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PAINT BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT  
SHADY GROVE MUSIC FAIR, BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND  
JUNE 17, 1974

*Gregory J. Taylor*

DR. NEJAKO, MEMBERS OF THE PAINT BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL  
FACULTY, MEMBERS OF THE PAINT BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS,  
PARENTS, AND FRIENDS: IT IS A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO BE HERE  
WITH YOU ON THIS MOST IMPORTANT DAY.



FIRST OF ALL, ALLOW ME TO OFFER CONGRATULATIONS. I  
CONGRATULATE THE TEACHERS WHO HAVE IMPARTED KNOWLEDGE AND  
WISDOM TO THESE GRADUATING SENIORS OVER THE YEARS. I CONGRATULATE  
THE PARENTS FOR THE PATIENCE THEY HAVE SHOWN WHILE GROWING UP  
ALONG WITH THEIR SONS AND DAUGHTERS. AND I CONGRATULATE THE  
GRADUATES ON THIS, THEIR DAY OF COMMENCEMENT.



*As I said earlier*

I AM SINCERELY GLAD TO BE HERE TODAY. ONE REASON I  
~~AM HERE IS THAT I ENJOY TALKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE. I HAVE~~  
ALWAYS FELT THAT WHEN ADULTS ARE NO LONGER IN SYMPATHY WITH  
YOUTH, THEN THEIR WORK IN THIS WORLD IS FINISHED. IT IS PRECISELY  
BECAUSE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE SO FULL OF HOPE AND HAVE LIVES OF  
UNFULFILLED PROMISE AHEAD OF THEM THAT THEY ARE SO WORTHY OF  
ATTENTION,

*believe me - you are most worthy  
of attention.*



I AM ALSO HERE BECAUSE OF THE YOUNG MAN WHO PRESENTED  
ME TO YOU TODAY--GREG FRAZIER--AND GREG'S DAD, RICHARD FRAZIER.  
AS YOU MAY KNOW, MR. FRAZIER HAS WORKED WITH ME DURING MY  
ENTIRE NINE YEARS AS HOUSE MINORITY LEADER AND MY ENTIRE SIX  
MONTHS AS VICE PRESIDENT. I HAVE NEVER KNOWN A FINER OR MORE  
DEDICATED GENTLEMAN.



YOU, THE MEMBERS OF THE GRADUATING CLASS, HAVE MADE MY SPEAKING APPEARANCE HERE TODAY VERY EASY. YOU HAVE GIVEN ME AN EXCELLENT THEME--"THE DAWN OF A NEW DAY."

THIS IS, OF COURSE, THE DAWN OF A NEW DAY FOR ALL OF YOU. IT MARKS A SHARP BREAK IN YOUR LIVES. IT IS THE BEGINNING OF NEW ADVENTURES, NEW EXPERIENCES. SOME OF YOU WILL GO ON TO COLLEGE. SOME WILL TAKE SPECIAL TRAINING FOR OCCUPATIONS REQUIRING CERTAIN ADDITIONAL SKILLS. SOME WILL GO DIRECTLY INTO JOBS. AND NO DOUBT SOME OF YOU WILL GET MARRIED SOON AND BEGIN RAISING FAMILIES.



IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES WHEN SO MANY AMERICANS HAVE  
LOST FAITH IN THEIR GOVERNMENT, IT IS IMPORTANT TO REALIZE THAT  
A NEW DAY HAS ALREADY DAWNED FOR AMERICA IN SPITE OF ALL THE  
PROBLEMS STILL PLAGUING US.

IN THE PAST FIVE DECADES, LIFE EXPECTANCY HAS INCREASED  
50 PER CENT IN THE UNITED STATES, THE WORKING DAY HAS BEEN CUT  
BY A THIRD, AND PER CAPITA OUTPUT HAS DOUBLED.



WE NO LONGER FEAR EPIDEMICS OF FLU, TYPHUS, DIPHTHERIA,  
SMALLPOX, SCARLET FEVER, MEASLES OR MUMPS. DREADED POLIO IS

NO LONGER A MEDICAL FACTOR, WHILE TUBERCULOSIS IS ALMOST UNHEARD OF.

*who met the hard challenges of several wars & a  
Tough Depression*  
BECAUSE OLDER GENERATIONS WERE HARD-WORKING AND

TECHNOLOGICALLY INCLINED, YOUR GENERATION HAS MORE LEISURE TIME,

BETTER EDUCATION, MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO TRAVEL AND MORE

OPPORTUNITIES TO FOLLOW CHOSEN VOCATIONS.





WE HAVE FOUGHT RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AT EVERY TURN  
AND HAVE BEGUN A NEW ERA IN CIVIL RIGHTS.

WE HAVE BUILT THOUSANDS OF HIGH SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES,  
TRAINED AND HIRED TENS OF THOUSANDS OF BETTER TEACHERS, AND WITH  
THE HELP OF FEDERAL FUNDS WE HAVE MADE HIGHER EDUCATION A REAL  
POSSIBILITY FOR MILLIONS WHERE IT ONCE WAS THE DREAM OF ONLY A FEW.



WE HAVE MADE A START ON HEALING THE SCARS OF THE EARTH  
AND IN FIGHTING POLLUTION AND THE DESTRUCTION OF OUR NATURAL  
ENVIRONMENT. WE HAVE SET ASIDE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF ACRES  
OF LAND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS TO ENJOY.



WE HAVE ENDED THE VIETNAM WAR AND BROUGHT BACK MORE THAN  
500 AMERICAN POW'S. WE HAVE ENDED THE DRAFT. WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED,  
ALMOST MIRACULOUSLY, THE DISENGAGEMENT OF ISRAELI AND EGYPTIAN  
TROOPS AND OF SYRIAN AND ISRAELI FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST--KEY  
STEPS TOWARD THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A PERMANENT PEACE IN THAT STRIFE-  
TORN AREA. PRESIDENT NIXON'S BOLD INITIATIVES AND SECRETARY OF  
STATE KISSINGER'S SUPERB NEGOTIATING ABILITIES HAVE OPENED A DOOR  
TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND HAVE PRODUCED NEW STRATEGIC  
ARMS LIMITATION NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TOWARD DETENTE WITH THE  
SOVIET UNION.



WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS. WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS TOWARD  
WORLD PEACE, AND WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS TOWARD A HIGHER STANDARD  
OF LIVING FOR ALL AMERICANS.

A NEW DAY HAS ALREADY DAWNED FOR YOU, AND IT HOLDS THE  
PROMISE OF EVEN BRIGHTER TOMORROWS.

FROM A PURELY MATERIAL POINT OF VIEW, LET ME POINT OUT  
THAT AMERICA IS MOVING RAPIDLY TOWARD A SOCIETY WHERE:



...THE AVERAGE FAMILY, WITH AN INCOME OF \$21,000, WILL  
HAVE A STANDARD OF LIVING COMPARABLE TO THAT OF A MIDDLE  
MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE TODAY.



...THE TYPICAL WORK WEEK WILL BE 20 PER CENT SHORTER,  
CREATING EVEN GREATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRAVEL AND RECREATION  
THAN NOW.

...WE WILL SEE THOUSANDS OF TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENTS, SUCH AS THREE-DIMENSIONAL RADARSCOPES FOR AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL; WIDESPREAD USE OF COMPUTERS IN CRIME PREVENTION AND DETECTION; AND MODULAR OR QUICKLY INTERCHANGEABLE PARTS FOR HOME APPLIANCES.



...MEDICINE WILL CONTINUE ITS PROGRESS AGAINST HEART DISEASE, MAY CONQUER ARTHRITIS, AND WILL DOUBLE THE PRESENT CURE RATE OF CANCER.

THERE NEVER WAS A TIME WHEN AMERICAN LIFE WAS RICHER  
IN OPPORTUNITIES THAN IT IS TODAY. IN EVERY DIRECTION, THERE ARE  
PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED, ISSUES TO BE MET.



DON'T LOOK TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR ALL THE SOLUTIONS.  
PROGRESS WILL BE MADE THROUGH INDIVIDUAL INCENTIVE, INDIVIDUAL  
EFFORT, AND HARD WORK.

I CANNOT OVEREMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF HARD WORK IN  
ACHIEVING INDIVIDUAL SUCCESS. IN MY VIEW, THERE ARE TWO KINDS OF  
PEOPLE IN THE WORLD: THE DOERS AND THOSE WHO MAKE EXCUSES FOR  
THEMSELVES.



BUT REMEMBER THAT MERE GOODS CAN NEVER BESTOW REAL HAPPINESS  
ON A PERSON OR GIVE HIM OR HER THE SENSE OF A LIFE WELL LIVED.  
MECHANICAL SOLUTIONS AND MASS ANSWERS CAN NEVER TAKE THE PLACE OF  
INDIVIDUAL THOUGHT AND SELF-DISCIPLINE.



SELF-DISCIPLINE AND LOVE ARE THE BASIS FOR PERSONAL

HAPPINESS. AND HERE I WILL DEPART FROM YOUR COMMENCEMENT THEME--

BECAUSE THIS IS AN OLD TRUTH AND NOT PART OF THE DAWNING OF A NEW

DAY.

SELF-DISCIPLINE AND LOVE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN THE ESSENTIAL

INGREDIENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL HAPPINESS.



WHAT IS SELF-DISCIPLINE? IT MEANS DOING WHAT IS RIGHT  
SIMPLY BECAUSE YOU KNOW IT TO BE RIGHT; OR, CONVERSELY, REFRAINING  
FROM WRONGDOING SIMPLY BECAUSE YOU KNOW IT IS WRONG. NO MOTIVATION  
JUSTIFIES THE DOING OF EVIL.

AMERICA IN RECENT MONTHS HAS BEEN SHAKEN BY ONE  
DISILLUSIONING DEVELOPMENT AFTER ANOTHER. WHAT THESE DEVELOPMENTS  
HAVE POINTED UP IS THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL INTEGRITY AND STRENGTH  
OF CHARACTER.



WE HAVE SHUDDERED UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE HAMMER BLOWS  
THAT FALL UPON A NATION WHEN HIGH-PLACED INDIVIDUALS ENGAGE IN WRONG-  
DOING IN THE MISTAKEN BELIEF THAT THE END JUSTIFIES THE MEANS

FORTUNATELY, WE ARE FINDING THAT OUR INSTITUTIONS OF  
GOVERNMENT ARE STRONG--STRONG ENOUGH TO WITHSTAND ALL OF THE TESTS  
POSED BY WHAT IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS WATERGATE.



I HAVE MENTIONED THE IMPORTANCE OF PERSONAL CHARACTER. I  
HOPE YOU GRADUATES HAVE ALL HAD WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE NEED TO GROW  
STRONG IN CHARACTER--LOVE, DISCIPLINE, AND OPPORTUNITY TO EXERCISE  
A SENSIBLE KIND OF INDEPENDENCE.



REPUTATION IS PRECIOUS, FOR ONCE IT IS DESTROYED IT IS  
VERY HARD TO REGAIN IT. BUT REPUTATION IS ONLY WHAT PEOPLE ARE LED  
TO THINK OF US; CHARACTER IS WHAT WE ACTUALLY ARE. CHARACTER IS THE  
ONLY THING WE GET TO TAKE WITH US WHEN WE DEPART THIS WORLD.

WHAT SHOULD YOU BE THINKING ABOUT, THEN, AS YOU ENTER UPON  
THIS DAWN OF A NEW DAY? SELF-DISCIPLINE, LOVE AND CHARACTER.

LET ME LEAVE ONE MORE THOUGHT WITH YOU. HAVING SPENT 25  
YEARS IN THE CONGRESS, INCLUDING NINE YEARS AS HOUSE MINORITY LEADER,  
AND HAVING OCCUPIED THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR A LITTLE MORE  
THAN SIX MONTHS, I HAVE OBSERVED THAT IT IS NOT POWER OVER OTHERS  
THAT CAN MAKE YOU HAPPY. IT IS NOT PRESTIGE; NOT HIGH RANK. IT  
IS THE SMILE OF ANOTHER PERSON WHOM YOU HAVE HELPED. IT IS THE LOVE  
OF YOUR FAMILY. IT IS DOING SOME UNREWARDED ACT OF GOODNESS FOR  
SOMEONE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.



I KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT POWER--AT LEAST I DID BEFORE I  
BECAME VICE PRESIDENT--AND I KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT PRESTIGE. LET  
ME ASSURE YOU THAT NEITHER POWER NOR PRESTIGE HAS ANY VALUE UNLESS  
THE INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED IS DEDICATED TO A LIFE OF SERVICE.



YOU CAN BEST FIND YOURSELF IF YOU LOSE YOURSELF IN SERVING  
OTHERS. HELP MAKE THIS A BETTER, KINDLIER, MORE MORAL, MORE  
SPIRITUAL-MINDED EARTH. LOVE JUSTICE, DO MERCY AND WALK HUMBLY  
TOGETHER. IN THAT WAY YOU WILL MAKE EVERY MORNING THE DAWN OF A  
BRIGHT NEW DAY.

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REMARKS BY VICE PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD  
PAINT BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES  
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BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND  
MONDAY, JUNE 17, 1974, 10:00 A.M.

FOR RELEASE AT 10:00 A.M. MONDAY

Dr. Nejako, members of the Paint Branch High School faculty, members of the Paint Branch High School graduating class, parents, and friends: It is a great pleasure for me to be here with you on this most important day.

First of all, allow me to offer congratulations. I congratulate the teachers who have imparted knowledge and wisdom to these graduating seniors over the years. I congratulate the parents for the patience they have shown while growing up along with their sons and daughters. And I congratulate the graduates on this, their day of commencement.

I am sincerely glad to be here today. One reason I am here is that I enjoy talking with young people. I have always felt that when adults are no longer in sympathy with youth, then their work in this world is finished. It is precisely because young people are so full of hope and have lives of unfulfilled promise ahead of them that they are so worthy of attention.

I am also here because of the young man who presented me to you today — Greg Frazier — and Greg's dad, Richard Frazier. As you may know, Mr. Frazier has worked with me during my entire nine years as House Minority Leader and my entire six months as Vice President. I have never known a finer or more dedicated gentleman.

You, the members of the graduating class, have made my speaking appearance here today very easy. You have given me an excellent theme — "The Dawn of a New Day."

This is, of course, the dawn of a new day for all of you. It marks a sharp break in your lives. It is the beginning of new adventures, new experiences. Some of you will go on to college. Some will take special training for occupations requiring certain additional skills. Some will go directly into jobs. And no doubt some of you will get married soon and begin raising families.

In these difficult times when so many Americans have lost faith in their government, it is important to realize that a new day has already dawned for America in spite of all the problems still plaguing us.

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Because older generations were hard-working and technologically inclined, your generation has more leisure time, better education, more opportunities to travel and more opportunities to follow chosen vocations.

We have fought racial discrimination at every turn and have begun a new era in civil rights.

We have built thousands of high schools and colleges, trained and hired tens of thousands of better teachers, and with the help of Federal funds we have made higher education a real possibility for millions where it once was the dream of only a few.

We have made a start on healing the scars of the earth and in fighting pollution and the destruction of our natural environment. We have set aside hundreds of thousands of acres of land for future generations to enjoy.

We have ended the Vietnam War and brought back more than 500 American POW's. We have ended the draft. We have accomplished, almost miraculously, the disengagement of Israeli and Egyptian troops and of Syrian and Israeli forces in the Middle East — key steps toward the achievement of a permanent peace in that strife-torn area. President Nixon's bold initiatives and Secretary of State Kissinger's superb negotiating abilities have opened a door to the People's Republic of China and have produced new strategic arms limitation negotiations leading toward detente with the Soviet Union.

We are making progress. We are making progress toward world peace, and we are making progress toward a higher standard of living for all Americans.

A new day has already dawned for you, and it holds the promise of even brighter tomorrows.

From a purely material point of view, let me point out that America is moving rapidly toward a society where:

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What should you be thinking about, then, as you enter upon this dawn of a new day? Self-discipline, love and character.

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There never was a time when American life was richer

in opportunities than it is today. In every direction, there are problems to be solved, issues to be met.

Don't look to the Federal Government for all the solutions. Progress will be made through individual incentive, individual effort, and hard work.

I cannot overemphasize the importance of hard work in achieving individual success. In my view, there are two kinds of people in the world: The doers and those who make excuses for themselves.

But remember that mere goods can never bestow real happiness on a person or give him or her the sense of a life well lived. Mechanical solutions and mass answers can never take the place of individual thought and self-discipline.

Self-discipline and love are the basis for personal happiness. And here I will depart from your commencement theme-- because this is an old truth and not part of the dawning of a new day.

Self-discipline and love have always been the essential ingredients for individual happiness.

What is self-discipline? It means doing what is right simply because you know it to be right; or, conversely, refraining from wrongdoing simply because you know it is wrong. No motivation justifies the doing of evil.

America in recent months has been shaken by one disillusioning development after another. What these developments have pointed up is the importance of personal integrity and strength of character.

We have shuddered under the weight of the hammer blows that fall upon a Nation when high-placed individuals engage in wrongdoing in the mistaken belief that the end justifies the means.

Fortunately, we are finding that our institutions of government are strong--strong enough to withstand all of the tests posed by what is commonly known as Watergate.

I have mentioned the importance of personal character. I hope you graduates have all had what young people need to grow strong in character--love, discipline, and an opportunity to exercise a sensible kind of independence.

Reputation is precious, for once it is destroyed <sup>it is</sup> ~~we can~~ <sup>very hard to</sup> ~~never~~ regain it. But reputation is only what people are led to think of us; character is what we actually are. Character is the only thing we get to take with us when we depart this world.

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**PAINT BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL**

**COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES**



**Monday, June Seventeenth  
Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Four  
10 o'clock a.m.  
Shady Grove Music Fair  
Gaithersburg, Maryland**



PROGRAM

- Processional.....Paint Branch Band
- Introduction of Guests on Stage.....Patricia Dixon  
Class President
- In'ocation.....Rev. Elgar C. Soper  
Pastor, Colesville United Methodist Church
- Remarks.....Dr. Homer O. Elseroad  
Superintendent of Schools, Montgomery County
- Salutation.....Donald Small
- Valedictorian.....Thomas B. Simpson
- Choir Selections.....Paint Branch Choir  
Grant Us Light.....Words by May Sarson  
Music by Eric H. Thiman  
America Our Heritage....Words and Music by Helen Steele  
Arranged by Hawley Ades
- Remarks.....Dr. Mark E. Nejako  
Principal
- Introduction of Guest Speaker.....Greg B. Frazier  
Member Graduating Class
- Message to the Class.....The Honorable Gerald R. Ford  
Vice-President of the United States
- Greeting from Board of Education.....Dr. John S. Aird
- Presentation of Diplomas.....Dr. Mark E. Nejako  
Dr. John S. Aird
- Benediction.....Rev. Elgar C. Soper
- Recessional.....Paint Branch Band

Maureen Grace Ann Aarons  
 Joe Allen Adam  
 William DuWayne Alder  
 Gene William Allen  
 William Winn Ancell  
 George Bradley Apter  
 Lewis Hunt Archer  
 \*Pamela Elaine Arms  
 \*Carolyn Marie Austin  
 Janice Jean Avallone  
 Susan Kay Barnett  
 Steven Edward Bartlett  
 \*Paul David Barton  
 Madelene Schuyler Bates  
 Randall Ernest Beatty  
 Bruce Edward Becraft  
 \*Eugene Robert Belt  
 Kim Autumn Lynette Bennett  
 John Gustaf Berg  
 Ronald Alvin Blaker  
 Pamela Ann Blalock  
 \*Hugh Pierce Bogumill  
 \*Neil Anthony Bradley  
 George John Bregman  
 Lisa K. Brenkworth  
 David Jeffrey Brown  
 Deborah E. Brown  
 \*Ellen Sue Brown  
 \*Jeffrey Parks Brown  
 Rebecca Lynn Bucholz  
 Theresa Anne Burgess  
 \*William Howard Burnett Jr.  
 Margo Carroll Burton  
 \*Judith Ann Canter  
 Lolita Regina Carter  
 Gina Marie Casale  
 John Wells Casey  
 \*Debra Hill Chasnoff  
 Kayretha Vernet Chisley  
 Cheryl Leslie Cholwek  
 Deirdre Catherine Clarkin  
 Karen Patrice Cleverly  
 Eugene Alonzo Cole III  
 Jacqueline Ann Cordell  
 Karen R. Curtis  
 Samuel Arthur D'Andelet Jr.  
 Michael Joseph Damron  
 James Stuart Daniel  
 Lisa Louise Dickerson  
 Robert Allen Diener  
 James Edward Dixon  
 Patricia Ann Dixon  
 Robert Francis Dixon

\*National Honor Society Member

Richard Lucien Dobrydnio  
 Stephen Joseph Dorko  
 Denise Ann Douville  
 Gerald Thomas Dowd Jr.  
 Douglas Edward Dyjak  
 \*Sara Leslie Eades  
 Karen Lee Egarter  
 John Stewart Ellis  
 Deborah Ann Enders  
 \*Gayle Rochelle Erdheim  
 David Wayne Erickson  
 Patricia Lynne Etherton  
 Gregory Allyn Evans  
 Beverly Rena Fant  
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 Claude Arnold Ford Jr.  
 Linda Joan Fowler  
 Steven Wayne Franklin  
 Gregory Brian Frazier  
 Janette Laurel Freas  
 Laurie Ann Freelove  
 Sherri Lynne Furgason  
 Beverly Lee Garey  
 Stephen Gerard Gately  
 Joanne Norma Gibson  
 Kimberly Elaine Glock  
 John Carter Gobbel  
 Aletha Letitia Goodwin  
 Ilene Merri Gottheim  
 Darnell Green  
 Kathleen Agnes Green  
 Michael Gerard Greene  
 Karen Lee Ground  
 Stephen Charles Hackett  
 Philip Brian Hall  
 Kimberly Ann Hamilton  
 Steven Eugene Hammond  
 \*Susan Gay Hammond  
 James Victor Hannen  
 James Richard Hazzard  
 Sandra Sue Heddings  
 Kevin Michael Henderson  
 Steven Allen Hill  
 Valencia Wanda Hill  
 Elizabeth Anne Hoffman  
 David Arden Hoggan  
 Edward Raymond Holben  
 Charlotte Sadler Hudgins  
 Cynthia Marie Hughes  
 Lynne Irene Irwin  
 Austin Fritz Jackson  
 Bernedette Jackson

Fran Elizabeth Jackson  
 Sandra Jean Jackson  
 \*Debra Lois Jeffries  
 Donald Ray Jensen  
 Alfred Leonard Johnson Jr.  
 Keith Jacobs Johnson  
 Michael Riccardo Johnson  
 Michele Leona Johnson  
 Renae Joyce Johnson  
 Gerald Schuyler Johnston  
 Kathleen Marie Jones  
 Kathleen Vannese Jones  
 Patricia Catherine Keane  
 Ella Mae Kelly  
 Walter Scott Kemeys  
 George David Kerley  
 Linda Maureen Kibat  
 Steven Carl King  
 \*Laura Tobi Komai  
 Michael William Kotwas  
 Holly Anne Koval  
 Michael Joseph Kraus  
 Kimberly Ann Krick  
 \*Katherine Andrea Krygier  
 David Scott Kuhar  
 William Keith Kuhar  
 James Paul Kuhn  
 Sheree Marie Lavin  
 Keith Robert Leach  
 Alan Leader  
 Thomas George Lemon  
 William Michael Leonard Jr.  
 Lois Anne Leslie  
 William Ralph Levin  
 Edward Douglas Lloyd  
 Jeffrey Scott Lodge  
 Stephanie Long  
 Susan Alice Loomis  
 \*Jason Harry Loree  
 James Richard Lowery Jr.  
 Brenda Kay Lowrey  
 \*Barbara Sue Lukens  
 Janet Elizabeth Lundgren  
 LeRoy Walter Lyles  
 \*Jan Kimberly Lyons  
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 Teri Walter  
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Carolyn Marie Austin . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
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 Junior Federal Fellowship Program  
 Eugene Robert Belt . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 . . . . . Candidate  
 Junior Federal Fellowship Program  
 . . . . . Citation  
 Who's Who Among American High School Students  
 . . . . . Commended  
 National Achievement Scholarship Program  
 Ellen Sue Brown . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 William Howard Burnett, Jr. . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 Judith Ann Canter. . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 . . . . . Betty Crocker Award  
 General Mills Corporation  
 David Wayne Erickson . . . . . Award  
 Hecht Co. Art Contest  
 Gayle Rochelle Erdheim . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 University of Chicago  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 University of Dallas  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 Case Western Reserve University  
 . . . . . Candidate  
 Junior Federal Fellowship Program  
 Stephany Diane Farr . . . . . Scholarship  
 Wellesley College  
 . . . . . Commended  
 National Achievement Scholarship Program  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 St. Lawrence University  
 . . . . . Citation  
 Who's Who Among American High School Students  
 Claude Arnold Ford, Jr. . . . . Scholarship  
 Georgetown University  
 Laurie Ann FreeLove. . . . . Scholarship  
 Gold Key Award  
 Susan Gay Hammond. . . . . Triple A Award  
 P.T.S.A., Paint Branch High School  
 Lynne Irene Irwin . . . . . 2nd Place  
 Montgomery County Pennies For Art Contest  
 Michael Riccardo Johnson . . . . . Congressional Appointment  
 United States Naval Academy  
 Renae Joyce Johnson. . . . . Scholarship  
 Mont. Co. Assoc. of Ed. Office Employees  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 Silver Spring Woman's Club  
 Laura Tori Komai . . . . . Scholarship  
 University of Southern California

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS (Cont.)

Katherine Andrea Krygier . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 . . . . . Commended  
 Montgomery County Pennies For Art Contest  
 Jason Harry Loree . . . . . Scholarship  
 Ft. Meade Officers' Wives Club  
 Nancy Jean Lytle . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 Daniel James Magoon . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 Stevens Institute of Technology  
 . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 University of Dallas  
 . . . . . Candidate  
 Junior Federal Fellowship Program  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 Case Western Reserve University  
 Craig Douglas March . . . . . Scholarship  
 West Virginia University  
 Sheila Mervette Marshall . . . . . Scholarship  
 Silver Spring Woman's Club  
 Joy Antoinette Miller . . . . . 2nd Place  
 State of Maryland Pennies For Art Contest  
 . . . . . Triple A Award  
 P.T.S.A., Paint Branch High School  
 Kathy LaVerne Powell . . . . . Dean's Honor List  
 Montgomery College  
 Lauren Elizabeth Proctor . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 . . . . . Candidate  
 Junior Federal Fellowship Program  
 . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 . . . . . Commended  
 National Achievement Scholarship Program  
 Rosalind Rosemary Ray . . . . . Award  
 Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks Youth Leadership Contest  
 . . . . . Award  
 Veterans of Foreign Wars Voice of Democracy Contest  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 MEMCO  
 William Arthur Reese, II . . . . . Scholarship  
 College of Wooster  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 National Presbyterian Church Scholarship Program  
 . . . . . Triple A Award  
 P.T.S.A., Paint Branch High School  
 America Beatrice Rodriguez . . . . . Candidate  
 Junior Federal Fellowship Program  
 Daniel Romberger . . . . . Semifinalist  
 National Merit Scholarship Program

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Diane Marie Sevitski . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 University of Dallas  
 Thomas Backer Simpson . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 Valedictorian Award  
 Reader's Digest Corp.  
 Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 . . . . . Medal Award  
 Bausch and Lomb Co.  
 . . . . . Scholarship  
 United States Army R.O.T.C.  
 Donald Small . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 Neil Eugene Stahl . . . . . Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 Merit Scholastic Award  
 The State of Maryland  
 Ye-Ling Wang . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 James Hamilton Wessels . . . . . It's Academic Scholarship  
 Giant Food Corp.  
 Susan Lynn Weyrauch . . . . . Scholarship  
 University of Denver  
 . . . . . Triple A Award  
 P.T.S.A., Paint Branch High School  
 James DeHart Wray II . . . . . Commended  
 National Merit Scholarship Program  
 . . . . . Commended  
 National Achievement Scholarship Program  
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