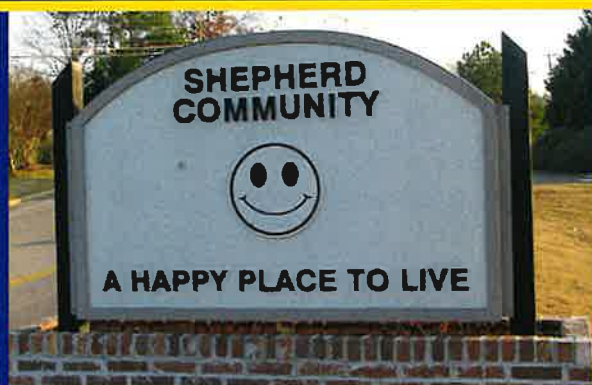
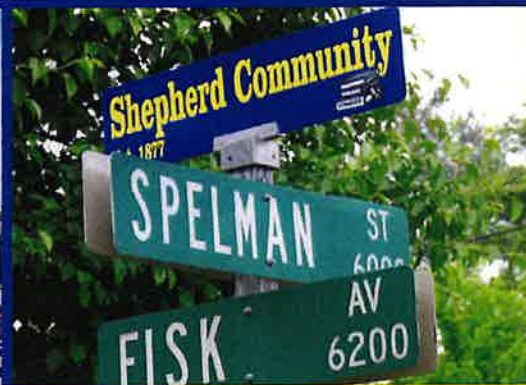


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CHAPTER I

THE BEGINNINGS OF A COMMUNITY THAT SURVIVES

The Shepherd Community is named for Judge Lewis Shepherd who was the son of one of the largest slaveholders in Hamilton County. Lewis' father, Col. Lewis Shepherd owned 24 slaves and thousands of acres in Hickory Valley just 2 miles from what is now Shepherd. The farm "Overseer" was John Walker. Col. Shepherd died in 1856 when he was 60 years old. His son Lewis having been born in 1846 when James K. Polk was president was then only 10 years old. The widow Shepherd had a \$150,000 estate at the start of the Civil War.

Lewis Shepherd studied at Aldehoff's Institute and at Burritt College in Van Buren County. When he was 15, he enlisted with the Confederate forces and fought throughout the war. He was with Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest at the Battle of Chickamauga and with Gen. Joe Wheeler in his cavalry raids in Middle Tennessee. He was finally captured and spent a year in prison at Camp Morton at Indianapolis. Following his exchange in February of 1865, Shepherd joined the cavalry of Gen. J. C. Vaughn in Southwestern Virginia. After the surrender at Appomattox, he was with the escort of President Jefferson Davis until the cavalry was disbanded in Washington, GA in May of 1865.

Lewis Shepherd studied law in Ringgold, GA after the war and was admitted to the bar in 1866. He opened his Chattanooga office in September of 1870. It was a railroad era and he became adept at representing railroads. In only his second year he became the lawyer for the Alabama Great Southern Railroad and later represented the Cincinnati Southern. In 1906, he appeared before the United States Supreme Court in defense of Hamilton County Sheriff Joseph F. Shipp who was charged when a mob took Ed Johnson, a Black prisoner from the county jail and lynched him on the Walnut Street Bridge. Ironically, the murder occurred on the same

day that the Supreme Court ordered a stay of execution. Ed Johnson's lawyers were celebrating the court's decision on Lookout Mountain as he was being hanged from the bridge. (In 1999 the Hamilton County courts cleared Ed Johnson's name.)



Judge Lewis Shepherd

Lewis Shepherd won terms in the state legislature in 1877 and 1890. His title of "Judge" was earned after serving on the Chancery bench for over two years during the illness of Summerfield Key and serving for Judge D. C. Trewitt in circuit court.

On December 19, 1876, Lewis Shepherd married Lilah Pope of Sequatchie County. In 1877 they built a home in what has become known as Shepherd. Lewis and Lilah were the proud parents of 5 sons. Frederick S. Shepherd became an attorney who served in the state house from 1917 – 1919. At one time he pursued a theatrical career in New York City and abroad. He later owned the baseball club at Chattanooga. Other sons of Judge Shepherd were Thomas Pope Shepherd who was an attorney, Lewis Shepherd, Jr. was a merchant in St. Louis, William C. "Will" Shepherd was a newspaper man and J. Quintus Shepherd ran the Shepherd farm. (Quintus Loop located between Jersey Pike and Highway 153 at Shallowford Road is named for Quintus.)



Judge Lewis Shepherd's home

When Lewis and Lilah moved to their new home in Chattanooga, they brought with them a former slave, Thad Rankin. Thad had been a slave in Dunlap, Tennessee which is located about 30 miles from Chattanooga across Signal Mountain. His master was Squire Bill Rankin. (Slaves took the last names of their masters.) Thad was 11 years old when the Civil War started. After the war he went to work for Alexander and Sarah Pope in Sequatchie County. They were the parents of Lilah Pope Shepherd, the wife of Judge Lewis Shepherd. Thad was brought to what became known as Shepherd by the couple. He was to be a servant and to engage in sharecropping. He worked for the Shepherds for over 60 years.

Thad was a proud stately looking gentleman who was 6' 4" tall. He was treated kindly by the Shepherds and was the only Black allowed to fish from the Shepherd's family pond without permission. They referred to him as "Uncle Thad" in later years. This was a term that was used by whites during those days to show respect or to suggest favor to Blacks.



Thad Rankin

When Thad was 89 years old, he was asked by a newspaper writer "Where were you on the day of the Battle of Chickamauga?" (He was

a boy of 14 at the time of the Chickamauga battles.)

"I was at Taylor's Ridge near Dunlap. I was refugeed with all the other slaves of my master, Capt. Will Rankin of Dunlap until he could "whop" the Yankees. You know everything the Yankees passed was freed and "Marster" was keepin' us outa the way." We wuz about 30 miles from the battle, but we shore could hear it and we could feel the ground shake. Early at daybreak-the battle, you know was fought on Sunday-those big ole guns talked as regular as a hog a-walking and kept it up all the time between sunup and dark. About 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon, all the smoke started to settlin' so thick you could hardly see your hand in front of your face. The light muskets sounded like kindlin' a-crackin'. The refugee journey lasted as far south as Atlanta before the end of the war and emancipation."

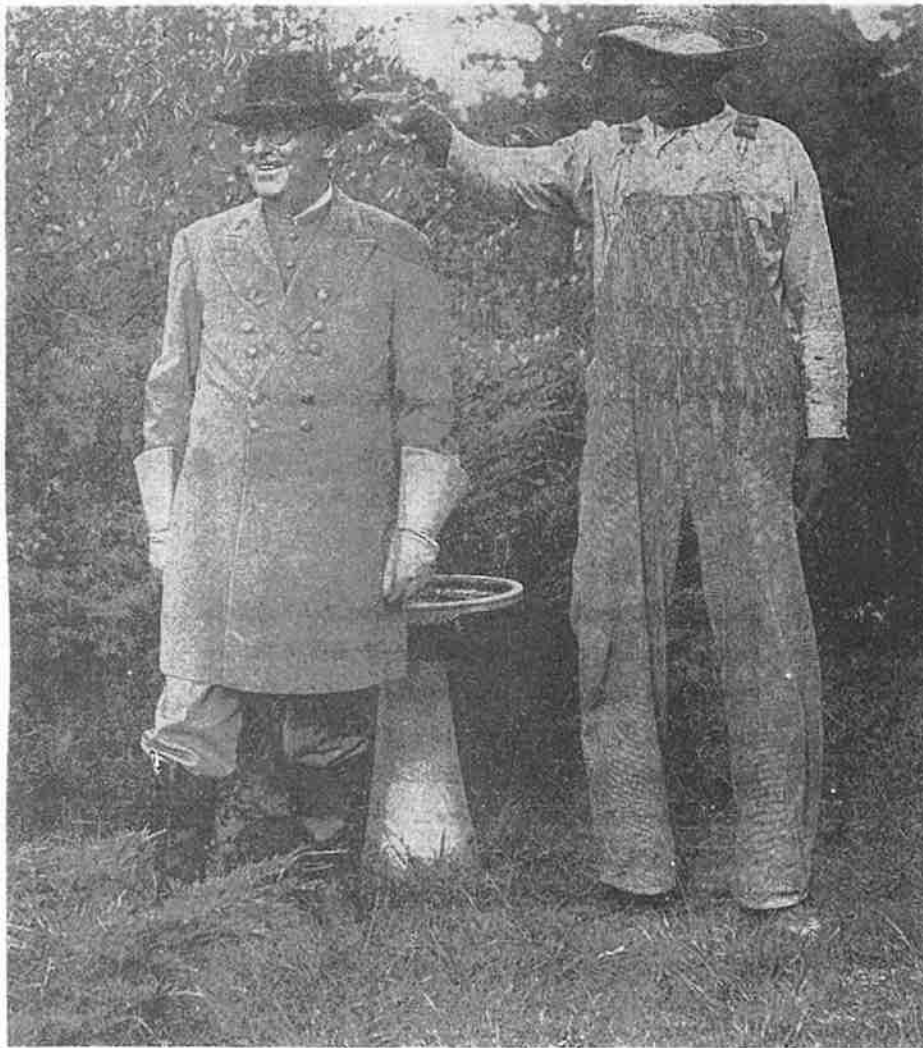
Thad recalled that the old horse he was driving for his mistress that eventful September Sunday was named "Bushwhacker" and that he fed him "hard tack" for the lack of oats on the family's weary jaunt toward the South, ever fearful that the Yankees were coming and capture was near. He recalled that "Squire Rankin" brought them all the way back to the old home place at Dunlap before they were freed.

Thad continued to work on a farm after his freedom. After his marriage in 1877, he began serving the Lewis Shepherds when they lived in Sequatchie Valley and followed them when they moved to Chattanooga.

Thad was extremely skilled at both bird and fox hunting and he was a noted deer and turkey hunter.

The family that he served so faithfully would vouch for his unswerving honesty and loyalty. They spoke of the many crops he made throughout the years for Judge Shepherd, with never a contract between them.

Thad was born on April 17, 1849 and died in 1951 at the age of 102. He is buried in the Shepherd Citizens Cemetery.



"UNCLE THAD" RANKIN, 89-year-old colored servant of the late Judge Lewis Shepherd, talks over the Battle of Chickamauga with Will Shepherd, whom he still calls "Willie" just as he did when "Willie" was a youngster "pal" of his at the old Shepherd home. "Uncle Thad," 14 years old in 1863, points out just where he was when he heard the cannon roar during the battle.

Will Shepherd, who dressed up just for "Uncle Thad's" enjoyment, is wearing the uniform he wore in the parade—the uniform of the late Dr. Jonathan W. Bachman.

—Photo by John F. Gaforth.

Chattanooga Times
November 21, 1938

Judge Lewis Shepherd was a vast land owner who hired Blacks as sharecroppers on his land. He moved to what is now Shepherd in 1877. This is the same year that the Reconstruction period ended and southerners who had rebelled against the Union were again allowed to participate in government. A portion of Judge Shepherd's farm was set aside for residences for those who worked his lands. The residential area began on what is now Shepherd Road just south of his home which was located at the intersection of Shallowford Road and Shepherd Road. The community expanded as the number of laborers on the farm increased. Some of the inhabitants worked jobs other than sharecropping. The community that was composed mostly of Black laborers became known as Shepherd.

South of the Shepherd Community was an adjoining residential area called Chickamauga, Tennessee. This area was named for the tribe of Indians that once inhabited the land. It was built around the railroad that passed through the section.

The daily train passing through the community was one of the most exciting events of the early days. Residents watched to see who was arriving to this section. On some days mail was dropped from the train without stopping. On certain days the train would stop. On the days that the train stopped, it was possible for those who wanted to ride to Chattanooga to do so. They would depart in the morning and return on the number four. The trip to town would take all day.

Lots were eventually sold to workers on the Shepherd farm and to newcomers. Some of the early land owners were Thad and Ellen Rankin, Percy Davidson, George Dobbins and Anthony and Bessie Smith (Mr. Asa Van Frazier's grandparents). Just after World War I, more settlers moved to Shepherd. Some of the settlers during this period were Solomon and Onie Higginbottom, Calvin and Nannie King, Cicero and Fannie Henderson and Dinkie and Nina Frazier.



Asa Van Frazier

Some of the early settlers of Chickamauga (Tennessee) were Rev. Wiley G. and Mary Strickland, William and Emma Cravens, Joseph and Lizzie Willis, Jack and Carrie Wilkes, Bert and Molly Gilbert and Lucy and Andrew Pryor.

Judge Lewis Shepherd died on May 14, 1917. His death was due to Bright's disease (a disease of the kidney) from which he had suffered three or four years. Judge Shepherd had been gravely ill from the disease twice before. He suffered the final attack at the courthouse following his defense of a Colored client. He had concluded a brief argument for his client and retired to the Judge's chambers to the rear of the bench. He was engaged in conversation with Attorney-General Matt Whitaker and Senator J. B. Frazier when the final attack came suddenly upon him. He at first merely complained of not feeling well and a few moments later became unconscious. He was removed to the Erlanger Hospital where he died four or five hours later.

His long and active career ended as he had frequently wished.....going to his reward straight from that courtroom. His last words were to Senator Frazier following his argument for the Colored client who was his servant. Senator Frazier asked if the case had gone to

the jury. "Yes" answered Judge Shepherd. "It's all over and I am feeling very badly." Afterwards he was unable to speak.

Dr. Powell of the First Baptist Church officiated at Judge Shepherd's funeral. He was assisted by Dr. J. W. Bachman of the First Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Paul Hodges of the Baptist Church at Shepherd which had been founded by Judge Shepherd and mainly supported by him. He was buried at Forest Hills Cemetery.

The early Black settlers of Shepherd and Chickamauga were just a few years out of slavery. Their lives were not to be rosy because segregation and discrimination were to become their way of life. They had to understand and accept their "place" because Judge Lewis Shepherd was a proud member of the Ku Klux Klan. He fought for the supremacy of Whites and the expulsion of the carpetbaggers.

FORM K-5

DIXIE KLANS, INC.

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP

IN THE

IMPERIAL EMPIRE

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

I, the undersigned, am a native born, true and legal citizen of the United States of America, being a white male, of the years of _____, of the County of _____, State of _____, and a member in the _____ of the Christian religion, do hereby respectfully apply for membership in the _____ of the _____ of the _____ of _____.

I acknowledge my right, not to conflict with the constitution and constitutional laws of the United States of America and its states, territories, and possessions.

The required "Certificate" accompanies this application.

Signed _____ Applicant _____

Endorsed by _____ Home Address _____

RI _____ Business Address _____

BY _____ Date _____ 19____

NOTE: Check the address to which mail may be sent.

Application for KKK

Reference: 1 _____

Address _____

2 _____

Address _____

Applicant's occupation is _____

Employed by _____

His age is _____ years.

His weight is _____ lbs.

His height is _____ ft. _____ in.

This applicant was elected to membership in this

Order by _____

Klan No. _____, Realm of _____

_____ 19____

This applicant was duly naturalized by name,

_____ 19____.

I certify the above to be correct.

Signed _____

Kligran _____

Klan No. _____, Realm of _____

Let's pause here to learn just a bit about some of the early settlers of Shepherd and Chickamauga.....

House with No Servant Problem

Strange Story of a Tennessee family with a Staff of Negroes, One with a Forty-Seven-year Duty Record

By: Hortense McDonald

Down in Tennessee there is a farm where for fifty-four years the man of all work has always been on the job, where for forty five years the mistress hasn't worried about a cook, where for thirty years the laundress has never gone on a strike, and where for twenty-five years the gardener has faithfully tended his garden. In addition, two other members of that domestic staff have each worked for that particular family more than twenty years. While these individual records may be equaled, the record of the six as a whole is hard to surpass.

This is a true story. It concerns the loyalty and devotion of a group of antebellum negroes who in these days of servant problems, strikes for higher wages, and clashes of temperament over "conditions" have stuck to their posts, giving years of faithful endeavor as their measure of service.

All of them are "befo" de wah" types. Like the veterans of that day, they are rapidly passing away. While they last, however, they know no other creed than that of the duty to the family that "raised" them and "de chillum" they in turn "raised."

"Altamede Farm," which is manned by this old-time crew, is a rolling fertile plantation of a thousand acres or so. The owner Judge Lewis Shepherd, a pioneer citizen of East Tennessee, died three years ago. Since that time the farm has been managed by his widow. Even today, nearly fifty years after the emancipation of their race, Mrs. Shepherd is referred to by the servants as "Ole Missus."

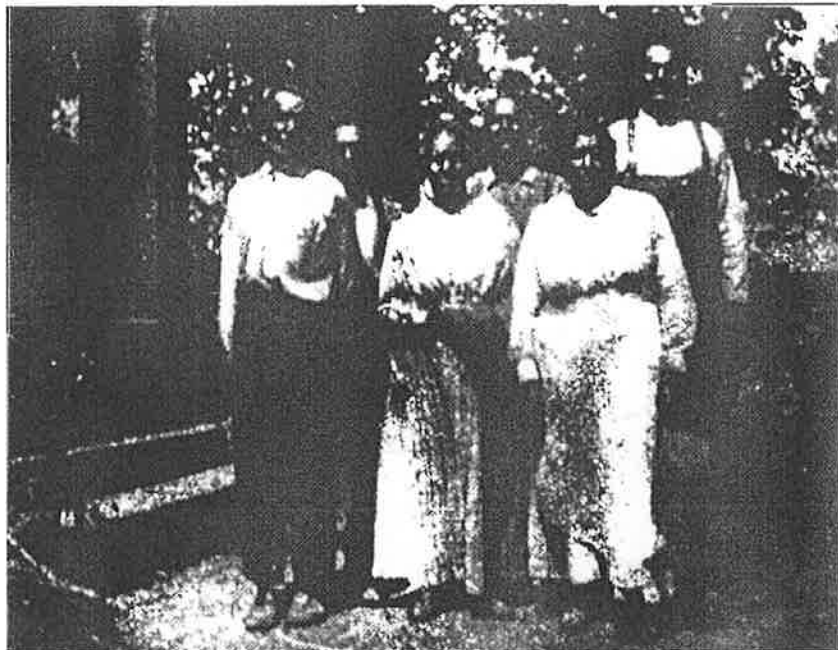
Thad Rankin, the oldest in point of service, belonged to his mistress's family. The Popes of Sequatchie Valley. When Mrs. Pope moved from "the valley" to Hamilton County near Chattanooga, and bought the farm nestling at the foot of historic Missionary Ridge and now occupied by her

granddaughter, it was Thad who drove the hack. That was in the late fifties, and Thad was just a shavetail little negro.

He is still on the farm, and is noted as a fine shot. Sporting residents of Chattanooga have spent many pleasant hours hunting with him, and he is regarded as an authority on where the best game in that section is to be found.



Rosa Peake, Aunt Peggy with 47 Years Record in One Kitchen



Thad, Turner, John, Pop, Ellen and Peggy

His wife, Ellen has been doing the laundry for more than twenty years. One interesting thing about Thad and his wife is that they have now been married fifty years, and should they desire to entertain with a golden wedding anniversary, the mothers of both the aged bride and bridegrooms could attend. "Auntie Cynthia," Thad's mother is a resident of an adjoining county, while "Aunt Laura," Ellen's mother, lives on the farm. Thad and Ellen have great-grandchildren and "Auntie Cynthia and "Auntie Laura" have great-great-grandchildren.

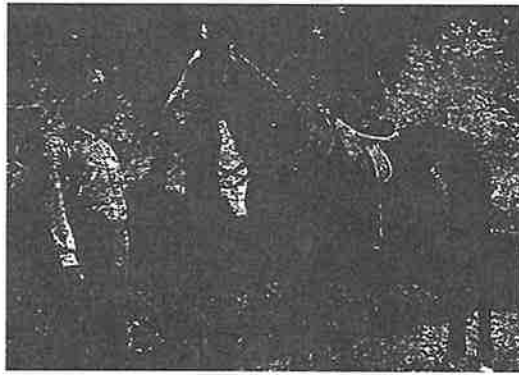
The black mammy of "Altamede," who has mothered the five grown men of the family and presided in the kitchen for forty-seven years is Rosa Peake, affectionally called "Peggy" by members of the household, but known as "Miz Rosa" in colored society around Chickamauga.

Peggy cooked the first meal Judge Shepherd and the present mistress of

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House with No Servant Problem



John Macon with "Mac" Surviving Member of the Coach Team

"Altamede" ate after their marriage, forty-five years ago. She worked for the Judge two years before that, thus making her length of service now forty-seven years. Throughout the years Peggy has only left the kitchen on six different occasions, and each time she left it was for a little journey to the altar.

Marriage, however, did not increase Peggy's independence, for she always returned after a few days' honeymoon. Even at that, it is said of her that she has never been completely out of service, for each time she left the kitchen to get married she carried along the "washing."

"When it comes to faithfulness, Peggy is in a class by herself," one of her "chillum," a middle-aged, successful editor, said of her recently. She had as much to do with the upbringing of the five boys on the farm as their mother did, and, although the oldest of those "boys" is now a prosperous lawyer of 40, and the youngest nearly 30, she calls them all by their given names and threatens to "spank" them when their friendly gibes border on what Peggy calls 'sass.'

John Macon, former coachmen and now man of all work, arrived at the farm forty-three years ago. He was a forlorn, homeless little negro in search of work. He was taken in, and there is no indication he will be marked A. W. O. L. soon.

Before the days of gasoline John was the family coachman. He was especially proud of his team and carriage. He is an ardent lover of horses, and, despite the fact that they have been superseded by motor equipment, John continues his allegiance to the stable and refuses to learn tricks about the garage.

Among the negroes on the place

John is known as "de Judge." His pride in days gone by, when he drove Judge Shepherd to the courts in the surrounding counties, gained this nickname. "De Judge" familiarized himself with all the cases his master tried, and while the latter was inside the Court House John sat outside and regaled the negroes with "inside" facts on the case.



Ellen

Anthony Smith or "Pap," now a bent old ducky, followed his young master to war and was in the battle of Chickamauga. He fought in the Confederate Army through the civil war, and his reminiscences make him an interesting character. He is an excellent example of the ante-bellum negro and is beloved by the entire family. For many years he has been on a pension. Residing on the farm in a comfortable cottage provided by his master, he finds enjoyment taking care of the chickens. Turner Davidson, another veteran of the service at "Altamede," has worked for twenty years for the family, and lingers on with no inclination to change his address.

The New York Times

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Thad Rankin, Ex-Slave Who Served Pope, Shepherd Families, Dies at 102

Thad Rankin is dead at the age of 102 years and the Shepherd community is mourning the passing of a man who served so faithfully the Popes and then the Shepherds, two pioneer families of the region, since the day slaves were freed by President Lincoln's emancipation proclamation.

Thad died Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lena Rankin Henderson, at Shepherd, where the former slave was highly respected as an upright and useful citizen and a sturdy Christian.

Throughout the community he was looked up to as a leader who believed in clean living and good citizenship. Even in his old age, Thad was an impressive figure. Standing six feet and four inches tall, he suggested that he could easily have been the descendant of an African tribal chief.

Thad was born April 17, 1849, in slavery, the property of the late Squire Bill Rankin of near Dunlap in Sequatchie Valley. He was named for his master. He had reached the age of 11 when the War Between the States came on. As the Union armies moved into Tennessee and civilians fled to the deeper South, Thad accompanied the Rankins to Atlanta.

There Squire Rankin later received word the Yankees had been whipped and driven back North to the Ohio. He started with his family to Sequatchie Valley. He was shocked to learn that news of



THAD RANKIN

the northern defeat was untrue and turned aside into Alabama.

In compliance with the Lincoln proclamation, Squire Rankin called his Negroes together and told them that they were free, but that he

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THAD RANKIN DIES; FORMER SLAVE

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would not actually let them go until he had taken them back to Sequatchie Valley where they could best take care of themselves.

Upon returning there Thad began work for the Pope family and in 1880 moved with the family to Hamilton County. He drove the carriage across the mountain, bringing the late Mrs. Sarah Reynolds Pope, who was the mother of the late Mrs. Lewis S. Shepherd and grandmother of the widely known Shepherd boys—Pope, Lewis, Will, Fred and Quintus of whom only Quintus survives.

When the late Lilah Pope married Lewis S. Shepherd, who became one of Chattanooga's prominent lawyers, Thad followed here and served the Shepherd family for many years, helping to rear the five sons. They looked upon him almost as a member of the family.

Thad remained healthy and active during his long life and it was not until about two years ago that he has ever been incapacitated by illness.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. today in the St. James A. M. E. Church in Shepherd, with the Revs. O. Burkeen and A. F. White officiating. Interment will be in the Citizens Cemetery at Shepherd. The body will lie in state at the church from 10 a.m. until the funeral hour.

Thad is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Mary Green and Lizzie Streter, both of Birmingham; two sons, Floyd of Chattanooga and Thomas of Erie, Pa.; a sister, Mrs. Lizzie Sheeler, South Pittsburg, Tenn.; sister-in-law, 35 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, 10 great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Chattanooga Times
November 11, 1951

ELLEN RANKIN.

Ellen Minerva Rankin, colored, aged 72, died at her residence at Shepherd, Tenn., Wednesday. Funeral will be held this afternoon at the St. James A. M. E. church, Shepherd. She was a member of a well-known and highly-respected colored family, being the wife of Thad Rankin. For over fifty years this family has been closely associated with the Shepherd family, having lived for that period on Altamede farm. The family moved here fifty years ago from Sequatchie valley, coming with the late Mrs. Sarah Pope, the mother of the late Mrs. Lewis Shepherd.

The death of Ellen Rankin is the fourth to occur among the old attaches of Altamede farm within the past year. This afternoon during the funeral T. Pope Shepherd, well-known attorney, will deliver a eulogy. The deceased is survived by her husband, now well past 80 years of age; three sons and three daughters. The interment will take place in the community cemetery at Shepherd, with J. F. Trimble in charge of arrangements.



Lena "Toffie" Rankin Henderson, daughter of Thad and Ellen Rankin with husband, Emory Henderson.

Chattanooga Times
June 26, 1931

LEGEND:

- I.....Roman Numerals indicate children of original settlers
A....Capital letters indicate grandchildren of original settler
1.....Numerals indicate great-grandchildren of original settlers

Cicero Henderson, Sr.Married.....Fannie Strickland - Family #1

Born December 25, 1867

Born August 14, 1872

Died May 15, 1927

Died March 4, 1932

Cicero and Fannie were the parents of 11 children. Their granddaughter, Wilma Taylor remembers being told that they were the owners of a large farm on Gunbarrel Road but were tricked out of the land and had to move and become sharecroppers on the Shepherd farm.

- I. Edna Henderson
Married Horace Webb
A. Julia
Married Clarence Simley
1. Janice
2. Edna
3. Jackie Stevens
4. Joycelyn Simley

B. Fannie Louise Webb

C. Ellen Webb
Married Avin Griffin
1. Tamara Moore

D. Edward Webb
Married Martha
1. Terrance Webb

- II. Lottie Henderson
A. Molley
Married Orange Neal
1. Peggy
2. Edward
3. Eugene

- III. Pearl Henderson
Married Roy Vaughn
A. Roy Vaughn, Jr.
Married Dorothy
1. Kenneth Vaughn



Front LtoR: Pearl and Edna
Rear LtoR:
Fannie Strickland Henderson, Cicero
Henderson, Sr. and Lottie



Seated LtoR:
William Early Henderson, Sr., Earnest, Emory and
Lottie
Standing LtoR:
Erdmon, Leonard, Cicero, Jr., Henry, Pearl, Elmer
and Edna

IV. Ernest Henderson

Married Rachel and Katherine

A. Ernest Henderson, Jr.

1. Teri
2. Ronald
3. Angela

B. Mary Maston

V. Henry Henderson

Married Hattie Woods

A. Helen

Married Warren Woodard

1. Juanita Woodard Graham
2. Warren Woodard, Jr.
3. Lillie Gould
4. Albert Woodard
5. Tamara Woodard Henderson

B. Harold Henderson

Married Margaret Butts

C. Curtis Henderson

Married Joan Robinson and Laurie

1. Curtis Henderson, Jr.
2. Elliott Henderson
3. Alice Henderson

D. Alice Henderson

Married Edwin Battle

1. Gregory Battle
2. Jeffrey Battle

E. Cecil Henderson

Married Lois Lester and Carrie Mae

1. Steven
2. Cecelia
3. Sandy
4. Rodney

F. Wilma Henderson

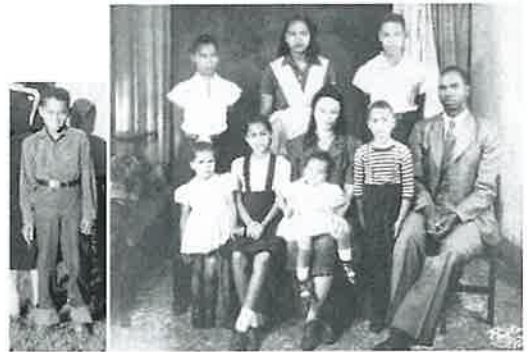
Married Clinton Taylor

1. Sonya
2. Tracey
3. Troy
4. Tia

G. Fredonia Henderson

Married Willie Brogden

1. Altha
2. Betty
3. Kim
4. Dietra



Picture on Left:

Henry

LtoR:

*Wilma, Alice, Fredonia (child in lap),
Hattie, Cecil, Henry*

Standing LtoR:

Curtis, Helen, Harold



LtoR:

Sonja, Wilma, Tracey, Troy and Tia

H. Betty Jo Henderson
Married George Summers
1. George Summers, Jr.

I. Henry Anderson Henderson

VI. Emory G. Henderson
Married Lena Rankin

VII. Erdmon Henderson
Married Mae Monroe
A. Willa Rose Jarrett
Married Raymond Jarrett
1. Vanecia

B. Johnetta Henderson
Married Herman Wilson
1. Herman Wilson, Jr.
2. Dieda Wilson Robinson

C. Myrtle Henderson
1. Robert
2. Kelly

VIII. Cicero Henderson, Jr.
Married Helen Starr
A. Cicero Henderson, III
Married Berlean
1. Oba Yere Henderson
2. Kadi Henderson

IX. Leonard Henderson
Married Agnes King
A. Leonard Henderson, Jr.

X. Elmer Henderson
Married Rachel
A. Nathaniel
B. Eric

XI. William Early Henderson
Married Lillie Scott
A. William "Dusty" Early Henderson, Jr.
1. Jackie McDuffie
2. Jennifer Maffett
3. Delores Henderson

B. Raymond Henderson
Married Betty Jean Weaver
1. Violet
2. Raymond Henderson, Jr.
3. James Earl Henderson
4. Michael Hernderson

C. Helena Henderson Parks



Betty Jo and George Summers



CeCe Henderson, III

Jack Wilkes.....Married.....Carrie Wilkes - Family #2

I. Justice T. Wilkes Born Dec. 20 1900 Died April 15, 1982
Married Clara Johnson Born 1902 Died April 22, 1972

A. Arlene Trice

1. Vera
2. Gail

B. Evelyn Wilkes

Married Arnelius Rivers

1. Gregory Rivers

C. Justice C. Wilkes

Married Eula Mae Simmons and Helen Humphrey Brown

1. Brenda Wilkes
2. Linda Wilkes

II. Fred Wilkes

Married Elizabeth Scott

A. James "Bussie" Wilkes

Married Vera Jeanette

1. Janet
2. Jimmy Wilkes

B. Earl Wilkes

Married Emanuell

C. Mary Helen Wilkes

Married Bernest Harris

1. Bernest Harris, Jr.

D. Edward Wilkes

Married Clara

E. Carl Wilkes

Married Doris

1. Janice Wilkes

F. Alma "Baby Sister" Wilkes

Married Irusha Walterson

1. Irusha Walterson, Jr.
2. Rene Howard
3. Dorothy Worthy Woods
4. Annie Wilkes Harden
5. Brenda Heard
6. Tom Wilkes



Evelyn Rivers



Seated LtoR:

Lillie Scott Henderson and Joe Scott

Standing LtoR:

Cora Scott and Elizabeth Scott Hugley



Seated LtoR:

James, Jeanette

Standing LtoR:

Jimmy and Janet



*Mary Helen Wilkes Harris
Bernest Harris*

III. Jackson Wilkes.....Died September 14, 1977

Married

A. Norman Wilkes

B. Margie Wilkes

IV. Bessie Wilkes Byrd



Annie Wilkes Harden



Rena Howard



Alma "Baby Sister"
Wilkes

Dinkie Guy FrazierMarried.....Nina - Family #3

Born: 1877

Died: February, 1960

Born: 1879

Died: February, 1959



Dinkie Frazier



Nina Frazier

Dinkie and Nina resided at 2154 West Shepherd Road. They were members of Pilgrim Rock Baptist Church. Dinkie worked as an electrician and helped to build the Incline Railroad. Nina was the janitor at Chickamauga Elementary School.

I. Gladys Frazier

II. Guy Frazier

III. Lucille Frazier

IV. Delphin Thomas Frazier

Married Evelyn Panky

A. Jacqueline Frazier

B. Delphin Frazier

C. William Frazier



Lucille Frazier

D. Betty Jean Frazier

E. Delphine Frazier

V. William "Bill" Frazier
Married Dorothy

A. Thurston Frazier

B. Glenn Lee Frazier



Lillie Frazier Cox

VI. Lillie Frazier
Married Elijah Cox

A. Robert Frazier

B. Nina June Frazier

C. Henry Cox

D. Richard Cox

E. Michael Cox

F. Constance Cox Deramus



Constance Cox Deramus

VII. Berthene Frazier
Married Arthur James Dunnigan

A. Yvonne Dunnigan

B. Cynthia Dunnigan

C. Lily Dunnigan



Berthene and Arthur Dunnigan



*Michael and Stephanie
Cox Shepherd*

William Craven.....Married.....Emma Holmes - Family #4

Born: October 1, 1876

Born 1883

Died: November 17, 1960

Died 1963



Emma Craven

William and Emma lived at 809 Airport Road. William was a Deacon at Pilgrim Rock Baptist Church. He was also a member of the Paul Lawrence Dunbar Lodge N. 196 F & AM and was a member of the Benevolent Order No 73. William retired from Wheland Foundary. He and Emma were the parents of four sons.



Charles Craven

I. Charles Craven

Married Margaret

A. Bobby Sam

B. Charles Craven Jr.

C. Pam

II. Clifford Craven
Married Irine Radden

A. Berline Thorpe

B. Glenda Craven
1. Vincent Craven

C. Rev. Clifford L. Craven
Married Polly
1. Phyllis Irene

D. Robert Craven
Married Rachel
1. Pam
2. Robert Craven Jr.

E. William Edward Craven

F. Clarence Craven

III. Robert Craven:
Married Estella
A. Katherine Craven Starling
1. Kenneth Starling

IV. Lester Craven.....Married..... Helen Higgenbotham
Born: July 26, 1907 Born Dec. 17, 1908
Died: August 9, 1988 Died Oct. 30, 1995

A. Mildred Craven
Married William Gardner
1. Sandra Lee Gradner

B. Virginia Craven Phillips
Married Robert Phillips

C. Emma M. Craven
Married Jimmy Davis, Wanza (Tony) McCrary and Sonny McConnell
1. Marlon Davis
2. Wayne Davis
3. Tanya Davis Bloodsaw
4. Carlos McConnell

D. William Lester Craven
Married Vera
1. Leslie
2. William



Rev. Clifford Craven



Estella Craven



William Lester, Helen, Robert Phillips and Lester Craven



Mildred Gardner



*LtoR: Wayne, Emma, Marlon
Rear: Carlos and Tanya*

Solomon Higgenbotham.....Married.....Onie McKamey - Family #5

Born:
Died March 21, 1964

Born: 1879
Died August 28, 1983

I. Vivian Higgenbotham
Married John Weaver

II. Omalee Higgenbotham
Married Walt Hamilton
1. Carrie Helen
2. Wilbur Pryor

III. Helen Higgenbotham
Married Lester Craven
A. Mildred Craven
Married William Gardner
1. Sandra Lee Gardner

B. Virginia Craven
Married Robert Phillips

C. Emma M. Craven
Married Jimmy Davis, Wanza (Tony) McCrary and Sonny McConnell
1. Marlon Davis
2. Wayne Davis
3. Tanya Davis Bloodsaw
4. Carlos McConnell

D. William Lester Craven
Married Vera
1. Leslie
2. William

IV. Leroy Higgenbotham Born: 1897.....died 1982
Married Alma

V. James Higgenbotham (Chicago,IL)
1. Mary Catherine
2. Jean
3. Molly
4. JoAnn

VI. John Higgenbotham Sr. (Ohio)
1. John Jr.
2. Johnny Mae McDuffie
3. Susan
4. Diane

VII. Bennie Higgenbotham
1. Bennie Jr.
2. Larry



Solomon and Onie Higgenbotham



Virginia Phillips



Leroy and Alma Higgenbotham



John Jr.

VIII. Hazel Higgenbotham Born: Feb. 8, 1899....Died: March, 1987

A. Evelyn Lamar

B. Helen Derrick

C. Ruby Higgenbotham
Married Ernest Harris, Sr.

1. Debbie Ramseur
2. Barbara J. Winfrey
3. Linda F. Calloway
4. Ernestine Brown
5. Kathy Jones
6. Leroy Harris
7. Ernest Harris, Jr.
8. William Harris

IX. Herbert Higgenbotham

X. Lillian Higgenbotham

XI. Lon Higgenbotham



Helen and Julian



Top LtoR:

*Barbara Jean, Linda, Ernestine,
Kathy and Debbie*

Bottom LtoR:

Leroy, Ernest Harris, Jr. and William

Calvin King.....MarriedNannie Johnson - Family #6

Born: 1872

Died: March, 1955

Born: 1888

Died: November, 1966

I. Eva King Daniel

II. Sarah King

Married William Smith

A. Emanuel Smith

III. Ceola King

Married Fred Tipton

A. Lionel

B. James

C. Fredrick

D. Diane

E. Don

F. Terry

G. Leon



Calvin and Nannie King



Mack and Sarah

IV. Calvin "Brown" King, Jr.
Married Josie Lee Thomas

A. Edna "Cherry" King
Married Jackson Reid

1. Elisha
2. Erricka

B. Herman Ladel King
Married Darnell Weaver

1. Kawana King
2. Ericka King
3. Denise King
4. Marcus Lawrence

C. Zora King
Married Joseph Keith

1. Joseph Keith, Jr.
2. David Keith
3. Steven Keith

D. Ingrid King
Married Joe Jackson

1. Joe Willie Jackson, III
2. Joelle Jackson

E. Donald King
Married Beverly Harris and Janice Massengill

1. Brian
2. Scott
3. Mason

V. Mack King
Married Georgia Mae Hughes

A. Ruby King
Married Wiley Simmons

1. Sarita
2. Valerie
3. Tiffany
4. Christopher

B. Felton King
Married Malvonina Williams and Martha Davenport

1. Allison
2. Rhonda
3. Corey

C. Wesley King
Married Christine Hammond

1. Paul King
2. Dana King



LtoR:

Cherry, Ingrid, Josie Lee, Calvin,
Zora and Donald



LtoR:

Donald, Ingrid, Zora, Ladel
and Cherry



LtoR:

Mack King, Paul, Patricia, Ruby,
Georgia Mae, Felton King and
Steven King



LtoR:

Sarita, Valerie, Ruby, Wiley "Chris",
Wiley Simmons, Jr. and Tiffany
Simmons

D. Patricia King
 Married Harold Henry
 1. Desmond Henry

E. Steven King
 Married Faye Nell Rowe
 1. Steven King, Jr.
 2. Secondra King
 3. Scottie King

VII. Paul King
 Married Verlene Shaw

A. Melva King

B. Linda King



Paul King

Rev. Wiley G. Strickland.....Married..... Mary McCollum - Family #7

Born 1885

Born 1887

Died: July, 1957

Died: June, 1963

Rev. W. G. and Mary Strickland resided at 1618 Church Road.
 Rev. Strickland served as an African Methodist Episcopal minister
 for 37 years. He was the 13th pastor assigned to St. James A.M.E Church.

I. Marjorie Strickland

Miss Strickland taught the early grades at Booker T. Washington
 And Chickamauga School for a total of 46 years.

II. Horace Strickland

Married Addie Wofford

A. Alice Strickland

Married: James Hightower

1. Ronnie Hightower
2. Thaddeus Hightower

B. Horace Strickland, Jr.

Married Laverta Johnson and Mary

1. Sharon
2. Kenneth
3. Margie
4. Denise
5. Verna Lynn



Seated LtoR:

*Marjorie Strickland, Mary McCollum
 Strickland and Rev. Wiley G. Strickland*

Standing LtoR:

Addie and Horace Strickland



LtoR:

Margie, Sharon, Verna Lynn

Standing:

Kenneth



LtoR:

*James Hightower, Thad
 Hightower, Ronnie Hightower
 and Alice Strickland Hightower*

C. William Howard Strickland, Sr.
Married Rachel White

1. William H. Strickland, Jr.
2. James Kevin
3. Brian Edward
4. Daryl



*Seated LtoR: Kevin, Brian, William Jr.
and Daryl*

*Standing LtoR: Rachel and William Howard
Strickland, Sr.*

D. Harry "Bobby" Strickland
Married Alfreda Hill and Rosetta Frazier

1. Harry Strickland, Jr.
2. Katrina Diane Strickland
3. Samuel Lewis Strickland
4. Belinda Strickland

E. Herman "Buddy" Strickland
Married Velma Jean Gates

1. Ronald Strickland
2. Anita "Penny" Crutcher
3. Pamela Wooten
4. Ivy Strickland



Herman "Buddy" Strickland



Velma Jean Strickland



*Front: Ronald Strickland
Standing LtoR: Ivy Strickland,
Pamela Wooten, Anita "Penny" Crutcher*



*Rosetta Frazier Strickland
and Harry "Bobby" Strickland*



*Seated: Addie Strickland
Standing LtoR: Katrina, Samuel
Lewis Strickland and Belinda*

F. Thad Strickland
Married Lurene
1. Kendra Strickland

G. Rev. Ralph Strickland
Married Hazel Cash (Mother of the 15 children that were
born.) and Gwendolyn

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Brenda | 8. Stephanie |
| 2. Deborah Ann | 9. Cassandra |
| 3. Addie Elizabeth | 10. Ronald Zachrey |
| 4. Ralph, Jr. | 11. Cyrus |
| 5. Xavier Samuel | 12. Darryl |
| 6. John Gregory | 13. Kevin |
| 7. Pamela Gail | 14. Shelia |



Henry and Abby Strickland

III. Henry Strickland
Married Abby Sutton and Dora Heard

Joseph Willis.....Married Lizzie - Family #8

Born: 1871 Died 1963

Lizzie and Joseph Willis were pioneer citizens of Shepherd who lived at 812 Airport Road. They were members of St. James A.M.E. Church and the parents of one son.

I. Forrest Willis

Married Mae Gilbert

A. Bettye Hammond

1. Michelle Hammond

B. Lois Pace

1. Verla Jean Davis

C. Joyce Willis

Married Lee "Shorty" Clemons

1. Gail Morgan

2. Kerry Clemons

3. Sherri Washington

4. Cynthia Rowe

5. Melanie Clemons

D. Forrest Willis, Jr.

Married Helen Goodloe

1. Cheryl Dunmore

2. Larry Willis

3. Forrest Willis III

4. Forestine Willis

E. Marvin Willis married Alberta

1. Suzanne Willis

2. Millicent "Tolly" Hall

3. Anthony Smith



Betty Willis Hammond



*Cheryl, Willie Carmichael and
Forest Willis, Jr.*



Millicent "Tolly", Alberta, Suzanne

Bert Gilbert.....Married.....Molly - Family #9

I. Robert B. Gilbert

Married Cora Sutton

A. Zollie Gilbert

B. Robert Rubin Gilbert

C. Thomas Bernard Gilbert

II. James Gilbert

A. Ethel Mae McKissic

B. Elvea Thurman

C. Ophelia Johnson



Bert and Molly Gilbert



Cora Gilbert

D. Lamar Gilbert

1. Russell
2. Ronald
3. Ricky
4. Richard
5. Edith Jean Peter

III. Zollie Gilbert

Married Effie Shaw Akins

IV. Claude Gilbert

V. Annie Gilbert Byrd

VI. Emma Gilbert

VII. Mae Gilbert

Married Forrest Willis

A. Betty Hammond

1. Michelle Hammond

B. Lois Pace

1. Verla Jean Davis

C. Joyce Willis

Married Lee Clemons

1. Gail Morgan
2. Kerry Clemons
3. Sherri Washington
4. Cynthia Rowe
5. Melanie Clemons

D. Forrest Willis, Jr.

Married Helen Goodloe

1. Cheryl Dunmore
2. Larry Willis
3. Forrest Willis
4. Forestine Willis

E. Marvin Willis

1. Suzanne Willis
2. Millicent "Tolly" Hall
3. Anthony Smith

VIII. Viola Gilbert

IX. Marie Gilbert

Married Emmett Henderson

X. Oscar Gilbert

Married Louella

A. Pearline Gilbert

1. Russell Gilbert

XI. Mattie Gilbert

XII. Lillie Gilbert Byrd



*Anne, James, Emma, May, Zollie, Effie,
Viola and Marie*



Lois Willis Pace



Verla Jean Davis



Lee Clemons



Joyce Clemons



Marvin Willis



Marie Henderson



Gail and Wendell Morgan



Kerry Clemons



Cynthia and Donald Rowe



Sherri Washington



Verla Jean and Melanie

Percy Davidson.....Married Bessie Turney - Family #10

Born: March 2, 1926

Died: August 8, 1960

I. Armelia Davidson
Married Lena Mitchell

II. Willie F. Davidson, Sr.
Born: July 10, 1929
Died: September 4, 1995
Married Flossie Watkins

- A. Willie Davidson, Jr.
- B. Robert Davidson
- C. Lavell Davidson
- D. Bessie Davidson
- E. Sandra Davidson

III. Ester Mae Davidson
Born: May 22, 1924
Died: March 30, 1994

IV. Marcella Davidson Woods

- A. Wesley Woods
- B. Urel Woods
- C. Arthur Woods
- D. Milton Woods
- E. Marcelena Woods

V. Carrie Davidson

- A. Richard Davidson
- B. Zella Ann Davidson
- C. Charles Davidson
- D. Frances Davidson
- E. Joy Davidson



Bessie Turney Davidson



Armelia Davidson



Robert Davidson



Ester Mae Davidson



Carrie Davidson

During and just after World War II there was another wave of settlers to the Shepherd Community. There was an ad campaign in the early 1940's for the selling of lots. The response was excellent because many young couples took advantage of the opportunity to pay on lots on a monthly basis until the purchase was complete. Some buyers saw Shepherd as an ideal place for raising children. The rural setting was perfect for the raising of chickens, hogs and vegetable gardens.

Some of the new residents were a part of the "great migration." They were leaving the plantations and farms of Georgia and Alabama to seek employment in the foundries and factories of Chattanooga and selected Shepherd as the place to live. Most of the women of Shepherd during this period worked in the private homes of whites. Their duties included cooking, cleaning and caring for the white children.

Following are some of the settlers in Shepherd during the 1940's, 1950's and 1960's who were looking for a better life:

Mason and Gertrude Adams
 Mason Lee and Mattie Adams
 Ruth Walker Amaker
 Rev. Willie and Mary Austin (Rosetta)
 Willie and Gwen Bailey
 Raymond and Dixie Ballou
 Joseph and Ruby Batten
 Dolly Blakley
 Euriah "Sport" and Melinda Blakley
 Willie Claude and Henrietta Borders
 Mildred Witt Broadnax
 Delta and Ruby Brodgen, Sr.
 Lawyer and Fannie Brown
 William "Big Boy" and
 Willie Lee Davidson Brown
 Ivory and Flora Cooper Bryant
 Oscar and Ester Burnette, Sr.
 Zeb and Amy Rowe-Burton
 Connie Ross Boykin Cannon
 Calvin Carson
 George and Alice Carson
 Hillman and Ella Mae Carson
 Jarvis Carson
 Lewis and Amanda Carson
 Samuel and Lena Carson
 Jessie and Gladys Cheely
 Henry and Myrtle Chestnut
 Everette B. and Mildred Cooke
 Milton and Leona Cooper, Sr.
 Alfred Calvin and Catherine Copeland
 Jessie Copeland
 Minnie Lou Crumsey
 Ira and Martha Davis
 Della Dennis
 George and Willie Pearl Deramus
 Margaret Ann Pasley Deramus
 Frank and Emma Dozier
 James and Lucy Drake (Jimmie Lee)
 Dayton and Gertrude Drake
 Albert and Pauline Duconge
 Mack and Mary Eady-Cargle
 Jimmie Edwards
 Margaret Edwards
 Percy Eggleston (Mr. Stein)
 James "Dick" and Elizabeth Ervin
 Lucille Espy
 Chusley and Kathleen Farrow
 Riley and Ola Finley
 Fred Frazier

Eula Mae Simmons Wilkes Dooley
 Gaines
 Hurel and Hattie Gates
 Effie Shaw Akins Gilbert
 (Gloria, Verlene & McConnell)
 Joe and Marie Gober
 William and Ocie Gober
 Dorothy Goodloe (Billy
 Carmichael)
 Clyde and Paralee Goolsby
 Eli and Sylvia Goolsby
 "Chef" Gordon
 Addie Grant
 Will Grant
 Curtis and Annie Bell Graves
 Odessa Green
 Rev. Archie and Georgia Griffin, Sr.
 Bettie Walker Greatheart
 Rev. H. D. and Evie Grimmit
 Rev. Justice and Eula Hamilton
 Chris and Lillian Hammond
 Willie James and Ada Hammonds
 Cora Harden
 Herschel (Shareef) and Janie Mae
 Walker Harden
 Bud and Louise Hawkins
 Noland and Rosa Heard
 Emma Henderson
 Jim and "Sweet" Henderson
 John Henderson
 John William Henderson
 Lillie Henderson
 Sophia Henderson
 William "Bill" Henderson
 James and Bessie Hines
 Phillip and Paralee Holloway
 Juanita Walker Hoskins
 John and Florence Howard
 Julius and Hattie Mae Howard
 Mr. & Mrs. William Howard
 Raymond and Bea Hudson
 Ed and Lee Ollie Hughes
 Frank and Willie Mae
 Johnson Hughes
 Forrest and Bessie Hughes
 Garner and Geneva Hughes
 Lewis and Minnie Hughes
 Robert and Nettie Walker
 Humphrey

Robert and Virginia Humphrey
 Will Henry and Mattie Lou
 McCorkle Humphrey
 Mirine Ingram
 Rev. Edward and Carolyn Jackson
 Wadell and Betty Pitts Jackson
 Leroy Jefferson
 Rev. Samuel and Velma Jenkins
 Tom and Mary Jenkins
 Clyde and Carrie Johnson
 Shirley Johnson
 Will Johnson
 Cleghorn and Mildred Brown Jones
 J.B. and Virginia Jordan
 Robert and Ruby Kilgore
 George and Vergil King
 Millard and Carrie Lawrence
 Will Johnson and Ruby
 Lester
 Harvey and Charsie Lemoire
 Grady and Barbara Lipkins
 Thomas (Mr. Alabama) and Annie
 Mae
 Lockett
 Mitchell and Mariah Love
 George and Ruby K. Maffett, Sr.
 George and Jennifer Maffett, Jr.
 Dave Mahone
 Cicero and Fannie Manning
 Robert and Lilly Marsh
 Grady Martin
 George and Geneva Mathis
 Neal and Juanita Jones Mathis
 William Maxwell
 Julius "Red" and Louise
 McClendon
 Rosalind and Diane McClendon
 Cliff and Mae Bell McClellan
 (Napoleon)
 Jerry and Rosie McCutuchson
 Edith McDuffie
 Eula Mae McDuffie
 Horace and Amanda McDuffie
 Jackie and Jacqueline Walker
 McDuffie
 John McDuffie
 Herschel and Nellie Mae
 Walker McReynolds
 Mr. & Mrs. Miller

Rudine Mitchell
 Joe and Mildred Montgomery
 Mary Frances Moon
 Eddie and Sally Moore
 Eddie and Pauline Mryick
 John and Louise Nance
 Comer and Geneva Neal
 John Neal
 Bosie and Nellie Newell
 John Newson
 Sidney Nunn
 Mr. & Mrs. Freeman Oliver
 Florence Goolsby-Owens
 Dewillie and Rose Palmer
 Bonnie Yarbrough Pasley
 Charlie Pasley
 John and Lee Ollie Pasley (Beatrice)
 Roy and Lucy Pasley
 Wiley and Rosa Pasley
 Willie Pasley
 Thomas and Hattie Payne
 Reba, Cora and Otis Peters
 Alexander and Minnie Petty
 Cabe and Eula Mae Petty
 Eva Phillips
 John and Mae Bell Phillips
 Lester and Annie Mae Piersal (Erma)
 Polly Pollard
 Lonzo and Willie Mae Porter
 Ethel Pound
 William and Ida Powell
 James and Annie Pressley
 Ester Pryor
 Deke and Minnie Pryor
 Nannie Ransom
 Dallas and Mary Sue Ramsey
 James and Elizabeth Reeves
 Louise Reeves
 Lucille Reeves
 Archie and Annie Laura Reeves
 Roy and Ella Richardson
 Claude and Arzenia Roberts
 Hampton and Bernice Roberts
 Robert and Ludie Roberts
 Floyd and Mozell Robinson
 Charlie and Mary Ross
 Clarence and Lela Ross
 Fred and Constance Ross, Sr.
 Fred and Laverne Ross, Jr.
 John and Leevirgil Ross
 Lewis and Mattie Rowe
 Joseph and Cautho Rowe
 Mr. & Mrs. Salters
 Sonny and Lillie Sewell
 Carl and Julia Selby
 Raymond and Jessie Sheats
 Odell and Barbara Shepherd
 Bud and Rochelle Simmons
 Edwin and Linda Simmons
 Wiley and Ethel Simmons
 Lucius and Ida Mae Sims
 Abby Smith
 D. C. and Nellie Smith
 Hansom and Arlena Smith
 Frank and Arlena Smith
 James and Pearline Smith
 Mattie Smith (Miss. Doll)

William and Geraldine Smith
 Zennia Smith
 Otis "Cat" Starling
 Howard and Amanda Starr
 Beulah Williams Harris Stoudimire
 James "Pedale" and Inez Strickland
 Richard and Mrs. Swaing
 Thelma Tate
 Homer and Mattie Taylor
 Diane Walker Taylor
 Harold and Julia Mae Tisdale
 Jeanette Tisdale
 Sherman and Arvella Tisdale
 James and Lonnie Mae Tucker
 Mary Jane Turner
 Malcolm Walker
 Ronald and Patricia Walker
 Connie and Jessie Walthal
 Irisha and Sara Walteson, Sr.
 Stella Washington
 Safronia Watkins
 Theodore and Ada Watley
 Hugh and Elizabeth Weaver
 John and Hazel Weaver (Vera)
 Milton and Janie Weaver
 Fred and Virginia Wells
 Bill and Hattie Ruth Whitener
 (Willie C. Green)
 Frank and Kate White
 Eugene and Alberta Whitener
 and Eleanora
 Gene and Alberta Whitener
 George and Angie Whitener
 Albert and Mamie Whitehead
 Mr. & Mrs. Wilder
 Rev. Arthur and Carrie Williams
 Isadore and Doris Williams
 James and Jewell Williams
 Bro. Rufus and Ruth Williams
 Rev. Willie C. and Beulah Williams
 Rueben and Bessie Williams
 Napoleon and Mary Williams
 Will and Ollie Williams
 Zephyr and Armelia Gates Pasley Williams
 John "Skeeter" and Susie Winston
 James and Nettie Winston
 Susie Witt
 Mattie and Lillie Wofford
 Floyd and Nancy Wordlaw
 Thomas and Edith Wordlaw (Betty Jo)
 Temple and Polly Worthy
 John and Rachel Wright
 Horace Yarbrough
 Sam and Senie Yarbrough

Residents of Shepherd 1940's - Present



1. Perry Eggleston (Mr. Stein)
2. James and Inez Strickland
3. Arma Jean and Brenda Jackson
4. Rev. Archie and Georgia Grffin, Sr.
5. Andy, Flora, Mattie Mae and Sophia Sheats (Harvey Sheats & son attached)
6. LtoR: William, Kimberly, Yvette, Rosaland, Audrey
Standing LtoR: William, Ocie, Sandra and Jerome Gober
7. William and Ida Powell
8. The Borders Family Labeled except Children LtoR: Percy, Shirley / Standing: Claudette, Judy and Dewitt Borders
9. Bottom: Nellie Mae Walker McReynolds, Ronald and Malcolm Walker - Top LtoR: Jacqueline, Diane, Bettie, Nettie, Ruth and Juanita Walker
10. LtoR Seated: Rudine - Standing: Pauline, Eddie and Mary Myrick
11. John Adams
12. LtoR: Eleanor Whitener, Gertrude Adams and Constance Ross
13. Mary Austin
14. LtoR: Henretta Borders, Juanita Jones Mathis, Nellie Walker McReynolds and Rachel Wright
15. Clarence Hereford
16. Joe Rowe
17. Larry Petty and Louise Brown
18. Chris Hereford
19. Linda Petty
20. Eula Mae Petty
21. Rosa Petty
22. Hazel Hereford Ross
23. LtoR: Billy McCorkle, Sheila Humphrey, Mildred, Kathleen, Sadie and Johnny McCorkle
24. LtoR: Sadie McCorkle, Charlie Pasley and Mamie McCorkle
25. Front: Minnie Petty - LtoR: Ruby, Sam, Ken and Minnie Petty
26. Roy Petty and Catherine Copeland
27. Alexander Petty
28. Margaret Petty



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| 29. Zennia Smith Kelly | 46. Jesse Weaver |
| 30. Lee Hughes | 47. Sue Weaver |
| 31. Sherry Ann Mitchell | 48. Ed Willis Myrick |
| 32. Wayne Hughes | 49. Marvin D. Espy |
| 33. Zennia Shepherd | 50. Gaynor Myrick |
| 34. Wendy Myrick | 51. Rudine Myrick |
| 35. <i>LtoR</i> : John, John Ed and Vera Weaver | 52. Sherry Ann Mitchell |
| 36. Neal Jones | 53. Gladys Myrick |
| 37. George and Juanita Jones Mathis | 54. Hattie (Lottie Davis' Sister) |
| 38. Robert and Ludie Robertson | 55. Judy Morris |
| 39. Jessie Sheats | 56. Helen Morris Brayles |
| 40. Otis Hughes | |
| 41. David Tisdale | |
| 42. Sammy Weaver | |
| 43. Tommy Weaver | |
| 44. Pearl "Eve" Weaver | |
| 45. Henry "Tuck" Weaver | |



57. Homer and Mattie Taylor
 58. Rev. Justice and Eula Hamilton
 59. Al and Eva Phillips
 60. James and Nettie Winston
 61. *LtoR*: Austin Swafford, Dorothy, Linda, Shirley, Henry and Johnny Winston
 62. Dr. Carlos Lacy
 63. Wiley and Ethel Simmons, Sr.
 64. Effie Akins Gilbert
 65. Safronia Watkins
 66. Georgia Mae Watkins
 67. Nancy Watkins
 68. Myrtle Watkins
 69. *Front LtoR*: Charles, Joe, Larry; *Rear Lto R*: Virginia Faye, Brenda, and Barbara Rowe
 70. Victor Rowe
 71. Willie Pearl Deramus

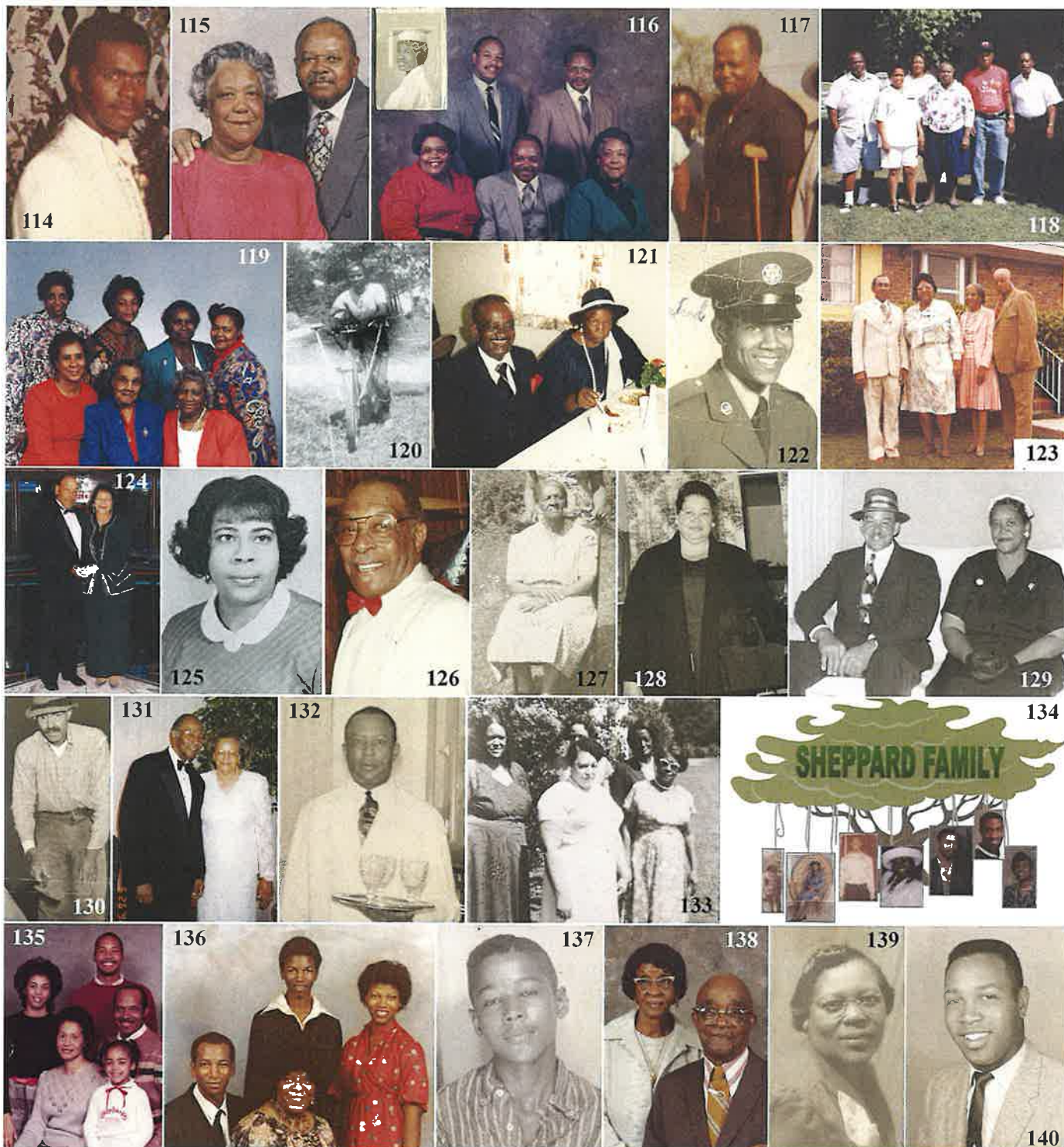
72. George Washington Deramus
 73. *LtoR*: Bobby, George Wayne and Terry Deramus
 74. Eddie Lee Moore
 75. Sallie Moore
 76. *LtoR*: Charlotte Joseph, Nancy Moore, Patricia Walker, Lawrence Floyd, Pearl Floyd, Earline Simmons and Roscoe Moore
 77. *Front LtoR*: Kent, Georgette "Peaches", Ethel Pound, and Kisha. *Rear*: Barbara and Ariel
 78. Mamie Whitehead
 79. Dorothy "Cookie" Whitehead
 80. Janie V. Humphrey Smartt
 81. Howard Humphrey
 82. Etta Mae Humphrey Stephens
 83. Robert and Jimmie Lee Kirk



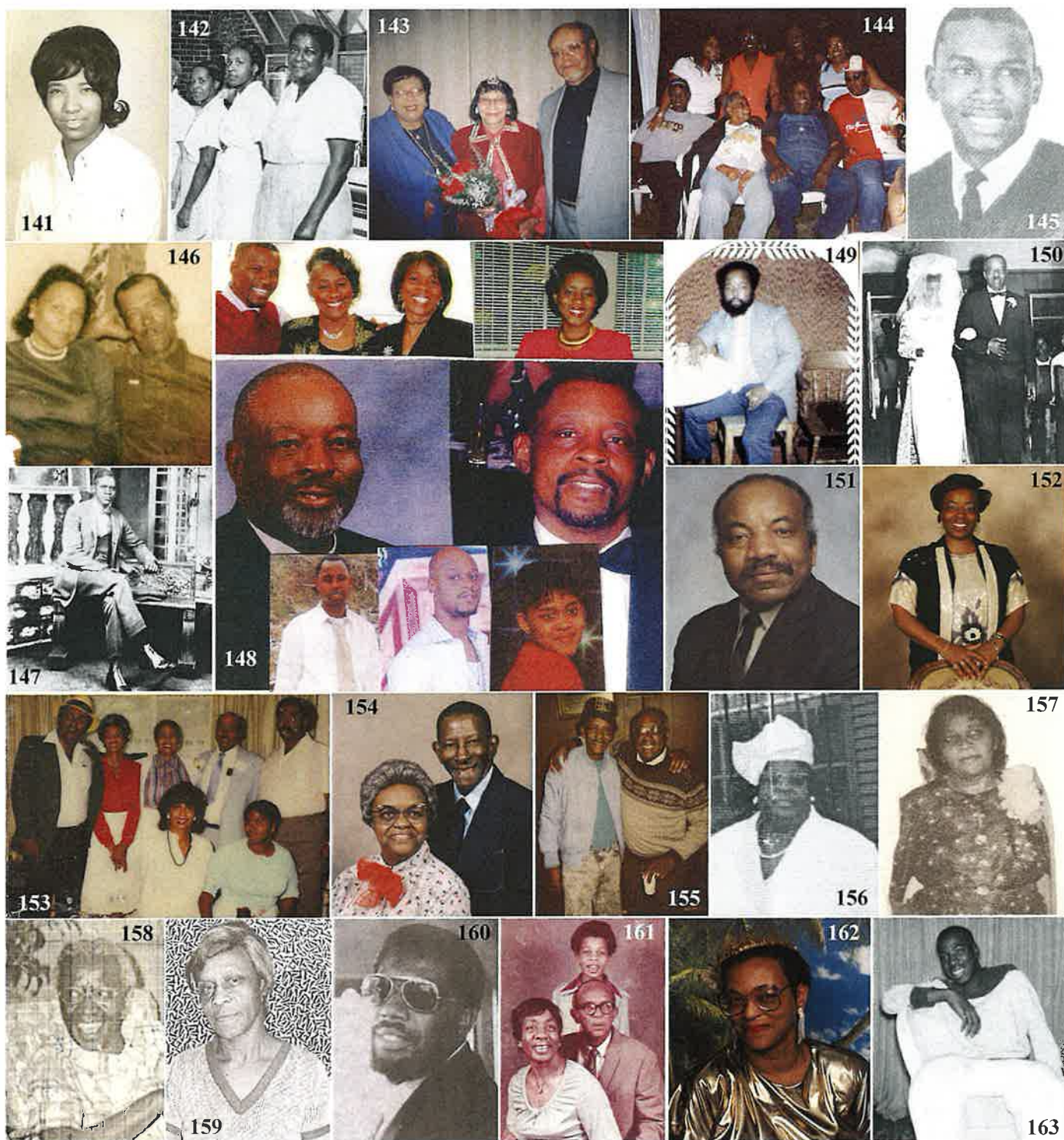
84. Melinda Kirk Blakley
 85. Euriah Blakley
 86. Aurgie Kirk
 87. George "Donnie" Kirk
 88. Mashell Espy
 89. *L to R*: Lillie Morris Smith & Helen Morris Broyles
 90. Tommy and John Ed Weaver
 91. Linda Espy
 92. Wendy Myrick-Sheppard
 93. Michael Weaver
 94. Zennia Akia Sheppard-Nesmith
 95. Rev. Samuel Jenkins
 96. George W. Maffett, Sr.
 97. Ruby Kate Maffett
 98. Albert Maffett
 99. *L to R*: Ron McWhorter, Ithornial Maffett, Barbar

Ann Maffett-Redden, and George W. Maffett, Jr.
 100. Joe Maffett
 101. *L to R*: Jennifer Maffett, George W. Maffett, Jr. and Samantha Maffett
 102. *L to R*: Minnie Lou McDuffie Crumsey, John Henry McDuffie and Eula Mae McDuffie.
 103. Jack McDuffie
 104. *L to R*: Donald Lewis Crumsey, Jennifer Crumsey Maffett, Minnie Lou Crumsey, Rickey Dewayne Crumsey and Debra Ann Crumsey
 105. Cora Harden
 106. *L to R*: Ernestine Wade and Andrea Harden
 107. John Lee Harden

108. Albert L. Harden
 109. Margaret Edwards
 110. *L to R*: Margaret Edwards and Harold "Butch" Harden
 111. Orlando "Buddy" Harden
 112. Howard Lee Harden
 113. Terry Harden



114. Stefon Harden
 115. Geraldine and William Smith
 116. *Seated LtoR:* Wanda, William Smith, Sr., & Geraldine Smith. *Standing LtoR:* Marvin Smith and William Smith, Jr. *Top left:* Lucy Smith
 117. Mason Adams, Sr.
 118. *LtoR:* James Adams, Brenda Adams Jones, Patricia, Gertrude, Mason Adams, Jr. and Dean Adams
 119. *LtoR:* Nancy Carson Wordlaw, Lena Carson, Willie Mae Carson Durden. *Standing LtoR:* Barbara Matthews, Patricia Adams Taylor, Gertrude Adams and Flora Carson Bryant
 120. Ester Carson Pryor
 121. George and Alice Carson
 122. Calvin Carson
 123. *LtoR:* Millard Lawrence, Carria Lawrence, Jessie Sorrells and Candler Sorrells
 124. Cleghorn and Mildred Jones
 125. Diane Brown Hickman
 126. Nathaniel Brown
 127. Mattie Wofford
 128. Lillie Wofford
 129. Sam Wofford and Louise Nance
 130. John Nance
 131. Rev. Edward W. and Carolyn Jackson
 132. Harry Hawkins
 133. *LtoR:* Louise Nance, Lillie Wofford, Carolyn Nance, Johnnie Jacobs and Arlena Smith
 134. *LtoR:* Odell, Barbara, Michael, Irish, Ricky, Walter and Verdale Sheppard
 135. *Seated LtoR:* Dixie and Raymond Ballou and Tiffany.
 136. *Seated:* Grady and Barbara Lipkins. *Standing:* Henry and Donna Lipkins
 137. William Mahone
 138. John and Beatrice Pasley
 139. Hattie Payne
 140. Donald Lee Pasley
 141. *Standing:* Lynn and Raymond Ballou, Jr.



141. Ethel Winston Rowe

142. *LtoR*: Hattie Gates, Armelia Williams and Amanda Starr

143. *LtoR*: Diane Brown Hickman, Mildred Lawrence Brown Jones and Paul Hickman

144. *Seated LtoR*: Milton Weaver, Jr., Janie Lee Weaver, Milton Weaver, Sr., David Weaver
Standing LtoR: Deborah Weaver North, Darnell Weaver King, Janie Mae Harden and Kathy Weaver

145. Grover Brown

146. Cautho and Joseph Rowe

147. Samuel Carson

148. *Bottom LtoR*: Emanuel Crumsey, Elliott Harris, and Jasmine Bush.

Middle LtoR: James Smith, Sr. and James Smith, Jr.

Top LtoR: Rev Richard Smith, Pearlene Smith, Teresa Smith and Janet Smith

149. Hymie Wright

150. Mary Wright and John W. Wright

151. John D. Wright

152. Mary Wright

153. *Seated LtoR*: Celeste & Yvonne Reeves.

Standing LtoR: Lebron, Marie, Annie L. Archie Reeves, Sr. and Archie Reeves, Jr.

154. Ruby and Joseph Batten

155. Ronnie Porter and Charleston Cooke

156. Gloria Jean Richardson Neal

157. Gertrude Drake

158. Sylvia Goolsby

159. Florence Goolsby Owens

160. Herschel Walker, Jr. (Shareef Al-Jiza)

161. *Seated*: Julia and Carl Selby

Standing: Mark Selby

162. Margaret Ann Pasley Deramus

163. Marvin Wright



164. *Top*: James Alex Tucker and Lonnie Mae Tucker. *Bottom Front LtoR*: DeVilla Tucker, Patricia pillows, Lonnie Mae Tucker, and Lonnie Jo Tucker. *Rear LtoR*: Mia Farrow Tucker, Larry Donnell Tucker, Delta Eugene Tucker and Darlene Franklin Davis

165. *Seated LtoR*: Brenda, Susie and Barbara Winston. *Standing LtoR*: Johnnie Mae Baker, Susan Winston, Wayne Winston, Juilette Winston and Connie Panahagahi.

166. Lilly Sewell

167. James Thomas "Son" Sewell, Sr.

168. James Thomas Gibson "Sonny" Sewell

169. *Seated*: Barbara Bynum.

Standing LtoR: Lynette Ross and Lori Ross

170. Clarence Ross, Jr.

171. Clarence and Lela Ross, Sr.

172. *Seated LtoR*: Delta Brodgen, Sr., Ruby and Robert Brodgen. *Standing LtoR*: Linda, Delta Jr., Ruby, Denise, Carolyn, Peggy and Frankie Brodgen.

173. *Seated LtoR*: Gertrude Carson Adams, Flora Carson Bryant, Lena Carson Barbara and Willie Mae Carson Durden. *Standing LtoR*: Hillman, Nancy and George Carson.

174. *Seated*: Darryl, Victoria and Mel. *Standing*: Flora Carson Bryant, Tammy Vanessa and Ivery Bryant, Jr.

175. Claude Roberts

176. *LtoR*: Edgar "Big Buddy", Edwin "Little Buddy" and Wiley Simmons Jr.

177. Georgia Mae King and Mae Lizzie Hughes

178. *LtoR*: Oscar Burnett, Donald Pasley and Wiley Pasley

179. Fred Ross, Sr.

180. Connie Ross Boykin Cannon

181. Ronnie Ross

182. Vernon Ross

183. Tony Ross

184. Larry Ross

185. Gloria and Bruce Holloway

186. *LtoR*: Armelia Gates Williams, Hattie Gates, Hurel Gates and Jean Gates Strickland. *Front*: Dixie Gates Ballou

187. *LtoR*: Danny Ray Roberts, Jeanette, Hampton Roberts, Sr., Matthew "Squirrel", Bernice, Maxwell "Dupie", Geneva, Wilma, and Alfreda Roberts.

188. Hampton Roberts, Jr.



189. Eula Mae Simmons Wilkes Dooley Gaines
 190. Frank Gaines
 191. Brenda Wilkes
 192. Linda Wilkes
 193. Willa Dean & son
 194. James Dooley & child
 195. Phillip Holloway Jr. & Sr.
 196. Elizabeth Dooley
 197. Willie Bailey
 198. Gwendolyn Bailey
 199. Vernell Bailey
 200. Gailton and Gregory Bailey
 201. Left to right: Nedra and Eilease Bailey
 202. Lolita Bailey
 203. Joe and Mildred Montgomery
 204. Nita Montgomery
 205. JoAnn Montgomery

206. Ronald "Cee" Cecil Montgomery
 207. Willie Renee and Jonathan Smith
 208. Jonathan Smith
 209. Leroy Smith
 210. Ruby L. Kilgore
 211. James Kilgore
 212. Nita Kilgore
 213. Benny Kilgore
 214. Sue Kilgore
 215. Marshall Kilgore
 216. LaTonya Kilgore



217. *Front LtoR*: Tandra, Lisa and Van. *Rear*: Nancy Wordlaw and Johnny Russell, Jr.
 218. *Front LtoR*: Arthaniel Johnson, Jr, Willie Mae Johnson Hughes and Dorothy.
Standing LtoR: Julia, Karline and Arvella
 219. Florence Howard
 220. Milton Cooper, Sr.
 221. Leona Cooper
 222. Milton Cooper, Jr.
 223. Lawrence Cooper & friend
 224. Vickie Cooper
 225. James and Margaret Cooper
 226. Carolyn Cooper & Christian Jackson
 227. Shelly Cooper Hardy, Jay Hardy and John Hardy
 228. Everett B. Cooke
 229. Mildred and Gregory Cooke
 230. Kenneth Cooke and Larry Cooke

231. Larry Cooke
 232. *LtoR*: Julia Tisdale, Mildred Cooke, Harold Tisdale and Gregory Cooke
 233. Henry "Peanut" Chestnut
 234. Myrtle Chestnut
 235. Paul Chestnut
 236. *LtoR*: Henry Chestnut, Jr., Eula, grandchild, Aaron Massengill, Willie, Callie, Garfield
 237. Bessie Hughes and Forrest Hughes
 238. John Nance and Louise Nance
 239. Billy E. Nance
 240. *LtoR*: Kondra Nance and Carolyn Nance
 241. Charles Pitts



242. Quinn Jackson and family

243. Donald and Rosie McCuthison

244. *Front LtoR:* Gerry L. McCuthison, Rosie McCuthison and Patricia McCuthison. *Rear LtoR:* Joshua Barber, Yvonne Barber Kinamore, Sylvia Barber and Cecil Barber

245. Mabel Neal and Willie Boyd

246. Chris Hammond

247. Lillian Hammond

248. *Front LtoR:* Gloria (child not known) Bessie Hammond. *Second Row LtoR:* Viola, Loretta and Christine. *Rear LtoR:* Curtis Hammond

249. Della C. Dennis

250. William S. Dennis

251. Lynndella V. Curtis

252. Margaret D. Curtis

253. Lewis Edward Hughes, Jr.

254. *LtoR:* Zephyr Williams, Troy Williams, Armelia Gates Williams. *Standing:* Ricky Pasley.

255. Betty Jackson

256. Michael Pasley

257. Shun Rogers

258. Daniel Deramus

259. Selacia Deramus Smith

260. Octavia Holloway

261. Jenni Howard

262. *LtoR:* William Howard, Barbara and Billy

263. *LtoR:* Ann Pasley Rogers, James Rogers and Lucy Pasley

264. Charles Melvin Cooper

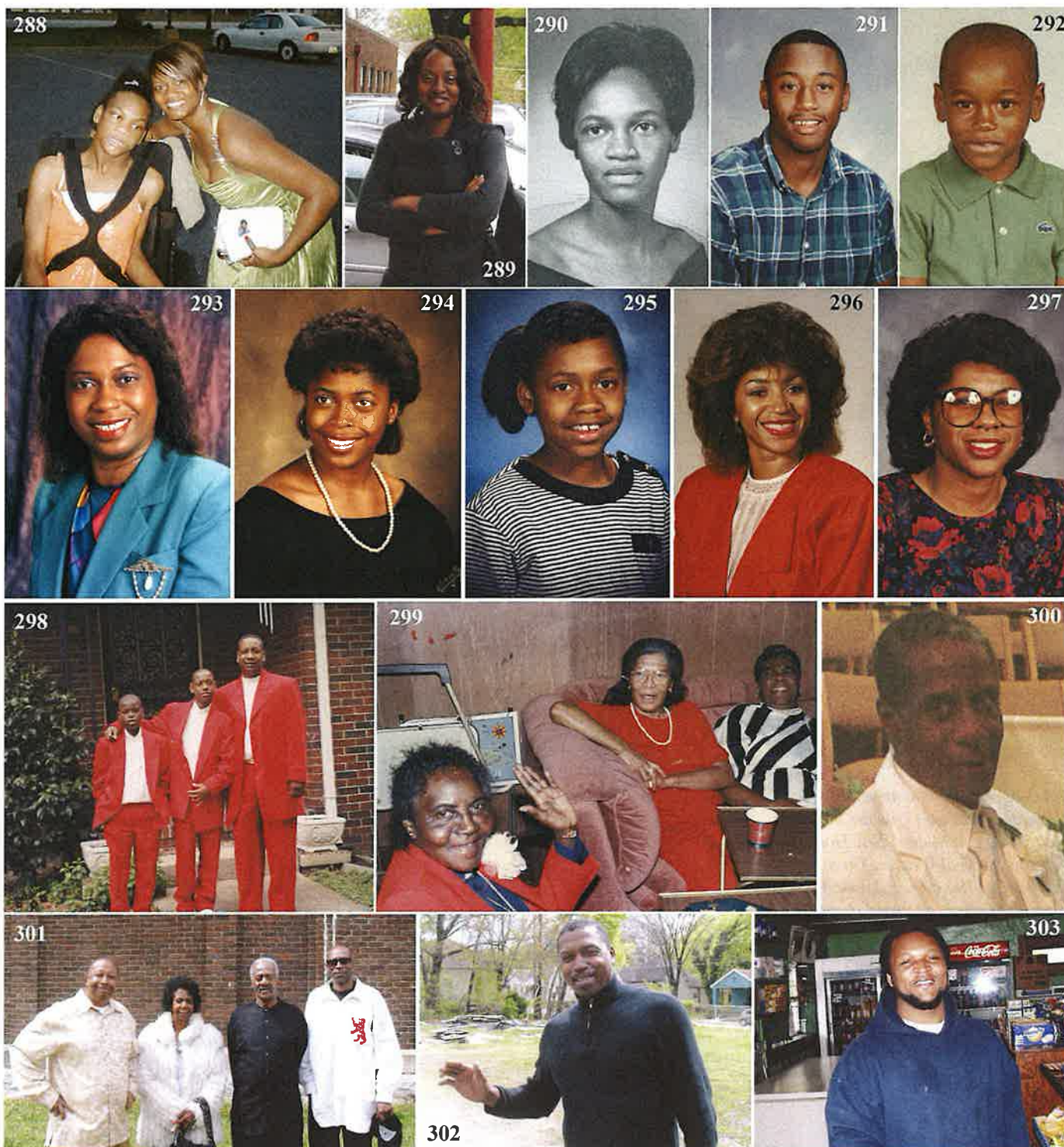
265. Barbara Howard, Alice Howard and JoAnn Howard

266. Area Howard Battles

267. William Howard, Jr.



268. Joe Gober
 269. Annie Doris Gober Tiller
 270. Annie Marie Tiller Stevens
 271. Michael Stevens
 272. Carl Petty
 273. Eleanora Whitener
 274. Jeffrey "Sye" Otis Peters
 275. *Front:* Luketa Rice
 Rear LtoR: Minnie Lemore Hughes Hewlett and
 Annie Lou Lemore Rice
 276. Mattie Lou McCorkle Humphrey
 and Billy McCorkle
 277. Jesse Humphrey
 278. Nellie Mae Walker McReynolds
 and Willie McReynolds
 279. Jacqueline Walker McDuffie
 280. Maria McDuffie Byers
 281. Trina McDuffie Powell
 282. Yolanda McDuffie
 283. Marshena McDuffie Sease
 284. Malcolm Walker
 285. Joseph Taylor and Diane Walker Taylor
 286. Ronald Walker, Patricia Moore Walker
 and Rona Walker
 287. Natasha Walker



288. *LtoR*: Marissa and Brooke Walker
 289. LaKisha Humphrey Johnson
 290. Bettie Walker Greatheart
 291. Shannon Walker
 292. Christopher Greatheart
 293. Nettie Walker Humphrey
 294. Lisa Humphrey Coyle
 295. Brandi Humphrey
 296. Ruth Walker Amaker
 297. Juanita Walker Hoskins
 298. *LtoR*: Herschel Walker II, Anthony Walker
 and Herschel Walker I
 299. *LtoR*: Mozell Robinson, Henretta Borders
 and Juanita Mathis
 300. Sherman Humphrey

301. *LtoR*: Clifford Humphrey, Janie V.
 Humphrey Smartt, Erskine Humphrey
 and Dale Humphrey
 302. Ricky Shepherd
 303. Larry Ransom



304. LtoR: Odessa Mitchell Greene and
Lena M. Davidson

305. Derek Hereford

306. Howard Martin and Margaret Galloway

307. Charles Moffett

308. Karen Newson

309. LtoR: Quinique Bonds, Sandra Tarpkin
and Antinique Bonds

310. Jeanice and Clifford Seab

311. Etta and Neal McAfee

312. Joseph and Phyllis Russell

313. Fred Walker

314. Henrietta Borders

315. Dewitt Borders

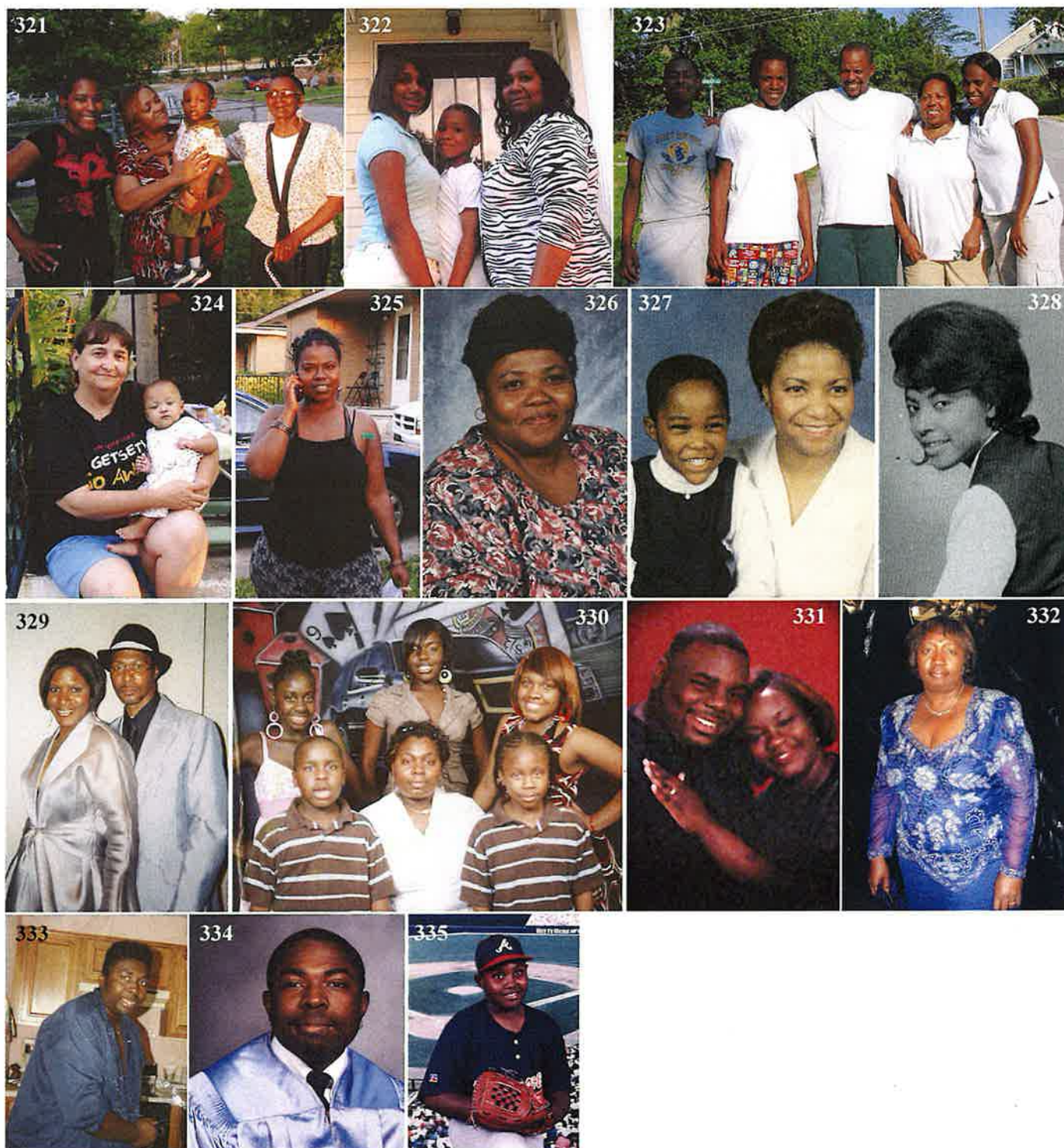
316. Judy Borders

317. Gregory Alexander & Percy Ray Borders

318. Tasha Borders

319. Denzel Ray Borders

320. Kristie Borders



321. *LtoR*: Shatara Y. Deramus, Hattie Joyce Toney, Zachariah I. Gardner and Erma J. Glasgow
322. *LtoR*: Brooke Mitchell, Brevin Sims and Shaundra Oneal
323. *LtoR*: Mohandez , Montez, Ghandi, Terri and Keosha Colvin
324. Judy Aslinger and granddaughter, Jani Richard
325. Sherrea Mason
326. Pauline Pickett
327. Ronald and Lucy Borders Nealy
328. Claudette Borders
329. Gerald and Phyllis Jones
330. *Front LtoR*: Chris Powell, Tonya Powell and Israel Walker.
RearLtoR: Janessa Powell, Kayla Powell and Valecia Powell.
331. Marcus and Sarah Ashford
332. Lucille Steele
333. Jesse Steele, Jr.
334. Leander Steele
335. George Wayne Deramus, Jr.



- 336. Paralee Holloway
- 337. Phillip Holloway, Sr.
- 338. Maxine and James McClendon
- 339. Estherine Holloway Davis
- 340. Dwight Holloway
- 341. Harold Holloway
- 342. Phillip Holloway, Jr.
- 343. William Ransom, Sr. and
Nannie Ransom
- 344. Front LtoR: Druehelen, Nannie, and
Patricia Ranson. In rear: Kathleen,
Sherman, William Ransom Jr., Sandra,
Larry and Carolyn Ransom.

The Shepherd Community Council has led major battles against commercial development that would have negatively impacted the well being of the community. The Council has also worked with the Planning Commission of Chattanooga and the Chattanooga City Council in adopting policy designed to protect the integrity of the residential areas.

The efforts have resulted in success to a large degree and the community not only survives but continues to grow and improve.

In 1999 George and Jennifer Maffett, Jr. demolished the building that was known throughout Chattanooga and beyond as "Behind the Moon." On that property, they built a quadruplex.



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Rebuilding a

Neighborhood

Builder Hunter Puts Shepherd On To-Do List

BY BEVERLY A. CARROLL

Staff Writer

Building a house is usually a straightforward project. But rebuilding a neighborhood requires more than bricks and mortar. Sometimes it requires a leap of faith — from the buyer as well as the builder. T.F. Hunter, Jr., a Chattanooga builder, is taking that leap because he believes investing in the Shepherd community will bring rewards beyond monetary. "I remember years ago I used to hear about Shepherd. It was a hip black community," Mr. Hunter said. "It's still a good, quiet community. They deserve some bring up."



The new homes in Shepherd range in price from \$80,000 to \$85,000.

Rev. W. C. Hunter purchased a tract of land in the heart of Shepherd that included Lawrence's Grocery and Brown's Restaurant. By the year 2000, he had built seven modern homes on that property



In 1999 Curtis Drake, Jr. and Malcolm Walker purchased deteriorated properties at the intersection of Shaw and Rankin Streets. Those properties were the center of drug activity. They renovated the buildings and returned the area to the peace and tranquility that is characteristic of most of Shepherd.

In 2005 Curtis Drake, Sr. built and sold four homes on Tuskegee Blvd.





Between 2002 and 2006, Habitat for Humanity constructed approximately \$3.25 million in housing development in Shepherd. Habitat workers built 51 homes on 10 acres of land. This was the largest undertaking by Habitat for Humanity in Chattanooga.

The family pictured to the right is new to the Shepherd Community. They are purchasing a Habitat home and have become very active in the Shepherd Community Council as well.



Front LtoR: Timothy Bowman, Jr., Malaysia Burgess and Jemicah Bowman
Rear: Timothy Bowman, Sr. and Yanetta Bowman



Between 2006 - 2008, Malcolm Walker, Paul Dedric Maffet, and Kyle Gilreath built and rented homes on Fisk Avenue east of Highway 153.

.....and The Community Grows On

CHAPTER II

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CHURCHES

Pilgrim Rock Baptist Church
Established 1885

Saint James African Methodist Episcopal Church
Established 1897 or 1898

Washington Park Missionary Baptist Church
Established 1941

Morning Star Baptist Church
Established 1950's

Shepherd Church of Christ
Established 1955

Metropolitan Tabernacle
Established 2002

The religious beliefs and practices that began during the era of slavery provided inspiration, motivation and determination for Blacks to keep going in spite of life's hardships. Those same religious practices continued after emancipation. Church became the major social event of the week and continued to be the place from which believers gathered the strength and will to face the adversities of life and to persevere from week to week.

HISTORY OF THE PILGRIM ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH

By 1885 there were a number of settlers in the Shepherd Community but there was not a church. The nearest Baptist Church was located approximately twelve miles away in a settlement called Turkey Foot (near what is now Highway 58). Settlers of Shepherd would meet on Sundays and walk to and from Turkey Foot to worship. Some of those who would make the journey on Sundays were Bill Henderson, Sue Craven, Jim Moore, Alice Glispy, Adline Holmes and Mary Moore.

After making the journey to worship for a period of time, the Shepherd group decided to organize their own church. The first meetings were held in a school house. Rev. Martin was the first pastor called. The church was first named Noah's Ark. After worshiping in the school building for some time, the group began to look for property on which to build a church. Property was selected and the cost for making the purchase was \$40.00. The first church building was erected a few yards north of the present building and the church was re-named Pilgrim Rock Baptist Church.

The second pastor was Rev. Bently. The third pastor was Rev. Young. The fourth was Rev. Foster, fifth Rev. Jackson, sixth Rev. Gurley, seventh Rev. Washington, eighth Rev. Igou, ninth Rev. Keith, tenth Rev. Radden, eleventh Rev. Adams and twelfth Rev. Kennedy. It was under the progressive leadership of Rev. Kennedy that the present building was erected. *The church congregation split during the building of the new church and Washington Park Missionary Baptist was organized by the group that left.*

The thirteenth pastor was Rev. Jones. While Rev. Jones was pastor, the church changed its policy of calling pastors. The policy had been to call the pastor for one year. This was changed to calling them indefinitely as long as things went well and they desired to stay. The fourteenth pastor was Rev. Florence. In the early 1940's, Rev. Justice S. Hamilton was called as the fifteenth pastor. Rev. B.S. Ransom was the sixteenth pastor. In 1950

Rev. Ernest E. Meadows was called as the seventeenth pastor. He served until 1979 which was the longest tenure of all previous pastors (29 years).

In 1979 Rev. William C. Freeman was called as the eighteenth pastor. He served five and a half years. Rev. John Parks became the nineteenth pastor. He served for three years. The twentieth pastor was Rev. J. A. McCullough. Rev. Steve Martin became the twenty-first pastor and at this printing Rev. Timmy L. Sykes serves as the twenty-second pastor.

Those who have served as Deacons are:

Clifford Craven

Lester Craven

Robert Craven

William Craven

Willie Davidson

George Deramus

George Dobbins

Doc Goree

Gus Goree

Calvin King

Robert Marsh

Hansom Smith

Jim Smith

George Waters

Oscar Waters

Verge Waters

Nelso Young



*Rev. Lorenzo R. Radden
10th Pastor*



*Rev. Justice Hamilton
15th Pastor*



*Rev. B.S. Ransom
16th Pastor*



*Rev. Ernest E. Meadows
17th Pastor*



*Rev. William C. Freeman
18th Pastor*



*Rev. John Parks
19th Pastor*



*Rev. J.A. McCullough
20th Pastor*



*Rev. Steve Martin
21st Pastor*



*Rev. Timmy L. Sykes
Present Pastor*



Pilgrim Rock Gospel Choir

Kneeling LtoR: Sherman Tisdale and George W. Maffet, Jr. - Standing LtoR: Edna Wofford, Margaret Hughes, Sandra Maffet Kirby, Arma Jean Broomfield, Betty Jackson, Brenda McReynolds, Arvella Tisdale and Barbara Lipkins



Church Congregation 1940's



Pilgrim Rock Church Today



Church Congregation 1980's

Front LtoR: Courtney Keith, Brian King, Rona Walker, Marcie McReynolds, Cassandra Strickland, Vanessa Freeman, Candace Jordan, Desha Davidson, Kerry Bailey, Deon Strickland, Kevin Bailey, Tyriquia Jordan, Lisa Jordan

Middle LtoR: Sarita Simmons, Geneva Hughes, Valerie Simmons, George Deramus, Ruby Simmons, Zora Keith, Chip Keith, David C. Keith, Stephen Keith (in arms of Zora), Angela Freeman, Mesha Strickland, Patricia Walker, Tommy Lee Shackford, Tiffany Simmons, Bryant King, Mary Smith, Paralee Holloway, Mattie Jones, Annie Bell Graves, Mattie Smith, Abby Smith, Martha Holloway, Edna Wofford, Sandra Freeman, Barbara Wofford, Malvonica King, Elenora Whitner, Georgia King, Mack King, Linda Smith, Jeffrey Peters, Josie King, Mildred Smith, Juan Montgomery, Linda Espy

Top LtoR: Ossie Benjamin, Gladys Cheely, Pearlene Smith, Sallie Moore, Brenda McReynolds, Arma Jean Broomfield, Marvin D. Espey, Herman Willis, Theresa Smith, Robert Craven, Nedra Bailey, Vickie Strickland, Rev. William Freeman, Sr., Lester Craven, Willie Davidson, James Smith, Sr. and Elise Jordan

HISTORY OF THE SAINT JAMES AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Saint James African Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1897 or 1898 by Rev. Hanson of the North Georgia Annual Conference of the A.M.E. Church. The land on which the church was built, approximately one acre, was given by Mr. & Mrs. W. B. Bedell. On May 20, 1901 the property was deeded to the Trustees of the Saint James A.M.E. Church. The Trustees were Mr. Robert Stone, Mr. Wiley Strickland and Mr. Cicero C. Henderson. Some of the charter members were Mr. & Mrs. Robert Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Stone, Mr. & Mrs. Wilkes, Mr. Anderson Westfield and Mrs. William Wofford.

The church worshiped at the old Chickamauga School until the church building was completed. The first nail was driven by Mr. Arthur Woods who was a member of the Fields Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church of Summit, Tennessee.

The church was remodeled under the leadership of Rev. Daniels in 1926. In 1969 the church began an extensive remodeling campaign by adding a choir room, choir loft, pastor's study and office with Rev. Archie Griffin as pastor. The Stewards and Trustees during that time were:

Stewards	Trustees
<i>Mr. William E. Henderson, Sr.</i>	<i>Ms. Marjorie Strickland</i>
<i>Mr. Freeman Oliver</i>	<i>Mr. Asa Van Frazier</i>
<i>Mr. Roy Richardson</i>	<i>Mr. Clyde Johnson</i>
<i>Mr. James Gilbert</i>	<i>Mr. Willie Neal</i>
<i>Mr. Zollie Gilbert</i>	<i>Mr. Eddie Yancey, Sr.</i>
<i>Mr. Edward Ross</i>	
<i>Mr. Joseph Batten</i>	
<i>Mr. Charleston Cook</i>	
<i>Mr. Paul Chestnut</i>	
<i>Mr. Emmitt Henderson</i>	
<i>Ms. Lillie Wofford</i>	

The following pastors have served at St James A.M.E. Church since its inception:

North Georgia Conference

<i>Rev. Hanson (Organizer)</i>	<i>Rev. McCall</i>	<i>Rev. J.P. Spivey</i>	<i>Rev. Temans</i>
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Tennessee and East Tennessee Conference

<i>Rev. Swain</i>	<i>Rev. Harrison Long</i>	<i>Rev. George Knight</i>
<i>Rev. J.H. Turner</i>	<i>Rev. Daniels</i>	<i>Rev. Archie Griffin, Sr. 1963-1974</i>
<i>Rev. Green</i>	<i>Rev. Rogers</i>	<i>Rev. Emmitt M. O'Neal 1974-1975</i>
<i>Rev. Beasley</i>	<i>Rev. Edward Miller</i>	<i>Rev. Frank A. White 1975-1977</i>
<i>Rev. W.T. Denny</i>	<i>Rev. Walker</i>	<i>Rev. Willie J. Moses 1977-1979</i>
<i>Rev. E.W. Williams</i>	<i>Rev. Sutton</i>	<i>Rev. Cora Stovall 1979-1983</i>
<i>Rev. I.T. Jefferson</i>	<i>Rev. Hadden</i>	<i>Rev. Peyton Sims 1983-1986</i>
<i>Rev. O.E. Blackburn</i>	<i>Rev. Frank A. White</i>	<i>Rev. Archie Griffin, Sr. 1986-1996</i>
<i>Rev. William G. Strickland</i>	<i>Rev. Reynolds</i>	<i>Rev. Ronald Glenn 1996-1997</i>
<i>Rev. S.W. Smith</i>	<i>Rev. W.J. Hancock</i>	<i>Rev. Johnny Watson, Jr. 1997-2001</i>
<i>Rev. I.S. Williams</i>	<i>Rev. W.S. Slate</i>	<i>Rev. Barbara Sanderfur 2001-2003</i>
<i>Rev. Ware</i>	<i>Rev. P.D. Kingin</i>	<i>Rev. Cora Stovall 2003-2004</i>
<i>Rev. Jones</i>	<i>Rev. O. Berkeen</i>	<i>Rev. Dr. Eva Settles 2004-present</i>
<i>Rev. Jones (no relation to the above)</i>	<i>Rev. Peyton M. Sims</i>	
<i>Rev. C.T. Talley</i>	<i>Rev. George L. Byrd</i>	

Rev. Dr. Eva Settles was appointed to serve as interim pastor of St. James in May of 2004 and was officially appointed as pastor by Bishop Fredrick Talbot on September 18, 2004.

In May of 2003, St. James was flooded again. The church located at 916 Airport Road was not repaired. The members worshiped with Bethel A.M.E. for a brief period. After worshiping with Bethel for a time, the members made the Shepherd Center their place of worship. On June 13, 2005, St. James purchased 5.9 acres at 7526 Standifer Gap Road. A house that was on this property has been renovated for using as their House of Worship.

Deceased Members of St. James A.M.E. Church

Ruth W. Amaker 1955 – 1993 (Choir, Y.P.D.
Director, Chairperson Board of Christian
Education)

Annie Byrd

Marilyn Joyce Clemons 1936 – 1986

Anna Coots

William Cliff 1888-1965

Myrtle Chestnut 1912 -1979 (choir)

Bessie I. Evans 1889 -1971 (Exhorter)

Asa Van Frazier 1910 -1991

(Vice-Chairman, Steward Board,
Vice-Chairman Trustee Board,
Chairman of Board of Christian
Education, Sunday school Teacher)

Henry J. Chestnut 1908 – 1991

James Gilbert 1893 – 1970 (Pastor's
Steward, Supt. Of Sunday School)

Robert Gilbert

Effie Gilbert 1907 – 1988

Viola Gilbert (Stewardess)

Robert Gilbert Jr.

Hallay Gilbert

Bert Gilbert

Oscar Gilbert

Jessie Gilbert

Robert B. Gilbert

Zollie Gilbert (1902 – 1983 (Steward)

Emma Gilbert (Stewardess)

Claude Gilbert

James B. Gilbert

Mollie Gilbert (Trustee)

Louella Gilbert 1902 – 1983 (Exhorter,
Stewardess, Sunday School Teacher)

Ramon V. Harden 1965 – 1990

Emmett Henderson (Sunday School Supt.,
Church Treasurer, Choir Steward)

Alberta Henderson

Roekie Henderson

William E. Henderson, Sr. 1890 – 1967
(Pastor's Steward)

William E. Henderson, Jr.

Raymond Henderson, Sr.

Lillie Henderson (Stewardess, Benevolent
Treasurer)

Cicero Henderson, Sr.

Cora Hawkins

Harry Hawkins, Sr. 1904 – 1979 (Choir)

Solomon Higgenbotham 1873 – 1964

Onie Higgenbotham 1879 – 1983

Lawrence Higgenbotham 1905 – 1963

Leroy Higgenbotham 1897 – 1982

Carrie Johnson 1891 - 1974 (Class Leader,
Choir, Stewardess)

Clyde Johnson 1901 - 1976 (Class Leader,
Trustee, Church Treasurer)

Amy Johnson 1886 - 1942 (Clyde's mother)

Emma Moore

Bird Moore

Mary Frances Moon

James McCallum

Willie McReynolds 1907 – 1993

Nellie Walker McReynolds 1917 – 1994

Louise Wofford Nance 1903 – 1989

Billy Nance 1932 – 1971

John F. Nance 1877 - 1954

Freeman Oliver 1907 – 1965 (Steward)

Carrie Lee O'Neal

Lucy Pryor (Choir)

Andrew Pryor

Ellen Rankin 1860 - 1931

Thaddeus Rankin 1849 – 1951

Ella Lou Richardson 1905 – 1965

Roy Richardson Sr. 1898 – 1970 (Trustee,
Steward)

Roy Richardson, Jr.

Ella Mae Ross 1907 – 1988

Edward Ross 1900 – 1991 (Choir, Steward,
Sunday School Board)

Rev. Wiley G. Strickland (Member, Pastor)

Mary McCollum Strickland 1877 - 1963

Addie Strickland 1901 - 1995

Horace Strickland, Sr. 1899 – 1966 (Trustee,
Treasurer of Building Fund)

Majorie Strickland 1900 – 1990 (Steward,
Trustee, Choir, Missionary Society
Treasurer of Sunday School)

Herman (Buddy) Strickland

Emma Scott

Joe Wesley Scott
 Arlena Smith 1900 – 1991 (President Usher
 Board, Missionary Society)
 Bessie Wilkes (Stewardess)
 Clara Johnson Wilkes 1900 -1972
 Justice B. Wilkes 1900 – 1982
 Justice C. Wilkes 1927 – 1923
 Forrest Willis 1892 – 1960
 Joe Willis

Lizzie C. Willis 1871 – 1963
 Mae Willis 1900 – 1994 (Stewardess)
 Pauline Giles Willis 1910 – 1964
 Hendri Kate White 1895 – 1974 (Evangelist)
 Lillie Wofford 1908 – 1999
 Mattie Wofford 1868 – 1954
 Sam Wofford died 1977
 Will Wofford 1857 - 1927



Stewardess and Missionary Society 1998
*Angela Watson, Karen McKinney, Ruby Batten, Melinda
 Blakeley, Marie Cook, Amy Johnson*



Stewardess and Missionary Society 1998
*Melinda Blakely, Ruth Yancey, Cora Gilbert, Annie Reeves,
 Eula Massengil. (not shown) Marie Henderson, Juanita Mathis,
 Mamine Whitehead and Lilly Wofford*



Pastor's Steward 1998
Bro. Charlston Cook



Y.P.D. Directors 1998
*Mordecia Anglin, Karen McKinney, Ramona Harden,
 Angela Watson*



Y.P.D. and Directors 1998
*Front Row: Justin Amaker, Jasmine Harden, Sheldon Amaker
 Back Row: Angela Watson, Stephanie Watson, Ramona Harden,
 Eddie Yancey III, Johnny Watson Jr., Jeremy Harden, Renita
 Dow, Karen McKinney*



Choir 1998
*Front Row: Angela Watson, Norma Cann, Stephanie
 Watson, Ramona Harden Back Row: Kenneth Cann, Joe
 Batten, Mordecia Anglin, Eddie Yancey Sr.*



Ushers (Senior and Junior) 1998
*Justin Amaker, Sheldon Amaker, Jasmine Harden,
 Jeremy Harden Eddie Yancey Jr., Eddie Yancey III,
 Johnny Watson Jr., Argie Kirk*



Steward and Trustee 1998
*Front Row: Eddie Yancey Jr., Marie Cook, Reba
 Harden, Amy Johnson, Eddie Yancey Sr.
 Back Row: Joseph Batten, Mordecia Anglin, Wm
 Howard Strickland, St. Clair Amaker*

St. James A.M.E. Church Pastors



Rev. Wiley G. Strickland



Rev. George Byrd



Rev. Frank White



Rev. Payton Sims



Rev. Archie Griffin, Sr.



Rev. Johnny Watson



Rev. Barbara Sanderfur



Rev. Cora Stovall



Rev. Dr. Eva Settles

For many years, Pilgrim Rock Baptist Church and St. James A.M.E. Church alternated having church services. This meant that on one Sunday, the members of Pilgrim Rock would all attend St. James and the next Sunday, the members of St. James would all attend Pilgrim Rock. Berthene Frazier-Dunnigan remembers when this was the procedure. She jokingly said that she was a "Baptist-Methodist."

HISTORY OF THE WASHINGTON PARK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Washington Park Missionary Baptist Church was organized on December 7, 1941. The group of seven (7) met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Swaing.

In 1942, Rev. Arthur Williams was called as pastor and the first church was built. Other pastors to serve have been Rev. Henry Laddie,

Rev. D. Thomas and Rev. Willie C. Williams. Rev. Willie C. Williams was called in August of 1950. He served for 42 years. His tenure ended in 1992. In July of 1992, Rev. Robert Williams, the son of Rev. W.C. Williams was called as pastor of the church and he was installed in September of 1992.

Washington Park Missionary Baptist Church Memorial List

Mason L. Adams, Sr.	<i>Deacon R. Finley</i>	Rochelle Simmons
Mattie Adams	Ola Finley	Dock Starling
<i>Mother Anderson,</i>	Connie Gaskins	William Whitener
Annie Anderson (Or Anniston)	<i>Mother Piddie Ham</i>	Eugene Whitener
<i>Deacon Matthew Albert</i>	Cora Hardin	Buelah Williams
Rev. Arthur Williams	Mattie Lou Humphrey	<i>Mother Carrie Williams</i>
Willie Borders	Mirine Ingram	<i>Mother Bessie Williams</i>
Rev. Henry Laddie	A. Jean Jackson	<i>Deacon James Williams</i>
<i>Deacon Delta Brodgen, Sr.</i>	<i>Mother Lucinda Jones</i>	<i>Deacon Rueben Williams</i>
Rev. B. Thomas	<i>Mother Frances Kelly</i>	<i>Mother Susie M. Witt</i>
<i>Mother Ruby Brodgen</i>	<i>Deacon Mitchell Love</i>	Dorothy Worthy Woods
Rev. Willie C. Williams	Jeannie Martin	Polly Worthy
Sam Buchanan	<i>Mother Geneva Neal</i>	Temple Worthy
<i>Deacon Oscar Burnette, Sr.</i>	<i>Deacon Cabe Petty</i>	Emma Wright
Zeb Burton	Frankie Petty	Marvin Wright
Amy Burton	Exie Powell	<i>Mother Rachel Wright</i>
Mildred Broadnax	<i>Ida Powell</i>	Lennie Woods
Jarvis L. Carson	<i>Deacon William Powell</i>	Sam Yarbrough
Argie Cothran	Dallas Ramsey	Senie Yarbrough
<i>Deacon James Drake</i>	<i>Deacon Charlie Ross</i>	
Jimmie Lee Drake	<i>Mother Mary Ross</i>	
Lula Drake	Larry Ross	
Leonard Dooley	Leeverge Ross	
Edward Edwards	Jessie Sheats	
<i>Mother Jimmie Edwards</i>	Raymond Sheats	



Members Inside Church
 Front Row: Sharon Hammonds, Sherry Johnson, Erica King, Lynn Walker, Mrs. Lucy "Little" Drake, Denise King, Cora Harden,
 Herschel Walker III, Betty Martin and Rev. W.C. Williams
 Back Row: Kenneth Roberts, Dana Weaver, Donald Clark, Darlene Weaver, Della Brodgen, Ruby Brodgen, Jessie Sheals, Gertrude Adams,
 Patricia Adams, Mary Ross, Geneva Neal, Carrie Williams, Denise Brodgen, Janie Lee Weaver, Anthony Neal, Constance Ross and Albert Goodloe



Various Church Representatives
 Seated Row: Nellie Smith, Bessie Williams, unknown, Mary Ross, Lee Ollie Hughes
 Standing Row: D.C. Smith, William Early Henderson, Rev. H.D. Grimmel, Reuben Williams and Charlie Ross

STILL TEACHING: Eighty-seven-year-old Rachel Wright, seated, was recently honored for teaching Sunday school at Washington Park Baptist Church since 1949. Standing beside Mrs. Wright, who is still teaching, is one of her students, Travis Jackson. In back are, from left, Mary Williams, Denise Nelson, and Robert Williams, pastor.

Free Press photo by MICHAEL LOCKE



Saturday, July 5, 1997

NEWS



*Rev. Willie C. Williams
1950-1992*



*Rev. Robert Williams
1992-Present*



*Rev. Arthur Williams
1st Pastor*



*Leading Ladies of the Church:
Susie Witl, Mary Ross, Rachel Wright
and Bessie Williams*

HISTORY OF THE MORNING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH

In the early fifties a man named Rev. H. D. Grimmett and his wife, Evie Grimmett decided to establish a church. They found an empty one room structure that was owned by Leroy Jefferson located on west Shepherd Road. They started the church and he became the minister and the church was named Morning Star Baptist Church.

They had no members, so Mrs. Grimmett who was a very kind and friendly woman went to the homes on Shepherd Road and asked the adults to come and if they would not, she would ask if they would allow their children to attend. As a result, on opening day there were a few adults and several children in attendance.

Mrs. Lucy Drake and several children were baptized in the Fryers Branch creek off Shallowford Road and they became faithful members. The church was not in existence for long due to lack of adult members to support the work.

The Grimmett home on Shepherd Road was located in a low area. Every time there were heavy rains, their home would flood. They became discouraged and moved from the Shepherd Community.



Rev. H.D. Grimmett

HISTORY OF THE SHEPHERD CHURCH OF CHRIST

and vibrant colors. It also brought together a people dedicated to the Lord's work and an edifice ready for occupancy. What was once a dream was now reality.

Bro. Robert McMahan, a young newly trained minister was called to do the work. Bro. McMahan (Brother Mack as he was affectionately called) labored as minister of the Shepherd Church of Christ for the next 11 years with growth. Bro. George McGee was the minister for a very short while until Bro. Rufus A. Williams, Sr. became the minister in 1966. Bro. Williams labored in the vineyard for 34 years during which time the church grew significantly. After encountering a series of health issues, Bro. Williams surrendered the pulpit.

The church was once again without a regular minister. Finally, in 2000, Bro. Michael Ludy, of Highway 27 Church of Christ in Summerville, GA accepted the work on a temporary basis while the brethren continued their search for a permanent replacement. Nine years and four children later, Bro. Ludy continues to preach riveting, soul stirring sermons Sunday after Sunday. One could say that while the brethren worked, God has worked it out. The membership continues to grow.

Bro. Ludy and his family, wife Kellye and children: Adam, Kolbe, Kyle, Kloe, Karson and Kennedy have been a blessing to us and we have been a blessing to them.

Back in the early fifties, on old Shepherd Road, across from Mr. Emory Henderson's home, there was a big field. Almost every summer there was a man who would come and pitch his tent. From this tent, the Shepherd community could hear him preach the gospel from the speakers that were placed on each corner of the tent.

The man was a stranger to most people in the community, and the gospel he preached was also strange. However, the words he spoke stirred the minds of many. Some disliked his teachings, even when he backed his words up with the Bible. This man was William Miles McCleskey, Sr.

At that time, Brother McCleskey was the minister of the Southeast Second Street Church of Christ in Cleveland, TN. The results of the tent meetings brought forth fruit, some obeyed the gospel and they too became members of the Southeast Second Street congregation. Those saints from the Shepherd community would travel to Cleveland each Sunday for worship. This travel continued for many months.

During the preparatory time for the building of the church, Bro. McCleskey was training men to preach and prepare for the work.

In early 1955, the building of the church was in full swing. Bro. Wiley Pasley and his brother, Roy Pasley did the footing and plumbing work. Bro. McCleskey and his young sons did the block work. Combined efforts were used in building the roof. Other notable brethren that aided in the construction were Bro. Will Carter of Chattanooga and Bro. George Carson, a new convert from the Shepherd community. Bro. Carter previously worshiped at the 19th & Williams Streets Church of Christ but once the building in Shepherd was open, he began to worship in Shepherd.

The fall brought more to the Shepherd community than just the close of summer

GREETINGS FROM SHEPHERD CHURCH OF CHRIST

I bring you greetings from the Shepherd Church of Christ. It has been my pleasure to serve as the minister of this congregation for the last eleven years, following some great pioneer preachers. During this period of growth, we have made it through many milestones. We pray that we will be able to reach many more as God allows us to continue to labor together. We are laboring as part of God's family that's on its way Home. We dedicate this directory to a continuation of our family in exhortation and encouragement of one another in love. A special honor to those that have gone on leaving behind a good example.

We pray you will use the opportunity you are blessed with to join in any of our services throughout the week. We welcome the privilege to serve and save the lost and restore those that have gone astray.

To Him be Glory, Power and Majesty forever and ever. Amen.

Brother Michael Ludy, Minister



*Michael Ludy
Minister
2000 - Present*



*Brother Rufus Williams Sr.
1966-2000
Died March 20, 2009*



*Brother Robert McMahon
1955-1966*



*Brother William Miles
McClesky, Sr.
Established the Shepherd Church
of Christ in 1955; served as an
elder during the later years of
life. Died February 10, 2008.*

Congregation of Shepherd Church of Christ

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HISTORY OF THE METROPOLITAN TABERNACLE CHURCH

Christine Passons who has built over a dozen hospitals in Africa. We also partner with Vicki Yohe on a monthly basis to provide life needs for Ugandan orphans.

Metro Tab is a diverse family with over 30 nationalities represented. Together, we are making a difference and our destiny is unfolding...



Pastors Steve and Reita Ball

Metropolitan Tabernacle was birthed in the heart of Pastors Steve and Reita Ball and became a reality on October 4, 2002 at the Chattanooga Trade and Convention Center. Over 400 people attended this opening service. From the first service, Metro Tab became a place where miracles occur, lives are changed and destiny is released! Pastors Steve and Reita never looked back as increase came to the Metro Tab family. Services were held in a rented bridal center for nine weeks, and then the congregation moved to a rented church facility for nine more weeks. On the eighteenth week, Metro Tab stepped into a new dimension when God opened the door to take possession of a dream building. On February 18, 2003, Metropolitan Tabernacle moved into our miracle building. The former Jumbo Sports building sat empty for over five years until Pastors Steve and Reita Ball took possession of the 42,000 square foot facility to house the ministries of Metro Tab.

God placed this ministry in the population center of Hamilton County at Airport Road exit. The 1,200 seat sanctuary is now complete, but further expansion is underway. Since its inception, Metro Tab has seen thousands saved, and this is just the beginning. In addition to the many ongoing ministries, we host three annual outreach events for the community: Easter Eggstravaganza, Fall Bash and Operation Christmas Child. Metro Tab is actively reaching out to our community to make a difference in our world!

Metro Tab also reaches out on an international level. In 2010, we facilitated the delivery of 110,000 pairs of shoes. The shoes were shipped to several countries including the East African community, as well as releasing 20,000 pair to Haiti after the devastating earthquake. This was possible because of a network relationship with Manny Ohomme, Founder of Samaritans Feet. This gift allowed us to provide shoes for thousands of people in need. We also donated over \$1,000,000 of surgical and medical equipment to the City of Hope Hospital founded by Dr. John Chacha in Tanzania. This donation was possible because of a network relationship with Dr.

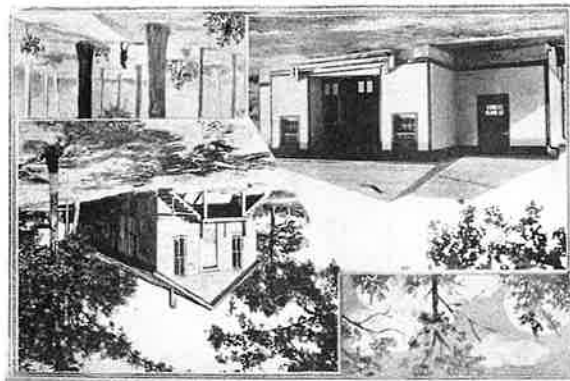
CHAPTER III

EDUCATION

CHICKAMAUGA SCHOOL

Chickamauga School was established in 1871 during the Reconstruction period. The Reconstruction period covers the first 12 years immediately following the end of the Civil War and the abolition of slavery (1865-1877). The written history of Pilgrim Rock Baptist Church which was established in 1885, mentions that church services were held at the school until a church could be built. This confirms that a school building existed and that teaching and learning were happening prior to 1885.

The first Chickamauga School building would have been a crude, unpainted structure with a wood/coal burning heater or fireplace for use during the winter months. The toilet facilities were outside.

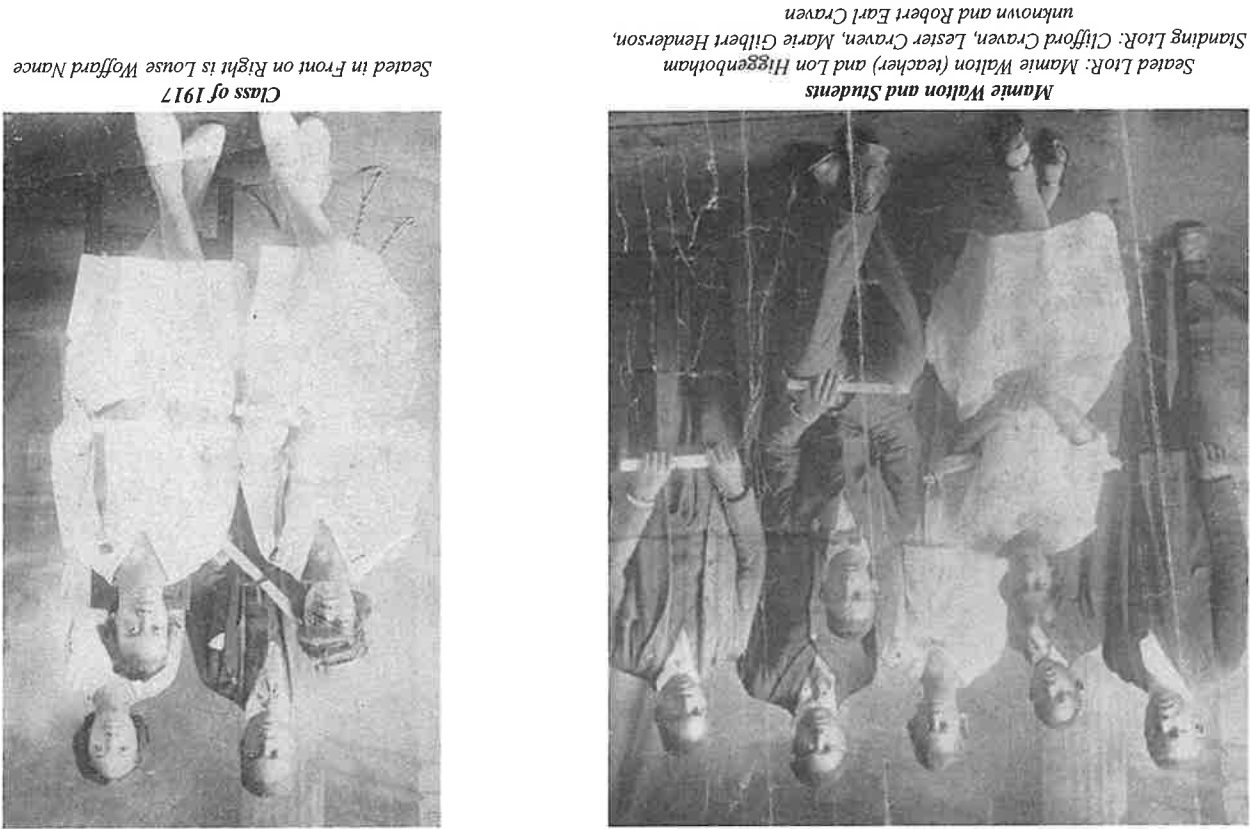


Old And New Eastdale (Colored)

The first Chickamauga School building probably looked very similar to the first Eastdale School for colored pictured at top right of the above photo. The Eastdale School building at lower left was constructed in 1912.

Originally there was one teacher who would have been a White carpetbagger (a person from the north who came south to help Blacks prepare for life as free citizens.) The first teachers of Blacks in the south were White because there were no Blacks who were prepared to teach when slavery ended. This was the case because during the slave era, it was illegal to teach a slave to read and write. As Blacks became literate, they assumed the teaching jobs in Black schools. For many years, teachers were not required to have college degrees. The only requirement was to pass a written examination. Miss Maryorie Strickland did not have a degree when she started teaching. Each summer she would enroll in classes at Tennessee A & I State University until she completed the requirements for a degree. She actually continued her education and eventually earned a Masters degree. Miss Strickland wrote in 1976 that when she started teaching, the salary range was from \$20.00 to \$40.00 per month for a few months. Mrs. Evelyn Harden mentioned that she did have a degree from Tennessee A & I State University when she first started teaching. She is 14 years younger than Miss Strickland and was very excited when she received her first check in the amount of \$95.00 for a month's work.

There was a janitor who would clean the building and make fires before the teachers and students would arrive each day. The last janitor at the second site was Mrs. Nina Frazier. Teachers and older boys in the class would keep the fire going during the day.



Class of 1917
Seated L to R: Mamie Walton (teacher) and Lon Higgenbotham
Standing L to R: Clifford Craven, Lester Craven, Marie Gilbert Henderson,
unknown and Robert Earl Craven



The Rosenwald school story begins with Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, now Tuskegee University. In the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, Washington preached a gospel of self-help for Black southerners that emphasized economic advancement through vocational education without challenging racial segregation and the disenfranchisement of Black voters. Critics such as W.E.B. DuBois and organizations like the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People called for a direct challenge to segregation. But Washington attracted support from some Black and many White Americans who agreed that economic and education needs should be addressed first in a long-term drive for equality, and feared that a more confrontational approach would only unleash a White backlash.

The Rosenwald rural school building program was a major effort to improve the quality of public education for African-Americans in the early twentieth-century South. In 1912, Julius Rosenwald gave Booker T. Washington permission to use some of the money he had donated to Tuskegee Institute for the construction of six small schools in rural Alabama which were constructed in 1913 and 1914. Pleased with the results, Rosenwald then agreed to fund a larger program for schoolhouse construction based at Tuskegee. In 1917, he set up the Julius Rosenwald Fund, a Chicago-based philanthropic foundation, and in 1920, the Rosenwald Fund established an independent office for the school building program in Nashville, Tennessee.

Booker T. Washington

Julius Rosenwald

(Julius Rosenwald bought the shares of Roebuck of the Sears and Roebuck Company and became extremely rich.) **THE ROSENWALD RURAL SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM**

Now the goal was to construct model rural schools. The fund required that schools it aided meet specific minimum standards for the site, size and length of school term. Each classroom must have new blackboards and desks as well as two sanitary privies (outdoor toilets). School grants were based on the number of teachers employed, ranging from \$500 for a one-teacher building to a maximum of \$2,100 for a school of 10 or more teachers.

African-Americans had to contribute cash and in-kind donations of materials and labor to match the Rosenwald grant. Although the Rosenwald Fund emphasized that its schools received additional contributions from "White friends," overall the personal contributions by White southerners constituted the smallest category of support for Rosenwald schools. By far the largest source of funding was tax funds. The county school board had to provide public support, take ownership of the new school property, and commit to maintaining it as part of the public school system. In the prime years of the school building program from 1920 to 1928, between four and five hundred schools were built annually with the fund's aid totaling from \$356,000 to \$414,000 each year.

Although construction grants remained the heart of the Rosenwald school program, the Rosenwald Fund added other school-related grant opportunities that would improve instruction as well. For example, the Fund's insistence on a minimum school term as a requirement for construction grants led it to provide matching grants for term extension to county boards of education so that more Black students would enjoy a full scholastic year and Black teachers could earn a decent annual salary.

Recognizing that county boards of education did not pay for adequate classroom materials, the Rosenwald Fund also subsidized low-cost school libraries, offering sets of carefully chosen works that included positive accounts of African-American history and culture. First offered to selected Rosenwald schools in 1927, Rosenwald libraries were later made available to any African-American school and rural White schools as well. Rosenwald radios, made available at special rates beginning in 1929, brought the news and culture of the nation into rural Black schools and provided a source of information and entertainment that could be shared with community members. Starting in 1929 the Rosenwald Fund offered to pay for buses to transport students to consolidated schools as an incentive for school boards to extend this service permanently.

By 1928, one in every five rural schools for Black students in the South was a Rosenwald school, and these schools housed one third of the region's Black schoolchildren and teachers. At the program's conclusion in 1932 when Julius Rosenwald died, it had produced 4,977 new schools, 217 teacher's homes, and 163 shop buildings. These had been constructed at a total cost of \$28,408,520 to serve 663,615 students in 883 counties of 15 states.

There were eight Rosenwald schools in Hamilton County. CHICKAMAUGA SCHOOL AND BOOKER T. WASHINGTON were Rosenwald schools!

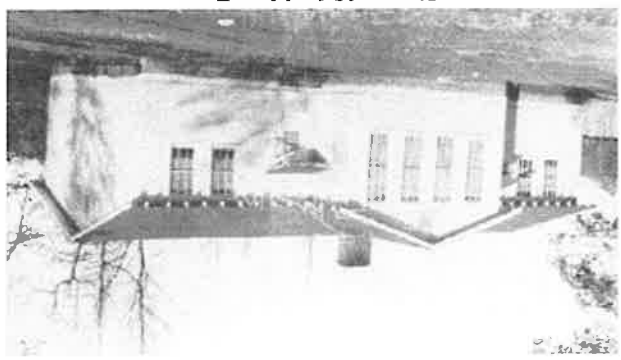
Chickamauga School became a Rosenwald school with the construction of a new building 1926 - 1927.

Historic Name.....Chickamauga School
Building Plan.....Two-teacher type
Building Type.....School
Budget Year.....1926-27
Land (Acreage).....2.25
County.....Hamilton
State.....Tennessee
Application #.....20-F
Total Cost.....\$5,894.00
Notes.....Ins. \$4,500

Following are facts involving the construction of Chickamauga School:

Funding Sources

Negroes.....	\$250.00
Public.....	\$4,944.00
Rosenwald.....	\$700.00



Picture of School from Front



Picture of School from Rear

The school building pictured above is the one that those of us who are 65 years of age or older remember. The new facility was also heated by a coal stove and the toilets were located behind the school house. There were two "out houses;" one was for boys and the other for girls. Students and teachers had to bring their lunches because there was no cafeteria in those days.

In 1935, the new Booker T. Washington School opened. The school was to include grades 1 through 12. At that time, Chickamauga School was re-organized to accommodate grades 1 through 6. The two teachers at Chickamauga then taught three grades instead of four. In later years a third teacher was added to the staff because of increased enrollment.

When the Airport Road facility closed at the end of the 1952 -1953 school term, the three teachers were: Miss Marjorie Strickland who had taught grades one and two, Mrs. Evelyn Harden who taught grades three and four and Mrs. Rosetta Kirby who taught grades five and six, and also served as principal of the school.

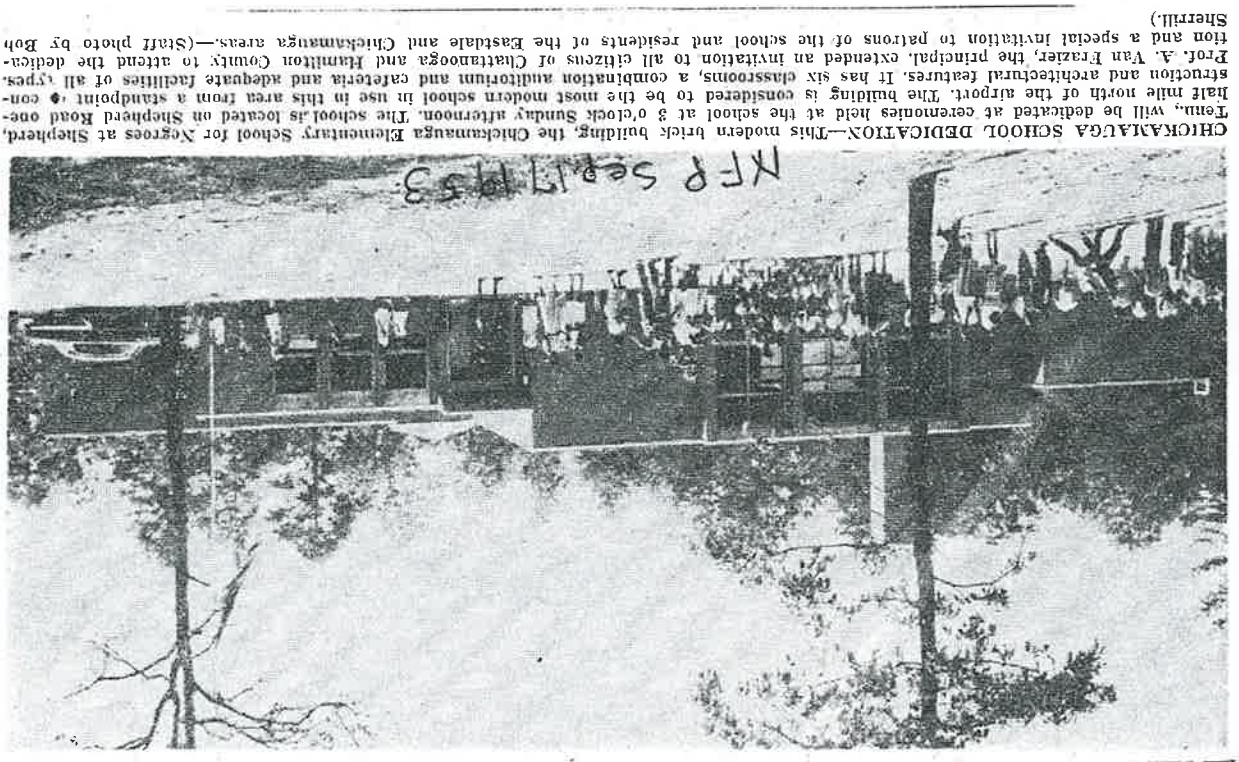


Students in 1952-1953 School Year

Mrs. Mamie Walton*Mr. Clarence B. Robinson**Mrs. Marjorie Strickland**Mrs. Evelyn Harden**Mrs. Rosetta Kirby*

At the beginning of the 1953 - 1954 school term a new modern Chickamauga Elementary School opened. The location changed from Airport Road to 2124 Shepherd Road. Eastdale Elementary School (Col.) was closed and the students from that school were bused to Shepherd. In combining the two schools there were enough students for each teacher to teach only one grade. Miss Marjorie Strickland was assigned to teach the first grade. Mrs. Alice Zachery Jones who had been at Eastdale was assigned to the second grade. (After a short tenure, Mrs. Zachery-Jones was replaced by Mrs. Izetta

Taylor Thurman). Mrs. Evelyn Harden taught third grade and Miss Agnes Locke who had not been at either school was assigned to the fourth grade. Mrs. Rosetta Kirby taught fifth grade and a recent college graduate, Miss Marian Bradford, was assigned to the sixth grade. The enrollment of the school met the requirement for a full-time principal. Mr. Asa Van Frazier who lived in Shepherd was assigned as principal.



CHICKAMAUGA SCHOOL DEDICATION—This modern brick building, the Chickamauga Elementary School for Negroes at Shepherd, Tenn., will be dedicated at ceremonies held at the school at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The school is located on Shepherd Road one-half mile north of the airport. The building is considered to be the most modern school in use in this area from a standpoint of construction and architectural features. It has six classrooms, a combination auditorium and cafeteria and adequate facilities of all types. Prof. A. Van Frazier, the principal, extended an invitation to all citizens of Chatanooga and Hamilton County to attend the dedication and a special invitation to patrons of the school and residents of the Eastdale and Chickamauga areas.—(Staff photo by Bob Sherrill.)

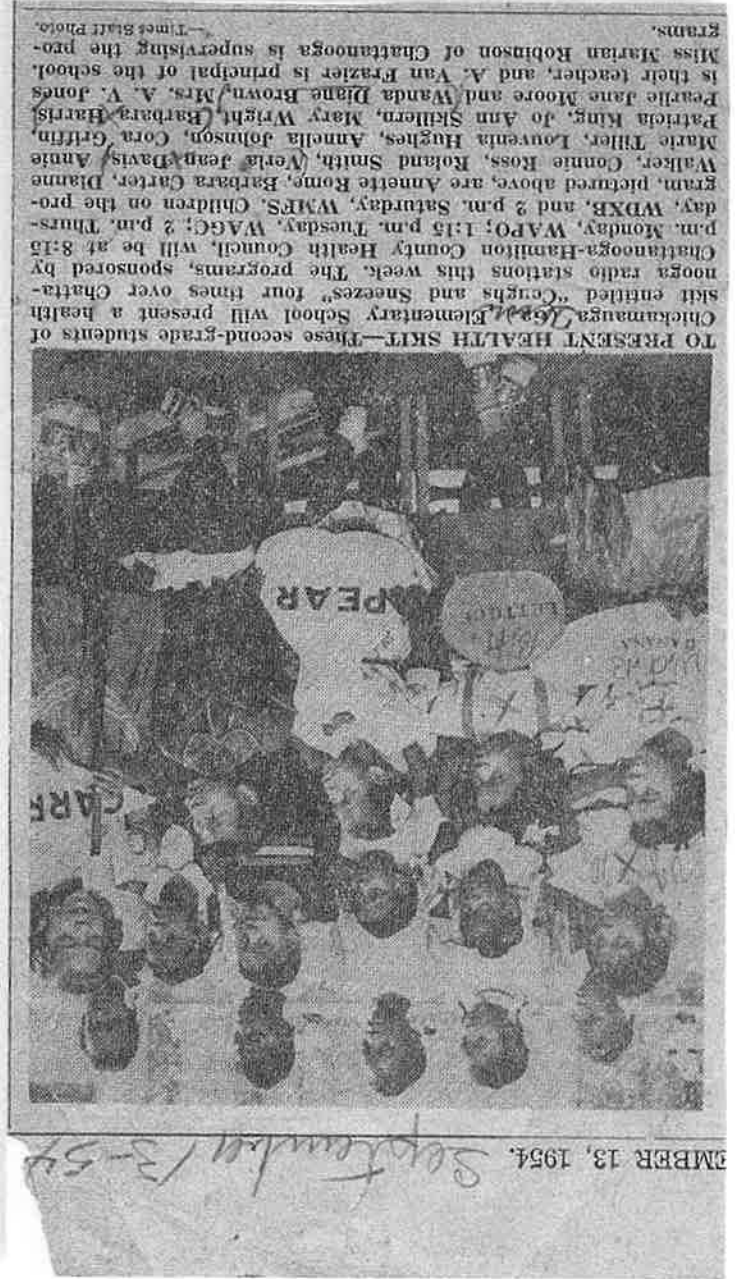
The new school had a cafeteria and one of the best cooks in North America! Two memorable menu items are corn bread and peanut butter cookies. Mrs. Effie Akins Gilbert, the cafeteria manager was known and loved by all of the students.



Mrs. Gilbert

The school also qualified for a full-time janitor. Rev. H. D. Grimm was the first assigned to this post. Mr. William Early Henderson, Sr. replaced Rev. Grimm after a few years.

Chickamauga was an excellent school! The teachers were talented, energetic and dedicated. During the summer, Mrs. Kirby would visit the home of every child that was to be in her classroom in the fall. Parents



TO PRESENT HEALTH SKIT—These second-grade students of Chickamauga Elementary School will present a health skit entitled "Coughs and Sneezes" four times over Chattanooga Health Council, will be at 8:15 p.m. Monday, WAPQ; 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, WAGC; 2 p.m. Thursday, WDBX, and 2 p.m. Saturday, WAFS. Children on the program, pictured above, are Annette Rome, Barbara Carter, Dianne Walker, Connie Ross, Roland Smith, Vera Jean Davis, Annie Marie Tiller, Louvenia Hughes, Annetta Johnson, Cora Griffin, Patricia King, Jo Ann Stillern, Mary Wright, Barbara Harris, Pearl Lane Moore and Wanda Brown, Mrs. A. V. Jones is their teacher, and A. Van Frazier is principal of the school. Miss Marian Robinson of Chattanooga is supervising the program. —Times Staff Photo.

were supportive of the school and insisted on good behavior of their children. Enrichment activities were made available to students. There were annual stage productions. Annual May Day activities were held at the high school. Outstanding citizens were invited to speak and teachers would share travel experiences etc.



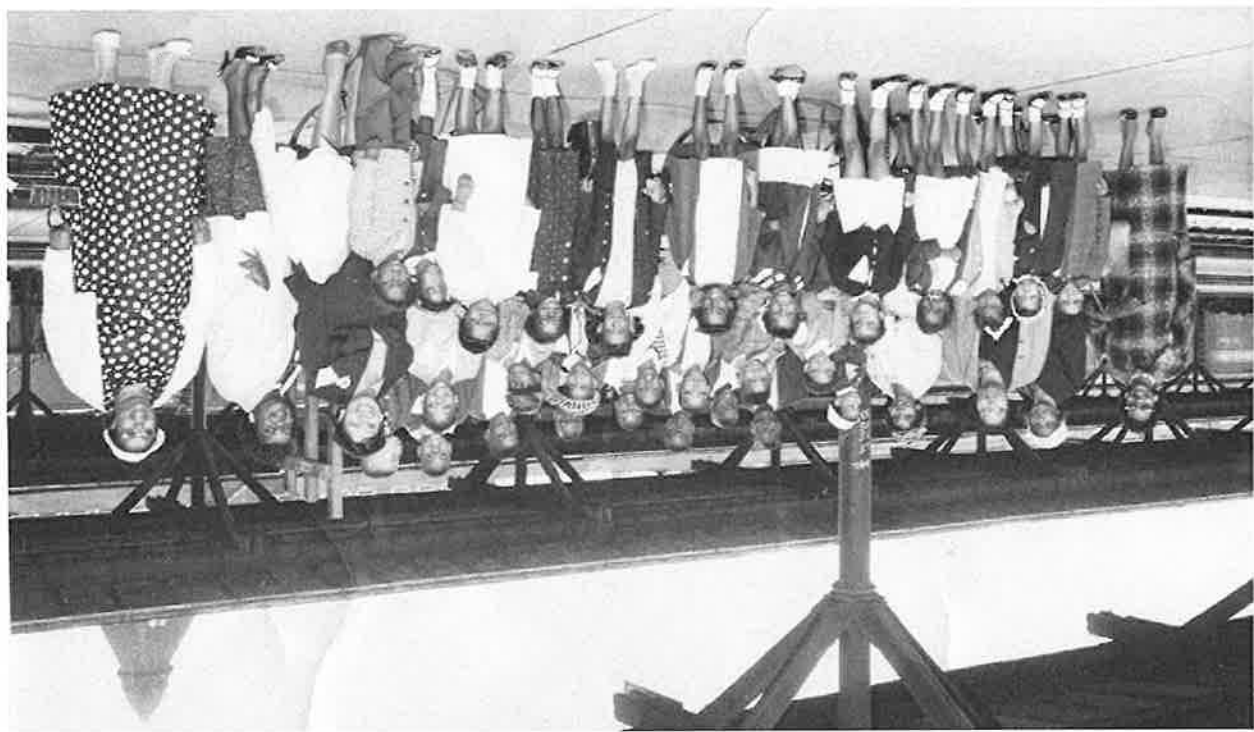
Simon Chandler and Diane Brown



Some Members of the Court are: Joe Rowe, Sandra Gobert, Vernell Bailey, Ronnie Rowe, Annette Rowe, Sandra Harden, Patricia Wilson and Lewis Hughes, Jr.



Mrs. Alice Zachery Jones being crowned by Miss Marian Robinson (Supervisor)



Train Ride Field Trip 1961

Front Row Lior: Mrs. Betty Jean Henderson, Catherine Copeland, Callie Ann Chestnut, Brenda Sue Rowe, Gail Clemmons, Barbara Brown, Kathy Weaver, Beverly Harris, Delniece Drew, Minnie Humphrey, Monyette Ervin, Robbie Teen Davis, Michael Henderson
Second Row Lior: unknown, unknown, unknown, unknown, Willie Chestnut, unknown, Ricky Pasley, Frankie Brodgen, Allen Davis, Michael Cox, Mrs. Izella Taylor Thurman (teacher), Mrs. Elizabeth Ervin, Mrs. Davidson
Third Row Lior: Mr Edward Gordan Cass Powell, and remainder unknown



Lior: Tom Phinizy, Patricia Wilson, Sandra Harden and George Phinizy



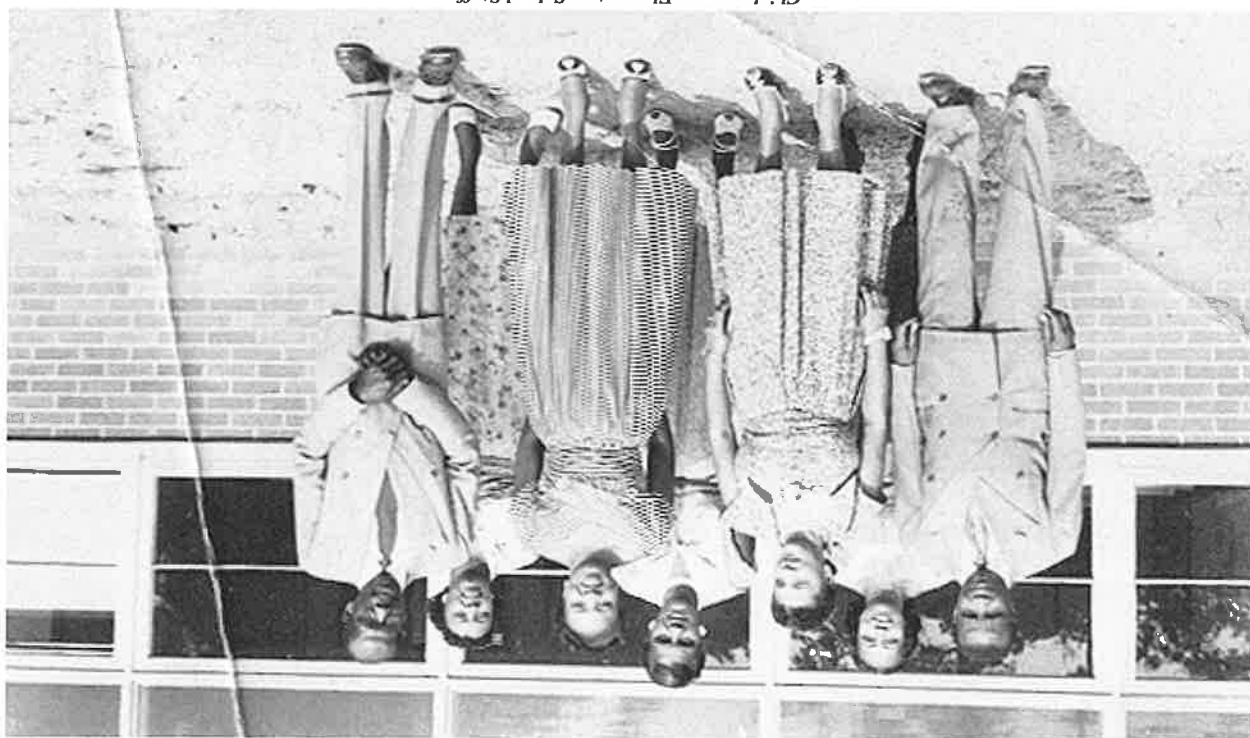
PTA Meeting

Lior: Mrs. Hawkins, Mildred Cooke, Armelia Williams



Student Body 1953-1954

Chickamauga Elementary School Staff
 LtoR: Mr. A. Van Frazier, Mrs. Effie Gilbert, Mrs. Rosetta Kirby, Miss Marjorie Strickland, Miss Marian Robinson,
 Mrs. Evelyn Harden and Rev. H.D. Grimmer



Teachers from Various Schools Attending Inservice Training
 LtoR: Evelyn Cato, "Amos" and "Andy" (cast members of famous TV comedy show) Dave Oliver - Second Row: Flora Cox, Teacher from
 Roland Hayes, Gladys Williams, Viola Collins and Evelyn Harden - Third Row: Rosetta Kirby and Annie Green
 Fourth Row: Marian Bradford, Izella Thurman and Mary Lena Spann



Miss Marion Bradford



Miss Agnes Locke



In 1960, Mr. James Mapp, President of the local chapter of the NAACP along with two other parents of Black children brought a class action suit in Federal District Court against the Chattanooga School Board and the Superintendent. Mr. Mapp had four children who were being bussed out of the neighborhood to a distant overcrowded all Black school where they could attend sessions only half a day while a nearby all-White school had ample room. Mr. Mapp's application for his children to attend the near-by school was denied.

The 1960 suit was against the City's School Board and during the 26 years that the Mapp suit continued, no such suit was ever filed against Hamilton County.

The court approved a plan whereby in 1962 grades 1 - 4 in 16 schools were to be desegregated with the remaining elementary grades by 1964; by 1965 the first year of junior high school and by 1968 the remaining high school grades.

The 16 schools were desegregated without incident in September of 1962. That same year, following the city school's plan, the county schools voluntarily desegregated.

Major changes occurred beginning in 1968. Booker T. Washington High School closed that year. Junior high and high school students who lived in Shepherd were then zoned to attend Tyner Junior High and Tyner High School. Miss Strickland and Mrs. Kirby retired at the end of the 1968 - 1969 school term.



CHICKAMAUGA TEACHERS RETIRE — Mrs. Rosetta D. Kirby, right, and Mrs. Marjorie Strickland, who are retiring after teaching in the county school system for many years, are shown receiving gifts presented by A. Van Frazier, principal of Chickamauga Elementary School, at the dinner given in their honor at the Fleming Sword Restaurant. Mrs. Kirby, who taught for 35 years, received a loving cup, and Miss Strickland, who has taught for 44 years, was presented luggage. — (Staff photo by Russ Shelley.)

By 1974, the Shepherd Community was annexed into the city of Chattanooga which officially included Chickamauga School in the desegregation plan. In 1986 the Federal District Court issued its Final Order, dismissing the case. The School Board had satisfied the court that it had fully implemented the desegregation plan. Thus, after 26 years of litigation, Mapp vs. Board of Education, the longest lasting case of its kind in federal judicial annals, came to an end. Annual reports on school progress henceforth were submitted to the Office of Civil Rights in Atlanta.

Chickamauga Elementary School thrived for a while after integration. The White students and teachers who were assigned to the school accepted their situations and seemed to have taken pride in the school. The Black students adjusted to a new culture in what had historically been an all Black school. Black and White parents were involved in the school and worked well together. The school excelled in daily attendance and in academic achievement.



Front Row Lior: Eddie Ankar and Tommy Gray - Second Row Lior: Steve Letrel, unknown, Darryl Dyer, unknown
Third Row Lior: Avery Morris, Tim Fomby, Michele, Jeff Henderson, Scotty King, unknown
Fourth Row Lior: Mrs. Eaker, Yolanda McDuffie, Scott Brady, Valerie Simmons, Sean Rogers, Willie Hammonds and Mrs. Danzler



Front Row Lior: Willie Rena Smith, unknown, Trina McDuffie, unknown, unknown, unknown, unknown
Second Row Lior: unknown, Donna Lipkins, unknown, Michael Pasley, unknown, Terry Norman
Third Row Lior: Mrs. Boshears, Mark, unknown, unknown, Yaneita Humphrey, unknown, unknown, Mr. Dryman

*Christmas Play: Reindeer Land
(Raymond Ballou, Jr. in center)*



From Row Lior: Billy Ingram and Avery Morris - Second Row Lior: Brenda Sims, Keith Franchia, Brainih Peiy, Darrel Dyee, Tony Anderson, Shannon Johnson, Jeff Milet and Tracy - Third Row Lior: Jeff Henderson, Michele Rankins, Balm Burkes, Tim Baily, Henry Lipkins, Willie Hammonds, Sineal Gineaneets, Yolanda McDuffie and Troy Williams - Fourth Row Lior: Mr. Dryman (Principal), Mrs. Mary Frazier, Yolanda Tisdale, Steve Latrail, Derrick West, William Graham, Joan Isabell, Jodie Sams, Kelly Wilkes, Michael Davis and Mrs. Johnson (Aide)



Chickamauga School experienced drastic changes during the last decade of its existence. The teacher and administrator turn-over became quite frequent. Near the end of the life of the school, the white enrollment began to drop. The number of black students zoned to the school also decreased. Finally in 1987 the school was closed due to low enrollment.

Following is a listing of teachers and administrators assigned to Chickamauga School between 1974 - 1987:

ADMINISTRATORS:

Robert Dryman.....Principal 1974-76
 Judy Sivils.....Principal 1976-80
 Lou Perfetti.....Principal/Teacher 1980-81; 1982-84
 Robert Hope.....Principal/Teacher 1981-1982
 Charlotte Garth.....Principal 1984-86
 Annie B. Greene.....Principal 1986-87

TEACHERS:

Marquita Harris
 Joyce Vickery
 Becky Dantzler
 Mary Frazier
 Judy Sivils
 Loretta Bonner
 Sharon Wood
 Demaree Dillon
 Pamela McBroom
 Linda Whitmore
 LaNese Ruff
 Claudia Green
 Mary Shannon
 Leah Nagelberg
 Barbara O'Hara
 Claudette Wood Flanagan
 Kris Shelton
 Martha Stone
 Marcia Clark
 Annette Randolph
 Nancy Holloway Bailey
 Dianne Cooke



So long, school 5-29-87
 The last day of class Thursday at Chickamauga Elementary School was an emotional one — because the school is being closed by school board officials. Betsy Burger, top, responded with a letter for her teacher, Judy Sivils, who, in the picture at left, gives two of her pupils a farewell hug. Also being shut down is Horizon Preparatory School. A picture is on Page B3.

—Betsy Burger/The Chickamauga Times

BOOKER T WASHINGTON SCHOOL

The Booker T. Washington School was a consolidation of three schools: Turkey Foot, Magby Pond and Tyner. The new school was opened in 1924 with Mr. J. T. Swann, a former teacher at Chickamauga and Soddy Grammar Schools serving as principal. The school embraced grades 1 – 8, with grades being added as the school progressed to the 11th grade. An addition was made to the school in 1930 at which time Mr. J. L. Espey was named principal. Booker T. Washington School was the only high school in the Hamilton County School System that African-American children could attend at that time. Many of the concepts of a regular high school curriculum were being carried out when two buildings were destroyed by fire.

As mentioned earlier, Booker T. Washington was a Rosenwald school. Following are the facts involving the construction of the school:



Destroyed by Fire

Historic Name.....	Booker T. Washington
Building Plan.....	Three-teacher type
Building Type.....	School
Budget Year.....	1923 -24
Land (Acreage).....	4.00
County.....	Hamilton
State.....	Tennessee
Application #.....	9-C
Total Cost.....	\$7,300.00
Notes.....	\$120 Elem. Library at this school

Funding Sources:

Negroes.....	\$1,000.00
Public.....	\$5,400.00
Rosenwald.....	\$900.00

Rosenwald approved a grant for a second building on the campus of Booker T. Washington.



Destroyed by Fire

Following are the facts related to the construction of a second building on the Booker T. Washington campus:

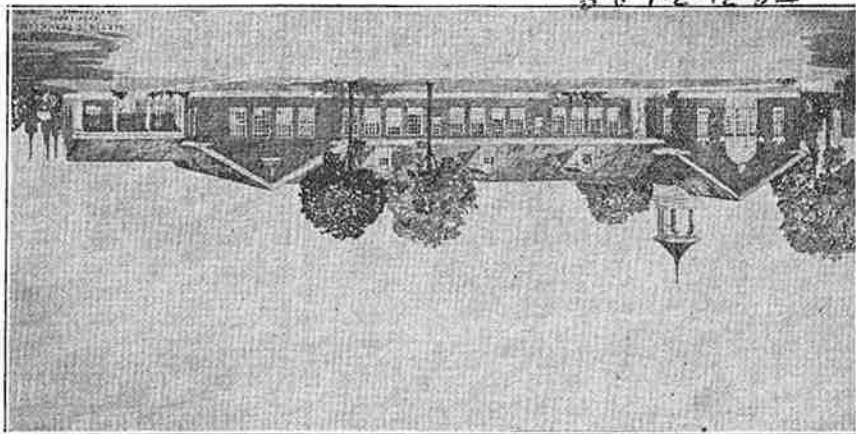
Historic Name.....Booker T. Washington School
Building plan.....Two-teacher type
Building Type.....School
Budget year.....1929-30
Land (Acreage)......5.00
County.....Hamilton
State.....Tennessee
Application #.....25-1
Total cost.....\$5,500.00
Notes.....Ins. \$4,000.00

Funding Sources:
Public.....\$5,000.00
Rosenwald.....\$500.00

The Booker T. Washington School was rebuilt and opened in the fall of 1935 with Mr. T.D. Upshaw, Jr. as principal. The school would now include grades 1 - 12. In addition to the usual high school courses for which students received credit from the state, there were course offerings based of the philosophy of Booker T. Washington, the man. Booker T. Washington as a leader of Blacks during his time encouraged Blacks to train for jobs that Whites would accept them for. Examples of such jobs that the Booker T. Washington School included chunks of time in the school day training for were: housemaids, cooks, farmers and construction workers. Every high school student selected one of the above mentioned areas as sort of a major and received hands-on training during grades 9 - 12.

Due to the increase in enrollment, grades 1 - 6 were moved into a new building in 1959 with Mr. B. W. Harrington as principal of the elementary school. The Booker T. Washington High School then included grades 7 - 12 and continued to operate with this configuration under Mr. Upshaw until its closing with the Welfare ruled that the rate of integration in the communities was too slow. It was felt that integration would be accelerated by the abolishment of the school. This action forced the students who remained at Booker

New Booker T. Washington School



T. Washington to enroll in schools that had historically been for "Whites only" throughout the Hamilton County School System. Let's take a little time to look back at Booker T. Washington School. Be sure to read the articles that follow because they will give you a feel for the times and how even in the newspapers Blacks were humiliated in what was meant to be positive reporting.

The Booker T. Washington School, located near Bonny Oaks, is now under construction and it is anticipated that it will require about six months to complete. The cost will be approximately \$45,000 and the work is being done by Tennessee emergency relief administration funds. The building is one story and is of brick, tile and concrete. There are eight classrooms, an auditorium and a small model home department where students will be taught all kinds of housework as a part of the curriculum. The building is to be 240 feet long. Architects for the structure are Martin & Franklin. The enrollment in the school last year was 150 of both elementary and high school students, the larger number being in the elementary grades. John Raby is principal of the school.

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Mr. J.T. Swann
1924-1933



Mr. J.L. Espey
1933-1934



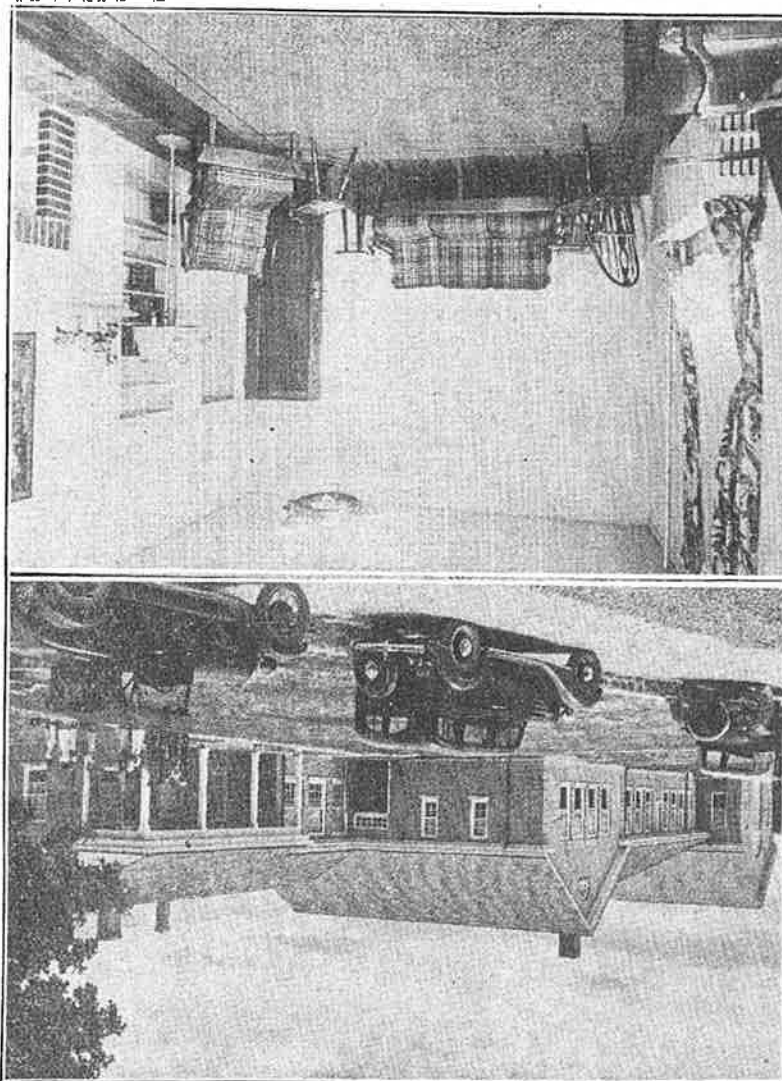
Mr. T.D. Ushaw, Jr.
1935-1968



PRINCIPALS OF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON SCHOOL

The new Booker T. Washington school, located a short distance from Bonny Oaks, is shown here. The school, newest in the Hamilton county system, is to become a demonstration school for the colored section of the county schools.

—Times Staff Photo by Hill.



New Booker T. Washington School

New Feature Home Facilities—Complete Cottage Built at Booker Washington.

The cottage is a complete two-room structure of living room, dining room, bedroom, kitchen and bathroom. It is completely furnished and decorated. It is here that the girls of the orphanage will be taught home-making, child care and various phases of household economics.

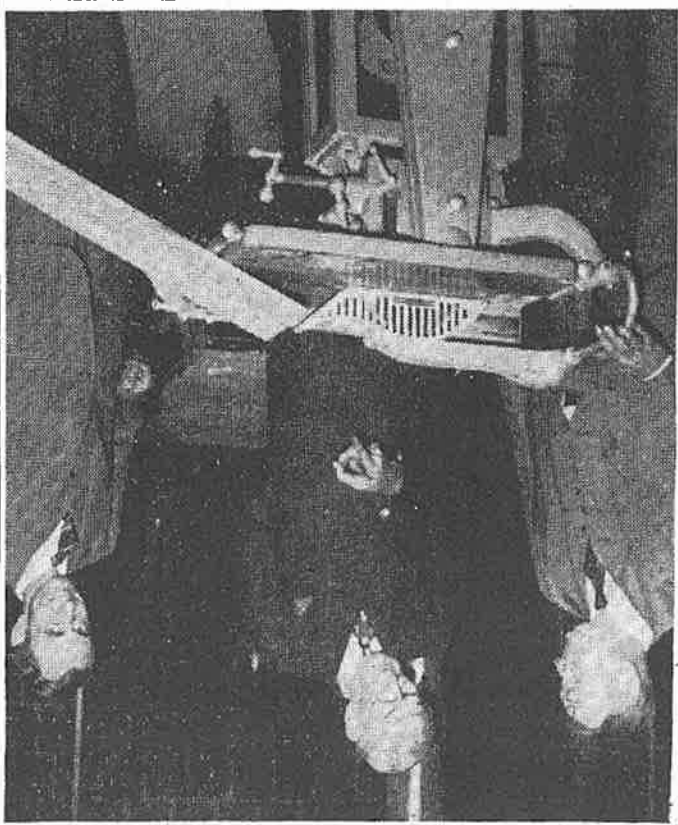
The furnishings, which have just been completed, are for the most part of maple, built along strictly simple lines, yet they are exceptionally well adapted to use in the home. The bedrooms and bathroom have a predominant note of blue in the curtains, rugs and bedspreads.

The living room, which occupies a large space across the front of the building, has a natural tone rug, other furniture. The woodwork, as in other parts of the house is white and white ivy leaves and white lampshades are effectively arranged. Built-in bookshelves are also placed in the living room. A two-piece suite of chair and couch are upholstered in Scotch plaid linen.

The dining room, also in maple, has a drop-top rectangular table, six chairs, cabinets and serving table, while the kitchen, done in cream, green and brown, has been so arranged that part of it may be used for a sewing room.

Friday morning, when the pictures accompanying this article were taken, an institute for the colored county teachers was held. Supr. Rankin, present at the time, explained that outlines had been given for the curriculum and social science work to be done. The curriculum study deals with children of the ages between 10 and 12 years and from 12 to 18 years. The social science outline was made in an attempt to stress the importance of social science as a basis for education and development. Mrs. Anna B. Lacey, chairman of the school board, has personally supervised the furnishing of the house.

AT NEGRO SCHOOL DEDICATION



—Times Staff Photo.

At the formal dedication of two buildings and equipment furnished by the county and government funds, Squire G. Russell Brown (middle) is shown pointing to one of the seven new machines for manual training and woodworking in the large room beneath the gymnasium. Others in the picture are Squires Wilkes T. Thrasher (left) and Supl. Marshall Clark.

SQUIRE DEDICATES
SCHOOL ADDITIONS
T 11-10-34
Thrasher Gives Main Speech
at Washington Program
—Turner Also Talks

The new additions to Booker T. Washington County High school, were officially dedicated yesterday to the "spiritual, moral and educational uplift of this and future generations," by Squire Wilkes T. Thrasher, who delivered the main address at the school. Several hundred students and residents of Hamilton county, were present at the school for the exercises, and inspection of the model school which Prof. W. E. Turner, state supervisor of Negro education, said is the "most talked of county school in the country."

The program began at 11:15 a.m., following a tour of the plant by county officials, Parent-Teacher association executives and other visitors.

Contained in the latest in manual training and domestic science equipment, and include a model home set-up for teaching girl students the latest in service, from the kitchen

County Superintendent Marshall Clark introduced Squire Thrasher, following invocation by the Rev. Maurice Kirby, as one of the county school system's "most ardent backers." Squire Thrasher immediately requested the school's football team to stand and paid it tribute for "your fine showing in holding Howard High to a tie out at Trawley field a couple of weeks or more ago.

The speaker turned to the small ten-piece band that had played for the 315 students to march into the chapel, and said, "you do fine with what you have, and we'll see to your getting more instruments and a larger band which you deserve."

Vocational Idea Commended

"The vocational idea being taught here is in keeping with the right ideas of education," he asserted. "There is no need to send children to college who do not want to go to college, but want to train themselves for something they like or for which they have a natural bent to make a livelihood. And," he concluded, "I hereby dedicate these new additions to the spiritual, moral and educational uplift of this and future generations of your people."

Prof. T. D. Ushaw, Jr., principal of the institution, acted as master of ceremonies, and introduced Prof. Turner, who gave an economic breakdown that he had compiled, showing that "if each high school student here had to pay the principal each morning for his day's training, it would amount to 61 cents, or a total of \$109.36 a year. Students in the elementary grades would have to pay 40 cents per day or \$71.08 a year."

Prof. Turner paid a tribute to Principal Ushaw and the faculty and stated that the "biggest reason for the success of this plant is the operation as a unit, and the co-operation given by the faculty." He stated that in New York recently he was accosted by an educator who inquired if "this Booker Washington school that is setting the pace for the Negro schools of the country, is located near Chattanooga."

Squire Camp Makes a Plea

Squire C. B. Camp, in whose district the school is located, made a plea for training the mind, heart and body, and stated that the neglect of either "will throw the coordination of the whole system out of order, and will not be in keeping with God's plan."

Other county court members present who spoke briefly were Squires G. Russell Brown and J. W. Johnston. The county school board was represented by J. E. Brown, chairman, and George Forbes, Mrs. Sam Cassell and Mrs. J. T. Jones, of the Parent-Teacher association council, and Mrs. J. B. Landersbach, supervisor, made brief addresses.

An outstanding feature of the program was the glee club and chorus singing by the students under direction of B. Cortez Tipton. The glee club sang a spiritual in a minor key. Alburia Pagala, reformed colored supervisor in the county, was present, and spoke from the audience, after being introduced by Prof. Ushaw as "one who has labored among us for nearly forty years, and is largely responsible for the educational strides Negroes are making in the county today."



Booker T. Washington Class of 1944
 Front Row Lior: Rachel White Strickland, Gwendolyn Spann Elliott, Millard Hill, Eunice Morgan Lewis, Eva Shepherd Clay
 Second Row Lior: William Nash, Hattie Ghent, Autherine Jackson Gandy, Gertrude Carson Adams,
 (Salutatorian and only graduate from Shepherd) Wilhelmina Spann Young, James Butler Broadmax
 Third Row Lior: Mrs. Willa B. Gaston, Marion Shepherd Clay, Bernice Bradford, Norine Espey Wilder, Reed Edmondson, (Valedictorian)
 Mildred Swafford Everett, Susan Lucas, Aretha Shaw, Jack Gaines



Booker T. Washington Faculty, Early 1940's
 Front Row Lior: Alberta Heighl, Evelyn Hardin, Thelma Vaughn Howell, Leona Miller, Willa B. Gaston, Martha Edmondson and Beniah Tipton
 Back Row Lior: B. W. Harrington, R. W. Strange, Rebecca Poston Jeter, J. L. Espey, Sara Haney, Charles Neal and T. D. Upshaw (Principal)

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON ALMA MATER

*Oh, blue and white the colors we do choose
To represent us far and near,
For which to build the youth for service,
We always say the gang's all here.*

*We always say the gang's all here,
Filling the shoes of those who before us,
For the use of life's great span,
To give to this great world a man,
As one whose name we praise and honor.*

*We love you Washington,
Your work has just begun.
Fight on, fight on, we'll be with you
Till victory is won!*

The Reverend B. Cortez Tipton, ACSW, was a teacher, football coach, and music director in the 1930's for Booker T. Washington High School. The Booker T. Washington school song was composed by Rev. Tipton. During his time in Chattanooga, he served as Superintendent of the Bonny Oaks Industrial School for Boys. He also provided outstanding civic leadership with the Mayor's Housing Commission and was Co-founder of the Juvenile Court, Hamilton County. His acappella boy's choir sang for President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. He was also part-time extension teacher for Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial State University.



Rev. B. Cortez Tipton

Mrs. S. W. Hainey
English, French



Mr. E. Henry, Jr.
Mathematics



Mrs. F. W. Hudson
Guidance
English



Miss C. Keith
Science, Health
Social Studies



Mrs. W. B. Gaston
Home Economics,
English, Art
Mrs. C. S. Crier
Health, Physical Education
Basketball



Mr. E. E. Cranford
Health, Mathematics,
Basketball, Football,
Track



Mrs. G. B. Dargan
History
Civics



Miss M. C. Edmondson
English
Student Exchange



Rev. N. Garth



Miss A. T. Rodgers
Typing
Shorthand



Miss M. L. Spann
Home Economics



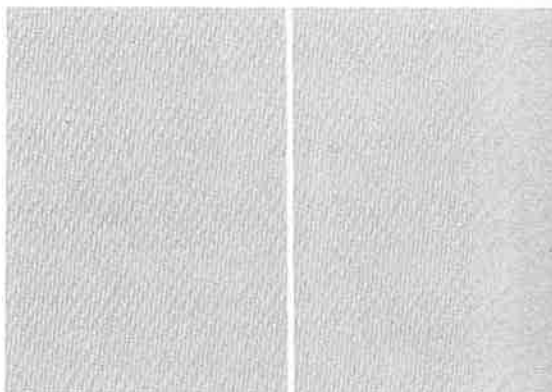
Mr. R. W. Strange
Agriculture



Mr. C. R. White
Head Coach, Health,
Physical Education



Mr. M. F. Powell
Science
Miss M. Robinson
English, Reading,
Speech Art



Mr. H. F. Massey
General Building
Trades



Miss C. V. Nance
Secretary



Mr. C. H. Neal
Economics, Mathematics,
History



Mr. E. L. Peoples
Music



SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

The Social Studies Department is under the direction of Mr. Frank Stricklen, standing to the right.



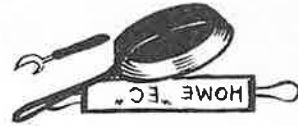
MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

The Mathematics Department is under the direction of Mr. Earl Henry, Jr., pictured at the blackboard.



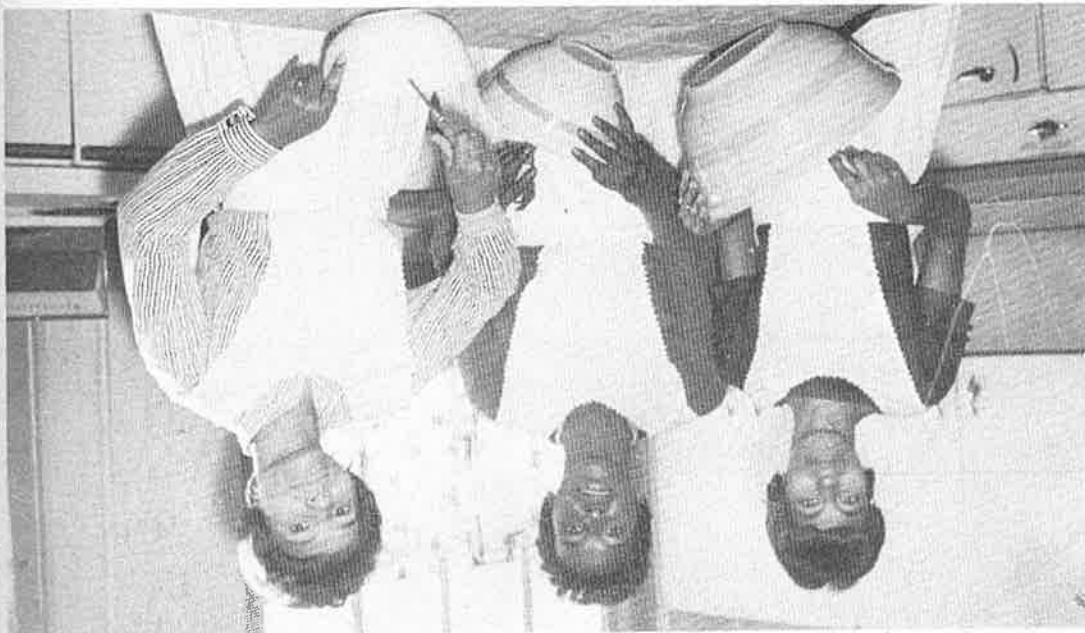
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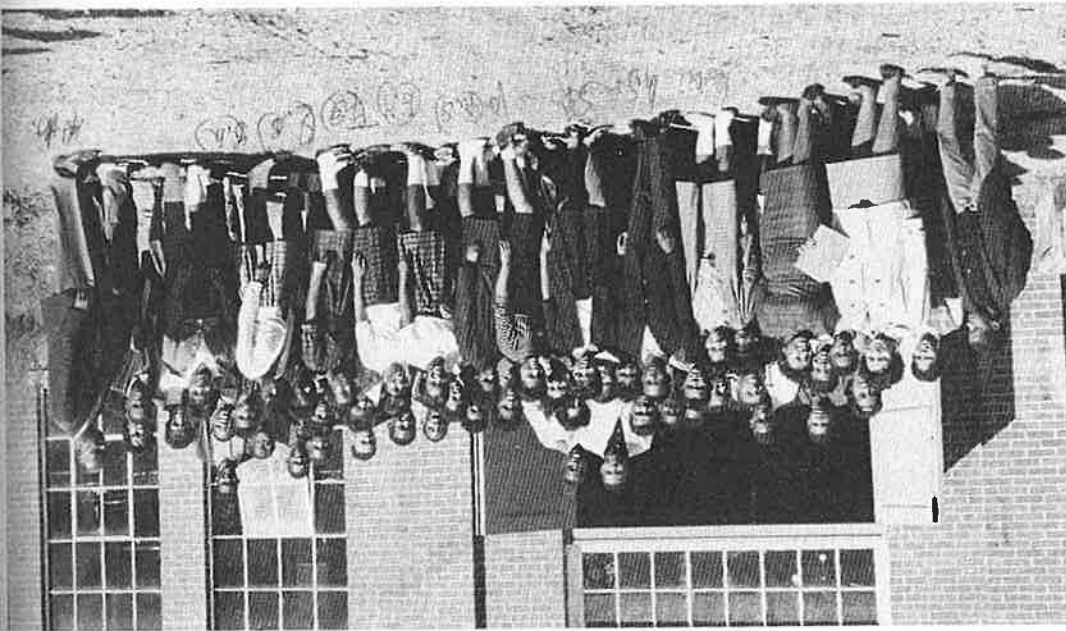
Left to Right: Mr. H. F. Massey, Instructor,
Phillip Wesley, Walter Mayweather, James
Chavis, Mitchell Strickland, and Johnny
Thompson.



Left to Right: Peggy Nunn, Diane Boykin and Dorothy Jean Wiley. Mrs. M. L. Spann, Instructor.

HOME SERVICE DEPARTMENT



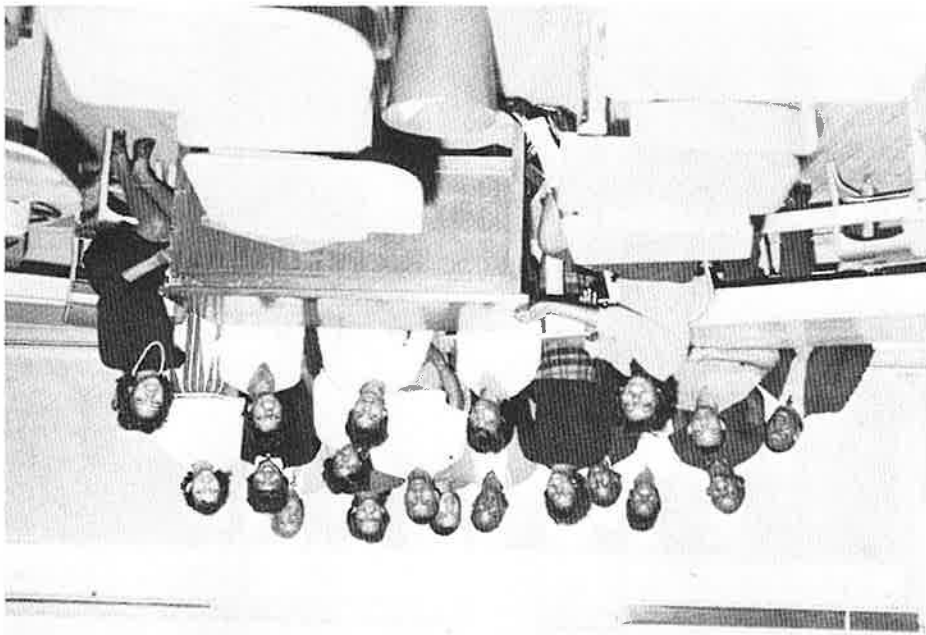


TRADE and INDUSTRY CLUB

TRADE AND INDUSTRY CLUB of the Booker T. Washington High School. Mr. H. F. Massey and Mrs. M. L. Spann, Supervisors.

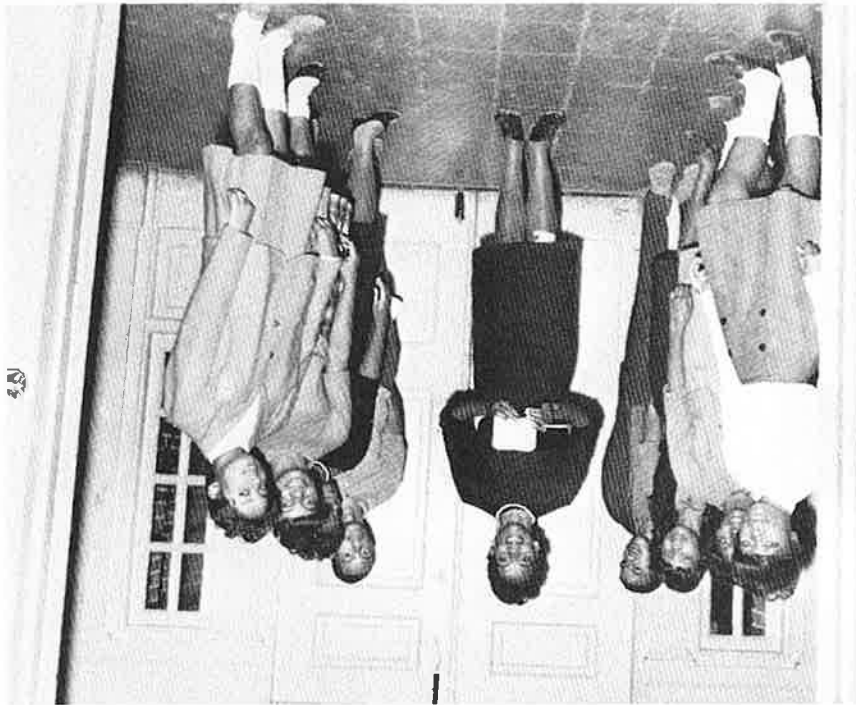


The Booker T. Washington High School Chapter of the NEW FARMERS OF AMERICA. Mr. R. W. Strange, Supervisor.



THE DOUGLAS DEBATING SOCIETY

Mr. Charles H. Neal, Sponsor



YOUTH FOR CHRIST

Mr. Francis Neddo, Sponsor

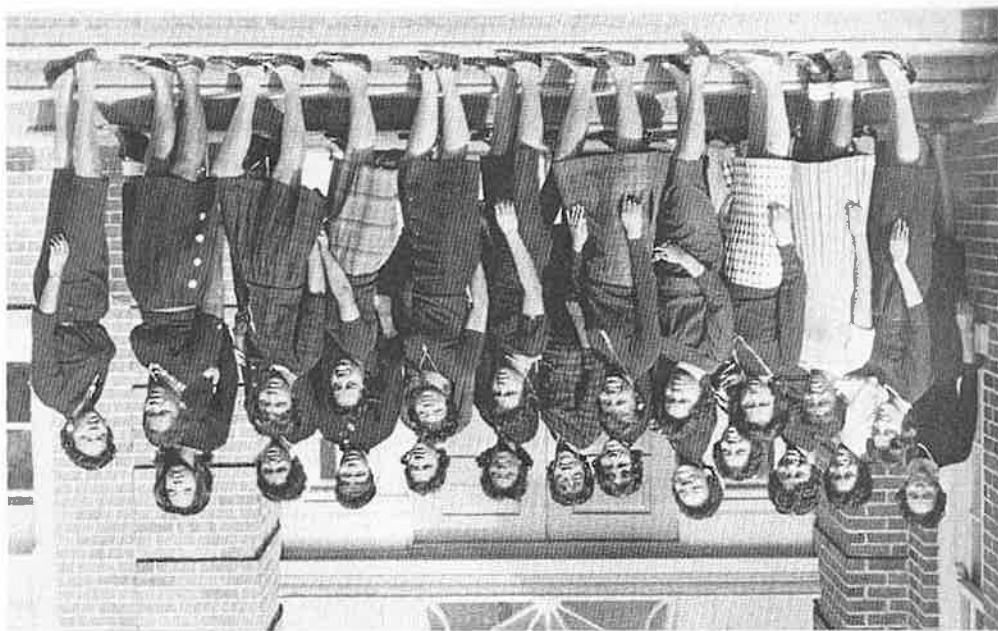
Left to Right; Front Row: Julia Palmer, Alma Smith, Florine Bloodsaw, Cheryl Sheppard, Katie Thomas, Dorothy Wiley, Mrs. F. W. Hudson, and Mrs. W. B. Gaston, Sponsors. Back Row: Madlyn Robinson, Carolyn Smith, Clara Brown, Jannie V. Humphrey, Francine Maston, Barbara Roberts, Brenda Jackson, Wilma Hyatte, and Romanzia Sanders.



LES ARBOREUSES CLUB

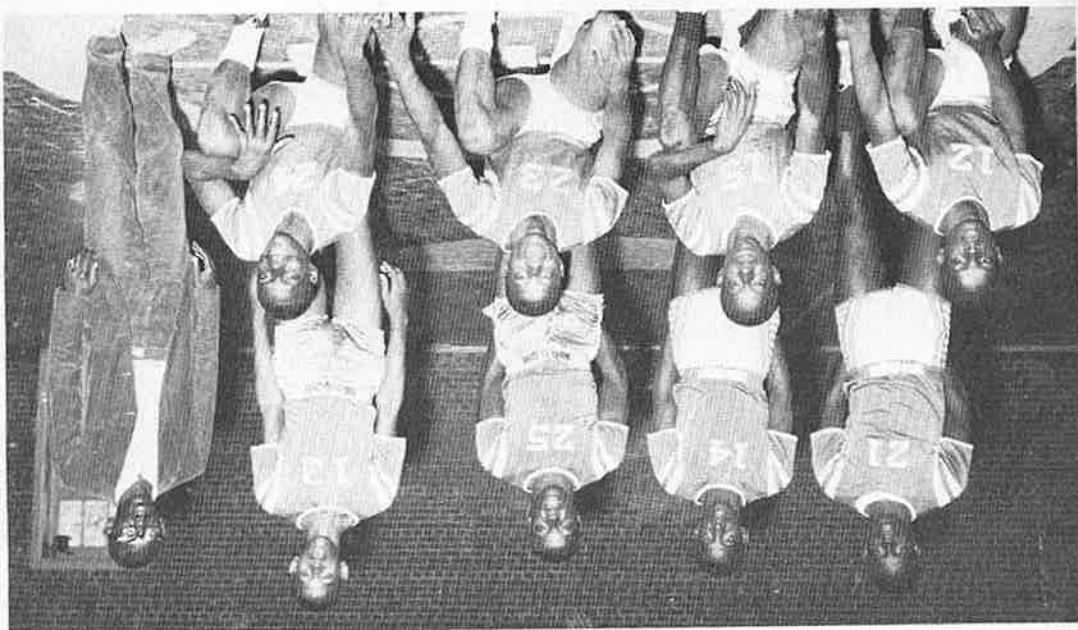
Left to Right; First Row: Miss Claudette Keith, Sponsor, Pearl M. Coleman, Patricia Hamner, Dorothy M. Manning, Zora King, Mable Arbuthnot, Malvonia Williams, Julia Moore, Shirley A. Borders, Patricia C. Billingsley, and Mrs. G. S. Grier, Sponsor. Second Row: Miss C. V. Nance, Sponsor, Mary Wesley, Lena Smith, Venetta Lansden, Bettye Coker, Juanita Woodard, Patricia Withelow, President, Arma J. Jackson, Christine Hammond, Amette Smith, Dorothy Johnson, and Otis Jones.

LES BELLES DAMES CLUB



Left to Right; Standing: Barry Leemore, Robert Pryor, Joseph Maston, Aaron Boykin, and Mr. E. E. Cranford, Coach. Kneeling: Harold Hardin, Roscoe Moore, J. C. Cooley, and James Stewart.

JUNIOR TEAM



Left to Right; Kneeling: Raymond Baylor, Alphonso Few, Tommy J. McCleskey, Walter Tatum, and Gerald McKissic. Standing: Charles Alexander, Marvin Bruehl, Ardie Minnefee, Clarence Bates, Felton King, Mason Adams, James W. Adams, Jamie Lewis, and William O'Neal (Not Pictured). Mr. G. R. White, Coach.

VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM



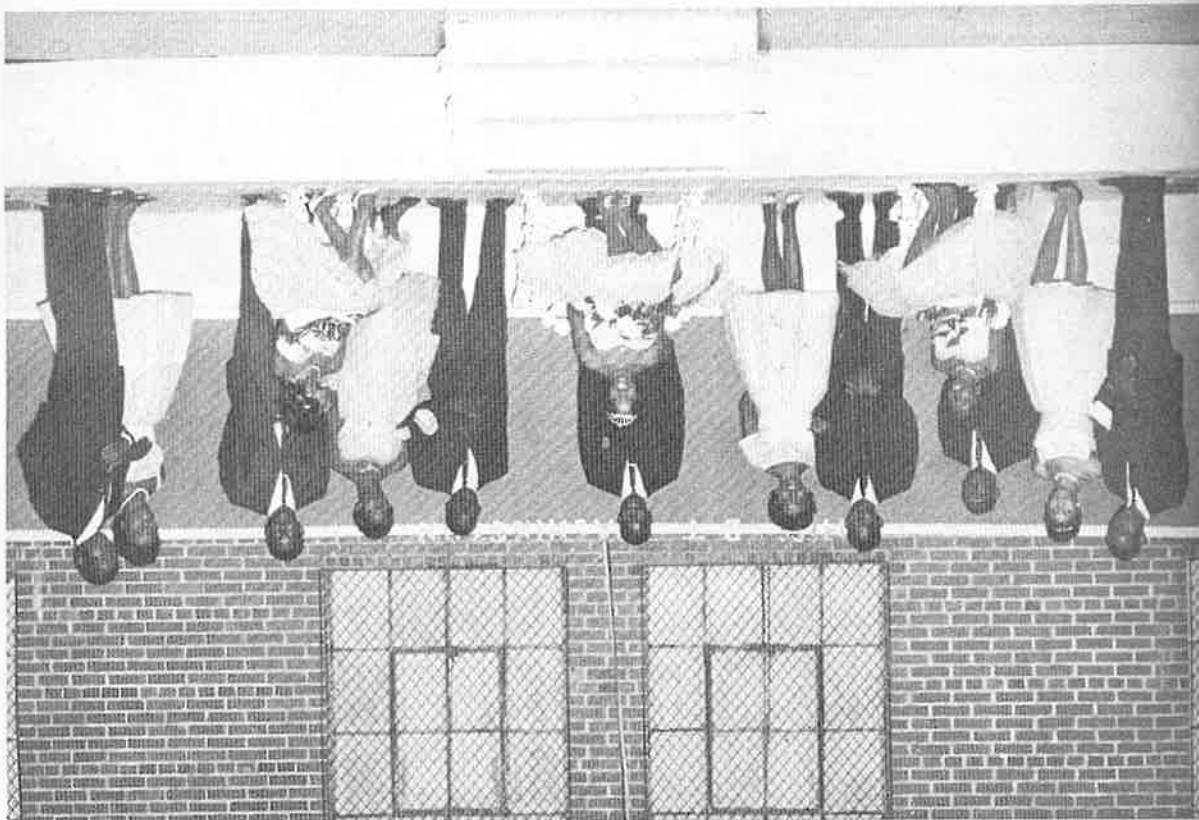


CHEERLEADERS

SPONSOR: Mrs. G. Grier
 Front Center: Zora King, Captain; Cheryl Sheppard, Co-Captain; Standing from left to right: Arvella Johnson, Jacquelin Nunn, Sandra Brown, Marsha Robinson, Mrs. Grier Sponsor; Joyce Williams, Beverly Little, Maxine Sheppard.



MISS BOOKER T. WASHINGTON and COURT 1962-63



Left to Right; Seated: JoAnn Whaley, first attendant, MISS BOOKER T. WASHINGTON 1962-63, Katie Thomas, Juanita Woodard, second attendant. Standing: Paul Hickman, Annette Smith, Jamie Lewis, Don Sample, Lena Smith, Mason Adams, Willie L. Ison, Brenda K. Billingsley, Paul King, Bettye Coker, and Espisto McClarity.

Gloria Butler
 Mary E. Butler
 Vernell M. Butler
 Fred Byrd
 Harrison Calloway
 James Cammon
 Julia Cammon
 Charles Campbell
 Geraldine Capart
 Jessie F. Capart
 Willis Capers
 Jessie Carmichael
George Carson
George Carson, Jr.
Gertude Carson
Nancy Carson
Pecola Carson
Tommie Carson
 Assie L. Carswell
 Carl Carter
 Delores Carter
 Horace Carter
 Carl Chambliss
 Cheryl Chandler
 James Chavis
 Glenn Chislom
 Sandra Chislom
 James Chunn
 Abbie Clark
 Albert Clark
 Catherine Clark
 Drue Lila Clark
 Jasper Clark
 Lillie Clark
 Milton Clark
 Reginald Clark
 Sarah Clark
 Zery Clark
 Charles Clay
 Ruth O. Clay
 Marvin Cleveland
 Reba Clift
 Betty Coker
 Pearl Cole
 Ronald Coleman
 Virginia Collier
 Wendell Collins
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 Robbie Cope
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 Emmanuel Cranford
 Jonah Cranford
 St. Augustine Cranford
 Waymon Cranford
Berline Craven
Emma Craven
Katherine Craven
Mildred Craven
Virginia Craven
 Dianne Crumsey
 Larry Crutcher
 Rosalind Crutcher
 Leroy Culbertson
 John Cunningham
 Josephine Cunningham

Clarence Daniels
 Lloyd Darby
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 Patsy R. Davis
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 Mary Douglas
 Clarence Dozier
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 Willard Duncan
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 Doris Elder
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 Jack Emery
 Mary Ervin
 Arthur Espey
 Norine Espey
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 Robert Evans
 Dorothy Fair
 Eunice Farris
 Floyd Favors
 Carl Ferrell
 Alphonso Few
 Martha Few
 LaFrieda Fields
 David Finley
 Carl Fitzpatrick
 J. Carlton Fitzpatrick
 Katherine Fitzpatrick
 Phillip Fletcher
 Lena Flippins
 Charles Frazier
 Elder Frazier
 Prissie Frazier
 Rosetta Frazier
 Sara Frazier
 Terrelce Frazier
 Barbara Freeman
 Mama Freeman
 Jack Gains
 Juanita Garth
 Joyce Garrett
 Shellie Gaston

Dixie Gales
Velma Gales
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 Hattie Ghent
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 Allene Gibson
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 Lamar Gilbert
 Ophelia Gilbert
Pearline Gilbert
Ralph Gilbert
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 LaFrieda Gocher
 Lavell Gocher
 Pamela Gocher
 Solantha Gocher
Betty J. Goosby
 Bernice Gordon
 Naomi Gordon
 Dora Goree
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 Morris Greer
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 Cora Griffin
 Darnetta Griffin
 Etta Griffin
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 Cleghorn Jones
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 Janette B. Jones
 Lois C. Jones
 Luther C. Jones
 Mildred Jones
 Otis Ann Jones
 Owen S. Jones
 Paul R. Jones
 Ruby Jones
 Lydia H. Jordan
 Norma Jordan
 Fannie M. Jordan
 Mary J. Jordan
 Thomas L. Jordan
 Dorothy Justice
 Henrietta Kelly
 Louvenia Kelly
 Robert Kelly
 Ruby Ann Kelly
 Juanita Kennedy
 Jean L. Key
 Lois J. Keys
Donald King
Edna King
Herman King
Mack F. King
Paul W. King
Ruby C. King

Hymie Wright
John Wright
 Sylvester Wright
Horace Karbrough
 Lois Yates
 William Yates
 John Young
 Willie Zackery
 James Zellander

Arthur Williams
 Arthur L. Williams
 Barbara Williams
 Charles Williams
 Claudette Williams
 Donald Williams
 Evelyn Williams
Fredrick Williams
 Fredrick B. Williams
Geraldine Williams
 Gladys Williams
 Lois Williams
 Mary L. Williams
Orlando Williams
 Pamela Williams
Percy Williams
Richard Williams
Robert L. Williams
Ronald Williams
 Rosa M. Williams
 Ruby M. Williams
 Susie Williams
 Will Williams, Jr.
 Willie Williams
Willie Ella Williams
 Joyce Williamson
Betty Willis
 Elsie Willis
Joyce Willis
 Benjamin Wilson
 David Wilson
Barbara Winston
Dorothy Winston
Linda Winston
 Duane Withrow
 Dwight Withrow
 Luvenia Withrow
 Odessa Withrow
 Patricia Withrow
 Vergil Withrow
 Windell Withrow
Mildred Win
 Juanita Woodard
 Warren Woodard, Sr.
 Charles Wooding
 Louis Wooding
 Walter Wooding
 Addie V. Woods
 Arthur Woods
 Booker T. Woods
 Chance Woods
 Elvonzia Woods
 Harold Woods
 Hortense Woods
 Lester Woods
 Milton J. Woods
 Quinton Woods
 Uhl Woods
 William Woods
 Lucille Worthington
 Bobbie Worthington
 Cora Worthington
 James Worthington
 Jeanie Worthington
 Alberta Wright

Walter Thompson
 Bettye Thurman
 Doris Timmons
 Gerrie Timmons
 Hattie Tinsley
Sherman Tisdale
 Robert Tolliver
 Hannah Tucker
 Alvos C. Tulliose, Jr.
 Gloria J. Tumblin
 Robert Usher
 Aaron Varnell
 Evelyn Varnell
 Wallace Waller
 Elma Walden
 Charles Walker
Diane Walker
 Dorothy Walker
Jacqueline Walker
Malcolm J. Walker
 Martha Walker
Ronald Walker
 Evelyn Walton
 Vernell Walton
 Virginia Walton
 Edward Ware
 James Wasson
 Luther Wasson
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 Calvin Watts
 Tommie Watts
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 Azel Webb
 Gerald Webb
 Mary Wesley
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 Betty Westfield
 Addie Woods Whaley
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 Johnny White
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 Naomi White
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 Roy White
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David Starks
 Alma Stepherson
 Mamie Steverson
 Annette Steward
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 James W. Steward
 Nancy Steward
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 Brenda Stone
 Jo Ann Stone
 Sanford Stone
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Herman Strickland
 Marshall Strickland
Ralph Strickland
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 Edward Swafford
 Eugene Swafford
 Helen Swafford
 Ivory Swafford
 Joseph Swafford
 Martha Swafford
 Mildred Swafford
 Phillip Swafford
 Juanita Reel
 Orville Swafford
 Raymond Swafford
 Stanley Swafford
 William C. Swafford
 Willard Swafford
 Claudine Swift
 James Swift
 Emma Jean Talley
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 Robertine Talley
 Rufus Taliaferro
 Evelyn Tate
 Clara Taylor
 Elnora Taylor
 Florence Taylor
 Harold E. Taylor
 James O. Taylor
 Jo Ann Taylor
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 Sandra Taylor
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 Raymond Thomas
 Robert Thomas
 William C. Thomas
Willie Mae Thomas
 Carolyn Thompson
 Cecelia Thompson
 Delores Thompson
 Dorothy Thompson
 Garvin Thompson
 Johnny Thompson
 Mary Thompson
 Mary F. Thompson
 Melvin Thompson
 Patricia Thompson
 Robert Thompson

Mary I. Shepherd
 Marian Shepherd
 Henry Sherman
 June Shipman
 Joseph Silvey
 Sarah Silvey
 Doris Silmon
Edgar Simmons
Edwin Simmons
 Henry Simmons
Wiley Simmons
 Josephine Simpson
 Bettye Sims
 Earline Sims
 Gilbert Sims
 Orlandus Sims
 Robbie Sims
 Walter Slay
 Samuel Sledge
 Ivan Smartt, Jr.
 Joe Smartt
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 Hobert Smith
 Harold Smith
 Janie Smith
 Juanita Smith
 Katherine Smith
 Lena Smith
 Linda J. Smith
 Nellie Smith
 Orlando Smith
 Patricia Smith
 Patricia Smith '68
 Ralph A. Smith
 Bobbie Smith
 Robert U. Smith
 Robert C. Smith
 Shirley Smith
 Tommie Smith
 Wilma Smith
Zenia Smith
 Jeff Sneed
 Ruth Solomon
 Adelia Spann
 Blanche Spann
 Cornelia Spann
 Gwendolyn Spann
 Jack Spann
 James Spann, Jr.
 Lonnie Spann
 Lorraine Spann
 Wilhemnia Spann
 William Spann
 Clarence Sparkman
 Joyce Spears
 Langston Spence
 Elmita Spring
 Charles Springfield
 James O. Starling

Booker T. Washington School Training Domestic Servants

Principal Upshaw Writes of Class, Ready to Furnish Housemaids, Chauffeurs, Cooks, Well-Trained Gardeners, Other Types Service.

The Booker T. Washington High School announces the completion of the second year of training for students in the service courses offered by the school. These service courses are to train Negro youths in such occupations as house maids, chauffeurs, cooks, butlers, nurses, gardeners, porters, waiters and laundresses.

"Modern modes of living demand well-trained domestic servants as well as workers in other fields," writes Principal I. D. Upshaw. "The Booker T. Washington High School has a modernly equipped cottage with a nursery which is used as a laboratory for training students in this department. The three-acre campus affords facilities for experience in landscape gardening. The cars of teachers and members of the county department are serviced by these students for experience. The courses are designed to develop better home-makers as well as better workers. Students who successfully pursue these courses for four years will receive a certificate of proficiency in one or more of these vocations.

"Of the seven graduates last year who received one year's training in this department, three are earning part of their way through college and the other four are employed in some phase of domestic service as the results of such training.

"Students of this department are encouraged to secure employment during the Summer vacation period as a part of their training in this department. The school will gladly furnish these students to families of Hamilton County and Chattanooga for work during the vacation period. They are to receive a minimum pay of 50 cents per day with board. Strict supervision will be maintained over students in service."

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It is very unfortunate that many, many gifted Black students over the years did not have the opportunity to achieve to their potential because of prejudice, discrimination and absolute poverty. The Civil Rights Movement opened doors and provided opportunities that had never existed before. The Federal Government began to offer grants, loans and work/study programs to poverty stricken students for attending colleges and universities. As a result, notable achievements were immediate. We are going to take a look at a few high achievers who grew up in Shepherd. They are examples of what more Black people could have accomplished over the years gone by if the doors of opportunity had been open.



Dr. Kenneth Cooke

Dr. Kenneth E. Cooke is a graduate of Chickamauga Elementary, Tyner Junior High and Tyner High Schools. In 1976 he matriculated Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville, Tennessee and majored in History. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1980.

Dr. Cooke continued his education at West Georgia and earned a Master of Education degree in Guidance and Counseling in 1983. In 2000, he completed requirements for Specialist Certification in Educational Leadership at Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tennessee. He became Doctor Kenneth D. Cooke after completing requirements for a Doctorate of Education in Educational Leadership at Argosy University, Atlanta, GA.

Dr. Kenneth Cooke is employed as a counselor at Westlake High School in Atlanta, Georgia. He serves as a City Councilman for the City of Clemson and on the board of First Citizens Bank, Chamber of Commerce, YMCA, and is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.



Dr. Jean Howard-Hill

Dr. Jean Howard-Hill is a nationally known author, lecturer, instructor, speaker, researcher, consultant and local political analyst. She holds a B.A. degree in Urban Planning from Wheaton College, in Norton, Massachusetts, a Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, College of Law and a PhD in Philosophy with a focus on social research in the areas of family, church and community at Oxford Graduate School. She holds membership in the American Political Science Association, National Conference of Black Political Scientists and the International Political Science Association.

Dr. Hill began a career in teaching in Early Childhood Development in Washington, D.C. and has taught grades K – 12 in Tennessee and Biscayne Community School in Miami, Florida. She also taught Legal Research and Writing at Cleveland State College and presently teaches State and Local Government, American Government, and Politics, Culture and Society of Non-Western countries in the Political Science and Public Administration Department of the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. She also directs the Many Faces of Diversity at UTC Summer Program.

Dr. Hill was voted Student Government Association Outstanding Professor of the Year 2005-2006; recognized by Senior Outstanding Student as Outstanding Professor 2006-2007; chosen as the African-American Student Unity Week Outstanding Professor 2005-2006 for exemplary contributions to the academic success of African-American students at UTC, and recognized through two resolutions from the 105th Tennessee General Assembly for an outstanding and exemplary job in engaging UTC students in learning, and healthy and meaningful discussions that have enriched their higher education learning experience.



George Leslie Howell

George Leslie Howell was born in Chattanooga. His family moved to Hancock Road as he entered high school. George enrolled at Booker T. Washington High School and graduated in the class of 1958. When he was 16, he entered Knoxville College and earned a Bachelor's degree in chemistry. In 1968, he graduated cum laude from Howard University Law School.

In the 1970's, the cyclist and jogger was an associate for the city law firms of Moore, Alexander & Rindskopf; and Jackson, Patterson, Parks & Franklin in Atlanta, GA. His most recent assignment had been as managing partner of Howell & Associates.

Mr. Howell specialized in public finance, general corporate and small-business law; he also enjoyed handling uncontested adoptions, feeling great pleasure in placing children in loving homes. He was also associated with Adorno & Yoss, LLC of Atlanta.

He served as general counsel for organizations that included the Federation of Southern Cooperatives Land Assistant Fund; the Southern Cooperative Development Fund; National Conference of Black Mayors; Zoo Atlanta; and West End Medical Centers.

He helped establish the Hammonds House Museum and the National Black Arts Festival. He served on the board of directors of the High Museum and in other roles.

In 1979, Mr. Howell joined the Paideia Board of Trustees; he served seven years and was Chairman of the Board from 2001 – 2006. He helped launch a capital campaign that raised more than \$25 million for the schools. It was during that period he founded a school group called the Black Parent Organization, which still exists to this day.

In 1990, he wrote and self-published a book called "The Nonprofit Directors Handbook," having just completed a second edition before his death which occurred on February 2, 2010 in Atlanta.



Dr. Fred Ross III

Dr. Fred F. Ross, III is a graduate of Chickamauga Elementary School, Tyner Junior High and Tyner High School. In the fall of 1978 Fred enrolled in the Pre-Pharmacy Program at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and remained there for two years. He then transferred to the University of Tennessee Pharmacology School in Memphis Center for the Health Sciences. Dr. Ross graduated in 1984.

Dr. Ross worked for several large pharmacies in Chattanooga including Red Food Pharmacy (17 years), Kmart (18 months), Walgreen Pharmacy (7 months) and CVS Pharmacy (6 years). Dr. Ross acquired experience needed for operating his own business. He decided to open a family pharmacy in a community that was under served. Ross' Pharmacy was established on March 10, 2008 in the predominantly Black community of Orchard Knob. Dr. Ross and his wife Carol are the owners of the business. Ross' Pharmacy is the only African-American owned pharmacy in Hamilton County.

Barbara has had some amazing experiences being the step-mother of Oprah Winfrey. She has had the opportunity to travel the world and meet internationally known leaders.



Left to right: Barbara Harris Winfrey, Maya Angelou, Oprah Winfrey and Vernon Winfrey



*Seated: Nelson Mandela
Standing left to right: Vernon Winfrey, Rosalind Eddins, Mrs. Andrew Young, Andrew Young and Barbara Harris Winfrey
(In South Africa for the opening of Oprah's school)*



Left to right: Barbara Harris Winfrey, Coretta Scott King and Vernon Winfrey

CHAPTER IV

BLACK BUSINESSES OF SHEPHERD

Beginning in the 1940's, Black-owned businesses emerged in Shepherd. The businesses were varied and met the needs of the residents. Many of the businesses no longer exist but for a time, they thrived and proved to be lucrative for the owners. A majority of the businesses were located in "Downtown Shepherd" on Shepherd Road and what is now Tuskegee Blvd. A few of the businesses continue and are doing well. Some of the businesses perform services that are desired by residents of the community and citizens from throughout the city.

Following is a listing of businesses that have existed or continue to operate in Shepherd. **Businesses that are still in existence are in BOLD type:**

Alert Plumbing

A & M Grocery

Bessie Hines' Beauty Shop

Brown's Restaurant

Cabe Petty's Store

Carrie Johnson's Thrift Shop

Delta Brodgen Enterprises: (beauty shop, barber

shop, restaurant and designer wheels)

Fountain of Hope Community Child Care

James Hines' Barber Shop

James Smith's Construction Company, Inc.

Jimmy's Service Station

J & B Club (Later, The Smartt Spot)

Lawrence's Grocery

Mack King's Cleaners

Mary Austin's Beauty Shop

Right Way Inn # 1 (Goolsby's Store)

Right Way Inn #2 (Behind the Moon)

Roberts' Hardware Store

Roberts' Grocery Store

Sanders Lock & Key

Sax's Collision And Repair Shop

Simmons' Car Wash

Simmons' Washeteria



Simmons' Car Wash & Washeteria

Sister's Catering

Smith's Red Hot Bar- B- Que/Airport Pizza

Smith's Service Center

The Rock House

Tom Jenkins Dry Cleaner

Whitehead's Barber Shop

Willie's Truck & Tractor Shop

James and Pearlene Smith rented a building from Nathan Roberts that was located at 1818 Shepherd Road. Beginning in 1964 they operated Smith's Texaco. In 1968 the Smiths built their own facility and opened Smith's Service Center which was located at 1815 Shepherd Road (now Tuskegee Blvd.). Smith's Service Center sold gasoline, oil and operated an automobile repair service. The business closed in 1988.

Smith's Service Center



SMITH'S TEXACO AND SMITH'S SERVICE CENTER

Nathan Roberts "Mr. Big Roberts" opened Roberts' Store in 1940. It was operated as a neighborhood store and was convenient for residents because of being within walking distance from anywhere within the community. Most of the residents did not have cars for traveling to distant markets. The store was an asset to residents in another way because credit was extended to those who desired that service. People were allowed to charge what they needed and pay at the end of the week or at the end of the month when they received checks. Next door to the grocery store was a hardware store that was also owned by Mr. Roberts. There was a service station on the approximately one half square block area that he owned. He rented the service station to various men of the community over the years.

*Alfreda Roberts and Ricky Shepherd in front of
Roberts Store & Hardware
(The three children are unknown.)*



*Diane Brown and friends in front of
service station that was owned by Nathan Roberts*



ROBERTS' STORE

LET'S TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT SOME OF THE BUSINESSES THAT NO LONGER EXIST..

LAWRENCE'S GROCERY



Mildred inside store



Mildred and Carolyn inside store

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Lawrence and their daughter, Mildred Lawrence purchased Roberts' Store in 1961. Because of the outgoing personality and kindness of Mildred, the store thrived and became the hub of the Shepherd Community. One could purchase food, coal, oil and clothing from the store. The location and provisions were excellent for those who did not have transportation.

The store would open at 6:00 a.m. to provide the school children a place to wait for the school bus out of the cold weather. The bus driver made the store his pick-up and drop-off point for the students. People of Shepherd worked together in that way...like a family.

Lawrence's Grocery offered credit to its customers who needed it. This service continued until the store closed in 1999.



Mildred inside store



Ladale King leaving store

DELTA BROGDEN ENTERPRISES



Delta Brogden business complex

The Delta Brogden Enterprises began in 1994. The business complex owned by Delta Brogden, Jr. consisted of a beauty shop, barber shop, designer wheels and a restaurant. When the building opened, the beauty shop, barber shop and designer wheels operations were the only businesses providing such services in the Shepherd area at the time. The businesses proved to be profitable for a while, however, the owner decided to discontinue the operations in 2003.

Mrs. Goolsby continued to operate the store until her health failed. She too had a stroke and remained in the hospital in a coma for over a year. She died without regaining consciousness on June 12, 1991. Her sudden death from a stroke while plowing a field for a garden.

Nolen and Rosa sold the property to Eli and Sylvia Goolsby on June 28, 1946. Mr. and Mrs. Goolsby was known throughout Shepherd as "Goolsby's Store." Eli and Sylvia operated the store together until his lived in the downstairs area and operated the store. The store, though officially named Right-Way-Inn #1, the store for a while. The store was named Right-Way-Inn #1.

Nolen Heard and his wife Rosa, purchased property from Washington Park, Inc., (a corporation) on November 27, 1944. They built a structure that included a downstairs living area and space for a "mom & pop" store with an upstairs apartment for rent. Nolen and Rosa lived in the downstairs area and operated



Goolsby's Store

RIGHT WAY INN #1 (GOOLSBY'S STORE)

City workers heard of the excellent home cooked meals and large numbers of them began to have lunch there daily. There was construction taking place on Shepherd Road and those workers began to eat there. The employees of businesses on Polymer Drive heard about the wonderful food and also came. The Brown's Restaurant thrived for two years but in 1997 it was decided to close the business.

Mrs. Beulah Williams operated a restaurant next door to Lawrence's Grocery. Her health began to fail and she was no longer able to keep the business going. Mrs. Williams was an excellent cook and had built a good customer base. She encouraged Mildred Lawrence Brown to keep the business going because it could be to her advantage. Mildred is also an excellent cook, so in 1995 she began to operate the restaurant and changed the name to Brown's Restaurant.



Mildred and Nathaniel Brown

BROWN'S RESTAURANT

daughter Florence operated the store on a limited basis (very little stock) until she died in the building of a massive stroke on March 19, 1996. The building was used very little after Florence's death. Finally, on April 19, 2002 George and Jennifer Maffett closed the deal on purchasing the property. They have completely renovated the inside and now have office space where the store had been. The living quarters and the upstairs apartment are occupied by tenants.

The following quote was displayed in the Goolsby Store for over 40 years:

*Man to man is so unjust,
I hardly know just who to trust.
I trusted so many to my sorrow,
Cash today, credit tomorrow.
-Unknown*



Mrs. Sylvia K. Goolsby



Florence Goolsby Owens

RIGHT WAY INN #2 "BEHIND THE MOON"



Behind The Moon

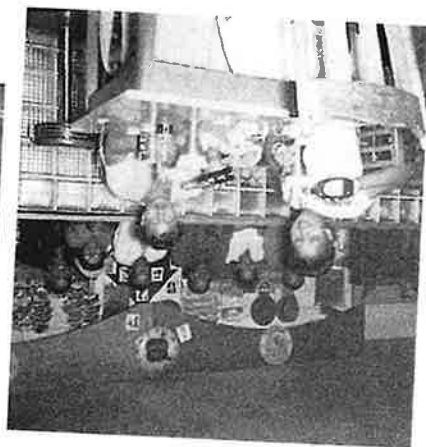
In 1952, George W. Maffett, Sr. acquired a property that consisted of three lots on Fisk Avenue. On the property was a house that the builder, Noland Heard lived in when it was first constructed. Also on the property was a two-story building and in the rear of the two-story building were eight cabins.

In the downstairs area of the two-story building, George operated a confectionery. The upstairs area served as a night club that became popular throughout Black Chattanooga and beyond. The club was known as "Behind the Moon." "Behind the Moon" featured bands and other entertainment acts such as fire eaters that drew crowds from miles around. Believe it or not, entertainers who were traveling the "Chitterlin Circuit" at the time and performed in Shepherd at "Behind the Moon" included James Brown and Little Richard.

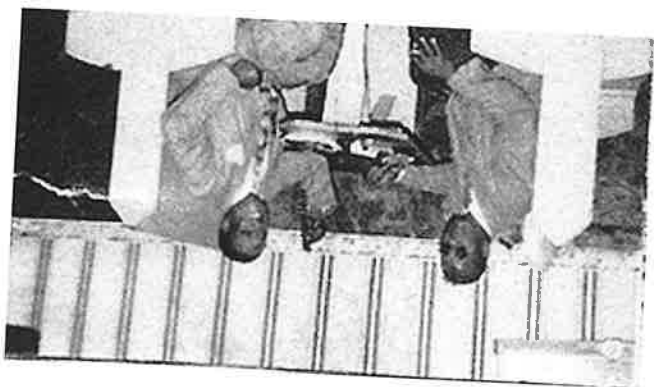
The house on the property was referred to as the "Guest House." The entertainers stayed there when performing at "Behind the Moon." The eight cabins served as motel rooms. They could be rented by the week, day or by the hour.



George W. Maffett, Sr.



Noland Heard



*PATRONS OF "BEHIND THE MOON"
DOING THEIR THING...*

THE ROCK HOUSE

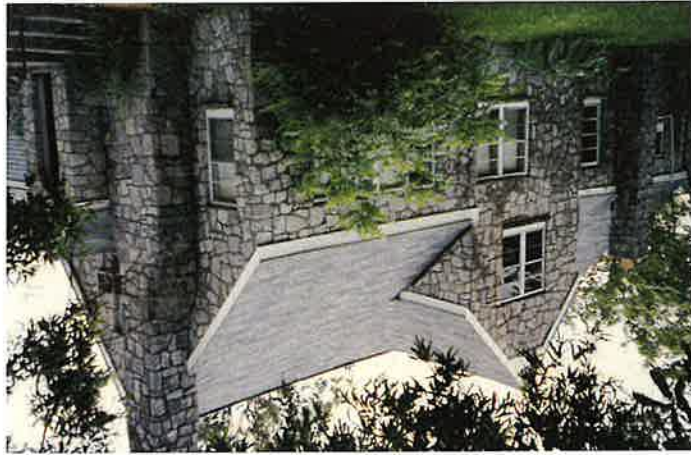


Lilly Sewell



James Sewell

The Rock House was another popular night spot. It was owned and operated by James "Son" Sewell and Lilly Sewell. They lived in the upstairs area and operated the downstairs area as a bar. It was located near the intersection of Atlanta Avenue and Spelman Street.



The Rock House

ALERT PLUMBING



Alvin "Al" Thomas

In 1955, Elmer W. Thomas went into the plumbing, heating and air conditioning business. He named his business Alert Plumbing Heating and Air Conditioning Company. During the summer, evenings and on week-ends, he carried along his young son who showed interest in the work as a child. The son continued to shadow his father into adulthood. Eventually, Elmer Thomas and his son, Alvin E. Thomas became partners in the business. In 1994 Elmer decided to retire and Alvin bought his father's share of the business. Alert Plumbing Heating and Air Conditioning Co. is a full service company prepared to install water lines, connect houses to city sewers and do any general plumbing installation and repair. Alvin receives calls from all over the city and takes pride in being dependable, being on time and doing the best job possible. Al lives at 2201 Shepherd Road where he stores his truck and other equipment. When you need a master plumber or heat and air conditioning work, give Al a call. His number is (423) 894-3037.

A & M GROCERY



Mrs. Minnie Petty

In 1963, Alexander "Pap" and Minnie Petty and their six children moved to Shepherd. Alexander's brother, Cabe had settled in Shepherd years before. The families originally were from Huntsville, Alabama.

In 1969, Alexander and Minnie opened A & M Grocery at the intersection of East and West Shepherd Roads. Through the years the "Mom and Pop" store has become a landmark of the community.

The idea of opening a store was a dream of Alexander's. He wanted to follow in the footsteps of two of his brothers who were entrepreneurs and established stores in Shepherd and Chicago, Illinois. The property had that they bought in Shepherd was ideal for establishing a store because a building on the property had actually been used as a store in previous years. A White family, the Underwoods, had lived in the house and operated a store from the nearby building.

The store has benefited many residents of the community. Mr. and Mrs. Petty have extended a helping hand to the less fortunate. They have also allowed customers to buy food on credit.

Mr. Petty died in 1987, however, Mrs. Petty has continued his dream. Stop by A & M Grocery and have a delightful and informative conversation with Mrs. Petty and while you are there, purchase something you want.



A & M Grocery

Rocksand rented space from Delta Brogden in Shepherd on Shepherd Road. She remained at that site for three years. She then had the opportunity to purchase an ideal building just a block away from where she was operating. Rocksand has now been in the building at 6000 Fisk Avenue for five years. The business is doing great. She is at capacity with 44 children during first shift (6:30a.m. – 5:30p.m.) and 20 students are enrolled second shift (3:30p.m. – 11:30p.m.).

The church that operated the child care facility decided to move its work to Memphis, Tennessee. The leaders of the church approached Rocksand telling her that if she would buy the building, they would give her the day care business. She discussed the proposition with her mother and sister and the three of them decided to accept the offer and become partners in ownership of First Step Christian Day Care. Rocksand remained partner with her mother and sister for six years. At that time she decided to give them that business and branch out on her own

Rocksand was hired as a teacher but within one year she was promoted to director. When she became director, the owner attempted to register her in college at Chattanooga State. As the college reviewed her application, they learned that she did not have a high school diploma. This was a fact because she married at age 16 and dropped out of high school. The owners of the child care and Chattanooga State staff wanted to help her. She was told to take the GED the next day and if she passed, she would be allowed to enroll in college. By this time, Rocksand had been out of school for 12 years. She agreed to take the test the next day and believe it or not...she passed the test! Rocksand did enroll at Chattanooga State and continued to work as Director of the child care facility.

Rocksand Martin had a good job working at Olan Mills making \$10.00 per hour. She was married and had three children. Her working hours at Olan Mills did not allow her to spend the quality time with her family that she desired. Rocksand quit her job at Olan Mills and accepted a position as a teacher at a Christian day care center located at 2633 Glass Street. She accepted the job even though it paid only half of what she was making at Olan Mills. Rocksand feels that accepting that job was a blessing because she soon realized that working with children was her gift.



Fountain of Hope

Rocksand mentioned that residents of the Shepherd Community are given a discount. Residents pay a flat rate of \$75.00 per week per child.

Rocksand is happy and optimistic about her business. She employs her daughter and her daughter-in-law. They all seem to love their work.

If you have child care needs, call (423) 510-0016.



Children taking a nap



*Center: Rocksand and Martin – Left: Makhi Isom and Nathan Reed
Right: Jordan Hayden and Armani Jones*

The Chattanooga Times, Friday, March 31, 1995



James Smith, standing near a dump truck at one of his company's construction sites in East Brainerd, attributes much of the success of his company to hiring from his own family.

Paving the way

Family's hard work on construction firm pays off handsomely

By John Graves
The Chattanooga Times

When James Smith arrived in Chattanooga in 1957 fresh from an Alabama farm, he mopped floors for W.T. Grant Co. As a black man he wasn't even allowed to eat in the cafeteria. Three decades later, Smith heads an asphalt and concrete paving company that should generate a quarter of a million dollars in residential and commercial business this year. "We do everything from tennis courts to driveways, street patches, parking lots, you name it," said Smith's son, Richard, who serves as site foreman. Smith started James Smith Construction Inc. in 1964 after working a variety of jobs in Chattanooga. Recent contracts for JSC have included the floor store on Lee Highway, New United and Union Hill Baptist churches on Tunnel Boulevard, and several residences in the Chattanooga area. "We do mostly equipment maintenance and small paving jobs in the winter. Business is picking up now that it's getting warmer and rain won't delay us for the big jobs," Richard said. James Smith said although his company experiences slower seasons, it has never been in trouble financially. "The business always paid for itself. Chattanooga deserves the name 'Scenic City' because somebody's always building something here," Smith said. The business began in 1964 when Smith, who owned a dump truck, entered into a partnership with Raymond Evans. "Raymond told me, 'You got a truck and I got some tools, why don't we go in business laying down asphalt and split the profits?'" Smith said. After buying out his partner in 1968, Smith, who

also owned a service station at the time, was able to leave his second-shift job at the Mueller Co. and work for himself full time. "I couldn't handle the station, construction and Mueller, and around '88 or '89 I closed the station and went strictly construction," Smith said. Smith brought pride and a willingness to work to his new business. "I like to make people happy with my work. I like having them say that is a beautiful job," Smith said. "The man's a workaholic. They leave here at around 7:30 or 8 a.m. and James is the first one there and the last one to leave a job site," said Smith's wife Pearlene, a self-taught accountant who manages the finances for the business. Along with hard work, Smith attributes his success to hiring three out of his four employees from his family. "All my children have worked with me. I can deal with them better than a stranger off the street. Since Richard's been to college he's helped me a lot on the business end, especially with paper-work," he said. "Your family cares about the business' welfare as much as you do," Richard added. In addition to JSC, Smith rents out eight of his nine homes and he and Richard co-own the S&D Used Car Dealership near their homes on Green Shannon Road in Ooltewah. "When I started, I couldn't even imagine making what I make now. I really have succeeded in life. I'm stable. Plus I'm happy, every day's different," Smith said.

Company: James Smith Construction Inc.
Owner: James Smith
Established: 1964
Product: Residential and commercial asphalt and concrete paving
Employees: 4-10
Initial investment: \$5,000
Projected (or estimated) revenue: \$250,000

The Smith Family moved to Brainerd in 1979 and later to Ooltewah. James E. Smith, Sr. died on April 11, 2004. His youngest son, Rev. Richard Smith is now the CEO of the business and Richard's mother, Pearlene serves as Office Manager. If you have paving needs, you may contact James Smith's Construction Company by calling (423) 892-4516.

SANDERS LOCK & KEY SERVICE



Duane Sanders

Duane Sanders, a resident of the Shepherd Community assumed the ownership of Sanders Lock & Key Services from his father, Elijah Sanders. Duane began working with his father at the age of 32 and shadowed him for the next 10 years. After completing all local and state requirements, the business was passed on to Duane in July of 2001.

Duane has membership in Associated Locksmiths of America which provides on-going training in the profession. He has been on his own for the past 10 years and has really made his father proud. The business has been expanded to include the general Atlanta, Georgia area. Duane was recognized for his masterful work by the Chattanooga Times Free Press by being selected as a finalist in Best of the Best Locksmith in 2010. If you have any need involving locks or keys call Sanders Lock and Key and you can be assured of a professional job. Dial (423) 698-0314.



Sax on the job*"Making her like new"*

If you should have the misfortune of having a dent in your automobile, "Sax" will smooth it out. Stop by 1817 Tuskegee Blvd. next door to Washington Park Baptist Church or call (423) 227-8666.

"Sax" bought a building from Tom Jenkins in 1973 that had been used as a dry cleaner in Shepherd. He has operated his business from that site since. "Sax" is an expert at repairing damage to fenders, doors and bumpers. He takes pride in doing touch-up and matching paint work to vehicles. (Sax does not do all-over painting jobs.)

Clarence E. Saxton worked for the Mueller Company for twenty years. Before that he had worked with a friend in Detroit, Michigan who owned Horton's Garage. He recalled really enjoying that work and he remembered that his friend made a very decent living. So, after working in a foundry for 20 years, "Sax" decided to enroll at Chattanooga State in the Automobile Body Repair Department. He is really glad he did because he too has been able to earn a living by using skills learned and doing something that he enjoys.

*SAX'S COLLISION AND REPAIR SHOP*



LOAR: Jean Strickland, Dixie Ballou & Armelia Williams

If you have a taste for some "home cooking" at its best, then call Sister's Catering. Three sisters, (Jean, Armelia and Dixie) all nearing retirement age decided to start a business. The business would supplement their retirement income. Also, they would be doing something they already knew how to do and something that they enjoyed doing.

The sisters got their training in cooking from their mother, who was an excellent cook and from working in school cafeterias and restaurants as young adults.

Their goal at the time was to build a solid base for the business prior to retirement so that upon retirement, the business would be well established. In the year 2000, they applied for and received a business license and Sister's Catering became a reality.

The present objectives for maintaining the business are:

1. Offer the best prices possible to prospective clients.
2. Offer first class service
3. Provide well prepared food that is excellent in taste and eye appeal.
4. Promote business through client satisfaction.

The Sister's Catering experience includes catering for businesses, reunions, picnics, church groups, office parties, receptions, weddings, dinner parties, rehearsal dinners, box lunches, meetings, party trays and barbecues.

For your next catering needs, let the sisters make your eating experience ... a delicacy to remember!

Armelia Williams
892-3365

Jean Strickland
899-2884

Dixie Ballou
894-9684

WILLIE'S TRUCK & TRACTOR SHOP



Geneva Atkins



Willie Atkins, Sr.

Willie L. Atkins, Sr. was born and raised on a 465-acre farm in Marion, Alabama (Perry County). Marion is also the hometown to Coretta Scott King. While in high school, Willie worked during the summer months for a White man who repaired farm equipment. Willie paid close attention because he has a mechanical mind and this work was something that he had a sincere interest in. Willie enrolled in welding school and became an expert in welding because this skill is needed in repairing large equipment. In 1951 the agriculture teacher made a visit to the farm owned by Willie's father. He noticed an invention of Willie's attached to the rear of his father's tractor. Willie's father stored ground up sugar cane stalks in a big hole dug in the ground. It was placed there for feeding the cows during the winter months. Willie developed an attachment to the tractor that would move from side to side at his command and for spreading what was stored in the ground as he packed it driving back and forth over the hole with the tractor. The teacher took a picture of the contraption and sent it off to the Atlanta Convention of Future Farmers of America for entering in the competition. Willie won \$600.00 for his invention as he placed 2nd in the competition. This was the most money Willie had ever seen!

Willie and his wife Geneva lived for a time in New York City where he worked as a welder. Geneva became ill and doctors encouraged them to move to another area of the country. Willie and Geneva selected Chattanooga as the place to live because he had relatives living there. He could not get a job welding in Chattanooga immediately because each state has its own license requirements. Willie found employment at a rental company on 23rd Street making \$1.85 per hour. A customer observed him doing his expert welding on several occasions and referred him to the Caterpillar Company that was also located on 23rd Street at the time.

The managers of the Caterpillar Company were impressed with Willie's skills and work ethics and decided to send him to school one day per week for three years. He would travel to Nashville, Knoxville and Johnson City, Tennessee to learn tractor and truck repair at Caterpillar sales and service companies in those cities. By 1971, Willie was earning \$8.80 per hour.



Shop

Willie worked for TVA for 3 years repairing tractors and bulldozers. In 1973, he purchased property and built his own shop located at 5910 Shaw Avenue. He is responsible for repairing huge earth moving equipment valued as high as \$365,000. He is so good at what he does that he has a contract with the Tennessee Department of Transportation. He also does work for many construction companies including Brown Brothers Construction. Willie has also brought vehicles from as far away as New Jersey to repair.

Geneva serves as Office Manager for the company. Much of her work involves ordering parts and invoicing for completed jobs.

Willie and Geneva are the parents of four children. Willie, Jr. is a truck driver and works in the shop during his spare time learning his father's trade. Michael repairs and flies airplanes. Their two daughters Gwendolyn and Tonya live and work in Atlanta.



A huge piece of equipment is brought to Willie with a mechanical problem



He breaks it down into many parts



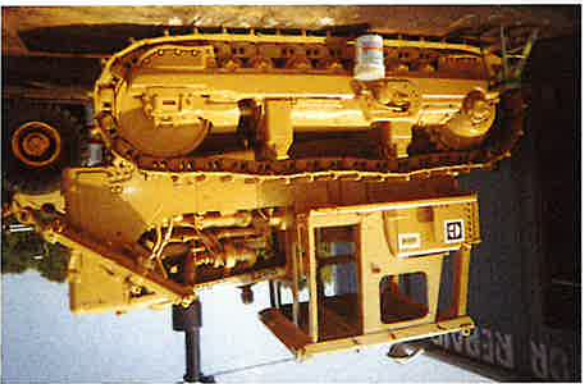
Willie repairs the problem



Willie begins to take the vehicle apart



The problem is located



The huge-earth mover is put together again

The following business is not located in the Shepherd but the owner is from the community. Because of the phenomenal success of the business, we feel that we must highlight the owner in this publication.

CAROLYN GOOLSBY JONES, RHIA – President, C.J. Enterprises, Inc.

Carolyn Goolsby Jones is currently President/Owner of C. J. Enterprises, Inc. The business was formally known as C.J. Health Records Consultant Services, Inc. (CJHR) of Chattanooga, Tennessee. C.J. Enterprises, Inc. is nationally known for its designing of effective and efficient record and information management systems. C.J. Enterprises, Inc. is the first business of its kind to be developed in Chattanooga. In November, 2010, C. J. Enterprises, Inc. celebrated 30 years of being in business. CJE provides employment for over 100 employees and consultants.

Carolyn is a native Chattanooga and was raised, during her early years, in low income housing (Westside Projects). She attended James A. Henry Elementary School in the same location of the Chattanooga Girls Leadership Academy. Her family moved to Hancock Road near the airport in 1954 and she then attended Chickamauga Elementary School through grades 5 and 6. Carolyn enrolled at Booker T. Washington in the 7th grade and remained through the 11th grade. She transferred to Howard and graduated in the class of 1961.

Carolyn always had the dream of owning her own business. She observed her parents (Clyde and Paralee Goolsby) who were business owners. They were the owners of a restaurant on the Westside; a taxi cab service, Westside Cab Company and a garbage disposal service. Mr. Goolsby also owned a school bus which he used as a contract driver for Hamilton County Schools to transport students to and from Booker T. Washington School.

After relocating to Detroit with her family, Carolyn landed a position with Motown Records where she served as receptionist/secretary for Ms. Esther Edwards (Bary Gordy's sister). Carolyn received a wealth of experience in the operation and management of a large minority-owned business.

After leaving Motown, she secured a position as supervisor in the medical records department at Children's Hospital of Michigan. She fell in love with the profession and began to write her goals of going into the business of medical records consulting.

She completed a degree in the field of Medical Records Science, obtaining her degree from Emory University School of Medicine. Carolyn knew she had to be skilled and knowledgeable in the field because she would be working with healthcare providers and physicians on a daily basis. She began to volunteer and work in the various healthcare facilities in order to learn and become well versed in every aspect of medical records; e.g., home health care, nursing homes, drug and alcohol facilities, psychiatric care, colleges, universities and acute care facilities.

After 30 years of being in business, each day is a day of creative thinking, innovative problem solving and transferring of knowledge in order to stay ahead of the competition. Carolyn uses her resources to move the company forward and to advance in the field of science and technology as the total environment changes. It is critical that each aspect of the open market is monitored constantly to keep pace with the changes that rapidly approach hour-by-hour.

C.J. Enterprises, Inc. provides services to clients all over the country and now has offices in Florida, Georgia, Texas, Kentucky and Ohio. CJE has also expanded internationally with a partner located in New Zealand.



Carolyn Goolsby Jones

CHAPTER V

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS OF SHEPHERD AND THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS

As we look back on community organizations that have existed in the Shepherd Community, we realize that there have been three distinct community associations. We have minutes of the first association dating back to the early 1920's. The name of the first organization was the "Shepherd Community Club." The president was Rev. J. W. Ridley and later, Mr. Emery G. Henderson. The secretary was Mrs. Mary Strickland and the chaplain was Rev. W.G. Strickland.

The Shepherd Community Club functioned at least until the late 1930's. During late 1930's and the early 1940's there was an influx of newcomers to Shepherd as a result of an ad campaign for the selling of lots for homes. The lots were sold first by Realty Trust Corporation and later by Washington Park Inc., a corporation. For example, on November 4, 1936, lots were deeded to Theodore Watley, F. M. Storey, Otis Jackson, Jerry Malone, Susie Mae Brown and Richard Swaing. By the early 1950's a new community association surfaced. The name of the new community association was the "Shepherd Civic Club." Mr. Emery G. Henderson continued to be a leader in the second organization along with newcomers including Raymond Hudson, Sr., Florence Goolsby Owens, Sally Moore, Emmitt Henderson, Wiley and Ethel Simmons, Sr. and Robert L. Marsh.

The third community association was initiated in 1967 and continues to the present. Organizers of the "Shepherd Community Action Council" included again: Mr. Emery G. Henderson, Bro. George Carson, Bro. Rufus Williams, T. H. Cravens, Florence Goolsby Owens, Emma Cravens, Rose Palmer, Mildred Cooke, Armelia Williams, Sally Moore, Jean Strickland, Dixie Ballou, Barbara Lipkins, Hanson and Arlena Smith, Rev. Samuel and Velma Jenkins, and Annie Presley. Malcolm Walker became involved in 1969 shortly after finishing college.

Mr. Emery Henderson was a leader in all three of the community associations of Shepherd beginning in the early 1920's and served until his death on February 23, 1987 at the age of 92. He was proud of his community and worked very hard to provide improvements by organizing the people and involving elected officials and people of influence in making resources available.



In memory of Mr. Emery G. Henderson who dedicated his life to improving the Shepherd Community (far right)

Others pictured with Mr. Henderson -
Left To Right Rear: Malcolm Walker, Armelia
Williams and Dixie Ballou.
Front: "Little Mr. and Little Miss Shepherd",
(1982) Ronald Strickland, Jr. and Lakesha
Davidson.

We are now going to examine the activities of the three community associations and highlight their achievements as they labored for the benefit of the Shepherd Community.

"SHEPHERD COMMUNITY CLUB" 1920's - 1930's

The main focus of the Shepherd Community Club was to raise funds for purchasing land that was to be used as a cemetery for residents of the community. The organization met on a monthly basis as by-laws were developed and funds were collected for making monthly payments on land. The organization was required to pay \$10.00 per month until the land was paid for in full. You will notice from the minutes that will follow that on June 20, 1926, the group appropriated \$50.00 for the first payment on the cemetery land. On December 8, 1930, the organization approved paying the balance of \$30.00 in order to get their deeds. It appears that the organization paid a total of \$600.00 for the land. We have also included the minutes dated October 10, 1927 to give you an idea of how the meetings were conducted and what the efforts were at the time.

May 17 - 1926

Mr James Hughes
" J W Ridley
" W. G. Strickland

Community meeting met at the usual hour
with the chairman presiding
song down at the cross
prayer by W. G. Strickland and song let Jesus lead you

\$1.00	Mr James Hughes
1.50	" J W Ridley
.50	" W. G. Strickland
total	\$4.00

June 20th 1926

Community meeting met at the usual hour
with the chairman presiding
song down at the cross
prayer by W. G. Strickland and song let Jesus lead you

\$2.50	Fred Wilks
5.00	Agustus Craven
5.00	Harvey Calbert
5.00	James Gillispie
1.00	James Gilbert
4.00	Archie Coore
1.00	Arthur Bird
1.00	Emery Henderson
3.00	W. M. Craven
1.00	J. W. Ridley
total	\$28.00

It was moved and second that we Make the first payment on our Cemetery \$50.00

Shepherd Tenn Dec 8 - 1930

The community club met at the usual
hour with the chairman presiding
song pass me not o gentle savior
prayer by the chaplain W. G. Strickland
The chairman declared the house open
for business. The minutes of last meeting
was received and adopted. It was moved
and seconded that we order out \$30.00 out
of the tres to pay off the ended of
the cemetery and get our deeds.
Turned over to the tres. The same 63.00
what Mr. Rankin paid for lumber.

Moved & second those that have
paid part & those that have relatives
& live in the community bury in the
said cemetery have a right to
bury their family for \$5.00 dollars
& those that don't have relatives &
buried in the said cemetery & own
property up until Jan 1 1931

Unanimously -
13 For

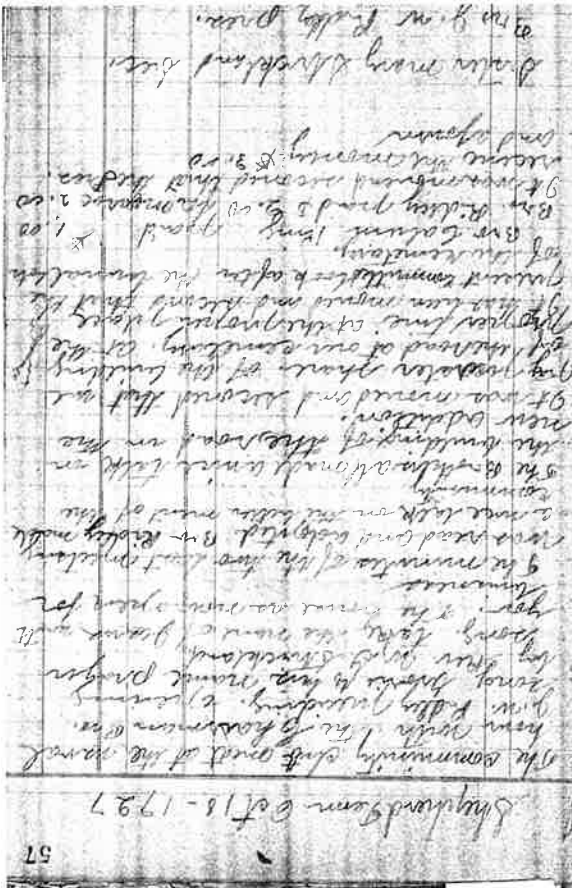
The organization indicated in its by-laws that any family living in Shepherd by 1931 could pay \$5.00 and become a member of the Shepherd Citizens Community Cemetery Organization. This membership would entitle the resident who paid the \$5.00, his immediate family and his descendants, burial rights in the cemetery whether they continued to live in Shepherd or not.

Records indicate that by October 4, 1932, the following had paid the required \$5.00 fee:

J. W. Ridley	Bob Holmes
Dock Goree	Robert Ridley
William M. Craven	Monroe Ridley
Jessie Hughes	Mr. Branton
W. G. Strickland	John Henderson
Augustus Craven	Richard Cross
Harvey Calbert	Frank Hughes
James Gillespie	Andy Gillispie
James Gilbert	Fannie Henderson
Arthur Bird	Tom Rankin
Emery G. Henderson	Anthony Smith
Carrie Wilkes	Quintus Hughes
Huldie Holman	Bro. Dobbins
Bennie Holmes	Justice Wilkes
Carrie Pryor	Frank Mathew
Ada Ervin	Ellen Wilson
Thad Rankin	John Nance
Floyd Westfield	Callian Boldin
J. C. Coats	Emmit Henderson
John Gregory	Annie Johnson
Cornelia Sallington	Jove Seroy Covington
Pope Rankin	Dank Frazier
H. N. Young	Josephine Waters
Harold Westfield	Hazel Higginbotham
Lizzie Willis	William Johnson
Walter Davis	Eula Dorsey
Missie Johnson	

Minutes typed for clarification

Shepherd Tenn Oct 10 - 1927
The community club meat at the usual hour with the Chairman Bro. J. W. Ridley presiding. Opening song. Take the name of Jesus with you. The house is now open for business.
The minutes of the two last meeting was read and adopted. Bro Ridley made a nice talk on the better ment of the Community.
The Brothers all made a nice talk on the building of the road in the new addition.
It was moved and seconded that we pay prorater share of the building of the road at our cemetery at the proper time at the proper place.
It has been moved and second that the present committee look after the burial lots of the cemetery.
Bro Calvin King paid \$1.00
Bro. Ridley paid \$2.00 for Monroe
It was moved and seconded that the Tres. receive the money \$3.00 and apourn
Sister Mary Strickland Sec
Bro J. W. Ridley Pres.





FOLLOWING IS A LISTING OF THOSE WHO ARE BURIED AT THE SHEPHERD COMMUNITY CEMETERY:

Harriett Bankston, Willie Lee Bankston, Dorothy Cathey Bivens, Tanya M. Bloodsaw, Annie G. Byrd, Arthur G. Byrd, Kerry L. Clemmons, Lee "Shorty" Clemmons, Marilyn J. Clemmons, Ann Coates, Cody, Ellen Cody, Willa A. Cody, Deforest Covington, Estella Craven, Clarence J. Craven, Clifford J. Craven, Irene R. Craven, Monroe Craven, Robert L. Craven, Emma L. Craven, Helen Craven, Lester Homer Craven, Robert E. Craven, William Craven, Cynthia Cross, Eva G. Cross, Richard T. Cross, Georgia Mae Daniel, Rev. J. P. Daniel, Ester Mae Davidson, Flossie L. Davidson, Frank Davidson, Percy C. Davidson, Sandra Lee Davidson, Willie F. Davidson, Barbara Ann Davis, Lee B. Derrick, George C. Dorsey, Ruby R. Dorsey, Laura Frazier, M. H. Frazier, Cora Lee Gilbert, Edith E. Gilbert, Emma Gilbert, James M. Gilbert, Oscar Gilbert, R. B. Gilbert, Robert Gilbert, Jr., Viola Gilbert, Zollie Gilbert, Sarah Gillespie, Rachel F. Hadley, Piddie Ham, Ernest Harris, Sr., Clester Hawkins, Cora J. Hawkins, Etta Hawkins, Harry E. Hawkins, Laura Hawkins, Mattie Hawkins, T. A. Hawkins, Cicero C. Henderson, Emmet Henderson, Fannie Henderson, Lillie Henderson, Lottie M. Henderson, Marie Henderson, William Henderson, E. Henderson, Alma Higgenbotham, Hazel Higgenbotham, James Higgenbotham, Leroy Higgenbotham, Omalee Hamilton Higgenbotham, Onie Higgenbotham, Emma Hill, H. L. Holmes, Alma Hawkins Hughes, Emma Hughes, Forrest L. Hughes, Frank Mack Hughes, Lee Ollie Hughes, Lewis E. Hughes, Luke Hughes, Mae L. F. Hughes, Amiel Hughley, Elizabeth Wilkes Hughley, Infant of Ethel Frazier Davis, Edward Jackson, Carrie Johnson, Clifford Johnson, Clyde Johnson, Forrest Johnson, Geneva F. Johnson, Harold Johnson, James W. Johnson, Matilda Johnson, Reba Adline Johnson, Calvin King, Nannie King, Gracie Mae Maccon, Gussie L. Maccon, John Maccon Jr., John Maccon, Sr., William R. Maccon, Lillie M. Marsh, Robert Marsh, Nola J. McCamey, James McCollough, Horace McCollum, Ralph McCollum, Sarah McCollum, Doris Elmor McKissic, Ethel Mae McKissic, Lake McKissic, Derris C. Moraney, James C. Moraney, Ethel L. Nance, John F. Nance, Lulie Nicholas, Charisie Leemore Payton, Lizzie Peacock, Rev. Moses Peacock, Margaret Price, Ellen Rankin, Thadous Rankin, Margaret Wilkins Reed, Frank L. Scott, Jerry Shields, Shropshire, Annie L. Shropshire, Frances O. Shropshire, James A. Shropshire, Marion E. Shropshire, Jr., Marion E. Shropshire, Sr., Josephine W. Simmon, Anthony Smith, XXXX Smith, Katherine C. Starling, E. H. Stone, Mary E. Stone, Robert J. Stone, Addie W. Strickland, Baby Boy Strickland, Herman "Buddy" Strickland, Horace Strickland, Sr., Majorie A. Strickland, Mary M. Strickland, Samuel L. Strickland, Wiley G. Strickland, William Henry Strickland, Mabel W. Thomas, Ralph Edward Waters, Virgil Waters, Sr., Alma W. Waterson, Susan Westfield, Cornelious Wheeler, Roena Wheeler, Hattie Ruth Whitener, Clara J. Wilkes, Edward W. Wilkes, Fred Wilkes, Helen Humphrey Wilkes, Justisce C. Wilkes, Justice T. Wilkes, Iona W. Wilkins, Samuel P. Wilkins, James E. Williams, Robert Williams, Forest Willis, Lizzie Willis, Mae G. Willis, Lillie Wofford, Mattie Wofford, William Wofford, Dorothy Worthy Woods, Patrick Woods, Carl Worthy, Fromia Worthy, G. Ray Worthy, Marie Worthy, Polly Howard Worthy, Shuley Worthy, Temple Worthy, Lucille W. Young.



Past Fifty Years in Poll

Alfred King, Other City Negro Stars Recalled in Roundup of Past Sports

First base when needed. Ronald Sandwiched in with this series of articles on outstanding Negro athletes of Chattanooga will be in most of the time at second base and the catcher's spot. He later played with the White Giants, also the House of David, and now catches for and owns a team in Jackson, Miss. Cicero was a ground-covering shortstop, and also a very effective underhand pitcher. Henry, outfielder and first baseman, still plays with an independent team each season at Colington eye." Henry Strickland was one of the club's pitchers, and his brother, Horace, held down the hot corner. John Henry "Tangle Eye" Small, left-fielder, Julius Waldorf, right-fielder, and Alonzo Watson, infielder, were other members of the team. The athletes will linger long in the memory of those who saw them at their peak.

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The Shepherd Community Club was also interested in education. The organization took the lead in soliciting cash and in-kind services for receiving Rosenwald grants for the building of Chickamauga School in 1926 and Booker T. Washington in 1924.

The organization also supported the community baseball team. Baseball games were a major recreational activity in black communities in the 1920's. Shepherd's team was named the Chickamauga Club and had a reputation for being the best in the region. Satchel Paige who lived in Mobile, Alabama came to Chattanooga to pitch for the Chickamauga Club in 1926 and 1927.

You will enjoy reading the following article that appeared in the "Chattanooga Times" on February 5, 1950.

The Shepherd Community Club was also involved in the growth and development of the Shepherd Community. The organization pushed for land to be reserved for a community park in the "heart" of the growing community. As a result, land was given by J. H. Street and Z. W. Wheland to the Realty Trust Corporation. This was the company that was responsible for the selling of lots in what was labeled "Washington Park." The land was donated on March 19, 1929 for the sole purpose of being used for public park purposes. The land size was 365' X 450' and extended from Clark Avenue to the north, then south to Fisk Avenue. The property was bordered to the east by Tuskegee Blvd. Playground equipment, tables, and a Bar-B-Q grill were installed. Japanese lanterns were used for providing light for night activities in the park. The park was used not only by residents of the community but also by church and youth groups from throughout the city for picnic outings. According to the plan for the First Unit of Washington Park Addition, the public park was to be named "Rankin Playground."



This is all that remains of the Shepherd Park

No doubt, the Shepherd Community Club influenced the naming of the streets as new areas of the community were developed. Consequently, many of the streets were named for historically Black colleges and universities (Fisk, Atlanta, Wilberforce, Spelman, Clark, Tuskegee, Shaw, Meharry Morehouse, etc.). Rankin Street was named for Thadous Rankin, a community leader. Dixson Street was named for a kindly, White land developer. Walden Avenue was named for a Black hospital that was located on E. 8th Street. Carver was named for another Black hospital that was located in downtown Chattanooga that had gotten its name from George Washington Carver. Bunch Street was named for an internationally known Black leader, Dr. Ralph Bunch. Arlena Circle was named for the wife of Frank Smith, the Black man who owned the land and Emory Drive was named for Emory Henderson, a community leader who owned the land where the street was developed.



"SHEPHERD CIVIC CLUB" 1950's - 1960's

Under the leadership of the Shepherd Civic Club, the citizens of the Shepherd Community banded together in the early 1950's in an effort to erect a community center. The effort was a complete success. With neighbors giving their free labor and cash donations, a building was erected. An open house with an exuberant celebration was held when the building was finished.

The center was operated by volunteers whenever there was an occasion for entertainment or the need for a large multipurpose room. The community used their center with little or no conflict.

One exciting event that occurred in the park in the past was the showing of movies by John Walter Adams. John would set up his huge movie equipment after announcing in the community the date, time and title of movie that was to be shown. Adults, teenagers and children would attend and have an enjoyable night at the park. The last "picture show" was held inside across the street from the park at Goolsby's Store.



John W. Adams



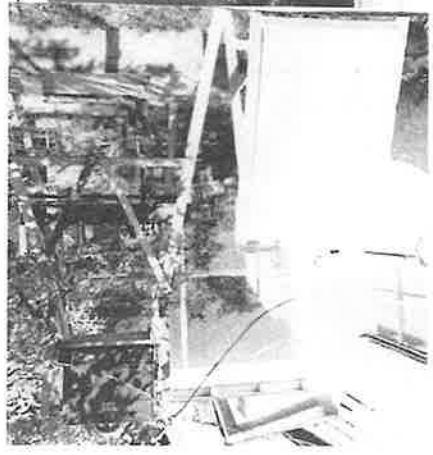
*Patrons Attending The Last "Picture Show"
Riot: Fredrick Williams, Milton Cooper and
Charles Melvin Cooper. Others are unknown
except Lewis Carson in rear center.*



*Boys In Line To Enter "Picture Show"
On right is Cleon Hughes*



Donald Pasley



Movie Equipment

On December 21, 1961, Washington Park, Inc., and Aubrey F. Folts, liquidating agent and Aubrey F. Folts and A. F. Porzelius sole surviving directors thereof, and Charles G. Sisner Trustee, gave, dedicated and quit claimed solely for public park purposes including playground and recreation center, unto Emery G. Henderson, Raymond Hudson, Wiley Simmons, Emmett Henderson and Robert L. Marsh, trustees of the Shepherd Civic Club for the purpose of assuring, improving, operating and administering said land for public park purposes.

The Shepherd Community suffered a terrible blow from the construction of Interstate 153. The acquisition of land for building Interstate 153 was started in 1959. Construction of Interstate 153 was started in October of 1962 and construction was completed in November of 1964. Many families were uprooted from their homes. Some moved from the community because they did not receive enough money from their property to rebuild. That was not the end of the displacement for some of the residents of the community.

In 1970, plans were well under way for a road that would connect Interstate 153 to the airport. The connector road was to go directly through the property that had been deeded to the Shepherd Civic Club and on which the community had built a recreation center. Therefore, the Shepherd Community had no choice but to look for property that would be suitable for erecting a new center. Only a small strip of land would remain after the road was built. The community still owns that small strip of land that the state would not buy. The area has been upgraded through funding from the City of Chattanooga's Department of Neighborhood Services and Community Development to a "mini park" that is maintained by the community. The park is attractive and is used frequently by residents for relaxing and for fundraising activities.

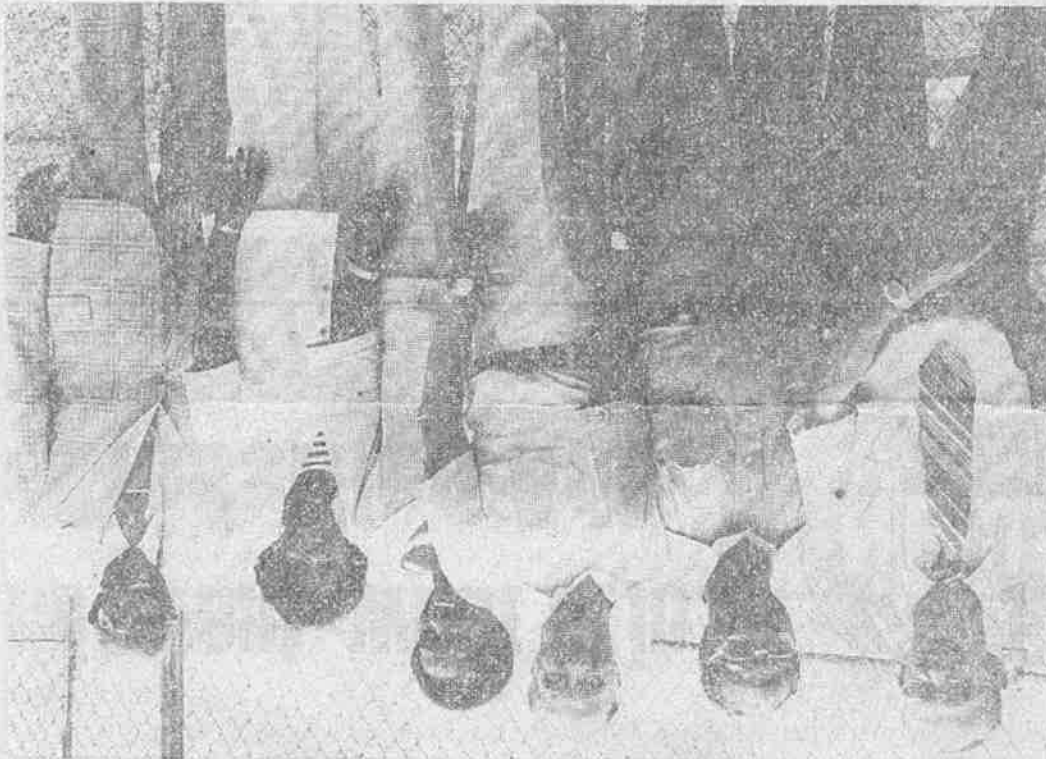
"SHEPHERD COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL" **1967 - Present**

The Shepherd Community Action Council came into being just in time to deal with the airport connector road and the demolition of Shepherd's recreation center. The community received \$10,400.00 for the community center and most of the park grounds. This was not enough money to purchase new land and erect a new building. The Shepherd Community Action Council entered into an agreement with the City of Chattanooga, whereby the City would purchase the land (\$7,000.00) and the Community Council would use the complete amount received for erecting a building. The city would then finance the operation of the new center. This plan was put into action by Commissioner Steve Conrad who was the Commissioner of Recreation, Grounds and Buildings for the City of Chattanooga.

The recreational activities offered by the City were different from the way we had been accustomed to doing things. Commissioner Conrad and his staff, J. W. Rice, Superintendent of Recreation, Darrell McDonald and David Jennings, Supervisors of Recreation worked very closely with the Community Council to get the programs up and running. Malcolm Walker, who was employed as a teacher by the Chattanooga Public Schools was hired as part-time director of the Shepherd Center in 1970. Mr. Walker served in this capacity until 1973.

In October of 1973, Armelia Williams was hired as full-time director of the very small new recreation center. In 1978, Jim Eberle, who became the new Commissioner of Recreation, carried out plans for additional recreational facilities at Shepherd. The Shepherd Community Council had been very much involved in requesting funds for improvements. The additional facilities were made possible by a \$96,440.00 City and Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service matching funds. The funds included \$55,000 for the construction of a lighted league ball field with a scorekeeper/concession/storage building; \$17,000 for the construction of one lighted tennis court; \$12,000 for paving a parking area; \$4,500 for purchasing playground equipment and \$7,940 for architectural fees for monitoring bid specifications and preparation. A grand dedication ceremony was planned and the community came out in large numbers to participate and celebrate.

1979



Commissioner Jim Eberle, Malcolm Walker, program chairman, Armelia Williams, center director, and Emery G. Henderson, for whom the facilities named. (Staff photo by Ronnie Krupp)

Shepherd Recreation Facilities' Dedication Ceremonies Saturday

The Shepherd community would be financed with city funds. The new facilities were named in honor of Emery G. Henderson, a lifelong resident of the community who has been influential in many community projects. Mr. Henderson is 85 years old.

The Shepherd community has recently completed at 5711 Talladega Ave. The facilities include a ball field, bleachers, scorer's stand and concession building, a new fenced tennis court and playground equipment. The total cost to date is \$96,440, funded on a matching basis by the city and the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service. The contractor for the recreation complex was Brown Brothers Inc. and the architect, Hildebrand and Adair. Special activities included a community parade, a formal dedication, three ball games between churches in the area and a community picnic open to the public. Commissioner Jim Eberle, speaking briefly at the dedication ceremonies, praised the Shepherd community for support of the program. The commissioner indicated that fighting for the ball field and tennis court would be adversed in the near future and

NEW FACILITIES AT SHEPHERD—Community leaders Saturday dedicated new recreational facilities provided by the city at Shepherd. Participating in opening ceremonies were, from left, Marshall Hildebrand, architect, Emery Henderson, Commissioner

Armelia Williams was the director-in-charge of the Shepherd Center for eleven years. She was then moved to Carver Center where she was director-in-charge for five years. She was then promoted to a supervisory position at Warner Park. During those years, other directors-in-charge who worked at Shepherd Center were: Clarence Williams, Robert Brown, Ronald Drake and Ivy Strickland, as facility manager.

Residents of the Shepherd Community were never completely satisfied with the recreation facilities that were available. The building was extremely small for the number of children and adults that would frequent the facility. On bad weather days, it was not a pleasant experience being in that one room play-area with large numbers of children.

Chickamauga Elementary School located in Shepherd was closed in 1987. The Shepherd Community Action Council immediately began organizing for requesting the transfer of the building from the Education Department to the Recreation Department for use as a community center by the Shepherd Community. Judge Walter Williams was retained by the Community Council for guiding the group through the legal process and to lobby officials for speedy action. With his help and the leadership of Commissioner Pat Rose, the school building was secured as the new location for the Shepherd Recreation Center! On June 4, 1988, just one year after the school closing, the Shepherd Community Action Council sponsored the grand opening of the Shepherd Multi-Purpose Building with a parade/motorcade and community picnic. Over time the building has been air conditioned and a full-size gymnasium has been added to the structure. We have come a very long way!



Shepherd Recreation Facilities' Unveiling of Plans for New Gymnasium

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The following pages depict

Shepherd Community Action Council



From left to right seated: Geraldine Smith, Julia Selby, Velma Jean Strickland, Mildred Lawrence Jones (Treasurer), Mildred Cooke, Melinda Blakley, Dixie Ballou and Margaret Edwards.
 Second row left to right: Armelia Gates Williams, Patricia Walker, Eva Phillips, Willie Pearl Deramus, Connie Ross Cannon, Jennifer Maffett (Secretary), Carolyn Nance Jackson, Betty Jackson, and Ivy Strickland.
 Third row left to right: Neal McAfee, Edwin Simmons, Clarence Ross, George W. Maffett, Jr. (Vice-President), and Malcolm J. Walker (President).

Not pictured are: Tim and Yanetta Bowman, Cleghorn Jones, Etta McAfee and William Smith.

control bureau had asked the city. The director of the local air pollution by to help Wayne Cripps off a hot seat. The commission also moved quickly to help Mr. Westmoreland as "the superior" public works employees in the state for 1987.

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Westmoreland, who was in a local hospital and unable to accept the Soderly Award to Charles William Littlefield presented the Murphy award for the cloning on this issue.

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Shepherd Zoning Change Ok'd, Permits Ed Wright Dodge Move

(Continued From Page 1)

Commissioner John Franklin said he was aware of the rapid growth in that area, which is in the vicinity of the new Hamilton Place Mall. He said he was "for growth but not at any price." He expressed sympathy for the residents of the area and said he would oppose the proposed zoning change to permit the dealership. Commissioner Franklin pointed out that the "millions of dollars" in funds had been spent in the Shepherd area to improve streets, sidewalks, "with approval of the City Commission" to improve public facilities. The commissioner said he felt that to vote to permit "further encroachment" by commercial development is not in keeping with the past actions of the commission.

T.D. Hardam, executive director of the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission, testified that the area is indeed growing rapidly because of its proximity to Highway 153, the airport and Hamilton Place Mall. He said it is true that the city had spent a lot of money improving public facilities in the residential growth, but he said in light of what is happening, this investment may not have been wise.

Mr. Wright said that he would not

Shepherd Community Council, said he spoke for the neighborhood in "wholeheartedly opposing" the change. He said moving the dealership into the neighborhood would be "a death blow" to the city. Commission voted 4 to 1 today to approve zoning changes to permit Ed Littlefield said circumstances had developed the past several years that (See Page 2, Column 4)

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N.Y.P. Urban Affairs Editor
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CHATTANOOGA NEWS-FREE PRESS—Tuesday, May 26, 1987

CONTINUING PROJECTS				
	5 th	6 th	7 th	
1. East Lake Improvements	\$1,400,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,000,000	
2. 3 rd to McCallie Improvements	\$1,300,000	\$0	\$0	
3. Housing Rehabilitation For The Elderly/Handicapped	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	
4. Project for the Elderly And Handicapped	\$103,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	
5. CD Office	\$125,000	\$130,000	\$135,000	
NEW PROPOSALS				
6. Alton PK/S. Chattanooga Improvements	\$130,000	\$200,000	\$500,000	
7. Fort Wood Area Improvements	\$50,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	
8. E. 9 th Street Area Improvements	\$280,000	\$570,000	\$415,000	
9. Senior Citizen Center	\$200,000			
10. Shepherd Area Improvements	\$140,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	

(Street & drainage improvements for east and west Shepherd)

Shepherd Seems Doomed By Growth Wave

The little neighborhood of Shepherd has existed quietly for more than 100 years. It has been far enough away from the hurried life of downtown Chattanooga all this time that its residents could insulate themselves from the fast-lane existence they so much want to avoid at home.

Most of its 250 to 300 residents are black. Some of them are descendants of slaves who worked for the white Shepherd family, for which the neighborhood is named, according to Malcolm Walker, a member of the younger generation of Shepherd residents.

Most of the residents are geared to the nuclear and computer age, but "love" to return to their homes in the quiet, peaceful, friendly little neighborhood of Shepherd after work.

It's been a special place through the years, Walker said. People there know each other by name. "They are real neighbors, like back in the good old days," before modern-day distractions made next-door neighbors strangers. Shepherd people know each other's children and take care of them, giving them help and guidance when they need it.

Walker said he and his neighbors don't want to lose all this, but he feels they are in danger of doing just that, not because of its people but because of its location.

Shepherd lies in the path of the city's greatest growth movement along the fringe of building in the city's central business district a decade ago.

Shepherd is surrounded by hundreds of millions of dollars worth of development. It lies between Lovell Field, the city's fast-growing airport, and State Highway 153, which connects busy sections of the city on both sides of the Tennessee River.

It also lies within a short walk from the new \$100-million Hamilton Place Mall and the multimillion-dollar developments it is spawning in all directions. The little neighborhood of Shepherd seems about to be engulfed.

Walker, who is assistant principal at Hixson High School, and others living in Shepherd have seen this coming for some time now. They have tried to stop it, to "save" their little residential community from being swept aside by "progress."

A major battleline was drawn Tuesday. The owner of an automobile dealership in Chattanooga wanted to move his business out of the downtown area into the growing Shepherd area. A large delegation of Shepherd residents, learning of the proposal, went to City Hall to oppose the zoning change that would make the move possible.

The city fathers politely heard all the comments and appeals by the Shepherd representatives. Walker, who spoke on behalf of many of the Shepherd residents and property owners, told the City Commission that if they permitted this move they would be opening the door to a probable flood of other requests for commercial development.

"This would be like a death blow to our neighborhood," Walker appealed.

It was obvious that the city fathers were touched by

and also sealed the doom of the school. Enrollment had dropped as the number of families with young children moved out. As residential property became vacant it was bought up by people who planned to develop as commercial or who held on to it to sell for a quick profit to potential developers.

During the hearing, one of the residents from Shepherd said the city fathers property had become so expensive in Shepherd that people were unable to buy to build homes.

A few days after the city's adverse decision, Walker was still unhappy, but he said he feels that perhaps the Shepherd neighborhood and spirit may be salvaged "somewhere."

He said he received some encouragement from Commissioner Littlefield, who pointed out to the Shepherd people that he himself lives in Brainerd and that his own neighborhood has to fight a continuous battle against encroachment. He said that while his neighborhood is near busy Brainerd Road, he and others are determined to keep a buffer between themselves and the hustle and bustle of business along the busy thoroughfare.

"Maybe we can do that too," Walker said, adding, "We are certainly going to try."

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THE HOMELESS REPORT recently presented to Mayor Roberts from James R. Morrison, executive director of the Metropolitan Council of Community Services, encapsulated some interesting data.

A total of 196 persons were interviewed in local shelters (91 percent), on city streets (5 percent) and in the jails (4 percent). Nearly three-fourths were between 21 and 40 years old and 67 percent were men.

Nearly 60 percent of the local homeless interviewed were divorced or separated and only 7 percent were married. Half were high school dropouts and only 13 percent had gone to school beyond the 12th grade.

And the survey did not support the oft-heard comment that "these people prefer to live like this." Of all interviewed, less than 2 percent preferred their homeless status. Most grew up in Tennessee, and 43 percent lived in the Chattanooga area and still have family members living here.

The cause of their homelessness, most said, was loss of job. Eleven percent were admitted alcoholics.

Actually only 10 percent slept on the street or under bridges, compared with 75 percent who slept in shelters provided for them.

A total of 27 percent had no job at all and 14 percent had never even looked for work.

The priority of needs, expressed by the homeless people, was, according to the report, employment, housing, food, clothing and bathroom/shower facilities.

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A REPORT BY the National Clean Air Coalition uses current statistics to support its contention that the nation seems to be losing its earlier momentum to

clean up its air.

Secret Journal and maintained in this column, that nearly 100 major cities in the United States have unsatisfactory levels of smog and carbon monoxide. A lot of Southern cities are included in this "bad" list, including Nashville, Memphis, Atlanta and the Charlotte area.

Happily absent from the two lists is Chattanooga. Chattanooga earned and was awarded attainment status by the federal Environmental Protection Agency in 1983 after a concentrated five-year effort that involved practically all segments of the community, especially local industry, which spent millions to clean up its emissions.

But there have been some discouraging signs of late. Chattanooga barely slipped under the wire last year on its suspended particulate (dust) count. A couple of its 10 monitoring stations have been reporting some higher-than-desired levels.

The city must stay within the total suspended particulate (TSP) limit of 75 micrograms per cubic meter of air, annual average. It must meet this standard at ALL stations, not just some of them.

Last year the Roosevelt Boulevard station readings were barely under the limit. This year so far, readings at this station have continued to run high. The average for the first four months last year was 74. For the same months this year it is 75. That is just one point higher, but it is on the borderline and much too close for comfort.

Wayne Cropp, director of the local air pollution control bureau, is concerned, but he is more concerned at the present time with another problem.

He said the federal government is expected to announce new air quality standards for American cities June 1. The new standards, he said, will be composed of entirely different bases. The present standard is for total suspended particulate. The new one, he said, will measure inhalable particulate (IP), that is, the particles that actually get into the lungs.

He won't know until the new figures are released whether Chattanooga meets the new standard.

He's holding his breath.

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JIM EHEILLE quietly slipped into the background after leaving office last month at the end of a 13-year stint as commissioner of the Public Utilities Department. Because he was a candidate for mayor during the last part of his tenure and involved in a heavy campaign, many feel they didn't get a chance to give him a proper farewell or recognition for the three terms he was in office.

A special group of close friends will try to rectify that Monday when they hold a reception for Jim at the Memorial Auditorium from 5 to 7 p.m. This will give an opportunity to all who want to do so to drop by and thank him or just say hello. Sponsors of the event hope for a big turnout. They will accept donations to be turned over to Jim.



By J.B. COLLINS
Urban Affairs Editor

the appeals, but it was also obvious that they recognized the truth, that Shepherd was located in the center of growth that just could not be turned back. . . . not for long, even if the current request was turned down. Commissioner Ron Littlefield revisited the Shepherd people he had worked with them for several years as a planner before he became commissioner and he was familiar with their situation. He told them that while he sympathized with their feelings about their neighborhood and their desire to maintain it as it is, he could not vote against the swap of progress that had already been set in motion before he took office. Littlefield made the motion to grant the zoning.

In a showdown vote, Mayor Greg Roberts and Commissioners Tom Kennedy, Pat Ram and Littlefield voted to approve the zoning that would allow the automobile dealership to move into the Shepherd area. Only Commissioner John Franklin voted against the zoning. He said he was "for growth but not at any cost."

The Shepherd residents had lost. They sat quietly as if they had heard a verdict of death for their little neighborhood. They began to rise slowly, quietly to leave. Littlefield suddenly spoke out to them as if to try to soothe their hurt feelings.

"I want to assure you," he said with real concern showing on his face, "that I would not have voted this way if I felt there was any way to have avoided the growth in this area."

There was a low rumble of indistinguishable muttering from the departing Shepherd residents. It was obvious from their expression that Littlefield's efforts to placate them had failed.

"You don't care about us....you just wanted to get in office," one of the residents was heard to say, looking in Littlefield's direction.

It wasn't the first time the residents of Shepherd had been turned back in their effort to "save" their neighborhood. A few weeks ago they failed to prevent the city school board from closing their only school.

The growth of commercial developments in the area

Shepherd Community Action Council

President, Malcolm J. Walker
 Vice-President, Lmery Henderson
 Treasurer, Florence Owens
 Secretary, Dixie Ballou

ATTENTION NEIGHBOR!!!

The Shepherd Community Council will sponsor two fund raising activities. The money raised will be used to pay back taxes on the community park property across from Goolsby's Store and to finance the annual "Fun and Picnic Day" to be held at the Shepherd Center on Saturday, June 9, 1984. Your support is needed to make the following events successful.

Turkey & Dressing Dinner

On Sunday, April 1, 1984 the Shepherd Community Council will sell dinners at the SHEPHERD CENTER. Serving will begin at 1:00 p.m. The cost is only \$2.00 per plate.

MENU

Turkey & Dressing
 Macaroni Salad
 Desert
 Green Beans
 Cranberry Sauce
 Tea

On Saturday, May 12, 1984 the Shepherd Community Council will sponsor a carnival in the Shepherd Park on Tuskegee Boulevard.

Bake Sale
 Cokes
 Rumage Sale
 Hot Dogs
 Entertainment

Easter Egg Hunt

The Shepherd Community Council will sponsor its annual Easter Egg Hunt for all children in the community on Sunday, April 22, 1984 at 3:00 p.m. The hunt will be held at the SHEPHERD RECREATION CENTER. Each family is asked to donate one dozen cooked dyed eggs. The eggs may be given to the following people on Sunday morning at the 11:00 a.m. workshop service:

Mrs. Mildred Cooke.....Church of Christ
 Mrs. Florence Owens.....Pilgrim Rock Baptist
 Mrs. Marie Henderson.....St. James A.M.E.
 Mrs. Mirine Ingram.....Washington Park Baptist

If you do not plan to attend either of the above churches on Easter Sunday, please carry your eggs to Clarence Williams at the Shepherd Center on Saturday, April 21st before 5:00 p.m.

EVERYONE IS INVITED !!!

*****REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED TO THOSE TO OLD TO HUNT EGGS*****

JUNE

Shepherd "Fun & Picnic Day"
 Saturday, June 9, 1984

FREE !!!

Community Voices

“When we moved out here, you couldn't see the

store."

55 Fifty years ago
everybody out here

—Harvey Sheats, a resident of 58 years

“When we moved here, there weren’t

— Mildred Jones,
a resident since 1945

“During segregation, James Brown, Little Richard and Duke Ellington performed here.”

Ivy Steward and her love for the community stems from the people and its history. The Shepherd Mill purchase Center facility manner is a res-ident of more than 44 years and

WILLIAMSON was among the students who went door-to-door to collect \$5 donations from their neighbors. Metropolitan Label made also donated \$500 for the sign.

E-mail Yolanda Putnam at yputnam@shawfreepress.com.

University is Raleigh, N.C., and Shaw Avenue after Shaw, include Talladega Avenue, McChesney Street names by black colleges. Historical names are named after historical figures.

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many whites at the time," Mrs.
Williams said.

Klux Klan, he helped make sure several black workers were able to own property. She said she has talked with some of the migrant children of people who worked for Mr. Shepherd.

over, from the county jail and locked him on the Walnut Street Bridge. Hamilton County Courts cleared Mr. Johnson's name in 1999.

In 1906, Mr. Shepherd appeared before the U.S. Supreme Court in defense of Hamilton County Sheriff Joseph F. Shapp, who was charged with a mob

Mr. Shephard, for whom the Little Shephard community was named, used the land to house former slaves and sharecroppers who farmed Mr. Shephard's land. Mr. Shephard started the community in 1917 at age 71, and he died in 1937 at age 71, leaving 21 children.

The Shepherd community was organized in the late 1800s after



Many of the streets in Shepherd are named for black colleges and universities, such as Clark, Tuskegee, Carver and Spelman. Charlie Nunn walks from his house in a loop around the airport usually twice a day.

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Shepherd Habitat for Humanity started building 30 to 40 homes that helped secure Shepherd as a residential community.

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Shepherd Millpur-
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built on Shepherd Road.
2003
Metroplex Taber-
made moved to

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up another building.

together to raise funds to build a multipurpose building on the street now called Tuskegee Boulevard. The street was part of Shepherd Road until the 1970s.

Street Bridge, Hamilton County
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Klux Klan, appeared before the U. S. Supreme Court in defense of Hamilton County Sheriff Joseph F. Ship, who was charged with a mob lock Ed Johnson, a black prisoner, from the county jail and lynched him on the Walnut

Organization. Many people in the organization later became members of the still-existing Shepherd Community Council.

As the number of laborers residing for shepherders to live a portion of the year has declined, the area has become known as the Shepherd community.

Valley about two miles from Shepherd. 1877 Mr. Shepherd bought a home with his wife, Lillian Pope. He hired blacks as sharecroppers, and a portion of his farm was sold

1846 **Junco** **Low** **Shepherd**, for whom the Sheep-head community was named, was born in Hickory

Shepherd
timeline

Frances fallout

Scrubland Tennessee
Georgia residents cope with
wind and rain. • Page B3



Chattanooga Times Free Press

Metro

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Wednesday, September 8, 2004 • • •

51 homes to be built in Shepherd

By YOLANDA PUTMAN
Staff Writer

Habitat for Humanity is constructing an estimated \$3.25 million housing development in the Shepherd neighborhood, the largest it has ever built in Chattanooga.

The nonprofit organization's goal isn't just to provide affordable housing, it's to revitalize a community, said Gail Pollock, executive director.

"We're looking to provide a sense of hope for our families as well as the neighborhoods in which we build," she said.

Habitat workers are building Shepherd Park, at least 51 houses on 10 acres of land, in an area that was once swamp. The homes, three- and four-bedroom bungalows, are valued at \$65,000 each, though homeowners will pay only \$45,000 with zero-interest loans, Habitat officials said.

"We couldn't afford to be homeowners without this," said first-time homeowner Jeanie Smith, 27.

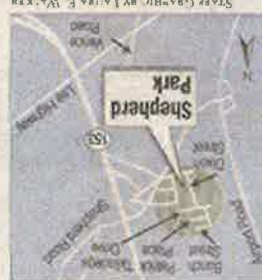
Ms. Smith and her husband, Michael, moved earlier this year into Shepherd Park, where 25 houses already are complete or under construction. The couple said they expect to pay off their home in 15 years.

Contractors had to clear trees on the site and pour up to 9 feet of dirt for some houses because they are in a flood plain, Ms. Pollock said.

"It's an immense job," she said. "That's probably why it's been undeveloped for so long."

City officials also agreed to pave roads where the houses are located. They said they expect to start paving the roads by the end of the month, depending on the weather.

Mayor Bob Corker said the 2.3 acres that contained the former Shepherd recreation center



STAFF GRAPHIC BY YOLANDA PUTMAN

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STAFF PHOTO BY KATHLEEN GLEASON

Volunteer Norm Carter, left, and site supervisor James Sprayberry work on a house in the Shepherd Park subdivision that is being developed by Habitat for Humanity.

City is using \$100,000 of its Community Development Block Grant money for the development.

"We're able to create more housing in our community and additional revitalization in the Shepherd area," he said.

Vulcan Materials donated dirt needed to lift the houses out of the flood plain. AmSouth Bank also helped Habitat secure \$170,000 in grant funding for the houses, officials said.

At least five other developers have been working in the community, Habitat officials said.

Habitat contractors began building in 2002 and plan to complete the project by 2006. All of the homes are sold before they are built, Ms. Pollock said.

However, he said he would prefer the community remain residential development because it is close to Hamilton Place mall. Mr. Walker said the neighborhood is attractive for commercial development because it is close to Hamilton Place mall.

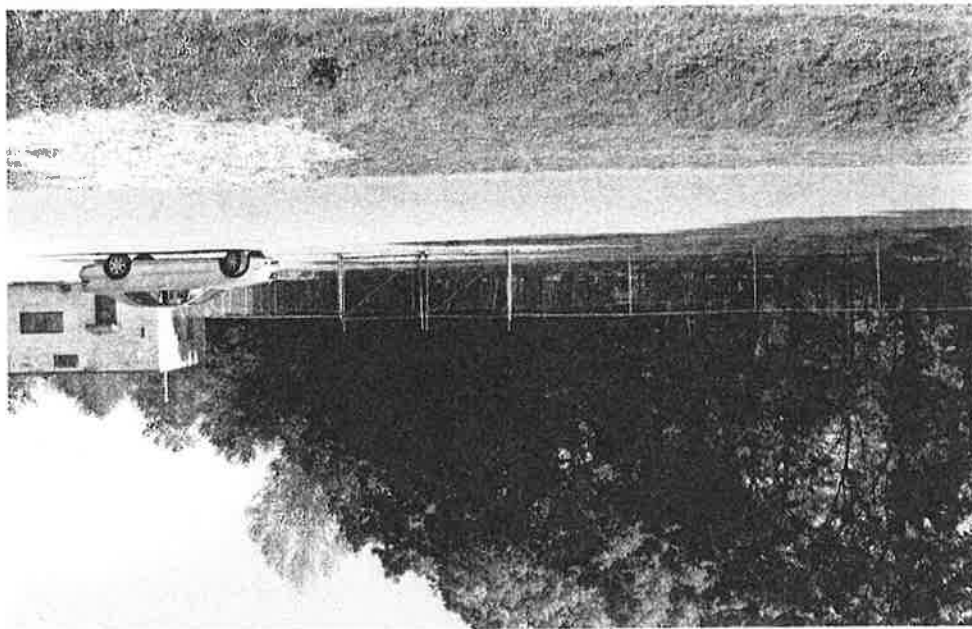
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THE SHEPHERD COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!



A REQUEST FOR REZONING A LOT LOCATED AT 5933 FISK
AVENUE FROM RESIDENTIAL TO COMMERCIAL IS BEING ACTED
ON. THE COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HAS
ALREADY RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST. THE
CITY COUNCIL HAS THE FINAL SAY.
YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING IS
DESPERATELY NEEDED ON MAY 8, 2007 AT 6:00 P.M. TO OPPOSE
THIS ACTION.
BUS TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM THE
SHEPHERD PARK AND FROM THE SHEPHERD CENTER AT 5:00
P.M.

STAND UP FOR SHEPHERD!
 "NO TO MORE DUPLEXES!"
*Our togetherness has stopped the garbage
 dumpsters; Now let's say,*



5:20 p.m.Shepherd Center (Park your car & ride the bus.)

5:10 p.m.Intersection of Dixon Street & Talladega Drive

& Tuskegee Blvd. (Limited parking available.)

Office. Located at the Intersection of Fisk Avenue

Former Goolsby's Store...Now George Maffett's

5:00 P.M.1802 Tuskegee Blvd.

**BUS TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED.
 FOLLOWING ARE THE PICK-UP SITES AND TIMES:**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2007...6:00 P.M.
 CITY COUNCIL MEETING (at Chattanooga City Hall)
MAKE A STAND:
ZONE CHANGE FROM R-2 TO R-1
 (No additional duplexes in our community)



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*The following pages
serve as examples of*

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Chattanooga, Tennessee 37421



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Vicki Cooper
Sandra Gober
Mirene Ingram
Cathy Jones
Ruby Lester
Florence Owens
Rose Palmer
Mattie Rice
Ethel Simmons
Diane Walker
Suzanne Willis

Emma Cravens McConnell was one of the organizers of the Shepherd Community Action Council. She is a very talented person with creative ideas. Emma has a sincere interest in helping people, particularly those who are less fortunate.

During the early years of the Shepherd Community Action Council, Emma worked tirelessly to make the Council a success. One idea that she contributed was establishing Street Secretaries. The Street Secretaries sent birthday cards, get-well cards and informed the Council of deaths in order for flowers to be sent for funeral services. The Street Secretaries also wrote articles for including in a newsletter, (The Shepherd Alarm) about exciting events happening in the lives of people on their streets. They wrote about weddings, graduations, travels and out of town guest etc. The newsletter was also a brain child of Emma's.

The Street Secretaries provided the glue for keeping the community close-knit and was the perfect example of neighbors being neighbors. WE SALUTE EMMA CRAVENS MCCONNELL FOR WHAT SHE DOES IN MAKING A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF PEOPLE SHE COMES IN CONTACT WITH!

LIFESTYLE

The Shepherd Spirit

Neighbor helping neighbor is the motto that allows this community to shine

By CHRIS SHACKLEFORD
News-Free Press Staff Writer

It takes a lot of work to keep a community together — Ar-melia Williams knows that. She has been a resident of the Shepherd community for over 10 years. Ar-melia Williams was first-hand knowledge of the work and effort it takes to keep a neighborhood a safe and healthy place.

ARMELIA WILLIAMS was just named after Judge Lewis Shep-herd when a group of neigh-borhood residents came to-gether and formed the Shep-herd Community Council in the early 1950s.

When the building of Highway 151 literally split the community in two, necessitating the removal of the old school building, the residents banded together to build a new elementary school building. Under the same federal guidelines, Shep-herd residents applied for and received a community develop-ment grant to renovate the school.

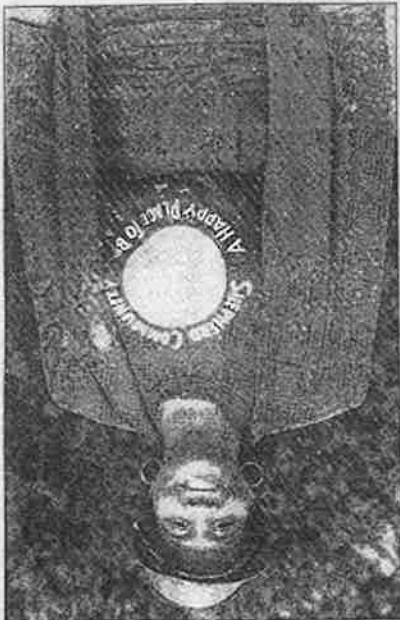
WE, ESPECIALLY, watch out for our seniors. Every Thanksgiving we give out food to the seniors. We also have a "Thanksgiving dinner" for the seniors. Each member of the community invites a senior to the dinner. "Thanksgiving dinner" is the name of the party and presents them with a gift.

In addition, thoughtful neighbors make it a point to check in on elderly residents, running errands for them and attending to their needs.

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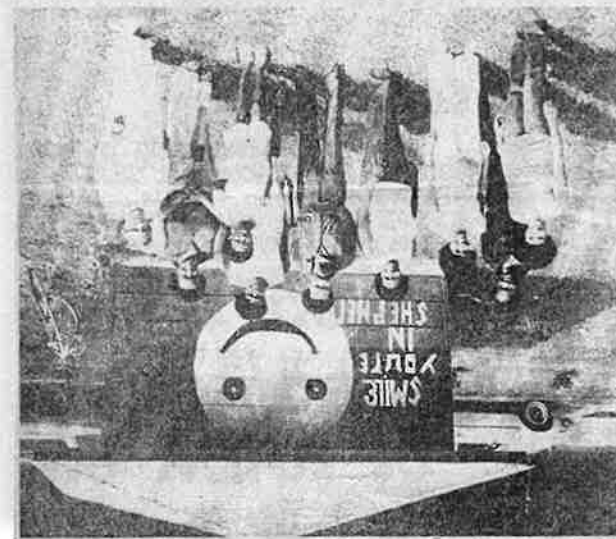
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Armelia Williams, 74, says it all. She and her fellow Shep-herd residents continue to work to keep their neighborhood a pleasant and safe place to grow up and live in.

On Saturday, June 18, the Shep-herd community will hold its annual picnic and parade. This month, members of the Shepherd community gather on June 18, the neighborhood will host its annual picnic and parade.

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Some Shepherd residents pictured at the bus shelter built with funds provided by the community council are, from left, Dixie Ballou, Delta Tucker, Jean Strickland, Armelia Williams, Malcolm Walker, Rose E. Palmer, Clarence Herford, Emma McConnell and Mirvine Ingram. (Staff photo by Robin Rudd)



MOTHER HONORED: Mrs. Inie Higginbotham, seated right, was honored as the Shepherd Community Club's 1979 mother of the year. Mrs. Higginbotham, 50, has lived in the Shep-herd community all her life. During the ceremony the honoree received gifts by, from left, Malcom Walker, club president; Mrs. Mary Ross, the 1969 honoree; and Mrs. Helen Craven, Mrs. Higginbotham's daughter.

Hungry hearts feast on neighbors' thoughtfulness

By Judy Frank

The Shepherd Community Action Council dished up Thanksgiving dinner for those in need.

Still, Thursday was Thanksgiving.

So Thursday morning Mrs. Worthy wheeled herself as close to the kitchen as she could get.

versal — clinging to tables and chairs and the wall for support — dragged herself to the old chair she keeps in front of her stove. Finally, seated again, she began preparing the chicken.

friend had given her so she and Michael, the 11-year-old orphaned grandson she's raising, would have a holiday dinner.

"The Lord's been so good to me," she said, wiping away the tears that would not stop welling in her eyes. "All my life I've tried to do good, and now it's coming back to me. Every time I turn around, one of my neighbors is in here trying to help me."

Thursday was no exception.

Before noon, members of the Shepherd Community Action Council arrived at Mrs. Worthy's door. With them, they brought two dinners: turkey, dressing, the works.

"Ooohhh," Michael said softly, sucking in his breath when he saw the food. The chicken went back in the refrigerator.

The Worthy family is not alone. This year, Thanksgiving dinners to 87 elderly, ill or needy Shepherd community residents.

It takes a lot of food to feed that many people, volunteer Amelia Williams acknowledged.

But after 13 years, we know what we're doing," she added with a happy laugh. "About 22 people are active in the group, and everybody fixed one thing. That way, nobody has to work too hard."

At 10:30 a.m. Thursday, volunteers began spooning turkey, corn, green beans, yams, rolls and homemade desserts into covered containers.

As the individual meals rolled off the assembly line, other volunteers boxed them and carried them to waiting vans and station wagons, and then began fanning out through the community.

By noon, all the food had been delivered. Recipients are chosen for a variety of reasons, according to organizer Malcolm Walker.

"This is an old neighborhood," Walker explained, "and most of the residents have lived here for years. Everybody pretty much knows somebody else and how they're doing, and when they get it."

Take 80-year-old Abbie Smith and her 78-year-old sister, Cora Gilbert.

Last February, the elderly sisters had to be evacuated when a foot of floodwater inundated the Arlene Circle home they have shared for years. For more than three months, the two were forced to stay with relatives while their house slowly dried out enough for them to clean it and move in again. Younger people might have picked up any place else to go.

"We just tumbled up and did the best we could," she said, and the Lord look care of us," she added. "You can't sit here and worry about worldly stuff like floods; that's not what's important."

"I look care of Dorothy," Mrs. Worthy said. "When my husband was sick for nine years before he died, I took care of him. Now, I'm raising Michael."

Eventually, she said, her adopted daughter married and had a son, Michael. He was just 2 when his mother died.

"She was a good daughter," Mrs. Worthy recalled. "If my husband hadn't gotten sick, she would have finished up at U.T.C. But she only got to go one year. After he had his stroke, she quit school and stayed here with him during the days while I was at work, and then went to Edmonson at night."

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Malcolm Walker, center, and Dark Hawkins deliver a home-cooked Thanksgiving dinner to Polly Worthy and her grandson, Michael.



Amelia Williams, right, hands a plate to Jean Strickland and then Mildred Jones, as volunteers of the Shepherd Community Action Council dish up Thanksgiving dinner for those in need.

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Family spirit

Shepherd is known for caring

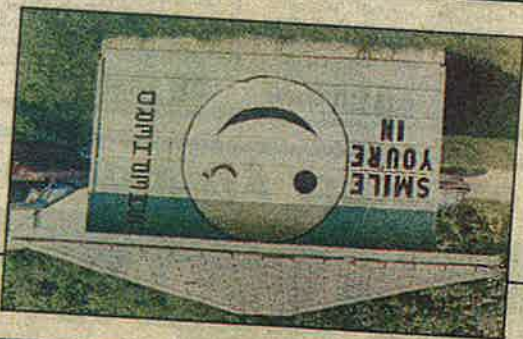
This is the first in an occasional series of snapshots of communities in the Chattanooga area.

By Carolyn Mitchell

Freeways are tombstones for thousands of communities crushed by the relentless unrelenting of the superhighway. But when Highway 153 rolled through the middle of Shepherd, the small, mostly black community refused to wither into fragmented clusters of houses. Many people displaced by the road construction found new homes in the century-old neighborhood that residents claim has the feel of a family.

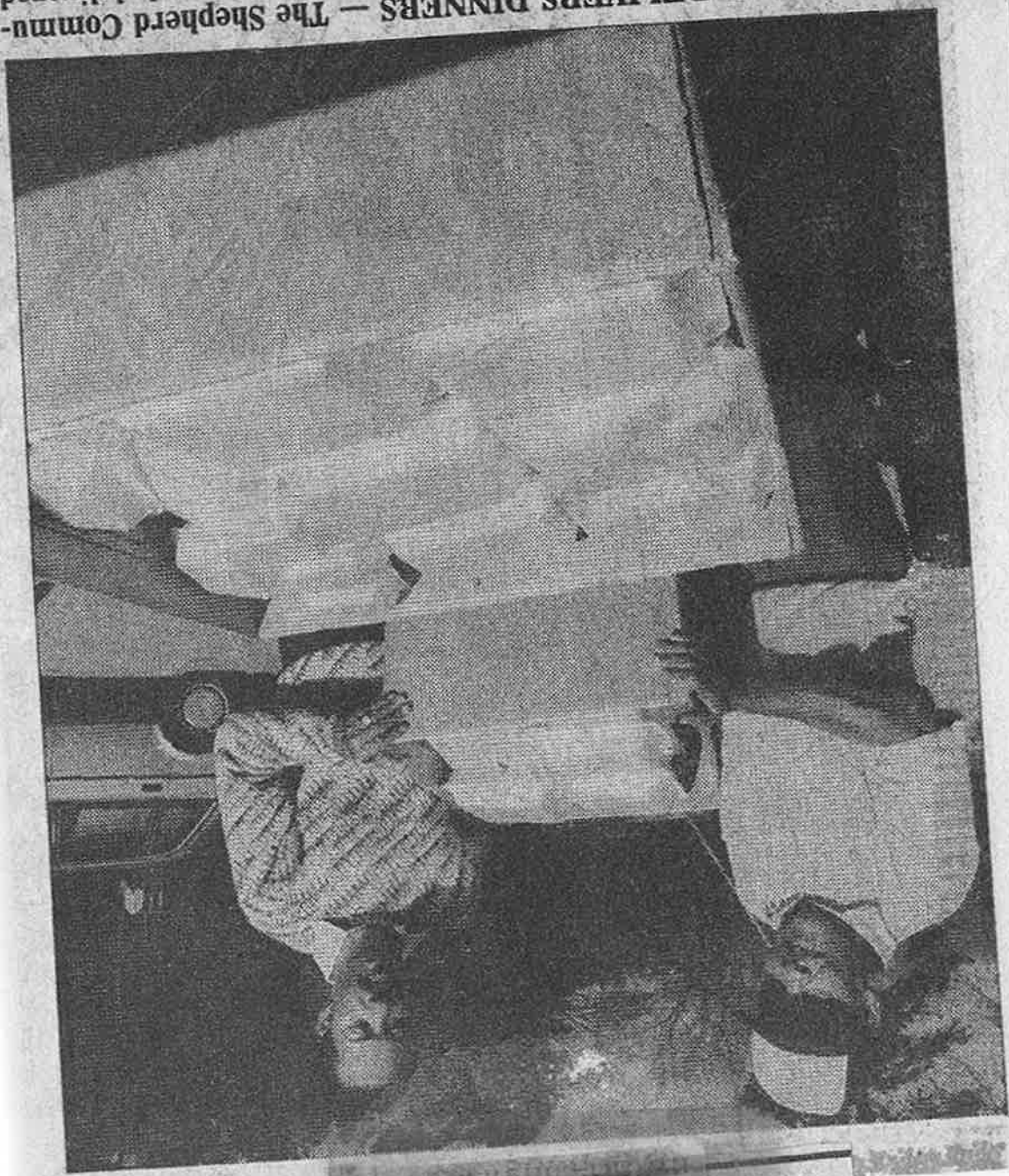


Ivy Strickland and recreation center director Ronald Drake coach neighborhood children in kickball. — Photo by George Baker/The Chattanooga Times



A smiley face decorates a small park at the entrance to the Shepherd community near the airport and Highway 153.

SHEPHERD DELIVERS DINNERS — The Shepherd Community Action Council, for the 14th year, prepared and delivered Thanksgiving dinners to senior citizens, the sick and shut-ins of the community. The council delivered a total of 80 turkey dinners with all the trimmings. Taking part in delivering the dinners were, from left, Cleghorn Jones, food helper, and Malcolm Walker, president of the council. (Staff photo by David Hummer)



Friday, November 29, 1991



The Shepherd Community Council will dress in traditional African costumes at the districts 5 and 6 Sweet Diversity event Oct. 7. Standing from left are George Maffett, Jennifer Maffett, Ivy Strickland, Betty non and Armelia Williams.

PHOTO BY HANNAH CAMPBELL

Shepherd to showcase African dress at Sweet Diversity Oct. 7

BY HANNAH CAMPBELL
COMMUNITY NEWS WRITER

Chattanooga City Council districts 5 and 6 will host their combined Sweet Diversity event Thursday, Oct. 7 at the Eastgate Town Center food court.

Brauner's cultural Center food court. offering their native desserts, and members of the Shepherd Community Council will participate in African costumes.

"It's a way of identifying with the motherland and connecting with Africa," said Malcolm Walker, who was born in Shepherd 64 years ago.

"That brings it all back to what this program is about," said former event chairwoman Armelia Williams. "It's a good time to come together and share recipes and talk about where they came from. We're not that different even though we think we are miles and miles apart."

Williams said the group plans to serve watermelon and her sweet potato cob-ble at the event. "Sweet potato is a staple for country people," Williams said.

In years past, food booths have showcased desserts of Native American people.

IF YOU GO
Sweet Diversity for Chattanooga City Council districts 5 and 6 will be held Thursday, Oct. 7 at the Eastgate Town Center food court.

"What better way to come together than over a meal and over something sweet?" George Maffett said.

Many of Shepherd's costumes are not specific to certain African country or region, Walker said most black people can't trace their heritage all the way back to an African community because family names changed so often from slave owner to slave owner.

Williams does have a rare account of her great-great-grandmother named Savory, born in Africa and a slave in Alabama, who could carry water jugs on her head and in both hands at once.

"That's the thing that they said about her," Williams said. "And they said she never spilled a drop."

More recent history is part of Sweet Diversity too, Shepherd Community Council members remem-

bered about Citizens Cemetery, whose residents paid \$5 to become members in 1932. "There are stones there of people who were born before slavery ended," said Walker, naming Thaddeus Rankin, namesake of Rankin Street and a slave in Sequatchie County. Shepherd didn't become part of Chattanooga until the 1980s, he said. "We used to get our mail addressed to Shepherd, Tenn.," he said.

Sweet Diversity is a program of the Chattanooga Parks and Recreation Department. The event will take place Oct. 7 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Other events will include line dancing, dancing for children and a cake walk. Representatives from city departments, the U.S. Agricultural Extension, Boy Scouts and neighborhood associations will also participate. Door prizes will include coupon books, fruit from local farmer's markets, tickets to the Chattanooga Zoo at Warner Park and more.

For more information call Jenni Berz at 266-4050. E-mail Hannah Campbell at hcampbell@timesfree-

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**COMMUNITY
THAT
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*The following pages
represent the belief of the
Shepherd Community
Action Council that..*

Front left to right: Charlotte Hereford, Margaret Covington, Dana Covington, Lynn Walker and Dedra Kilgore. Second row: Dana Weaver and Barbara Pound. Third Row: Verdell Shepherd, Unknown, Unknown, Vivian Parks, Adrienne Joyner and Unknown.



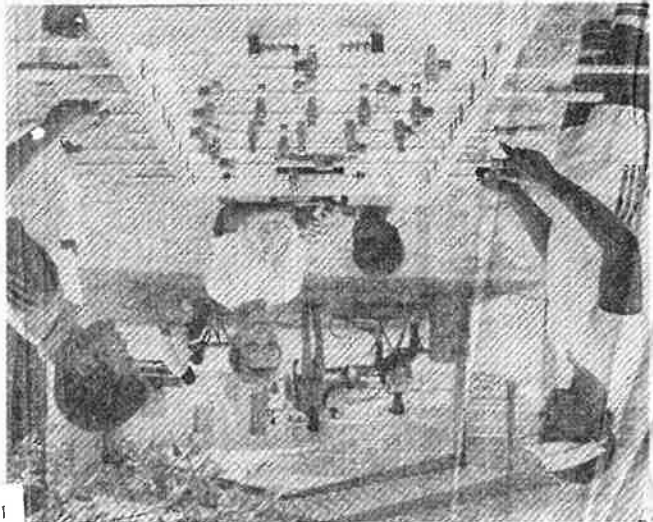
CITY RUNNERUP: Valarie Bragg (left) and Cynthia Cheaton hold the second-place trophy won by Shepherd Community Center in the City Recreation Tournament. Teammates Belinda Cooke, Jennifer Crumsey and Angela Eady (middle row) and Shepherd Community Center directors Fred Harris and Armelia Williams also are pictured.





1980

LITTLE MR. AND MISS SHEPHERD—Richard Smith, left center, and Kona Walker, right center, were crowned with garlands of flowers and greenery as Little Mr. and Miss Shepherd Recreation Center at the picnic.
Also in the court are, from left, Anthony Hereford, third runner-up; Labron Harden, second runner-up; Tyniqua Holloway, first runner-up; and Harold Hollo-way Jr., first runner-up.



1980



Shepherd Community Fun Day

These youngsters enjoyed the Shepherd Community Council's annual Fun and Picnic Day which was held last weekend at the Shepherd Recreation Center. Activities began at noon with a parade that traveled down the main street of the community. Continually high school and college graduates were honored at a special program at the recreation center. High school graduates were Greg Cook, David Thompson, David Gable, James Davis, son, Martha Holloway, Cedric Williams, Tyrone, Darlene Weaver, Howard

Ambrose Palmer, Kirtman, and Stephen Taylor. Terry Derroux, Tanya Kirtner, Melinda Thomas, Brainerd, Sherry Clemens and Tanya Strickland are 1979 college graduates from the community. The Figgins-Morris family, Mary and Ted Conroy, Kelly Cousins entertained the guests.



Standing Front: Left is Sam Petty
Boy on horse on right is Tracy Davenport

Shepherd Community Action Council

Curio de Nassau
With the

The Shepherd Community Council invites you to join us in an exciting three day cruise to Nassau. You may be included at the special rate of \$350.00 per person, basis two in each cabin.

We will travel to Port Everglades in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida by Cherokee bus. The bus will depart from the Shepherd Recreation Center on Thursday, August 6, 1981 at 6:00 p.m. We will arrive in Ft. Lauderdale Friday morning August 7th and board the ship by 4:30 p.m.

The rate quoted above includes the following features:

- 1) Bus transportation from Chattanooga to Ft. Lauderdale.
- 2) 3-day cruise aboard the s/s Amerikanis using the ship as your hotel at sea and in port of call.
- 3) All fabulous meals served at regular meal times and in a spacious dining room, including midnight buffet daily.
- 4) All applicable port taxes.
- 5) Great entertainment such as free floor shows and movies.
- 6) Free captain's cocktail party one night at sea.
- 7) All ship facilities; there are lounges, beauty/barber/gift shops, swimming pool, casino and many more.
- 8) Bus transportation from Ft. Lauderdale to Chattanooga arriving at approximately 1:00 a.m. Tuesday, August 10, 1981.

***NOTE: Price DOES NOT INCLUDE GRATUITIES (tips for Cabin Steward, Bus Boy and Waiter will total \$15.00)
If the above outlined arrangements are satisfactory to you, a deposit of \$50.00 per person will be required by January 25, 1981. The balance will not become due until June 12, 1981.

Looking forward to having you in our group and assuring you a fantastic voyage!

400 Residents Participate In Sixth Annual Shepherd Community Picnic, Activity Day

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CONTEST WINNERS — During the "Fun and Picnic Day" sponsored by the Shepherd Community Council, several children competed in the "Little Mr. Shepherd" and the "Little Miss Shepherd" contest.

In front from left, are: Lakesha Davidson, Ronald Strickland, Sheria McDonald, Chris Gearheart, Orenthal Powell and Corey Stokes.

In back from left, are: Mrs. Belinda Cooke, Malcolm Walker and Mrs. Dixie Ballou. (Staff photo by Alan Vandergriff)

The final episode of "The Fugitive," which aired Aug. 29, 1987, was watched by more people than any other single episode of a regular television series to that date. The record held for 13 years until Nov. 21, 1980, when the "Who Shot J.R." segment of "Dallas" aired.

Entertainment was provided throughout the day by the Hippo Morris Tumblers, the Riverside High Body Poppers, the Shepherd "Be-Kind-the-Moon-Too-Tappers" and music by "Ike."

The Shepherd Community Council donated free lunches, consisting of barbecue chicken and Coca-Cola, to all participants. Area residents contributed vegetables and desserts.

A "Little Mr. and Miss Shepherd" and one college graduate.

eleven 1982 high school graduates program was presented honoring Recreation Center where a special

The parade ended at the Shepherd churches, businesses and organiza-

Cars, trucks and other vehicles were decorated to represent the various

A parade through the community

The festivities began at noon with Action Council.

sored by the Shepherd Community

Shepherd Community recently par-

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munity picnic and activity day, spon-

More than 400 residents of the

Front Row: Terry Norman, Sean Rogers, D.J. Jenkins, Victor Alexander, Shannon Walker, Tyrone Alexander and Sabrina Banks. Rear Row: Tracy Gales, Troy Williams, Cynthia Strickland, Jean Strickland, Dixie Ballou, Anita "Penny" Strickland, Malcolm Walker, and Nellie Mae Walker-McKeynolds



Shepherd Community Action Council

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Shepherd Residents
FROM: Shepherd Community Council
SUBJECT: Eighth Annual Community Picnic

On Saturday, June 9, 1984, the Shepherd Community Council will sponsor the Annual "Run and Picnic Day." The activities are as follows:

- 12:00 Noon Parade
- A parade with decorated cars, trucks, and buses representing all businesses, churches, and organizations of the Shepherd Community will begin at the Shepherd Recreation Center at 12:00 noon. If you wish to participate in the parade, please report to the Shepherd Recreation Center at 11:30 a.m.
- 2:00 p.m. Program
- A short program will be held at the Shepherd Recreation Center where the parade will end.

Welcome.....Malcolm J. Walker, President
Invocation.....Rev. Peyton Sims
Selections.....Della Chisom, Miss Black Chattanooga

Recognition of High School Graduates.....Mrs. Earline Spears, Airport Precinct CHAIRMAN
TYNER HIGH SCHOOL
BRAINERD HIGH SCHOOL

DANIEL GANT
DWAYNE HOLLOMAN
DONNA LIPKINS
TRINA McDUFFIE
TERRANCE NORMAN
COLLEGE GRADUATE.....Mrs. Dixie Gates Ballou, Dalton Junior College/Registered Nurse
Presentation of Former Little Mr. and Little Miss Shepherd Winners

- 1979 Latsha Roberts and Anthony Ross
- 1980 Rhonda Walker and Richard Smith
- 1981 Shunta Taylor and Steven Davis
- 1982 Lakesha Davidson and Ronald Strickland, Jr.
- 1983 Duane Davis and Roderick Gates

CANDIDATES..... 1984

LITTLE MISS SHEPHERD
BRANDI HUMPHREY
KEYNIA LESLIE
ALPHARITA NOEL WILLIAMS

NOTE: Montes are to be turned in to Mrs. Florence Owens at Goolsby's Store between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sat. June 9, 1984.
EMANUEL CROMSEY
MATTHEW DAVID FITZGERALD
EMORY QUINN JACKSON
RASHAUN STRICKLAND

2:30 p.m.
THE ENCHANTING ELIPPO MORRIS TUMBLERS
THE SHEPHERD BEHIND-THE-MOON
BABY LOE TAPERS.....
Z-BOYS BREAK DANCERS
By IKE
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THE ENCHANTING ELIPPO MORRIS TUMBLERS
REACTURING, MRS. BRENDA WILLIAMS

**"Little Mr. and Little Miss Shepherd 1986".
Tiffany Ballou and unknown**



*LiOR: Emanuel Crumsey, Emory Quinn Jackson, Alpharita Noel Williams, Kashawn Strickland, Brandi Humphrey and Matthew David Fitzgerald.
"Little Mr. and Little Miss Shepherd" candidates, 1984*





SHEPHERD COMMUNITY GATHERING — The Shepherd Community Council (SCC) held a recent picnic and parade which was attended by more than 400 residents. Those involved in the organization of the event were, from left, Mirline Ingram, SCC chaplain; Jean Strickland, SCC member; Florence Owens, SCC treasurer; Armelia Williams, supervisor of recreation for the City of Chattanooga; Malcolm Walker, SCC president; Dixie Ballou, SCC secretary; and Mildred Cooke, SCC member. (Staff photos by Amy Miles)

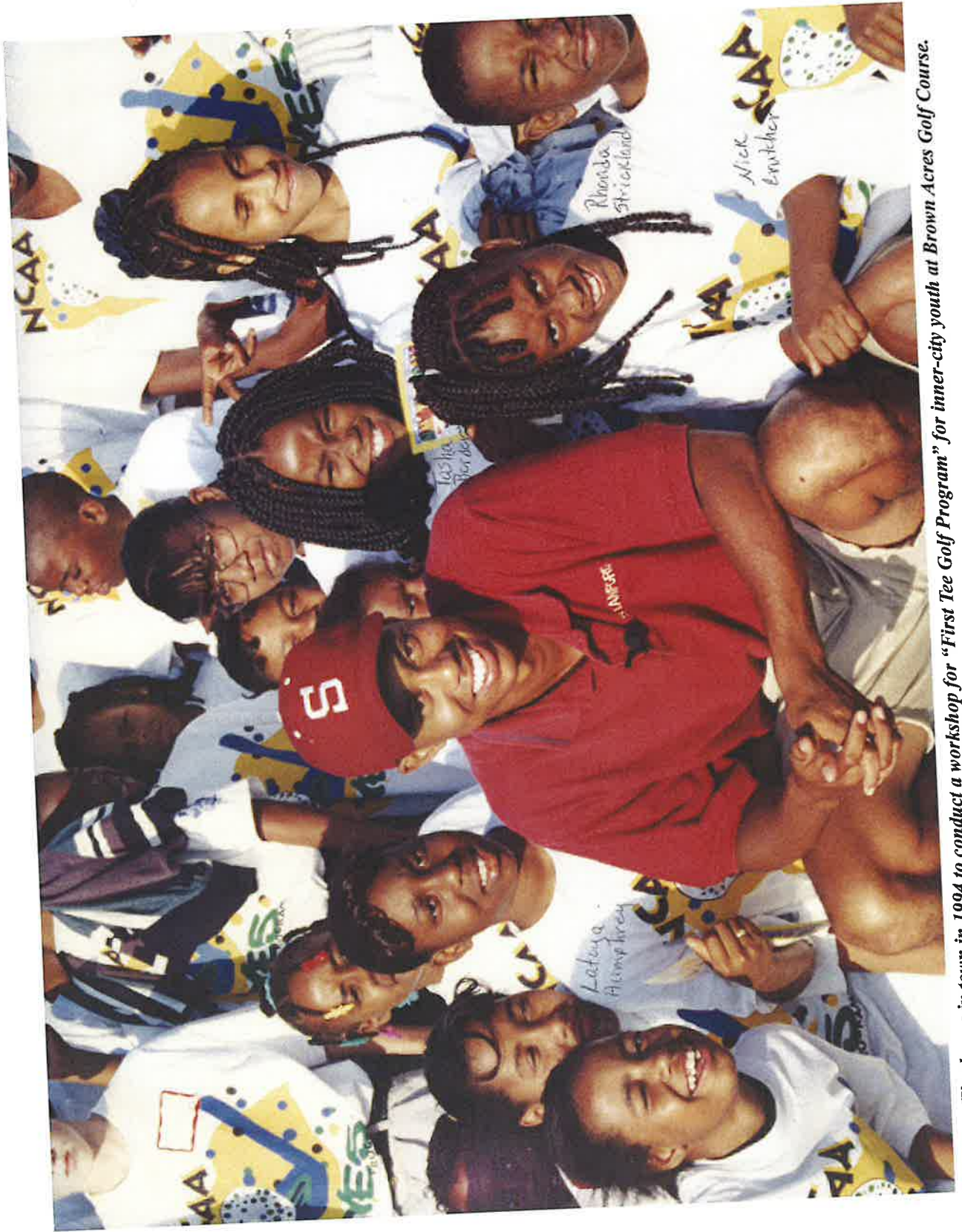
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SHEPHERD PICNIC — The Shepherd Community Action Council sponsored the 13th annual Community Picnic at the old Chickamauga School. Activities included a parade and program. From left are Jean Strickland, R.V. Brown, director of "Outreach to America's Youth," who Armelia Williams, who spoke at the program; and Chattanooga, who spoke at the program; and superintendent of recreation for the city of er Ron Littlefield; Dixie Ballou; Darle Jordan, Cooke; Chattanooga Public Works Commission; Mildred delivered a challenge at the program; Mildred

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Tiger Woods was in town in 1994 to conduct a workshop for "First Tee Golf Program" for inner-city youth at Brown Acres Golf Course.



*The Shepherd Community Council Sailed to Belize in Central America
aboard Carnival's Imagination in 2003*

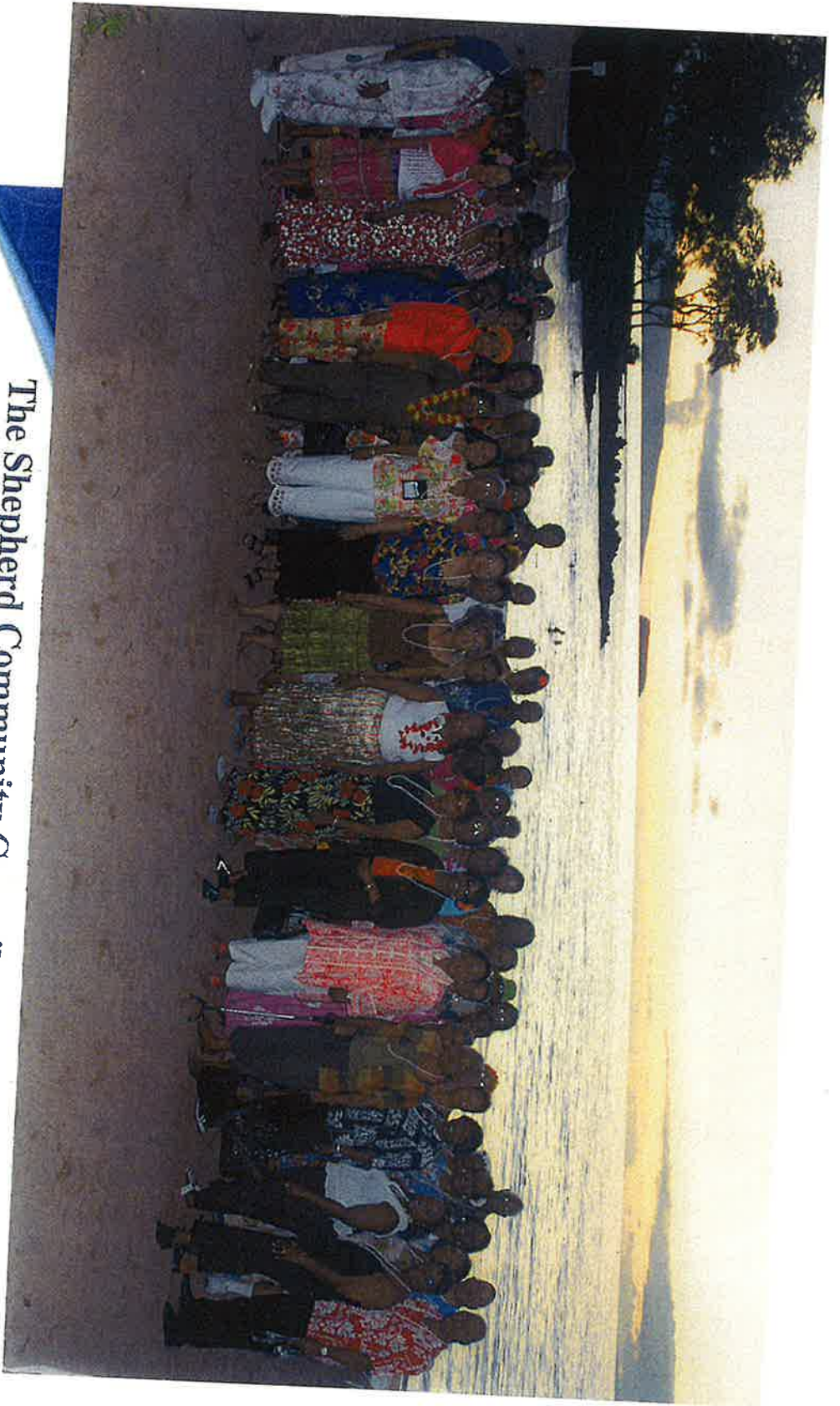


The Shepherd Community Council Is Stretching It's



Wings.....

We Are Going North to Alaska! 2005



Hawai'i

This fabulous vacation is scheduled for October 29, 2006 - November 5, 2006

aboard Norwegian Cruise Line's

PRIDE OF ALOHA



The group will travel to Atlanta on Sunday, October 29th by Chartered bus and fly from Hartsfield/Jackson International Airport to Honolulu where your cruise begins.

In 1987, the Chattanooga City Commission approved by a vote of 4 - 1 the re-zoning of a large tract of land (where Metropolitan Tabernacle Church is located) from residential to commercial. This was done to allow Ed Wright Automobile Dealership to re-locate from downtown Chattanooga to Shepherd. When this happened.....

Shepherd Seemed Doomed By Growth Wave

Fortunately, at this writing, the community is yet alive and doing well. This is due in part to the leadership of the Shepherd Community Action Council and the togetherness of the residents.



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Mrs. Sandra Clark, daughter of former teacher at Chickamauga School, Chattanooga, Tennessee, February 25, 2011.

Mrs. Emma Cravens McConnell, descendant of early settlers of Shepherd, Chattanooga, Tennessee, February 17, 2011.

Mrs. Verla Jean Davis, descendant of early settlers of Shepherd, Chattanooga, Tennessee, February 21, 2011.

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Mrs. Zora Keith, descendant of early settlers of Shepherd, Chattanooga, Tennessee, February 8, 2011.

Mrs. Gail Morgan, descendant of early settlers of Shepherd Chattanooga, Tennessee, February 21, 2011.

Mrs. Cynthia Rowe, descendant of early settlers of Shepherd, Chattanooga, Tennessee, February 21, 2011.

Mr. Howard Strickland, descendant of early settlers of Shepherd, Chattanooga, Tennessee, February 18, 2011.

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