BREAKING NEW GROUND!

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Life

Traveling on a road
Knowing my destination
Carrying a full load
To make my creation

The trip is complex
But I know my path
It gets more perplex
Trying to do the math

Making the sacrifice
To achieve success
Always thinking twice
To have more or less

In a hot situation
Whether I win or lose
Having the sensation
To pick and choose

Doing whatever to earn
To have so much fun
Having a lot to learn
The ride has just begun

Good mix with evil
Makes me nauseous
A dream to fulfill
I'm always cautious

Meeting so many people
Unsure who to confide
Sometimes it's unequal
Wonder should I hide

Overall it does not end
It's a ride I enjoy
However, it's nothing to bend
Or treat as a toy

by Tyrone Jones
On behalf of the Student Government Association of LaGuardia Community College, I offer my most heartfelt congratulations to all of you. You should be most proud of your achievement. Indeed, you should be proud, but don’t rest on your laurels and think that obtaining your Associates Degree is the be all and end all of your education. I encourage all of you to use LaGuardia as a launching pad from which you rocket yourself into the next century.

The next century will offer new challenges to each of you. I am confident the education received at LaGuardia will provide you with the tools necessary not only to meet those challenges, but conquer them.

Many of you will leave LaGuardia and enter the workforce, some of you will be continuing on with your educational pursuits, but no matter where life leads you, always remember where it all began for you. Keep LaGuardia in your heart. Once again, congratulations to you all and God bless you.
Congratulations, LaGuardia graduates of 2000! You’ve completed your first degree, but not your education. Whether or not you go on to earn a bachelor’s agree, or even more advanced degrees, your education is just beginning. If we’ve succeeded at all, we’ve taught you how to educate yourself, how to read critically and enjoy it, how to research a topic, to solve a problem, to expand your knowledge and understanding. These are immensely satisfying experiences; indeed, continuous learning and growth is my idea of the good life. I wish you a lifetime of education.”

Dear La Guardia 2000 Graduates,

Congratulations! What a great achievement to be graduating. All your hard work and perseverance has paid off. With the new millennium quickly approaching and as we witness this technological revolution, it is a great time in our history to be “starting out.” I wish each of you the very best of everything. As you embark upon your various careers, and additional studies, always remember LaGuardia and the foundation that was laid for you. Have a happy, healthy, productive life - and again, congratulations on a job well done.

LaGuardia graduations are always an inspiring occasion for me, because our graduates personify the hard work and commitment to achievement that have been part of the “American Dream” since our country was founded. Those of us who work at LaGuardia like to think that we have contributed to your success, but we are only a part of it. Your motivation and discipline as well as the support and encouragement you have received from family and friends deserve recognition for your achievement. In this moment of celebration, those of us in the Division of Cooperative Education salute you and wish you success and satisfaction in the next steps you will take along your career path: let it be more sure and more full of promise for the solid base that LaGuardia and its courses and programs have provided. Best wishes to you all!”

George Sussman
Vice-President for the Division of Academic Affairs

Richard Elliott
Vice-President for the Division of the Administration

Catherine Farrell
Vice-President for the Division of Cooperative Education
On behalf of the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, I take great pleasure in extending you our heartiest congratulations and best wishes on your academic achievement. We know we have done our jobs well when we see our students graduate or transfer to a senior college. But more importantly, it was also your own determination and sense of focus which helped you succeed at LaGuardia. Keep up the momentum and stay focused and you will prevail in your future endeavors.

The new millennium will present many exciting opportunities and challenges. As a graduate of LaGuardia Community College you have positioned yourself to take full advantage of these opportunities and are better prepared to meet the challenges. Congratulations for a job well done, and best of luck in your future endeavors.

"My warm congratulations to this year's graduates. You have accomplished a great deal in your time at LaGuardia and will have many memories about your experiences for years to come. I also want to encourage you to continue learning throughout your lifetime, both formally and informally. Given the fast pace of change all around us, we will all need to stay up to date with our ideas, skills and information. Only in this way will we be able to accomplish what we have set out to do for ourselves, our families and our communities. My very best to all of you for continuing success."

Ruth Lugo
Vice-President for the Division of Student Affairs

Kenneth McCollum
Vice-President for the Division of Information Technology

Judith McGaughey
Vice-President for the Division of Adult & Continuing Education
To the Class of 2000

Congratulations to the proud graduates of LaGuardia Community College! You have every right to be proud because you have persevered to reach your goal and learned how to juggle the demands of an educational institution with those of work and family. For many of you, the road you traveled to graduation was a difficult one, filled with very hard work and much sacrifice. I hope, as well, that your time at LaGuardia also filled you with a joy and learning and gave you a strong foundation to build upon as you enter this new phase of your life.

During this special year, the dawn of the new millennium, you too are beginning a new era in your lives. May the future bring you the success you deserve and may you help create a better world for yourselves and your families. It has been a great pleasure to get to know so many of you during the past year. I hope this yearbook brings you good memories and inspires you always to strive and to achieve.

My very best wishes for success in your personal and professional lives!

Roberta S. Matthews
“Successfully Growing”

When we were young
Families hold our hands
Helping us by instincts
Pushing through foreign lands
As times go by
We get older and mature
We tend to be stubborn
But our lives are more pure
We have various options
to choose proficient careers
To become good citizens
To face our fears
At times we help others
In order to revive
Being thrown to responsibilities
Using selfishness to survive

We are tossed to the wolves
As we make our own choices
Our only method to fight
Is to trust our inner voices
To get by without dependency
As the road gets rougher
We fight everyday
As challenges get tougher
It’s easier being helped
Without guidance, it seems vague
Finding life on our own
Out of forgiveness we beg
Of all the troubles we did
From toddlers to adolescence
As grown mature adults
Trying to adjust to independence
Life is a double edge sword
As our families suffer heat
We have responsibilities to control
As every history repeats
Events

Former Mayor Abraham Beame celebrates his Birthday at LaGuardia
New Student Lounge Opens
LaGuardia’s Littlest Graduates

ECLC Graduation 2000

I Love You, JLU

Warmest Wishes for a Joyous Holiday and a Happy New Year.
Multi-Cultural Appreciation Week 2000
From the Yearbook Committee

Putting together a Yearbook is no small feat. It consumes a lot of time and energy from us on the committee. But it is also a labor of love. We do it because we want you to take with you fond memories of your time here at LaGuardia Community College. We want you to be able to pick up this book in five, 10 or 20 years and smile.

The committee congratulates each of you, wishes nothing but the best that life has to offer and reminds you to always keep LaGuardia in your heart.
Student Activities
CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Thursday, March 23, 2000
2:00pm-5:00pm • E-Atrium

Accounting
African
Alpha Omega
Bangladesh
Black Student Union
Latinos Unidos
Caribbean
Computer Society
Dominican
Indigo
Science Club

Haitian
Health
Caneers
Indian

Nursing Club
Pakistani
Peruvian
Phase II

Phi Theta Kappa
Travel & Tourism

Muslim
Gay & Lesbian
Veterinarian

Find out information about existing clubs and learn how to join or start your own!

For more information visit the Office of Student Life, M-115
Student Government Association Awards Night
La Guardia
Community College

Student Advisory Council
MULTICULTURAL EVENT 1999

Greek Club
Ecuadorian Club
Christian Club
Circle K
Asian Club
Arabic Club
Physical Therapy Club
Phi-Theta-Kappa
Performing Arts Club
Occupational Therapy Club
Nursing Club
Muslim Club
Korean Club
Jewish Club
Razz M' Tazz
Japanese Club
Straight Gay Alliance
Creative Arts Club
Day!
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Edith Lopez
Evelyn Lopez
Rosa Lopez
Francoise Louis
Luce Louis
Carol Loza
Luis Armando Loza
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Rosalind Magwood
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Aziz Mahadad
Apollo Quijano
Milagros Quispe
Sharon Ragin
Sharif Rahimi
Mohammed Rahman
Shajedun Rahman
Tanvin Raihan
Hemwattie Ramdhanny
Ana Ramirez
Johnny Ramirez
Romeo Ramirez
Sindy Ramirez
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Punita Rani
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