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College: Harvard, Williams College, University of Chicago or University of Michigan; English.

Academic honors: National Merit Scholarship finalist; A.P. Scholar Award; Who's Who Among American High School Students; Presidential Scholars Candidate; Dean's List (Oakland Community College); Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition honorable mention; and academic letter.

Extracurricular activities: Harrison High Symphony Orchestra, viola section leader and music librarian; National Honor Society; Science Bowl; and TEAMS.

Influential teacher: Lori Williams, a fifth grade teacher, who "taught me to love learning." Elsey remembers how excited the students got when the teacher brought out a novel she read from daily. "People couldn't wait until the next morning to hear what happened next. Sometimes they would go out and get the book to read it."

Elsey expects her generation to contribute "a creativity and intellectual curiosity that will push the limits of every field of human endeavor."

Elsey is the daughter of Terry and Joanne Elsey and sister of Matthew, 16.

Daniel Freeman
North Farmington High School
Farmington Hills

College: Yale; undeclared academic study.

Academic honors: National Merit Scholarship finalist; 12 subject-based Academic Honor Award; Presidential Scholars Nominee; and Michigan Math Prize Competition, bronze award and honorable mention.

Extracurricular activities: Marching band, squad leader; jazz band, vice president; theater; Quiz Bowl Team captain; Forensics; student government vice president; National Honor Society; choir; Math League; Science Olympiad; 1999 Michigan Boy's State Program president; B'nai B'rith Youth Organization chapter president; volunteer for Jewish Agency for Residential Care; volunteer for Yad Ezra food bank; volunteer for Motor City Blight Busters; and volunteer for Ronald McDonald House of Detroit.

Influential teacher: Michael Horner, math. Freeman said "He urged me to work to my potential in the classroom, but outside as well. As my Quiz Bowl coach, he inspired me to learn all that I could about the world around me and the subjects of the past, opening an incredible number of new doors to my imagination."

Freeman expects his generation will contribute the skills necessary for worldwide Internet use. "My generation has been familiar with computers from an early age, and we therefore will be very adept at further integrating them into Americans' daily lives."

He is the son of Fred and Evelyn Freeman and the brother of Erica, 21.

Michael Levy
North Farmington High School
Farmington Hills

College: University of Michigan;

undeclared area of study.

Academic honors: National Merit Scholarship, commended student; school award in accelerated physics, chemistry and Spanish; and MITES Technology Competition for Computer Aided Design, first place in region and fourth place in the state.

Extracurricular activities: B'nai B'rith Youth Organization, vice president and athletic chairman; and varsity tennis.

Influential teacher: Bruce Sutton, computer aided design teacher, provided the greatest influence by teaching Levy how to think. "He helped me move away from the concrete thinking of right and wrong that I developed in early education and showed me that there are many ways to solve a problem, and the best way is not always the most obvious." Levy also credits his former teacher for guiding him in the right direction and letting him solve problems on his own.

Levy sees his generation as one which continuously challenges norms. "I think this fresh outlook will let us approach problems from an entirely different angle, and help us develop ways of solving many of the world's toughest problems, including finding cures for viruses and cancers, as well as issues of waste management and energy sources."

Levy is the son of Bob and Linda Levy and brother to Daniel, 14.

Laura Portwood-Stacer
Churchill High School
Livonia

College: Michigan State University; computer science and philosophy.

Academic honors: University Distinguished Scholarship, Michigan State University; Denn's Merit Scholarship, University of Michigan; Regent's Scholarship, University of Michigan; National Merit Scholarship, finalist; Summa Cum Laude; Academic Honor Roll; Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition, finalist; and American High School Mathematics Exam, finalist.

Extracurricular activities: Marching band, drum major and assistant drum major; Students Against Drunk Driving, president and vice president; National Honor Society; and Phacton Literary Magazine staff member.

Influential teacher: Mary Buda, facilitator of the Math, Science and Computer Program. She "has done everything in her power to provide an outstanding education for talented students in Livonia." Portwood-Stacer said these classes challenged her and gave her confidence. "Ms. Buda is always willing to do that which is in the best interests of her students. It is obvious that she loves to teach, and that she takes great pride in each one of her 'children.'"

Portwood-Stacer believes her generation has a "duty to establish an ethical code for the use of technology and to employ all of our knowledge to better human existence."

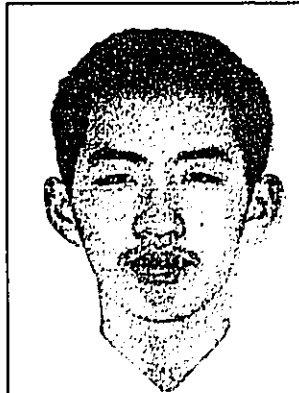
She is the daughter of Norma and Will Portwood-Stacer.



Luke Williams
Plymouth-Canton High School



Jeffrey Grossman
Harrison High School



Qian Zhang
Churchill High School



Nicholas Demek
Stevenson High School



Sarah Ernst
Mercy High School



Timothy Bodnar
Plymouth-Salem High School

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