BE LOVE: BLACK TO THE ROOT

BE THE ROOT. As roots inform us from which we came. Roots form us towards the endgame. Root breaks the epoxy servers into the metaverse. Roots transverse the fraudulent safety with real compassion. Dare to dream that freedom is more than fearlessness more than hopeful ideas like justice serving us, serving us WHAT? Face?! Face level grace? Justice is in the honoring of the past, the present and the future. We cannot do that if we will not face what we have been through or have done. Love is GROWTH. Love is WILLING. Love is the ROOT, BE LOVE, beloved.

B.L Harrison

Celebrating From the Rock Wall's First Year

Since the launch of From the Rock Wall: Living Histories of Black Chapel Hill/Carrboro (www.fromtherockwall.org) in February 2021, neighbors near and far have celebrated local history on the site. Coming together around shared memories, neighbors have expanded, curated, and contested the site's content, turning From the Rock Wall into a living, breathing, community-owned space where all can contribute. Word has spread! In 2021, 6,000+ users from more than 30 countries have listened... and listened again to the histories on From the Rock Wall. Last summer, we held Community Cinema Events at the Chelsea Theater, in which neighbors witnessed Northside's history through film from the 1930s, with many speaking up with stories of loved ones and familiar places.



We have big plans for From the Rock Wall to grow in 2022 with new community submissions, oral histories, exhibits, and features. We will be launching a *Places* page to celebrate the locations where Black history has happened and continues to be made - neighborhoods, streets, Black-owned businesses, churches, schools, stone walls, and the sites of protests. And we will continue to expand our exhibit on the **Teachers, Artisans, and Entrepreneurs** that worked to build a better future for the community. We can't wait to share what's next!

Do you know someone whose story should be on From the Rock Wall? Do you have photos, menus, maps, church programs, letters, or other documents from the past that could help a new generation understand community history? Reach out to our public history team at rockwall@jacksoncenter.info or share your family photos, recordings, writings, and more by clicking *RESPOND* on any of the site's pages and telling your piece!

"To return to love, to get the love we always wanted but never had, to have the love we want but are not prepared to give, we seek romantic relationships. We believe these relationships, more than any other, will rescue and redeem us. True love does have the power to redeem but only if we are ready for redemption. Love saves us only if we want to be saved."

~Bell hooks, All About Love: New Visions

"There is nothing in nature like it. Not in robins or bison or in the banging tails of your hunting dogs and not in blossoms or suckling foal. Love is divine only and difficult always. If you think it is easy you are a fool. If you think it is natural you are blind. It is a learned application without reason or motive except that it is God. "

~Toni Morrison, Paradise

Ever thought about writing your own memoir?

The Redbud Writing Center is hosting a Memoir Class through March and April of 2022. The course will be in the evenings and span six to eight weeks. Throughout the course, community members will learn about the basics of memoir writing, be able to write their own memoir, and have the opportunity to submit for a writing contest if they're interested. This opportunity is free!!! There are limited spots. To reserve your spot, send an email to **Aisha@jacksoncenter.info!**

Singing Telegrams A Snapshot Collage



What is Love?

Love is a word that we use so loosely. One that we use without knowing its depth.

To LOVE somebody is to open your heart to them.

Love is patient, kind

Love is not to beat on and call me names, and you say you love me

Love is giving of ones self

to talk to me as if i am not your partner, and you say you love me

Love is never giving up

Love is not to be in CONTROL, and you say you LOVE me

Love is looking for the best in others

JEALOUSY is not LOVE

Love is forgiving and humble

Love is not keeping score

JOHN 13:34 "A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love another: as I have loved you, that ye also love one another

by Gladys Pendergraph-Brandon

COMMUNITY BOARD

The Monsignor Thomas P. Hadden African **American Reparative Scholarship**

An award of up to \$5,000 per year (dispensed \$2,500 per semester) for a 2-4 year college or trade school. The award may be renewed each year. It is open to an African American high school senior whose family ancestor(s) was either enslaved or worked at the University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill from its creation to 1950. An explanation of the student's ancestral connection to UNC/CH is required. Note that priority during application evaluation will be given to students with financial need. This scholarship is open to students of any or no religious faith and all majors are welcome. More information on this scholarship can be found at https://stmchapelhill.org/hadden-scholarship. Monsignor Hadden played a key role within the Raleigh Catholic Diocese in bringing white and black Catholic communities together. This scholarship is sponsored by St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Chapel Hill, NC.

2022 ORANGE COUNTY SENIOR GAMES Aging Well; Living Well...Keeping Active!

Kick-Off Event for Artists & Athletes (SilverArts Opening): March 31, 2022, 4:30 pm at the Seymour Center in Chapel Hill Sports Events and SilverArts: April 1 - May 18, 2022

Something for everyone 50 years and better!

Orange County Senior Games (OCSG) is much more than a friendly competition in athletics and arts. Participate, stay active, renew old skills, learn new ones and exercise a positive outlook on life.

> Early Bird Fee \$13 before Friday, March 4 **Registration Fee: \$16** Final deadline, Friday, March 18, 2022.

Registration Fees cover (Sporting Events & Silver Arts), participant gift, medals, Silver Arts performance and reception and closing celebration event.

CELEBRATION OF ARTISTS AND ATHLETES • WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022, 4:30 PM ROBERT AND PEARL SEYMOUR CENTER, 2551 Homestead Road, Chapel Hill, NC

For more information and registration form, contact: Lee Schimmelfing or Dana Hughes; (919) 918-7372. To register online visit https://www. ncseniorgames.org/find-your-local-games.

Neighborhood Music Day

DO YOU WANT TO SHARE YOUR LOVE OF MUSIC WITH FAMILIES AND KIDS IN NORTHSIDE? NEIGHBORS AND THE JACKSON CENTER STUDENT LEADERSHIP GROUP ARE PLANNING A NEIGHBORHOOD MUSIC DAY IN LATE MARCH TO CONNECT CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN NORTHSIDE, OUR VISION IS TO HAVE A 2 HOUR EVENT WITH FUN MUSIC ACTIVITIES, FOOD, AND COMMUNITY. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING TO ORGANIZE THE EVENT OR LEADING A MUSIC ACTIVITY, PLEASE CONTACT DIANA AT DIANA@JACKSONCENTER.INFO.

Community Home Trust Jay Street Affordable Housing Plan

As plans move ahead for our new affordable apartments on Jay Street, Community Home Trust wants to hear from you about what you'd like to see in that development. There are several upcoming opportunities for you to make your voice heard, including a survey, available now.

- Complete the survey: visit https://www.tfaforms.com/4960892 to give your input about what will make the Jay Street apartments a great place to live. Know someone who might like to live there? Invite them to complete the survey too! The more community members we hear from, the better we can work to build apartments that are what you and your neighbors would like to see. Need a paper form or a survey in another language? Contact Daniele Berman dberman@communityhometrust.org
- Attend an advisory board meeting: there are lots of opportunities in the next two weeks to share your vision for the Jay Street apartments and how they can be a positive addition to the neighborhood. Visit https://communityhometrust.org/jaystreet-development/ and take a look at the complete list in the orange box. Links to register for the meetings, all of which will be held virtually, are available there. Let our advisory board know you're ready to welcome new neighbors!
- Join us: stay tuned for details of a neighborhood party at the Jackson Center in March! Invitations and details coming soon.

Want to learn more about the Jay Street apartments? Visit https://communityhometrust. org/jay-street-development/ to view plans and FAQs. You can also subscribe to receive email updates about the project.



EMPOWERment Inc. Hosting Free Seminars

FREE HOMEBUYERS CLASS: Thinking about buying a house now, or in the future? EMPOWERment Inc. is offering a FREE Homebuyers Class! Saturday, March 11, 2022, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. The class will be virtual. Upon completion of the class, you will receive a certificate. Call (919) 967-8779 to register for the class. Take this opportunity to educate yourself before purchasing your home.

BUSINESS OWNERS & ENTREPRENEURS! EMPOWERment Inc. will be holding a series for workshops for minority business owners. Whether you are thinking about starting a business or you have been operating your business for years, this FREE series of seminars will guide you through the steps of sustainability for your business. Position your business to be the best it can be! Seminar Date: TBD (Watch EMPOWERment's website www.empowermentinc-nc.org).

Jackson Center & UNC Law School Wills Clinic

DO YOU NEED TO CREATE OR UPDATE YOUR WILL? The Jackson Center will be hosting a WILLS CLINIC on Thursday, March 17 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 pm both days (location to be determined). We have UNC Law Students and pro bono Legal Aid of NC assisting us with this much needed resource for you to be able to have your WILL, HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVE, and POWER OF ATTORNEY documents done for free! And also to update these documents if need be!

Please watch for flyers with more information so you can sign up!

In Memoriam



Ms. Hattie Mae Edwards Moore



Mrs. Hazel Bynum Minor November 19, 1942 - January 8, 2022 November 23, 1934 - January 17, 2022



Mr. Bobbie Williams June 12, 1949 - January 9, 2022



Mr. Rahkeesh Tyree McMillan October 27, 1994 - January 19, 2022



Ms. Brenda Carol Farrington June 6, 1951 - January 21, 2022



Mr. Talbert Alston April 4, 1935 - February 4, 2022

the fruition of efforts on behalf of others. we build with love and with hope.

Pauli Murray

March Birthdays

Waylan Farrington ~ March 4th Jane Garrett ~ March 6th Carolyn Evans ~ March 8th Wade Farrington ~ March 10th Pat Jackson ~ March 11th Maggie West ~ March 12th Billy Hemmingway ~ March 14th Claudia McLean ~ March 17th Nate Davis ~ March 18th Anita Wilson ~ March 23rd Deloris Bynum ~ March 23rd Regina Merritt ~ March 24th Dustin Rawlings ~ March 28th Jacqueline Battle Pratt ~ March 28th UNIVERSITY BAPTIST CHURCH **PARKING LOT** 100 S COLUMBIA STREET **CHAPEL HILL**

FREE DENTAL CARE

Fillings - Extractions - Cleanings

Saturday, March 5, 2022 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Masks are mandatory. Please stay home if you are feeling symptoms of fever, cough, or shortness of breath.

Call (919)-348-5978 or (248)-909-0336 or email: ritikad@live.unc.edu to sign up! Appointments are required.

> Presented by **DELTA DELTA SIGMA -Pre-Dental Honor Society** at UNC Chapel Hill