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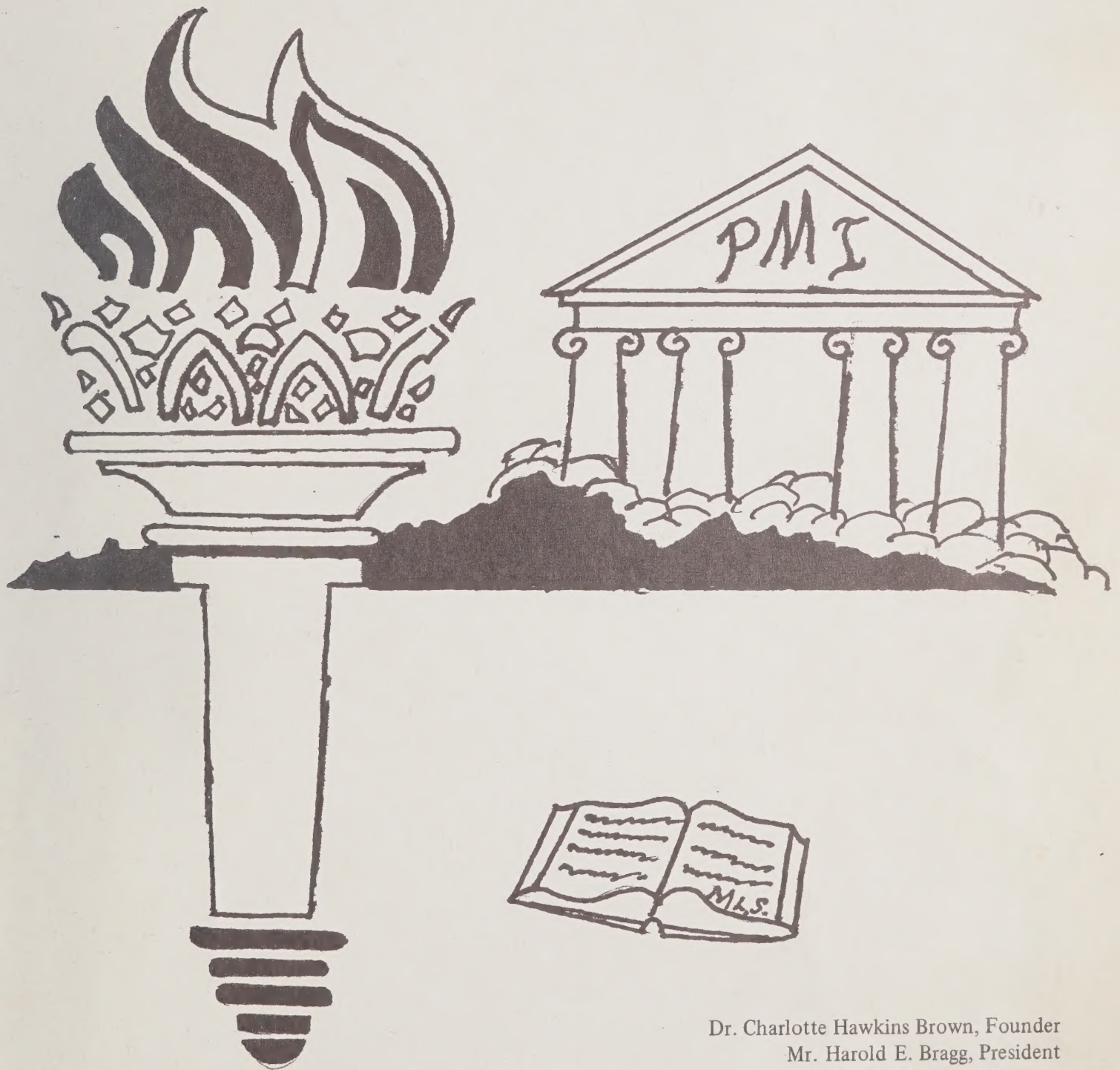


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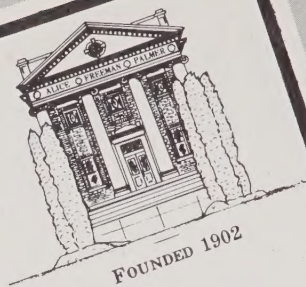
Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, Founder  
Mr. Harold E. Bragg, President  
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Sedalia, North Carolina

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## *“IN QUEST OF EXCELLENCE”*



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## *Better From Editor*

Belonging to the Palmer Community has proved to be a rewarding experience in preparing us for a well rounded future. The idea of preparing us to be culturally secure, religiously sincere and academically superior has seeped into our lives and holds a special meaning.

I have tried to squeeze into the Palmerite as many memories as possible, however, it would have been impossible without the work of its devoted staff, and its indispensable advisors who gave so much time and dedication.

We hope the following pages will convey to you the campus memories we shared in 1967-68. In the future the faces, events and atmosphere of this year may fade, but I hope that looking through these pages will relight the memories with the same enjoyment that came from compiling them.

Laura A. Christian  
Editor-in-Chief



## *"A Pioneer"*



Mr. Charles W. Bundrige

## *Dedication*

An inspirational leader to the students and faculty, a man whose very presence changes the spirit of the school, a grin for everyone and a likable personality, an interest in each student, vigor of mind and force of character, a man to be looked up to, respected and more: Mr. Bundridge, with patience and tireless effort has faced and conquered the many obstacles that have come before him.

To Mr. Charles Bundrige, we the Class of 1968 dedicate our yearbook, the Palmerite.



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TO THE STUDENT BODY AND  
THE GRADUATING CLASS:

The Board of Trustees brings you greetings.

We live in a world where there is much to do. To function effectively in it, future leadership must display qualities of imagination and innovation, disciplined by mature practical wisdom.

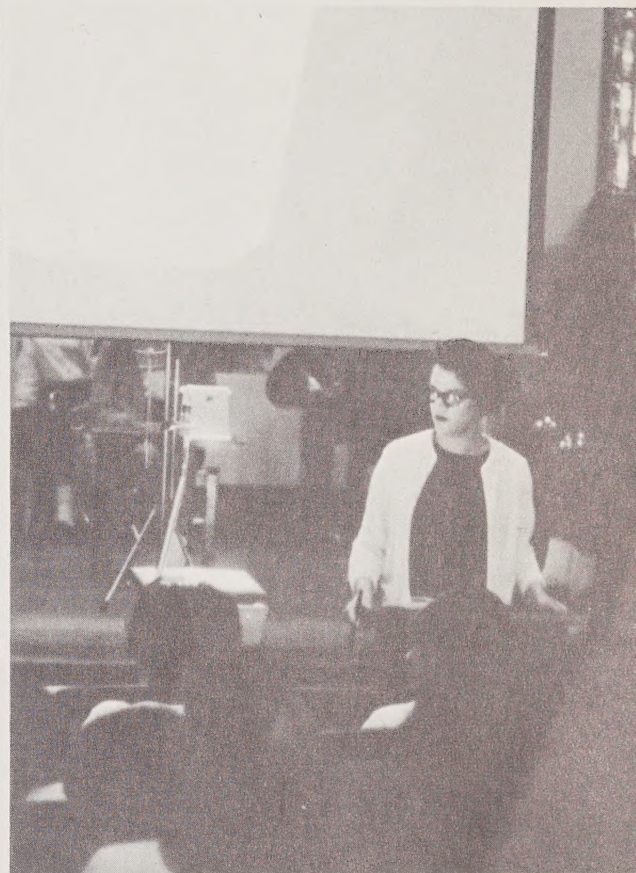
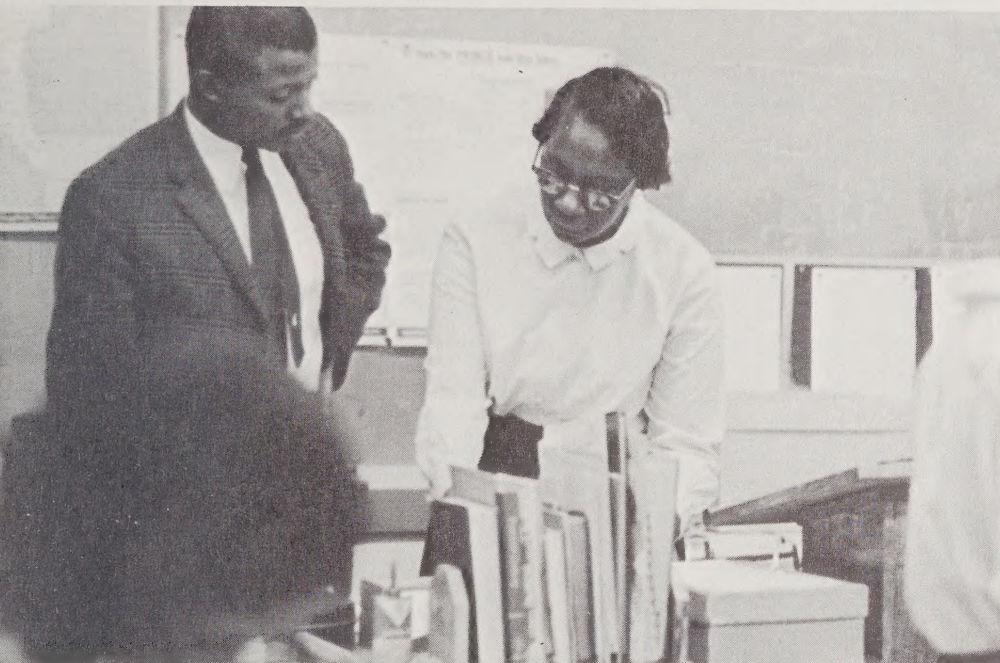
Our wish for you and Palmer is that your experience here may help to keep always alive in you a will to meet the challenge of these needs.

Sincerely,

*Richard L. Wharton*  
Chairman, Board of Trustees

May 15, 1968





## *Faculty & Staff*

In our social development, the faculty and staff have inspired us to see life as a fluctuating image where each man will taste the bitter fruits of this complex life as well as the sweet fruits of this beautiful existence.

Yet, our education has not been completely religious, completely academic nor completely cultural. It has been a sincere and dedicated equating of these three ideals, religion, culture and education, as if to form an equilateral triangle, that has given us proper direction.

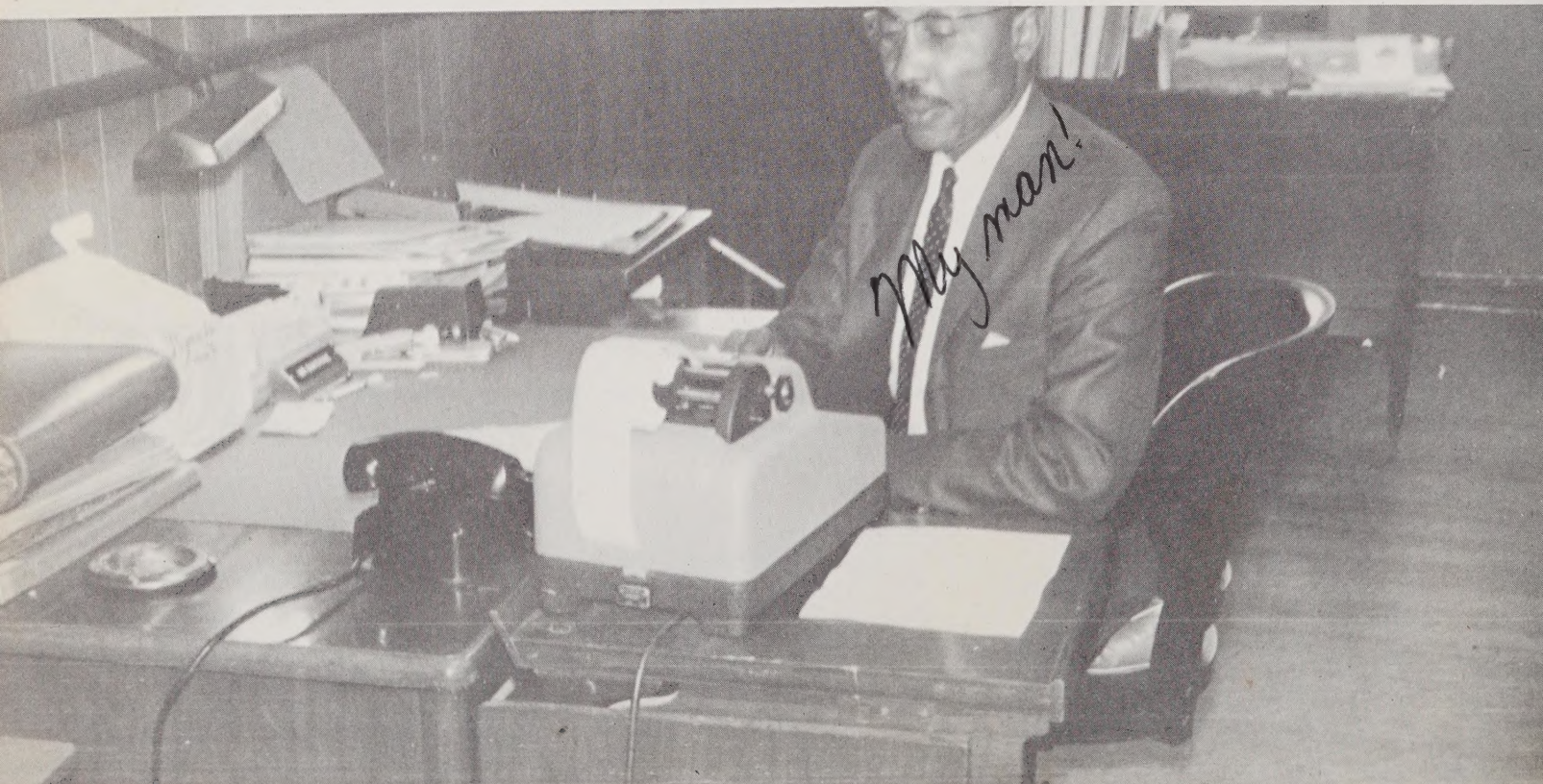
This has been done so that each graduating senior will seek with honesty, dignity and sincerity opportunities that will be enhancing plus strive with a bull dog tenacity to be clean, honesty dignified citizens in this rapid sociological enterprise the world.

Thank you faculty and staff.





Mr. Harold E. Bragg, President



Mr. Charles W. Bundrige—Assistant to the President

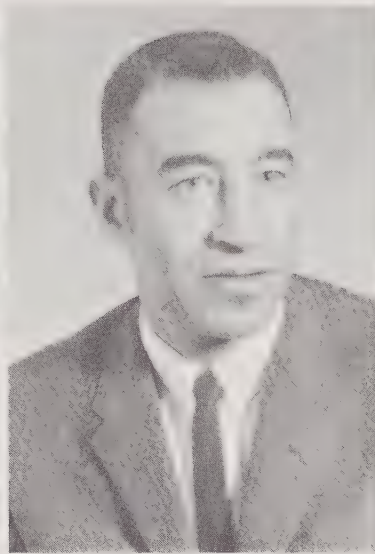


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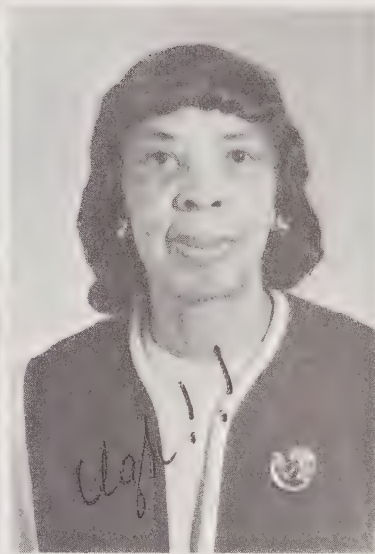
MISS HARDY  
Home Economics



MR. HARRIS  
Mathematics



MISS HARMON  
Registrar



The Administrative Committee of Palmer Memorial Institute, headed by the President, aims for a smooth management of school functions. Their duties cover all phases of administration—the total life of the student by seeking to help each individual with academic achievement, personal problems, dormitory life, and spiritual growth. These persons are the pillars of the institution.

Mr. Robert Smith, Dean of Students, was unavailable for photo.

MR. SURGEON  
Dean of Studies, Science



MRS. TOBIN  
English



MRS. TOTTEN  
Guidance Counselor



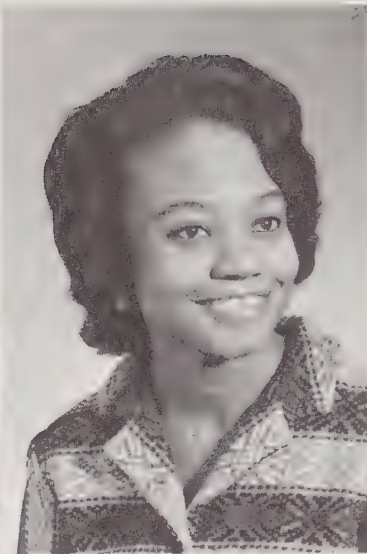




MRS. McDOWELL  
English



MR. FISHER  
English, Drama



MISS DISMUKE  
Mathematics



MISS WATSON  
Science



MR. STAMP  
Science



MR. COLLY  
Latin



MR. FARMER  
Spanish



MRS. GOINS  
French



MR. PROPHET  
French



MISS COOLEY  
Health Ed.



MRS. HARRINGTON  
Art



MRS. SMITH  
Music





MR. McCOY  
Music, Band



MRS. HAWKINS  
Reading



MR. LINKER  
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Librarian



MR. LANIER  
Alumni Dir.



MRS. HARRIS  
Nurse







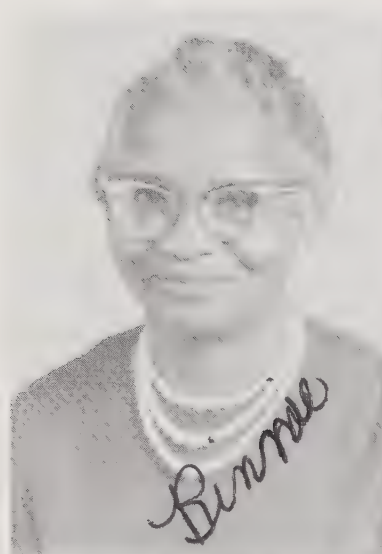
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MRS. RUDD  
Assistant Registrar



MRS. BURNETT  
Executive Secretary



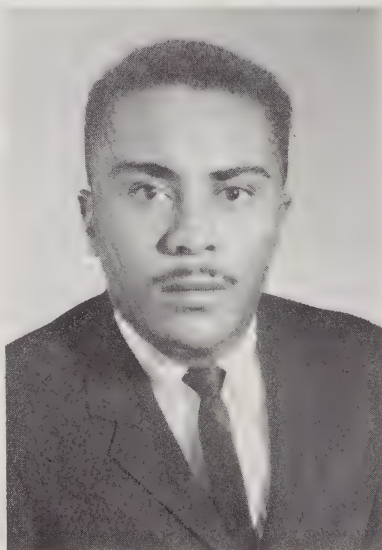
MRS. JOHNSON  
Girls Dorm Director



MISS WATKINS  
Girls Dorm Director



MRS. BRODERICK  
Girls Dorm Director



MR. CHAVIS  
Boys Dorm Director





MRS. DURRETT  
Dietician



MRS. SAUNDERS



MRS. WILEY



MRS. PARKER



MR. MAYE  
Superintendent of  
Maintenance



MR. RUDD  
Assistant Superintendent of  
Maintenance



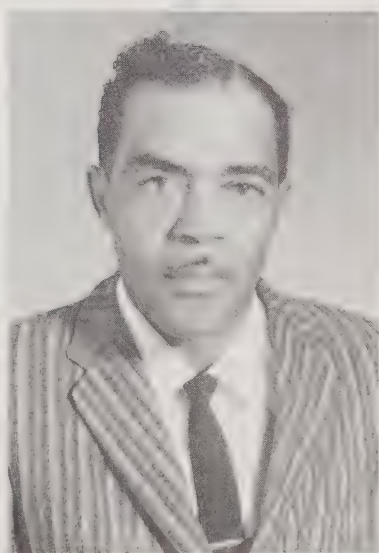
MR. GALLOWAY



MR. CLAPP



MR. BURNETT



MR. MCTIER



MR. LYNN



# Class Poem

To Sir, With Love

Mr. Bragg, we leave you now  
How fast the years have gone by  
But we'll never forget the years  
We spent here at P M I

We'll never forget what you've done  
for us  
There's only one thing we regret  
Whatever we do, wherever we go  
To you we'll be always in debt

For you've inspired our ambitions  
Which we'll try hard to fulfill  
Because you've taught us also  
That success is impelled by will

You've given us the courage  
To face the future with determination  
And to stand up for our rights  
As citizens of this great nation

You've given us the confidence  
To speak our ideas aloud  
And be rid of our timidity  
To walk tall and be proud

And of course you've given  
us wisdom  
A knowledge of life itself  
It's joys, it's sorrows  
it's promises  
It's poverty, it's wealth

Mr. Bragg, we leave you now  
Quite different from when we  
first met  
For on the ladder of ambition  
We've climbed another step

We leave you wiser and more  
courageous  
More confident, more shrewd  
And to you, Mr. Bragg  
We leave our deepest gratitude

Gail Bell  
'68

## Senior Class Officers





MYRA N. ALSTON  
Spanish Club  
Modern Dance Group

EMMA J. BECKOM  
Vespers Committee



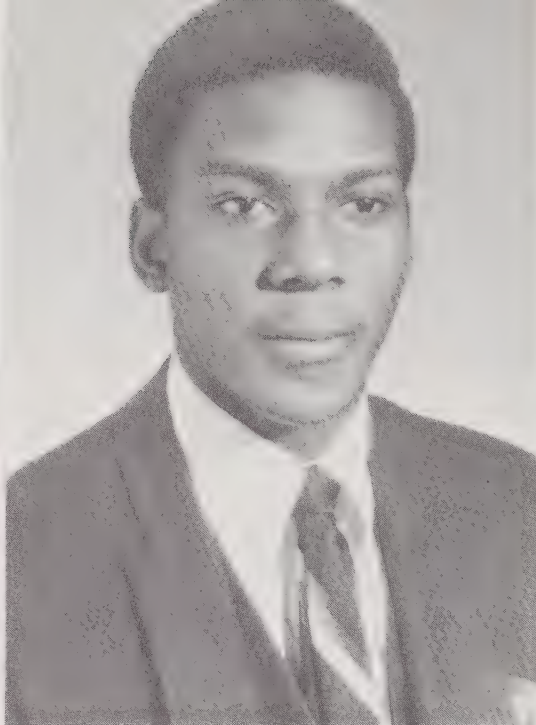
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Spanish Club  
Birthday Dinner Committee  
Humanites  
Dramatics  
Yearbook Staff  
Current Affairs Committee  
Library Aide

JUDY D. BENJAMIN  
Vice-Pres. Student Council  
French Club  
Birthday Dinner Committee  
Humanites  
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VINCENT D. BOYD  
Basketball Co-Capt.  
Modern Dance Group







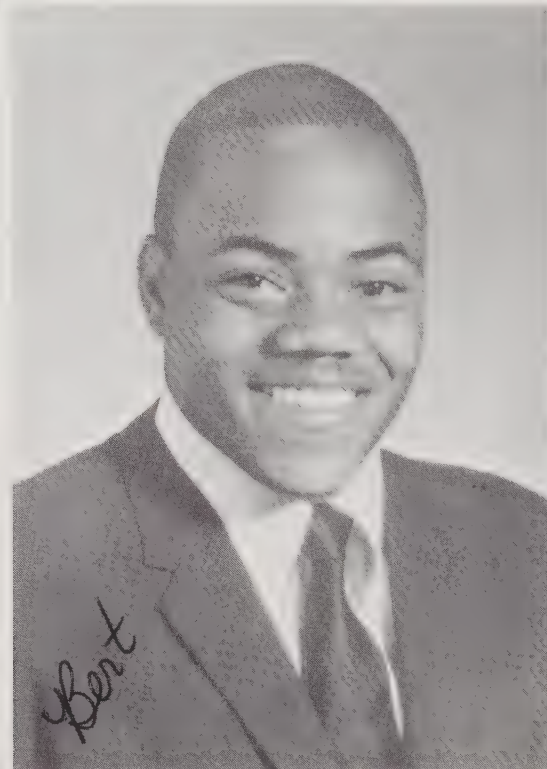
GWENDOLYN CLARKE

Dramatics  
Vespers Committee  
Sec. of Senior Class  
Birthday Dinner Committee  
Humanites

LaMONT CULPEPPER

Basketball Team  
Modern Dance Group

BERT CUMBY, JR.  
Palmer Troopers



FRANCES A. DARDEN

Sedalia Singers  
Yearbook Staff

KITTY DAWSON

Secretary Student Council  
Office Assistant



DENISE M. BRAXTON  
Dramatics



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WANDA BROWN  
Dramatics

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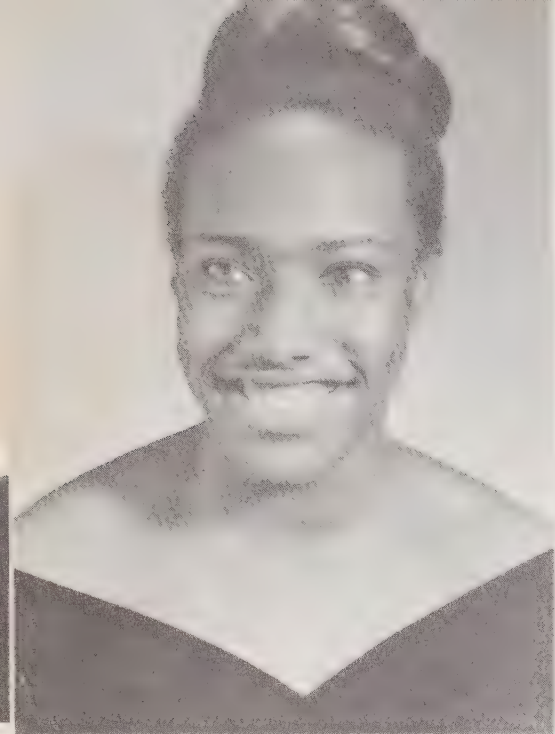
FELICIA CAMP  
Sedalia Singers

JEAN B. CANN  
Library Aide

LAURA A. CHRISTIAN  
Spanish Club  
Birthday Dinner Committee  
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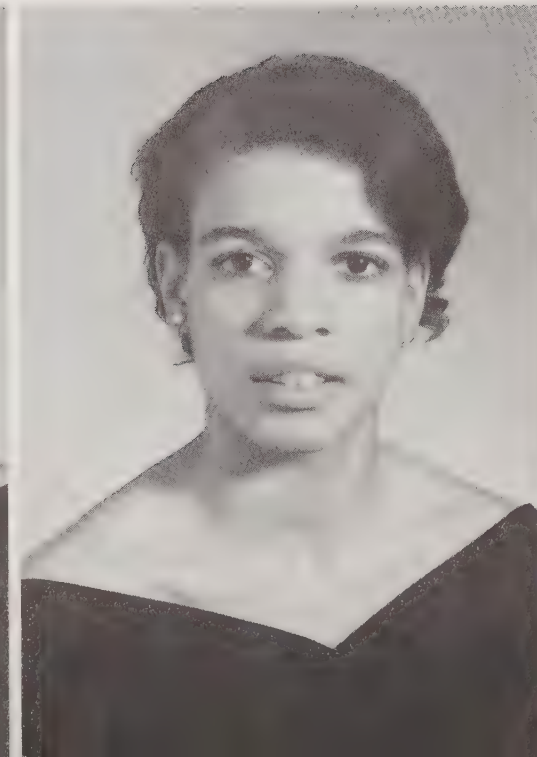




PAMELA G. DUNN  
Senior Tri-Hi Y Club  
Dramatics  
Birthday Committee  
Current Affairs Committee  
Yearbook Staff  
Sedalia Singers

EDITH DURRETT  
Birthday Committee  
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HENRY GADDIS  
Current Affairs Committee  
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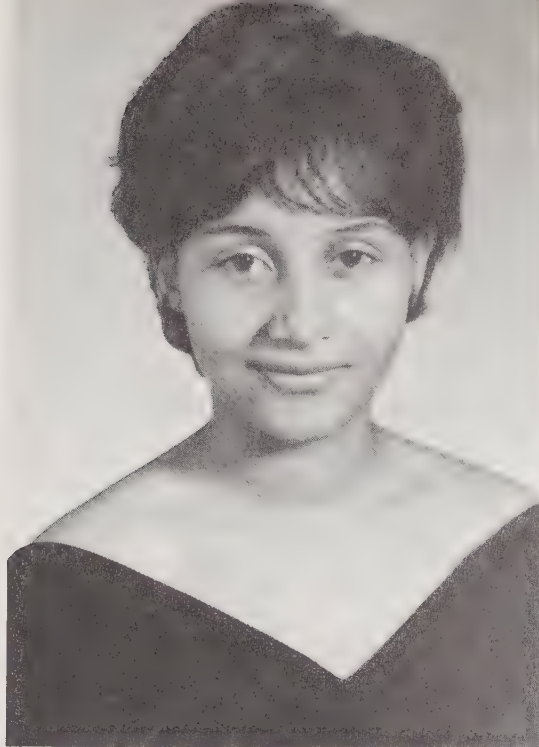
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Yearbook Staff

YVONNE GUMBS  
Humanites  
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Birthday Dinner Committee  
Spanish Club  
Captain of Cheerleaders  
Yearbook Staff



VANN HALL

Band



WILLIAM HARRIS, JR.

Spanish Club



DIANE HENDERSON

French Club

Birthday Dinner Committee

Dramatics

Humanities

YVONNE A. HILLIARD

Birthday Dinner Committee

Yearbook Staff

Dramatics

CAROL HURDLE

Sedalia Singers

Humanities

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HOWARD JACKSON

Basketball Team  
Library Aide  
Student Government

LAWRENCE KEITH

Vespers Committee  
Basketball Team  
Stationary Defense  
Spanish Club  
Band

JANET O. LYLES

Sedalia Singers  
Vespers Committee  
Spanish Club



VANCE A. MANN

Pres. Student Government  
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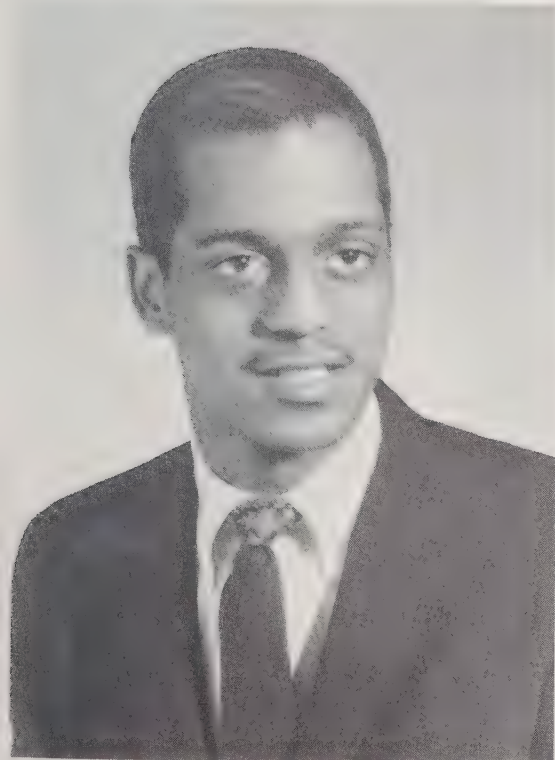
WELLINGTON MURRAY

Spanish Club  
Band  
Sedalia Singers



DELPHINE F. PATTON

Vice-Pres. Senior Class  
Yearbook Staff  
Birthday Dinner Committee  
Sedalia Singers  
Senior Tri-Hi Y Club  
Spanish Club  
Dramatics



JOHN PETTRESS, JR.

Pres. Senior Class  
Student Government  
Yearbook Staff  
Library Aide

GLORIA PHILLIPS

Student Government  
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BERNADETTE POE

Modern Dance Group  
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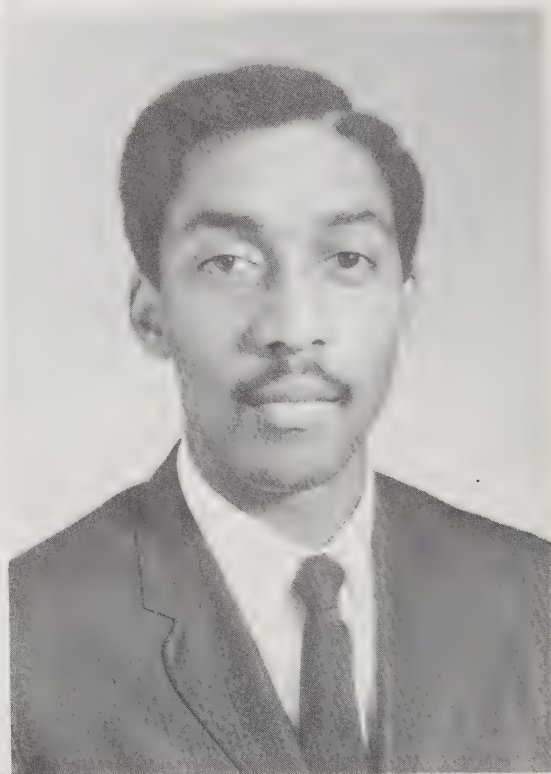
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Dramatics  
Birthday Dinner Committee  
Office Assistant  
Senior Tri-Hi Y Club  
Yearbook Staff

WILMA G. SCOTT

Dramatics  
Senior Tri-Hi Y Club  
Office Assistant

MILTON L. SHERRILL

Sedalia Singers  
Yearbook Staff  
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SHMURA SMITH

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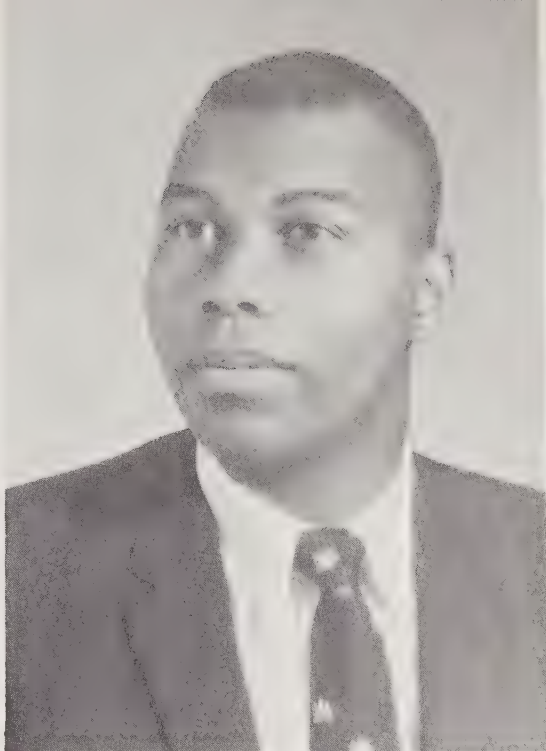


GARLAND STITH

Judge of Student Government

Library Aide

Yearbook Staff



LINDA SWINGLER

Dramatics

CARRIE THOMPSON

Dramatics

Office Assistant



CHARLES TIMMES

Capt. Basketball

Modern Dance Group

Yearbook Staff







MELONIE S. WILLIAMS

Humanities  
Vespers Committee  
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DENISE WILSON

Dramatics



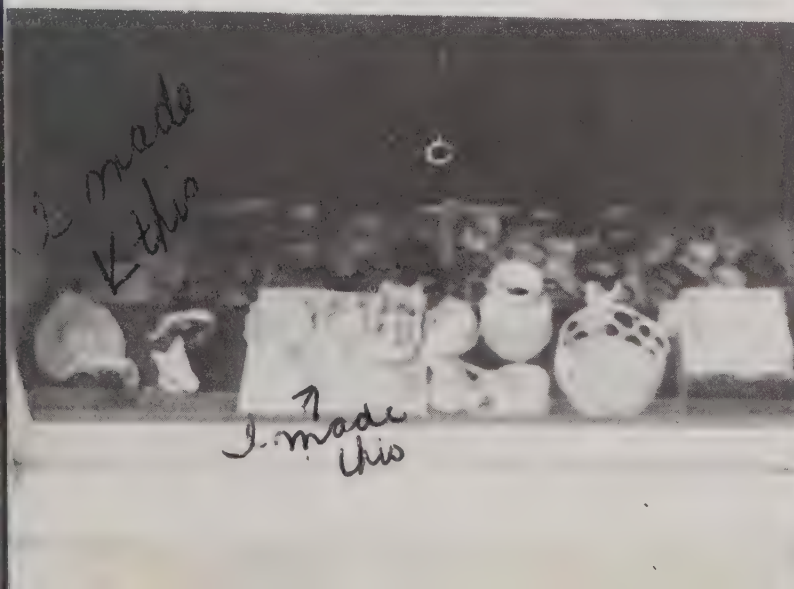
TERRI WILSON

Sedalia Singers  
Dramatics  
Yearbook Staff

PAMELA YOUNG

Humanities  
Sedalia Singers







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May 1, 1968



Dear Seniors:

An Annual is a compilation of memories, especially for you. These memories become more meaningful and joyous as the years go by. We are told that "a man's real possession is his memory. In nothing else is he rich, in nothing else is he poor." It is our fervent hope that your memories of the essence of Palmer will last for an infinity.

One memory may be the President emphasizing repeatedly the urgency of excellence in all efforts. The realization of the worth of this doctrine becomes more apparent with the wisdom of age.

We have endeavored to impart that body of knowledge which we feel will best equip you to join the Jeffersonian throng of the "elite of talent." This knowledge is but a segment of the total learning process of an individual life. Indeed, scientists inform us that in a lifetime the average brain can store a million-billion bits of information.

During your too brief tenure at Palmer, we have attempted to impress upon your memory a minute synthesis of values, calculated to cause you to be whole men and women imbued with humanistic concern and understanding of your fellowman. Mankind will not long endure; the memory of him will vanish from the earth unless we produce this "elite of talent" who are selfless in their genuine regard for their fellow-man.

May your memory of Palmer be happy and everlasting for memory is one paradise out of which we can not be driven.

With warm affection.

Sincerely yours,

*Harold E. Bragg*  
Harold E. Bragg  
President

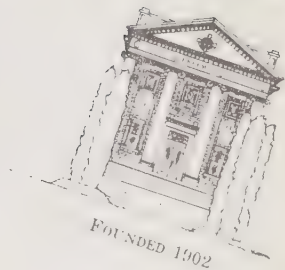
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*Administrative Offices*

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TO THE SENIOR CLASS OF 1968

Graduation is an occasion for both sadness and happiness. The element of sadness is apparent when we realize that the long cherished friendships we have won will perhaps end. The element of happiness is present when we realize that we have reached one of three milestones in life -- that of high school graduation. College and graduate school represents the latter two.

I sincerely believe and hope that our students will reflect their high school training in the college and university of their choice.

Best wishes to all.

*Charles W. Bundrige*  
Charles W. Bundrige  
Assistant to the President



# *Last Wills and Testaments*

Myra Alston wills to Valerie the ability to work hard at the things wanted out of life.

Emma Beckom wills to Marla and Sarah the very best of luck in the future and a lasting friendship.

Gail Bell reserves a place in her heart for her daughter, Joanne Gumbs and her sons Carl Lewis and Richard Wade. She wills them her ability to keep smiling even when it hurts.

Judy Benjamin wills to her sons Howard Sharpe and Larry Boykins, truth is the light. May it shine throughout both of their lives.

Vincent Boyd wills to his daughters Denise, Joanne and Carolyn the ability to stay out of trouble and make up their minds what they want to do.

Denise Braxton wills her children the ability to become the master of their fates, the captain of their souls and a purpose for each day lived.

Wanda Brown wills to Marla Potts and Sarah Goodwin the ability to wear mini-clothes.

Jean Cann wills to Claudine, Paule and Fred the right way to go.

Laura Christian wills to Carolyn the aptitude to maintain a mind of her own and don't let things stand in your way for what's right.

Gwen Clarke wills to Daphne Shipp her pleasing personality and the ability to maintain her temper.

Lamont Culpepper wills to George Smith the ability to inflict pain upon all underclassmen and to Tommy Davis all his girls.

Bert Cumby wills to Reginald Thomas the vocal chords of singing and to carry on the name, The Dynamics, as the last original members.

Ann Darden wills to Terri Brown her ability to sing loud.

Kitty Dawson wills to her 14 campus Children much success and happiness in the future.

Pamela Dunn wills to Cynthis Moulden and Marsha Wilcher the aptitude to accept things as they are and not to try to change them.

Edith Durrett wills to Phoebe Odum, sincere good wishes for your success next year and the fulfillment of everything moral and dignified.

Hank Gaddis wills to Tim Wilson his bambu smizzoes and tuisoes.

Barbara Gibson wills to Teri Brown her height with hope she can move 5 seats down in chapel.

Yvonne Gumbs wills to her campus sons Brian and George, may they always embark on the right path.

Vann Hall wills to Frank Gillespie the ability to carry on and much success in their Senior year.

William Harris wills to George Smith his ability to rule over all and to Tommy Davis his common sense.

Dianne Henderson wills to Betty and Jenise her charms and sweet disposition.

Yvonne Hilliard is taking everything with her; lock, stock and barrel.

Carol Hardle wills to Marla Potts her love for Palmer.

Howard Jackson wills to Desiree Reeves all his love and sweetness and the ability to like Palmer a little more in years to come.

Lawrence Keith wills to Timothy Wilson his place in the Senior line.

Vance Mann wills to Paule Harris his devotion and his ability to conquer situations and the desire to refrain from accepting things at face value.

Francine Murphy wills an everlasting memory to Tommy Davis and all the success for his final year at Palmer.

Wellington Murray wills to Lawrence Copeland the ability to play cards.

Delphine Patton wills to her son Fred her love for Palmer, to her daughter Fleda, position as head waitress, also to her devil Pat Timmes, the ability to catch her man.

John Pettress wills to Tommy Davis his height and to George Smith his position as senior class president.

Gloria Phillips wills to Myra Dubar her position in the Senior class.



Bernadette Poe wills to Brenda Elliot the ability to keep calm even in the hottest situations.

Shirley Price wills to Brenda Van Travis her typing position, and ability to be a responsible Senior and a challenging adult.

Wilma Scott wills to Linda Hill all the happiness and love she can possibly give to anyone.

Milton Sherrill wills to Cynthia Moulden his imagination and love of life and to remember life is a big problem that no one can avoid.

Rudolph Smith wills to Reginald Thom as the leader of the Devastating Dynamics.

Shumura Smith wills to her sister Crystal the ability to achieve in mathematics under Miss Dismuke.

Garland Stith wills to Fleda Mask the ability to lead P. M. I.

Linda Swinger wills to her campus daughter Sarah Goodwin the quest in seeking understanding from within each individual.

Carrie Thompson wills to Jackie Hemphill her personality and understanding.

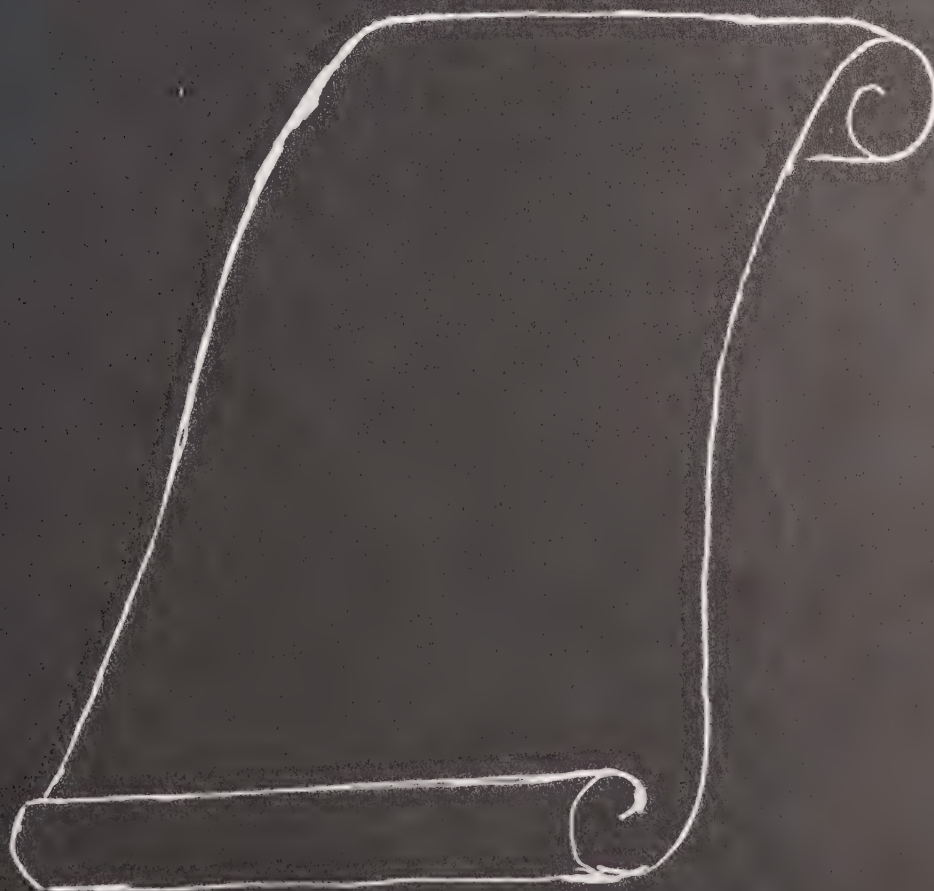
Charles Timmes wills to Tommy Davis the place as captain of the Varsity Squad 1968-69.

Melonie Williams wills to Madison the ability to acquire a peace of mind to overcome the everyday pressures of life and remember she will return.

Denise Wilson wills to her daughter Wanda all the happiness and success she desires.

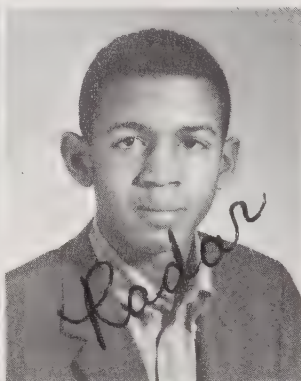
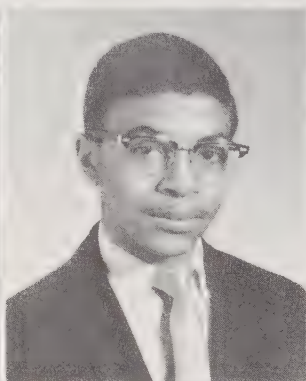
Terri Wilson wills to Tommy Key her ability to adjust, her love and her understanding.

Pamela Young wills her soft voice to Nena Best.

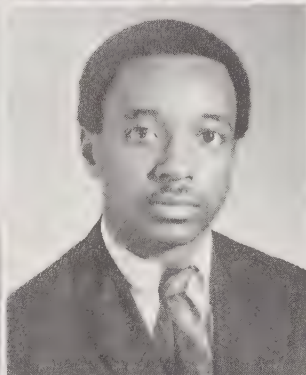
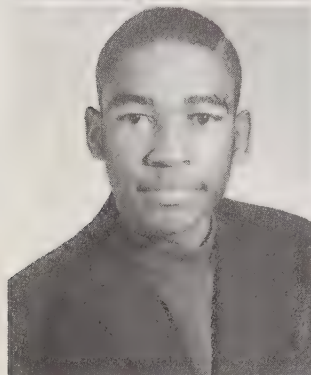




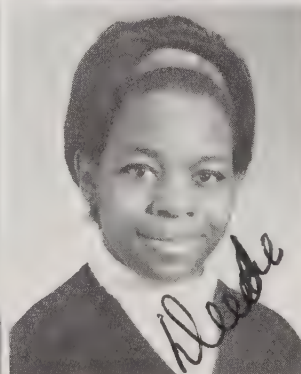
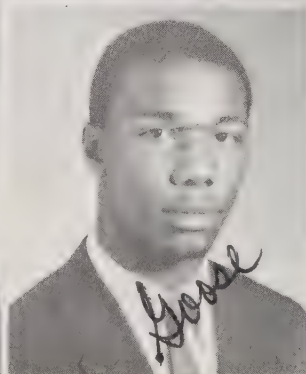
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Peter Boyd  
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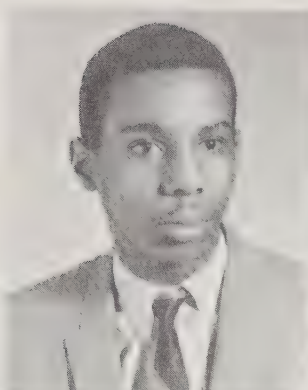


Charles Brickhouse  
George Brickhouse  
Teri Brown

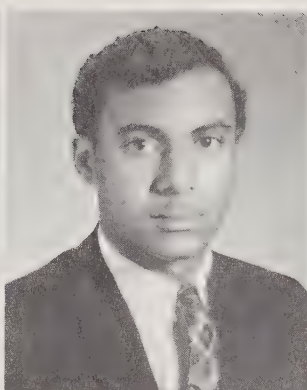


Celestine Camp  
Anthony Cary - *Gosse*  
Deborah Chapman - *Debbie*





Brian Coleman



Tommy Davis

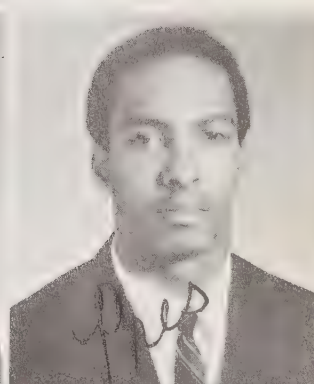


Myra Dubar



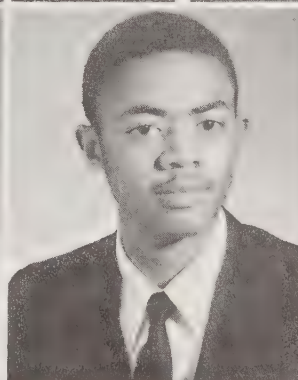
Frank Gillespie

Jenice Golson  
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*Bubbles*

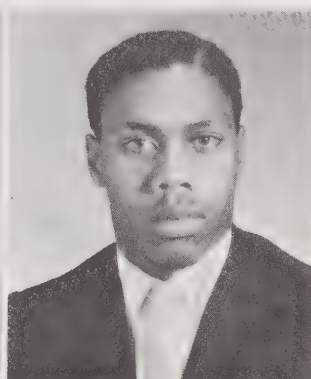
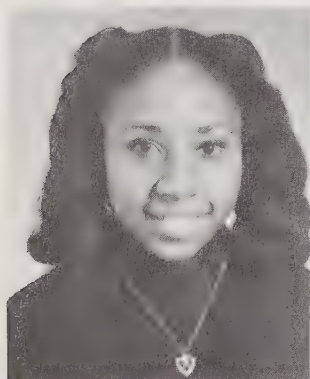
Joann Gumbs  
Charles Harriot  
Paule Harris



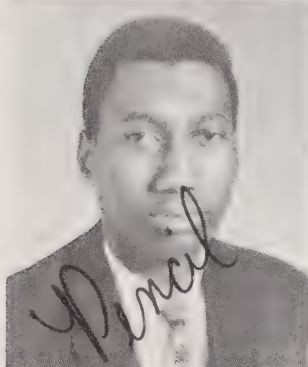
Linda Hill  
Andrea Jackson  
Carolyn Maddox







Fleda Mask - *Sonny Sweet*  
 Claudine McLaughlin - *Moss*  
 George McTootle



James Moore  
 Cynthia Moulden  
 Phoebe Odum

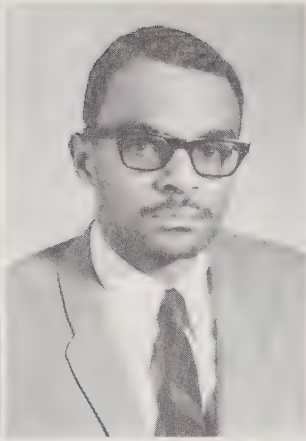


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 Marla Potts  
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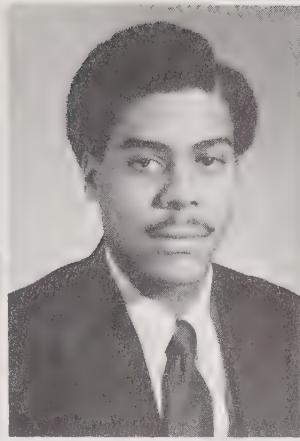




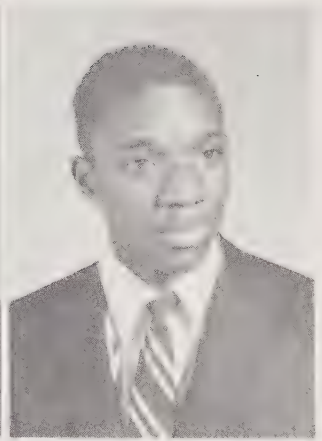
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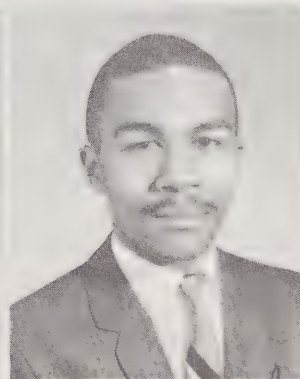
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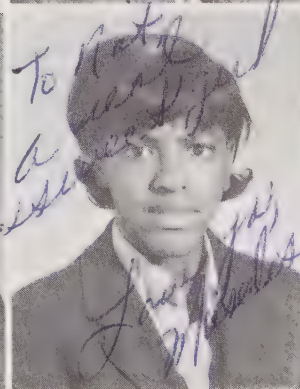
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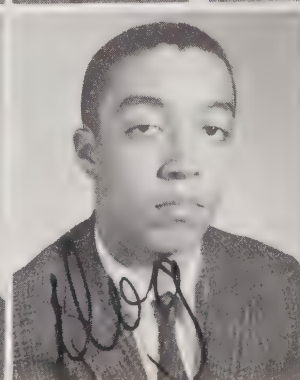
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Jacqueline Williams  
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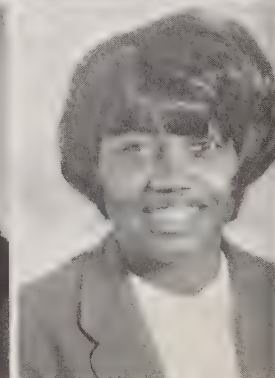
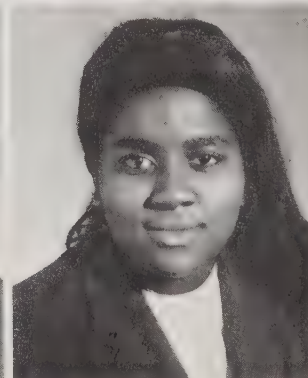
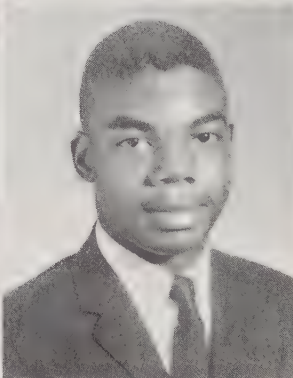
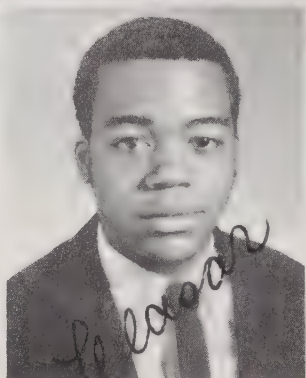
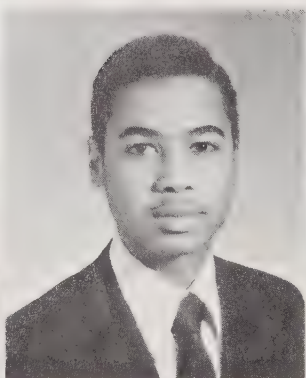
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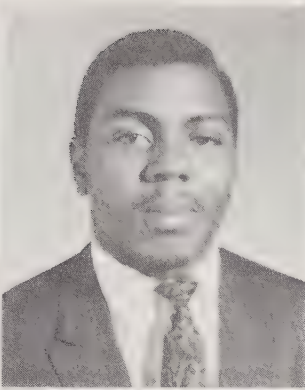
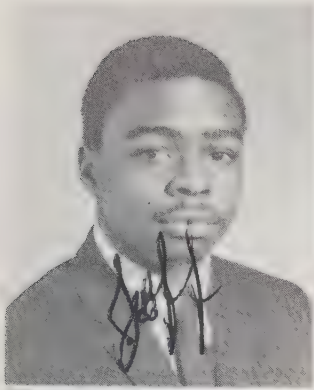
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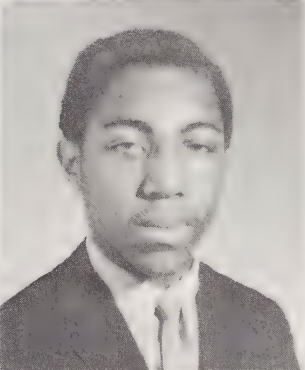
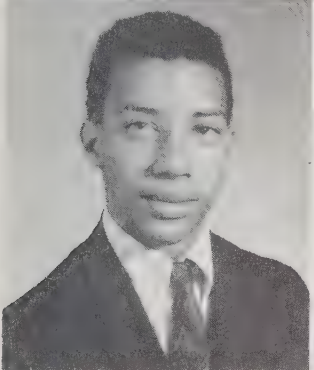
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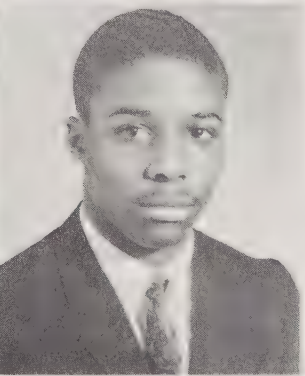
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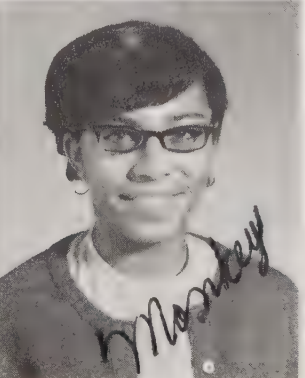
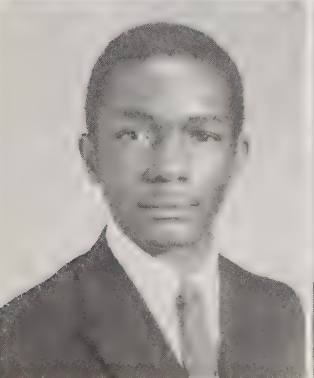
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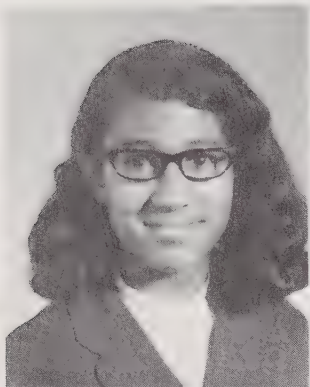


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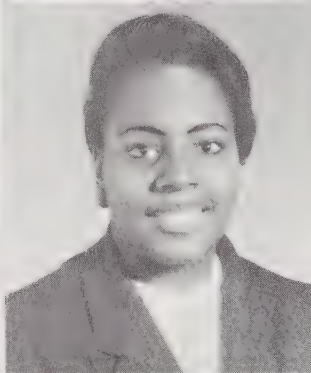
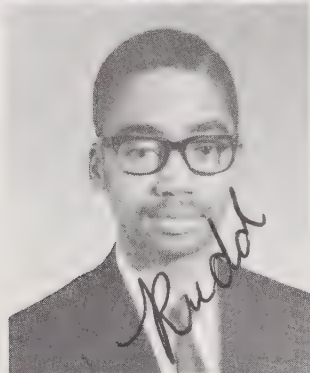


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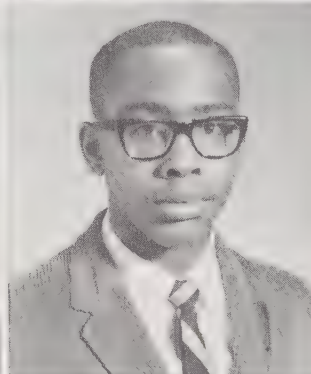




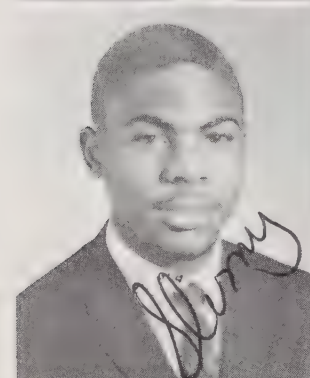
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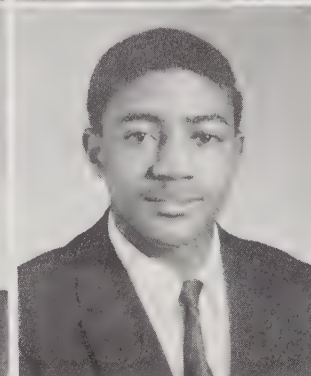
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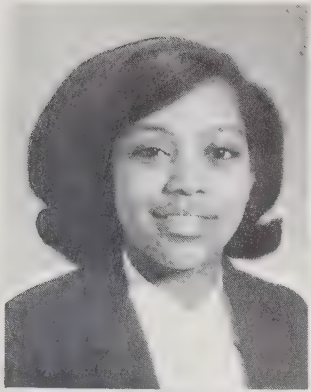


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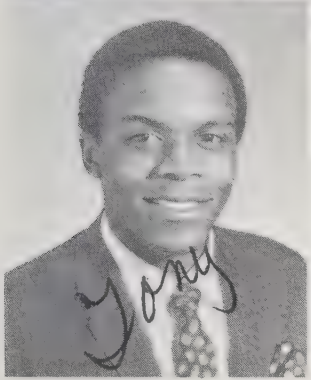


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Linda Watson  
Marcia Wilcher



Anthony Wills





# Freshman Class Officers



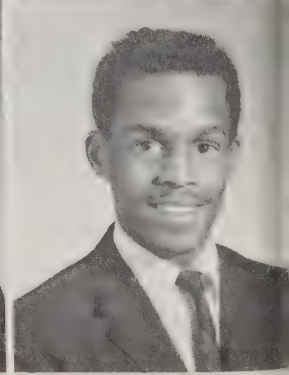
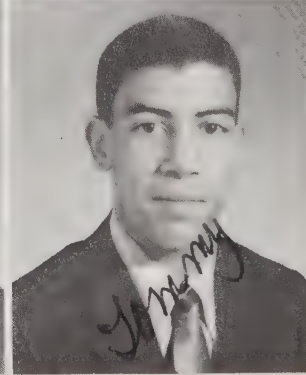
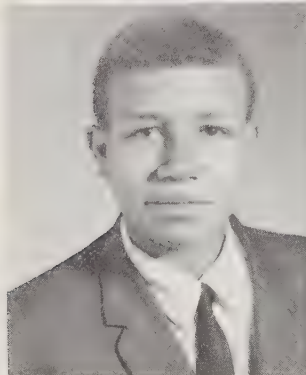
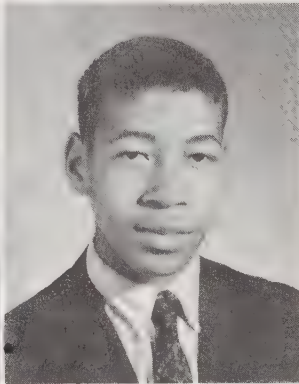
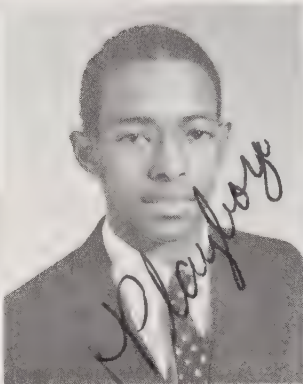
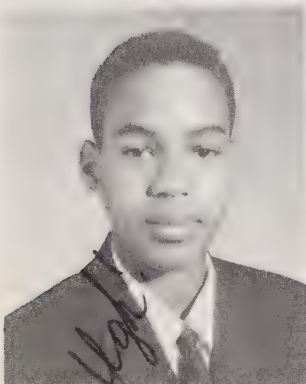
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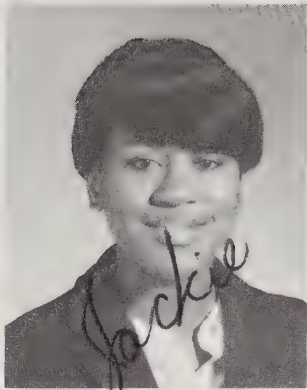
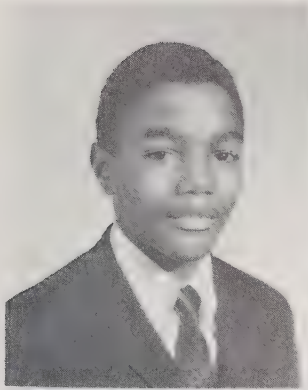
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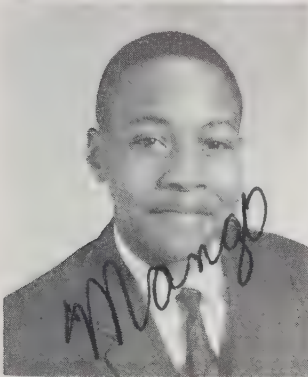




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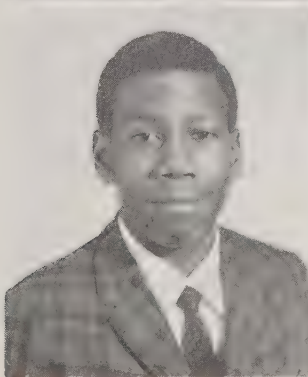
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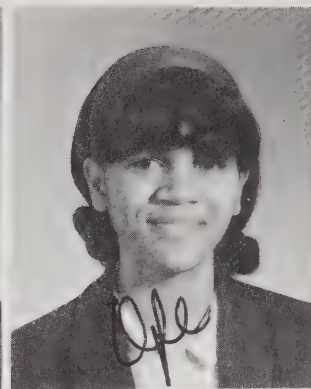
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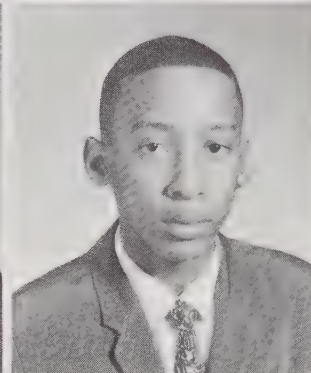
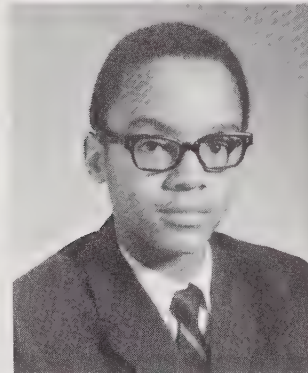
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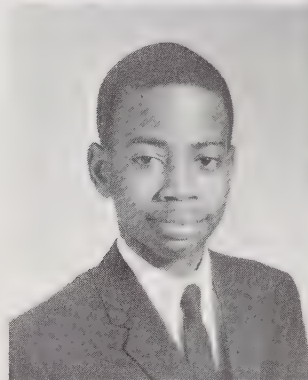
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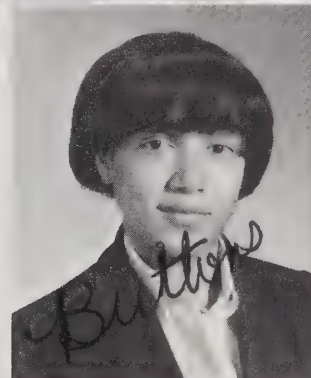
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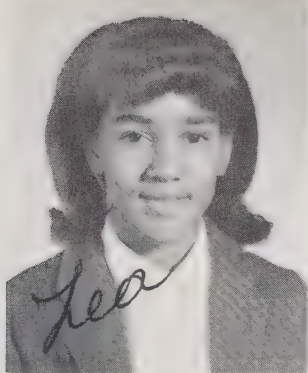
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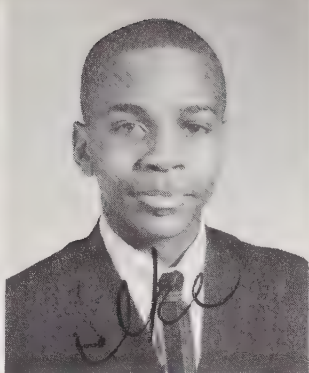
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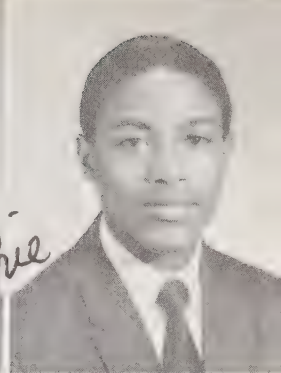
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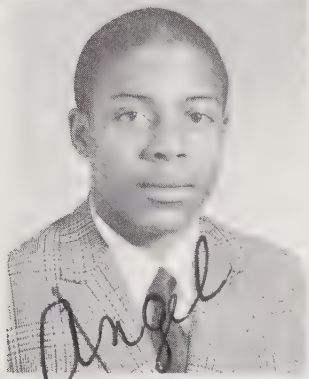
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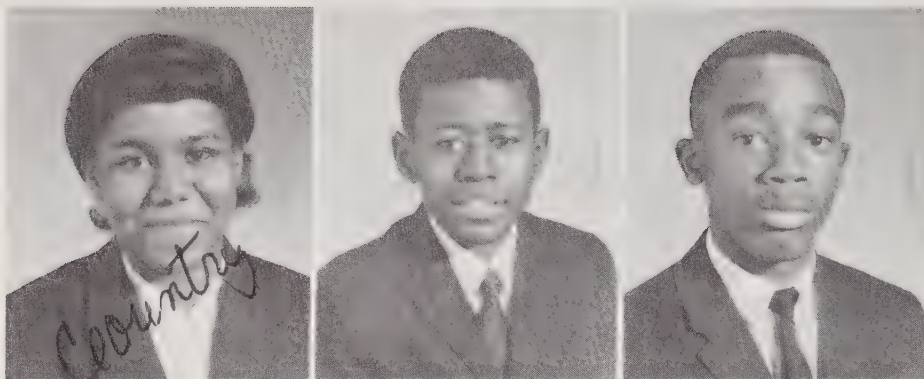


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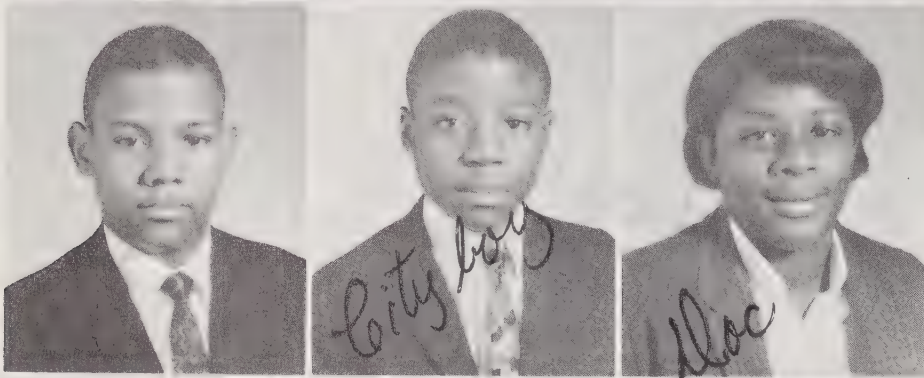
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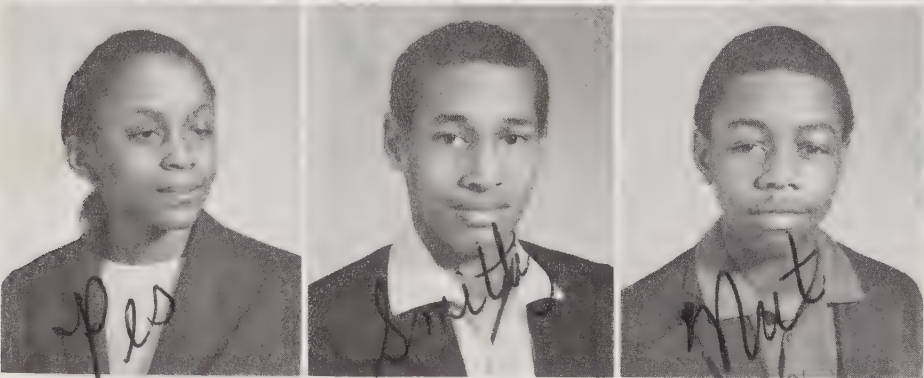
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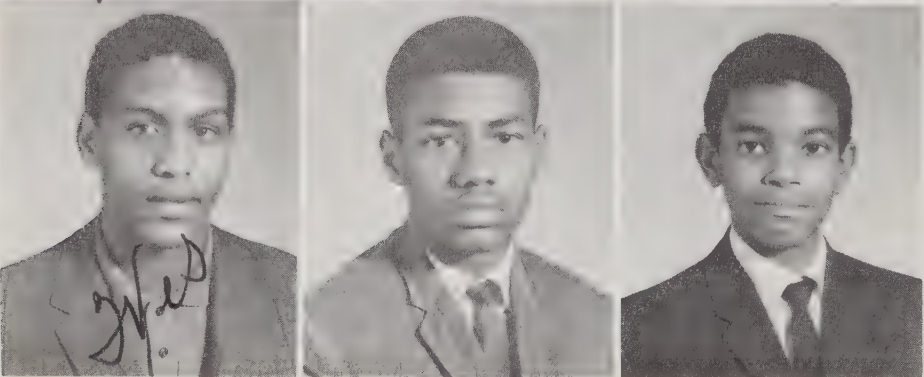
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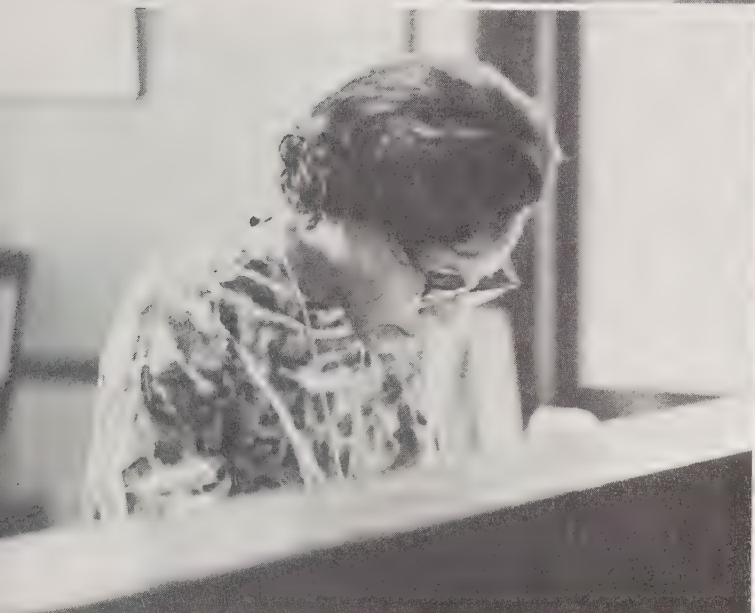
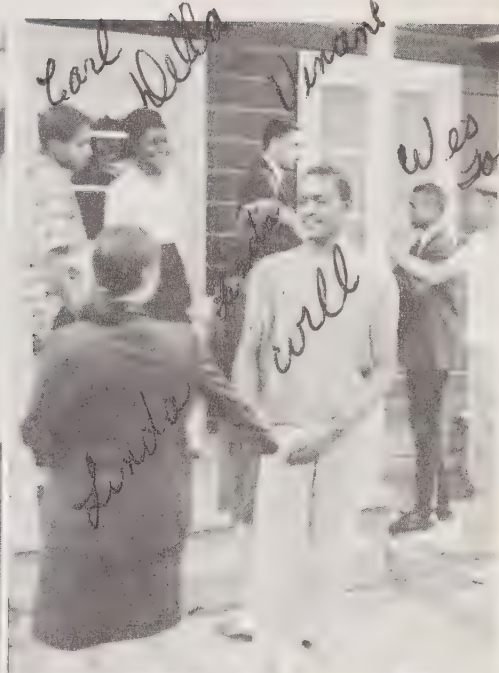


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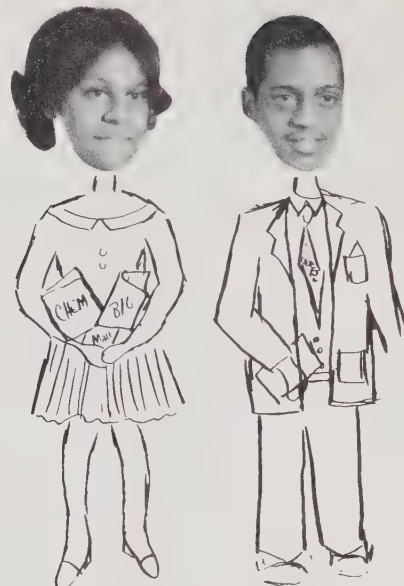




# Senior Celebrities



**MOST DISORGANIZED**  
Rudolph Smith – Pamela Dunn



**MOST STUDIOUS**  
Shumura Smith – Johnny Pettress



**MOST ATHLETIC**  
Yvonne Hillard – Charles Timmes



**MOST WITTY**  
Gail Bell – Bert Cumby



**MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED**  
Shumura Smith – Garland Stith



**CUTEST COUPLE**  
Pamela Young – Johnny Pettress



# Senior Celebrities



**MOST SARCASTIC**  
Laura Christian – Howard Jackson



**MOST ARTISTIC**  
Francine Murphy – Milton Sherrill



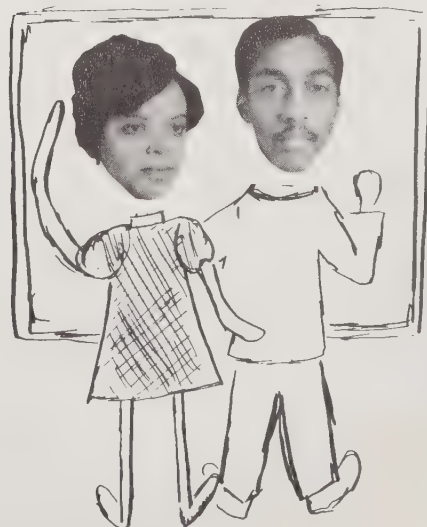
**BEST ACTRESS AND ACTOR**  
Dianne Henderson – Vance Mann



**BEST DANCERS**  
Lamont Culpepper – Judy Benjamin



**BEST DRESSED**  
Denise Wilson – Johnny Pettress



**MOST HELPFUL**  
Carrie Thompson – Milton Sherrill



# Senior Celebrities



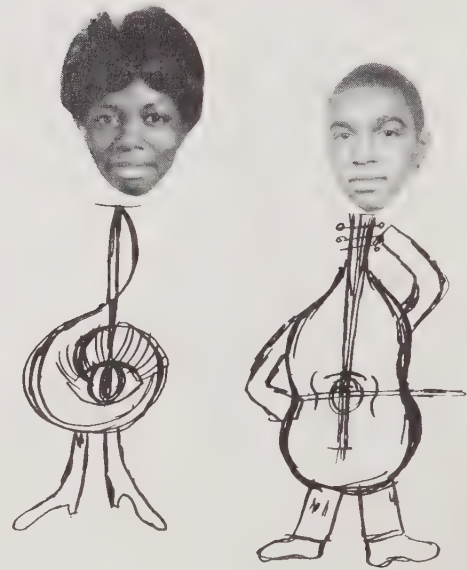
**BEST SENSE OF HUMOR**  
Gail Bell – Johnny Pettress



**NICEST SMILE**  
Denise Braxton – Bert Cumby



**BEST LOOKING**  
Edith Durrett – Howard Jackson



**MOST MUSICAL**  
Felicia Camp – Larry Keith



**MOST TALKATIVE**  
Larry Keith – Linda Swingler



**MOST POPULAR**  
Gail Bell – Johnny Pettress



# Organizations



The Annual Valentine Formal given by the Sophomores.







## *The Upper House*

The President of our community government presides over the upper house, represented by the elected president and vice president of each classification.

## *The Lower House*

The lower house is represented by one elected member for every ten students in his respective residential hall and will be headed by the vice president of the Executive Board.





## *Residence Hall Councils*



*Stone Hall Council*



*Eliot Hall Council*



# *Palmer Community Government*



## *The Executive Board*

The Executive Board of our community government serves as a liaison between the President of the institute and the Student body.

## *The Judicial Board*

Our Judicial Board interprets and handles all cases and problems of general discipline not under the jurisdiction of the dormitory councils or other special committees, or sent to it by another committee.







*Sedalia Singers  
Modern Dance Group*







## *Concert Band*

*"We Are The Music Makers"*



MAESTRO – TO THE PODIUM



# Junior Tri-Hi-Y



## Hi-Y



# Senior Tri-Hi-Y





## *Library Assistants*



## *Office Assistants*





## *The Vespers Committee*



## *The Current Affairs Committee*



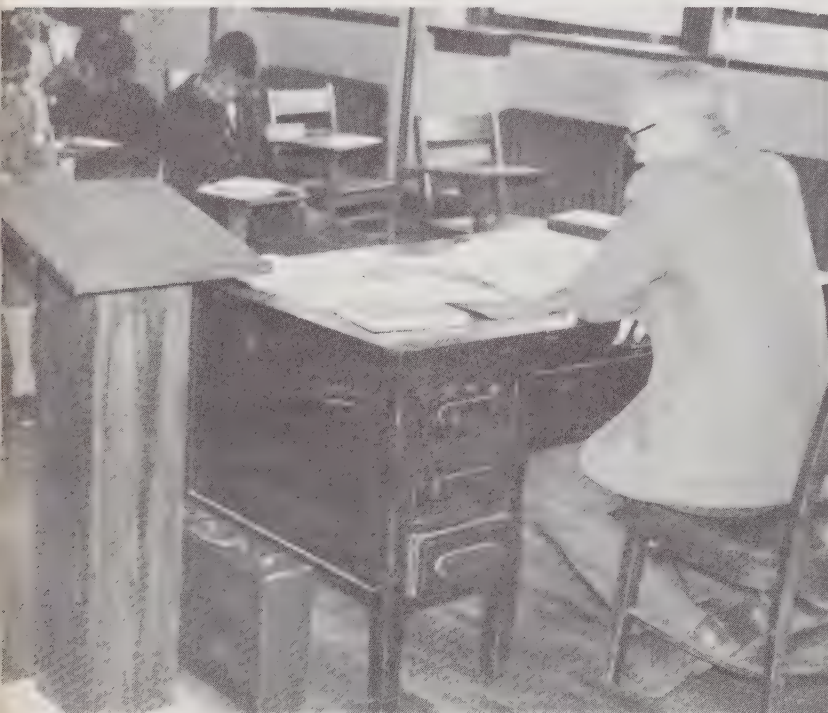
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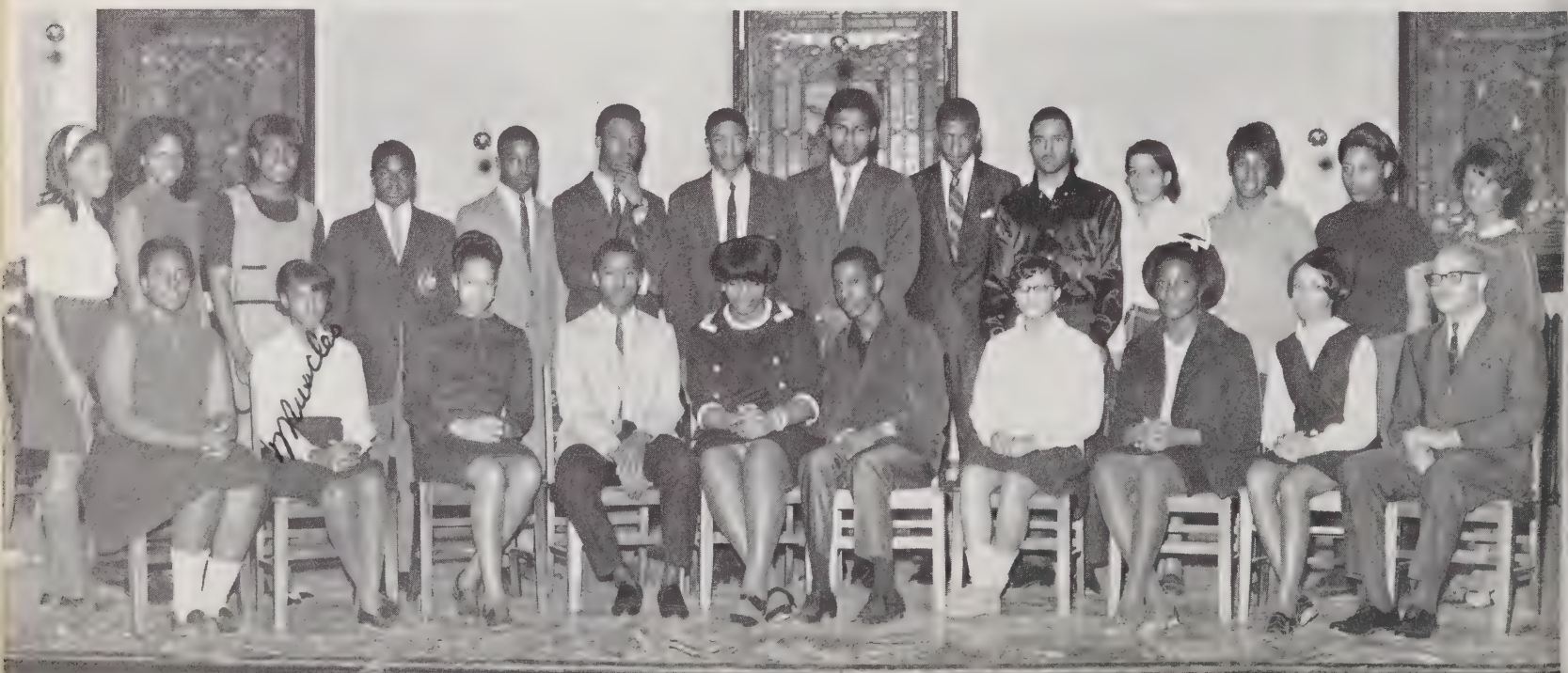


Le Club de Francais  
"C'est Le Francais"



LABOR  
OMNIA  
VINCIT  
"Work conquers everything"

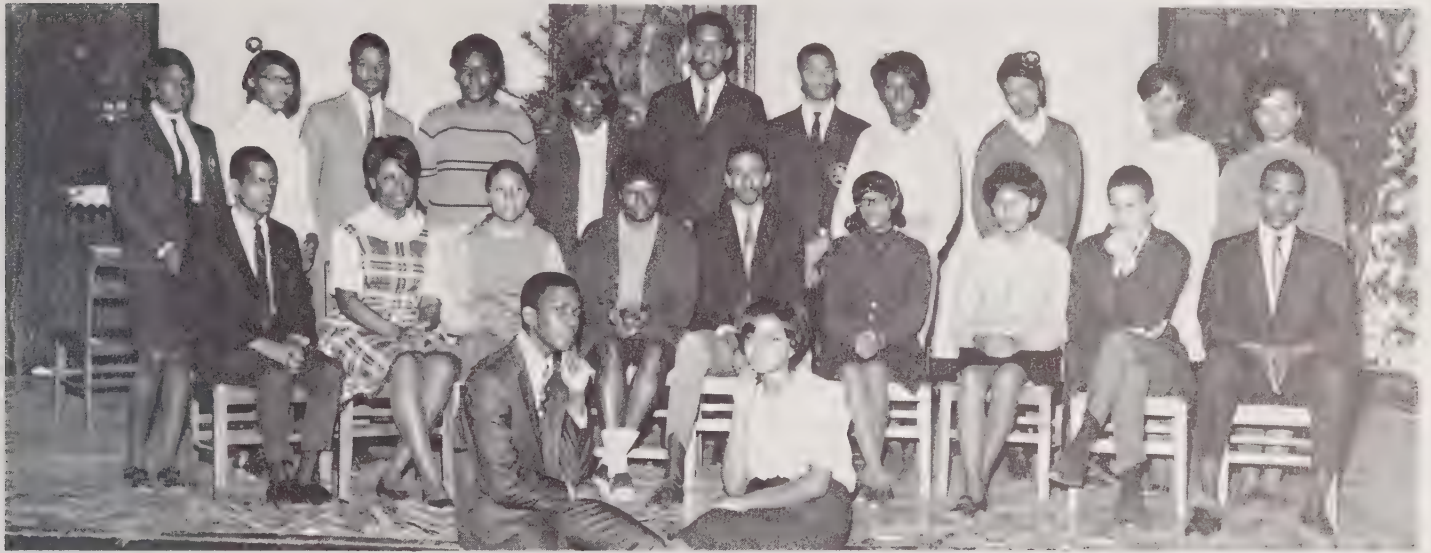
El Cluba de Espanol  
"Querrer es puder"  
Knowledge is power





# *The Owls*

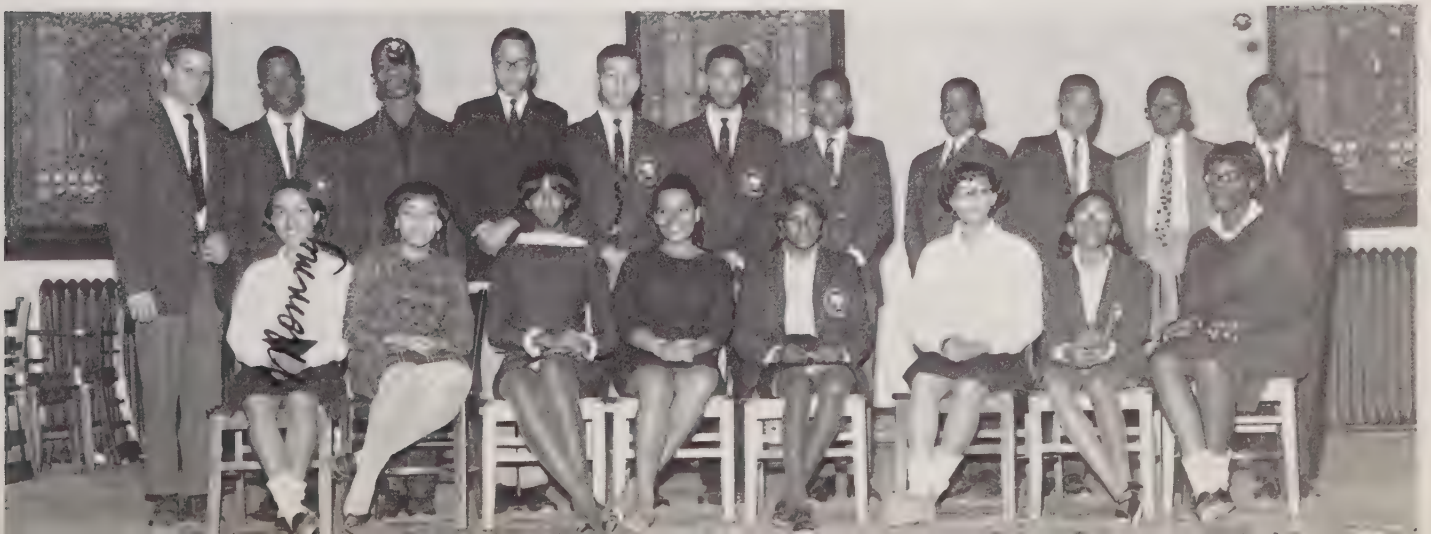
These students have been members of the Palmer Community for four, five and six years.



## *The Birthday Dinner Committee*



## *Student Marshals*





## *Summer School Abroad*



### *Palmer Troopers*





# Charlotte Hawkins Brown Speech and Drama Guild



## The Executive Board Speech and Drama Guild

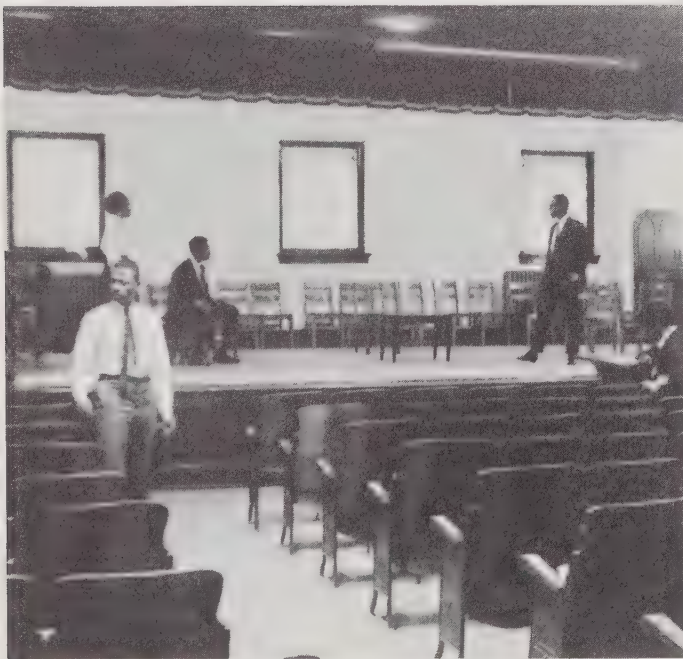




# *Charlotte Hawkins Brown Speech and Drama Guild*



## *The National Thespians*



### PRODUCTIONS

Presentation 1967

"Death of Bessie Smith"

"This Property Is Condemned"

"Little Fears"

"Antigone"

"Silver Cord"

"Eight Women and a Ghost"

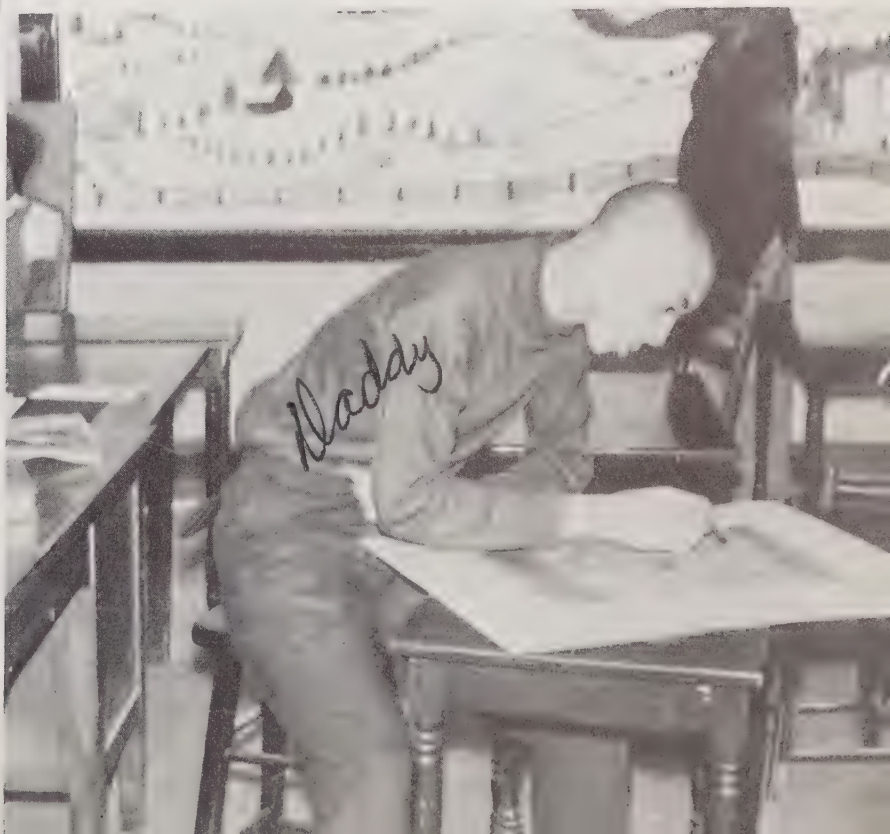


"STUDY THIS PROBLEM CAREFULLY."



"WELL, SO MUCH FOR THE BONGOS!"

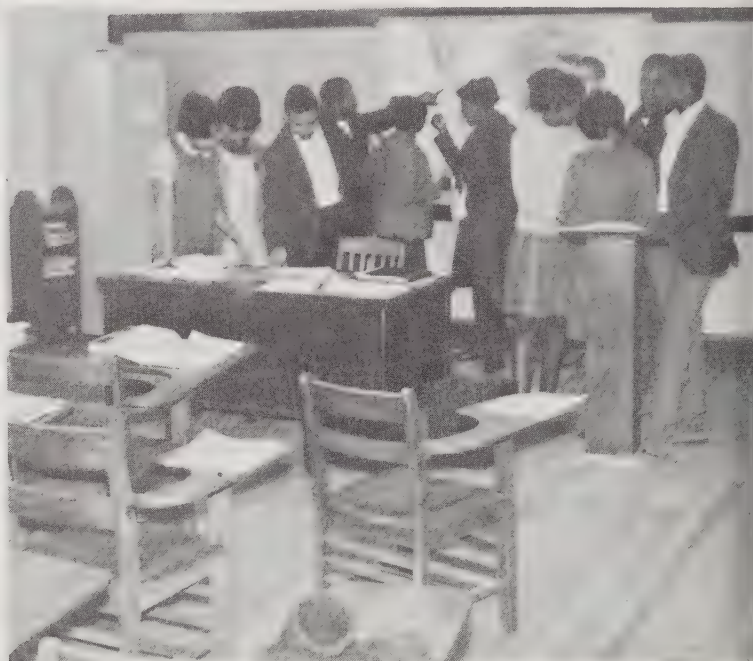
ARTISTS AT WORK!







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# *Sports*

The 1967-68 edition of the Palmer Pirates consists of twenty active members, twelve of whom belong to the Varsity Squad, headed by Captains Charles Timmes from Seattle, Washington and Vincent Boyd from Lawnside, New Jersey.

The overall record for the year for the Varsity stands at 9 wins and 9 losses. High scorer for the Varsity was Charles Timmes with 245 points, Tommy Davis was second and Vincent Boyd third.

The Captain of the Junior Varsity was George Smith. The Junior Varsity won 14 and lost 4 games. High scorer for the Junior Varsity was George Smith with 243 points. Anthony Cary was the second highest scorer and Carl Dawson was third.

Charles Timmes, Sports Editor  
LaMount Culpepper, Ass't Sport's Editor





# Varsity Basketball Squad



FRONT ROW FROM L TO R: Larry Boykin, Vincent Boyd, Charles Timmes, Richard Wade, Thomas Beachem. BACK ROW L TO R: George McTottle, Howard Jackson, Lamount Culpepper, Tommy Davis, Frank Gillespie, Preston Green, Mr. Charles W. Bundridge, Coach.



# Campus Scenes



Corse  
Boyle  
Londa



Wells  
Gronne  
Shirley



Lady  
Ray  
Louise







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# *Palmer Alumni*

Alumni Office

PALMER MEMORIAL INSTITUTE  
SEDALIA, NORTH CAROLINA

Palmer Alumni Association

Contributes to the

1968 Palmer Yearbook

Congratulations to the class of 1968 from The Alumni Association of Palmer Memorial Institute. Palmer Alumni around the world wish to congratulate you, the class of 1968.

We further extend our congratulations to the very efficient, understanding, and untiring staff that piloted you through the planning, editing, rewriting, and even thru periods of complete exhaustion. They stood hard by and brought you through and helped you to produce another book that represents the Palmer Ideal. The inspiration you gained from planning and working together should be most rewarding. And the very close, friendly contacts and communication required for this task, should give you confidence and provide further inspiration to each of you as you set out to chart your way through the perplexities of a radically changing society.

As Palmer Alumni, we appreciate the privilege of sharing and being asked to participate in this unique work. We will be following your future activities with great anticipation and wishing for you the best of guidance, instruction, and a will to succeed. We hope that you will distinguish yourselves collectively and individually as so many of our Alumni have done for themselves and our Alma Mater.

Upon graduation, each of you will automatically become Palmer Alumnus. But we invite you to become active alumnus. We invite you to share in the alumni activities, to keep in touch and be always concerned and interested in your Alma Mater.

As you go through life you will reflect three very important images, you must therefore ever strive to . . . live with yourself and so . . . to bring the highest honor to your family name and always exhibit the excellency in training you received here at Palmer Memorial Institute.

You will discover Palmerites in almost every one of the Continental United States of America and in several foreign countries. You will find quite a few of them playing leading roles in the on going and progressive programs of



their communities, their state and nation. They will be eager to tell you that they were aroused, awakened, and inspired here at Palmer. They took advantage of that training, they built upon those concepts learned, they enlarged their horizon. Armed with these attributes and inspired by a burning desire to accomplish and obtain their set goals, nothing could stop them.

Again your Alumni congratulates you, adores each of you and is wishing for every one of you a happy and prosperous life. Will you truly dedicate yourselves to a life of service wherever you are?

Yours for Service to Palmer,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Wm H. D. Lanier". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Wm" and last name "Lanier" being more prominent than the middle initial "H. D.".

William H. D. Lanier, Sr. '22  
Director of Alumni Office



# *Alumni*



GREENSBORO, N.C. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Mr. W. Lanier is the coordinator of the Palmer Alumni Association



Miss McNeil is the Assistant to Mr. Lanier.



*To Natalie  
I practically lived in  
your room for a long time  
so I feel rather close to you  
farewell Class of 1933  
Hisa*



ROW 1: Henry Dugas, Viola Ezell, Helen Brown, Augusta Perry, Leila Weeden, Virginia Perry, John Lee. ROW 2: Ruth Thompson, Gertrude Watkins, Verna Taylor, Gladys Brown, Lula Wilson, Gervars Holt, Ruth Johnson. ROW 3: Robert Wimbish, Leonard William, Carol Brice, Florence Green, Grantham Simpson, Lucille Davis, Joseph James, Thomas L. Davis.

MRS. MAMIE OGBORN DAVIS  
134 REMINGTON PLACE  
NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y.

Graduated from Palmer in 1924, moved from Greensboro, N.C. to New Rochelle, N.Y. in the thirties and began work in the St. Catherine A.M.E. Zion Church there.

She is a member of the Mabelle Hospter Eastern Star Prince Hall Order, Pyramid Temple 45 I.M.P.O.E. of World Elks, Grand District Deputy of Elks, Willie Davis Women's Club. Also, Macco O Bacon Veterans of Foreign War Auxiliary, Courts of Calonth Knights of Pythians, Unity Past Daughters Rulers Council of West Chester County and an Insurance Writer with United Mutual Life and Empire State.



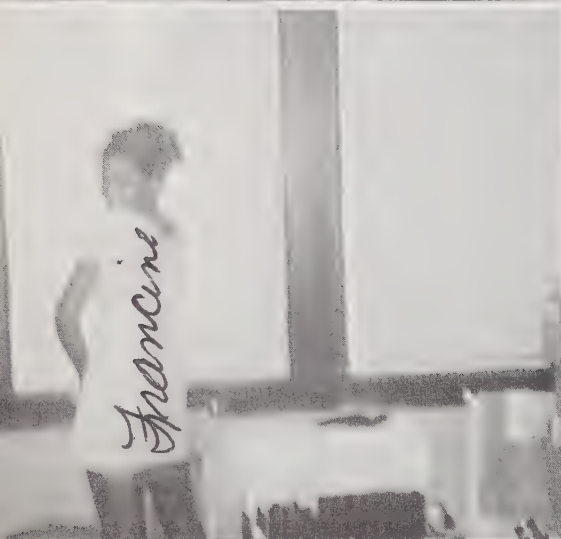
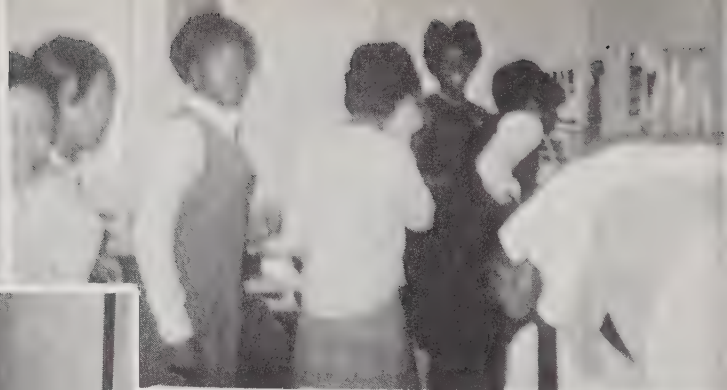
# *The Yearbook Staff*



When you see a yearbook you see pictures;  
you never see  
many hands and hearts working together—  
This is their yearbook.







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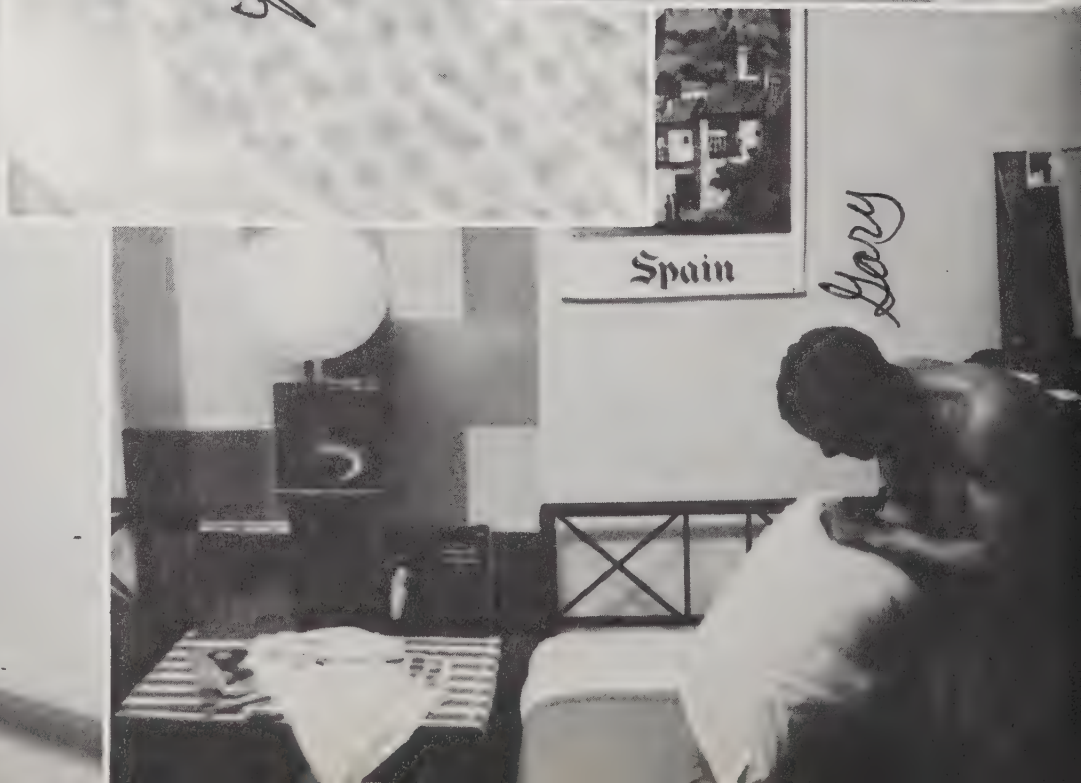
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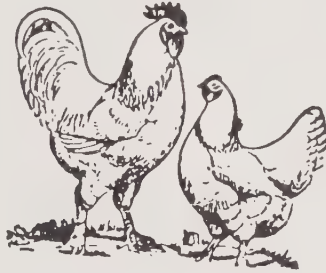
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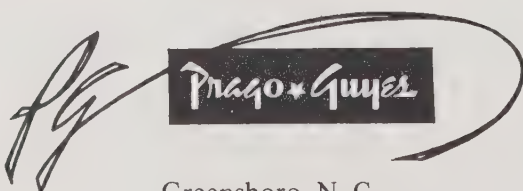
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# Message of Appreciation

When we undertook this project, our aim was to publish the finest yearbook in the history of Palmer. However, this alone was not enough had it not been for the outstanding benevolent efforts of several people. Yvonne A. Hilliard exhibited her efforts by raising the largest amount of money from advertisements. Fleda Mask from the class of 1969 demonstrated her artistic talent by drawing title pages and the Senior Celebrities on which she did a fine job. We thank Mr. Harris for his contribution to the yearbook by his photography.

The Senior Class could not depart from these portals without expressing our thoughts of gratitude and appreciation to those who have made it possible for us to grow and develop under the principles of Palmer Memorial Institute. We thank the faculty and staff for having helped us to achieve to our fullest extent an excellent and invaluable education. We also thank the dormitory directors for having helped us to become socially and culturally mature young adults. Last, but certainly not least, we give our most humble thanks to our President for having made all of this and more possible. We realize our heritage and are especially proud that we have had a small part in the history of this great institution.

This, then, is our last will and testament, the Palmerite for 1968 – a declaration of uniqueness, a constitution of innovation, and a bequeath of glory.

Pamela G. Dunn

Dear Natalie,  
It has indeed been a pleasure  
having had your acquaintance this  
year.  
Stay sweet and keep your sparkling  
personality!  
Remember me as your "Blue-eyed  
Paul Pista" from California.  
Love ya!  
Pam  
'68





"THE OLD LANDMARK"  
CAMPUS BELLTOWER

## *Alma Mater*

FAIR PALMER thy sons and thy daughters  
give cheer  
While their voices with rapture do thrill  
Thy message so sweet shall forever echo  
It's harmony o'er vale and hill;  
Fair Palmer, the pride of each rural home  
Thus planted on soil all their own;  
Where the briar and the cactus once  
flourishing grew  
Stands a flower of wood and of stone.

FAIR PALMER, thy children with fervor  
still ring  
Thy praises o'er mountain and lea;  
Thy light into darkness forever shall shine  
While the race pays its homage to thee;  
Each year as we come, new trophies we bring,  
At thy feet we will gladly lay down  
'Til the stars in the heavens, each glittering gem  
Lend glory to bedeck thy crown.

## *The Yearbook Staff*

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Melonie Williams

Reserved for Sandra Wilson

Dear Natalie,

To make a long  
story short, I love you.  
I wish you and hope  
you'll remember me  
in future years

Love,

Mom

68

but my year  
is

71



Dear Mother  
Woman.  
To a sweet young  
early. I should  
marry for the best because  
I think you should  
you deserve it. Love  
Bessie

Patricia,  
You are a very  
sweet person. Stay that  
way. I will remember as  
a person that takes things as  
they are.  
Much success and the best  
of luck during your remaining  
years at Palmer. Your remaining  
Looking forward to see you again.  
Love,  
Gloria '68

Patricia,  
To my sweetest  
daughter. Go, my  
best for continued  
good fortune in all  
aspects of life. God Bless  
and keep you forever  
Love,  
Your Daddy,  
Tommy  
(69)

To my sweet sis  
that I never forget  
and, I always love  
you.  
Your Bro  
Wes

To Natalie  
Natalie I have been  
very proud of you this  
year. I don't know whether you  
plan on coming back next year  
or not, but anyway you will  
my first campus daughter and  
will never forget you. Keep up  
the good work and no matter what  
keep smiling

Love Ya Ma,  
Fleda

P.S. I will bring the  
stamps

To Natalie  
It has been more  
than a pleasure knowing  
you this year and Don't  
forget the fun times we've  
had, but forget the bad.

Best of luck as a  
Freshman next year.

Love ya  
Crystal



Dear Natalie,

I have grown quite fond of you these last two years and I find this year has been more enjoyable having you as a close friend. I am assured you will grow into a well-rounded woman. Confident that she (yourself) will do an excellent job in whatever you do. May happiness meet you at every corner. Best of luck and may you excel in whatever you do.

Love ya,  
Muscles, "69"

Dear Natalie,

It has been a pleasure to have known you. I wish that you will have all the success in the world.

Love always!  
Garland Stith Jr.

Natalie  
To a very  
nice girl. Keep up  
the good work here at Palmer  
you will make a fine leader. I wish  
you the best of luck in the future  
Vincent

Dear Natalie

It has been more than  
a pleasure to me, having  
the chance to get to know  
you and be your friend. You  
have really shown the  
School and the student's  
and maybe soon, the whole  
world what you have to  
offer. "Your Brains". Keep  
your brains, your beautiful  
personality and anything  
else you have to offer and  
you'll "do it, to it".

Be sweet and remember  
me always

Love ya' loads

Marcia

"Miss California"

Natalie,  
You are truly a  
wonderful person. May  
success follow you in  
all your endeavors.

Always,  
Angi or Andrea  
Louise  
Jackson  
GG -

To Natalie  
One of the  
nice young ladies  
I know.

Love,  
Jemce  
Good Luck!



"Campus 68".

To Natalie,

One of the nicest girls on campus.  
Stay sweet, keep the average, and the  
sweet personality. Remember me  
always.

Love ya

Linda

of class

"70"

aledictorian

Dear Natalie,  
I'll be here in  
about 10 days after a  
year of fun, frolic & merriment.  
You are certainly a  
sweet girl and I'm  
convinced you will  
be a success. Best wishes  
see you next year.  
Love ya  
Linda

To Natalie,  
you're a very  
sweet girl with a  
good brain. Stay  
that way and always  
remember that only you  
can make your dream come  
true! Good Luck!  
Love ya always,  
myra  
"class of 69".

Dear Natalie,  
Knowing you  
was fun and promise  
me that you will keep on  
that desk just so that when  
I come back for your class night  
you will get the award for the  
highest average. Remember that  
life is hard but can be made  
easy if you just take your time.  
Never forget the "48 of '68"  
Love, "68"

Natalie, sweet  
a very good always  
lovely I'll see you  
dad & I'll see you  
remember your "Hornie"  
your "Gwen"  
"68

Natalie—

It's been nice knowing you. I wish you all  
the luck in the world & much success. Bye.

Love ya,  
Olga



Reserved for Josie

Reserved for Linda Brown













