

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED  
LAMBDA ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER

AKALADE  
FOUNDATION

*Miss* 2026 COTILLION & SCHOLARSHIP GALA  
**FASHIONETTA**<sup>®</sup>  
*Glowing with Grace*



**SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026**

**HILTON CHICAGO - OAK BROOK HILLS RESORT & CONFERENCE CENTER**  
3500 MIDWEST ROAD | OAK BROOK, IL 60523

**RECEPTION 6PM | DINNER 7PM | PRESENTATION 8PM**



*Her Story Continues...*  
— DEBUTANTE —  
*Brenae Stewart*



A CELEBRATION OF GRACE, GROWTH & EXCELLENCE

*With great joy and admiration, we celebrate the presentation of Brenae Stewart, a remarkable young woman whose grace, determination, and ambition continue to shine brightly.*

*A Young Woman of Promise*

SCHOLAR • LEADER • CREATOR • DREAMER

*With Love & Pride,*

*The Stewart Family*



*Congratulations*

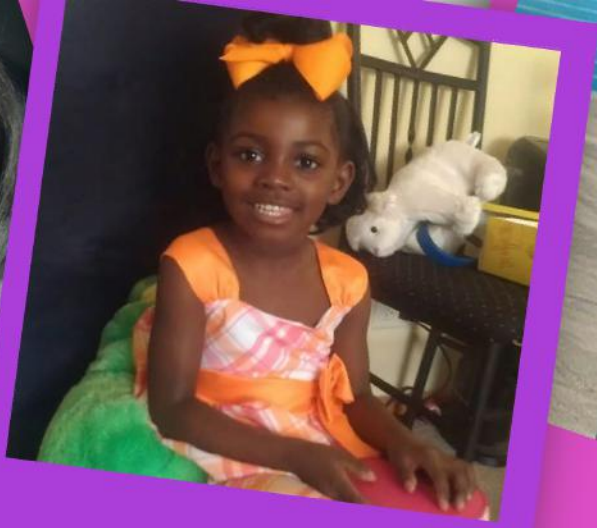


**CONGRATULATIONS DEBUTANTES**

*Madeleine and Morgan!*

**WE ARE TRULY PROUD OF YOU AND  
YOUR FUTURE IS SO BRIGHT!**

**YOUR FAMILY,  
DAD, MOM AND KENNY**



# CONGRATULATIONS

# Myelle

Watching you grow has been one of the greatest joys of our lives. We are so proud of all your hard work and accomplishments. Keep going. Keep striving. Your future is limitless.

Love Mom, Dad, Granny,  
Josiyah and Oryan





2026 COTILLION & SCHOLARSHIP GALA  
*Miss* FASHIONETTA®  
*Glowing with Grace*

## LAMBDA ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER PRESIDENT

*From the President*

*Greetings,*

*Welcome to the 2026 Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> Cotillion and Scholarship Gala. For more than forty years, Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter and the AKALade Foundation have proudly presented hundreds of young ladies to society through this annual and cherished event.*



*This evening, we are pleased to present thirteen debutantes who have spent the past several months attending workshops, participating in dance rehearsals, engaging in community service, and attending cultural events. Their commitment, growth, and poise reflect the true spirit of this program.*

*This event would not be possible without the love and support of their parents and guardians. We sincerely thank you for entrusting us with your daughters and for your participation in this meaningful experience.*

*We also extend our heartfelt appreciation to the AKALade Foundation and the Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> Chairmen for their tireless work, dedication, and guidance in preparing our debutantes and their escorts for this memorable evening.*

*Last, but certainly not least, we are grateful to all of our supporters. Because of your generous contributions, our chapter and foundation have continued "SOARing in Sisterhood and Service," the 2022-2026 international program theme of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated<sup>®</sup>, under the leadership of our International President, Danette Anthony Reed.*

*Since 1976, the Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter has been committed to delivering impactful service to all mankind throughout the Chicago Western Suburbs. Through the funds raised this evening, we are able to continue that legacy of service while providing scholarships to deserving students in our community.*

*Thank you again for your attendance and generous support. We look forward to welcoming you at future events.*

*Warmest regards,*  
*Kimberly Franklin*  
Kimberly Franklin  
Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter  
AKA-Lade Foundation

*Message from the AKALade Chairperson - Miss Fashionetta 2026*

*As I wind down my time as the Miss Fashionetta 2026 AKALade Chairperson, I am filled with both joy and pride knowing that I had the privilege of helping oversee an event as beautiful, meaningful, and heartfelt as this one. What you see tonight is the result of months of dedication, preparation, and love poured into an experience designed to uplift and celebrate our remarkable young people.*



*One of the greatest blessings of this journey has been the relationships formed with our debutantes, escorts, and their families. The connections built throughout this process have truly been life-changing. Thank you for trusting me and allowing me the opportunity to mentor, guide, and love on your children. Working with them has been an absolute joy, and watching their growth throughout this experience has been incredibly rewarding.*

*Taking on this role was never done lightly. I accepted this responsibility with sincere intention and a deep commitment to helping shape and support the next generation. Serving in a role that mentors, guides, and pours into young people is something I believe is vital as we work to ensure that our future leaders are encouraged, supported, and led in the right direction.*

*I am deeply grateful for the outpouring of love and support that has been shown throughout this journey. Your encouragement and belief in the work we are doing has meant more than words can express.*

*Thank you once again for trusting the process and for allowing me to be part of such a special experience. I hope you have enjoyed this beautiful celebration as much as I have enjoyed being part of bringing it to life.*

*With heartfelt appreciation,*

*Jamane Hinton*

Jamane Hinton

Miss Fashionetta 2026 AKALade Chairperson

# CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE AKA-LADE FOUNDATION 2026 DEBUTANTE CLASS

## *"Glowing with Grace"*

Being involved in this extraordinary Cotillion has truly been one of the great honors and joys of our lives. Over the past several months, we have dedicated countless hours to preparation, planning, rehearsals, and practice. Through it all, we can sincerely say that every minute and every hour has been worthwhile as we witness the beautiful outcome of this grand event and the many young lives it has touched.

Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> is more than a program - it is a journey that cultivates confidence, leadership, poise, and excellence. Watching these remarkable young people grow, embrace the experience, and shine so brilliantly has been both inspiring and deeply rewarding.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the parents who entrusted us with the privilege of helping guide and mentor your children along this path. Your partnership, support, and encouragement have played an essential role in making this experience meaningful and impactful.

We are also incredibly thankful for the overwhelming love, dedication, and support shown by our community throughout this journey. Because of each of you, Miss Fashionetta 2026 will truly be one for the books and a memory that will be cherished for years to come.

As we celebrate this moment, we are reminded that tonight is not just about tradition, elegance, and presentation - it is about the promise of our future and the brilliance of the young people who will lead it.

Thank you for your unwavering support and for helping make this journey so special.

With sincere gratitude,

**Jamane Hinton**  
Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> AKALade Foundation Chair

**Jameena Ivory**  
Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> Co-Chair

**Lynn Shareef**  
Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> Co-Chair



JAMEENA IVORY  
MISS FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> CO-CHAIR

JAMANE HINTON  
AKA-LADE FOUNDATION PRESIDENT  
AKA-LADE CHAIR

LYNN SHAREEF  
MISS FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> CO-CHAIR

*"We couldn't be prouder!"*

*Dr. Tresa Dunbar Garrett*

*Tresa Dunbar Garrett, PhD, is a nationally respected educational executive and instructional leader with more than 25 years of experience leading complex school systems and advancing equitable outcomes for historically underserved and justice-involved youth. She currently serves as Superintendent of Schools for the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice and the Illinois Department of Corrections School District #428, where she provides statewide leadership for educational programming across secure facilities.*



*Dr. Dunbar Garrett is widely recognized for her ability to design and implement high-impact instructional systems rooted in data, research, and continuous improvement. She has successfully led districtwide curriculum alignment, trauma-informed and restorative practices, blended learning models, and career and technical education initiatives.*

*Throughout her career, Dr. Dunbar Garrett has demonstrated exceptional leadership in turning around underperforming schools. As Principal of Henry H. Nash Elementary School, in Chicago, Illinois, she removed the school from 18 years of academic probation, elevated its performance rating from Level 3 to Level 1+, reduced discipline referrals by 66 percent, and significantly increased student achievement and attendance, all in four short years. Her leadership consistently centers students, families, and communities as partners in school improvement.*

*In addition to her executive leadership roles, Dr. Dunbar Garrett has served as Assistant Superintendent, Master Principal, School Consultant, and university-based researcher and instructor. Her work has been featured in *The Principal Story*, a Wallace Foundation documentary highlighting effective school leadership. She has also contributed scholarly chapters examining school change, instructional leadership, and urban education. Dr. Dunbar is the author of over five refereed articles, in various educational journals.*

*Dr. Dunbar Garrett holds a PhD and Ed.M. in Elementary Education from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a Bachelor of Science in Education from Loyola University Chicago. She is an active member of multiple professional organizations supporting school leadership and correctional education. Known for her strategic vision, collaborative approach, and unwavering commitment to equity, Dr. Dunbar Garrett continues to shape educational systems that expand opportunity and excellence for all students.*

*Dr. Dunbar Garrett is a 35-year uninterrupted life member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated and is a past President of Theta Omega chapter and the AKArana Foundation, Incorporated. She is also a past President of the Chicago (IL) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated. Dr. Dunbar Garrett holds membership and offices on numerous community-based boards. She has been married to Mr. Keith R. Garrett, a life member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated for 30 years.*

*AkAlade Foundation Members of Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter*



Sallie Allen  
Sallie Monique Allen  
Janeen Bass  
Patricia Bauldrick  
Shani Bauldrick  
Vivian Billups  
Joy Bowling  
Veronica Bridgewaters  
Robbi Byrdsong-Wright  
Tiesha Campbell  
Paris Claiborne  
Stephanie Coleman  
Melanie Cooper  
Yolanda Cox  
Melanie Eddins-Spencer  
Lexis Ellis  
Michelle Emebo  
Shelia Fitzpatrick  
Torresha Ford  
Brandi Fogue  
Karen Franklin  
Kimberly Franklin  
Karen Freeman  
Zakia Gaston-Hobbs  
Joyia Glover  
Adrienne Hawkins-Turner  
Mary Helm

Marisa Henderson  
Jamane Hinton  
Beverlynn Ivory  
Jameena Ivory  
Ta'Jua Jefferson  
Shirley Jenkins  
E. Geraldine Johnson-Gray  
Emily Jones  
Terri Jones  
Stephanie Keys  
Desiray Langston  
Drunell Langston  
Cindy Larry  
Holly Lee  
Latoni Lockett  
Linda Linda  
Danielle Lusby  
Sydney Mann  
Cornelia Frances McMillian  
Vicki Kindred Meredith  
Doris Minniefield  
Lue Ellen Moore  
Robena Morgan  
Anita Morris  
MaeDean Myers  
Jelani Parker  
Kasharii Parker

Marjani Parker  
Sonya Parker  
Roshune Pechacek  
Dortricia Penn  
Edna Randolph  
Elena Reeves-Jordan  
Yolanda Rocio  
Ashley Shannon  
Evelyn Shannon  
Lynn Shareef  
Sandra Sharp-Lawson  
Eve Shelton  
Mae Helen Smith  
Ahja Stelle  
Melissa Taylor  
Viola Thronton  
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Ayndrielle Miyoshi Ward  
Leatha Ware  
Valarie Watkins  
Jamaya Whitman  
Mahogany Wright

*AkAlade Foundation Members 2026 Board of Directors*



**PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT**

***Karen Franklin***

***Valarie Watkins***

***Melanie Eddins-Spencer***

***Roshune Pechacek***

***MaeDean Myers***

***Kimberly Franklin***

***Sandra Sharp-Lawson***

***Holly Lee***

***Linda Lumpkin***

***Tiesha Campbell***

**NOT PICTURED**

***Veronica Bridgewaters, Robeena Collins, Yolanda Cox,***

***Kasharii Parker, and Mae Helen Smith***

*2026 Miss Fashionetta Steering Committee*

**Jamane Hinton - Steering Committee and AKALade Chairperson**

**Jameena Ivory & Lynn Shareef - Miss Fashionetta Co-Chairs**

**Joyia Glover - Chief Operations Chairperson**

**Drunell Langston - Dinner Ticket Chairperson**

**Melissa Taylor & Sydney Mann - Donation Ticket Co-Chairs**

**Holly Lee - Hostess Chairperson**

**Melanie Cooper - Post Luncheon Chairperson**

**Yolanda Rocio & Vivian Billups - Decor Co-Chairs**

**Cindy Larry - Souvenir Book Chairperson**

**Karen Freeman - Escort/Parent Chairperson**



# CONGRATULATIONS



TO THE DEBUTANTES OF  
MISS FASHIONETTA 2026!

CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF SERVICE TO  
ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY INCORPORATED

DIAMOND SOROR

*Beverlylynn A. Ivory*

BETA PI CHAPTER, SPRING 1951



*Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter  
Pearl & Golden Sorors*

*Top Row: MaeDean Myers (Golden), Belinda Ivy Traywick (Golden)*

*Bottom Row: Patricia Bauldrick (Golden), Mae Helen (Golden), Edna Randolph  
(Pearl), Emily Jones (Golden) and Leatha Ware (Golden)*

*Not pictured: Sally Allen (Pearl), Lue Ellen Moore (Pearl), and Barbara Wade (Pearl)*



*Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter  
Silver Sorors*

*Top Row: Yolonda Rocio, Melanie Eddins-Spencer, Evelyn Shannon, Elena Reeves-Jordan,  
Shani Bauldrick, Teri Jones, Joy Bowling, Cindy Larry,*

*Bottom Row: Vivan Billups, Valarie Watkins, Shirley Jenkins, Karen Freeman, Jameena Ivory*

### **LAMBDA ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER**

*Born from the social shifts of the civil rights movement, the 1960s and 70s saw a new wave of African American professionals settle in Chicago's western suburbs. Seeking community and purpose, these professionals - many of whom were members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council - began to organize.*

### **THE FOUNDATION**

*The journey began at a tea hosted by Ethel I. Gary in Wheaton, Illinois. Originally known as the Western Suburban Associates of Alpha Kappa Alpha, the group was led by:*

- *Rose M. Thompson (Chairman)*
- *Ethel I. Gary (Co-Chairman)*
- *Joyce M. Lockett (Secretary)*
- *Lue Ellen Moore (Treasurer)*

*In February 1976, they held their inaugural fundraiser, "Leaping into '76 with AKA," at the Northlake Hotel, benefiting the UNCF and the NAACP.*

### **CHARTERING AND GROWTH**

*On May 29, 1976, Lambda Alpha Omega became the first sorority chartered in the Chicago western suburbs. The ceremony, held at the Hyatt Oak Brook and led by 18th Central Regional Director Gloria E. Bond, featured a keynote from Alpha Kappa Alpha's second International President, Loraine R. Green.*

*The 11 Charter Members include: Goldie V. Brown, Carla Edwards, Beverlynn A. Ivory, Arthalia E. Jackson, Ruth Lawson, Joyce Lockett, Lue Ellen (Magee) Moore, Edna Randolph, Vivian J. Sturgis, Rose M. Thompson, and Patricia Baldrick.*

### **CELEBRATING 50 YEARS**

*Today, the chapter continues its legacy of "Service to All Mankind," evolving to meet the modern needs of the 21st century. We are proud to celebrate our 50th Anniversary, themed: "GOLDEN THREADS: WEAVING OUR PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE"*

*This milestone honors five decades of impactful community service, global outreach, and sisterhood, ensuring that the fabric of our mission remains strong for generations to come.*

*Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> is a debutante cotillion designed to prepare and support high school students on their road to college and beyond. It is one of the only events of its kind in the Metropolitan Chicago Area. The cotillion fosters friendships, encourages academic achievement, and promotes social responsibility. Leading up to that special night, debutantes and their escorts embark on a journey of events and workshops to broaden their perspectives educationally, socially, and culturally.*

*All proceeds from the event support programs and scholarships that enhance the health, welfare, economic, and educational development of individuals and families. In 2025, the AKA-LADE Foundation supported various civic organizations promoting social justice, health, and education for women and children. The success of our event depends on the generosity of our sorority members, local businesses, and friends. This occasion is a unique opportunity for us to make a difference in the lives of college-bound students who live in our area. Participation is a life-changing experience and young ladies have an opportunity to be part of a rich legacy that spans decades. Participation in Miss Fashionetta requires a lot of time, concentration and effort on the part of the debutantes, escorts, and parents. Debutantes and parents are expected to dedicate the time and effort required for workshops, rehearsals, and fundraising.*

## HISTORY OF AKALADE FOUNDATION

*The AKA-LADE Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, stands committed to fostering the academic achievement of local youth through programs and scholarships.*

*Our mission is to serve communities within the Quad County area and provide scholarships to deserving students who are preparing to go away to college. Since 2006, in partnership with the Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, the AKA-LADE Foundation has given thousands in college scholarships to Western Suburban and Chicago area youth.*

*Our mission of community outreach provides resources that sponsor and promote programs that enhance the health, welfare, economic, and educational development of individuals and families. It promotes appreciation for the arts and has local and global impact. We hope that you join us as an AKA-Lade Foundation program participant, volunteer, and donation contributor.*

### **ARTOGRAPHX CREATIVE AGENCY**

#### ***“EVERYTHING YOU ENVISION” SINCE 1992***

*In a marketplace where visual excellence is paramount, Artographx Creative Agency is your premier partner for crafting compelling narratives that elevate your brand. Established in 1992 by Dayna E. Rouse, Artographx has evolved from a Chicagoland boutique into a nationally recognized firm. Licensed in Illinois and Florida, we provide high-impact design solutions tailored to your unique objectives.*



#### **A COLLABORATIVE VISION FOR EXCELLENCE**

*We believe effective communication begins with a shared vision. Our signature collaborative process ensures every design aligns seamlessly with your organization’s values. Whether for personal milestones, corporate branding, or prestigious community events like the 2026 Miss Fashionetta<sup>®</sup> Cotillion, we create distinctive visual displays that resonate deeply with your audience.*

#### **ELEVATING EVERY OCCASION**

*Your visual identity reflects your message. Utilizing state-of-the-art tools and a dedicated creative team, Artographx transforms abstract concepts into tangible reality. From sophisticated event branding to comprehensive business development, we provide the professional expertise necessary to leave a lasting impression.*

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- **Brand Development:** Strategic identity and messaging refinement.
- **Custom Graphic Design:** High-impact visuals for all platforms.
- **Project Management:** Full-service support from conception to completion.

*Refine Your Concepts. Transform Your Vision. Contact Artographx today to bring your next project to life.*

### CONQUEST THE BAND

*ConQuest: The Band is a group of young eclectic musicians bringing a unique blend to the music scene. The goal of this group is to grasp each crowd's attention and to win you over by their smooth rhythms and distinct harmonies as they embrace your soul through their musical innovations. ConQuests' music is a mixture of jazz, funk, classical, gospel and fusion thrown together to create a sound you will always remember.*

*This band of brothers has collectively played for several artists such as Kirk Whalum, Brian McKnight, Otis Clay, Wyclef Jean and John Legend just to name a few. ConQuest has several singles out for the world to hear titled Momma and Why Me, which are available on all music streaming services and are currently working on their album entitled, "The Beginning of a Legacy" This band is available for any and every occasion and will meet the needs of the people. Once you hear and see ConQuest you will never forget that experience!*



### CRAIG KENNERSON

*My name is Craig Kennerson and, I am a Chicagoland portrait and wedding photographer. As a photographer I want my photos to imagine a bold and exciting world, one in which the person stands out and shines. I strive to transport my viewer through my careful compositions of color and tone. This is the end result of a process by which I bring the creative brief to life and makes the subject part of a story.*

*I started my photography career in 2018 when my beautiful wife Cathy gifted me with my first professional camera and I began my apprenticeship under other seasoned professional photographers. I founded Craig Kennerson Photography LLC in 2019 and have photographed numerous events, portrait sessions and special occasions. My work has been published in fashion magazines across the world.*

*When I am not doing photography, I work in the field of Information Technology, watching football and going out on the golf course.*



*Craig Kennerson*  
PHOTOGRAPHY

### **ROXIANA FUQUA-EVANS**

*Roxiana Fuqua-Evans, a passionate, experienced studio owner and dance instructor, has dedicated her life to the art of movement and expression through dance.*

*Roxiana began her journey into the world of dance at the age of three (3), when she first stepped into a dance studio. From that moment on, she knew that dance was her calling. Roxiana initially trained in the techniques of ballet, jazz and tap, honing her skills and developing her unique style at La Dance Academy in Joliet, IL.*

*At the age of 15, Roxiana began to assist her dance instructor, learning to teach and choreograph on young dancers, hoping to share her passion and knowledge with others.*

*She received her Bachelor of Liberal Arts (BLA) in Business Administration, as well as in Fine & Applied Arts (BFAA) in Arts Administration/Dance and Choreography from the University of Illinois. Upon leaving U of I, Roxiana began instructing dance throughout Joliet and Chicago, as well as choreographing at several Chicago theatre venues. Fuqua-Evans has taught countless students of all ages and skill levels, helping them to develop their technique, confidence, and love for dance.*

*Roxiana's teaching philosophy is centered around the belief that dance is for everyone, creating a nurturing and inclusive environment in classes, where students can learn and grow at their own pace. Roxiana created and founded Generation Dance Company (GDCO) in May of 1999. It is dedicated to making a difference in the lives of others through the introduction and training in the art of dance. Generation Dance Company is currently the only African American owned and operated dance studio in the city of Joliet and the greater Will County area, providing formal dance training for the past 25 years.*

*Through Generation Dance Company, Roxiana has provided technical dance training at an economically affordable rate with a target student body consisting of the minority population from its various communities.*

*Training goes beyond the basics of formal techniques to equip students with the discipline, knowledge, and awareness of their ability to excel in the performing arts, as well as in life. Students learn to respect and appreciate themselves, others, and the arts. They are given the necessary tools and guidance to enable them to perform at their very best. At GDCO students are trained in ballet, jazz, tap, modern, ballet pointe and hip hop. Specialized classes for Boys and Adults are offered as well.*

*Roxiana's dedication to the arts extends beyond the studio. In 2019 Fuqua-Evans was selected to sit on the Joliet Arts Commission and in 2021 began a second career at Lewis University as Theatre Manager and adjunct professor and advisor.*

*Mrs. Fuqua-Evans works to create an environment where students participate in a process that is not only uplifting and soul-inspiring, but also pays it forward by creating a community of dancers.*

*On a personal note, Roxiana is the mother to a 23 year old who is following in her mother's footsteps, achieving her bachelor's degree in Fine and Applied Arts in Dance Performance and Administration from Ohio University. Roxiana is recently married and is enjoying life to the fullest with her new husband. She is currently celebrating her 27th year in business with Generation Dance Company.*



*2026 Miss Fashionetta Acknowledgements*

**AVCS Chicago Lighting**

**AKA-DETTES**

**AKA-Dette Hostess Dance  
Generation Dance Company**

**Bobak 's Signature Events**

**ConQuest The Band**

**CHOREOGRAPHER  
Roxiana Fuqua-Evans**

**Event Source Group - Pipe & Drape/Arch**

**Fountaindale Public Library**

**GRAPHIC & WEBSITE DESIGN | PRINTING SERVICES  
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**Hilton Oakbrook Hills Resort**

**The Leo Catholic High School Choir**

**MAKEUP WORKSHOP  
Soror Nakia Smith of NiksFace Make Up Artistry**

**Men's Wearhouse**

**PHOTOGRAPHY  
Craig Kennerson Photography  
Craig Kennerson • Cedric Salisbury**

**Robin Collymore - College Readiness Workshop**

**Victory Cathedral - Worship Center**

**Tawana Trammell - Purpose Over Pressure Workshop**

**Melissa Taylor - Straighten Your Crown Workshop**

**WINNER SASHES  
Kelly Cox**

**VIDEOGRAPHY  
Brother Hood Photography  
Darnell Hood • Samone Flowers • Randall Spriggs**

*Programme*

WELCOME

**Jamane Hinton**

OCCASION AND RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

**Kimberly N. Franklin**

DIVINE 9 ROLL CALL

**Roshune Pechacek**

SORORITY HYMN

HOSTESS PRESENTATION • AKA-DETTES

**Holly Lee**

INVOCATION

**Janeen Bass**

**Dinner Is Served**

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT BY CONQUEST THE BAND

DONATION TICKET DRAWINGS

**Melissa Taylor & Sydney Mann**

THE BEAU OF THE BALL SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION AND ESCORT INTRODUCTION

**Karen Freeman**

INTRODUCTION OF COMMENTATOR

**Jameena Ivory**

DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION: GLOWING WITH GRACE

**Tresa Dunbar Garrett, PhD**

Commentator

**Roxiana Fuqua-Evans**

Choreographer

MISS FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> 2025

**Bailee McFall**

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

**Jamane Hinton, Jameena Ivory and Lynn Shareef**

PROMENADE OF MISS FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> 2026 AND HER COURT

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

**Lynn Shareef**

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

**Jamane Hinton**

*2026 Miss Fashionetta<sup>®</sup> Dinner Menu*

**Mixed Field Greens**  
with Cucumbers, Grape Tomatoes,  
Shredded Carrots, Bermuda Onions, Parmesan Grana  
Red Wine Vinaigrette

~\*~

**Entrée Selections**  
**Stuffed Chicken Breast**  
with Spinach, Artichoke, Ricotta & Piperade Sauce

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**Pan-Seared Salmon**  
with Oven-Roasted Tomato, Dill, Cucumber Relish

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**Butter Squash Ravioli**  
with Frisse, Tri-colored Pepper Confetti, & Almond

~\*~

**Wild Rice**  
with Marcona Almonds, Apricots & Lemon Zest

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**Grilled Vegetable Stack**

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**Plain Cheesecake with Strawberry Coulis**

~\*~

**Served with Bakery Fresh Rolls & Butter**  
**Freshly Brewed Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee, and Assorted**  
**Herbal and Traditional Teas & Iced Tea**

*With sincere appreciation and gratitude,*



***We proudly recognize Joyia Glover,  
our dedicated Financial Operations Chair for the Miss Fashionetta 2026 Cotillion.***

***For three consecutive years (2024, 2025, and 2026) Joyia has served as the backbone of our operations, single-handedly overseeing the complex financial and logistical processes that keep this cherished program running smoothly. Her expertise in financial management, paired with her exceptional organizational skills, has ensured that every aspect of our cotillion operations has been handled with precision and integrity.***

***From dinner ticket sales to contribution, and donation ticket sales, Joyia has meticulously accounted for every transaction, ensuring accuracy for each contestant. Her commitment to excellence has provided our debutante families with clear, timely, and reliable documentation week after week - offering both transparency and peace of mind throughout the process.***

***Joyia's unwavering dedication, attention to detail, and steadfast leadership have made an immeasurable impact on the success of this program. Her work often happens behind the scenes, but its importance is felt by all.***

***Thank you, Joyia, for your outstanding service, your commitment to excellence, and the countless hours you have devoted over the past three years. Your contributions have truly elevated the Miss Fashionetta experience.***

***With deepest appreciation,  
The Miss Fashionetta 2026 Cotillion Committee***

## CONGRATULATIONS

Jameena Ivory, Veronica Bridgewaters, and Yolanda Rocio  
*and all the Women of the AKA-Lade Foundation*

*and Debutantes of the*  
44th Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> Cotillion

*Glowing in Grace*

*May you continue to rise to the top*  
*Best Wishes from*

# DIVAS

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*with a Mission*

*Cheryl McPherson*

*Cynthia Renee West*

*Yolanda Rocio*

*Donna Miller*

*Dr. Gwen Oglesby-Odom*

*Donna Fowler-Canty*

*Grace Little-Henton*

*Paulette Butler-Mitchell*

*Felicia Hardy*

*Jameena Ivory*

*Lisa Pope*

*Paula Grant*

*Regina Cross*

*Tammy Wheeler*

*Dr. Sonji Barnes*

*Veronica Bridgewaters*

*Congratulations to*

THE AKA-LADE FOUNDATION  
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*“The Fabulous Foursome”  
Congratulate the  
AKALADE Foundation  
on its  
44th Miss FASHIONETTA<sup>®</sup> Cotillion  
Celebrating excellence, elegance, and  
empowerment - on the green and beyond.*

EDDIE GORDON, STACY PEGUES, JAMEENA IVORY, & YOLANDA ROCIO

***"Congratulations  
to the 2026  
Miss Fashionetta  
Debutantes"***

**INTREN**

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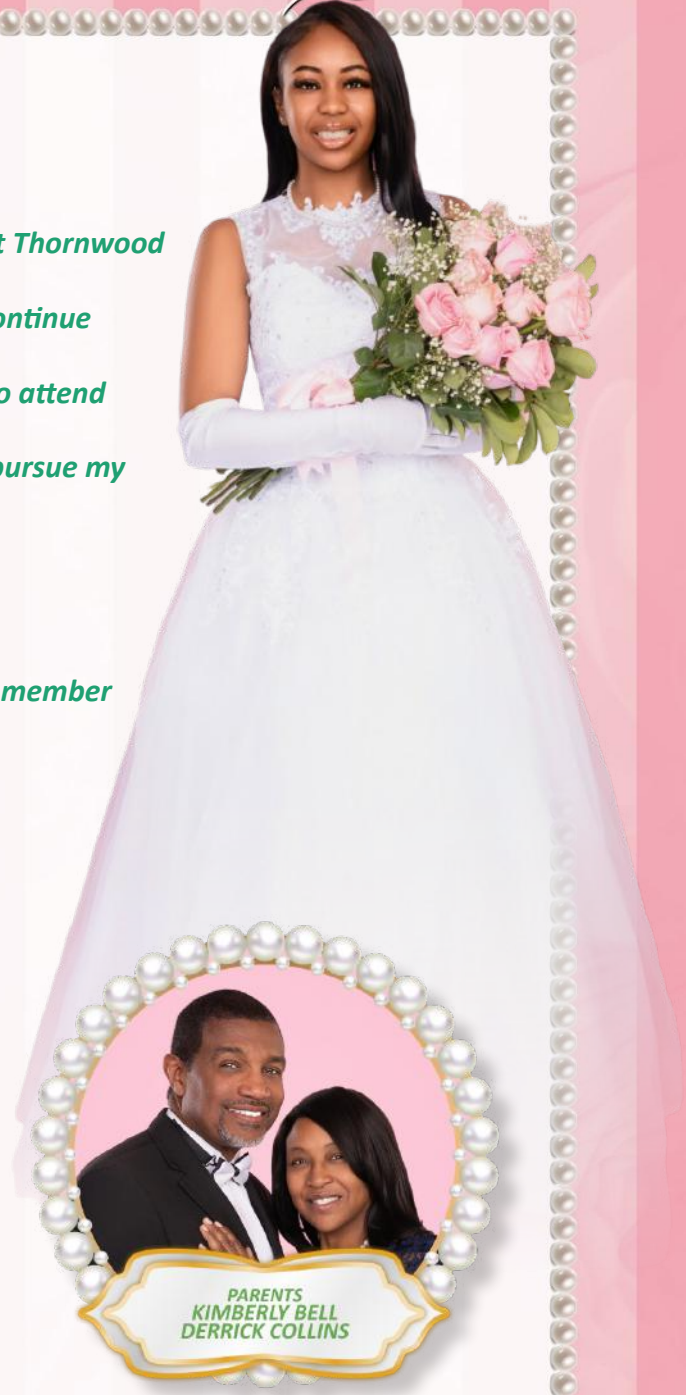
**DEBUTANTE KELLY BELL**

*My name is Kelly Bell, and I am a 17-year-old junior at Thornwood High School. I am actively involved in track, where I continue to build discipline, teamwork, and dedication. I plan to attend Florida A&M University to further my education and pursue my goals.*

*In addition to academics and athletics, I am an active member of my church, where I value service, leadership, and community involvement.*

*“Success is not final; failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.”*

*- Winston S. Churchill*



# CONGRATULATIONS

*Kelly Bell*

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**LIGHT**  
that shines  
from within*



*Once a Thunderbird, Always a Thunderbird!*

# CONGRATULATIONS

Kelly  
Bell

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*We are so proud of you!*

*Kelly Bell!*

With great pride and heartfelt joy, we celebrate you as you are presented in the **Lambda Alpha Omega AKALade Foundation's Miss Fashionetta Cotillion**

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## **DEBUTANTE LAILA CLAY**

*Laila Clay is an accomplished and distinguished senior at Kenwood Academy High School, where she maintains Honors status with a 3.6 GPA. As a dedicated scholar in the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Biomedical Sciences program, she participated in the esteemed White Coat Ceremony and was presented with her white coat in recognition of her commitment to the study of medicine and the pursuit of academic excellence.*

*With aspirations of earning a degree in Biology, Laila intends to pursue a career in dermatology, or medical research. She is driven by a commitment to serving others through the practice of medicine and hopes to broaden her impact by delivering compassionate care to diverse populations around the world.*

*Throughout each summer of her high school career, she deepened and expanded her academic foundation by participating in competitive programs and internships at the University of Chicago where she engaged in collegiate-level coursework and gained exposure to professional research environments. Her completion of a cancer clinical trials research internship further affirmed her dedication to advancing medical knowledge and delivering patient-centered care.*

*Committed to service, Laila has devoted her high school years to volunteering and supporting children within her community. These experiences have deepened her compassion, strengthened her empathy, and reinforced her enduring commitment to uplifting others.*

*A proud and faithful member of the Kenwood Academy Cheer Team, Laila contributed to her team's achievement of Second Place at the ICCA Regional Game Day Cheer Competition. In recognition of her four years of steadfast dedication and exemplary character, she was elevated to a leadership role. Through this experience, she cultivated discipline, teamwork, and refined leadership skills.*

*Laila has been accepted to Hampton University, where she looks forward to continuing her commitment to scholarship, leadership, and service. With confidence and grace, she is eager to embrace the opportunities ahead as she works toward her academic and professional goals.*

*Laila is honored to participate in the Lambda Alpha Omega Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Cotillion and looks forward to carrying forward the values of scholarship, service, and sisterhood throughout her future endeavors.*

*Daughter of Jaida Higgs and Manu Clay*



PARENTS  
JAIDA HIGGS  
MANU CLAY

# *Congratulations*

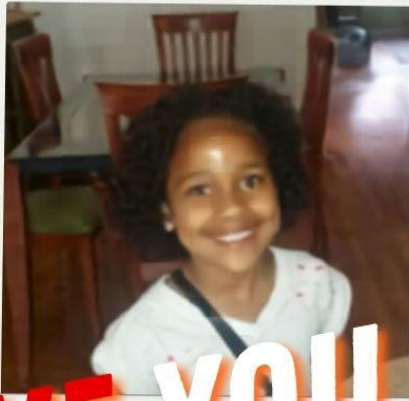
• DEBUTANTE •

## *Laila Symone*

We are so proud of the beautiful, smart, and graceful young woman you are becoming. Always remember your grandma's words to follow your first mind and trust yourself. Love you always. Your future is bright, and this is only the beginning.

Love, Mommy and Mom





**WE LOVE YOU LAILA!**



# CONGRATULATIONS

*Laila!*

WISHING YOU A  
WONDERFUL  
COTILLION AND  
MANY BEAUTIFUL  
MEMORIES...



GRANDMA GERVAISE  
AND GRANDDAD



2026  
*Congratulations Debutante  
Laila*



*We're proud of the young lady you've  
become and grateful that we had a  
chance to watch you grow up.*

*Love Aunt Kathy and Aunt Mamie*

# Zaila

I still remember when you were little, and now here you are - graduating and headed to college. Time has a funny way of moving fast, but some things stay constant:  
Your determination,  
Your Heart,  
and That spark,  
that makes you - YOU!



Every accomplishment you've earned has been hard-won, and you deserve every bit of celebration coming your way. As you step into this next chapter, just know that I am cheering for you

You've always had everything it takes - now the rest of the world gets to see it too. I love you endless girly.

You have made us all so proud.

- Auntie Raven

*Today, we celebrate you and all the hard  
work, dedication, and determination that  
brought you to this  
wonderful milestone.*

*Family and Friends*



# Congratulations Debutante Laila!

We are proud of your future  
accomplishments in the medical field.



Your dedication and  
brilliance will take you far.

# *Class of 2026*

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pride from*

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Marilyn, Reagan,  
Rodney, Tony, Thomas,  
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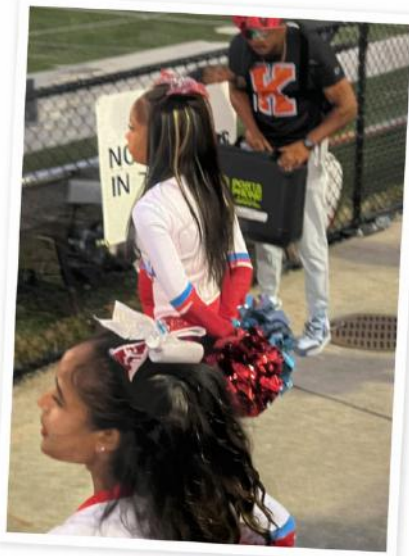


Congratulations  
Debutante Laila Symone Clay



*We have enjoyed watching you grow up, and we are excited to support you as a Debutante.  
Wishing you success and joy!*

*Marie Gilliam (Debutante 1987)  
Antoinette Gilliam (Debutante 2019)*



## Congratulations Laila Bunny,

Love you. From Aunt Pam

Laila,

I am incredibly proud of you as you embark on this exciting journey to college! You are smart, talented, and capable of achieving amazing things.

Remember to embrace every opportunity, make new friends, and never doubt yourself. I believe in you wholeheartedly and am confident that you will shine brightly in this new chapter of your life. Wishing you all the very best as you pursue your dreams!

Love you,  
Auntie Kionie

Laila,  
we are so proud to watch you on your journey to continue to serve our community.

*We wish you God's grace.*

Much Love,  
From Uncle Stanley  
and Aunt Linda



**DEBUTANTE KYNNEDI ADDYSON GOODEN**

*Debutante Kynnedi Addyson Gooden is the beloved daughter of Edward and Krystal Gooden of Aurora, Illinois.*

*Kynnedi is a junior at Metea Valley High School, where she maintains an impressive 3.75 GPA and excels both academically and within her community. She is an active member of Filling Hearts with Hope, Rho Kappa Honor Society, Black ACES, T Rose, and the NAACP newsletter. Her dedication to service is reflected in her volunteer work with Feed My Starving Children and her participation in a local hospital's summer volunteer program.*

*Beyond academics and service, Kynnedi is passionate about advocacy, health equity, and supporting younger students through mentorship. She enjoys spending quality time with family and friends and has previously participated in dance, track, and volleyball, experiences that helped shape her discipline, resilience, and teamwork.*

*Kynnedi aspires to pursue a pre medical track in college, with a future focus on Obstetrics or Pediatrics, where she hopes to continue uplifting and caring for others.*

*Her guiding principle is:*

*"A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones." Proverbs 14:30*

*Kynnedi is proudly presented by her Uncle P, Willie P. Jones.*

*She is deeply grateful for the unwavering love, guidance, and encouragement of her family, friends, mentors, and community. Their support inspires her as she joyfully participates in the 2026 Miss FASHIONETTA Cotillion.*



PARENT  
KRYSTAL JONES-GOODEN  
UNCLE  
WILLIE PIERRE JONES

# *Dear Debutante Kynnedi,*

Our little Kynnedi...

We've watched you grow from a tiny baby into a beautiful, amazing young lady.

Some of our sweetest memories are from when I would come home from school, and you would be right there under me, never wanting to leave my side. I'll never forget the day I had to go back to school, and you barricaded my suitcase in front of the door because you didn't want me to leave. That moment will always stay in our hearts.

It feels like just yesterday you were that little girl, and now you have grown up right before our eyes. Watching you become the young lady you are today has been such a blessing.

We know Grandma, your great-grandmother is smiling down on you with so much pride. Kynnedi, we are incredibly proud of you and all that you are becoming.

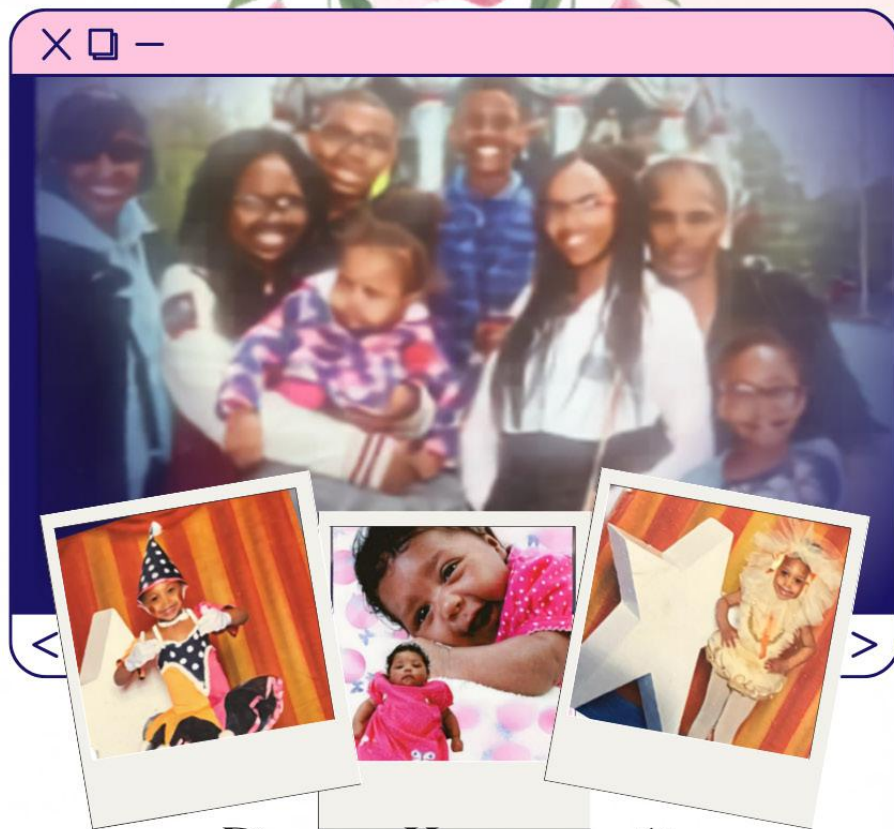
Keep shining, keep believing in yourself, and always remember how loved you are.

Congratulations, Kynnedi Addyson Gooden!

We love you so much.

Autumn, Corbin, and Noa





## Dear Kynnedi:

A beautiful baby and an elegant little ballerina mastering the dance as she grows with confidence, courage, and determination. That's what Kynnedi always wanted to do: her best as a big sister, family member, dancer, and student. She has accomplished so much with enthusiasm and empathy. Determination Kynnedi will go far in life, as she has from the start, love ❤️ you Nana (Shirley Jones)

Congratulations to the cutest to ever do it, the smartest to get the farthest, and the kindest that can't hide it! Shine like the bright star you are. We love you, Kynnedi, so keep going! Love your siblings (Jada, Kendall, Jeremy, and Jourdan).



# *Celebrating Grace, Growth, and Excellence*

The T-Rose Teen Program proudly congratulates

**MISS KYNNEDI GOODEN**

on her participation in the 2026 Miss FASHIONETTA Cotillion



Kynnedi exemplifies poise, confidence, and character - values we strive to nurture in every young lady we serve. Through her dedication, leadership, and commitment to personal growth, she continues to shine as a role model among her peers.

We are honored to support Kynnedi as she takes this important step in her journey and we look forward to all she will accomplish in the future.

***Congratulations, Kynnedi!***

We are so proud of you.

*With pride and encouragement,*

**THE T-ROSE TEEN PROGRAM**

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# CONGRATULATIONS

## *Debutante Kynnedi*

We have been able to witness you grow into a young lady who carries herself with confidence, grace, and a sharp, thoughtful mind. Watching you grow has been a source of deep pride - you meet challenges with determination and continues to become the very best version of yourself.

We are so proud of you!  
Sending you love  
from Auntie Marian, Kayla, and Jalen!



### ✿ *Message to Our Debutante, Kynnedi* ✿

From the moment you were born, you were the apple of our eye - Daddy's little girl, Mommy's shadow, always wanting to be right under us. Watching you grow from a sweet, curious child into the beautiful, confident young woman you are today has been one of the greatest joys of our lives.

We are so proud of you, your grace, your strength, and the light you bring into every room. This milestone is only the beginning of the incredible journey ahead of you. Congratulations, our beautiful debutante.

With all our love,  
Mom & Dad





Dearest Little Cousin and Niece Kynnedi!  
 I'm quite impressed with the beautiful, intelligent, and poised young lady you've grown into, but then again, when I look back on your younger years, you've always had a very delightful spirit! I'm telling you, "The sky isn't the Limit for you" because I know you're going to excel and succeed in all your life endeavors! You are a dear heart, and this, along with being a perspicacious young lady, will give you all the tools to navigate through life! I'm going to say " Keep going beyond the sky"! Congrats to the Top Tier Debutante Kennedi! Love you! Your Cousin, Natasha, Aunt and Uncle Arde and Fred.



**DEAR KYNNEDI,  
 THE ELATION OF THIS MILESTONE..... BLACK GIRLS REALLY DO  
 ROCK.**

**"YOU ARE HER"  
 THE WORLD IS YOURS.**

**WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AND I KNOW THAT LADY UP TOP IS  
 EXTREMELY PROUD OF YOU TOO!!!!  
 JUST REMEMBER TO KEEP CHASING YOUR DREAMS & BELIEVE IN  
 YOURSELF..**

**IT'S NOT ABOUT THE JOURNEY IT'S ALL ABOUT THE PROCESS...  
 LOVE ALWAYS  
 UNCLE P & DOMINIQUE**



Dear Kynnedi,

You are in a pivotal and special moment in your life, when you can reflect on the joys of childhood while feeling the excitement of all that awaits you in the years to come. When you were a baby, babysitting you was one of the highlights of my week. You were so sweet, kind, and cuddly. I could hardly put you down. Although I've had to watch you grow from a distance since I moved out of state, I've always admired you and enjoyed hearing about your accomplishments, sweet demeanor, intelligence, and compassionate attitude. I hope your debutante cotillion reaffirms for you the light and brilliance that you carry into every space. Your dedication to this process and preparation for your future shows your maturity, strength, and commitment to investing in the beautiful future God has in store for you. You are special and deserve to be in every room, at every table, and your voice should be heard. I am honored to be your big cousin. Enjoy the journey. Congratulations! -  
 Jasmine Hunter and Family



We are so proud of you and all that you've accomplished. Watching you grow into such a confident, kind, and beautiful young woman has been such a joy. We know you look absolutely lovely today and hope you're soaking in every special moment. This milestone is just one of many wonderful things ahead, and we can't wait to see all that your future holds. Always remember how deeply loved and supported you are. Love, Sha, Mae, Kia, and Tiera



**CONGRATULATIONS  
DEBUTANTE KYNNEDI GOODEN**

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Kynnedi,  
We are proud of you  
and wish you the best.  
Know we love you!  
Good Luck!!

Lynette, Marie, and Recardo Brooks

## **DEBUTANTE JAYLAH HENDRICKS**

*As a proud participant, I am excited and honored to represent my family and community. With the love and guidance of my parents, I am currently a senior at Homewood-Flossmoor Community High School, where I maintain a 3.0 GPA. I plan to attend Georgia State University to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing, with the long-term goal of becoming a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA).*

*In addition to my academic goals, I am a young entrepreneur and the founder of my own small business where I create handmade candles, body butters, and lip glosses. This journey has taught me creativity, responsibility, and the importance of hard work. Through this meaningful experience, I am proud to represent my family and community while preparing to make a positive impact through both healthcare and entrepreneurship.*

*My escort for the event is Christopher Johnson II, son of Christopher Johnson and Kristi Hughes.*

*Christopher is a student at Homewood-Flossmoor High School, where he exemplifies leadership and discipline as the captain of the varsity football team and as a dedicated member of the track team.*

*Beyond his athletic accomplishments, Christopher is known for his character and conduct.*

*He consistently carries himself as a true gentleman-showing respect to peers, coaches, faculty, and the community, leading with integrity, and demonstrating courtesy, responsibility, and humility in all settings. His actions both on and off the field reflect strong values and a commitment to excellence.*



PARENTS  
ASHLEY MCPHERSON  
JORDAN HENDRICKS

# Jaylah Anyiah

I want you to know how incredibly proud I am of you not just for what you are accomplishing, but for the young woman you are becoming. Watching you grow has been one of the greatest joys in my life. Your strength, determination, and grace shine through everything you do, even when it isn't easy. Continue to face challenges with courage and keep moving forward. You are building a future with purpose, and I admire your work ethic, your heart, and your willingness to grow. Always remember that you are capable, worthy, and can conquer everything.

I am so grateful to be your mom. I thank God for blessing us with you. No matter where life takes you, I will always be there to cheer you on, I always believe in you.

Keep going, Jaylah this is only the beginning to your journey.

♥ Mom



"The dictionary has yet to define a word that can describe how a father's heart grows from the love of his daughter! You've made me become a better man, helped me inspire from a dad and learned as a father! Your aura, talent, fearlessness, intelligence, beauty, and kindness, gives credence as a powerful example of a destined role model to all women of color and ages! The author creating a journey to remind us that, "Mentality Portrays Reality"! With that power there isn't any mountain god can't help you push thru! I love you, dad will always be here for your tears and cheers!"

-Love Dad-



# Jaylah

Congratulations on becoming a well-rounded, beautiful young lady!

Continue to allow God to lead you in the right direction.

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- Brooklyn
- Jwan & Tracy
- Chloe
- Jordan & Ashley
- Jaylah** (Gold Leaf)
- Jace, Jaxon

**To Our Jaylah:**

Our Creator used a tree to symbolize His gift of life to the first human couple. (Genesis 2:9) Since our family has grown and produced a "bumper crop" as it were of disciplined, talented, motivated and incredibly intelligent young ones it's only fitting that we use the tree as a symbol for our family. The appreciation for life abounds in us.

The names listed on this family tree are but a small token of those who came before us. Ones who used their lives to strengthen the roots of our tree. They paved the way for you to flourish and become the REMARKABLE young woman you've transformed into.

You are a product of each and every person listed on the HENDRICKS family tree. Your name is highlighted on a gold leaf because you have exuded excellence in all your endeavors. While you have followed in our footsteps you've made your own path because you have clearly determined that YOUR voice will be heard and YOUR presence will be acknowledged. We all support you as you move forth in your journey called "life".

**WE LOVE YOU JAE BAE!!!**

## Jaylah,

From the moment you came into this world, you brought a special kind of joy into my life. Watching you grow from a sweet little girl into the beautiful young lady you are today has filled my heart with so much pride.

Every year you continue to shine brighter, and it makes me so happy to see the strong, smart, and confident young woman you are becoming. I admire your determination, your kindness, and the way you carry yourself with grace. You have a beautiful spirit, and it shows in everything you do.

Remember that greatness lives inside of you, and there is nothing you cannot accomplish when you believe in yourself. Always keep your faith, stay true to who you are, and never be afraid to follow your dreams. The world is full of possibilities waiting for you, and I know you will continue to do wonderful things.

Just know that no matter how much you grow or how far life takes you, you will always be my granddaughter and I will always be cheering for you every step of the way.

I love you so much and I am incredibly proud of you.

With all my love, Grandma 💕



## **MYELLE MARSHALL**

*Myelle Marshall is currently a junior at York Community High School in Elmhurst, Illinois, where she maintains an impressive 3.4 GPA on a 4.0 scale. In recognition of her academic excellence, she has earned placement on the Principal's List and High Honor Roll. With discipline and determination, Myelle will complete her high school studies ahead of schedule, graduating in December 2026.*

*A dedicated and accomplished athlete, Myelle is a member of York's Track and Field team and Dance Company. Throughout her athletic career, she has earned multiple recognitions and set several school records in the 100-meter hurdles and triple jump. She is a two-time 1st Place Champion in the Triple Jump and was crowned the 2024 West Suburban Silver Conference Champion in the 100-meter-high hurdles. Demonstrating remarkable resilience, Myelle qualified for the Illinois High School Association State Finals in the Triple Jump while competing through injury, recording a state-qualifying jump of 11.09 meters.*

*Beyond her athletic and academic achievements, Myelle is known for her resilience and compassionate spirit. She is an active member of the Black Student Union and is a passionate advocate for autism awareness, inspired by her love for her brother who is on the autism spectrum. Outside of school, she enjoys traveling, arts and crafts, driving, and continuously learning new things.*

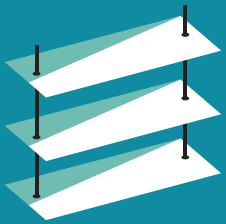
*Myelle is also an active and faithful member of Grace Central Church in Westchester, Illinois. She serves as a praise dancer, assists in the youth ministry, and volunteers in the church food pantry. In addition, she demonstrated leadership and initiative by creating a babysitting program at the church to support parents serving in the food pantry and participating in choir rehearsal.*

*Upon graduation, Myelle will attend South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, South Carolina, where she plans to major in Psychology with aspirations of becoming a children's therapist.*



PARENTS  
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## Congratulations Myelle!

Congratulations Myelle on your Cotillion!

Your grace, beauty, and determination shine so brightly. Continue to walk confidently into your future and always remember how proud we are of you.

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## **MORGAN MICHELLE MARTHA**

*Morgan Michelle Martha is the daughter of Marquin Martha and Shanita Martha of Chicago, Illinois. Morgan is a senior at Lincoln Park High School in Chicago, where she participates in the Advanced College Preparation program. She maintains a 4.4 weighted GPA out of 4 and has earned recognition from College Board as an AP Scholar for earning college credit on 3 or more AP exams. She has also earned recognition from her school for taking a dual enrollment Psychology course at Malcolm X College, earning additional college credits. During her freshman year, Morgan was so proficient in French that she began doing French II work in a French I class, ultimately leading her to complete all French courses provided by her junior year. Morgan is an active member of Chamber Chorus, Black Student Union, Red Cross Chapter, and has previously participated in Flag Football, and Track and Field.*

*In addition to her school involvement, Morgan's interests include singing, reading, serving her community, and pursuing opportunities that expand her academic and professional growth.*

*Morgan is an active member of her church community, where she previously served as Hyde Park Constellations Pathfinder Club Captain and as a member of the Pathfinder Bible Experience team. She continues to assist with the program, serves on the nominating committee, and volunteers as an usher.*

*Morgan will be attending Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia, where she plans to major in Health Sciences in preparation for a career as a physician.*

*Morgan's guiding principle comes from Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Which reflects her faith, perseverance, and determination to pursue excellence in all that she does.*

*Morgan is presented by her father, Marquin Martha.*



PARENTS  
SHANITA MARTHA  
MARQUIN MARTHA

*Debutante Morgan*

*Martha*



Celebrating our beautiful Debutante, Morgan Martha.

We are incredibly proud of you, Morgan, as you take this special step in your journey as a young woman. Your dedication to your academics, your unwavering commitment to community service, and the love and guidance you give as a big sister inspire all who know you.

Your grace, kindness, and determination shine in everything you do, and we now celebrate not just your debut but the remarkable young woman you have become.

May this milestone be the beginning of many more achievements and joyful moments in your life. May God guide you toward great things.

With all our love and admiration,

Mom and Dad



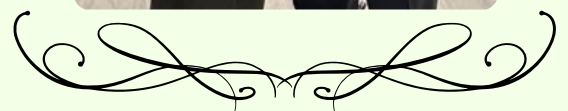
## *Debutante Morgan Martha*

*"Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you"*

*Deuteronomy 31:6 (NKJV)*

*Congratulations Debutante Morgan Martha! We are so proud of you for participating in such a fulfilling experience ! Watching you grow up to be the ambitious and intelligent young woman God has called you to be has been nothing short of a joy. We pray that you take the guidance given to you to lead during your next chapter of life. Continue to excel in everything that you do,*

*The Christophers*





## MISS MORGAN MARTHA

WITH PRIDE, LOVE, AND ENDLESS ADMIRATION

Today, we celebrate not only your debut but the remarkable young woman you are becoming.

You embody grace, strength, and purpose-- carrying yourself with confidence and heart in every step you take.

As you mark this milestone, know that you are surrounded by love, encouragement, and a legacy of women who are endlessly proud of you. May this moment be one you cherish, and may your future continue to unfold with joy, intention, and success.

*Congratulations on Your Debut,*

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*Morgan Martha*



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wonderful young woman  
you are.**



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*Morgan Martha*

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FROM UNCLE BILL AND THE KMW COMMUNITIES FAMILY!



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WISHING YOU THE BEST OF LUCK! I AM SO PROUD OF  
HOW FAR YOU HAVE COME AND HOW FAR YOU WILL GO!  
KEEP ACCOMPLISHING GREAT THINGS.

TITI MARGARET

## *Dearest Morgan,*

It is such a privilege to bear witness to the beautiful, intelligent, kind, and faithful young woman you are. We join you in celebrating this milestone of your womanhood.



We are:

- L- Looking forward to celebrating your many future milestones and successes.
- O- Observing with joy the lovely young lady you are becoming.
- V- Vowing to remain a constant pillar of support throughout your life's journey.
- E- Excited to see the incredible ways God will continue to bless you.

We love you.

Uncle Leslie & Aunt Robyn

# Congratulations

MORGAN MARTHA

OUR DEAR MORGAN,  
CONGRATULATIONS AND MAY YOUR  
FUTURE BE BLESSED WITH ALL OF  
GOD'S PROMISES.

LOVE,  
ELDER DOLBY AND CYNTHIA KNOTT.



My Niece,  
You totally rule my heart, from the first day I met you. You remind me of me when I was your age! In the story of my life, YOU are the best part. Your sweet smile and unapologetic self bring happiness in my life and joy that stays forever!



You are so love and admired.  
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Titi Deborah

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## Congratulations to Morgan Martha



We are so proud of you!  
May God continue to guide your steps and bless your journey!

With Love,  
Hyde Park SDA Music Ministry



*Congratulations on your cotillion Miss Morgan Martha!*

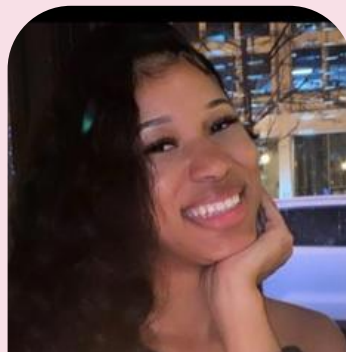
*May God continue to  
order your steps in his word.*

*I love you so very much and am so proud of you.*

*Your Mama.*



# *Congratulations* **MORGAN MARTHA**

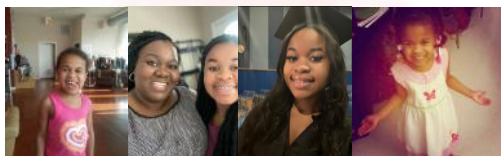


Morgan, seeing you blossom into the confident, talented, and virtuous young lady that you are makes me beyond proud. Beyond, and more importantly than, all of your achievements and accolades, you are simply an amazing sister and friend. I am so very excited to see what you do next. Your options are limitless!  
Love your big sister,  
Skyler Steele, BSN, RN

## *To My Beautiful Niece,*

I still remember meeting you when you were 14 and how quickly our bond grew into something so special. From that moment on, we built such a wonderful relationship filled with love, laughter, and honest conversations. As someone who truly believes in the power of learning and growing, it has been a joy to watch you develop into such a confident and thoughtful young lady. Seeing you participate in this endeavor makes me incredibly proud because it shows your grace, dedication, and the beautiful character you carry. I hope you always remember how proud I am of you and how deeply loved you are, not just today, but every single day.

*Love now and forever, your Twin Titi Vicki*



## **DEBUTANTE MADELEINE CAROL SMITH**

*Madeleine Smith is a driven and dynamic Senior attending Southland College Prep Charter High School with a passion for both leadership and the cosmos. She is the daughter of Melanie Harris-Smith and Kenneth Smith. Ranked 12th in her class with a 4.53 GPA, Maddie has earned multiple Golden Apple awards for academic excellence and continues to challenge herself in rigorous coursework. Her love for astrophysics has led her to conduct research at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign's Lab of Physics, collaborate with researchers at the Adler Planetarium, and publish an astrophysics article through an international STEM organization. She plans to pursue a career as a theoretical physicist.*

*Beyond the classroom, Maddie is a state-ranked tennis player who has competed in national USTA tournaments, demonstrating discipline and resilience on and off the court. She served as Chief Yearbook Editor and Vice President/Corresponding Secretary of a student organization, where she leads with creativity and integrity. Maddie has completed over 150 community service hours, volunteers at the Richardson Park Public Library, participates in Monarch Cities Jack and Jill, and competes in the NAACP ACT-SO program in Physics.*

*Whether she is mentoring peers, exploring black holes, or advocating for her community, Maddie strives to inspire others through excellence and authenticity. She looks forward to attending a university where she can continue expanding her research, leadership, and impact on the world.*



PARENTS  
MELANIE HARRIS-SMITH, MD  
KENNETH SMITH, ESQ.

**DEBUTANTE MORGAN CHRISTINA SMITH**

*Morgan Christina Smith is a proud resident of Olympia Fields, Illinois, and a dedicated senior at Southland College Prep in Richton Park. Throughout high school, Morgan has demonstrated both academic excellence and strong leadership, maintaining a 4.2 GPA while actively serving her school community. She is Choir President, Senior Class Representative, Tennis Captain, and a member of the National Honor Society. Whether leading rehearsals, representing her class, or guiding her team on the court, Morgan strives to uplift those around her.*

*Beyond school, Morgan is a member of the Monarch Cities Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. and serves as the teen group's Vice President. She is also a frequent volunteer at the Richton Park Library, where she enjoys giving back to her community.*

*Looking ahead, Morgan plans to attend college with a major in health or biological sciences and a minor in music. She plans on becoming a dermatologist, combining her passion for science with her desire to help others feel confident in their own skin. With her determination, compassion, and leadership, Morgan is excited for the bright future ahead.*



PARENTS  
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KENNETH SMITH, ESQ.

# Congratulations to Morgan Christina Smith And Madeleine Carol Smith



With pride and joy, we celebrate your presentation as a debutante. May this special occasion mark the start of a future filled with successes, purpose, joy and service to others. Continue to walk confidently toward your dreams.

With Pride and Warmest Congratulations From: Jennifer Beasley, Victor Blackwell, Sterling Burke, Sandra Finley, Art Jones, Kelvin Oliver, and Andrea Townson

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CONGRATULATIONS  
*and Much Love to*  
*Madeleine Carol Smith*



*This is your time to soar to new heights. As you step into this new chapter as a debutante, know how proud we are of your grace, intelligence, and kind heart, the future is a blank canvas, and you hold the paintbrush. Make it a masterpiece with vibrant colors and bold strokes.*

LOVE AND PRIDE,  
NANA, AUNT CAROL AND UNCLE LLOYD

CONGRATULATIONS  
*and Much Love to*  
*Morgan Christina Smith*



*As you embark on this new adventure called adulthood, embrace the journey with open arms. We are so proud of the poised, strong, and intelligent person you have become. May this milestone be the beginning of a life filled with purpose, and endless possibilities.*

LOVE AND PRIDE,  
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# CONGRATULATIONS

*Debutante Madeleine Smith*



*Your possibilities in life are endless, keep shining!*

*With Pride,*

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*Debutante Morgan Smith*



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# CONGRATULATIONS

## MORGAN AND MADELEINE SMITH

*Continue to Follow Your Dreams  
Because the Possibilities are Endless.*



COLETTE SAFFORD, CIRCUIT JUDGE - WILL COUNTY

### Congratulations Debutante Madeleine Smith!



You are excellence personified, keep your eyes to the stars!

From Coach Lavell Meeky  
Girls Tennis Coach

## **BRENAÉ STEWART**

*Under the loving guidance of her parents, Michelle Stewart and the late Brinson Stewart, Brenaé Stewart is a Junior at Rich Township High School, where she maintains an exceptional 5.0 GPA while enrolled in the rigorous International Baccalaureate (IB) Program. She was honored to serve as Junior Year Homecoming Princess and currently holds the position of JV Poms Captain for football season and competition for the 2025–2026 school year where they have going on to win several awards, including a state victory. A dedicated member of the Poms team since her freshman year, Brenaé has developed strong leadership skills, discipline, and confidence, while proudly representing her school with spirit, poise, and excellence.*

*Since 2024, Brenaé has been an active participant in Upward Bound, where she has taken part in college readiness workshops, academic enrichment activities, and out-of-state college tours that have expanded her vision for higher education. She is also involved in Club ME, where she has contributed her creativity and artistic talent by serving as a makeup artist for leading characters in school productions. Through these experiences, Brenaé has strengthened her teamwork, responsibility, and ability to serve behind the scenes while helping others shine.*

*Beyond academics and athletics, Brenaé is deeply committed to serving her community. She volunteers at the Matteson Public Library and serves as a Team Sister for the Robbins Cal Park Eagles Football and Cheer Organization, where she mentors and encourages young athletes both on and off the field. She is also an active member of New Life Covenant Southeast, where her faith continues to shape her character, leadership, and dedication to uplifting others.*

*Upon graduation, Brenaé plans to attend Hampton University to pursue a career as a Nurse Practitioner. She aspires to provide compassionate, high-quality care to children and families in her community while continuing to lead with integrity, excellence, and heart.*

*Her guiding scripture is Proverbs 31:25 which states, “She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.” This scripture reflects the faith, resilience, and confidence Brenaé carries in every area of her life.*



PARENTS  
MICHELLE STEWART  
VICTOR THOMAS

  
*Congratulations*

TO OUR BEAUTIFUL GRANDDAUGHTER,

*Brenaeé Stewart*

IN CELEBRATION OF YOUR DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION



**OUR DEAREST GRANDDAUGHTER BRENAÉ,**

Watching you grow into the beautiful, intelligent, and kind young woman you are today has filled our hearts with so much pride and joy. From your childhood smiles to this special milestone as a debutante, you have always been a shining light in our family. Continue to walk with confidence, grace, and faith as you step into your bright future.

Always remember how loved and supported you are.

We are forever proud of you.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF



*Bishop Brinson M. Stewart*

*Auntie Cheryl*



*Uncle Michael*

*Auntie Rose*

THE BELOVED DEPARTED

*A life well-lived is a legacy of love, forever cherished."*



# Debut Bride Steal



A beautiful young lady with a  
Your strength, kindness, and determination m  
Continue to walk with confidence, grace,  
your dreams.

With all our love, Mo



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wart*



bright future ahead.  
make us proud every single day,  
and faith as you pursue

*immy and Brinson*



*Congratulations to:*  
*Debutante Brenae M. Stewart*

*Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future*



*We pray for God's blessings and protection to be upon you. May today be a beautiful memory and a stepping stone to a glorious future. Boldly pursue your dreams, while remaining kind and rooted in God's word. Congratulations on your debut!*

*Love, Aunt Felicia and Uncle Rodney.*

Commissioner Donna Miller proudly celebrates:

*Miss Brenae Nichelle Stewart*

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It was an absolute pleasure meeting Brenae at a recent community event. She approached me with such confidence, grace, and warmth. I was so inspired by her words as she shared her story, her accomplishments, and her dreams with an enthusiasm that lit up the room.

*She truly made me feel like the rockstar - but the real star is her.* A 5.0 GPA IB scholar, Homecoming Princess, and JV Poms Captain, Brenae exemplifies excellence in every space she enters. Her aspiration to become a Nurse Practitioner speaks to her heart for service and her commitment to caring for others.

Young women like Brenae remind us that the future is not only bright: it is compassionate, intelligent, and determined.

I am incredibly proud of the leader you are becoming and excited for the countless lives you will impact.

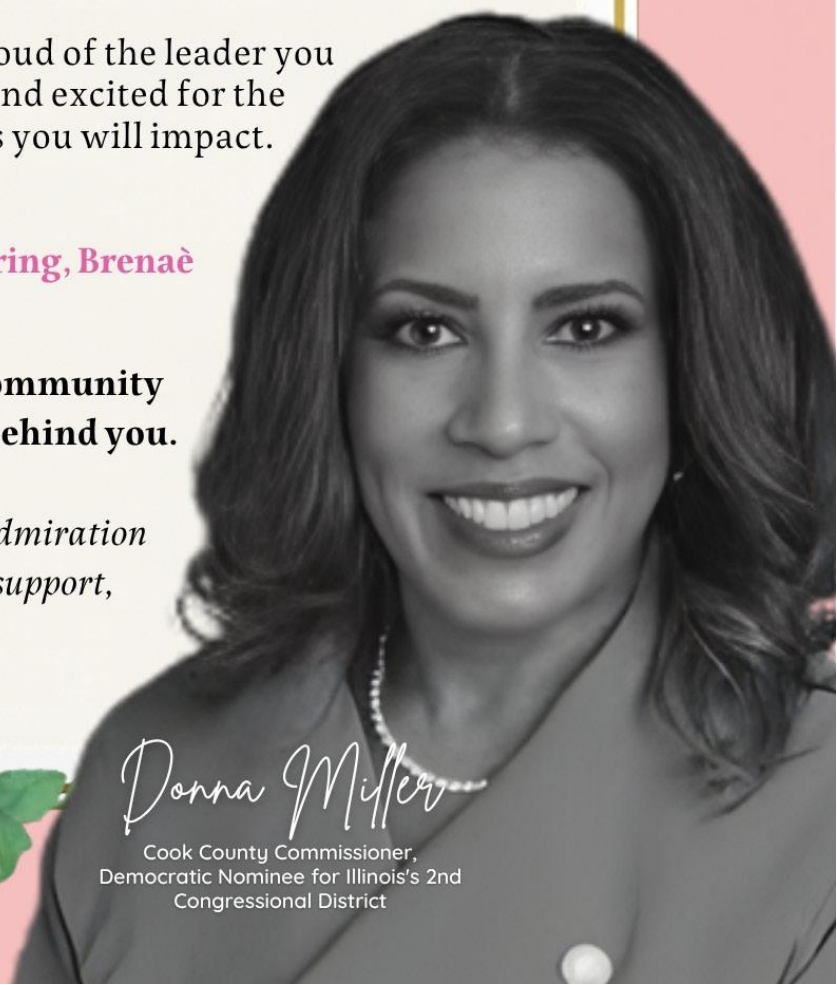
**Keep soaring, Brenae**

**Your community  
stands behind you.**

*With admiration  
and support,*

*Donna Miller*

Cook County Commissioner,  
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# *Congratulations*

*Brenaé Michelle Stewart*

on your participation in Miss Fashionetta 2026

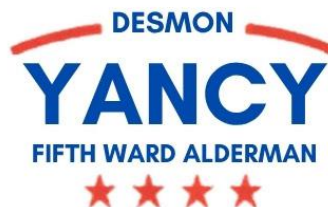
A passion for service, compassion for people, and unwavering determination.

Your grace, intelligence, and commitment to excellence remind us that the next generation is prepared to lead with purpose.

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*celebrates*  
*Debutante Brenae' Stewart*



**Congratulations and best wishes!**  
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**Go Knights!**



## Congratulations!

Congratulations! I'm so proud of you!  
Your hard work, dedication, and perseverance have truly paid off and I couldn't be happier for you. Keep reaching for the stars! This is just the beginning of all the amazing things you're going to achieve. Celebrate. Celebrate this moment and know that I'm always here cheering you on and believing in you.

With all my love and support,  
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*Brenaé,*

It has been a privilege to watch you grow into a poised, intelligent, and confident young woman. Your discipline, character, and determination speak volumes about the future you are building.

As you celebrate this milestone, continue to walk boldly in your purpose and never doubt the greatness within you. The world is better because of your light.

I am incredibly proud of you and all that you are becoming.

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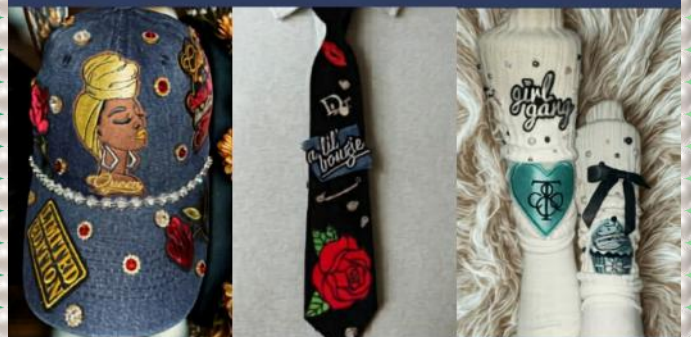
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## LYRIC TAYLOR

*It is my honor to introduce Lyric Taylor. Lyric is the daughter of Shinnelle and Demond Taylor of Aurora, Illinois, and the proud older sister of Symphony Taylor. She is currently a senior at Waubonsie Valley High School, where she has earned an impressive 3.8 weighted GPA while balancing academics, athletics, leadership, work, and service.*

*Lyric has been a dedicated member of the Waubonsie Valley Varsity Softball Team since her freshman year and proudly serves as team captain. Her leadership, discipline, and resilience both on and off the field have shaped her into a strong and dependable role model. She also played competitive travel softball from fourth grade through her junior year, strengthening her teamwork and perseverance.*

*Academically, Lyric has been recognized multiple times as Student of the Quarter, earning honors in U.S. History and Chemistry during her sophomore year, and in Finance during her junior year - a testament to her commitment to excellence in the classroom.*

*Beyond athletics and academics, Lyric is involved in the Black Student Association and was a member of Key Club for two years. She has volunteered as a Food Stocking and Distribution Volunteer with the People's Resource Center in Westmont, served as a Softball Camp Volunteer from 2023 to 2025, and worked as a Children's Fitness Teacher. She is currently employed at American Eagle Outfitters and has gained valuable experience through numerous other jobs, demonstrating responsibility and a strong work ethic. In her spare time, Lyric enjoys reading to relax and continue growing intellectually.*

*After graduation, Lyric plans to attend the University of Houston, where she will major in Information Technology Management with a minor in Cybersecurity. Her goal is to work for an NFL organization specializing in IT and network security while also mentoring and coaching young girls in softball.*

*Lyric is honored to be presented as a 2026 Miss FASHIONETTA Cotillion Debutante and looks forward to a future defined by leadership, service, and success.*



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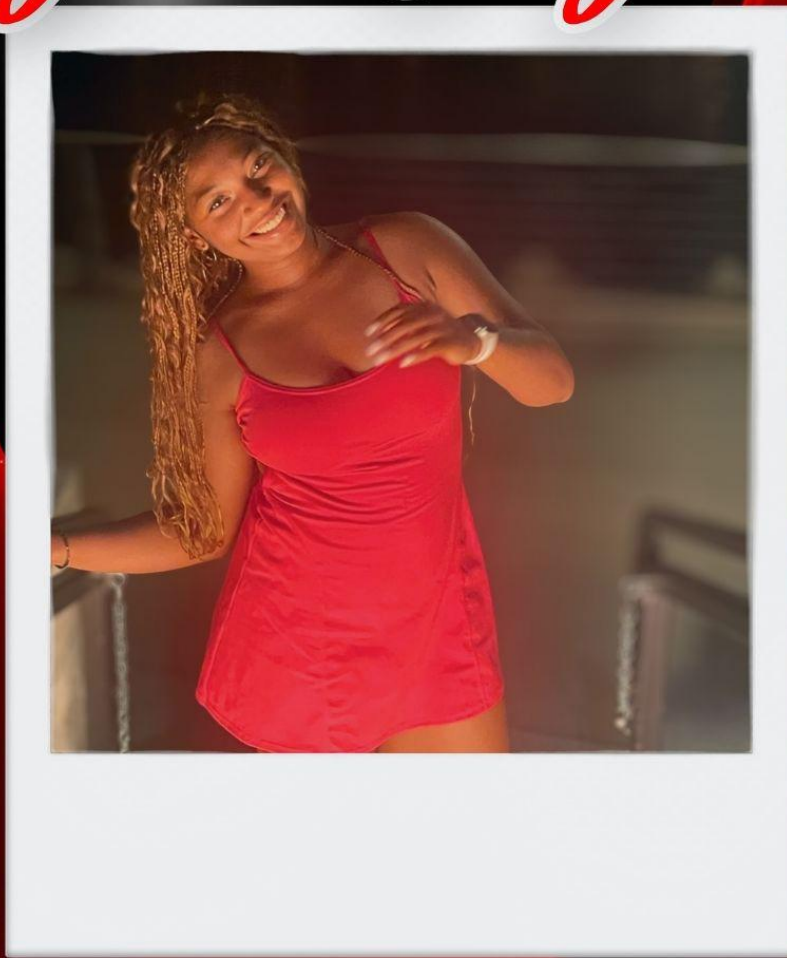
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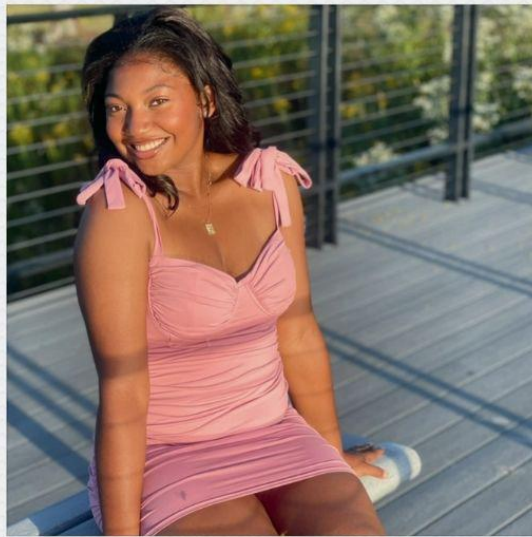
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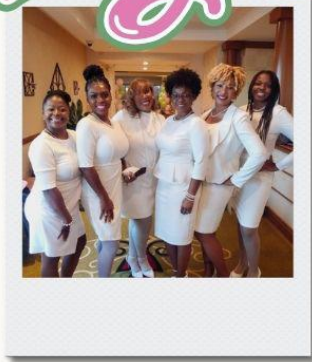
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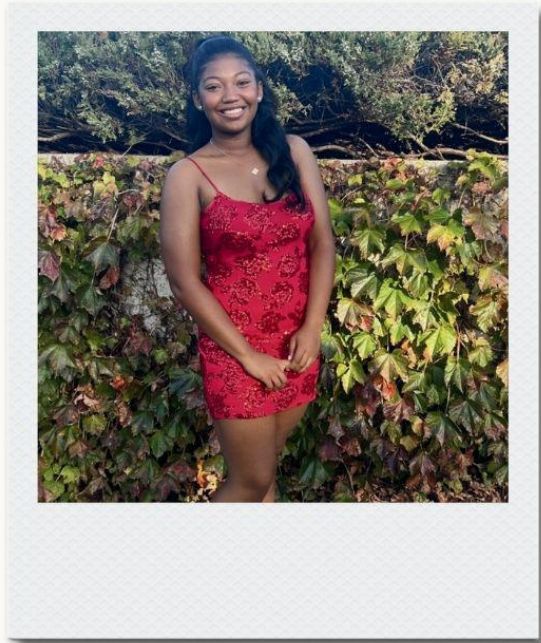
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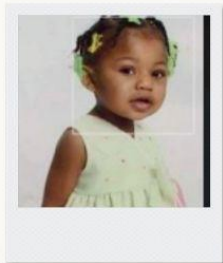


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# Congratulations Miss FASHIONETTA Debutante Lyric Taylor

Best wishes, big sister!

I hope you have a wonderful time celebrating today. Thank you for being such an inspiring role model and someone I can always look up to. Your kindness, strength, and wisdom mean the world to me, and I'm so grateful to have you as my sister.

-Love always, your little sis,  
Symphony Taylor.



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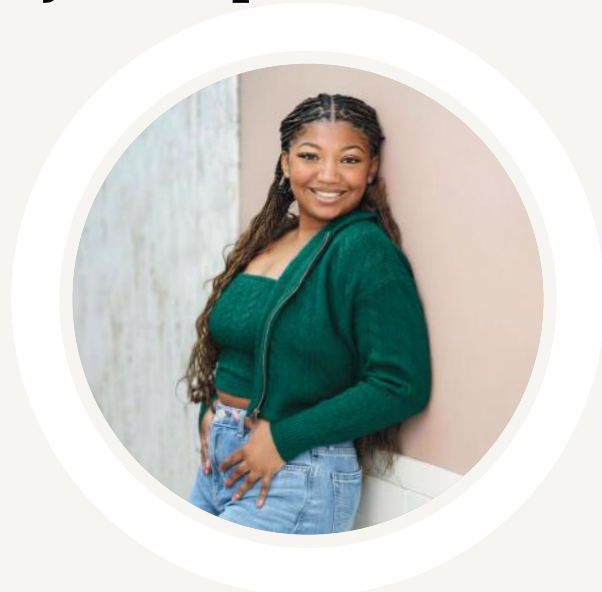


Congratulations Miss Fashionetta 2026 Debutante  
Lyric Taylor!



We are incredibly proud of you. With love, Vicki & Harry

Best wishes to Fashionetta 2026 Debutante Lyric Taylor!  
Enjoy this special milestone!



*Congratulations to my beautiful God daughter!*



*Continue to see the Light; the AKA light!*

# Congratulations

## Debutante

LYRIC TAYLOR

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future".*

Jeremiah 29:11



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## **GABRIELLE ZION WILLIAMS**

*Gabrielle Zion Williams is a driven and accomplished senior at Naperville North High School, where she has built a reputation for academic excellence, competitive athletic achievement, and transformative leadership. She currently holds a 3.5 GPA and is finishing her senior year exceptionally strong with a 4.1 GPA this semester - demonstrating both resilience and upward academic momentum. This fall, she will attend Florida A&M University (FAMU), majoring in Nursing with long-term aspirations of becoming a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA).*

*Academically ambitious, Gabrielle has completed ten AP and honors courses along with four dual enrollment classes through College of DuPage. She earned a 1410 SAT score and has been awarded the Illinois State Seal of Biliteracy in American Sign Language - the highest level of achievement in language proficiency. Beyond coursework, she actively engages with the Deaf community by attending Deaf Chat events, where she practices ASL conversationally and builds meaningful connections. Her commitment to language accessibility reflects her broader goal of providing inclusive, culturally competent healthcare in the future.*

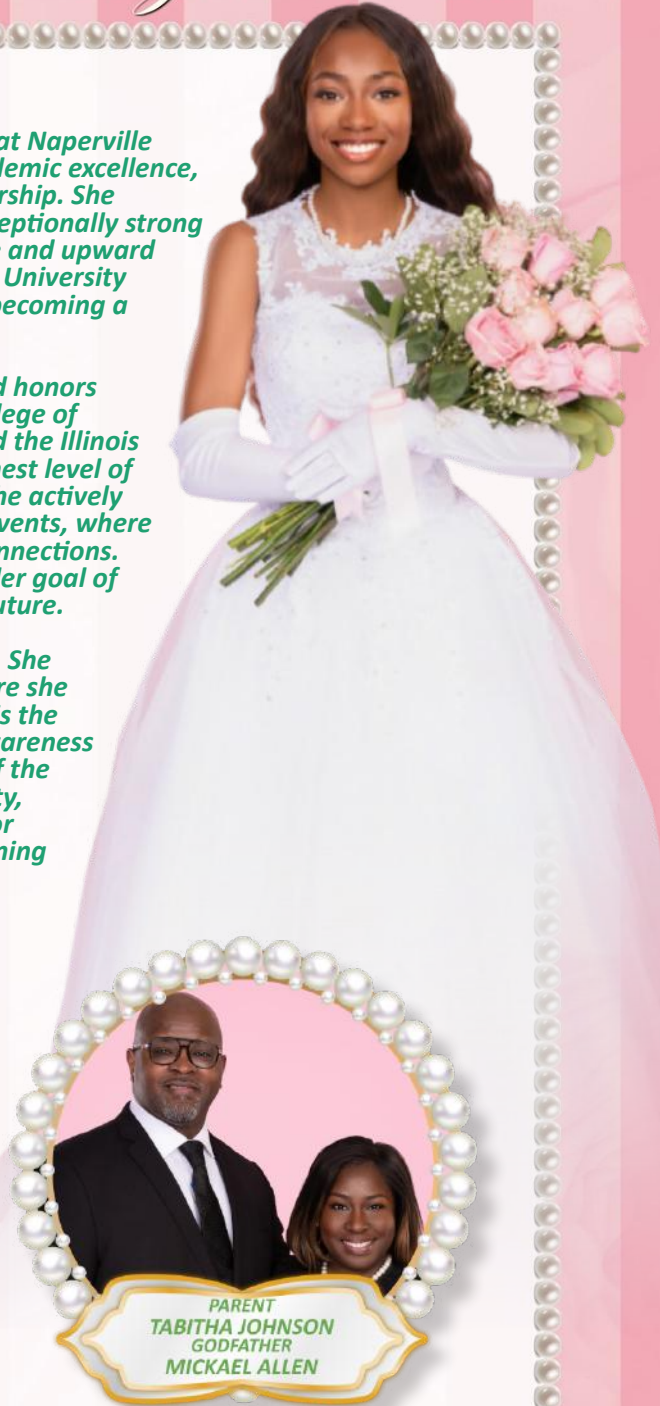
*Gabrielle's leadership presence is both visible and impactful. She serves as President of the AKA-Dette Mentoring Group, where she leads service initiatives and mentors younger students. She is the Founder of the American Sign Language Club, expanding awareness of Deaf culture within her school community. As President of the Black Student Leadership Association, she advocates for unity, empowerment, and representation. She also serves on Senior Board, contributing to school-wide initiatives and strengthening class engagement.*

*Her dedication extends into athletics, where she exemplifies discipline and perseverance. As Track Captain, Gabrielle has won her conference championship three consecutive years and is a two-year state qualifier - achievements that reflect her competitive spirit and consistency under pressure. She also participates in Varsity Cheerleading, Red Cross Club, and Medical Club, further demonstrating her dynamic involvement.*

*With over 1,000 service hours - including annual summer gardening initiatives with the AKA-Dettes - Gabrielle lives out her commitment to community uplift. She has also completed over 1,000 internship hours, gaining hands-on experience that strengthens her preparation for a career in healthcare. Additionally, she is currently earning her Illinois Global Scholar Award, highlighting her global awareness and cultural engagement.*

*Despite her many accomplishments, Gabrielle remains grounded and family oriented. She enjoys shopping with her grandmother and playing Roblox with her friends - moments that reflect her joyful, balanced, and relational spirit.*

*Disciplined, compassionate, and purpose-driven, Gabrielle embodies the excellence of a motivated young Black woman determined to lead in every space she enters. With her strong academic foundation, championship athletic record, extensive service, and clear vision of becoming a CRNA, she is not only prepared for the rigor of nursing school but poised to make a lasting impact in the healthcare field and her community.*



PARENT  
TABITHA JOHNSON  
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# TO MY HEART GABRIELLE

WITH LOVE, FROM MOM

GABRIELLE,

YOU ARE ONE OF MY  
GREATEST BLESSINGS AND I  
AM ENDLESSLY PROUD OF THE  
YOUNG WOMAN YOU ARE  
BECOMING. CONTINUE TO  
SHINE AND PURSUE YOUR  
DREAMS.

WATCHING YOU GROW, LEAD,  
AND STEP INTO YOUR OWN  
HAS BEEN ONE OF THE  
GREATEST HONORS OF MY  
LIFE. I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE ALL  
THAT GOD HAS IN STORE FOR  
YOUR FUTURE.

GOD IS SURELY  
WITHIN YOU  
AND YOU WILL NOT FAIL.

LOVE YOU  
UNCONDITIONALLY AND  
ENDLESSLY,  
*'Mother'*



CONGRATULATIONS

*Debutante*  
*Gabrielle Williams*



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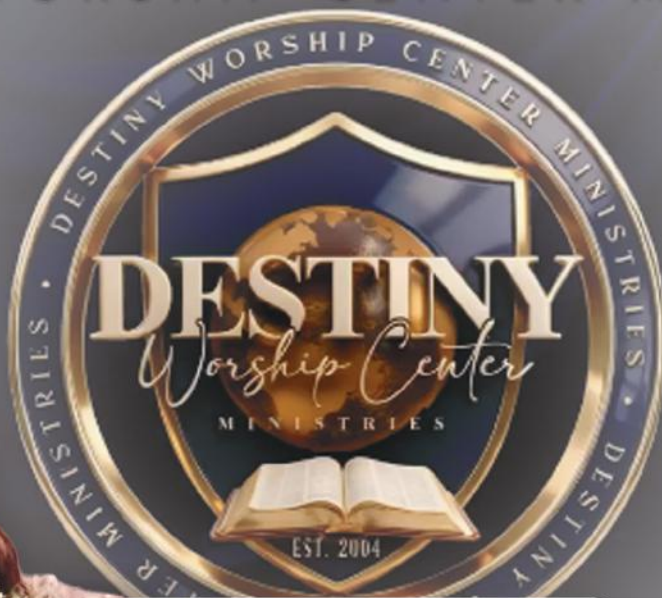
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CONGRATULATIONS

**GABBY, IT HAS BEEN A JOY WATCHING YOU GROW INTO SUCH A BEAUTIFUL, SMART, AND ACCOMPLISHED YOUNG WOMAN. WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU AND EXCITED TO SEE ALL THE AMAZING THINGS YOUR FUTURE HOLDS.**



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**DEBUTANTE  
GABRIELLE WILLIAMS**

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*Congratulations*  
to our *Gabby Girl!*

You are such a special niece; words can't express the joy you have brought to our lives. As we reflect on how you have grown, and your many accomplishments, our hearts are filled with joy and pride!

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"GodBaby"



Gabby, it has been a joy to watch your journey and witness the young woman you are becoming. Your GodFather and I are so proud of you and will always be cheering you on.

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**JOURNEY CLARKE WILLIS**

*Journey Clarke Willis is the proud daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Sylvester Willis Jr. and resides in Oak Park, Illinois. A junior at Oak Park and River Forest High School, Journey is a well-rounded student who balances academics, athletics, and the arts. She is a member of her school's girl's lacrosse team and has a strong background in musical theater, where she enjoys expressing her creativity on stage. An award-winning orator, Journey uses her voice with confidence and purpose.*

*Dedicated to leadership and service, Journey is an active member of her Jack and Jill chapter, where she serves as the Nominating Chair. She also participates in her school's Best Buddies program, supporting and building meaningful friendships with peers who have special needs. In recognition of her character and leadership, Journey was recently selected as a senior leader for the 2026-2027 school year, where she will mentor and guide underclassmen.*

*As the oldest of three children, Journey is a loving and responsible big sister to seven-year-old twins, Joi and Jrue. She has a deep love for her family and friends and values the strong relationships that support and inspire her each day. Journey is honored*

*and appreciative to be a participant in the 2026 AKALade Miss Fashionetta Cotillion and looks forward to her senior year and the exciting JOURNEY into college that awaits her.*



# Debutante

## *Journey Willis*

Like your name, you are a beautiful path of promise, brilliance, and grace.

Tonight we celebrate your light, your leadership, and the extraordinary young woman you are becoming.

May your dreams be bold, your faith be strong, and your future limitless. Lead with compassion, and shine with confidence.

Our hearts are full, our pride is endless, and our love for you is everlasting.



*-Mom, Dad, Joi, & Jrue*

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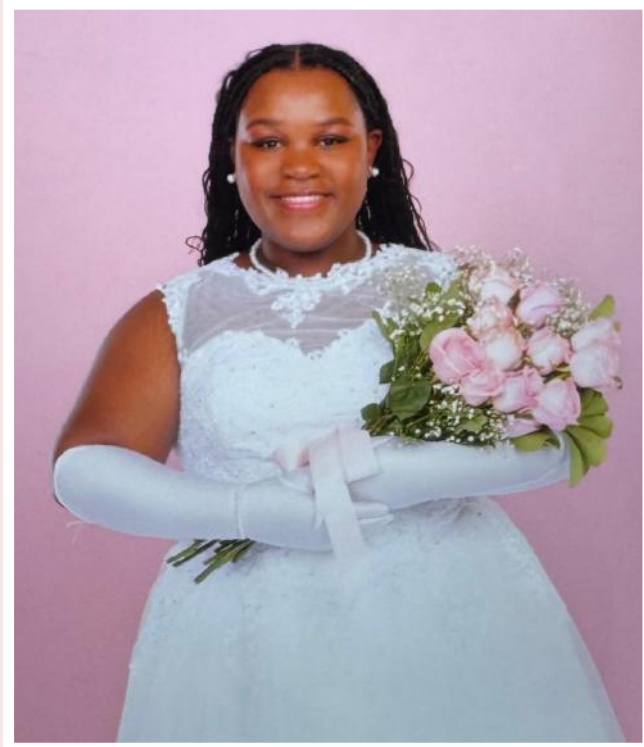
## *Debutante Journey Willis*



*Journey,  
Watching you grow into the beautiful,  
kind-hearted, and talented young lady you  
are today has been one of my greatest joys.  
You fill my heart with pride, love, and  
laughter.  
As you **JOURNEY** this thing called life,  
always remember, you are enough and  
how much I love you.*

*Love, Nana* ❤️

*Congratulations  
Debutante Journey Willis*



*May this day be as enchanting as your  
brilliance, beauty, boldness, and beloved spirit.  
We are proud of the young lady you are. We  
are excited for your continued achievements  
and the dreams you will fulfill. Keep shining!*

*Love,  
Akilah and Tremaine*

# CONGRATULATIONS

*Debutante Journey Willis*

Journey,

Today we celebrate you and the beautiful young woman you are becoming. You carry yourself with confidence, elegance, and a quiet strength that makes us so proud.



*“If you are always trying to be normal, you will never know how amazing you can be.”*

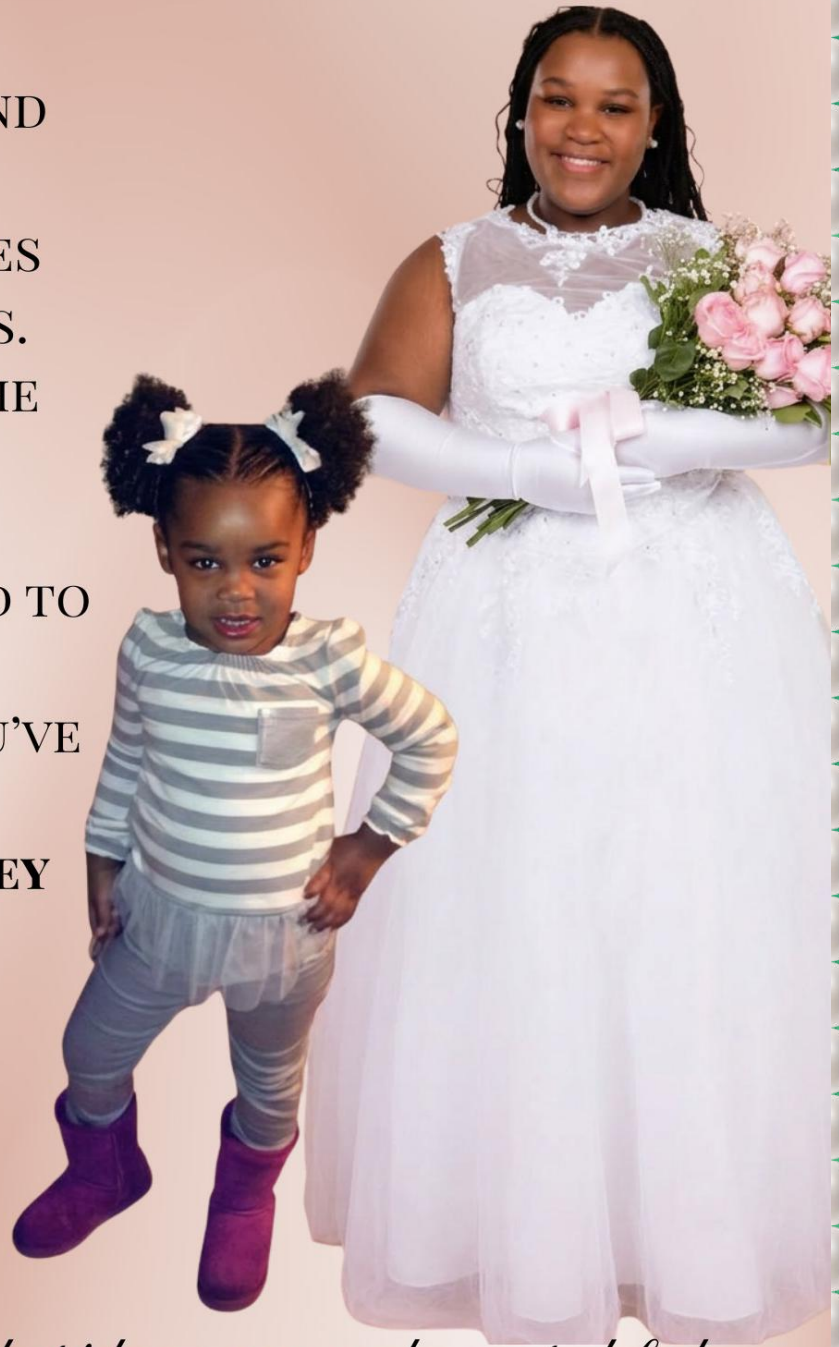
*-Maya Angelou*

Keep shining, keep growing, and continue to walk in your grace. We are honored to be your aunts and forever in your corner.

With all our love,  
Aunt Lori Bazillion &  
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*Congratulations Debutante  
Journey C. Willis*

ONCE TINY STEPS AND  
CURIOUS EYES,  
NOW STEADY STRIDES  
TOWARD OPEN SKIES.  
TIME HAS SHAPED THE  
YOUNG WOMAN YOU  
ARE-- CONFIDENT,  
BRILLIANT, DESTINED TO  
GO FAR. TODAY WE  
CELEBRATE WHO YOU'VE  
BECOME, AND THE  
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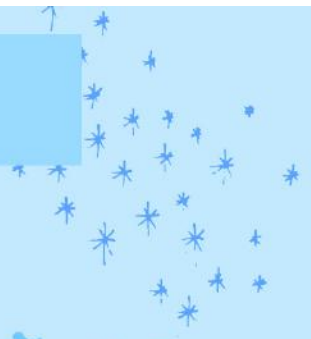
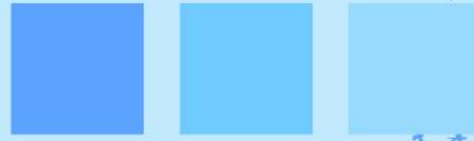
*Journey Clarke Willis*

Watching you shine your light has been an absolute joy for our chapter. We believe the world will one day see the greatness we already know, and we'll be there to celebrate it with you. Congratulations on this incredible honor! Continue to shine brightly, just as you do every day.

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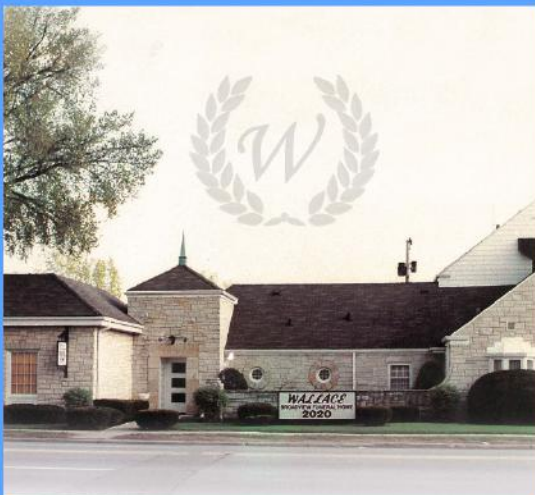
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Wishing you  
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# CONGRATULATIONS

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## Debutante Journey Willis

*We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished. Your beauty is magnetic, your voice is powerful, and your intention mixed with passion can change the world. Continue to shine your light and be you!*

**We Love You,  
The Montgomery Family**



## Congratulations Debutante Journey Willis



As you make your debut, may this special moment mark the beginning of many beautiful opportunities and dreams fulfilled. We are very proud of you and wish you a future filled with happiness and success.

Love, Uncle Walter Jr. & Aunt Malinda

## **DEBUTANTE FAITH WILSON**

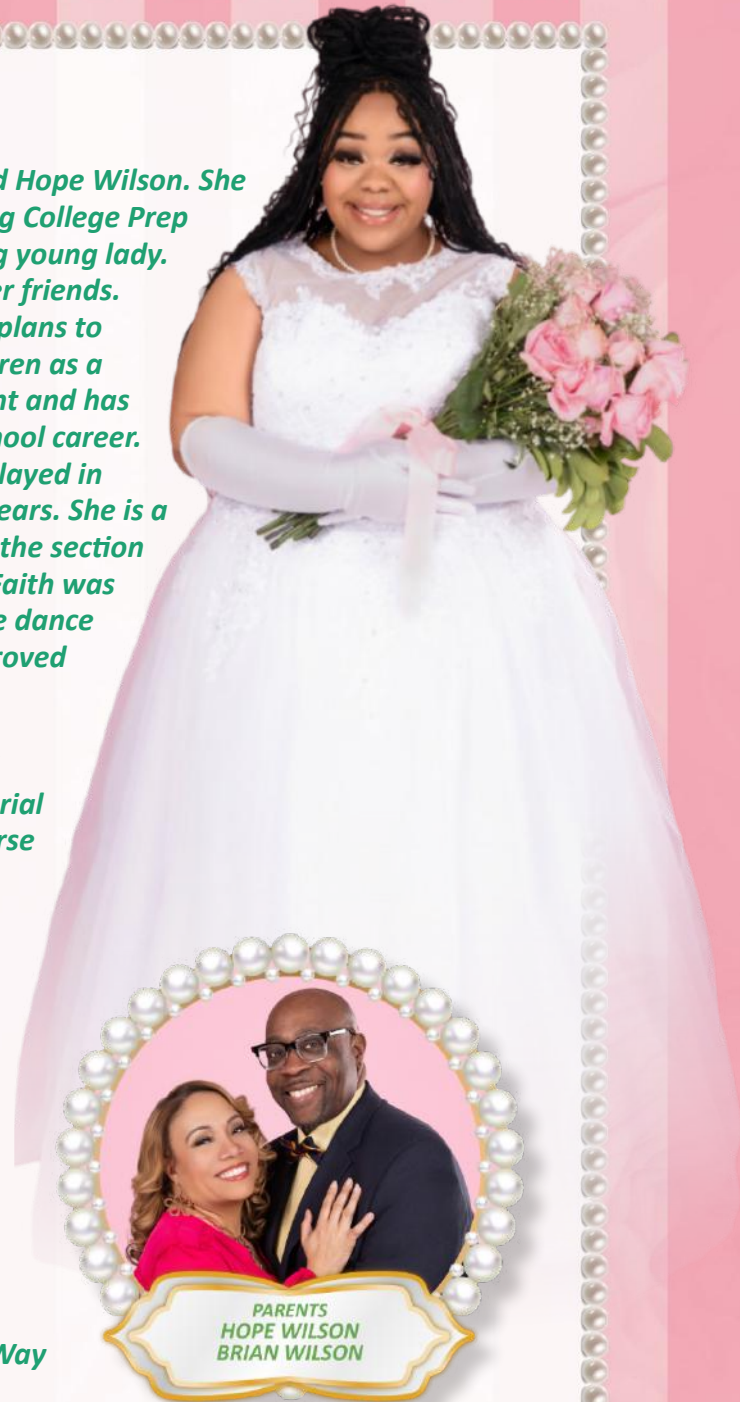
*Debutante Faith Wilson is the daughter of Brian and Hope Wilson. She is the sister of Brianna Wilson. She is a senior at King College Prep High School. Debutante Faith is a spirited and loving young lady. She is passionate about her family and is loyal to her friends. Faith has a talent for connecting with children. She plans to use this talent in the future as an advocate for children as a social worker. Debutante Faith is a dedicated student and has maintained an A/B average for most of her high school career. Her talents extend beyond the classroom. She has played in the acclaimed band at King College Prep for three years. She is a member of the Illinois Music Honor Society. Faith is the section leader for the flute and piccolo section. Debutante Faith was a member of the award-winning varsity competitive dance team at her school and recognized as the most improved dancer.*

*Outside of school Faith is committed to her spiritual growth. She is an active member of Kendrick Memorial Missionary Baptist Church. She is the lead junior nurse and often cares for children during morning service. She has supported many ministries including the dance ministry and youth ministry. Additionally, she is service oriented; this is evidenced by her participation in school supply distribution and feeding the community events.*

*Faith is a member of Top Teens of America, Incorporated where she serves as Director of Operations and M.E.A.N. Girls (Managing Emotions and Negativity) Empowerment where she served as a brand ambassador. Through these organizations she has completed service projects through the Obama Foundation and Lady Gaga's Born This Way Foundation.*

*Faith has an entrepreneurial spirit and makes others feel beautiful with her business "Lashes at Lunch" where she does lashes and brows for her peers. In addition, she has a babysitting business that supports several families.*

*Debutante Faith plans to take her talents to college and continue her education this fall as she pursues her degree in Social Work.*



To our beautiful daughter, watching you grow into the incredible young woman you are today has been the greatest privilege of our lives. You are smart, kind, and radiant.



You have demonstrated grace, grit, and tenacity through this journey. You are destined for greatness, and we are so excited to see all that you accomplish. Continue to put God first and remember to let the world see your greatness.  
Love, Mom, Dad and Brianna



We are so proud of you!

# We Are Celebrating *Faith*

With overflowing love and pride, we, the Mitchells, the Echols, and the Banires families, celebrate and congratulate our beautiful bonus granddaughter and our bonus niece, Faith A Willson, on this unforgettable occasion.

Faith, we have loved you and watched you grow since you were a baby. From your earliest days to this remarkable milestone in your senior year, it has been a joy to witness your growth into the intelligent, graceful, and compassionate young lady you are today.

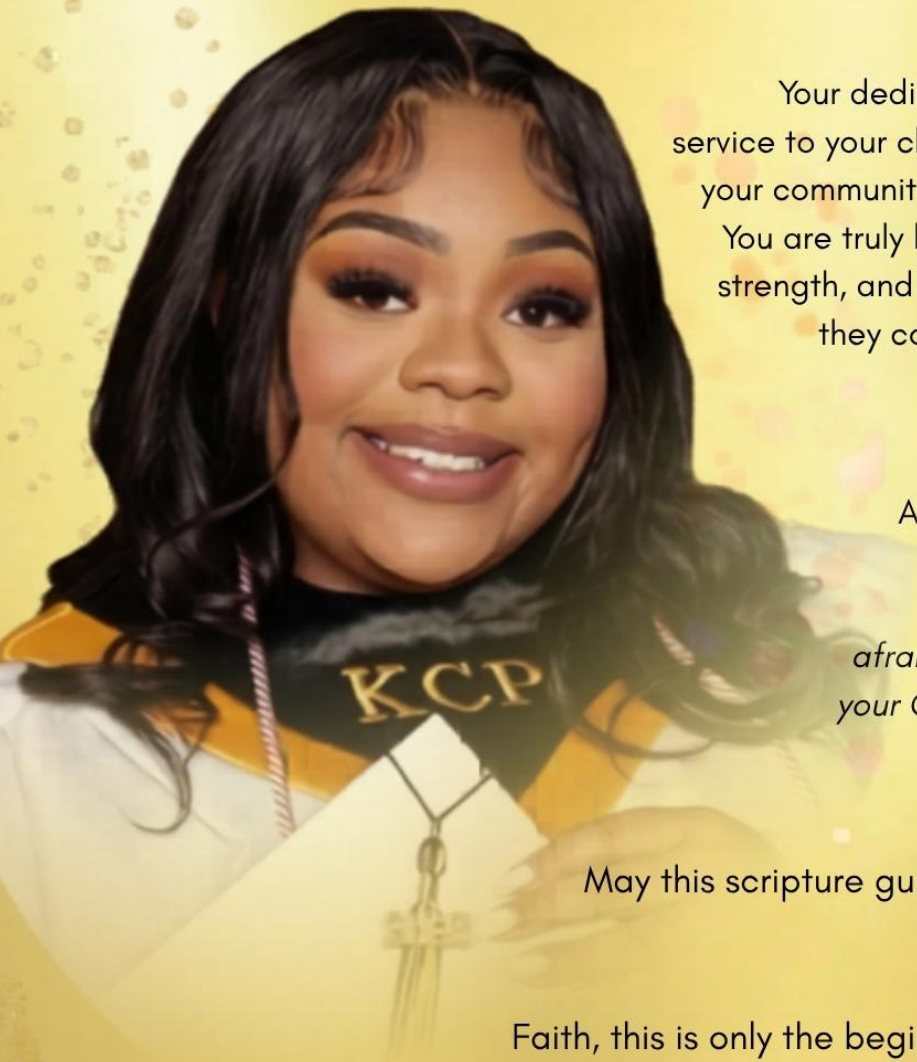
Your dedication to your academics, your faithful service to your church, school, and your commitment to your community speak volumes about your character. You are truly beautiful inside and out. Your kindness, strength, and faith have always shone brightly - and they continue to light the way for your future.

As you step into college and adulthood, carry this promise in your heart:  
*"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."*  
- Joshua 1:9

May this scripture guide you through every new chapter, every challenge, and every victory.

Faith, this is only the beginning. Continue to walk boldly, trust God fully, and pursue your dreams with confidence. We are so proud of you and we will always be cheering you on.

*With all our love,*  
Marieth and James Mitchell, Kenyatta, Kyra and Kel,  
Grandparents, Aunts and Uncle respectively.





Congratulations  
to our God Daughter,  
Debutante Faith Wilson



We love you and are so proud of all your  
many accomplishments!  
Continue to Glow with Grace.

Love, John & Terri Martin



# Faith

Congratulations on your debut,

As you step into the spotlight of adulthood, may you always walk in God's light, embrace His wisdom, and trust in His perfect plan for your life. You are a precious gift, and I pray you continue to shine as a reflection of His goodness.

Love,  
Doris Jean Hayes



# Congratulations

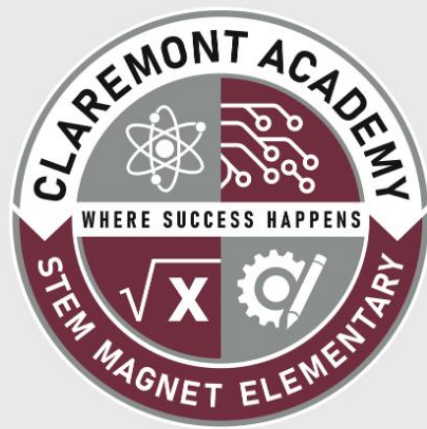


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Debutante Faith,

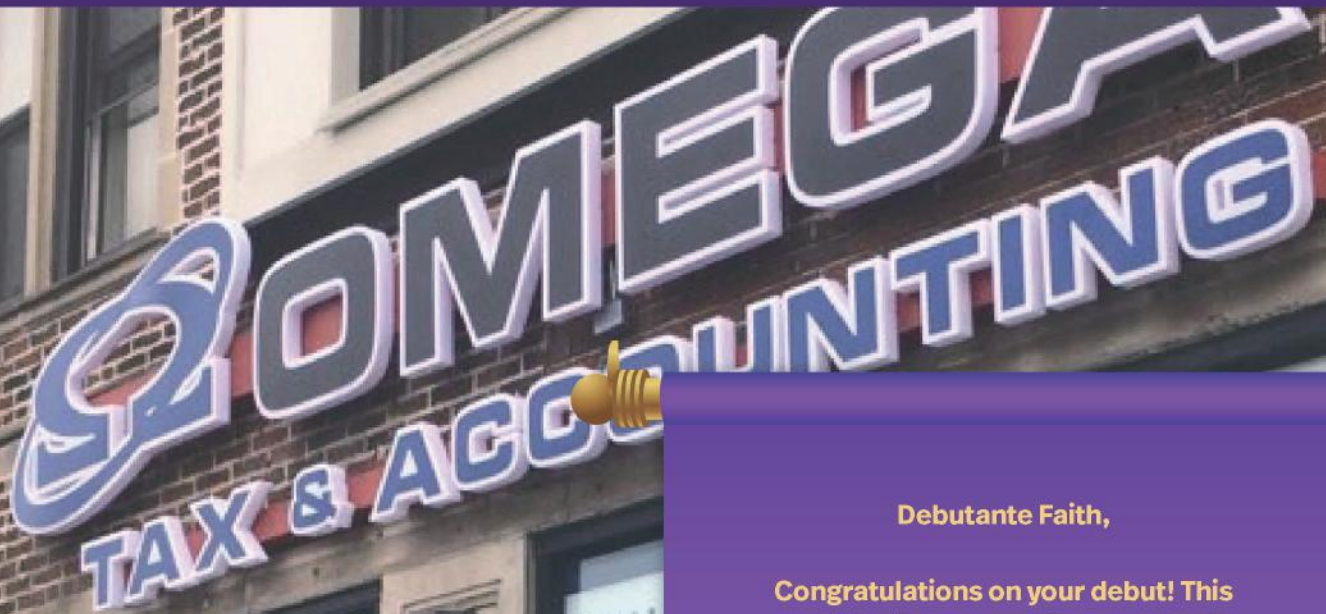
With great pride and admiration, we honor Faith as she reaches this beautiful milestone. Her grace, character, and commitment to excellence reflect the very best of the Claremont community. Faith, your journey is a testament to your strength, kindness, and bright spirit. May this moment mark the beginning of even greater accomplishments, meaningful opportunities, and continued growth.

We celebrate you today and look forward to the incredible future ahead. With pride and warmest congratulations!



# OMEGA

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Debutante Faith,

Congratulations on your debut! This special milestone marks not only the transition into adulthood but also the beginning of new opportunities and adventures. At Omega Tax Accounting & Consulting Group, Inc., we celebrate your achievements and the bright future ahead of you. May this occasion be filled with joy, laughter, and unforgettable memories, surrounded by friends and family who cherish you. Wishing you success and happiness in everything you pursue!

Warmest wishes, Darrell Mitchell

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# Congratulations

# FAITH



What an honor it is to see you evolve into a beautiful, intelligent, fierce young lady! May your hard work, beauty and boldness make way for many open doors, new experiences and blessings.

Love, Miss Christina  
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# CONGRATULATIONS!



**Faith Wilson**

Warmest congratulations to Faith Wilson on your debut! It is a pleasure to watch you grow into a poised and impressive young lady. Your dedication to your studies, community service, and personal growth sets a wonderful example for your peers. As you step into this next chapter, I encourage you to keep striving for excellence and to use your talents to lift others. Your future is bright, and I look forward to seeing the positive impact you will undoubtedly make.

**Richard Boykin**  
Democrat for Congress



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**Congratulations, Faith!**  
**Continue to shine and lead with grace.**

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Congratulations  
**Debutante Faith!**

May your life be a daring adventure, filled with bold choices,  
beautiful moments, and endless opportunities to make a difference.

Wishing you all the best,  
The South Shore High School Alumni and the  
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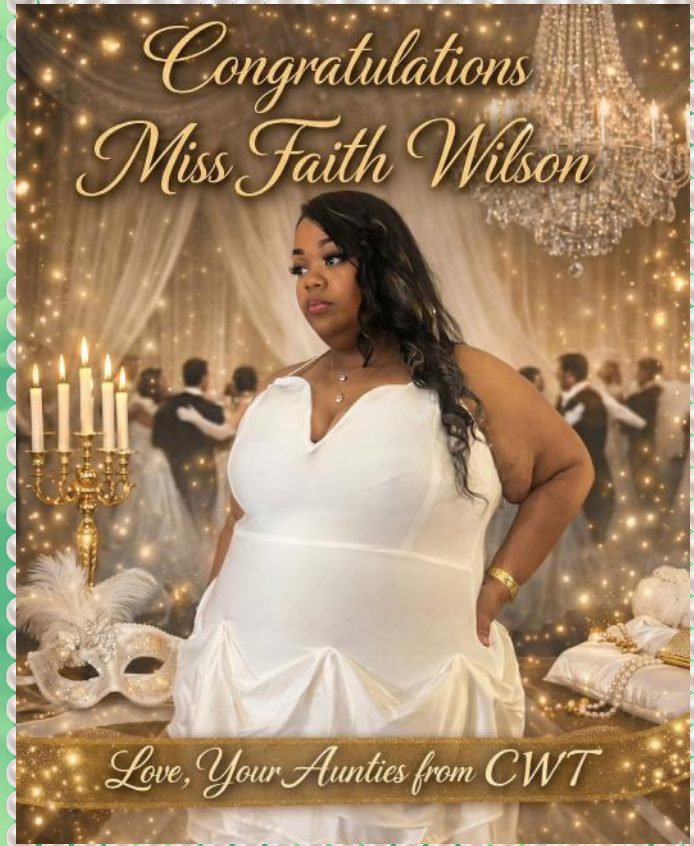
Congratulations  
*Faith Wilson*



*Debutante Faith,  
As you step into adulthood,  
remember to keep your feet on the  
ground but your eyes and heart  
toward heaven. I am so proud of  
the woman you've become.*

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Congratulations  
*Miss Faith Wilson*



*Love, Your Aunties from CWT*

# Congratulations Faith



As you step into adulthood, may you continue to grow with the same grace and beauty that you've shown us all. Congratulations on your debut, and wishing you a life full of health and happiness!

Dr. LaTasha Nelson



## Debutante Faith,

*Warmest congratulations on your debut! May you continue to bloom with grace and health.*

Dr. McNair

# Congratulations! Faith Wilson



Wishing you the warmest congratulations! I am so proud of you! May this momentous occasion mark the beginning of a future filled with grace, success, and wonderful achievements.

Dr. Shawn Smith

# Congratulations!

## Faith Wilson



Debutante Faith,

Watching you grow up has been an absolute joy. As you make your debut into society, we hope you always remember how truly special you are. We love you very much and are always here for you.

You have blossomed into an amazing young woman. The world is yours to conquer. Keep following your dreams, aim for the sky, and live life to the fullest. We are so proud of the person you are.

Congratulations on your debut!

Love,

Kenya and Brandon Gibbons





## Faith

On your debut, we pray that God guides your path, satisfies your needs, and strengthens your frame in all your days ahead. May you always walk in His purpose with faith and gratitude.

With Love,  
The Nurses Board  
of

Kendrick Memorial Missionary Baptist Church



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Dearest Faith,  
As you celebrate your debut, I am reminded of Jeremiah 29:11. God has a beautiful plan for your life—a future filled with hope. As you transition into adulthood, I pray that you walk in wisdom and courage, allowing your faith to guide every decision. May you continue to be a light to those around you and always, as Colossians 3:17 says, do everything in the name of the Lord. Congratulations on this milestone!



Love,  
Pastor Joe F. Holcomb Jr and  
the Mount Moriah Missionary  
Baptist Church No 1  
Family

## Congratulations Faith Wilson



Best of luck Débutante Faith Wilson, you've got this! Pretty poised and determined! Our team will be rooting for you!!!

Jay Nichole  
Author  
"Will You Still Love Me?"





**TYSHAWN BROWN**

*Tyshawn Brown, the son of Tamishae Curry and Cordelrow Brown, is a junior at Leo Catholic High School with academic interests in Business Management.*

*He is escorting MYELLE MARSHALL in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Tyshawn plans to attend Florida A&M University in Tallahassee, Florida, where he will pursue studies in Business Management and Sports Communication. Inspired by the words of Barack Obama, he believes in leading with calm and listening with purpose.*



**JORDAN BLOUNT CALHOUN**

*Jordan Blount Calhoun, the son of Corey and Tamekia Buckner (Blount), is a senior at Southland College Preparatory High School with plans to major in Business.*

*He is escorting BRENAÉ STEWART in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Jordan plans to attend Florida A&M University (FAMU). He is guided by the belief in doing everything with excellence and transforming every opportunity into something exceptional.*



**ZYAIRE CAMPBELL**

*Zyaire Campbell, the son of Quantrell Campbell, is a junior at Leo Catholic High School with academic interests in engineering and business.*

*He is escorting KENNEDI GOODEN in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Zyaire plans to attend college. His guiding principle is to seek truth with clarity, act with empathy, and use knowledge to empower others.*



**JAIVON DALE**

*Jaivon Dale attends Leo Catholic High School, where he is actively involved in football, track, and basketball, and contributes his time to construction-based volunteer work.*

*He is escorting LAILA CLAY in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Jaivon plans to attend college, while balancing football and pursuing a degree in mechanical engineering. He enjoys music and is guided by a determination to grow through both discipline and opportunity.*



AKIR FINLEY

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*Akir Finley, the son of Rika Lee and Todd Finley, is a senior at Marist High School.*

*He is escorting MORGAN MARTHA in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Akir plans to attend Howard University, where he will major in Finance. He is guided by the belief that doing the right thing - especially when no one is watching - is the true measure of character.*



STEPHEN JACKSON

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*Stephen Jackson, the son of Valerie Coston, is a junior at Leo Catholic High School with interests in engineering.*

*He is escorting MORGAN SMITH in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Stephen plans to attend a four-year college. He believes that growth comes through experience and that making mistakes is an essential part of learning.*



STEVEN JACKSON

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*Steven Jackson, the son of Valerie Coston, is a junior at Leo Catholic High School with aspirations in civil engineering.*

*He is escorting MADELEINE SMITH in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Steven plans to attend college. He is guided by the principle of treating others with respect while giving his best effort in all endeavors.*



ISIAH JAMES

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*Isiah James, the son of Sheere James and the late Johnny Haygood, is a junior at Leo Catholic High School with interests in fashion and brand design.*

*He is escorting LYRIC TAYLOR in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Isiah plans to attend college. He believes in leading by example and moving forward with intention and direction.*



**CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON II**

*Christopher Johnson II, the son of Kristi C. Hughes and Christopher Johnson, is a senior at Homewood-Flossmoor High School with aspirations in Theatre and Film.*

*He is escorting JAYLAH HENDRICKS in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Christopher plans to attend the University of Georgia. He is guided by the belief in working diligently, remaining grounded, and uplifting those around him.*



**BLAKE MOORE**

*Blake Moore is a dedicated student at Leo Catholic High School. He is deeply involved in Student Government, choir, football, and baseball.*

*He is escorting GABRIELLE WILLIAMS in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Motivated by a strong interest in business and technology, Blake plans to major in Computer Science and minor in Business. Outside the classroom, he enjoys music and travel, reflecting a well-rounded and enthusiastic approach to life.*

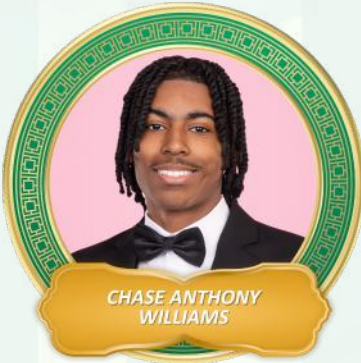


**BRYAN WILLIAMS**

*Bryan Williams, the son of Cordero Williams and Jasmyne Franklin, is a junior at Neuqua Valley High School with aspirations in professional football and engineering.*

*He is escorting KELLY BELL in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Bryan plans to attend the College of DuPage. He is guided by a commitment to integrity, discernment, and personal excellence.*

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*Chase Anthony Williams, the son of Kristen Moore, is a junior at Bolingbrook High School and aspires to become a pediatrician.*

*He is escorting JOURNEY WILLIS in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Chase plans to attend the University of Texas. He believes that consistent hard work will always surpass talent.*



KEVIN WILSON

### KEVIN WILSON

*Kevin Wilson, the son of Tinnel Rogers and Kevin Wilson, is a junior at Leo Catholic High School with aspirations in Social Work and Psychology.*

*Following graduation, Kevin plans to attend college. He is guided by the belief that faith must be accompanied by action.*



DEVIN VASSEL

### DEVIN VASSEL

*Devin Vassel, the son of Carrie and Kevin Vassel, is a junior at Leo Catholic High School and an active member of the Varsity Baseball Team and Kappa League.*

*He is escorting FAITH WILSON in the 2026 Miss Fashionetta Cotillion. Following graduation, Devin plans to attend Triton College. He is committed to giving his best effort and striving each day to become better than the day before*



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