

BLACKVILLE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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DAILY BLACK HISTORY FACTS

February 1, 1865 – The Thirteenth Amendment to the U. S. Constitution, which abolished slavery was adopted by the 38th Congress.

February 2, 1948 – President Truman sent Congress a message urging the adoption of a Civil Rights program, including the creation of a fair employment practices Commission.

February 3, 1920 - The Negro Baseball League is founded.

February 4, 1996 - J. C. Watts becomes the first black selected to respond to a state of the Union Address.

February 5, 1866 - Congressman Thaddeus Stevens offered an amendment to Freedmen's Bureau Bill authorizing the distribution of public land and confiscated led to Friedman and local refugees in 40 acre lots.

February 6, 1867 - Robert Tanner Jackson becomes the first African American to receive a degree in dentistry.

February 7, 1926 - Negro History Week originated by Carter G. Woodson is observed for the first time.

February 8, 1944 - Harry S. McAlphin first African American to be accredited to attend a White House Press conference.

February 9, 1995 - Bernard Harris, African American astronaut takes space walk.

February 10, 1966 - Economist Andrew Brenner is appointed to the Federal Reserve Bank.

February 11, 1961 - Robert Weaver sworn in as administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, highest federal post to date by a black American.

February 12, 1948 - First Lieutenant Nancy C. Leftneant became the first black accepted in the regular Army Nursing Corps.

February 13, 1923 - The first black professional basketball team, "the Renaissance" was organized.

February 14, 1867 - Morehouse College was organized in Augusta GA and later moved to Atlanta, Ga.

February 15, 1968 - Henry Lewis becomes the first black to lead a Symphony Orchestra in the United States.

February 16, 1923 - Bessie Smith makes her first recording "Down Hearted Blues", which sells 800,000 copies for Columbia records.

February 17, 1973 – Jesse Leroy Brown, the first African American to complete Navy pilot training and become a naval aviator and have a ship named after him.

February 18, 1894 - African American architect Paul Revere Williams was born on this day.

February 19, 1919 - Pan-African Congress organized by W.E.B. DeBose, met at the Grand Hotel in Paris.

February 20, 1991 – Quincy Jones won six Grammy Awards, including Album of the Year.

February 21, 1895 - North Carolina legislature dominated by black republicans and white populous adjourned the day to mark the death of Frederick Douglass.

February 22, 1989 - DJ jazzy Jeff and The Fresh Prince won the first rap Grammy for their single "Parents Just Don't Understand".

February 23, 1979 - Frankie E. Peterson, Jr. named the first black general in the Marine Corps.

February 24, 1864 - Rebecca Lee became the first black woman to receive an M.D. degree.

February 25, 1964 – **February 25, 1989**, Mohammed Ali and Mike Tyson became Heavy weight champions, respectfully.

February 26, 1869 - 15th amendment guaranteeing the right to vote sent to the states for ratification.

February 27, 1872 - Charlotte E Ray graduated from Howard University School of Law in this day and became the first female admitted to the District of Columbia Bar.

February 28, 1943 - Porgy and Bess opened on Broadway with Anna Brown and Todd Duncan in starring roles.

February 29, 1940 - Hattie McDaniel became the first black woman to win an Oscar for "Gone with the Wind."

Information obtained from Internet

BPSAA

4th Annual Hall of Fame nomination form is available upon request from February 1, 2020 – April 2020. For more information, please us at bvillepublicalumniassoc@gmail.com

WAFFLE/PANCAKE SUPPER

February 17, 2020 – 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Blackville-Hilda High School Cafeteria

Children over 6 years-\$3.00 - Adults \$6

TOWN HALL CLOSED

February 17, 2020

MEETINGS

- **February 3**, Blackville Music and Arts, BDDA Office, Sol Blatt Avenue, 6:00pm
- **February 6**, Community Development Corporation. Town Hall, 6:00pm
- **February 10**, BHHS District #19, Board of Education Office, 6:00pm
- **February 11**, Neighborhood Watch, Community Center, 6:00pm
- **February 11**, Barnwell County Council, SCA Building, 54 Irving Street, 6:00pm
- **February 18**, Town Council, Town Hall, 6:30pm (Tuesday)
- **February 24**, Barnwell-Blackville NAACP, Macedonia Baptist, 7:00pm
- **February 27**, Downtown Development Association, BDDA Office, Sol Blatt Avenue, 6:00pm

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

February 1, Nia Ford
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February 5, Nathaniel "Bo" Holman
February 7, Carl Peeples
February 7, JaQuez Williams
February 7, Chris Matheney
February 7, Linda Dowling
February 8, Frenchie Smalls
February 9, Latoya Simpson
February 11, Deidra Fisher
February 13, Darrian Lorenzo Taylor
February 17, Sheqilah Alvin
February 18, Mary Salley
February 21, Jada Smalls
February 21, John Alvin
February 22, Larae Robinson
February 24, Dennis Pernel
February 26, Willie Felder
February 26, Doris Beard
February 28, Rose Johnson-Raysor

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

February 14, Rev. & Mrs. Floyd Hughes, Sr.
February 26, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Beard

LIBRARY NEWS

Contact Miss Ruthie **803 284-2295**

SCHOOL "MEMS" NEWS

Feb. 14, Teachers' In-Service
Feb. 14, No School for students
Feb. 17, President's Day Holiday
Feb. 26, Early Release for Students

GOLDEN RETREAT SENIOR CENTER

Topic – "BLOOD PRESSURE"

February 11, 2020 - 10:00am

Sponsored by "Daniel's Pharmacy"

803 284-3372

SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON

FEBRUARY 17, 2020 – 12noon
Blackville Community Center
Sponsor - Pilgrim Rest Baptist

Coming soon

"TASTE of BLACKVILLE "

March 28, 2020

Vendor applications – Town Hall

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