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Should We File for Bankruptcy?

Senior pockets were really emptied this year. The last year of school was a financial burden to many. There seemed to be more "necessary" items or souvenirs than in previous school years.

The largest expense during the junior year was the class ring, but some seniors put that off until their senior year which strained the pockets and pocket books even more. A ring was priced as high as \$70.

Another important memento was the senior key which ranged in price from \$6 to \$10. Then senior pictures arrived, and some students had rather expensive tastes when it came to ordering their full-color images. The college bound found that expenses got out of hand before they were even accepted at the school of their choice. Application fees, the SAT and transcripts were a financial pain.

Last but most important the graduation caps and gowns had to be ordered. Of course invitations had to be bought and thank you notes so that all gifts could be acknowledged.

Those seniors lucky (or unlucky?) enough to have jobs did far better than those dependent upon their parents for all income. This was indeed good experience and preparation for life in the adult world; but it also might have made some wonder if they were ready for that step.

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