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## **SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR**

# **The Most Influential Educator Who Made A Difference In My Life**

## **Peggy Grant**

*I nominate Mrs. Peggy Grant who was my fifth grade teacher at Circle Center Intermediate School because she told me to mention her if I ever received an award – the fact that I still remember that certainly indicates that she meant much to me! Seriously though she inspired me to work hard in school and helped me feel at home in Yorkville when I entered her class as the “new kid.” She is extremely passionate and her eagerness to help is contagious. I will never forget her enthusiasm – especially when it comes to sentence diagramming! After running into her at a science fair last year I am convinced that she is still just as wonderful and admirable of a person as she was seven or eight years ago. Thank you, Mrs. Grant, for everything!*

*Beth Dalsing  
Class of 2005*

Dear Mrs. Grant~

Hi!!! How are you? I hope you are doing well. I am graduating from high school in less than a month! I can't believe how fast this time has gone! I still feel like the 5th grader who sat in your classroom and learned multiplication rules and sentence diagramming. Thank you so much for the memories! I still remember going out to lunch with you as a reward for doing well on math quizzes! You helped me immensely to adjust to Yorkville (I had moved from Naperville when I was in your class) by doing all of this! I couldn't have dreamed of being a student for a more pure-hearted, generous soul! Because you helped me adjust to a new school and made such an impact on me, I chose you as the educator who made the largest impact on me for the top ten percent dinner (thanks to you in large part I am graduating as salutatorian of over two hundred peers!!). Unfortunately since you moved you were unable to attend so I mailed you the plaque which you earned. Hopefully we can stay in touch! Next fall I will be attending University of Illinois in Urbana as a biology major in the honors department of the Liberal Arts and Sciences College. When I get my e-mail address for the school I will e-mail you (I got your e-mail address and home address from your friend Lynn Burles who attended the banquet last week). Thank you for keeping me on the right path and being a friend when I needed one!

Beth Daising

May 30, 2005

Beth,

You have made my day! I was thrilled to receive this very special award from you! I remember you as one of my nicest and hardest working students. I see that you have continued to work as hard since you are attending a very good university and the salutatorian! I know that you will do well. You should be very proud of yourself! I would have loved to have been at the dinner to see you!

I am so glad that I was able to see & talk to you last year at the Science Fair. I did not recognize you, this lovely, well spoken, mature young lady. My Beth was still eleven yrs. old! How fortunate I was to have you in my class.

This past November my husband & I moved north of Tucson, AZ for an "adventure"! We live in a retirement area called Saddlebrooke! I now "run around" in my golf cart! We love it, but we do miss everyone in Yorkville!

I know that you will be very successful in what you choose to do in life. You have always had such a positive attitude and always did your best! Enjoy your college experience!

As always,

Peggy Grant

P.S. If you are ever in Tucson, come see me!!!