most Admired: Mother

Graduation Wish:

Courtney Labunski

Date of Birth: 4/4/79

Favorite Saying: Roll Up!, Whatever!

Favorite Activity: Bike riding, driving, shopping and Getting Bent!

Favorite Staff Members: Eileen, Dave, Dwayne, Betty, Maria, etc.

Favorite Music Group or Person: Biggie R.I.P., Bad Boy, Mary J. Blidge

Favorite Car: Grand Jeep Limited Cherokee, BMW

Person Most Admired: Not anyone person

Graduation Wish: I would have a job I enjoy, on my way to getting married and buying my own house and car with my husband.

Maralyn Wright

Date of Birth: 2/24/79

Favorite Saying: Roll Up!

Favorite Activity: Johnny Blazein'

Favorite Staff Member: Dave

Favorite Music Group or Person: Method Man, Wu-Tang

Favorite Car: Jetta

Person Most Admired: Method Man

Graduation Wish: A Good Man

Emrys Davis (Lu-Lu)

Date of Birth: 12/4/77

Favorite Saying: I'm ready to go home.

Favorite Activity: Enjoy myself

Favorite Staff Members: Kim DeHart & Eileen Kawola

Favorite Music Group or Person: Mase, Bad Boys Entertainment

Favorite Car: Q45 Infinity

Person Most Admired: I admire and look up to my brother, Elrhan

Graduation Wish: To become a famous chef

Christine Hart

Date of Birth: 11/16/79

Favorite Saying: Shut it up.

Favorite Activity: Lots

Favorite Staff Members: Everyone

Favorite Music Group or Person:

Favorite Car: Sidekick

Person Most Admired: Mom & Dad

Graduation Wish: Money, Money, Money

Lydia Cannon

Date of Birth: 4/7/79

Favorite Saying: But uhmmm!

Favorite Activity: Gymnastics

Favorite Staff Members: Everyone

Favorite Music Group or Person: Genuine, Keith Sweat, Aaliyah, Cocco Rabaan (sister)

Favorite Car: S.O Mustang GT Convertible

Person Most Admired: Myself, daughter, Mom & father

Graduation Wish: A new car and a good job engineering after college

Anthony Dyer

Date of Birth: 11/6/78

Favorite Saying: What's up nigga?

Favorite Activity: Riding my bike

Favorite Staff Members: Betty, Kim, Dave, Dwayne

Favorite Music Group or Person: Quinvine

Favorite Car: Lexus

Person Most Admired: Martin Luther King

Graduation Wish: A nice girl and an apartment.

Kelli Holmes

Date of Birth: 4/7/78

Favorite Saying: What da deal?

Favorite Activity: Johnnie Blazing & Relaxing

Favorite Staff Members: Mr. Naqi & Mrs. Venter

Favorite Music Group or Person: The Firm, Bad Boys productions, Mobli deep, 702

Favorite Car: Landcruiser, Rodeo Jeep

Person Most Admired: Me & My Boo

Graduation Wish: A house and a car because I always dreamed of having both.

Myava Murphy

Date of Birth: 4/14/78

Favorite Saying: Nigga, Freak

Favorite Activity: Drawing

Favorite Staff Members: Dave, Dwayne, Eileen, Bill, Milton, Betty, Maria, Projik

Favorite Music Group or Person: 702

Favorite Car: Lexus

Person Most Admired: My Mother

Graduation Wish: I want to be driving with a nice paying job. This has always been my dream after graduation.

Lateefah Watson

Date of Birth: 3/9/78

Favorite Saying: Eileen, "I'm not doing it! I did it already!"

Favorite Activity: Sleeping

Favorite Staff Members: Dave Williams, Kim DeHart, Dwayne Caldwell, Eileen Kawola,

Favorite Music Group or Person: Mase, Jay Z, Lox

Favorite Car: Landcruiser, Lexus Jeep

Person Most Admired: Nytriah, my mother, Dave

Graduation Wish: Just to be happy

Angel Lennon

Date of Birth: 11/10/80

Favorite Saying: I don't think so!

Favorite Activity: I like playing volleyball

Favorite Staff Member: Kim DeHart

Favorite Music Group or Person: Mariah Carey

Favorite Car: Ford Escort

Person Most Admired: My mother for supporting me.

Graduation Wish: To move to a nice house with my fiancée. Have it in Albany, so that I could live closer to my mom, dad and brother.

Bryan VanApeldoorn

Date of Birth: 3/20/80

Favorite Saying: I'm done with my work.

Favorite Activity: Basketball

Favorite Staff Member: Dewey Hill

Favorite Music Group or Person: Keith Sweat

Favorite Car: Maxima

Person Most Admired: Pape, because of his way of speaking so freely and he is full of knowledge.

Graduation Wish: I just want to graduate, so I can go to Costa Rica.

Samona Blunt

Date of Birth: 7/7/79

Favorite Saying: What up niggas!

Favorite Activity: Writing poems.

Favorite Staff Members: Kim DeHart, Bud Pape, Dave, Dwayne, Mr. Projik

Favorite Music Group or Person: Monifa

Favorite Car: Acura Integra

Person Most Admired: No one person, I admire any individual who does what needs to be done to succeed.

Graduation Wish: A steady good paying job, because I am money hungry.

Monica Ricard

Date of Birth: 8/17/77

Favorite Saying: Say Word!

Favorite Activity: Cooking

Favorite Staff Members: Dave & Kim

Favorite Music Group or Person: Mary J. Blidge

Favorite Car: Acura

Person Most Admired: Self

Graduation Wish: A whole new state to live in because I'm tired of living in Albany

Kevin Brinson

Date of Birth: 4/14/78

Favorite Saying: Let's *%&*

Favorite Activity: Talkin' to girls or _____ with them

Favorite Staff Members: Dewey & Maria

Favorite Music Group or Person: My Niggas

Favorite Car: Cadillac Seville

Person Most Admired: No body, but much respect to my Dad and my nigga butter.

Graduation Wish: To own my own hair shop because that has been a live long goal.

Joanna Burrows

Date of Birth: 3/21/79

Favorite Saying: ?

Favorite Activity: Listening to music

Favorite Staff Member: Bill

Favorite Music Group or Person: none

Favorite Car:

Person Most Admired: My mother

Graduation Wish: A car.

Bertina Walls

Date of Birth: 10/13/77

Favorite Saying: ?

Favorite Activity: Shopping, Cooking, etc.,

Favorite Staff Members: Mrs. Farnan & Dave

Favorite Music Group or Person: I don't really have a favorite music group, they all sound good to me.

Favorite Car: Honda

Person Most Admired: My kids and my mother, plus my fiancée moop

Graduation Wish: Go on a long shopping trip, because that gives me time to clear my mind about everything.

Quincy Torian

Date of Birth: 10/22/78

Favorite Saying:

Favorite Activity: Football

Favorite Staff Member: Mr. Taylor

Favorite Music Group or Person: Wu-Tang

Favorite Car: Honda

Person Most Admired: My father

Graduation Wish: Car, to bout around town and drive to California and back.

Megan Moore

Date of Birth: 6/23/77

Favorite Saying: What the f---!

Favorite Activity: Sleeping

Favorite Staff Members: Betty, Kim, Dave, Hulbert, Prozik, Milt, Maria

Favorite Music Group or Person: Mary J.

Favorite Car: My Car

Person Most Admired: Trant, Prozik, Mom, Dad, Kim, Maria

Graduation Wish: To sleep all day without thinking I should have went to school.

Alice Domingue Williams

Date of Birth: 10/23/76

Favorite Saying: You can kiss my big Black ass, and believe me I have a big one that needs to be kissed.

Favorite Activity: Volleyball and taking my daughter to parks.

Favorite Teacher or Staff Member: Milton, Dave, Venter, Bill, Kim, Dwayne, Prozak

Favorite Music Group or Person: Tina Turner

Favorite Car: Lex/Huge van with TV and VCR

Person Most Admired: Mother

Graduation Wish: Money and my own home. I worked very hard to succeed my goals.

Ernesto Kai Santiago

Date of Birth: 3/22/79

Favorite Saying: What the deal is?

Favorite Activity: Making money.

Favorite Music Group or Person: Cox

Favorite Car: Expedition

Person Most Admired: Myself

Graduation Wish: Healthy and successful life, cause that's all I need.

Camisha McGrew

Date of Birth: 9/18/79

Favorite Saying: Yeah right!

Favorite Teacher or Staff Member: Eileen Kawola

Favorite Car: Lexus

Person Most Admired: Myself, because I have completed all of the goals I set for myself.

Graduation Wish: I would want a new car after graduation, just so I had something to show off.

Krista Shuttoni

Date of Birth: 1/17/79

Favorite Saying: I don't have a man.

Favorite Activity: Chillin outside in the nice weather.

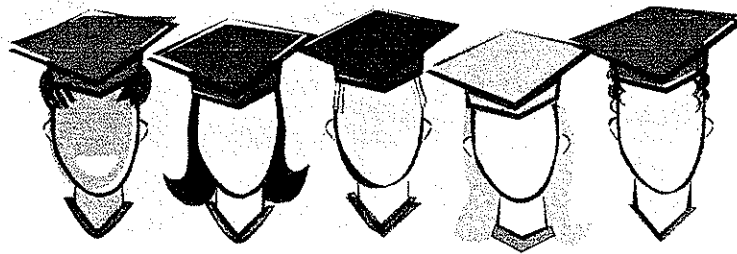
Favorite Teacher or Staff Member: Dave, Naqi, Maria

Favorite Music Group or Person: Biggy


















Favorite Car: '97 Landcruiser


Person Most Admired: My father, a strong, responsible, honest, determined man.


Graduation Wish: If I could have anything it would be motivation and self discipline to help me through the rest of my years in school and life.





SENIOR COMMENTS


-  Good Luck and Don't Give Up!! M.M.
-  Congratulations to everyone that pass & to all seniors who just graduated, "Let's get ready for the next challenge, 'cause, Can't nobody hold us down, Oh No.'" Q.T.
-  I would like to congratulate all the senior who are walking across the stage and tell them, Well Done! To all you soon to be seniors, I would like to tell you it's not easy. It takes a lot of work but in the long run it will all pay off. So stay in school and get that education & always remember, no matter how tough it gets, hold you head and stay strong. Lt. C.
-  I'd like to say Good Luck to my boys, DW, JG, and my cousin RM. Let your football get bigger. Peace! J.M.
-  JMC, RM, DW, have fun and make sure you go far in life. ENZA, I love you.
-  Class of '98 have fun and do your best! J.G.
-  I would like to say congratulations to Kelli with her pregnancy and Good Luck! R.M.
-  Good Luck and school sucks!! R.D.
-  Good Luck and best wishes to all seniors! W.L.
-  I apologize for not being here for the closing marking periods. E.M.
-  Good Luck to Pretty-Lu, Black Pretty, M&M, Doo-Chie, Toya, Shonta, Rob-Nice and the rest of the *&#@'s, they know who they are! L.G.
-  Good Luck!! C.L.
-  To the next years senior class continue to strive hard. Don't let your goals vanish. Work hard for what you want. E.D.
-  I would like to say good luck in the future to all the seniors that I had to put up with these years. Hopefully, I don't have to see anyone after graduation (Sike), Love all ya! C.H.
-  I don't really know anyone friend wise but I would like to wish everyone good luck in the future and hopefully they will succeed in anything that they do. L.C.
-  Mookie, Keep your head. You can do it. S.T.
-  Donna! Good Luck next year. Don't argue, fuss or fight. Jealous *&^&'s will be jealous *&^%'s. Keep you head up! Stay in school and do the best you can. I enjoyed meeting you. L.W.


 To Jo-Jo, Thanks for calling me everyday to get me up and get me motivated in the morning. If it were not for you I would not be here as much as I am. A.L.


 GRADUATION !!! About F-in time. B.V.


 To all of my cats in this big litter box, keep it clean. Wannie Pooh stay in school and achieve your career goals. Everybody else, so I don't forget anyone. Just maintain, finish getting your education, however you do it. Also to all my fellow 1997 class members, keep doing whatever it is that makes you happy. Toodles. S.B.


 I hope everyone becomes the person they want to be or get to where they want to be in life. Myself as well. My.M.


 This message is to the whole senior class, I wish you's all the best of luck in the near future and never let go of your dreams because they will come true, sooner or later. Smile. M.R.


 To my cousin, She better keep her mind off them D__'s and on them books. And aim for the stars. K.B.


 I wish all you's seniors the best and keep your heads up. For the next senior class don't be a fool; finish school. B.W.


 I want to wish the seniors good luck at college. A special wish of good luck to Megan. R.L.


 First of all, I would like to tell my son, Marquis and my husband, Roy that I love them always. Good


 Luck, Medina and Donna. I know that you can do it. Just keep your head up and you will go far. And I would also like to tell Coyia, Lu-Lu, Tasha, Robin, and Toya, I hope you go far in life. L.M.


 Keep you heads up and focus on your future and avoid the obstacles that you may face with chicken heads! K.H-G.

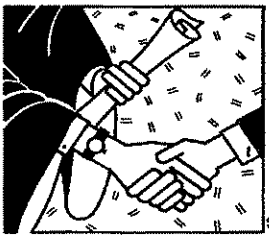
 As I move on to college, the one thing that I want to say to everyone left, Keep you head up and your mind on your work. M.W.

 I wish all my friends Robin, Tash-boogie, Shonta, Lu-Lu, and the senior class, Good Luck! And my sister and best friend Medina who has only one year to go for the big celebration of graduating. Also, Donna you can do it girl. Make sure you get to school and do that work, Doochie. N.T.

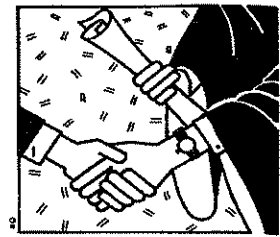
 Good luck to the Class of '97! And Good Luck to the rest of Harriet Gibbons students! C.M.

 I wish everyone who's looking forward to graduating in the future good luck and you could make it. Take it one day at a time. A.W.

 C.C. You better be writing this next June. No excuse. J. & A., you too. S.F., T.T., C.C., C.M., T.H., I.M., D.J., S.C., N.A., C.Y., E.M., K.M., J.F., J.W., B.P. stay close to me and the L Man this summer. We'll be waiting. E.P., don't go too far away. C.C. we still going to wash Kim, Kelly, Rayshell, the rest of the young females having babies, all the good luck to you because you need it. All that is left to say is, it's finally over. K.S.



Senior Thanks



Megan Moore - Thank you for being on my back all the time mom, dad, Betty, Kim, and Dave, Prozik, Maria.

Quincy Torian - I would like to thank God for inspiring my parents & most of all me, for all the years of hard work and dedication.

Latoya Cancer - I would like to thank all the teachers in the school for pushing & persuading me to move on, Don't give up now. My mother plays a part in it to because she stayed, keeping me focused on the good things in life. Always reminding me if you don't do anything else, at least finish school.

Jeffrey J. McNally - I'd like to thank Mr. Farry from Albany High School for his encouragement, and thanks to both of my parents for pushing me towards my goal of graduating.

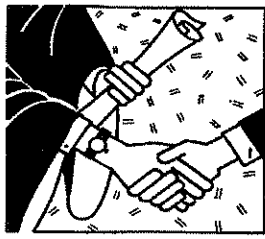
Jeremy Gannon - I'd like to thank my girlfriend and my grandparents for pushing me to do my best. Thanks - Love ya!

Rayshell Shamone Mullins - I would like to thank my mom for getting me the help that I needed to graduate. I would also like to thank all the teachers here at Harriet Gibbons and most of all Kim for helping the Senior Class.

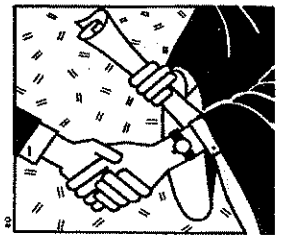
Rich-Nice Dyer - Thank you Betty for everything you did for me and H-man for everything you've done to help me get to my graduation.

Big Gene Mayo - I thank all those who helped me reach this goal. And to all those who said I couldn't *&%&* you!

Tash-Boogie Gause - First I like to thank Mr. Trant & Prozik for taken me in to this school without them I may not have made it to where I am at (Graduate). And Dave for helping and telling me to do my best, pushing me to work harder. Also, my baby-sitter for taking care of my children while I'm getting educated. And my teachers for educating me.



Senior Thanks



Courtney L. Labinski - I like to say thanks everyone at HGHS. I don't think there's one person in this school that has not come across me on a bad day. I apologize for my stubborn attitudes. And my mother, for always pushing me to do better.

Pretty "Lu" Davis - Thank you all for bearing with me through my hard times. Thanks for sending me to class Dave & Dwayne.

Chrissy Hart - I would like to thank my Mom & Dad for making me go to school even when I didn't want to or feel like going. Also thanks to Trant and Prozik for letting me come to this school when no one else wanted me. All the teachers for helping me when I didn't think I could do it. Dave and Dwayne for being the sweetest guys here. Also Albany High for kicking me out so I could come to this great school.

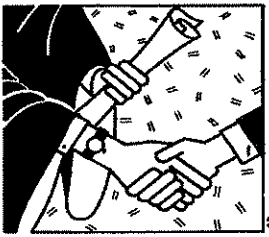
Lydia (Lil L.) Cannon - I would like to thank everyone for being there for me and understanding the days that I've missed from school because of either death in the family or me being sick or my daughter being sick.

Maralyn Wright - First I want to thank my physicals Dave and Dwayne. Mr. Prozik for helping me every way possible so I can pass this year. Much love goes to my niggas that I'm leaving behind Risha, Lakinda, and Tish all of my Blazin' partners.

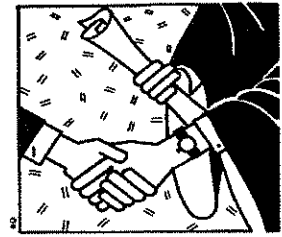
Baby-A Anthony Dyer - Thanks Betty and Kim

Shannon Thomas - I thank my grandmother, mom for telling me I can do it. I thank Dave, Kim for telling me what I need to do.

Lateefah Watson - I would like to thank God first for letting me reach this far. I would also like to thank my mother for being there when I needed her the most. I would also like to thank Big Dave for helping me out for the four years I've been here. Dave, also has been there through thick and thin. Thanks, I love you!



Senior Thanks



Angel Lennon - I'd like to thank all the teachers that pushed met and made me who I am today. I also like to thank my parents the most. If it were not fore them I would not be here today. And last I'd like to thank my boyfriend and my Aunt Brenda for loving and being there for me when I needed to talk.

Bryan VanApeldorn - The High might teach you more and better education, one might say, but I'd say that the lack of education at HGHS is made up by the way the staff and kids get along as a family.

Samona (Monay) Blunt - Special thanks to Mr. Prozik who has helped me through everything and been behind my progress 100%. I would also like to thank my two favorite hall monitors Dave & Dwayne for caring about me and my personal feelings. Last, but not least I want to thank all my teachers, because they have helped me achieve getting this knowledge I needed to succeed in Harriet Gibbons High School.

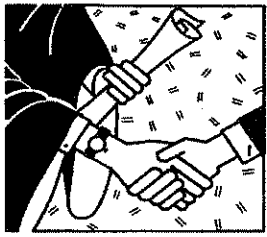
Myava Murphy - I thank all my teachers for getting me through these hard 12 years I have completed. I just want to thank you because without you I would not have made it. And I thank my family for all their support.

Monica Ricard - I would like to thank Prozik first of all for giving me a second chance to finish school. Dave and Dwayne for helping me through all the rough times. Last but no least, Kim for listening to me every time I had problem and answering all my questions. Thank You, All.

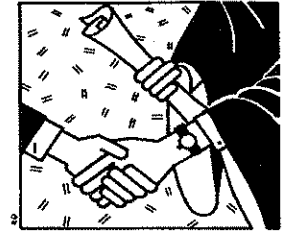
Kevin Brinson 50/50 = 100% - It's been a long road you traveled, why stop your travels? Life has just begun.

Joanna Burrows - Thanks to all the teachers and my friends and most of all my family.

Bertina Walls - Thanks to my teachers and the staff for staying on me about school. With out them I wouldn't have been in school. Thanks for pushing me forward and not backward.



Senior Thanks



Robin Lee AKA Rob-Nice - I would like to thank Prozik and Guzik for helping me and all the staff members for being a friend. But most of all I would like to thank Mr. Trant for letting me in the school.

LaShanta Malloy - First of all I would like to thank my family and specially my parents for everything they have done for me. I would also like to thank all of the teachers and staff for all of their help and support. Especially Eileen Kawola and Dewey Hill. Thank You.

Kelli Holmes BKA China Doll - Thank you for your support, it pushed me to do right and graduate in order to better my life in the future. Thank You, China Doll, One Luv

Amanda Clemente - Thank you Betty, who got on me when I did not come to school. And Mr. Prozik who said I could still do it if I wanted to and also my family.

Nacoyia Tarver - First, I like to thank my mother and sisters for those lectures about finishing and getting through school. Second, My teachers for letting me make up those assignments I missed through the year. Also, I like to thank my friend Lu-Lu for lending me the notes and work that I missed. Last but not least, I'd like to thank Dave, Dwayne, Milt for all those dollars \$\$\$.

Alice Domingue Williams - I would like to thank all the teachers and staff members for helping me get through the hard times and subjects especially math course II.

Camisha McGrew - I would like to thank my family for making me realize how important school really is. I would like to thank Eileen Kawola for being the best teacher, and for being willing to help me in succeeding throughout my senior year.

Krista Sbuttoni - First, thank you to my family. My mom, dad, sister and brother. I needed the extra push all along. Thanks to Maria for waking me up for so many days and for not giving up. Thanks to my friends, T.T., C.C. for telling me to come to school over and over again, T.H., I.M. for laying on the quilt if I didn't go, C.C., C. M. making me realize you can't depend on nobody but yourself. THANK YOU BOTH and last, but not lease, to mv unborn child for finally opening mv eyes to reality.

Senior Wishes



Megan Moore - I plan to get my car on the road.

Quincy Torian - After High School I plan to attend Hudson Valley in the fall and take some business courses and maybe some math courses.

Toya Cancer - After graduation I plan to spend time with my beautiful daughter Ileika Murphy and then move on to college. After she turn one I plan to study gynecology. I would love to become a surgeon or an obstetrician.

Jeffrey J. McNally - My plans are to start college at HVCC this August and then transfer to SUNY Cobleskill in two years. My goal is to learn a lot of skills in college to achieve a good job career.

Jeremy Gannon - Go to HVCC and move on to another two year college. Then to far in life.

Rayshell Mullins - My future plans are to go to college to be an RN and take good care of my child and being there to raise my child.

Rich-Nice Dyer - To fix cars and build houses.

Will Lewis - To become a powerful rich business man and own my own hotel resort.

Tash-Boogie Gause - My future plans is to be an RN so wish me luck, freaks.

Courtney Labunski - I wish that I'd go to college and get a career so that I can live comfortable with me, my child and my husband.

Emrys Davis - My goals are to start college and graduated from SCCC as a chef and continue my business from there.

Chrissy Hart - I hope that in the future I would get a really good paying job, settle down with the greatest guy and not have any kids till I am 30 something.

Lydia Cannon - My plans for the future is to go to college for computer engineering so that I can support my daughter and family. That way I can have everything that I've ever wanted.

Shannon Thomas - I plan to go to Hudson Valley for Human services or an Early Childhood degree.

Lateefah Watson - I plan on going in to the Army. I am going to become a nurse while in the army and getting a college education. I also plan on living in a big house with two cars and my daughter.

Angel Lennon - I plan to get a nice house and go on to college for data entrv. Then get out. get a job and last get married and have a child.

Senior Wishes

Bryan Van Apeldorn - I wish that the knowledge I learn in college will be enough to make me rich. So I can throw a party for a 10 year reunion. Everyone's invited.

Samona Blunt - I would like to go to a four year college and graduate. Move to Oakland, California and live life to it's fullest. Why because I want to travel and live in a place where the weather is nice. I just want to be happy that would be the best thing for me.

Mlyava Murphy - In the future I'm seeing a busy life. I would like to have a nice car, an apartment, no kids. Just Me, Myself & I. The goal I'm trying to reach is to do 3 years in school to become a nurse. So I can help elderly people.

Monica Ricard - One of my plans for the future is to go to college and graduate and not let anyone stop me.

Kevin Brinson - ?????

Joanna Burrows - To go to college.

Bertina Walls - When I graduate, I'm going to go to college for Nursing. I hope my babies grow up and finish school just like their loving mother and father.

Robin Lee - I plan to go to college to further my education. I first want to take some time out to take care of my daughter.

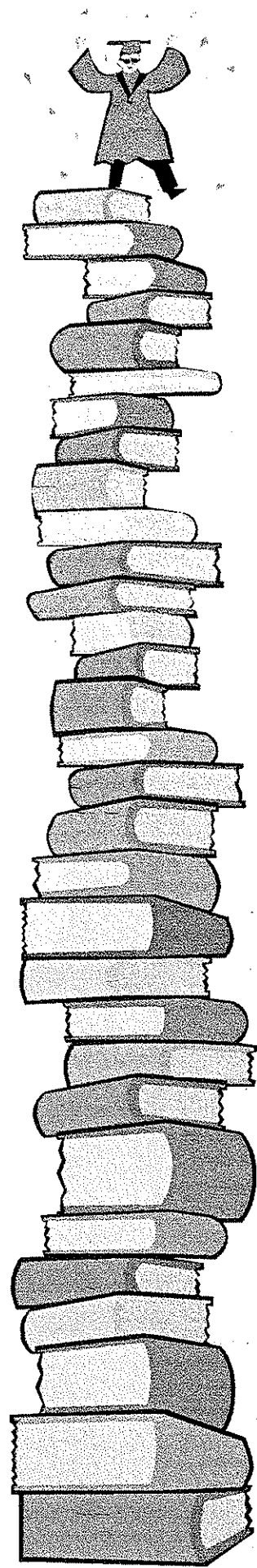
LaShanta Malloy - My goal in the future is to have a successful career and have my own house and car. Also, be the best mother to my one and only son, Marquis.

Kelli Holmes - I hope for the best future of my life with my newborn child and other academics in my future.

Alice Dominique Williams - I plan on going to college to become a mortician or an R.N. - maybe both.


Camisha McGrew - I have been accepted at a community college in the state of New Jersey. I will be attending there for two years after I graduate. I hope that everyone else can make what they want out of their live, because I am trying.

Krista Suttoni - With a lot of help and support, I plan to start college in January 1998. After I get myself together, I'd like to focus on law and possibly end up in law school in the next few years. I want to accomplish so much in a short period of time to make up for all this past time I wasted. With a baby on the way, I can't think of anything except his future and all I can give him vs. what I want to give him.



Mother to Son
(Child)

by
Langston
Hughes



Well, son
(child), I'll
tell you:
Life for me
ain't been no
crystal stair.
It's had tacks
in it,
And boards

torn up,
And places with no carpet
on the floor-
Bare.

But all the time
I've been a-climbin' on,
And reachin' landin's,
And turnin' corners.
And sometimes goin' in
the dark

Where there ain't been no light.
So boy (child), don't you turn back.
Don't you set down on the steps
Cause you finds it's kinder hard.
Don't you fall now-
For I've still goin', honey,
I've still climbin',
And life for me ain't been no crystal stair.

May you, the graduating class of 1997, keep climbing, keep reaching - your only limit is your reluctance to try.

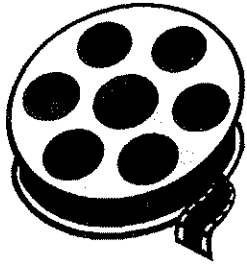
With love, Eileen Kawola





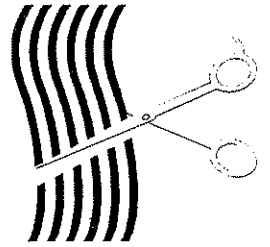
**Best of luck to the
Class of 1997.
May all your dreams
come true in life.**

From: Milton Horne Inc.



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*Dear Shotta,
We really hope that you go far
and keep up the good work.*



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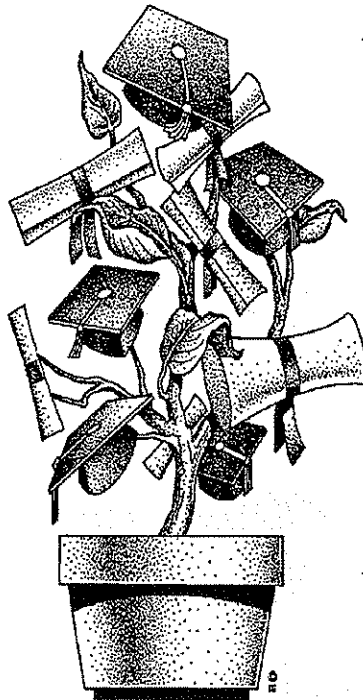
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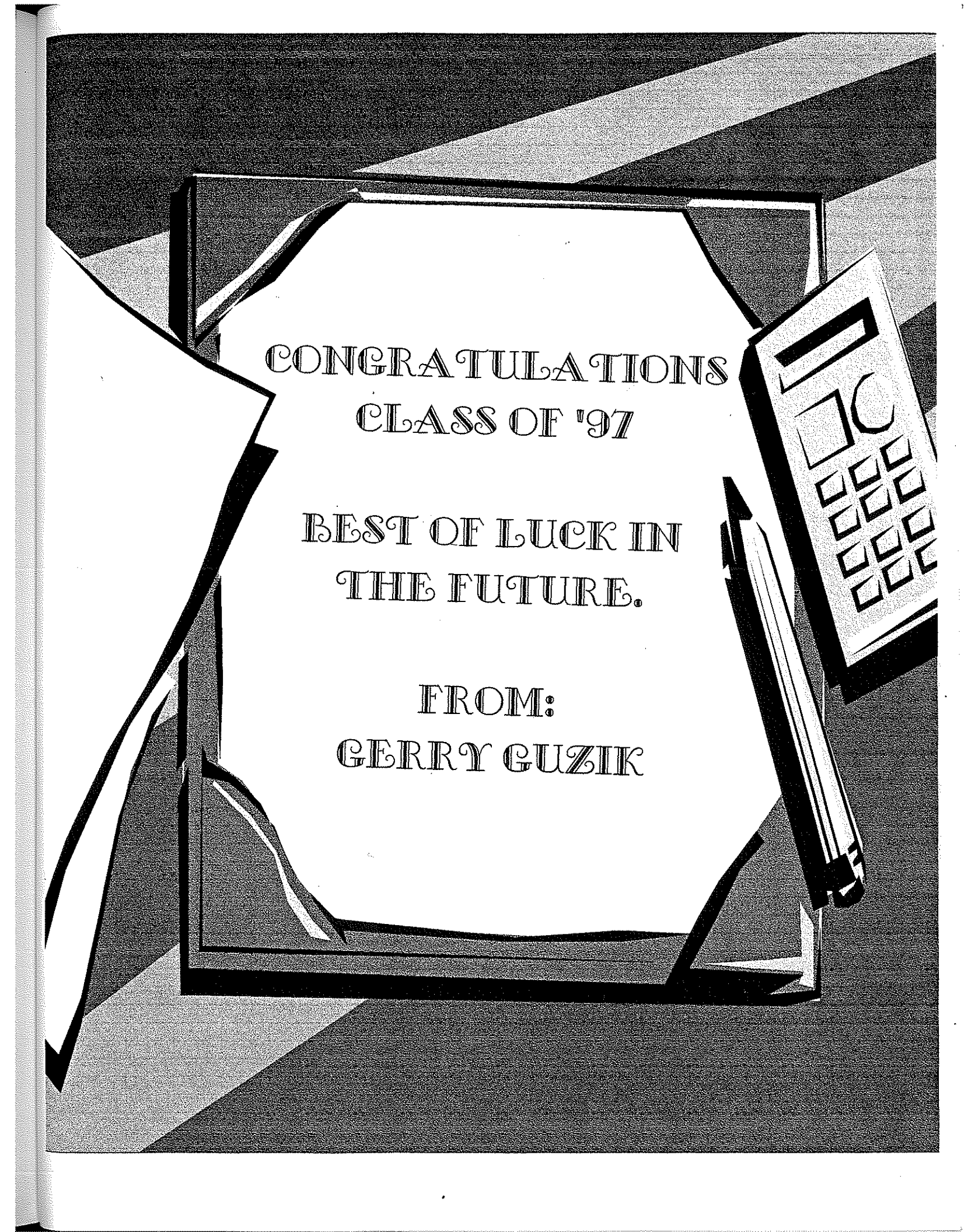
To: Shonta B.
Congratulations!!
Coming soon Ashante's Hair Salon
400 Clinton and Lex.
And Peace to the whole Harriet
Gibbons staff.

Peace FROM: Tofy and Ray
Nathan



**Bye
See ya!
We love ya!**

From: Dave Williams



CONGRATULATIONS
CLASS OF '97

BEST OF LUCK IN
THE FUTURE.

FROM:
GERRY GUZIK

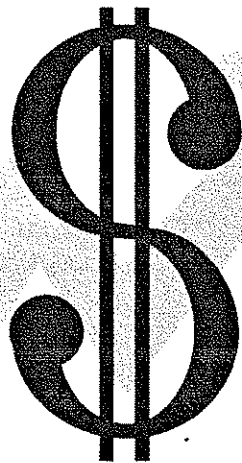
**Class of '97
Congratulations!**

**Be on task
NOW
in the World!**

**Mary Farnan
Dewey Hill
The English Teachers**



Hope your business
is always profitable.



From
Larry Sloman and
Kathleen Venter

Glad to see you made it, Nacoyia. I knew you could do it! Keep ya head up and never stop striving to succeed. I hope you reach all of your goals in life. When you get to the top, don't forget about me!! Congrautalions from your big bro' Quentin. Love ya!

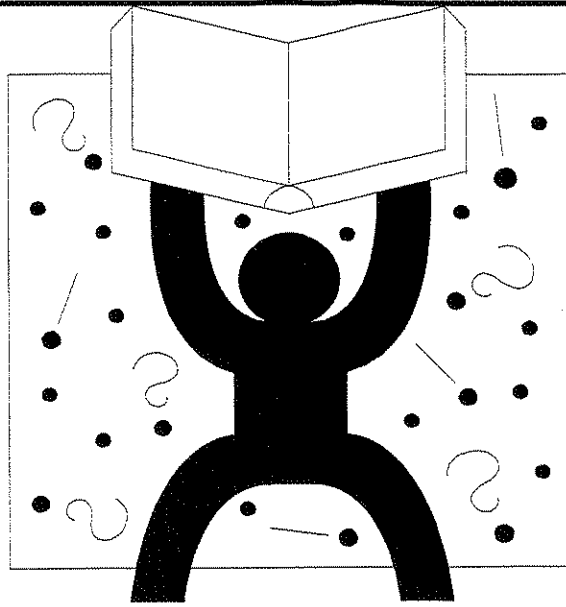
The New Youth Development Center

48 North Swan St.

It is important that we as a community come together with one common goal in mind, "make life easier for our children". Life is a disappointing challenge and a hard task to conquer destiny. It is imperative that we as a community understand that community is family, and if we as a family do not make an attempt to bring about change then our children will suffer at the hands of drugs, murder, imprisonment or death. The New York Development Center is a community based family group. It consists of parents dealing with the every day struggles and disappointments of trying to make life easier for themselves as well as their children.

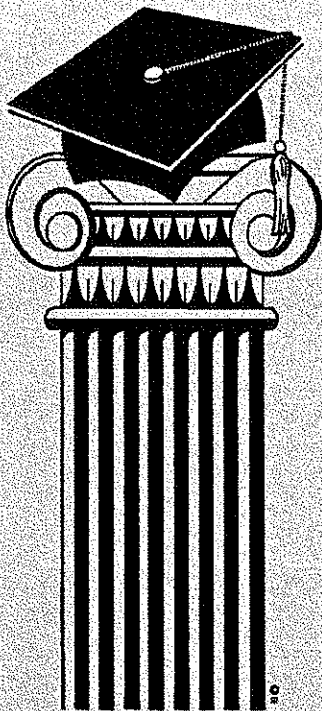
Our children lack guidance. Guidance is a primary goal of the New Youth Development Center. It is extremely important that we come together and bring about change.

Thank you,
Tracey Birmingham



READ!

Best Wishers!
Ann



To: Shonta

Good Luck!

From: W.B.



Congratulations

Hold fast to dreams Lateefah
For if dreams die
Life is a broken-winged bird
That cannot fly.

Hold fast to dreams Lateefah
For when dreams go
Life is a barren field
Frozen with snow.

I hope all your dreams come true.
Anything you put your mind and heart to, it
can be done.

Love Always,
Grand-ma Willia Mae
Uncle Dee and Aunt Ersline
and Family

To: Nacoyia Tarver

Life is yet but a breath of air!

Yet the choices that

we tend to make allow
others to see that we care.

Well I'll be damn yet

This is the first one I ever caught.

Though none could
think of what I just thought;

Though in your wildest
dreams, or with your first

love I sincerely think

That no one could match the
way I feel for you. Love

For all I ever came to

Desire was having
a daughter such as you!

Thus for what is

To be cherished I see in you.

Bright lights, love, happiness.

And for this day I have,

Waited for, for so long.

Congratulations, Boo!

From: BlackX

*Congratulations
Nacoyia!*

*From: Grandma and
Grandpa
God Bless!*

Nacoyia,

N - Narcissus

A - Aspiration

C - Caring

O - Outrageous

Y - Young

I - Inspiration

A - Adventurer

These words are you. As I look into
the world I see a young black beautiful
woman who has made it. I am very
proud of you. I hope you continue on
with your education because beating
the odds is the key to success.

Love, Leita aka "Twiggy"

TO:

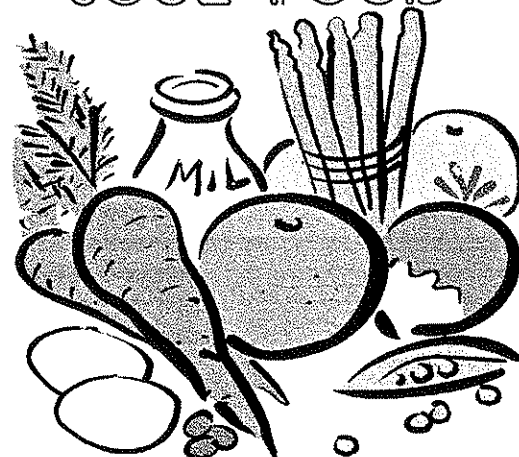
SHONTA MALLOY

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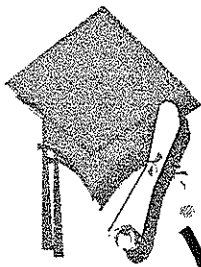
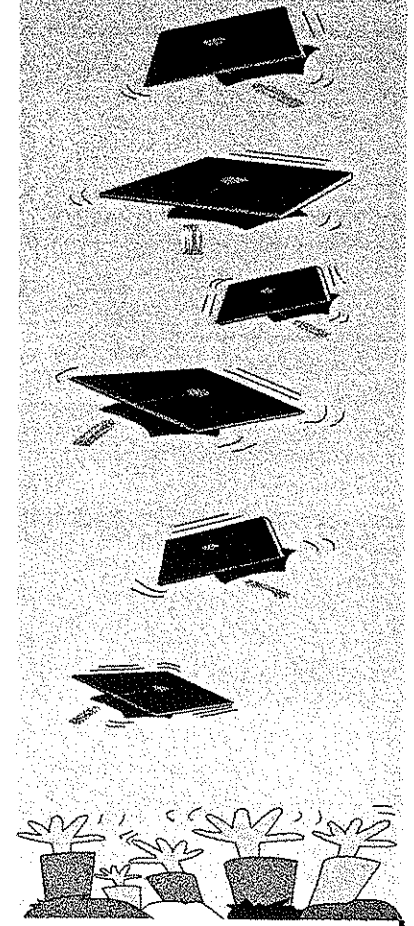
SHONTA!

FROM: MAMA'S

SOUL FOOD



To Bertina Walls
Congratulations to a very special person.
We are all proud of you, Bertina.
God bless you.
From: Maryanne Harvey



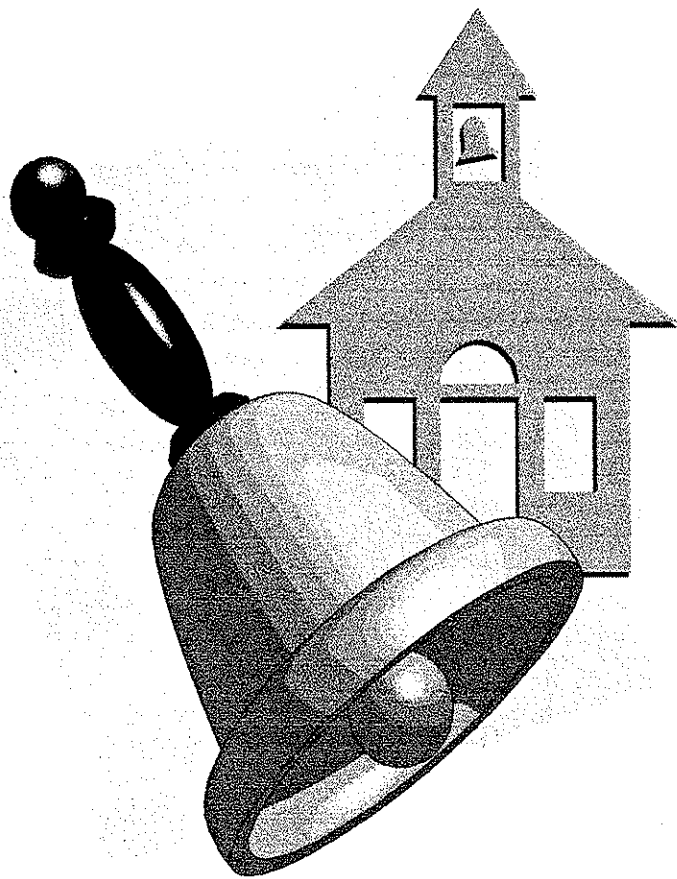
**We can do
anything we
want to if we
stick to it long
enough**

-Helen Keller

Don't Ever Give Up Your Dreams

**May your dreams never dis-
appear with age,
but may they continue
as alive and as beautiful
as you
with the knowledge that they
will someday come true.**
- Joanne Domenech

Congratulations to the Class of '97!
**From: Camille Hehn, School Social Worker
and Mary Wilson-Hyde, School Counselor**



BEST OF
LUCK
FROM
YOUR
FRIENDS AT
SCHOOL
#21!

KATHY DAVIS, STACEY RANDOLPH,
PAUL MCCARTHY, SARAH FOSTER,
DON LYNCH, VALERIE WHITE,
JEFF OSTROFF, STEVE SIMMONS,
KEN BOTT, EDUARDO VALVERDE-SALAS,
GAIL GENDREAU,
ROBERTA GREENBERG,
PETER MARGIOTTA.

There is no slavery
but ingorance.
Liberty is the child of
intelligence.

- Robert G. Ingersoll

Congratulations and

Good Luck!

From: Bud Pape

To:
The Class of 1997

Congratulations!
Keep the beat alive
in your hearts and
in your minds.

From: P. Margiotta



To: *Nacoyia Jarver*

*"Educate a Black
Woman, and you educate
a nation."*

*Congratulations Nacoyia,
we knew you could do it!*

*Love, Trina and
Keschaad*

Congratulations
Senior Class
of 1997

From:
Robert Lugo and
Linh Diep

**Hard Work + Dedication + Perseverance
= Success (Graduation)**

Congratulations to all 1997 HGHS Graduates

Always do your best.
Always do the right thing.

Be Proud
Be Successful

From: Bill Neumann



**Congratulations to the
Class of '97!**

From Your Friends at

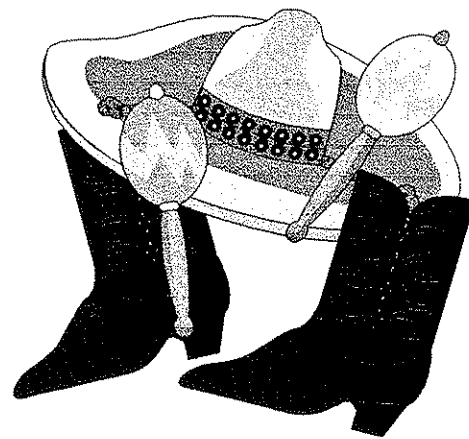
Star Cleaners

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To: Robin Lee
Way to Go, Robin!
You worked hard.
Congratulations on
Staying with your goal.
Love, Kathy Michael

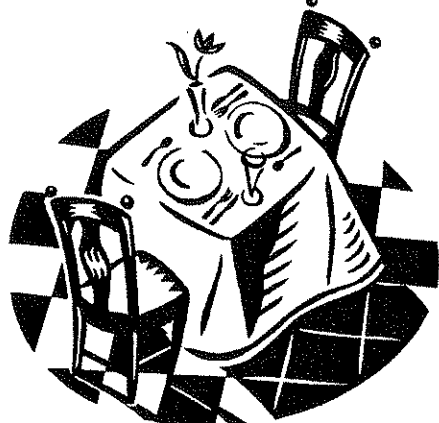


**¡Felicidades a todos
mis estudiantes!
Con todo cariño,
Senor Valverde-Salas**

To: The Class of '97

**Hearty
Congratulations!**

**From:
Next Door Cafe**



To: Bryan Van Apeldorn

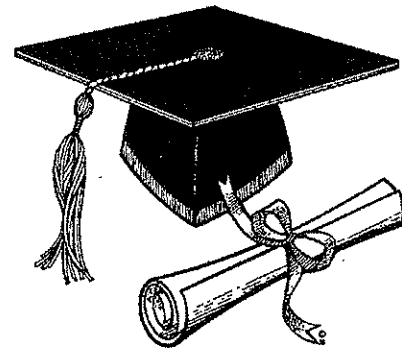
Bryan,
Just a little reminder
of how much I love
you and that I am
very proud of you.
Congratulations.
Mom

**Angel,
Eighteen years ago
Harriet Gibbons was
Street Academy when I
graduated. Faces and
names have changed
but the goals are still
there. To be the only
girl in your generation
to graduate makes me
so proud of you.
Dreams do come true.**

Love, Aunt "B"

Monica,
Te deseamos lo
mejor para ti en tu
futuro. ¡Que sigas
tu educacion!

Con mucho amor,
Nonin and Cesar



TU NUNCA CREISTES
QUE IBAS A TERMINAR.
¡MIRA HASTA DONDE
LLEGASTES!

CON TODO MI AMOR
Y BENDICIONES,
TU ABUELA PETRA

A = is for the aggravation
you gave us.
N = is for the nagging you
did.
G = is for giggles you gave
us.
E = is for the education
you now have.
L = is for the love we will
always give you

Love Your Only
Mom & Dad

Latoya,
May God continue to
bless you in all you choose
to do in life. Believe in Him
always. He will grant you
the desires of your heart.
You will be able to do
wonderful things in life.
Continue to stand tall and
keep the beauty that He
gave you inside and out.

God Bless.

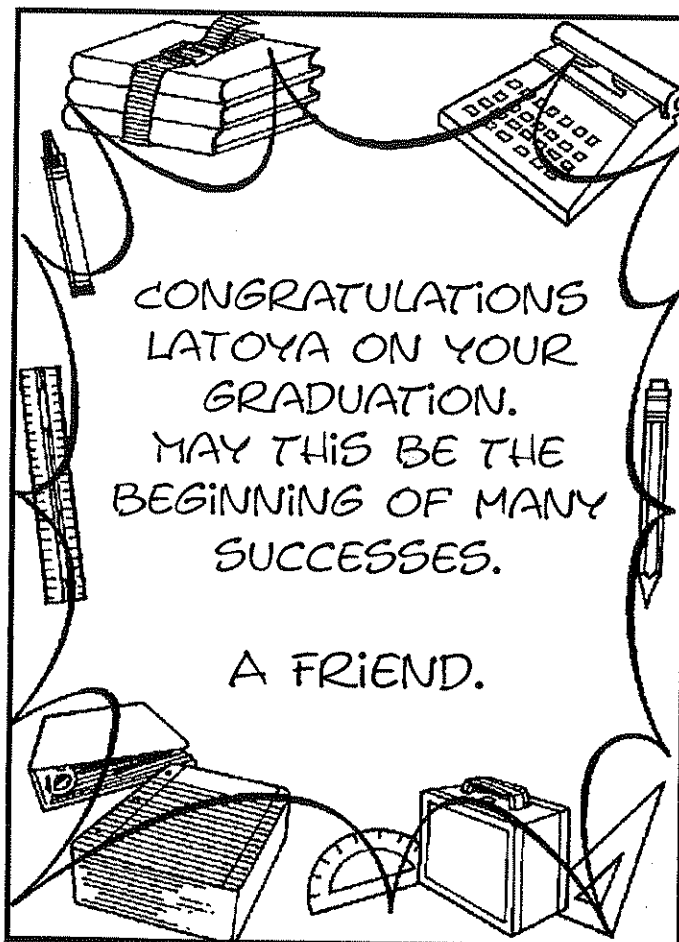
Love your Mom

**Dear Toya,
The Lord is my light and
my salvation. Whom
should you fear.**

Psalms 27-1

**May the peace of God
always be with you.**

Love, Grandma



**To our LaToya,
Congratulations on your
success. Continue to
look into the hills from
whence cometh your
help.**

Love and blessings,

The Turpin Family

Dear laToya,

Congratulations!

**Trust in the Lord with
all your heart, and the
Lord will always
direct your paths.**

Elsa Brooks

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Congratulations!

Lydia, I knew you

could do it. Best

wishes and you are

loved very much.

Love, Mom

**Congratulations Lateefah!
Make God bless you with
much success in the com-
ing years. May you reach
your dreams and goals.**

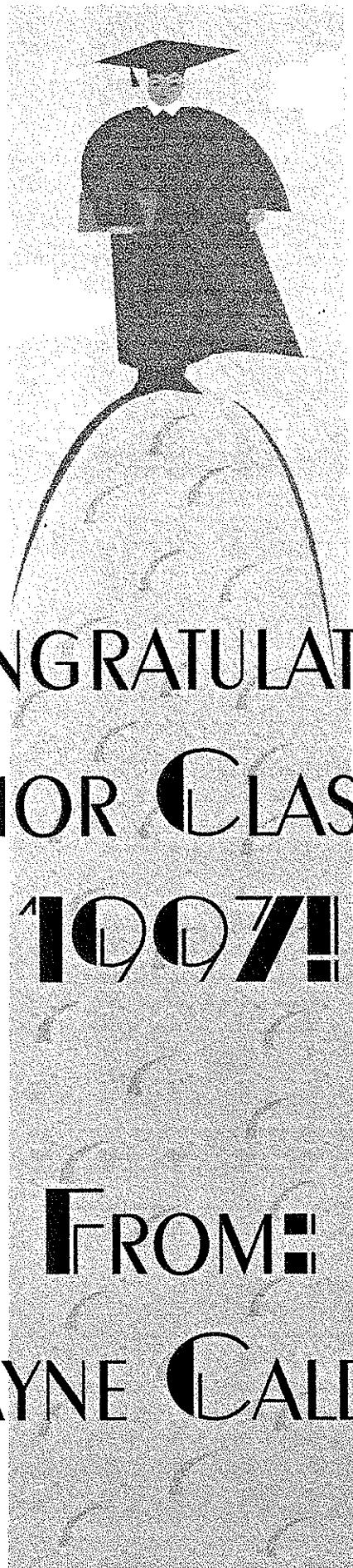
You made it!

We love you!

Mom, Nytiah, Shanta,

Kevin, Fagir, Nafis, Janan,

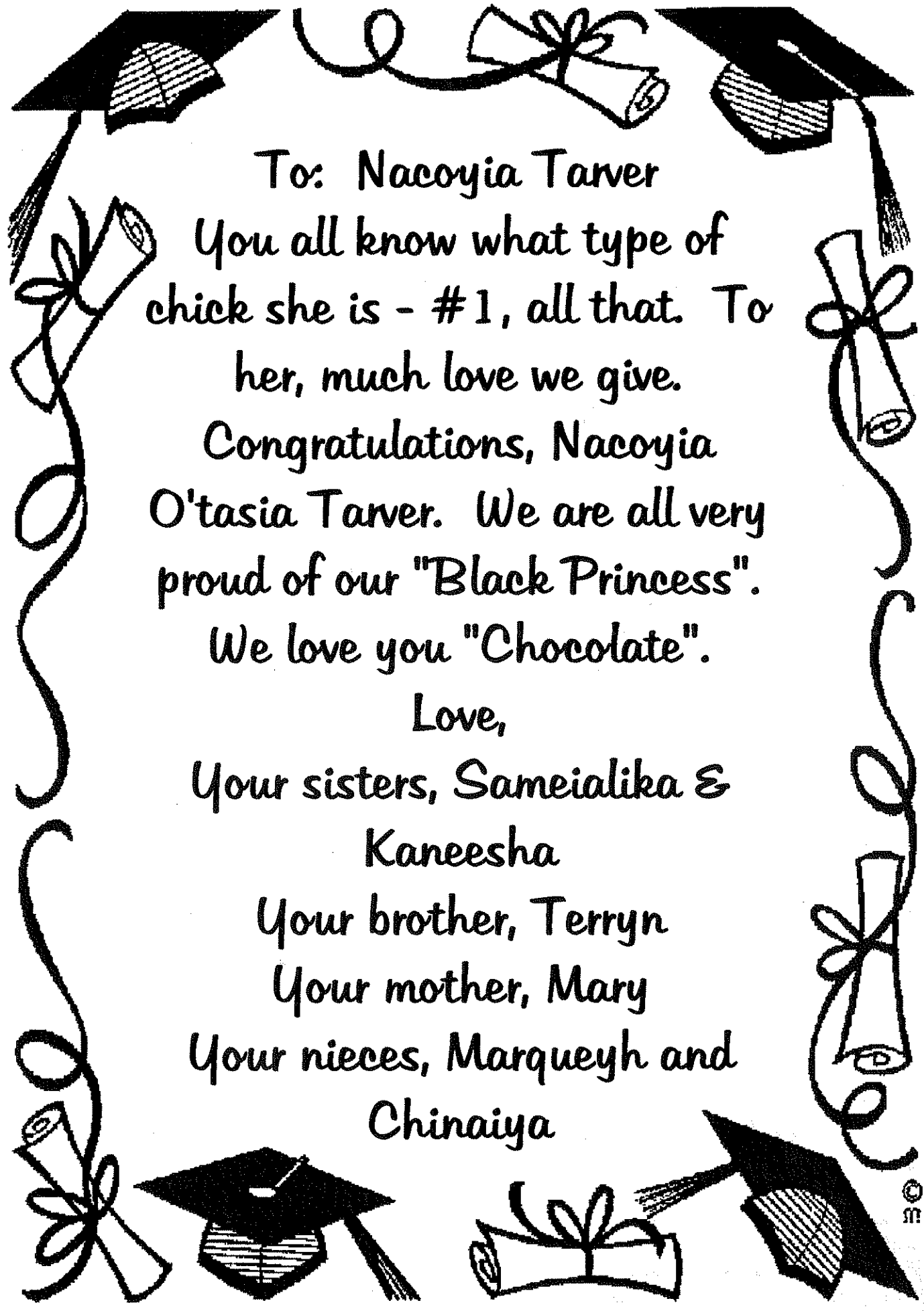
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DWAYNE CALDWELL



To: Nacoyia Tarver
You all know what type of
chick she is - #1, all that. To
her, much love we give.
Congratulations, Nacoyia
O'tasia Tarver. We are all very
proud of our "Black Princess".
We love you "Chocolate".

Love,
Your sisters, Sameialika &
Kaneesha
Your brother, Terryn
Your mother, Mary
Your nieces, Marqueyh and
Chinaiya

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