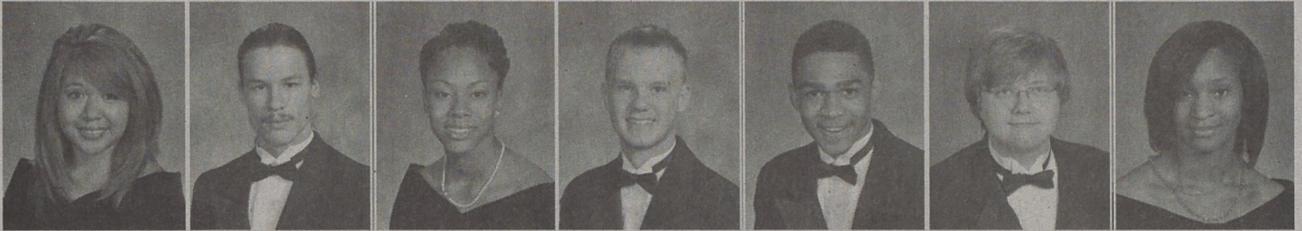


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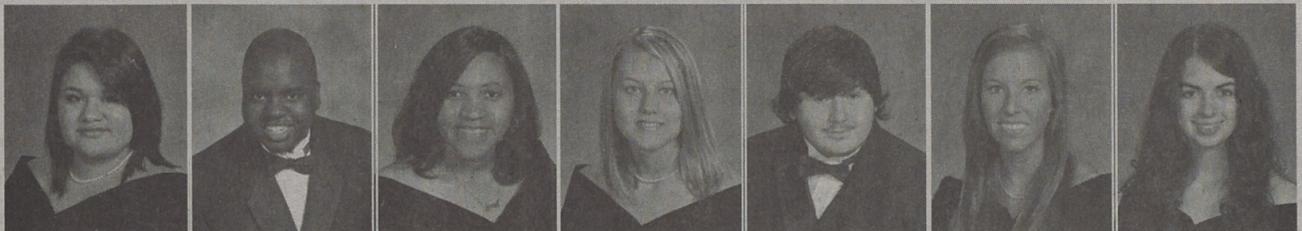
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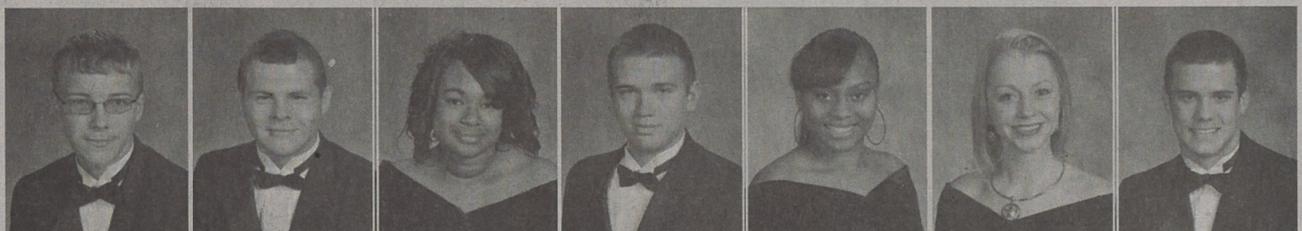
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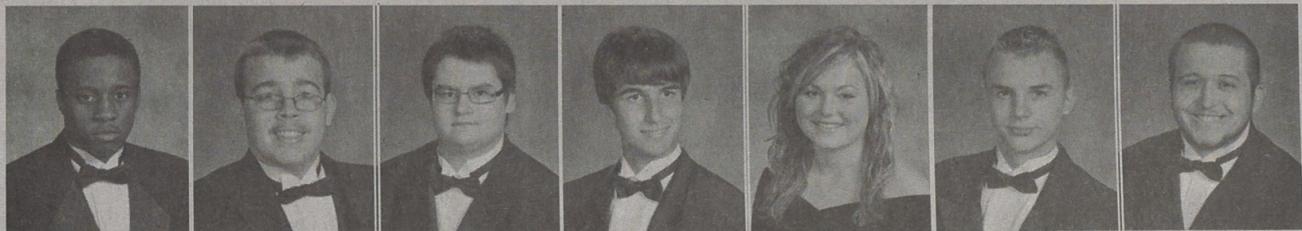
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Henderson doesn't let obstacles stand in her way

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Jessica Henderson was in elementary school when her mother had the first heart attack, with Jessica home alone with her. Jessica knew to call emergency services, and her mom was transported to the hospital, which subsequently saved her life.

From then on, Susan has been in and out of the hospital with various heart issues. Jessica knew she could count on her

dad to be there for her while her mom was hospitalized.

But July 12, 2012, an event occurred which changed the entire Henderson family's lives.

Terry, Jessica's dad, had a massive stroke in Asheville and was immediately taken to Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Since then, Terry has been in and out of hospitals, rehab centers, nursing homes, and at home. Because of his agita-

tion, Terry has pulled out feeding tubes, nose tubes, and picc lines (where the IVs are inserted).

The Hendersons have tried to get Terry admitted to over 20 different nursing facilities, but each one tells them the same thing - he is way too combative.

With all the other challenges Susan has had to face, stress has proven to be too much for her, and she has experienced two strokes since March of

this year.

While her mother was recovering from the strokes, Jessica has tried to take care of her dad while keeping up with her schoolwork and activities. Jessica's grandmother has been able to assist a lot in caring for her mom and dad.

While her mother was in the hospital, Jessica stayed at home alone in order to continue going to school, but would visit with her mother after school.

Several months ago, Jessica was awarded an A.C.E. award from the Exchange Club in Shelby and she is entered in the district contest which awards a \$1,000 scholarship. The A.C.E. awards are given to students who

have overcome obstacles and give back to the community while maintaining good grades.

She is in the National Technical Honor Society at Kings Mountain High School.

Jessica hopes to start college in a community college, in order to continue to help her parents, and eventually wants to attend the Art Institute for Culinary Arts. She would

See HENDERSON, 4D



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Jessica Henderson has overcome many obstacles and is a thriving honor student at KMHS.

Congratulations Class of 2013!

Wishing you all the very best
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