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JULY MEETING: July 20, 1996 6:30 P.M.	PINTLALA BAPTIST CHURCH

FROM THE PRESIDENT: The Olympic Torch, Independence Day (not the movie) and Happy Birthdays! The Olympic fever finally got to me and my family as we gathered outside at my mother-in-law's Federal Drive residence. People were actually out in their yards in lawn chairs, speaking to each other, waving the flag, etc. I stayed outside after the torch had passed and within five minutes there wasn't a soul left outside in their yards. People have gotten soft and spoiled by our air conditioned homes, but the torch was quite a sight the short time it lasted.

Independence Day always reminds of the Sellers reunions we used to have at the old barbecue pit in Fleta. Nobody could cook (not to this day) barbecued chicken like my Uncle Boots Norman. He always loved the 4th of July and the many compliments his cooking brought him on this day.

Birthdays abound in July around our extended household. The most important being our middle child, Susanna, who turns 12 on the 19th; she reminds me every day of how many days are left until her special day. Also, my mother-in-law, both brothers-in-law, nieces, cousins and others.

My good friend, Martin Darity, is a speaker you will truly enjoy. He has such an energetic, optimistic, excitable, caring sense of delivering a message. You will leave with your batteries totally recharged. He is one of those special people that Fred Clark, Alabama Rural Electric Association mentioned in his article this month along with a poem:

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*There are people who know
the true meaning of caring
And give of themselves
in the spirit of sharing
As they live life with
love in their hearts.
There are people who smile
with each passage, each season,
Who understand change
has a purpose and reason.
And they carry that hope
in their hearts.
There are people who value
the simplest of treasures
And recognize beauty and worth
in small pleasures
While they hold lasting joy
in their hearts.*

—Emily Matthews

Many of you know individuals whom you have respected and who have touched your lives in many ways. You know them today as the backbone of your community; they are strong-willed, dependable and have your community's best interests in mind.

I hope if you have an opportunity to participate in any type of involvement to better your community, you will step forward. Otherwise, you may wonder why something went wrong when the answer clearly was that the leadership wasn't present to make sure that it went right. ♦

RICKY McLANEY, President

PROGRAM NOTES

Thanks to Moses Sellers, Ricky McClaney, and Lurline Hall for making the April PHA tour to Mt. Carmel a success! They shared the history of the community, buildings, and families that make up Mt. Carmel. The improvements at the Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church and cemetery will make both available for future generations to use and appreciate. These improvements were made possible through a generous gift from the late Beuna Mae Sellers of Fleta.

The July 20th meeting will be our annual covered-dish dinner at Pintlala Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 6:30 P.M. Bring your favorite dishes for a fun evening! Beverages will be provided. Feel free to bring guests, but please bring extra food for their benefit. Our program will be given by Martin Darity, a public affairs specialist for the Rural Economics and Community Development Service in Alabama. He is a past director of the Alabama Bureau of Tourism and Travel.

I need a few volunteers to help with food service, kitchen clean-up, and moving tables and chairs back into place after the meeting. If you can help -- please call me at 281-3708 after 5:30 P.M.

See you on July 20th at 6:30 P.M.!!

PINTLALA BRANCH LIBRARY TO BE DEDICATED

On Sunday, July 21st, at 3:00 P.M. the new Pintlala Branch Library will be formally dedicated. Many people in this section of Montgomery County have worked hard to make this dream a reality.

Beuna Mae Duncan Sellers, through her love of books and education, made a bequest to the Pintlala Library. This fund was approximately one-third of the cost of the facility. The Montgomery County Board of Education gave a 100-year lease on the property for the Library. The Montgomery County Commission has funded the remaining costs.

A bit of history: In 1954, Alabama's Congressman Carl Elliot of Jasper pushed a bill through Congress to fund rural library services in the United States. Madison County (Huntsville) and Montgomery County were the first counties in Alabama to avail themselves to the funding. Our first county library was a World War I wooden ambulance manned by the wonderful Ethel Sanders and one helper. Books were carried to schools, stores, and in yards of centrally located homes. Montgomery County had its own Library Board and Director. The Bookmobile and County Library were housed in the Court House. Through the years, the original bookmobile was replaced by what was then state-of-art bookmobiles. Judge Walter B. Jones, Mrs. Tommie Lacy and many others continued to work to improve the system. In 1973, the two library boards agreed to merge and the library system became County-City. In 1979, Ramer, with the help of the County Commission, built a permanent library. The discarded bookmobile they had been using was brought to Pintlala. It was manned entirely by wonderful people called volunteers and was open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 1:30 to 4:00 P.M. and Saturday from 9 to 11:30 A.M. In 1983, the double-wide that we are now replacing was dedicated, along with the Pintlala Volunteer Fire Department and Sheriff's Sub-Station. Finally, we got a part-time paid librarian for mornings and volunteers continued the afternoon hours. So the years have seen many changes.

Pintlala Branch Library will now be open from 8:00 to 5:00 Monday through Friday and 9:00 to 1:00 on Saturday. Part of the research section has been set aside for PHA files and books. The meeting room will be available through reservations with the librarian and according to guidelines from the Library Board. In the fall, a computer section will be available for use. It will include a master file of books available throughout the Montgomery City-County Library system. We have patrons from Lowndes and Crenshaw counties. They have to pay a small fee to register. Please make use of this facility.

Old Covered Bridge Doomed on Selma Road

Only Six Left in State;
Facts, Legends Cited
About Purpose of Roof

By Bill McDonald

The legend still persists that covered bridges were designed to provide an outdoor parlor for courting couples of the buggy days.

Since one of Montgomery County's two remaining covered bridges soon will be felled in the name of progress, it would be disrespectful to disenchant believers of the legend at this late date.

But, just for the record, the old bridge designers had other motives than the furtherance of moon-June-spoon. They put walls and a roof on their spans to protect the huge wooden backbone beams from the weather.

The barnlike structure added 10 to 40 years or more to the life of wooden bridges, their builders found.

If they had any other motives, they were slyly concealed behind the cardinal rule of architecture: "Form must follow function."

If the bridge's "function" turned out to be something more than a bridge, that could hardly be blamed on the designers.

Still Unsafe

The covered bridge has taken its place alongside the old oaken bucket among vanishing Americana. Present generations are still not safe from fathers' tales of their childhood hardship-- in which both venerable relics play a prominent part.

The "When-I-Was-A-Boy" stories invariably begin with the indomitable youth breaking ice from the old oaken bucket before washing his face. Then the walk to school-- usually 50 to 100 miles.

And they always walked across the old covered bridge. In the spring, sheltered from the gaze of truant officers, they fished for perch through cracks in the floor. They guess they caught a million pounds of fish from that old bridge. (Chuckles). Boy, those were the days. (Look of awful nostalgia.)

If history accords the covered bridge no other niche, it will be remembered as a gimmick in the oft-told tales of family raconteurs.

Two in County

The two old-timers still standing in the county are both on Pintlala Creek. South of the Old Selma Road bridge is another on the Wasden Road.

The Selma Road bridge was doomed by a recent decision of Dallas and Montgomery Counties to replace it with a modern concrete structure. (Pintlala Creek is the line between the two counties at this point.)

Beyond the fact that it's more than 100 years old, the history of the old bridge is obscure. Tom Edwards, county engineer, said it had been standing some 75 years when he joined the engineer's office 40 years ago. But he hasn't been able to find any records of the builder.

The huge hard pine beams are pinned with wooden pegs. Political placards and soft drink signs, both offering lavish promises, blaspheme the sagging top, which once bore this simple, dignified admonition:

"\$5 fine for going faster than a walk across this bridge."
Today, the obvious peril makes the sign unnecessary.

Only Few Now

As late as the early 1930s there were 450 covered bridges still standing in the U.S. But these have since succumbed at an appalling rate-- most of them to that nemesis of all covered bridges, fire.

The first framed timber bridge in America was built by Col. Enoch Hales, as a political move, across the Connecticut River at Bellow Falls, Vt., in 1785.

A Timothy Palmer was among the first to discover the advantage of covering wooden bridges against the elements. In 1804, he built a bridge across the Schuylkill River at Philadelphia.

Atticus Mullin, greatest living authority on the covered bridge in Alabama, lists only seven still standing in this state.

In the evolution of bridge architecture, the "lattice truss" design of the covered bridge gave way to the "Queen's truss," an open skeleton arrangement with low bannister sides.

Termed Indecent

Admirers of the covered bridge deplored the new type, calling it "indecent" and "naked."

That the covered bridge had some ardent contemporary fans is evidenced by a newspaper story dated March 17, 1841. When one of the covered bridges in Columbus, Ga., was torn down and swept away by flood waters, a reporter covering the catastrophe was moved to write:

"Never was there a more majestic sight than the departure of that noble bridge on its remarkable voyage..."

The "remarkable voyage" was an eight-mile cruise down the creek. The people liked the bridge so much they brought it back (the story didn't say how) at a cost of \$15,000.

Aid Tired Joints

The Old Selma Road bridge would have gone the same way if Engineer Edwards hadn't strengthened its tired old joints many times.

The roof and sides are ignobly supported by a cable from a stout tree on the creek bank. Otherwise, when the south wind roared up Pintlala some stormy night, the old structure would have given up its impatient pine ghost and flopped in the stream 50 feet below.

Its sides are parched by the heat of many summers and creaked by the cold of many winters.

When the wind blows through the gaps in its flapping clapboards, the old bridge moans like a thing weary of this life, knowing it has outlived its usefulness.

The day they finally decide to pull out its artificial supports, the cables and the props, and let it die, it won't scream the way new wood does.

It will give up a long, impassioned sigh of relief.

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IN MEMORIAM:

We will all miss Lulu Davidson. She was a faithful member of PHA for a number of years. Our sympathy goes to her family.

MOSLEY(MOSELEY)-SHACKELFORD REUNION

The annual gathering of Mosleys and Shackelfords was held June 22nd at the Pintlala Baptist Church with around 70 attending. Lula Mae Mosley Tyre, age 93, was the oldest member present. Lucille and Floyd Grooms, Mary Lee Moseley Thompson, and Delia Moseley Donaldson came from Mesquite, Texas. They were going on to Edgefield District, South Carolina for a gathering of descendants of Robert Moseley. Dr. and Mrs. John McDonnald (son of Sadie and "Mac" McDonnald) came from Belton, Texas.

Honored during Memory Time were Dr. Robert Samuel Mosley, Dr. Hugh Gallagher Mosley, and Dr. Francis (Frank) Shackelford.

As always, Clanton Mosley and his great family did a masterful job of making the day a success. Clanton - and PHA - want any known information on those buried in the Mosley-Tankersley-Luckie-Supples cemetery. Please send to Clanton at 202 Fairway Drive, New Ellenton, S.C. 29809, or to Ethel T. Todd, Rt. 1, Box 380, Hope Hull, AL 36043. Clanton also hopes to place a plaque with the names of those whose remains were moved from the Kilby Reservation to MTLS.

Jim Shackelford will be the new treasurer of the organization.

MORE ON BONHAM BIBLE

Mrs. Gulehma Harris, who inherited the Bonham Bible from Nehu Huffman, allowed Rev. Gary Burton to borrow the Bible for a day. Copies of entries were made (we had information in prior Newsletter obtained by Jim Edwards) as well as the frontispiece. There is no date of publication but a paper found in the book from the Baptist Missionary Fund Raising by a brother to Luther Rice is ca 1840. The entries in the Bible appear to be in the same ink and penmanship so it is difficult to put an accurate date on the Bible. We appreciate Mrs. Harris allowing us to make a copy.

Did any of you see the interesting article on Family Bibles by Nick Lackeos in a recent Montgomery Advertiser? Perhaps some of you have an old family Bible and would allow us to copy it for our files.

HISTORY IN THE MAKING

The Pintlala Water Board will take over the present library building and will buy the PVFD building. The Harold Newell family have graciously given a 100-year lease on property across from the new library where an enlarged fire department will be built. Don't we have wonderful people living in this area? Not enough good things can be said about our PVFD and Rescue Squad. They are great!

PAPER FOR TOMBSTONE RUBBINGS AVAILABLE

Several years ago, Jack Hornady gave to PHA rolls of paper that can be used for tombstone rubbings. If anyone is interested in using this, get in touch with Ethel Todd.

ON GOING PROJECTS

Cemeteries

The Industrial Development Board has installed a chain link fence around the McGehee Cemetery. Weed-killing granules are at work, and the so-called "slave" part has been bushhogged. We would like to identify some of the markers (very few) in this section. Frances Wilson, a McGehee descendant, plans to revise listing. Frank Hawthorne is working on wording for Historic Marker and on getting the cemetery listed with the Alabama Historical Commission.

The Graves Cemetery (ancestors of Dixie Bibb and Bibb Graves) is on property adjoining the Gordon's off Lamar Road. We understand that it needs clearing and listing. Does anyone know of descendants of those buried there?

The Carter-Stokes Cemetery is off E. McLean Road on property now owned by Sadie and Billy Newell. They say the Cemetery is in sad shape. They will give permission for those concerned to go to it. Again, any knowledge of descendants?

There are many black cemeteries in southwest Montgomery County. Many are beautifully kept but many are lost in the woods. All of these need to be listed. If anyone knows of cemeteries, no matter how small, that need identifying and listing, please let us know.

We need to complete our map of cemeteries.

On Going Projects cont...

Manac's Tavern

Butler's Mill Rock

Doctors from this area. We are slowly gathering information.

Please give suggestions for other projects.

ENTRIES FROM ANOTHER BONHAM BIBLE

In 1989 we received the following information from a James W. Bonham Family Bible. It is in the possession of his great-grand-daughter Mrs. Martha Poole Lloyd, Box 88, Rt. 3, Greenville, TX 75401.

Bonham Bible - Page Titled "Marriages"

"Mariags (sic) and Births. James Wesley Bonham & Mary Pouncy was married in June the 26 1844. James W. Bonham was bornd (sic) July the 25 1926. Mary Bonham was born March the 5 1829."

Bonham Bible - Page Titled "Births"

"Ann Elizabeth Bonham was bornd (sic) in July the 7 1847."
"Mary Joseph Fine (?) was born in November the 1 1848."
"Martha (middle name unreadable. Lu-something) Bonham was bornd (sic) December 22 the 1852."
"James P. Bonham son of Jas W Bonham and Mary Bonham was (born?) the 19 day of November 1854."
"Robert Butler Bonham was born July the 5:1857."
"William (middle name unreadable) Bonham was born July the 31 18?? (unreadable but looks like it could be 1859)."
"Ema (middle name looks like Sevent?) Bonham was born October the 30 1862."
"Joseph Franklin Brady was born the May the 14:1849 (sic)."
Last line on page simply says "George was born January."

Bonham Bible - Page Titled "Deaths"

"Ann Elizabeth Bonham died September the 12:1857."

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Wayne and Mary Talley, Rt. 1, Box 75, Cecil, AL 36013, Ph. 334-271- 2682 request information on the following:

- Any information on Elisha Talley and children of same. Elisha Talley was married to Penelope Mosley, widow of Robert Mosley on 8-20-1797. Elisha and Penelope were members of Bethal Church from 3-1819 until 10-1822. Elisha Talley purchased the S/E 1/4 of S3 T13 R17 on Pettus Rd. 2-2-1819. Also anything on --
- Elisha Talley & Mary Ann Hartwell married 2-26-1847.
- Alford Talley & Polly Ann Jones married 2-23-1847.
- Henry Kial (?) Talley & Martha Smilie married 4-2-1854.
- Jackson Talley & (1) Louisa Hardie married 1-18-1855.
(2) Aminitus Staggers married 2-2-1868.
- Elizabeth Talley & ?
- Joanna Talley & Herbert McCoy of Butler County.

Jack and Anita Bonham, 863 Fairvies Drive, Fort Walton Beach, FL. 32547 request information on:

- John Bonham, b. 1785, m. Jane Forth and/or Jane Archer
- Nancy Jane Bonham, b. 6 Oct. 1822, m. Robert J. Kellough
- Margaret F. Bonham, b. 30 Aug. 1824, m. William Varner
- Anne E. Bonham, b. 12, Dec. 1826, m. J.J. Kellough
- Rebecca Bonham, b. 7 Dec. 1828, m. Leatherwood
- John Bonham Jr., b. 1833, m. Dorothy Tenkersley
- Elizabeth Bonham, b. 1 Dec. 1834
- Nathaniel W. Bonham, b. 23 Nov. 1836
- Ellan Bonham Mosley
- Bethel Jarrell Bonham, b. 29 Oct. 1830, m. Maria Ann Hurst
- Carrie Lee Bonham, b. 5 Dec. 1868, m. William Allen Killough
- Mauovrheen Bonham, b. 22 Sept. 1874, m. John Hutchingson
- William Norton Bonham, b. 25 Aug. 1876, m. Ida McCoy
- Maria Ann Bonham, b. 18 Jul. 1878, m. H.D. McCoy
- Robert Hurst Bonham, b. 2 Jun. 1882, m. Maggie Durham McGhie
- Jennie Bec Bonham, b. 7 Dec. 1884, m. H.D. McCoy
- Claude Renoher Bonham, b. 16 Aug. 1887, m. Sadie Ray Bowman
- Any Stephens' in the area.

Please send to Jack C. Bonham, 863 Fairvies Drive, FWB, FL. 32547-1969, Ph 1-904-862-3891; @AOL.JCBONHAM

SHAVER REUNION:

The descendants of Ellen and John Shaver held a reunion at Red's Little School House in Dublin not far from the couple's home which was built soon after the Civil War. The house was put together with pegs rather than nails and still stands on Smilie Road off Highway 94. There were 31 descendants present including Malinda Sellers, granddaughter, and her husband, Moses. The next reunion is planned for the third Saturday in April, 1997. For more information write Mrs. Frank Shaver, 3220 Highfield Drive, Montgomery, 36111.

OLD SAYINGS:

Catherine Sellers has heeded our request for "old sayings". We will be printing these old saws and maxims from time to time as space permits. Thanks, Catherine.

McGEHEE FAMILY RECORDS COMPILED:

Frank Hawthorne has done an in depth study of Abner McGehee. He has given to our PHA files an extensive folder of family lines, copies of old deeds and papers, and stories about Abner McGehee. Thank you Frank, for sharing your hard work.

TABERNACLE HOMECOMING:

The Tabernacle Methodist Church / Historical Assn. will meet at 11 a.m., Aug. 4th for Homecoming. This church, founded in 1846 and currently in the act of restoration, is marking its 150th year as one of the oldest in the State of Alabama. It is located on the old and historical Federal Road off U. S. Hiway 31 in the Pintlala community, less than 14 miles south of Montgomery. "Dinner on the ground" will be served in the kitchen of the church after services. Everyone is invited, especially the descendants of those first Tabernacle families. For further info. call Rene Barnett, 288-0231.

Thank you for your help in making this a more successful homecoming.

CORRECTIONS ON SAMUELS' INFORMATION

Dorothy Samuels has asked us to run the following corrections on the family data in our April Newsletter:

2	i	Edmund b. 4 May 1792
3	ii	Nancy b. ca 1794
4	ii	Lucy b. ca 1790/1800
5	iv	Jane "Jincy" b. ca 1804
6	v	Martha b. ca 1810
7	vi	Theophilus b. ca 1813
8	vii	John E.C. b. 1810/20

LASSITER FAMILY REUNION -- JUNE 29, 1996

The family of the late Frank Grant and Annie Merle Lassiter held their family reunion at the youngest son Glenn Allen and his wife Eddie Jo Newell Lassiter's beautiful new home on Meriwether Road in Pike Road. There were 53 present. We missed our sister-in-law Nell Lassiter, wife of the oldest brother, J.B. We were glad that J.B. was with us. After the family reunion was over, he visited Nell in the Healthsouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Montgomery as she has a broken hip from a fall. We also missed our brother William Clarence and his wife Helen from Tuscaloosa. He had surgery late in June, and the doctor did not want him to travel until he healed more. We missed our sister Mary Virginia and her husband Crowell Davis. We were glad to have their son Dwight and his wife Patsy and their youngest daughter Brittany and the oldest daughter Everlie and her new husband Scott Bolton, who were married on June 15 in a beautiful ceremony. We were glad to have Brittany's friend Tara Walker with us. We had two new family members with us - Tanner Katelyn Hendrick, new daughter of Jeff and Cathy Hendrick of Decatur, Ga., and W.D. Mangum, new son of Robert and Debbie Mangum of Pike Road.

Guests came from Auburn, Mobile, Letohatchee, Quinton, Al. and Decatur, Ga. We all enjoyed looking at Glenn's beautiful flowers and garden and his orchard and his beautiful tomato plants with plenty of big ripe tomatoes. Glenn made some delicious fresh apple sauce with apples from his Green Delicious apple trees. We enjoyed Jo's Sew and So Quilting Center with walls decorated with beautiful quilts. We enjoyed looking at her samples of vests and blouses and seeing the beautiful comforters and bedspreads she makes as well as other samples she makes.

We enjoyed the different covered dishes of meats, vegetables, salads, casseroles, and bread and delicious desserts. No one left hungry.

We enjoyed taking pictures and updating the family history. We are looking forward to the 1997 reunion for another big get-together.

Submitted by Miriam Williams

BETHEL CEMETERY INFORMATION UPDATED - JUNE 22, 1996

On a hot first day of summer, Lorraine Barnett and Miriam Williams re-listed Bethel Cemetery - last done by Ron Head in 1984. Anyone who has ever listed an old cemetery can appreciate the difficulties of the job. It is very hard to read old and worn markers. Please check corrections.

BETHEL CEMETERY - UPDATED JUNE 22, 1996

There is a stone marker found to the left of the entrance to this cemetery which reads:

Bethel Baptist Church

Feb. 13, 1819

Organizers:

Elder Electus Thompson,

Jas. McLemore, Edward Mosley

Builder, Geo. Shackelford,

Split of Primitive and Missionary

1837

Site marked Nov. 4, 1923

Also found were 9 additional names/stones, two of which were engraved on a double stone. These names are listed below in alphabetical order.

	born:	died:
JACKSON	5-11-1? (unable to read year)	
infant daughter of Sidney W. & Marie A. JACKSON		
LEWIS, infant son	3-07-1878	3-09-1878
infant son of B.E. & Elizabeth J. LEWIS		
(next to marker of infant daughter, same birth and death dates)		
NORMAN, Irene	5-17-1876	11-25-1879
dau of H.H. & T.E. NORMAN		
PORTER, Mary Elizabeth	10-01-1841	09-18-1905
wife of Tho's R. STACEY		
STACEY, Tho's R. STACEY	01-29-1830	08-02-1901
(double stone - Mother and Father at bottom of stone)		
STACEY, William V.	10-23-1866	06-23-1933
THOMPSON, Julia Lassiter	10-27-1867	01-05-1955
WILLETT, Isaac	1857 (birth or death date??) aged about 50 yr	
URQUHART, Claudia Bell Davis	11-06-1890	01-14-1924
wife of C.H. URQUHART		

BETHEL CEMETERY [#141716a]

Bethel Cemetery, formerly the churchyard of the Bethel Primitive Baptist Church (constituted February 1819), is located just off U.S. Highway 31 less than a mile north of Pintlala Church and Mosley's Store, on the east side of the road, in Township 14, Range 17, Section 16. The entrance to the cemetery is between two brick pillars on the side of the road, each with a panel reading "Bethel Cemetery--1818." See the published church records of Bethel Church in the State Department of Archives and History in Montgomery for further information. The inscriptions were copied by Ron HEAD on 26 July 1984.

	born:	died:	age:
* ANDERSON, Anne K. Wife of J.A. LASSITER (should be listed Anne K. Anderson <u>LASSITER</u>)	-- 1847	-- 1931	
JACKSON, Wm Daniel son of Sidney W. & Maria A. JACKSON	--	09-28-1853	aged 8 mo, 24 da
KILLOUGH, Annie E. wife of John KILLOUGH	12-12-1825	06-17-1908	
KILLOUGH, infant da of John J. & Annie E. KILLOUGH	06-25-1847	06-25-1847	
KILLOUGH, infant son of John J. & Annie E. KILLOUGH	08-20-1848	08-20-1848	
KILLOUGH, John J. LASITER, Elisha son of J.A. & A.K. LASITER	03-04-1821	06-17-1852	
	01-07-1871	06-17-1902	
* LASSITER, Mollie wife of W.T. TARVER (should be listed Mollie Lassiter <u>TARVER</u>)	03-16-1868	06-17-1951	
LEWIS, Allen S. son of W.W. & Jane F. LEWIS	09-16-1880	10-14-1882	aged 2 yr, 28 da

Bethel Cemetery [#141716a] cont.

	born:	died:	age:
* LEWIS, Annie wife of C.H.NORMAN (should be listed Annie Lewis NORMAN)	02-21-1866	01-19-1946	
LEWIS, Benjamin E.	01-12-1830	09-27-1900	aged 70 yr, 8 mo, 15 da
LEWIS, Edmund	--	05-24-1856	aged 64 yr, 20 da
LEWIS, Edmund Jasper	03-25-1834	04-16-1873	
LEWIS, G.W. son of Edmund & Miriann LEWIS	--	09-07-1864	aged 24 yr, 11 mo, 14 da
LEWIS, infant daughter	09-26-1855	--	
LEWIS, infant daughter da. of B.E. & Elizabeth LEWIS	03-07-1878	03-09-1878	
LEWIS, J.F. (Jane) wife of W.W.LEWIS	11-16-1851	06-16-1897	aged 45 yr, 6 mo, 16 da
LEWIS, Miriann wife of Edmund LEWIS; member Primitive Bapt. Church	--	10-12-1865	aged 57 yr, 11 mo
LEWIS Theophilus H. son of Edmund & Miriann LEWIS	05-10-1828	10-29-1852	
LEWIS, W.W.	08-10-1846	02-12-1895	aged 48 yr, 6 mo, 2 da
LEWIS, William Harrison	12-04-1859	06-10-1864	
LEWIS, William W. son of W.W. & Jane F. LEWIS	08-04-1871	12-16-1871	aged 4 mo, 12 da
NORMAN, Charles H.	04-19-1857	10-11-1949	
NORMAN, infant child of C.H. & M.A. NORMAN	--	--	
NORMAN, Mary Belle da. of C.H. & M.A. NORMAN	07-02-1903	05-24-1904#	
PARMER, Mary Ann	-- 1833	-- 1925	

Bethel Cemetery [#141716a] cont.

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	born:	died:	age:
PARMER, Bethiah B. da. of Wm. & Mariah PARMER	--	11-28-1844	aged 17 yr, 11 mo, 28 da
PARMER, Bethiah B. (?) da. of P.B. & Susanna PARMER	03-20-1850	10-13-1856	
PARMER, Chapel L. son of William & Mariah PARMER	--	04-07-1844	aged 30 yr, 4 mo, 16 da
PARMER, Elisha William son of Chapel L. PARMER, died Tues. after 4th Sun. in Sept., 1845	10-29-1836	--	
PARMER, Elizabeth H. (I II ?) da. of William & Elizabeth PARMER	--	09-29-1857	aged 12 yr, 5 mo, 21 da
PARMER, Emily Arinza da. of William & Elizabeth PARMER	--	06-27-1849	aged 1 yr, 5 mo, 21 da
PARMER, Mariah. wife of Wm PARMER	--	11-06-1843	aged 47 yr, 8 mo, 23 da
PARMER, Mary C. wife of P.B. PARMER	--	08-22-1845	aged 21 yr, 2 da
PARMER, Oliver W. son of W.W. & M.A. PARMER	11-08-1869	02-17-1884	
PARMER, Susanna wife of P.B. PARMER	--	10-27-1856	aged 24 yr, 4 mo, 16 da
PARMER, Virginia A. da. of William & Elizabeth PARMER	--	08-28-1853	aged 1 yr, 4 mo, 21 da
PARMER, William Worth	10-30-1848	07-18-1901	
POOLE, Mollie Pettis	-- 1857	-- 1940	
STEWART, Decatur P. son of Joshua & Nancy STEWART	--	10-08-1818?	aged 24 yr, 11 mo, 9 da
* TALLY, Elizabeth J. wife of B.E. LEWIS (should be listed Elizabeth J. Tally LEWIS)	04-26-1836	05-13-1923	

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	born:	died:	age:
THOMPSON, J.W.	11-29-1866	06-25-1944	
WALTERS, Charley D.	-- 1880	-- 1958	
WALTERS, Erdine Taylor	09-02-1872	07-14-1962	
WALTERS, Irvine L	03-16-1898	05-12-1922	
WALTERS, Mattie Lee	-- 1844	-- 1936	
WALTERS, Sam B.	-- 1873	-- 1953	
WALTERS, William Allen	06-08-1870	01-03-1949	
WHITTEMORE, Churchwell	--	10-15-1844	in his 32nd year
WILLIAMS, Isaac H.	09-12-1813	11-06-1875	

OUR FRONT PORCH: NEIGHBORHOOD RECREATION CENTER

Memories of our front porch will always be with me. It was the gathering place for all the children who lived on our street. Many games of Old Maid, Go Fishing, checkers, dominoes and even jacks were played there. The huge swing, handmade of cypress, heavy and ornate, would seat four adults or five or six children comfortably. Pretending it was a train or automobile, we traveled thousands of miles and never left the front porch.

Almost every child on the block gravitated to our front porch. We made our plans for holidays there and practiced plays to produce in the backyard for an audience of neighbors. Just recently a friend reminded me that I had 'made her a star' by teaching her to sing "Remember My Forgotten Man". I had forgotten her rendition of that torch song until she mentioned those backyard extravaganzas, all practiced on our front porch. No other front porch was ever utilized like ours.

Our friends came and played and sang and practiced endless Broadway hits. Our porch was a "safe place" before there was a need for such a thing. A shade from the sun, a shelter from the rain, a game room, a glee club, a theater and later a dating bureau. If you were lonely and in search of companions, they could be found on our front porch, Hospitality Headquarters, and still brimful of memories.

L. Hall

I BELIEVE IN THE SUPREME WORTH OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND IN HIS RIGHT TO LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS

I BELIEVE

THAT EVERY RIGHT IMPLIES A RESPONSIBILITY; EVERY OPPORTUNITY, AN OBLIGATION; EVERY POSSESSION, A DUTY

I BELIEVE

THAT THE LAW WAS MADE FOR MAN AND NOT MAN FOR THE LAW; THAT GOVERNMENT IS THE SERVANT OF THE PEOPLE AND NOT THEIR MASTER

I BELIEVE

IN THE DIGNITY OF LABOR, WHETHER WITH HEAD OR HAND; THAT THE WORLD OWES NO MAN A LIVING BUT THAT IT OWES EVERY MAN AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A LIVING

I BELIEVE

THAT THRIFT IS ESSENTIAL TO WELL ORDERED LIVING AND THAT ECONOMY IS A PRIME REQUISITE OF A SOUND FINANCIAL STRUCTURE, WHETHER IN GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS OR PERSONAL AFFAIRS

I BELIEVE

THAT TRUTH AND JUSTICE ARE FUNDAMENTAL TO AN ENDURING SOCIAL ORDER

I BELIEVE

IN THE SACREDNESS OF A PROMISE, THAT A MAN'S WORD SHOULD BE AS GOOD AS HIS BOND; THAT CHARACTER—NOT WEALTH OR POWER OR POSITION—IS OF SUPREME WORTH

I BELIEVE

THAT THE RENDERING OF USEFUL SERVICE IS THE COMMON DUTY OF MANKIND AND THAT ONLY IN THE PURIFYING FIRE OF SACRIFICE IS THE DROSS OF SELFISHNESS CONSUMED AND THE GREATNESS OF THE HUMAN SOUL SET FREE

I BELIEVE

IN AN ALL-WISE AND ALL-LOVING GOD, NAMED BY WHATEVER NAME, AND THAT THE INDIVIDUAL'S HIGHEST FULFILLMENT, GREATEST HAPPINESS, AND WIDEST USEFULNESS ARE TO BE FOUND IN LIVING IN HARMONY WITH HIS WILL

I BELIEVE

THAT LOVE IS THE GREATEST THING IN THE WORLD; THAT IT ALONE CAN OVERCOME HATE; THAT RIGHT CAN AND WILL TRIUMPH OVER MIGHT

JOHN • D • ROCKEFELLER • JR

Contributed by Rene Barnett.

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A SKEPTIC is one who won't take "know" for an answer. ⁱⁿ
A MOTHER found a way to manage her teenagers--she threatened
to sew the knees back in their jeans.
LITTLE BOY to a store clerk, "Have you seen a woman without
a little boy who looks like me?"

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