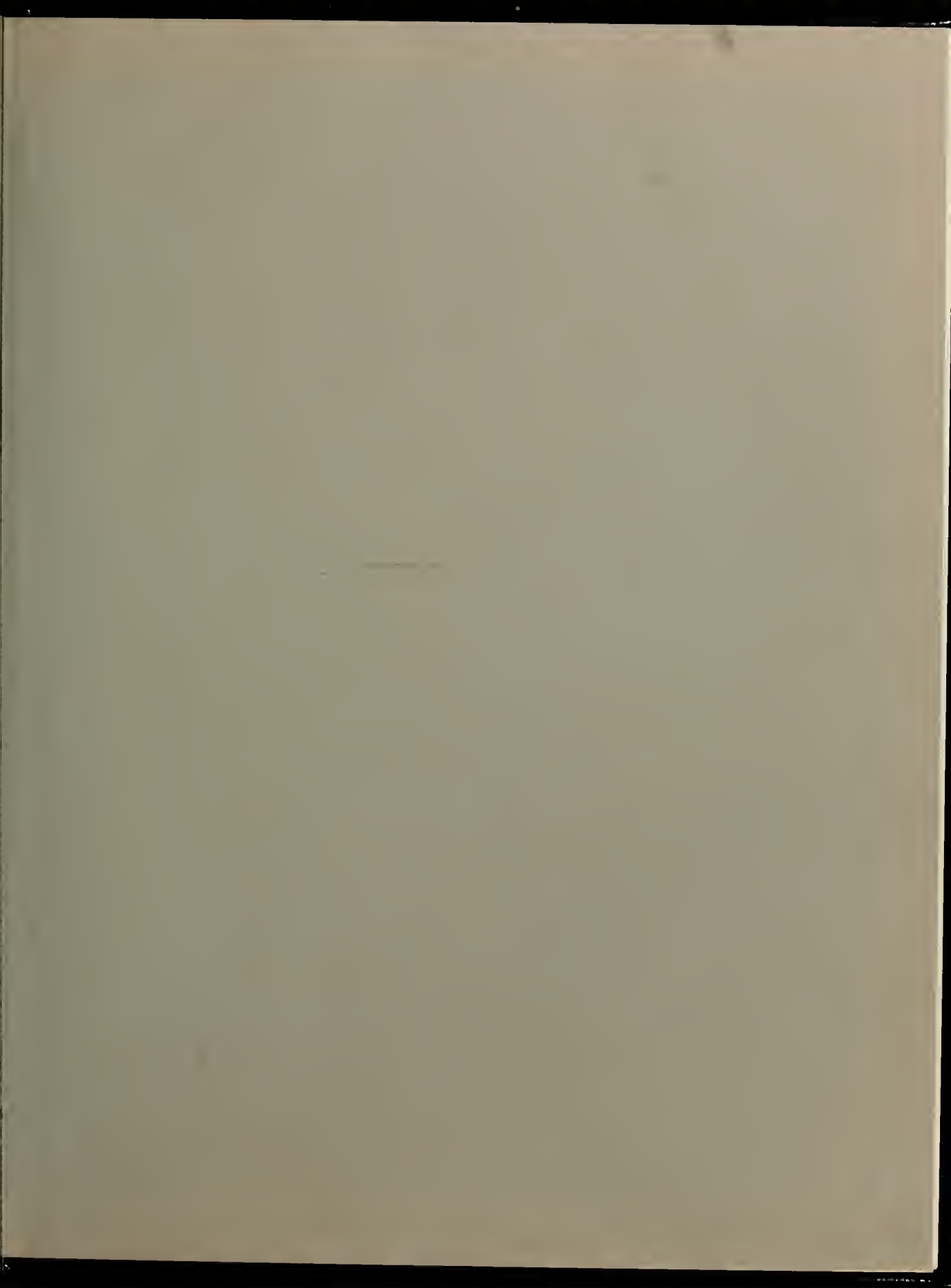


*I had
extreme
faith
because
I knew
my time
would come*

Barbara A.M. Bray







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Dr. Gloria R. Scott
President, Bennett College

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE
CLASS OF 1999
AND CONTINUED SUCCESS
TO ALL THE
PHENOMENAL WOMEN OF
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Dr. Donna Oliver, Interim VP for Academic Affairs

Dr. Glona Scott, President

Dr. Charlotte Alston, Provost

Mr. Calvin Harris, VP for Fiscal Affairs

(standing left to right)

Mrs. Sandra Blue-Harris, VP for Capital Projects

Dr. Tajuana Mosby, VP for Institutional Effectiveness

Dr. Jamie Wheeler, Secretary for the College

Dr. Billie Hooker, VP for Development

Pinpoint Pinpoint Pinpoint

Student Government Association Officers

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Gabrielle Mallory, Parliamentarian

Lalasha Gresham, President

Student Union Advisory Board

Willacyn Cholsen, Miss Bennett College

Charmane Wilson, Treasurer

Demetra Bell, Corresponding Secretary

(Front Row – left to right)

Tennille Francis, SGA President

Rhonda Stingley, Miss Royal Blue and White

Brandy Jones, Vice President

Brandi Hunter, Recording Secretary



SENIOR DAY 1999



Seniors, it's time.



That time again



Tabitha smiles...it's almost over



Just a little nervous.



Shamilah stops the line



Head bowed in remembrance



The awesome Bennett College Choir

I Had Extreme Faith



Show that Colgate Smile



Is this for Real?

Phenomenal Bennett Women



We are Seniors!



It's been a wonderful stay.



Thank you



I'm so faint.

MISS BENNETT COLLEGE



Miss Willacin V. Gholston, a native-born resident of Indianapolis, Indiana was escorted by her father, Mr. Willie A. Gholston, Sr.

Miss Willacin V. Gholston, "called, committed and compelled to serve" "Don't let anyone look down on you, because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity."



THE
ROYAL COURT



Miss Jamie Harris
Miss Senior



Miss Stephanie Cambridge
Miss Junior



Miss Rhonda Stingley
Miss Royal Blue and White



Miss Natalie Stewart
Miss Sophomore



Miss Nisan Williams
Miss Freshwoman

Because I Knew



Paquita is waiting



And Darlene says...



We are so HAPPY!



Spirit of David dancers



Willacin just loves her little sisters.



Shamilah walks carefully with little sister.



Hey, Renee has her "real" sister robing her.

Class of
1999

My Time Would Come



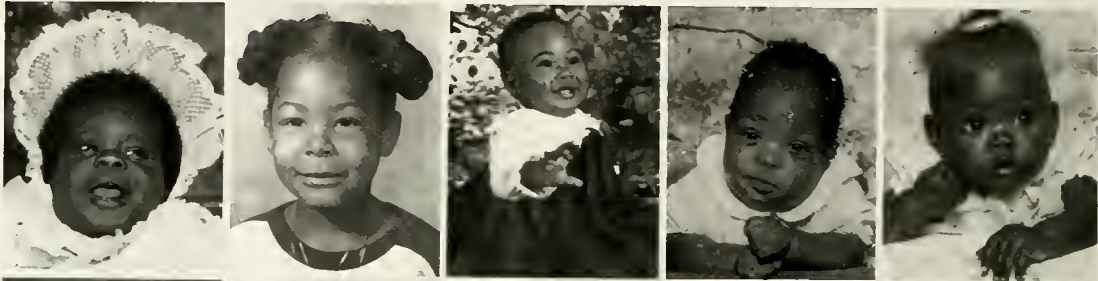
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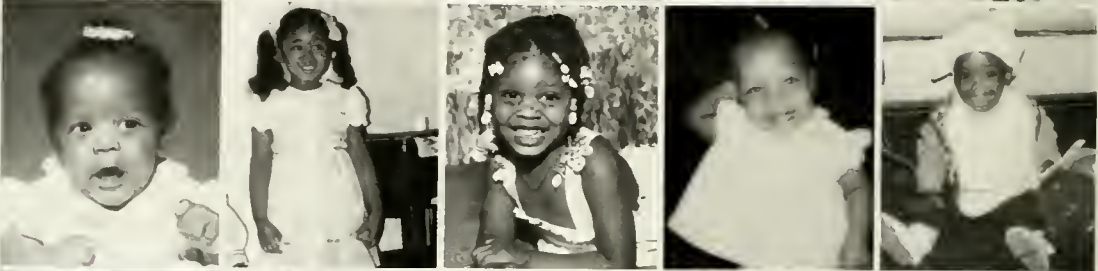


Isn't She Lovely?

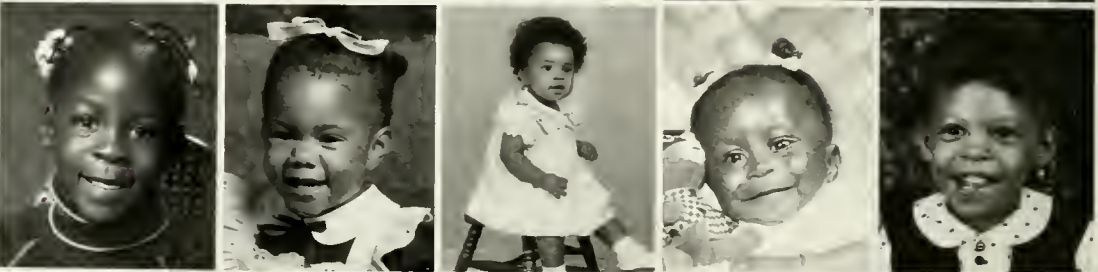
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Lillian Fitzgerald
Latonia Ford



Kubrat "Kubi"
Gbjabiamila
Willacin "Precious"
Gholston
Yolanda Green
Shamilah Harris
Tarin Jones



Lauren Jones
Valerie Rashida Lewis
Erisha Lipford
Kelly Lockard
Dionne Long



Jamila McFarlene
Keante Montgomery
Kristy Moore
Renee Moore
Nicole Newsome



Yes, She's Beautiful!



Farrah Oguntuga
Tiffany Posey
Natashia Privette
Salyna Richmond
Tasha J. Richardson

Stephanie Ross
Tiffany Ryles
Khalilah Saleen
Kenya Samuels
Nicole Sellars

Darlene Simmons
Allison Smith
Bethany Smith
Sheleree Stevenson
Ronda Stingley

Philippa Stuart
Dorthea Taylor
Myeshia Troy
Tanya K. Wagstaffe
Kisha N. Ward

SCHOOL SPIRIT



Faculty and Staff, Join On!!!



Raise the napkin and voices



Whaaaat! The President can sing!!!



Everybody do it now...Rah, Rah, Rah



Can you here us?



Bennett Belles sing the Alma Mater



The Staff Ensemble

CLASS of 1999 Officers



(From left to right)
Jamic Harris, Miss Senior
Demetria Bell, Corresponding Secretary
Kelley Lockard, Vice President
Jamila McFarlane, President
Enisha Lipford, Recording Secretary
Tann Jones, Treasurer



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Psychology



Tammi Allen

Biology



Mickelle Arnold

Psychology



Naima Q. Barbour

Mass Communications



T. Shanta Bates

English



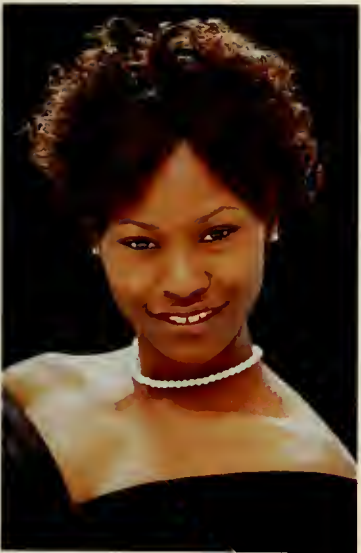
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Psychology



LaToya Bonner
Chemistry



Sydney N. Brown
Biology



Yolanda Butler
Political Science



E. Sherone Carter
Elementary Education



Tonya R. Chambers
Elementary Education



Shanika Choo-Ying

Biology



Chaquanna Cotten

Biology



Tirshatha Derricks-Bey

Mass Communications



Lillian Fitzgerald

Business Administration



Tennille Francis

Business Administration



Keya Gaston

Business Administration



Hadijatkubrat T. Gbajabiamila

Biology



Willacin V. Gholston

Political Science



Yolanda Green

Biology



Angel Harris

Psychology



Jamie Harris

Biology



Shamilah S. Harris

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Daquita M. Herring

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Candle Hudson

Psychology



A. Monique Hunt

Social Work



Brandi N. Hunter

Broadcast Journalism



Hope Iglehart

English



Marci Ivy
English



Marcene Jefferies
Business Administration



Aisha Jefferson-Fuller
English



Tarin D. Jones
Psychology



Dionna Jones
Psychology



Lauren M. Jones
Elementary Education



Tebitha Kajese

Mathematics



Sifelani Kumbulah

Accounting



Kolitta T. LéSueur

Psychology



Valerie R. Lewis

English



Erisha Z. Lipford

Biology/Pre-Med



Ikisha N. Little

Accounting



Kelley M. Lockard

Mathematics



Alice J. Mason

Business Administration



Jamila McFarlene

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Keante J. Montgomery

Mass Communications



Kristy Moore

Biology



Renee H. Moore

Mathematics Education



Sophia Mulamba

Chemistry



Priscilla Mulepfa

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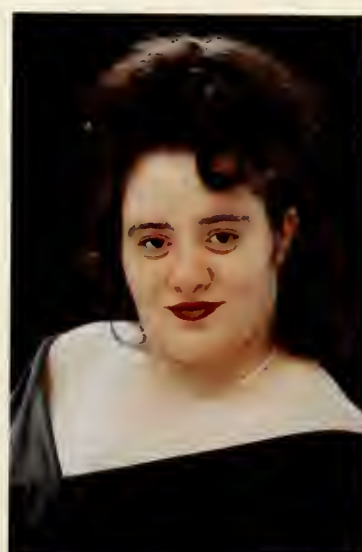
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*Clothing/Fashion
Merchandising*



Tasha J. Richardson

Fashion Merchandising



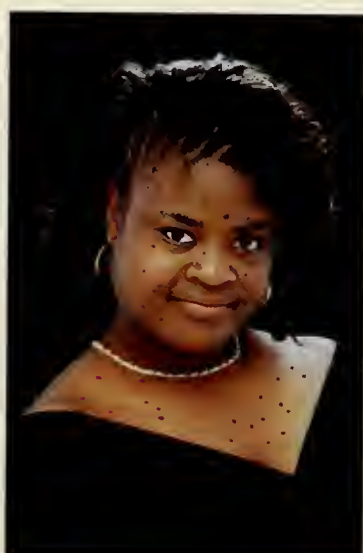
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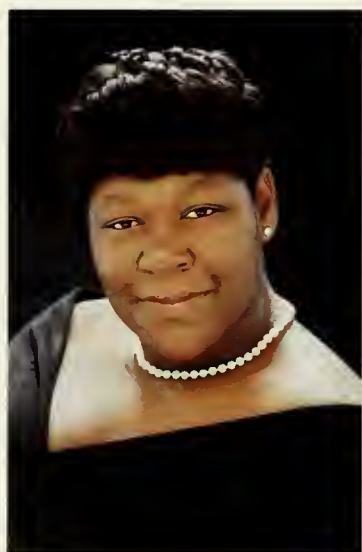
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Nicole Sellers
Biology



Darlene N. Simmons
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Bethany Smith
Biology



Camilla S. Smith
Sociology



Nikia M. Steele
Mass Communications



Rhonda Stingley
*Mass Communications and
Broadcasting*



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Jamika Whatley

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Kellie Whitfield

Food/Nutrition



Ella Willis

Elementary Education



Elisha Willis

Elementary Education



Juanita O. Williams

Elementary Education



Charmaine D. Wilson

Biology/Pre-Med



Sisters...Twice Over



No, we're not shopping. We're working!



Ice cream, ice cream...We all smile for ice cream.



Chillin' at the Million Woman March



What is Dr. G talking about?



Smile, we're on camera.



Okay, you caught us!

Juniors



Junior Class Officers (left to right)
Mattea Hill, Vice President
Stephanie Cambridge, Miss Junior
Fenice Glenn, Recording Secretary
Elizabeth Fryar, President
Janell Catlin, Treasurer
Latasha Gresham, Parliamentarian

The Class of "The New Millennium" 2000

Kumari Adams
Shanika Bacchus
Shaunda Beauman
Maia Bonaparte



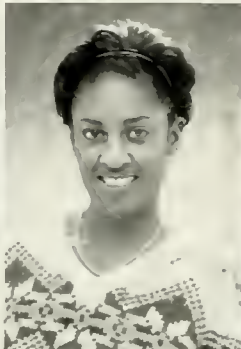
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Janelle Catlin
Marta DaSilva



Anita Duncan
Audrey Freeman
Heather Garvis
Robin Goins



Kennsha Green
Monica Green
Lata-sha Gresham
Tara Harmon





Mattea Hill
 Pia Holland
 Hope Ingel
 Shaneik Issac



Yolanda James
 Wendy Jones
 Antonette Lebbly
 Chenise Lewis



Jamila Maddox
 Rashida Mitchell
 Nicole Montgomery
 Takaruda Muzorewa



Tia S. Perry
 Katrina Robinson
 Shawndria Salter
 Clindel Simmons

Shantay Twyman
Millicent White
Carmen Williams
Delores Williams



Daydra Wilks
Deanna Wynn



Sophomores



Sophomores Class Officers (left to right)
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Corrina Smith, Treasurer
Neda Brown, Corresponding Secretary
Kathryn Earley, Vice President
Natalie Stewart, Miss Sophomore
Tanna Watson, President

Kelly Anderson
 Monique Bailey
 Tameka Barrentine
 Erica Beaman
 Karen Bourne



Brandi Bradshaw
 Tasha Brevard
 Kivona Brewster
 Shemeka Brisbon
 Carla Brooks



Neda Brown
 Geanna Butler
 Nicole Champion
 Zenya Cleveland
 Kendra Cochran

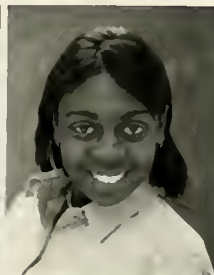


Joy Coleman
 Crystal Cox
 Arieta Craig
 Jennifer Davis
 Celenhle Dlamini



Aiyana Drake
 Kathryn Early
 Tashanna Felix
 Carla Ford
 Bridgette Hagar





Cynetha Hall
Tiffany Hanshaw
April Hargrove
Danielle Harper
Deanna Harris



Darnita Howard
Matrina Jackson
Shancyawa Jarrett
Naomi Jefferson
Metecia Jenkins



Latonya Johnson
Jerica Keeton
Gloria Kidd
Allison Kinsler-Johnson
Jacole Lewis



Amber Lugo
Lenee Man
Tashana Martin
Samantha Masey
Trina Matthew



Kelle Mayfield
Obiamaka Melifonwu
Erin Mixon
Jennifer Moore
Nicole Nation

Litont Neil
Shantlee Otey
Sandy Page
Aja Pickett
Joan Stanley



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Janisha Thomas



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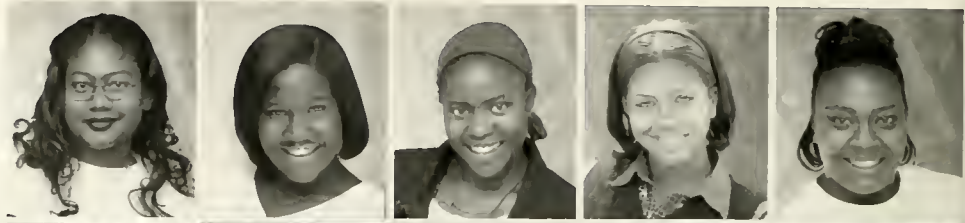


Freshmen



Freshwoman Class Officers (left to right)
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Felicia Washington – Vice President
Nisan Williams – Miss Freshwoman
Tyanna Townsend – Parliamentarian
Gayani Ekanayake – Treasurer

Jasmine Ackbar
Lashonda Adams
Tambudza Agere
Jamila Allen
Danyell Allison



Adina Archibol
Sylvia Armstrong
Latrisha Asante
April Astrop
Angela Baltimore



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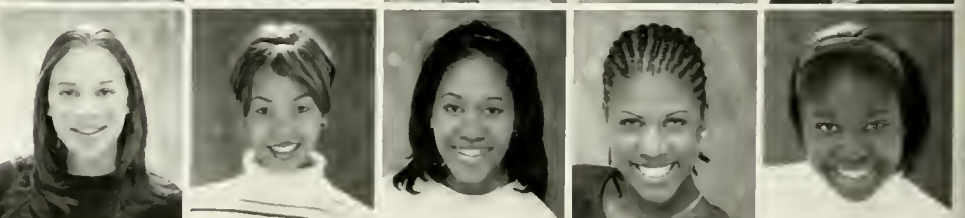
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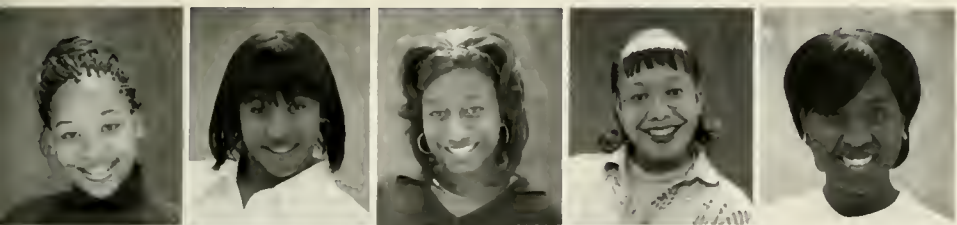


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Candace Evans
Malanie Fields
Tisa Fredenck
Monica Gavmen



Janel Glaspie
Can Hackey
Tiquitta Hall
Branchi Hamilton
Samentha Hardy





Tiffany Harmon
 Yosha Hawkins
 Clarice Hayslett
 Ellena Herbert
 Marquita Hobson



Lashonda Horton
 Tameka Hoyte
 LaZara Irving
 Gajah Jackson
 Isis Jackson



Latasha Joe-Salomon
 Monica Johnson
 Nicole Jones
 Stufona Latta
 Jessica London



Kimisha Lowry-Scott
 Robyn May
 Deanna McGwen
 April McNeil
 Melvette Melvin



Elizabeth Miller
 Carlotta Mitchell
 Cherra Mitchell
 Darina Mitchell
 April Moone



Rosetta Morgan
 Cayce Moses
 Ishan Muhammad
 Tiffany Murphy
 Essence Nicely



Rungano Nyajeka
 Sherrita Outlaw
 Najah Palmer
 Krisbel Pantan
 Jami Patrick

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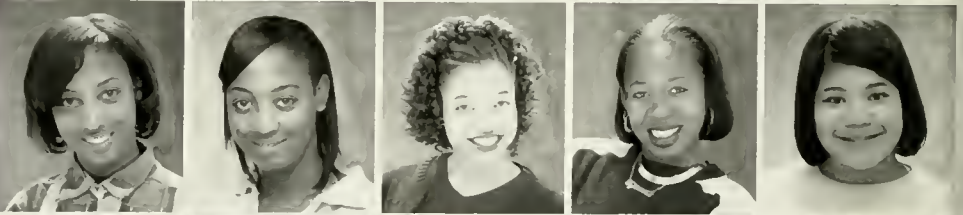
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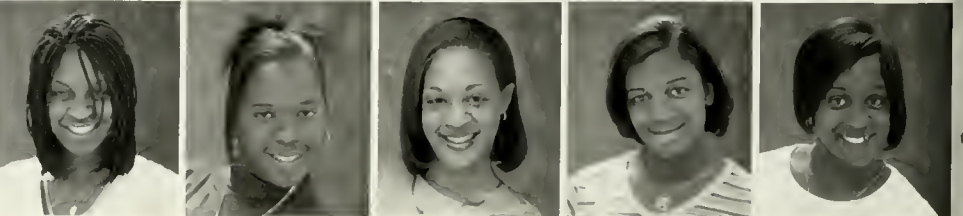
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 Nneka Ubaka-Adams
 Athena Walker
 Felicia Washington



Sherita Waters
 Da'Shonda Watson
 Katherine Webb
 Avian West
 Shayla West





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Crystal White
Oriniah White
Tiffany White
Carmen Wilhams

Nissan Williams
Shauna Williams
Yvette Williams
Natasha Woode
Karen Wynne



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Millicent Brown



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Brenda Coates



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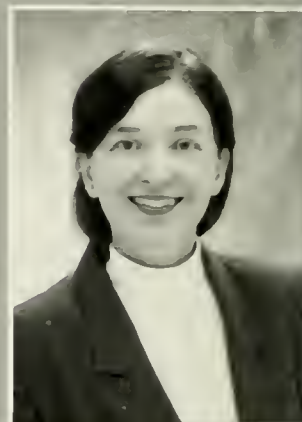
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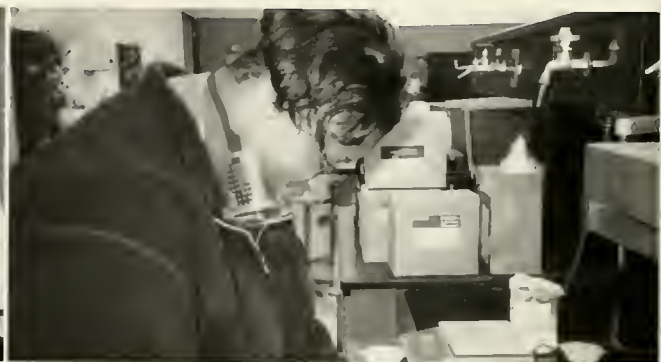
Lynda Watkins



Betty Watson



Amanda Williams



*"United we stand, divided we fall. If our backs should ever be
against the wall, we'll be together."*

...Brotherhood of Man



Clubs and Organizations



Accounting Club

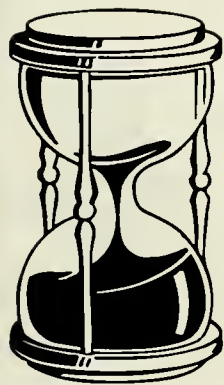
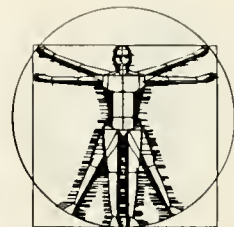


Belles of Harmony

Bennett College
Choir



Biology Club

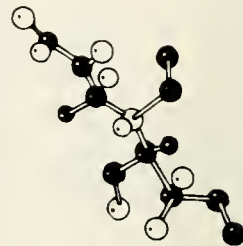


Business Club

Campus Girl Scout



Chemistry Club

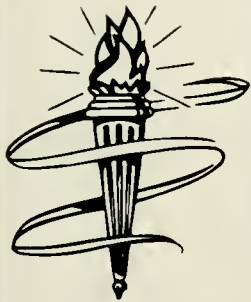


**Encentrique
Modeling Club**

**International
Student
Association**

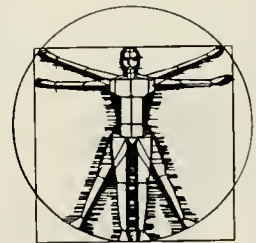


**National
Council for
Negro Women**



**National
Association for
Advancement of
Colored People**

**Psi Chi
Psychology
Honor Society**



**Reader's
Theater**



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**Sigma Gamma
Rho**

**Student
Christian
Fellowship**



Yearbook Staff



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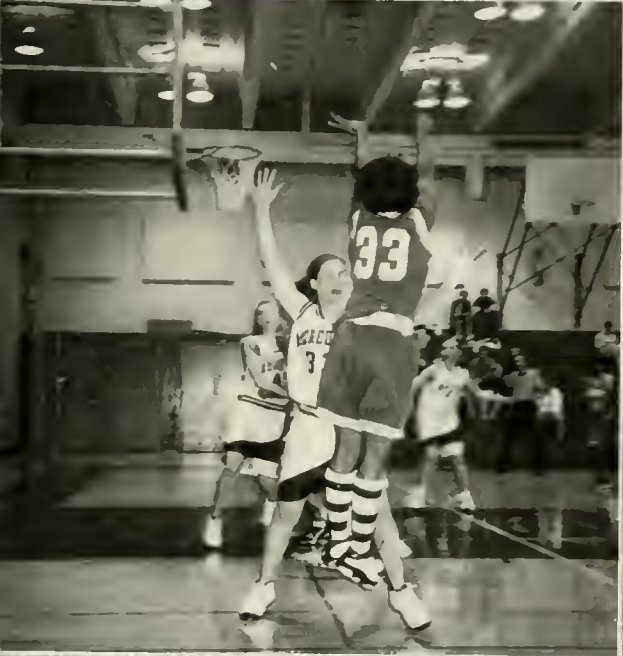
**Zeta Phi Beta
Sorority Inc.**

**Bennett College
Alumnae**



We Are The Champions... Bennett College Sports





Bennett B's



BE A GOOD CONVERSATIONALIST - A good conversationalist is sympathetic and talks about matters which interest others. Above all, she does not monopolize the table talk or the room "causerie."

Conversation B's

- Be thoughtful**
- Be courteous**
- Be sincere**
- Be considerate**

BE COURTEOUS - It is a cherished tradition that Bennett girls are kind and hospitable to guests and strangers on the campus. They go out of their way to help them find places or locate their friends.

Courtesy B's

- Be appreciative of the beauty of your dormitory home.**
- Be considerate of girls who are resting when you may be busy.**
- Be prompt to acknowledge services rendered you.**

BE NEAT - Neatness is the basis of all beauty. Being neat suggests cleanliness, simplicity, order and refinement in every phase of every day life.

Neat B's

- Be sure to form good habits in personal appearance.**
- Be mindful of the importance of a good 'hair-do'.**
- Be discriminating in your nail polish and your attire.**

BE FRIENDLY - It is said that great friendships result from an aristocratic conception of humanity. It is an evidence of culture to show ourselves friendly without affectation.

Friendly B's

- Be sincere in forming friendships with others.**
- Be tolerant of the differences which exist in people.**
- Be reserved in your friendship with the opposite sex.**

BE SOCIALLY APPROPRIATE - Gracious manners are the basis of charm. A quiet voice, graceful posture and a pleasant expression give flavor to personality.

Social B's

- Be restrained in your behavior in public.**
- Be careful to introduce yourself to guest with whom you tour the campus.**
- Be sensitive to the appropriateness of shaking hands.**

HERITAGE DAY

Belles Dress for the Occasion



Bennett College Songs

PREFERENCE SONG

There are many, many schools in the East and in the West;
sometimes you may be questioned as to which one is the best;
If you really want to know There is one that will stand out;
It's dear old Bennett College. That's the school you hear about.

CHORUS

Some prefer to go to Spelman,
Others A&T
some say here's to Talladega;
Others Johnson C.
But Bennett College is the best,
girls;
Lift high your colors bright
Raise your voice in a cheer,
girls
For the Dear old Blue and White!
Rah! - Rah! - Rah!



TELL ME WHY

Tell me why the stars do shine
Tell me why the ivy twines.
Tell me why the sky's so blue
Tell me Old Bennett
Just why I love you.

Because God made the stars to shine
Because God made the ivy twine
Because God made the sky so blue
God made old Bennett
That's why I love you.



ALMA MATER

Words by Carol Gotton
Music by Edith Player Brown

1. Bennett now our voices raise.
Harmonies of grateful praise;
We thy daughters find thee fair
Loyalty thy colors bear.
Truth and honor in thy halls.
Faith and love within thy walls;
Ever dear to us thou art
Firm within each loyal heart.

CHORUS

Alma Mater, now we sing
Hail the light that thou dost bring;
True we've been throughout the past,
True to thee while life shall last.

2. May we never smirch the good
Gendered here in sisterhood;
May we ever choose a-right
Guided but by honor bright;
Ever lovelier shalt thou live
As thy daughters freely give
Ever glorious a-bove.
Testimonies of our love.

(Sing verse 3 Prayerfully)

3. 'Till the evening shadows fall
'Till we heed our last clear call
Mother, may we offer thee
Lives of worth and pur-i-ty?
Go with us through-out the years
Smile on us in doubts and fears;
Bless us with thy tender care
Mother fair-est of the fair!

THE BENNETT IDEAL

Words by Carrie Robinson '33
Tune "Peggy O'Neil"

Bennett's Ideal
Is the girl who is real,
She's a friend ever loyal and true;
By her simple way,
She makes herself known to you.

CHORUS

If she greets you with a smile,
She's the Bennett Ideal;
Always doing things worthwhile,
That's the Bennett Ideal.
If she places her cares on the shelf,
Thinks of others far more than herself
If from the start
She has love in her heart,
Then, she's the Bennett Ideal.

You've heard it said
She's the girl who's well bred,
For her college she'll stand any test;
Her motto is skill,
Her creed is good will,
And here's how you know her best;

CHORUS

If she smiles through thick and thin
She's the Bennett Ideal;
If she strives wholehearted to win,
She's the Bennett Ideal;
If she's honest and willing to share,
If she's eager to do and to dare,
Pep and vitality;
Sweet personality;
She's the Bennett Ideal.





SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

MOST POPULAR

Class of 1999

MOST FLAMBOYANT

Tiffany Scurlock

TREE AND STUMP

Chaquanna Cotten & Naima Barbour

MOST TALKATIVE

Salyna Richmond

EINSTEIN

Allison Smith

BEST FRIENDS

Kenya Samuels & Naima Barbour

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Class of 1999

SAYS THE LEAST, DOES THE MOST

Yolanda Green & Natasha Privette

BUGA-BOO

Jamila McFarlane

BOOKWORM

Renee' Moore

MOST PHILOSOPHICAL

Phillippa Stuart

GOLD DIGGER

Kristy Moore

MOST ATHLETIC

Robin Tolliver

MOST VAIN

Mickelle Arnold

LOUDEST

Valerie Lewis

MOST INTERESTING GEAR

Khalilah Saleem

SILLIEST

Shamilah Harris

MOST ECENTRIC

Nadirah Goldsmith

WORST ATTITUDE

Tiffany Ryles

BEST WEAVE

Latoya Bonner & Tasha Richardson

MOST SPIRITED

Class of 1999

COLGATE SMILE

Kubrat Gbajabiamila

MOST TALENTED

Ronda Stingley

MOST DEDICATED

Demetria Bell

MOST CONTROVERSIAL

Monique Hunt

MOST FRIENDLY

Nicole Newsome

CURIOSITY KILLED THE CAT

Kenya Samuels

SAYS THE MOST, DOES THE LEAST

Ella Willis & Elisha Willis

PRETTIEST EYES

Erisha Lipford

BENNETT IDEAL

Sherone Carter

PENNY PINCHER

Naima Barbour

NICEST CAR

Starr Allen

BRICKHOUSE

Kubrat Gbajabiamila and Shanika Choo-Ying

BEST ROOMMATES

Starr Allen & Paquita Herring

QUIETEST

Tiffany Posey

MISS KNOW IT ALL

Chaquanna Cotton

HOOPTIE

Darlene Simmons

CLASS CLOWN

Darlene Simmons

DIRTY ROOM

Ella and Elisha Willis



SENIOR PHILOSOPHIES

Mariska Shirbane Adams - Biology

"The Lord, our God, has a plan for each life.

When you are aware of that, it is much easier to live the life that you are given."

Starr Ateice Bernice Allen - Psychology

"The ladder of success is never crowded at the top."

Naima Qianna Barbour - Mass Communications

"The way of a fool seems right to him, but a wise man listens to advice." Proverbs 12:15

T. Shanta Bates - English

"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference."

Demetria C. Bell - Psychology

"I no doubt deserved my enemies, but I don't believe I deserved my friends." -Walt Whitman

LaToya Bonner - Chemistry

"It takes ordinary people to do extraordinary things." -Jack Caufield

Yolanda Butler - Political Science

"Be anxious for nothing but in everything, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your request be known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ."

Edith Sherone Carter - Elementary Education

"All that I have, is owned by God. I'm just a temporary user."

Shanika Choo-Ying - Biology

"Life is a period of time where a person is given the chance to prove themselves to their God."

Makila Clark - Business Administration

"Keep the faith and everything else will fall into place. Good things come to those who wait."

Chaquanna Cotton - Biology

"Life is too short to be grudgeful, so treat each individual as a precious commodity for we never know when they will be taken away from us."

LaKisha Chante' Ellington - Political Science

"If we don't stand for something, we will fall for anything.

Trust in the Lord and He will guide you through all daily endeavors."

Lillian Fitzgerald - Business Administration

"Don't settle for the good things in life when you deserve the best."

Latonia Ford - Biology/Pre Med

"Remember with God by your side, all things are possible. Keep your goals in sight and continue to strive for them. Know that this hard work is temporary and will definitely payoff in the future."

Tennille Michele Francis - Accounting

"When faced with challenges, never turn and walk away.

Instead, turn those challenges into positive opportunities to grow and learn."

Hadijatkubrat T. Gbajabiamila - Biology

"Live life and don't let life live you." Peace, Love & Happiness -Kubi

Willacin Velanne Gholston- Political Science

"All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to His purpose."



SENIOR PHILOSOPHIES

Yolanda Green - Biology

"Be true to yourself because outside influences change with the passage of time."

Jamie Harris - Biology

"If you fall, make sure you land on your back because if you can look up, you can get up."

Shamilah S. Harris - Mass Communications

"Keep your head up and smile because there is always someone worse off than you."

Kimberly TaWanna Henderson - English

"Education is the key to the door of a successful life,

but one can only measure her success by the people she has helped along the way."

Paquita Monique Herring - Mass Communications

"To be rather than seem."

A. Monique Hunt - Social Work

"Where there is fear, there is no faith. Faith is the substance of things hoped for,
the evidence of things not seen." -Hebrews 11:1

Brandi N. Hunter - Mass Communications

"Remember where you started....If you don't, you'll never know where you're going."

Hope Lenice Iglehart - English

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."

Marci Ivy - English

"There is only one success - to spend your life in your own way." -Christopher Morley

Lauren M. Jones - Elementary Education

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." -E. Roosevelt

Tarin DeLacy Jones - Psychology

"Love Yourself!!!"

Tebitha Tendai Kajese - Mathematics

"If you don't learn from your mistakes, there's no sense in making them."

Valerie Rashida Lewis - English

"Alien can blend right on in with your kin/ look again cause I swear I spot one every now and then."

-Dre'/Outkast

Erisha Zenobia Lipford - Biology/Pre Med

"Life: Something that happens while you are planning something else.

If you have no God and no confidence in self, you are twice defeated in the race of life.

With God and confidence, you have won even before you have started.

Ikisha Nica Little - Accounting

"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be - YOU." -Pam Finger

Kelley M. Lockard - Mathematics

"I've had some good days; I've had some bad days.

But my good days outweigh my bad days. I won't complain.

Dionne V. Long - Mass Communications

"Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." -Anonymous

Alice Joyce Mason - Business Administration

"Everything happens for a reason. In order for others to respect you, you have to first respect yourself."



SENIOR PHILOSOPHIES

Jamila K. McFarlane - Business Administration

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not to thine own understanding.
In all thy ways acknowledge Him and he will make thy paths straight." -Proverbs 3:5-6

Kristy Moore - Chemistry

"What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" -Romans 8:31

Renee' Helene Moore - Mathematics Education

"Everything happens for a reason. so just live and learn.
When accomplishing a task, give it 100% or don't do it at all."

Sophia Mutamba - Chemistry

"The journey through life is filled with obstacles; not to impede us but make the trip worthwhile."

Priscilla N. Muepfa - Mathematics

"The good Lord made us with two ends - one to sit on and one to think with.
How well you succeed in life depends on which one you use." -Isaac Dworetzky

Trinette A. Oliver - Social Work

"Keep going long after you think you can't. Our backgrounds and circumstances may have influenced
who we are, but we are responsible for who we become."

Tiffany Camille Posey - Business Administration

"I can achieve anything in the world knowing that God and my family are on my side."

Natashia Privette - Clothing and Fashion Merchandising

"It takes vision and courage to create - It takes faith and courage to prove.
In God's timing, He will work the vision into a tangible reality." -Owen Young & Stacey Lyn Evans

Tasha Joanice Richardson - Fashion Merchandising

"We know that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord..." -Romans 8:28

LaWanda Riddick - Biology

"I will count it all joy in trials and tribulations and give God the glory for bringing me through the storm
for I know everything happens for a reason."

Stephanie N. Ross - Computer Science

"There are obstacles in life that may cause you to fall; there are blessing in life that make you stand tall.
Live life to the fullest!!!"

Tiffany Ryles - Biology

"Choose your friends wisely. Everyone who claims to be, may not feel the same of thee!"

Khalilah Saleem - Business Administration

"Never give up on your dreams. Always believe that you are a unique individual
and that you can accomplish anything you set your mind to."

Kenya Aisha Samuels - Mass Communications

"Don't let things make you bitter. Let them make you better."

Darlene Nicole Simmons - Chemistry

"The things that are impossible with man are possible with GOD." -Luke 18:27

Allison Hall Smith - Psychology

"Have courage for great sorrows of life, and patience for the small ones; and when you have
laboriously accomplished your daily task, go to sleep in peace. God is awake." -Victor Hugo



SENIOR PHILOSOPHIES

Bethany Smith - Biology

"Seize the day. Be glad of life because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up to the stars."

Camilla S. Smith - Sociology

"Because I am Black, I am human and as a human, I have individuality. Never submit to the masses."

Nikia M. Steele - Mass Communications

"Love life enough to struggle."

Shelree' Stevenson - Business Administration

"Lessons are repeated until they are learned."

Ronda Stingley - Mass Communications

"Because I am a Bennett Belle, I will give more, do more and have more."

Philippa Sheila Stuart - Psychology

"Follow your heart; Listen to its rhythm. God has placed in your soul the knowledge of what is best for you."

Dorthea Lavior Taylor - Music Education

"Never expect more of others than they expect of themselves." -Marybell Taylor

Robyn K. Taylor - Elementary Education

"Life is precious. Live it to its fullest by surrounding yourself with people who love you."

Myeshia Donae' Troy - Biology

"Look around you and be distressed. Look within you and be depressed. Look to Jesus and be at rest. In my distress, I cried unto the Lord, and He heard me." -Psalm 120:1

Tanya K. Wagstaffe - English

"In life you must learn to let go and let God."

Kisha Nicole Ward - Accounting

"Striving for excellence is an act of faith. God is not honored or glorified by mediocrity."

Jamika Whatley - Computer Science

"Women who want to be equal to men have no ambition."

Juanita Odell Williams - Elementary Education

"If you know something worth knowing, teach it to someone else."

Charmaine Damisi Wilson - Biology/Pre Med

"Everything you do is a self portrait of you, so autograph your work with excellence."

It's been a difficult mountain to
climb but, **Shamilah**, you have
made it to the top.
I'm so proud of you and your
accomplishments.
Ninety-nine is your time to shine!

**CONGRATULATIONS
SHAMILAH S. HARRIS**

**LUV,
MOMMY**



**CONGRATULATIONS
SHAMILAH S. HARRIS**

**“It is in dreaming the greatest dreams,
seeking the highest goals
that we build the brightest tomorrows”**

GOD BLESS YOU!



**LOVE,
GRANDMOTHER
RUTH**

Congratulations, "BIG SIS"

Love,
Aimeenah



Renee' Selene Moore

You will always be our
Belle!
CONGRATULATIONS!
The very best to you and
may God
continue to bless and care
for you.



Love,
Mommy,
Daddy
& Jenn

ERISHA LIPFORD

Watching you grow from a little girl to a grown woman has been a wonderful experience. You've brought such joy in so many ways, and I still treasure warm and lasting memories of when you were a child. I don't know where the time has gone, but I do know that the years have filled my heart with pride and love. And, just as important, each year brings even more special moments with a thoughtful, caring daughter who'll always mean the world to me.



Eric, Anty, Erichrist
We Love You & Very
Proud of You!
GOD BLESS YOU!

CONGRADUATIONS SISTER!

1995-NATASHIA PRIVETTE-1999

We hope your dreams take you...
to the corners of your smiles,
to the highest of your hopes,
to the windows of your opportunities,
and to the most special places your heart
has ever known.

You have followed in our footsteps and we know how the struggle has been these past years. We wish you happiness and success in all you do!

ANTHONY and ANGELA



HAPPY GRADUATION



NATASHIA
MADIA
PRIVETTE

Today you may not know all that the world has to offer...but we know that the world will be a better place because of what you have to offer it.

Today you may not know which path you should follow...but we know that you will listen to your own heart, for it will never lie.

Today you may question what you have already accomplished...But we know you will never doubt what you can do.

As all of your tomorrows open themselves to you, never forget how proud we are of you and how very much we love and cherish you today and always.

Thanks for making this matriculation an enjoyable one!

Mama and Daddy



NATASHJA MADJA PRJVETTE

"the SPECIAL Niece"

Now is a time for you to celebrate the accomplishment of your dreams you have worked so hard to realize. You have shown all of us just how special you really are.

Now is the time to begin to pursue the next path, to reach out for the next star and to achieve the things that are so important to you.

We believe "you can fly!"

Always keep your dreams alive and keep them coming true.

**We love you and are so proud of you!
Thanks for being "Our Daughter"**

**AUNT LILLIE, UNCLE THOMAS
&
SEDRIK**





Congratulations
NATASHIA
PRIVETTE

**We're so proud of you on this occasion, your GRADUATION!
Believe that you are an important part of everyone's life that
you touch.**

Believe in yourself and know that you are loved.

GRANDMAMA AND PAPA

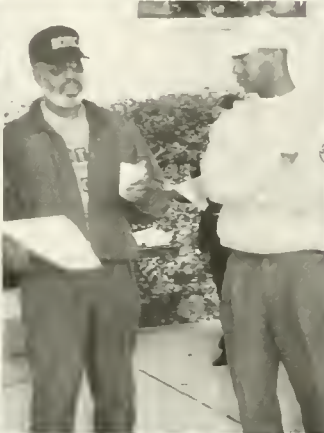


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KUBRAT GBAJABIAMILA

**We appreciate your work as editor
of the 1998-99
BENNETT BELLE YEARBOOK!
Much continued success in all
your future endeavors.**

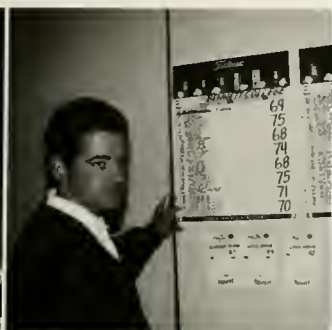
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THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF UNCF



Miss UNCF Elizabeth Fryar



Miss Elizabeth Fryar worked diligently by campaigning and collecting donations to become the 1998-1999 Miss UNCF of Bennett College.



Miss UNCF Contestants

Miss UNCF:
Elizabeth
Fryar

Contestants:
(left to right)
Kumari Adams
Tashauna Felix
Naomi Jefferson

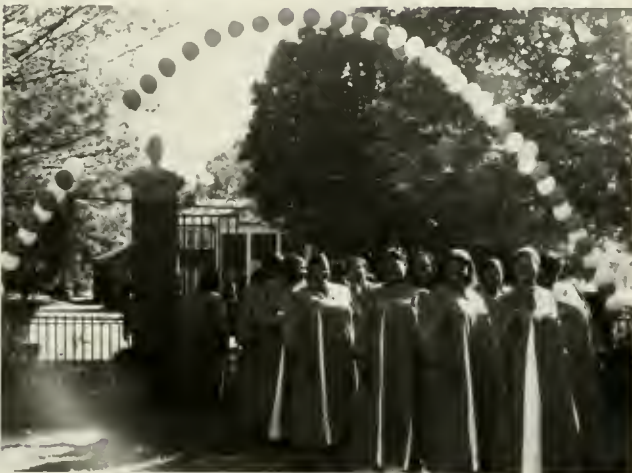


**Founders Weekend
October 9-11, 1998**

**“Celebrating 125 Years of
Excellence in Education”**



The class of '02 embarks on Father and daughter enjoying their first Founder's Day. "a Precious Moment".



Miss Bennett College, Rev. Canty, and Dr. Alston proudly walk through the gates of Bennett.



It's all smiles for the Bennett College Choir!

Dr. Alston chats with Belle Ringr Awardee Phyllis Latta.

Little ones present the speaker with a gift. The graduating class of '99 proudly walks to their last Founder's Day ACES!



The Reader's Theater awaits their performance.



The Reader's Theater enthusiastically speaks of 125 years of excellence.

One of the most scenic views of the Bennett College campus.





Founders Banquet awardee Mr. Joseph Mitchell is all smiles standing with two lovely Bennett Belles.

United Institutional Baptist Church is represented by Mr. John Harris. Darlene Simmons and the President poise phenomenally.



We just love this place!!!

Ms. Jean Opliphant represents Zion Baptist Church and receives award from President as Mariska Adams looks on.



Students, faculty, staff, and guest are joyously singing the praise of Bennett College. Celebrating one hundred and twenty five years of existence.

Dorothy Yancy greets an active member of the Board of Trustees.

Phyllis Latta (Former Interim Director of the Guilford County Department of Social Services, is presented the Belle Ringer Award by President Dr. Gloria Scott.



Carl Manuel and Dr. Ruth Lucier enter the Bearden Ceremonia Gate for Founder's Convocation.



President Scott presents Dr. Randy Wright a Founder's Day Award.

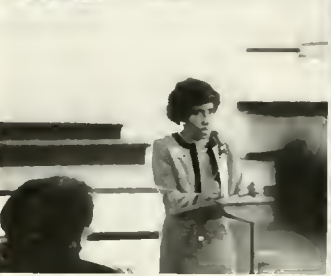
1998 Founder's Day Convocation



Two little ones from our very own Children's House present Dorothy Yancy, President of Johnson C. Smith University, a gift of love.

Leadership At It's Best

MORE
From World Events



LOOK WHO'S
666666

Founders Weekend...

A Time for Parents and Future Belles



Networking is the key to success.

Smile! You're on candid camera.



Having fun but taking care of business.

Dr. Alston shares her pearls of wisdom.



The Department of Mass Communications represent with this display.

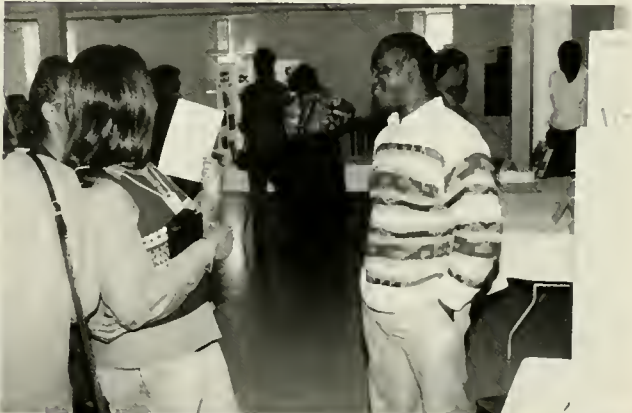


At Bennett College, strength, wisdom, and compassion are our gifts.



Rhonda Stingley chats with Bennett parents.

You all can come closer. I won't bite!



"The Department of Social Work/Sociology has a lot to offer you".
Parents and students register for the day's activities.

TOURING

Dean Scarlette leads the way.



LOOKING GOOD

It's all about Barge Hall!



SMILING FACES

Welcome to your new home.

LEADING THE WAY

"And over here is the..."





HER WAY
Sing that song, Dorthea!

LETTING GO

"Bye baby. Put my hard earned money to good use."



PRIDE
Future Bennett Belles.

EXPRESSIONS
"Say what?"



Shani Albert and Kubrat Gbajiamila of Los Angeles, California prepare the Bennett College Bookstore for Founder's Day visitors. Check out the BC gear at the store near you!

Our Best Wishes
Nikia M. Steele



**A Young Lady with all the
ingredients for success!
May you have a happy, bright
and wonderful future.**

Uncle Jimmy & Aunt Mae
High Point, NC

Congratulations With Love and Pride

Nikki,

Believe in yourself - in the talents and skills that have brought you to this special day.

Believe in yourself - in your God-given talents and your faith will help show you the way.

Believe in yourself - and your own heart will tell you the dreams and the goals to pursue.

Believe in yourself - you're someone unique with no limit to what you can do!

**Love you,
Mom & Dad
*(Josephine & Charles Steele)***



Congratulations
Nikki

**"Success Always Leaves
Foot Prints"**

*Booker T. Washington
Educator*

**Love Always,
K. Edna Alexander**



Nikia M. Steele

I've seen you blossom from a small girl to a beautiful young lady. May your future endeavors be ones of achievement and self-fulfillment.

**Best of Luck Always,
Aunt Helen & Tony Harrison
High Point, NC**

To NIKIA *(our special graduate)*

As you've reached another milestone on your journey to success, we want you to know that we are so proud of your accomplishments. We know that you will continue to strive to be the best that you can be in life, as you continue your journey. The time has gone too fast but we know that you must move on. May God bless you and keep you in all of your future endeavors. We love you always.

**CONGRATULATIONS
Your God Family
*(Uncle Herb, Aunt Marilyn, Kiasha and Travis)***

Nikki,

I wish you the best in the future and may you succeed far more than we both ever imagined. Nikki, may your hopes and wishes be fulfilled and life be filled with joy beyond compare.

A very Special Friend,
Kevin K. Kaison
(KK)



**A spark is a little thing
just like you -
But the little things are
what makes the difference
just like you -
*GO BURN!!!***

My Niece
My Love,
Congratulations
Aunt Gwen & Uncle Howard

**Congratulations,
NIKKI**

**May you get all
that you deserve.**

Shirley Fenwrick



**Congratulations
NIKKI**



**The Sky's
the Limit!**

Earl & Josephine Vick

**Congratulations
Nikki**

***You believed in
your dreams
enough to make
them come true!***



Gloria Brown

Nikki,

***Wishing a very
special graduate a
future filled with
very special
Happiness!***

***Sharon, Darion,
Tommy & Tisha***

Tenacious
Independent
Fun-loving
Flourishing
Authoritative
Nurturing
Youthful

Novel
Industrious
Civil
Optimistic
Logical
Enthusiastic

Responsible
Yearning
Lively
Expedient
Spoiled rotten

CONGRATULATIONS!!



Life is almost ready for you but
you must remember,

LIFE IS:

A mystery.....Unfold it.

A journey.....Walk it.

A joke.....Laugh at it.

Wonderful.....Enjoy it.

Acts of Faith

Love,

Mommy, Granny, Auntie, Uncle
Steven, Michael, Martaz, Mone't, Eric,
Derrick, Stevie and Arnita



SHELREE' STEVENSON

**"You can do all things through
Christ who strengthens you."
LOVE, MOM & DAD**

**Congratulations to one of the sweetest granddaughters in the
world.**

LOVE, YOUR NANA

**Congratulations, you did it!
LOVE, PERLA & JUSTICE**

**You finished! You allght, you allght! Lookin good Shelree',
feeling good too.**

LOVE, SHARMAINE & SHAUN

"Light is the task when many share the toil" - Homer

**If you need help you have to ask. And as always, we will be there for you. We are glad
and proud that you are finishing what you set out to finish. Success is sweet, isn't it?
LOVE AND A WHOLE LOT OF PRIDE, POP-POP, TONYA, TERENCE & RANDY**

In loving memory of your grandfather:

He would have said something like this...I knew you could do it if you just stuck to it.

**Congratulations, cuz for not letting anything stop you or get in the way of this huge
achievement. Love you so much,**

SONYA, JEFFREY JR., MARY, AUNT PEARL, JAMES & JEFFREY, SR.

**"To God be the glory, great things He hath done." I knew you could, you would, and
you did achieve your goal.**

WITH LOVE, YOUR MAMA, ROSETTA M. STEVENSON

**"To God be the glory, great things he hath done." I am so very proud of you until...
I am just hallelujah happy, peacock proud and elephant elated for your great
achievement.**

WITH LOVE, YOUR MAMA, ROSETTA M. STEVENSON

*Ms. Willacin
"Precious" Gholston*

*"Train up a child in the way he should go;
and when he is old, he will not depart
from it."*

Proverbs 22:6



*We Love you!!!
Dad, Mom, & Willie*

"Friendship is hard to come by, and harder to keep, but it's worth all the work it takes to make a real friendship last."



Congratulations to our favorite Belles, Dionne and Lauren. We are so proud of you both.

Love,

Us

LATONIA ALTHEA FORD

**Born October 5, 1977 at 8:30 p.m., in Bronx, New York,
Latonia Althea Ford came into this world loud and
screaming to the top of her lungs.**

**Very bright and cuddly, she loved to hold on to things
tightly. Her hands were always closed and she couldn't
let go. She is a very determined young lady, caring for
others when she doesn't do for herself.**

**She believes in helping and giving herself to people in
need. She also believes in being on top, giving her all
in whatever she does, from pre-school to college.**

**Latonia was in many activities ranging from sports,
creative dancing, candy stripping in the hospital,
gymnastics, cheerleading, chorus, step team, softball,
and many more. She was and still is a go-getter. She
is very independent and loves people.**

**To my daughter, Latonia ("Sparrow"), we love you
very much. You are like the sunshine to our hearts.**

**LOVE,
MOM, DAD,
CHRIS AND TERRANCE (brothers)**

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO GRADUATE
KALILAH SANA SALEEM
BENNETT COLLEGE CLASS OF 1999**

HATS OFF TO YOU!

**May the Good Lord Continue
to Bless You in
all Your Endeavors!**

PEACE, LOVE AND JOY ALWAYS!

*Love,
Mommy
(Aneesah Saleem)*

**Remember ... Jesus is Lord and in all your
getting, get understanding!**

SULTANA ALI ASSOCIATES

PRESENTS

**MARRIAGE BY
CHOICE**

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**By
Sultana M'ali**

**Second Edition
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CONGRATS CHARMAINE,

“The heights of great men reached and kept, were not achieved by sudden flight, for they, while their companions slept, toiled endlessly throughout the night.”

Charmaine, nothing else makes us more happy than to see you graduate from college. You have matured and you have really focused on your goals, and where you want to go with your life. We're happy; we're excited; we're ecstatic; and we are routing for you. Keep up the good work...GO GIRL!

*LOVE,
MOM, DAD, BONITHA, YONETTE &
GRANDMA*

Congratulations Charmaine!!!..



Now it's time to take a bite out of life!!!

-Love Yonette & Bonitha

Congratulations!

TIFFANY C. POSEY

You are a young, gifted and phenomenal Black woman with a good head on your shoulders. As you graduate from Bennett College, keep in mind your dreams. God has you in His hands and He has blessed you for taking the steps to further your education and from here, He will do the rest.



LOVE ALWAYS,
YOUR MOTHER

**RONDA, YOU ARE
THE TRUE ESSENCE OF
A WOMAN. CELEBRATE
YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS
AND YOUR
WOMANHOOD.**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
YOU AND YOUR
BENNETT SISTERS.**

Love, Mama Stingley
Poem By: H. Simmons

BETWEEN US

Just look
at you in all
your womanly
glory Even the
earth is
named
after your
kind Mother Earth they call her Just
look at you Struttin' your stuff past
many failed attempts at keeping
you somewhere they call "down"
Just look at you Sailing
past the clouds Dancing
with the winds so free
ou...wee So far above what
they call a mountain Just
look at you Planted with
the seeds of life—Giving life—
to life All humankind must
celebrate you You and the magic
that sprouts within you to
become them Just look at you
The way you naturally can be
may be amazing For naturally
you are woman And you are
strong You've stood through
raging storms with only the
rain to mask your tears
Just look at you In every
flavor, size, style, type,
and model From the
differently able to
the able to be different
From the buy all
means to the by
no means to the
in betweens Just
look at you—
Woman You
are some kind
of woman
Just look
at you!

***To Our Daughter,
Tennille***



Every day we are touched by something that reminds us of you. We'll come across an old photograph or a masterpiece you made in school. But the best reminders of you are tucked deep within our hearts- - Like remembering the first moment we held you in our arms.

Your graduation seemed the perfect time to tell you how proud we are of who you've become, and to wish you the kind of happiness that you have always given us. We thank you and love you more than words can express.

**Congratulations
MOM & DAD**





Dear Tennille,

You are my first grandchild to obtain your college degree.

I have watched you grow into the beautiful young lady that you are. May God bless you as you continue on with your education and career.

I applaud you on your accomplishments and any others that you will obtain.

"With all my love"

Granny

It seems so very hard to find the perfect words to say to tell you all the special things that come to mind today...

But still,

TENNILLE,

You will understand just as you always do how very much it means to have a loving sister like you.

CONGRATULATIONS

On your great achievement!

GERALD & KENDALL

Congratulations,

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**We are very proud
of you.**



**Love,
Uncle Bruce,
Roxy,
Roc,
Cocoa,
&
Spook**

Tennille

*You came into this life with
a rainbow of ideas and
strong convictions.*

*You were sunshine's child
then and now you are filled
with delight that you share
with us all.*

CONGRATULATIONS
*Aunt Soni, Stacey, Kendra,
Kyra, KeKe and Dominique*



Dear Tennille,

*I'm truly honored to have
had the pleasure of observing u
evolve into such a phenomenal
woman." Keep doing what you
do & the luv of God will shine
thru.*

*Best of luck S - "Big Up"
from Latefah & LaDondra
also.*



*Big Sis,
Debbie*

WAY

TO

GO

AUNT TEE!!!



**Congratulations
and
God Bless**

Lil'G



