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Lady Cynthia & Ms. Celena



hello SUMMER

We know that you have been waiting the entire school year for this moment! So from the P&G team we want you to enjoy it. Spend some much needed relaxation and fun hanging out with family and friends. We hope you have made out that summer bucket list! The P&G team have decided to

take a summer break too. Therefore, this June issue is the last one until September.

With that being said, we packed this issue with fun stuff and interesting articles by girls like you. Also just make sure you get some reading in this summer, check out some of our picks from our Summer Book Club collection. Cool off by making some summer fruit popsicles. Enjoy your Summer!

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My first job! I am working at [Six Flags White Water](#) this summer! On my first day I prepared the food for pick up by the cashiers when they called it back. Since I was just prepping the chicken wings, chicken strips, fries, onion rings, etc. it wasn't hard at all. I was able to meet and bond with the other co-workers. After a week of just prepping food my supervisor placed me on the cash register. This was to help me get experience on it just in case a cashier called out or if we were low on staff. I'm not even going to lie, when I first got on register, I didn't like it at all because I would have to listen to the customers complaints about their dining passes not working, telling people that we're out of something after they've waited in line for a long time, voiding out orders, etc. But overtime I was able to get used to it and learned how to not take people's attitudes personally.

As the other team members and I began to grow closer, we started making bets and playing games while we worked to help us work faster. For example, whoever got their line down the fastest could go on break first or go home first

or whoever does the most cleaning gets a free lunch or dessert card. I was given a \$50.00 Visa gift card for my job performance.

I enjoy working at White Water. I have learned a lot by working this summer and have saved almost all of my earnings. I have bought a couple of things for myself, but not very much.



I plan to work at White Water even after schools starts. The park will remain open through the third weekend of September.

If you are interested in working, look for something that you think you will enjoy and go for it! I was a little nervous with this being my first job. This is turning out to be a very good summer for me. This is helping me to manage money and understand about typical things that happen when you are working.

Have a wonderful summer no matter what you do!

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ART IS MY EXPRESSION

Hello, my name is Charity Brown and I would like to explain to others why I love art. Art is special to me and I love it. It helps me to express myself in a way that others may or may not understand. Art is something that can help "get me away from everyone." It's my peaceful moment with myself as well as it's my escape place. In reference to this particular drawing, I drew the picture because I enjoy creating "drip art." Additionally, I think drip art has a beautiful look to it.



Charity F. Brown, 13

Drip art is a different style that I began to try. Furthermore, this art is done in order to inspire other young women. Although I want my art to touch each individual and nationally, this particular piece is mainly directed towards young women of color (e.g. Black/African American). Through my art, I would like for other young women to be inspired and express themselves in ways such as art, dance, and or music. I truly just want to inspire young women to be the best they can be.



Lastly, as previously mentioned, I just want to give other girls/women inspiration as it pertains to them expressing themselves. I would like for them to understand that they can be anything their hearts desires and nothing will be able to stop them. Let's continue to up lift one another as we all succeed.

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IT'S YOUR TIME TO SOAR

Cynthia Pillow

"Do you remember what it was like to be a tween or a teen? Struggling with uncertainty, identity, and self-confidence? Fast forward to NOW... Our girls are dealing with so much more than we did."

These words are what the Lord spoke to me back in 2009 when He gave me the vision of speaking to young ladies. They were between the ages of 7 and 17. But I gave into fear because I didn't tap into the self-confidence that God placed on the inside of me. I listened to the wrong voice

inside my head telling me that I was too old and they (the girls) would never listen to you. Nevertheless, you know when you are called to do something...it never lets you go. It will come back to you again. This time it did and in January 2015, in the basement of a church members' home with four wonderfully bright girls, Pure Beauty GEM (God's Exceptionally Made Girl) was established.

It is now four years later and these wonderfully bright girls have become beautiful young women, who are stepping into the next chapter of their story. Three of them are a part of the graduating class of 2019 and will be attending college in the fall (Britney, Brianna, and India). Britney will be going to Prince Georges Community College, while her sister Brianna will be attending Bowie State University. India will be attending Morgan State University. While Tiffany, will be stepping into her final year of high school. The class of 2020 is on the rise.

Congratulations GEMS (God's Exceptionally Made) Girls, now it's your time to soar!



*"You are GODs masterpiece, He has created you new in Christ Jesus."
Ephesians 2:10a (emphasis mine)*

FATHER'S DAY & SUMMERTIME

BY RAYMONA PILLOW

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WORD LIST:

ALLERGIES
APPRICIATION
AUGUST
BASEBALL
BEACH
BLUE
BOAT
CAMP
CAREFREE
CARING
CHILDREN
DAD
DRAMA FREE

FAMILY
FLOWERS
FUN
GAMES
GARDENING
GRATEFUL
GUIDANCE
HEART
HERO
HIKING
HOT
HOT DOGS
JULY

JUNE
LEMONADE
LIFE
LOVE
MAN
MOVIES
NO SCHOOL
OUTDOORS
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PICNIC
POPSCILES
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SHOPPING
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SUMMER
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Queens Academy

The Queens Academy is a 8 month esteem building program established to teach, train, and equip young ladies to successfully navigate life. We believe that girls can avoid many pitfalls with the proper information, love and encouragement. Queens Academy is a safe place where girls can connect with other girls, develop sisterhood bonds, and practice making healthy choices while learning important life-skills that will last a life time.

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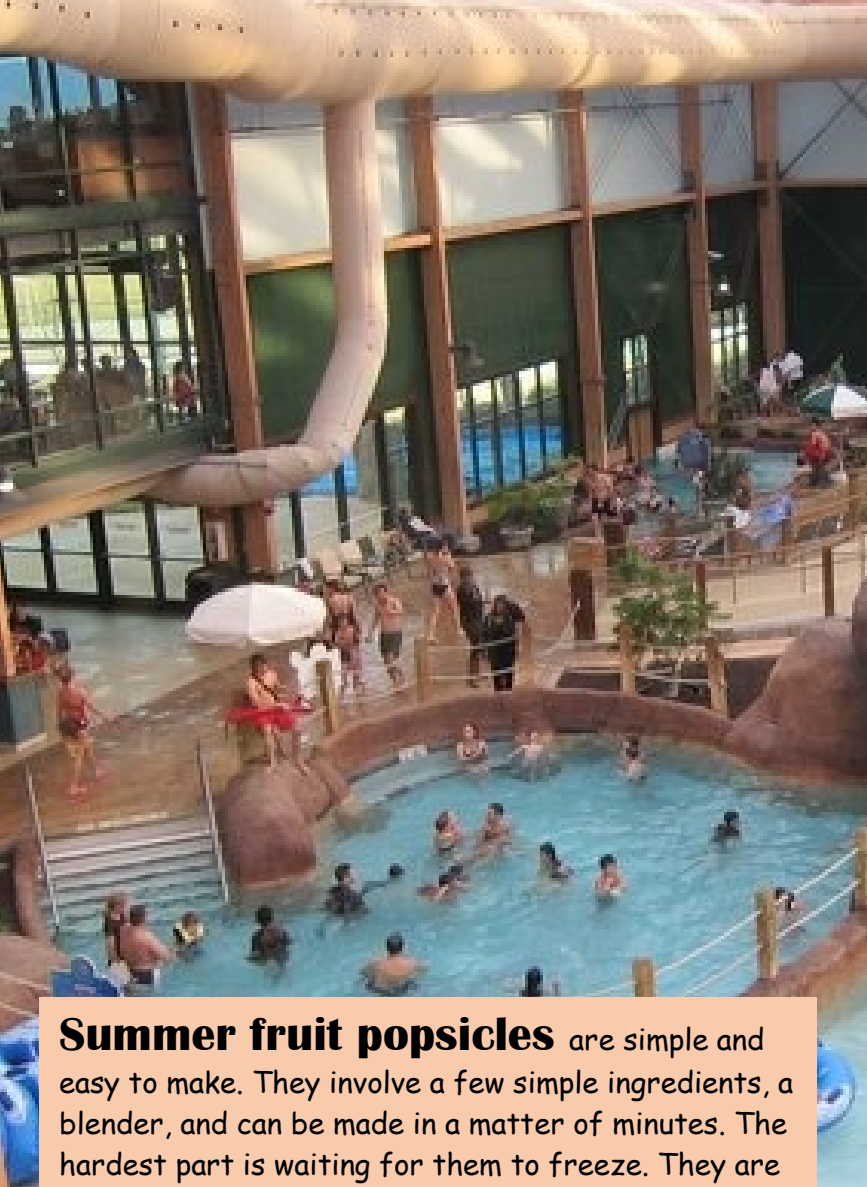
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Class Schedule

- ❖ Aug 10 - "Queens Dress for Success"
- ❖ Sep 14 - "Make-up Application"
- ❖ Oct 12 - "Career Development"
- ❖ Nov 9 - "Dining and Social Etiquette/Poised for Success"
- ❖ Dec 14 - "Taking Care of the Temple"

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- ❖ Jan 11 - "Girls Who Cook"



POOL SIDE ETIQUETTE

Those hot days of summer are here and it's time to cool down and enjoy some fun time at the pool. That means while at the pool it's important to show good, proper behavior. So here are 5 simple rules to follow when swimming and visiting a private or public pool.

Swimwear: Not everyone can wear a bikini. Swimwear should be fashionable yet appropriate for your body type.

No Splashing: Pools and water can be pretty exciting at any age. For some, the urge to splash is a natural instinct. So, teach your kids not to splash in public pools or if they are guests in someone else's pool.

Think Before Entering: When entering a public pool or as the guest at a private pool, don't dive, jump, or push off into oncoming swimmers.

Stay in Your Lane: This applies to public pools, at which the lanes are often clearly marked *slow*, *medium* and *fast* or something similar. If you share a private lap pool, be considerate. Stay in your lane, or create one.

Passing Politeness: Pass other swimmers on the left. For serious swimmers, the rule is: tap the foot of the person in front of you before passing.

Summer fruit popsicles are simple and easy to make. They involve a few simple ingredients, a blender, and can be made in a matter of minutes. The hardest part is waiting for them to freeze. They are relatively healthy and, believe me, the kids will go wild over them. Give them a try and let us know what you think.

Ingredients

- 20 chunks of cantaloupe, watermelon, or the fruit of your choice
- 4 tbsp of white granulated sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of milk
- 6 sleeve popsicle mold

Instructions

1. Place the fruit chunks into a blender.
2. Add in the sugar and the milk.
3. Blend the ingredients, on high, for 30 seconds to a minutes.
4. Pour the mixture into the molds, cover them, and place them in the freezer until the popsicles are frozen.
5. Serve and enjoy your summer fruit popsicles.



My Summer BUCKET LIST

Shaquida Ano

Congratulations ladies! For many of you, you have successfully completed another year of school. No more test, homework, packing lunch, ironing uniforms or getting up early. I know you're super excited about sleeping in, hanging out with your friends and enjoying lots of summer activities. You deserve it! Summers are the best. There's so much to enjoy. To ensure you get the most out of your summer, it's best to start planning now. Don't sleep the summer away! Help your parents plan your summer activities. Start

5 Summer Activities

Day at the Beach

Great Waves
Swimming Pool

Day in the Park

R&B Boat Ride

Summer concert in
the park

by thinking about what you would like to do for the summer. Use the internet to google fun activities in your area. If you live in DC, you can google "fun summer activities for youth in the DC area" Decide which activities you prefer. After you have researched, make a summer activity bucket list. Name at least 5 activities you would like to participate in and 3 new places you would like to explore. Choose wisely! Some of the activities may cost, but you should select a few that are free. Also, you want to ensure that your activities are age

appropriate and safe. Remember, you will need your parent's assistance and approval. Activities that are too expensive, non-age appropriate and unsafe will more than likely be rejected by your parents. Here are a few examples of age appropriate activities for tweens and teens. Examples: Amusement Parks, Museums, go -cart riding, roller skating, local parks and recreation centers, swimming, visit to the beach, nature hiking, putt-putt golfing, kite flying, movies, bird watching, bowling, summer camp, pizza nights and more. There's so much to choose from. After you have compiled your list, ask your parents to assist you with completing the items on your bucket list. Be willing to work for the

3 New Places to Explore

Rehoboth Beach
National Harbor

Top of the
Washington
Monument

finances and assistance that it may take to complete your summer bucket list. Be patient with your parents as they strive to assist you with completing some, if not all the items on your bucket list. Even if you can't do them all, keep in mind that you will have plenty of time to get them done later. Look at the chart below. This is my adult summer bucket list. There's space for you to start yours. Let's get started. Have fun, be safe and enjoy your summer.

What Is Your Summer Bucket List?

5 Summer Activities



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5. _____

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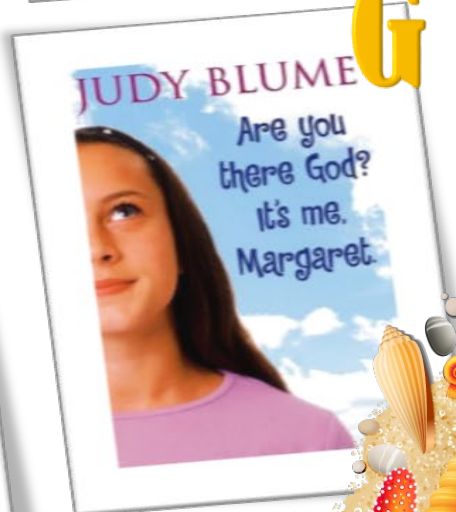
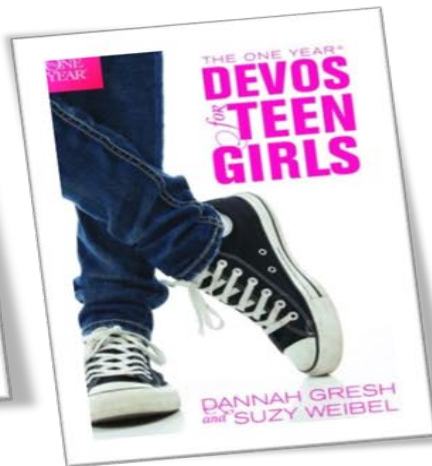
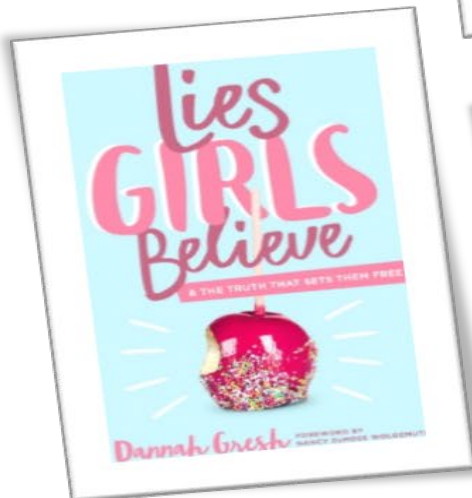
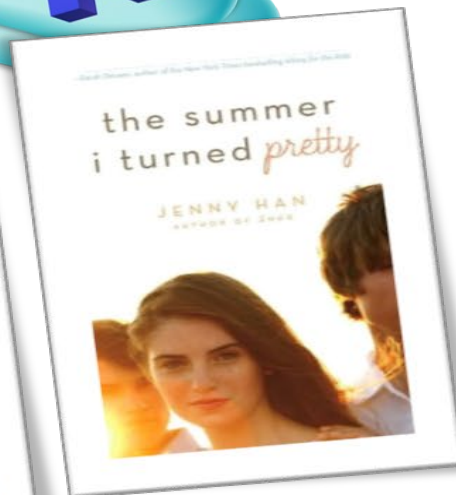
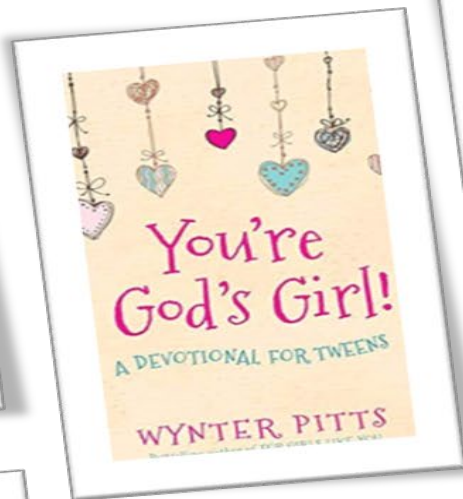
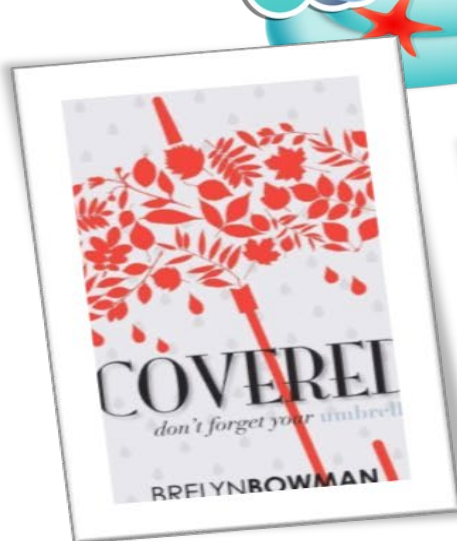


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3. _____

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www.faithgirlz.com

www.mytruegirl.com

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LOVE TO ALL FATHERS

Father's Day is a time to appreciate everything that a father has done for you. Whether you shower him with gifts or simply take him to dinner; Showing that you care is all that matters.

Fathers take on several roles.

Mines is my hero and godly man of my home.
He is for you to love and him to love you back.
You do not have to wait until a special day to show it.
Show him your love each and every day.

A hero can be many different things to different people.
Your hero may look out for you in tough situations.
He will always be there when you need him the most.

Your father may be short, tall, big or little.
The amount of his love for his family never changes.
Just hearing him say that he loves you and you say it back is the best gift ever!
Remember fathers who may not be in your home, but has a role in your life.
Let's celebrate and honor all fathers as God our Father has showed us.



Raymona Pillow, 14

To My Summer Pearls & GEMs!



June

July

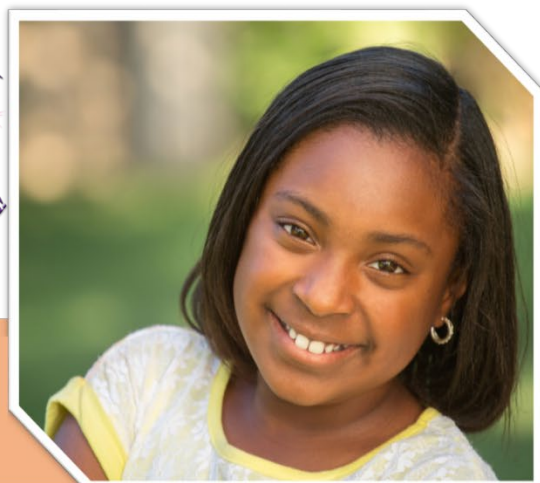
August

Happy Birthday

WE WANT YOU!



Write for Us! Use your creativity!
Tell us about you! Do you have a story to tell, a poem that you have written, tips to share, or even create a fun puzzle or quiz?



P&G (Pearls and GEMs) would love to feature you in our next issue. Send us your article (500 words or less) along with a picture and age to the address below

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