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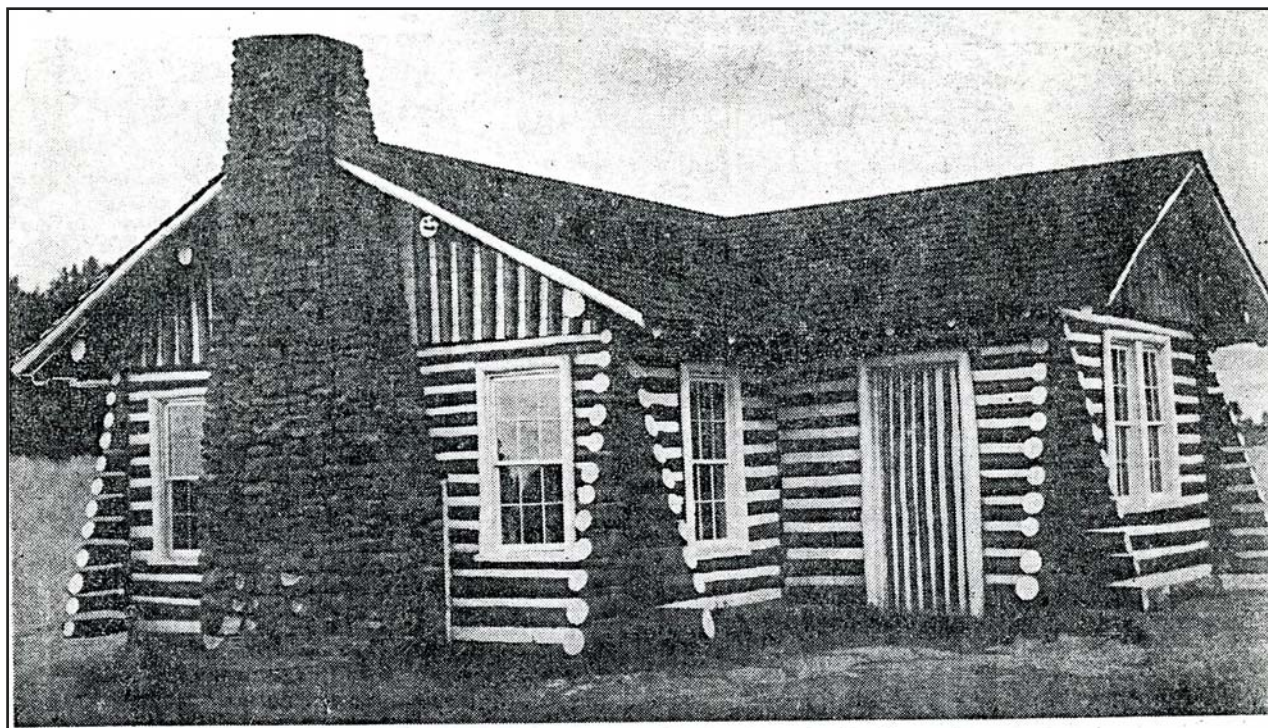
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## Mt. Carmel Civic Clubhouse



Mt. Carmel Civic Clubhouse, Constructed 1941, Bethlehem Community, Montgomery County, Alabama.

Source: *Birmingham News*, October 18, 1941

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

# APRIL PHA MEETING DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO SUNDAY, MAY 5TH

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are fast approaching the Bicentennial for the state of Alabama. Two hundred years of history have unfolded in interesting eras. Those who do not know a modicum of history are to be pitied. A basic knowledge of Alabama's history can be a preview of coming attractions. It is hoped that we will build on the strengths of our forebears and learn from their mistakes. Nonetheless, a basic foundation of serious learning must be in place for our state to excel. We look to the past in order to have a more compelling future.

By mid-summer, thanks to our Bicentennial Community Grant, our plans should be in full force involving our community schools and in our remaining programs.

On a lighter note, we are beginning each quarterly meeting of the PHA with the singing of our state song. *Alabama* was first written as a poem by Julia Tutwiler. The music was written by Mrs. Edna Gockel Gussen. House Joint Resolution 74 was adopted March 9, 1931. Act no. 126, adopted the music and words as the state song of Alabama. The bill was introduced by the Hon. Tyler Goodwyn, Montgomery, and was signed into law by Governor B.M. Miller.

#### VERSE 1

*Alabama, Alabama,  
We will aye be true to thee,  
From thy Southern shore where groweth,  
By the sea thine orange tree.  
To thy Northern vale where floweth  
Deep and blue thy Tennessee.  
Alabama, Alabama  
We will aye be true to thee!*

#### VERSE 7

*Little, little, can I give thee,  
Alabama, mother mine;  
But that little -- hand, brain, spirit,  
All I have and am are thine.  
Take, O take the gift and giver.  
Take and serve thyself with me,  
Alabama, Alabama,  
I will aye be true to thee.*

Hope to see you on May 5 (note the change),

Gary Burton, President



## May Program

Pintlala Historical Association will meet on Sunday, May 5th, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Pintlala Baptist Church. Conflicts with Easter and speaker's schedule made the date change necessary.

Our speaker will be Terry R. (T.R.) Henderson from Columbia, Alabama, just outside Dothan. His presentation will be on Andrew Jackson's Creek Indian Guides and Express Runners during the Creek Indian Wars.

TR is a Project Engineer for a papermill in Cedar Springs, Georgia. He lives in the deep woods near Columbia and is very active in historical organizations. He is president, Bartram Trail Conference; President, Friends of Horseshoe Bend and an officer of the Alabama Archaeological Association. He will be a presenter at the Alabama Historical Association in Tuscaloosa in April.

We look forward to his presentation on May 5th.



Terry R. (T.R.) Henderson  
Photograph courtesy Terry R. (T.R.) Henderson .



### In Memoriam

Gary Daniel Dean, Sr. longtime member of PHA and a resident of Spanish Fort, Alabama passed away on March 18, 2019. He was the son of Frank and Willie Kate Dean. He is thought to have been in his eighties.

## New Members

### WELCOME

Jane Ellis, Hoover, AL

Martha Lamar, DePere, WI

James Randall, New York City

Ann Robinson, Birmingham, AL

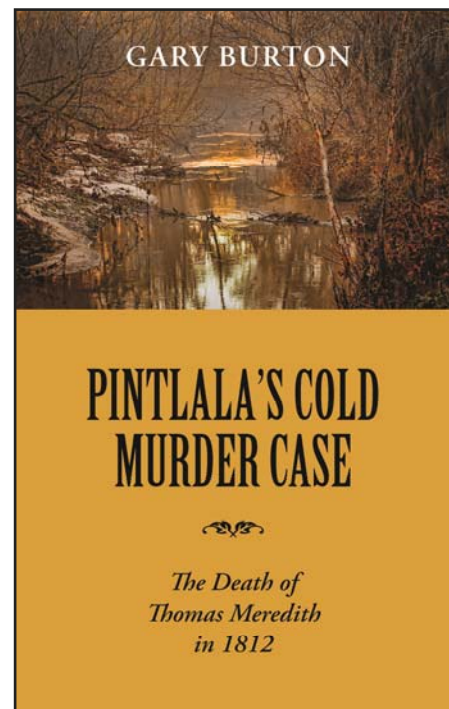
## GARY'S BOOK IS PUBLISHED

Alabama in 1812, seven years before statehood, could be a dangerous place. There was no law to speak of, and tensions between white settlers and native Creeks—as well as between rival Creek factions—ran high. No one knows exactly how or why Thomas Meredith came to be set upon with “knives and sticks” by Creek Indians who “killed him dead” on the banks of Pinchona Creek near present-day Montgomery in late March 1812, but historian Gary Burton has done his best to locate all the scraps of information and weave them into a narrative that reveals as much as we are likely to ever know. The murder remains one of the intriguing “cold murder cases” in Alabama history.

*Pintlala's Cold Murder Case: The Death of Thomas Meredith in 1812* by Gary Burton.

Gary will have some books available for purchase at the PHA meeting on May 5. Get your personally autographed book for \$10. Please make checks payable to “Gary Burton.”

[www.newsouthbooks.com/Pintlala](http://www.newsouthbooks.com/Pintlala)



Photograph courtesy Gary Burton .



## Mount Carmel Civic Club

By Alice T. Carter

A small building located almost at the corner of Butler Mill Road and Old Hickory Grove Road in South Montgomery County, Bethlehem Community, came to my attention from Jerrie Burton of Pintlala as she worked on the Mildred Smith Project for the Pintlala Historical Association. This small building turned out to be the Mount Carmel Civic Clubhouse, constructed in 1941 in the Bethlehem Community.

A notebook/scrapbook on the Mt. Carmel Clubhouse was recently found at the Pintlala Branch Library and was used as a primary reference source for this article. It is not known who compiled the notebook. Found inside the notebook were photographs, Club Yearbooks for the years 1946-47, 1948-49, 1950-51, 1956-57, correspondence and undated by-laws for Mt. Carmel Civic Club. The most informative archives were published articles regarding the club from the *Birmingham News*, 1941; *Montgomery Advertiser*, 1941 and the *Alabama Sunday Magazine*, 1968, published as a supplement to the *Montgomery Advertiser*.

The earliest dated item in the scrapbook was a 1935 letter from Mamie C. Thorington, Home Demonstration Agent with the Cooperative Extension Work in Agriculture and Home Economics based at Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn University). This letter was addressed to "Club President", no name was given. This letter requested that the enclosed state yearbook be shared with the local club. A copy of *Year Book, 1934-35, Alabama Council of Home Demonstration Clubs* was also found in the scrapbook. This documents that, at least by 1935, there was some organized group of women meeting in the Mt. Carmel area and were associated with the Home Demonstration Club or Civic Club movement for rural women. The *Alabama Sunday Magazine, Montgomery Advertiser*, May 19, 1968 reported the club was organized in 1938 and that around 1940, ladies from the Mt. Carmel, Bethlehem, Ada, Sellers and Fleta communities decided a club house was necessary for meetings, a community gathering place for activities and entertainments. The group proceeded to raise funds for the project with rummage sales, magazine sales and "husband-nite" suppers. Construction began the second week of February, 1941.

A site for the building was donated by local mail carrier, Leon M. Anderson and his wife. Founding president of the club, Mrs. W. A. (Annie Laurie) Guy led the ladies and kept them busy attaining their goal. The same news article of 1968 attributes to Mrs. J.D. Boyd plans for the meetinghouse to be built of indigenous materials. Representatives of the club met with the Montgomery County Board of Revenue (now County Commissioners) to request services from the National Youth Association to provide the physical labor for construction. It was necessary for the property to be deeded to the county to secure funds for services of the NYA.

What was the NYA? President Franklin D. Roosevelt sponsored the National Youth Association as part of the Works Progress Administration during the Great Depression. From 1935 to 1939 the NYA provided education and work for Americans age 16 to 25 and included young ladies in the program. The participants lived at home, worked on construction or repair projects and were paid \$10 to \$25 a month. The NYA was eliminated in 1943. The Mt. Carmel ladies were grateful for this government agency.



Interior view of native rock chimney and hearth of local pebbles, Photo courtesy Gary Burton

The rural ladies themselves were hard workers. They hauled pine logs, rocks, shingles and workers in their pick-up trucks to the construction site. The *Montgomery Advertiser*, September 14, 1941 reported the following donors for the cabin: Pierce Davis of Crenshaw County: roofing boards; Jack Davis also of Crenshaw County: stones for the chimney and fireplace; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Faust (Olivia Chambers), Mrs. Mary R. Guy and A.J. Bedsole gave pine logs and Chester Riggs, Sr. of Montgomery wired the house for electricity. Young boys from the communities gathered rocks to line the hearth of the large fireplace. The ladies made curtains and rugs for the interior.



Their love and respect for Extension Home Agent, Mamie C. Thorington, was evident by a picture of Mrs. Thorington placed in a lovely antique frame over the stone fireplace. A large wooden wagon wheel was transformed into a chandelier in the center of the one room clubhouse.

A clipping from the October 18, 1941 *Birmingham News* gives documentation that the Mt. Carmel Club house was completed in late summer of 1941 at an estimated cost of \$3,000.00 and in September of the same year a dedication/reception was held at the newly constructed Mt. Carmel Clubhouse.



Framed photograph of beloved Montgomery County Home Demonstration Agent, Mamie C. Thorington. Photo courtesy Gary Burton

### Tea Reception at Clubhouse

Guests at the open house tea in 1941 were greeted by Club officers: President, Mrs. W. A. Guy; Vice-president, Mrs. Ronald Sellers; secretary, Mrs. John D. Boyd; treasurer: Mrs. Claude Sullivan. Guests were registered by Miss Jewel Dean; Presiding at the tea table were: Misses: Fay Talley, Edith Anderson, Ina Anderson and Dorothy Scaife, all daughters of members. Decorations and arrangements were handled by Mrs. H. V. Bell and Mrs. S.J. Guy with assistance from Mrs. Bob Mathews of Montgomery. The club's colors of green and gold were used along with the club flower, the marigold.

Visitors attending were:

**Pinedale Civic Club:** Mrs. J. Cecil Eagerton, Jr., Miss Elizabeth Jones, Mrs. James McInnis, Mrs. F. W. Green, Mrs. Norman Putnam, Mrs. John Eagerton, Mrs. A. B. Kennedy, Mrs. M. H. Harper, Mrs. James Stoner, and Mrs. Herbert Eagerton

**Westview Gardens Civic Club:** Mrs. F. B. Horton, Mrs. W. M. Farnell, Mrs. J. A. Brown and Mrs. C. F. Schumpert

**Grady Home Demonstration Club:** Mrs. Lucien Anderson, Mrs. W. V. Bell, Miss Janet Bell, Mrs. C. D. Keener, Mrs. E. F. Wingard, and Mrs. H. H. Hassey

**LeGrand Civic Club:** Mrs. J. S. Huie and Mrs. J. B. Snead.

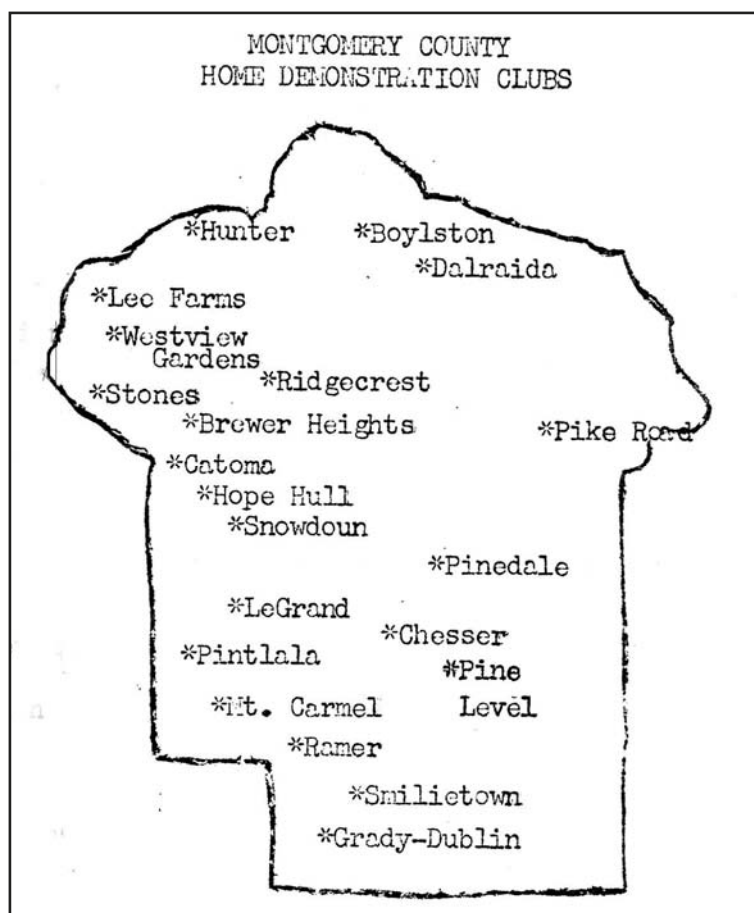
**Snowdown Woman's Club:** Mrs. J.P. Curry, Mrs. R. W. Erke, Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mrs. R. W. Sutherland, Mrs. Owen Green and Mrs. Marvin Berry

**Catoma Civic Club:** Mrs. V. C. Elgin, Mrs. R. B. Shelburne, Mrs. H.M. Stanley, Mrs. J. S. Collins, Mrs. V.L. Grier, Mrs. J. C. Betts and Mrs. G.H. Nichols

**Pintlala Civic Club:** Mrs. J. T. Chestnutt, Mrs. C. F. Windham, Mrs. John A. Reddoch, Mrs. Gus Boyd, Mrs. L.R. Scarborough and Mrs. Fox Harden

**Pike Road Civic Club:** Mrs. H. B. Fannin, Mrs. T.J. Boland, Mrs. W. C. McNeill, Mrs. J.K. McClurkin, Miss Emma Jean McClurkin

**Ramer Civic Club:** Mrs. J. W. Sellers and Mrs. John Gann



Map showing locations of Montgomery County Home Demonstration Clubs as shown in 1956-57 Club Yearbook, Source: Mt. Carmel Civic Club Scrapbook



**Dublin Civic Club:** Mrs. W. E. Raley, Mrs Rufus Fannin, Mrs. W. T. M. Rushing, Mrs. C. E. Rushing and Miss Mildred Smith

Other visitors were: Mrs. Rawdon Barnes, Mrs. J.K. McLaney, LeGrand; L. Anderson, Grady; Mrs. A.N. Davis, Montgomery; Mrs. Roy Parks, Mrs. Hubert Rose, Mrs. Frank Spencer, Palmyra Club, Pike County; Mrs. Lewis Dawkins, Mt. Carmel; Mrs. W. T. Shreve, Dozier; Miss Alice Peavy, Assistant Home Agent; Mrs. William M. Spooler, Sandy Ridge; and Miss Emelyn Reddoch, Pintlala.

### Club Projects Benefitting Families and Community

After completion of the Clubhouse, the ladies moved on to the business at hand, establishing projects to benefit the local communities and their residents. The Cooperative Extension Service provided timely topics for programs on the latest methods of food preservation and preparation and buying—all intended to help families save money and feed their families in health conscious ways. Examples of program topics can be found in the 1956-1957 Club Yearbook: Selection and Care of Appliances, Matting and Framing Pictures, Clothing Construction, Meats for Your Meals, Rug Weaving, Family Togetherness, Finishing Furniture and Pies and Pastries.

The Mt. Carmel Civic Club provided volunteer opportunities and education of the residents through programs, lectures, films, work with the mobile chest-X-ray unit to aid in detecting and preventing tuberculosis, bookmobile, volunteer hours to disasters such as fires, floods and tornadoes. The ladies remembered the sick and shut-ins in their area.

The Mt. Carmel Civic Club was always represented at the State Fair and Christmas-in-November. The club participated in a countywide program of "The Home Improvement Program". The *Alabama Sunday Magazine*, *Montgomery Advertiser*, May 19, 1968 reported the club won first place with the most outstanding improvements with 100 per cent of it's members participating. For their efforts the club was awarded \$500, which meant a great deal to the rural club.



Certificate of service from The Tuberculosis Association  
Photo courtesy Gary Burton

### Membership

It would be impossible to locate and list all members of the Mt. Carmel Civic Club since it's beginning in 1941. For this article the Club Yearbook of 1950-1951, Club Roll is listed below:

Madames: L.M. Anderson, C.L. Blocker, J. D. Boyd, Leon Bedsole, Curtis Boyd, Desma Brady, Bell Cauthen, Hubie Cauthen, Wilfred Cauthen, Jimmy Cargile, Fannie Chambers, Elbert Churchwell, C. M. Dean, Bobby Dean, W.L. Davis, A.N. Davis, Elbert Findley, S.J. Guy, W. A. Guy, Bob Guy, R. S. Hataway, Jesse Howard, Jeff Hall, J. T. Huffman, E.O. Latham, Rosa Lee Maddox, Garrett Morrison, Fred Mizelle, Rudolph Montgomery, C.F. Noble, Raymond Noble, W.L. Neal, Roy Pouncey, Mack Pouncey, R.E. Sellers, ? Seals, Cliff Talley, James Talley, Ciddie Underwood and Miss Mildred Smith.

Leaders for the club cannot be documented for the entire life of the Civic Club, however, listed below are officers taken from two Yearbooks— 1946-1947 and 1956-1957:

1946:

President: Mrs. Mamie Hall; Vice-President: Mrs. Leon Bedsole; Secretary: Mrs. Desma Brady; Treasurer: Mrs. R. S. Hataway

1956:

President: Mrs. E. O. Latham; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President: Mrs. W. A. Guy; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President: Mrs. R. S. Hataway; 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-President: Mrs. Jesse Howard; Secretary: Mrs. Johnnie Davis; Treasurer: Mrs. C. F. Noble



### 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gathering

According to writer Vivian Cannon of the *Alabama Sunday Magazine*, *Montgomery Advertiser*, May 19, 1968, The Mt. Carmel Civic Club was celebrated as the oldest club sponsored by the Montgomery County Extension Service—30 years of good work. The ladies celebrated this milestone with a reception at the clubhouse. At the time, Mrs. Bonnie Walters was serving as president. The ladies modernized their club house by covering the exterior logs with siding and adding a canopy over a new concrete entrance at the front door. In what year these changes were made cannot be documented. The siding appears in photographs at the anniversary reception in 1968.



Clubhouse with newly applied exterior siding, date unknown, Source: Mt. Carmel Civic Club scrapbook



Eight of 17 charter members of Mt. Carmel Civic Club, gather at 30th Anniversary Reception in 1968. L to R: Madames: Rosalie Maddox, Desma Brady, Rufus Hataway, Annie Laurie Guy, H. V. Bell, John D. Boyd, Sr., W.L. Neal and E. W. Findley

In the scrapbook/notebook found at Pintlala Library, a copy of a deed from the Montgomery County Board of Revenue, William F. Joseph, President, demonstrates property described in the deed, dated May 24, 1965, as being deeded to trustees of the Mt. Carmel Civic Club. Trustees listed were Mrs. W. A. Guy, Mrs. Elbert Findley and Mrs. Cliff Talley. This document indicates the property once deeded to the county, in order to gain use of the NYA at the time of construction, was returned to the Civic Club. It is not clear who currently owns title to the property.

### Changes Over the Years



Club's youngest is Mrs. Christian Jackson; oldest, Mrs. Belle Cawthen, 80

1968 reception, Youngest member: Chris Jackson and oldest member: Belle Cawthen (80) Source: *Alabama Sunday Magazine*, *Montgomery Advertiser*, May 19, 1968

In what year the Civic Club ceased to exist as a club associated with the Cooperative Extension Service was not determined in this research. Over the years the clubhouse has been the site for community gatherings such as breakfast groups, dinner gatherings and home to meetings of the Sellers Station Water System from 1970 to around 2012—42 years. The guest book for the covered dish group of 2010 list the following as members of the Mt. Carmel Civic Club: Cartwrights: Clint, Alisha, Zade; Delaney: Theresa; Edgars: Sonny, Cameron; Findleys: Brian, Jennifer, Kent, Kadra, Bill, Debra; Fowlers: Rhocene, Red; Helms: Stephen, Susan, Sammi; Kelliher : Phillip, Glenda, Tara, Tyler, Allyson; Lail: Max; Lowes: Bobby, Elaine, Dereck; Lawhons: Byron, Callie, Taylor, Patrick, Harrison; Mansmanns: Clay, Cade; Sellers: Moses, Malinda.

The Mt. Carmel Civic Clubhouse has been in existence for 78 years, providing a place for enrichment, education and as a social outlet for residents of rural southeast Montgomery County.



Today the Mt. Carmel Clubhouse building is in need of repairs. Hopefully, the ladies of the surrounding communities will lead the way for repairs in the same energetic way as their founding predecessors began construction of the charming and unique building in 1941.



Clubhouse, 2019

Photo courtesy Gary Burton

## Acknowledgements

Theresa Davis Henderson of Bethlehem, who lives directly across the road from the clubhouse, provided pictures and information regarding the clubhouse including facts on the Sellers Station Water System meetings. She was most helpful and gracious.

Beverly Ming and Julieanne Hataway were helpful with their memories.

Thanks to all of you, plus Gary Burton for photographs and Jerrie Burton for scanning images.



Interior photos of Clubhouse, date unknown  
Source: Mt. Carmel Civic Club Scrapbook





**Can you identify any of these persons? Help needed!**



Club members in front of Clubhouse, date unknown

Photo courtesy Theresa Davis Henderson



Ladies in Civil War Centennial costumes. Probably at the Sellers Station Dairy Queen.  
Source: Mt. Carmel Civic Club Scrapbook



## Service Honor Roll

A framed listing of men who served their country in unlisted branches of the military hangs on the wall of the Mt. Carmel Clubhouse. The framed list measures 25 ½ inches in length and 20 inches in width. There is no information listed other than the man's name. Decorative flags and stars adorn the page. The names are arranged in the shape of a "V". The name James Sellers appears in the second line of the "V" and has a star before his name. The star matches the decorative stars on the page. I think it safe to assume that this might be the same Pvt. James M. Sellers, son of A.C. and Ruth Sellers, Age 22, June 13, 1943 WWII, Grandson of William W. and Lomax Sellers, as found on a census of the Mt. Carmel Cemetery prepared by Mamie Sellers. The star by his name must signify him as a casualty of WWII. His is the only person with a star by his name.



The names are listed below:

Dennis Pouncey  
Henry Anderson  
Francis Anderson  
Andrew William Bedsole  
Paul Boyd  
Franklin Bedsole  
Joe H. Bozeman  
Savasta Bozeman  
S. M. Bozeman  
Marvin Davis  
Roger Davis  
Emmet Davis  
Clarence Davis  
Ernest Davis  
Glynn Davis  
Baxter Dean  
Morris Dean  
Willie Joe Dean  
Fostelle Dean  
Jesse Calvin Edge  
Elbert Findley, Jr.  
Claude Findley  
James Findley  
Douglas ? Frazier  
John Gardner  
Melvin Guy  
Lobman Guy  
S. J. Guy, Jr.  
Sam Hall  
Frank Hall  
James Williamson  
S. E. Russell  
George Powell  
Kirby Pool  
Charles Powell  
Eugene Moore  
Bailey Boyd  
Tommy Guy  
Bob Guy  
J. C. Davis

Moses Sellers  
John D. Boyd, Jr.

### Second column of the "V" from the top:

Vernon Walton  
Arthur W. Edge  
Jimmy Lindsey  
Justice Lindsey  
Frank Huffman  
Lugene Huffman  
Shackleford Matthews  
Rufus Morrison  
Alton Morrison  
Wilbur Neal  
Eugene Neal  
Roy Pouncey  
Edgar Pouncey  
William Walter Sellers  
Ronald E. Sellers, Jr.  
\*James Sellers  
Lavon Sexton  
Coby Sexton  
Waverly Sexton  
Coleman Sansom  
Walter Samuel Smith  
John Lee Smith  
Franklin Smith  
Shackelford Scaife  
James Guy Scaife  
Douglas Talley  
Elvin Talley  
Melvin Talley  
Rufus Talley  
Eugene Talley  
Faroe Talley  
James Watson  
Richard Watson  
John Taylor



## Pintlala Service Club Has 39 Members In Armed Service

Thirty-nine former members of Pintlala Civic Club, and probably others, are now in the armed services of their country, serving in Army, Navy, Air Corps, Coast Guard and Marines. In Australia, in India, in Panama, Canal Zone, in England, in the Pacific and Atlantic, and here at home, these former 4-H boys are taking part in the struggle against aggression.

As listed by Bobby Dean, present secretary of the Pintlala Club, assisted by other members and their school principal, Prof. L. R. Scarborough, the boys, their branch of service and the location are: Bobbie Chesnutt, Marines, Louisiana; Thomas Chesnutt, Army, overseas; J. B. Davis, Army, Texas; Llewellyn Duggar, Air Corps, California; Jimmie Green, Air Corps, Texas; Nathan Davis, Army, India; Morris Davis, Army, Australia; Elvin Talley, Army, Georgia; Melvin Talley, Army, South Carolina; Eugene Neal, Army, New York; Gus Boyd, Jr., Army Signal Corps, Tampa, Fla.

Charles Brady, Army, Texas; Robert Alex McCall, Navy, overseas; Duncan Head, Navy, overseas; Jack Lassiter, Army, California; Douglas Talley, Army, Florida; Eugene Huffman, Army, California; Samuel Edgar Robin-

son, Army, North Carolina; Ronald E. Sellers, Jr., Air Corps, North Carolina; Dan Murrell, Army Air Corps, Selma; George Gunter Williams, Army, Florida; Savasta Bozeman, Army, Mississippi; S. M. Bozeman, Army, Mississippi; Franklin Bedsole, Army, Panama, Canal Zone; James Brady, Army, Texas; Richard Watson, Army, Texas; Roy Pouncey, Army, Mississippi.

Silas Garrett, Navy, Oklahoma; Eugene Talley, Army, Oklahoma; Ralph Chambers, Navy, California; Frank Huffman, Army, Aniston; Alvin Robinson, Army, California; S. H. Murrell, Army, Illinois; Renfro Pirtle, Army, South Carolina; Henry Pirtle, Army, Mississippi; Stanley McMath, Army; Leman McMath, Coast Guard; Alex R. Garrett, Jr., Army; William Walter Sellers, Army, England.

In the second paragraph of the above article, Thomas Chesnutt is listed as Army. Thomas was always in the Navy, never in the Army. Source: *Montgomery Advertiser*, Sunday, December 13, 1942

## JACKSON HARRISON DESCENDANTS



Gary Burton, Lucy Harrison Hummers, King Harrison and Alice Carter . Photograph courtesy Gary Burton .



## Henry Carr Hornady Revisited

The January 2019 PHA Newsletter contained an article on Pvt. Henry Carr Hornady (1886-1918) in which the following letter was reproduced:

*Dear Mama and All:*

*I know you are wondering what has become of your soldier boy. All I can say is that he is still living and getting along as well as can be expected. So far have been blessed and am trusting in the Lord that I may come through and some day be back with the loved ones at Home Sweet Home—then I will tell you all about it. So I'm not complaining and trying to be as considerate as possible and not worry too much about things that we cannot help. Am trying to take care of myself best I can.*

*I wonder what has become of Cliff. Is he over here somewhere or still in the States?*

*Our Division has been fighting on the front for over a month. If anything happens to me you will know it some way, so don't worry. I feel like that surely some time in the near future this awful struggle will be over and all of us that are living will soon be back to you again. So you must look on the sunny side and think what it means, for we are winning and winning fast.*

*Will write you as often as possible. Try and make papa take good care of himself, and that it won't be many more months until I will cross the big sea again coming home, then we will all be happy and so contented, having won the Big War.*

*I wonder if all the family are fortunate enough to be well. Haven't had any mail in two months or longer. Am beginning to want to hear from home and all the news. Of course I wish you all a very Merry Xmas, and if you just won't worry you will have it.*

*Mamma, kiss all the family for me and when I get back I will kiss you for it.*

*You all should be overjoyed over the success of our Allies and know that you are. So don't get blue and think that everything will not turn out right.*

*Will do the best I can.*

*Your dear son,*

*H.C.*

The newsletter was published and made its way into hands of Hornady family members, including Wallace Hornady of Woodberry Forest School, Woodberry Forest, Virginia. Wallace is the greatgrandson of Ida Cheetum Hornady and William Madison Hornady of Ft. Deposit, Alabama, parents of Henry Carr Hornady. Wallace is Chairman of the Music Department at Woodberry, a boys boarding school for grades 9-12. He has the rocking chair that belonged to Ida Cheetum Hornady in his classroom. Wallace sat in her chair and read to his class his great uncle Henry Carr Hornady's letter written in France prior to his death during WWI. It is probable that Ida sat in the chair to read her son's letter and likely spent many hours of rocking and grieving in this very chair. Thank you Wallace for sharing this connection with us.





Wallace Hornady, great nephew of Henry Carr Hornady, and rocking chair belonging to Ida Cheetum Hornady.  
Photograph courtesy Wallace Hornady



Wallace Hornady reading letter to his class from Henry Carr Hornady, Photograph courtesy Wallace Hornady



## THE MONTGOMERY ROOM

Juliette Hampton Morgan Memorial Library  
245 High Street  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

March 4, 2019

Dear Reverend Burton,

I am sending this to you in your capacity as President of the Pintlala Historical Association. Forgive the formality of it as it is a form letter sent to many associations in the Montgomery County area.

The Juliette Hampton Morgan Memorial Library has created a new service; **The Montgomery Room**. In this room we have pulled together books that you will find listed in our catalog as the Alabama-Southeast U.S. Collection.

It is a great collection of books on a variety of subjects pertaining to Alabama and especially Montgomery. It is housed in a wonderfully inviting and comfortable setting with wood bookshelves and furniture.

Each month we will create a booklist highlighting a subject in the collection in conjunction with the Alabama Bicentennial.

Please stop by the library sometime to familiarize yourself with the **Montgomery Room**.

If you would like to arrange a time when a librarian can introduce the room to your group, please let me know.

Jim Cannon  
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**NEXT MEETING**

**MAY 5, 2019**

**2:30 P.M.**

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