

POET'S CORNER

Which Path Will Our Class Take

(A tribute to graduating high school seniors and college students)

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As we embark upon each of life's journey's,
We will face the beginning of many
untraveled roads-
Some will represent the future goals we
must continue to plan for and discover,
As our dreams begin to unfold.

Each step of these journey's,
May require us to play different roles,
As we explore some of these territories
with eagerness and dedication,
We must accept the tough challenges
that lie ahead-
With our heads held high and bold.

We must renew gained knowledge-
We must renew our vows to humanity,
By investing in the environment and world
peace.

Also become tomorrow's leader's and
volunteer's-
Who represent role models and mentors
in our communities.

And if future is ours to shape,
And success is our destination,
Which path will our class take,
To better this global nation.

Blast Off

BY NATALIE D. LAMBERT, SISTA' GIRLFRIEND, INC.

I'm the sun
the moon
the stars
all wrapped in one.
And when passions start
burning — deep
I am an atomic bomb.
You make me
H-h-h— Hot
the love you give
no one else has got.
I'm the earth
on it's axis
turning round
and round and round.
I had no destination
but with you

look what I've found.
I'm a particle
of the universe
I fill every
vacant place.
After you finish
loving me
the moonlight
is my face.
I'm a cloud in the sky
I'm the heavens up above
Everything I touch —
it turns to love.
I am sugar, satin, silk
I am sweet, I am soft —
Five - Four - Three - Two
One ———Blast-Off!

KIMBERLY

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"Kimberly's Entertainment
News Quiz Wiz Box! Put the
Celebrity names where you
think they fit in my Kimberly's
Mix!!"

Silk- recording group
Bell, Biv, Devoe
Michael Bivens
Ronnie Devoe
Am Conference
Black Radio Exclusive
Conference
The Jack the Rapper
Conference
The Jefferson cast members
The Jeffersons
Good Times cast members

Good Times
Janet Jackson
Jodeci- lead singer
Mary J. Blige-
The Cosby Show
The Adams Family
Hanging with Mr. Cooper
Raven Simone
"Where I Live" sitcom
Bill Cosby
Latoya Jackson
Renee- Janet Jackson's
boyfriend
Janet Jackson
Michael Jackson
Caucasian Family
(DID YOU GET IT? I GOT
MINE!!)

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY ROBERT SMALLS (NAVAL HERO)

By Gwen Walker

Robert Smalls was born in
Beaufort South Carolina, on April 5,
1839. As all slaves, he was pre-
vented from doing the things he
dreamed of doing. He could not gain
an education without breaking the
law nor could anyone teach him with-
out breaking the law also.



GWEN WALKER

In 1851 he was sent to Char-
leston to begin work as an outfitter for ships. He became very
familiar with ships and sailing. According to the House of
Representative Records Forty-Seventh Congress second
session report no. 1887, which placed Smalls on the retired list
of the navy, he was entitled to retirement because of his
valuable service to the country during the Civil War.

On May 13, 1862, the Confederate Steamboat "Planter" was
taken out of the Port of Charleston
and delivered to one of the vessels
of the Federal fleet then blockad-
ing the port.

With great skill Smalls and eight
other African men along with five
women and his three children led
the ship past enemy Confederates
and surrendered it to the union
forces. His courage made him one
of the first African American naval
heros.



ROBERT SMALLS

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