

Mr. Saunder Miss Lockhart

The cute little boy with a tie is Clarence Brooks and the boy with a dog is James Booker. (below)



Clarence Brooks

James Booker

Another school mate, Will (Bill) Brown, shown on the next page, went on to win gold and silver medals in the 1951 Pan American games. He also taught and coached at Central Consolidated High School and later at Bel Air High School . Mr. Brown is the only African American ever to serve as a Commissioner for the Town of Bel Air. He is also the father of Howard County District Court Judge Pamila J. Brown.





Will Brown

Georgia Paine

Evelynn Clayton, believes that Will Brown and Georgia (nee Harris) Paine are the only persons from the picture who are still living. Ms. Paine was unable to recall any of the names in the picture. A trip is planned to visit Mr. Brown to discuss the picture.

If you have any old photos that you would like to share, please contact the AAH project. We can copy your pictures at no cost to you. You do not have to give up your pictures.

Thanks to Evelynn (Sue) Clayton for her great effort in helping produce this article.

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Photographs are an essential part of this African-American History (AAH) project. Eventually Campaign 42 hopes to scan thousands of pictures into the computer. Each picture will receive a sequential ID number starting with 00001 and be filed in order (electronically and hard copy). The record, using an Excel database file, will also include any known data, such as the location and date of the image, and the names of people appearing in the photo.

Here is the story of one such photograph that is in the system.

Evelynn (Sue) Clayton, of Churchville, inherited from her mother, Genevieve (nee Whittington) Peaker, a 5"x7" school picture of the Bel Air Colored School, shown on the next page. Among the students is Ms. Clayton's Uncle Robert Whittington Jr., who very likely passed the copy to his sister Genevieve.

Scanning and enlarging the photo revealed the faint hand writing on

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the chalk board that read "Bel Air School 1932". Thus the location (Bel Air), the date (1932) and the picture description (Bel Air Colored School– 1932) could now be entered into the database. This picture is now identified as Photo 00003.



Bel Air Colored School – 1932 (Original 5"x7", shown reduced)

Even though Mrs. Clayton (near age 79) was a generation younger than most of the people in the picture, she could identify 48 of the 81 individuals. The names of each of the persons she identified, who also grew up in the Alice Anne Street neighborhood, has been recorded and given an ID number in the database.

Some of the students and their corresponding ID numbers are shown in the next two figures.



74 & 75 – Brothers Edward and Edwin Davis respectively. 76 is unknown



43 - Frances Waters, 44 - unknown, 45 – unknown.

After the names with the corresponding ID numbers had been entered into the database, the computer snipping tool extracted 81 individual images from the original 5"x7" photo. These have now become part of the database. See some of the individual pictures shown on the next page.

The teacher for the school was Mr. Stanley Saunder and the assistant was Miss Nettie Lockhart.

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