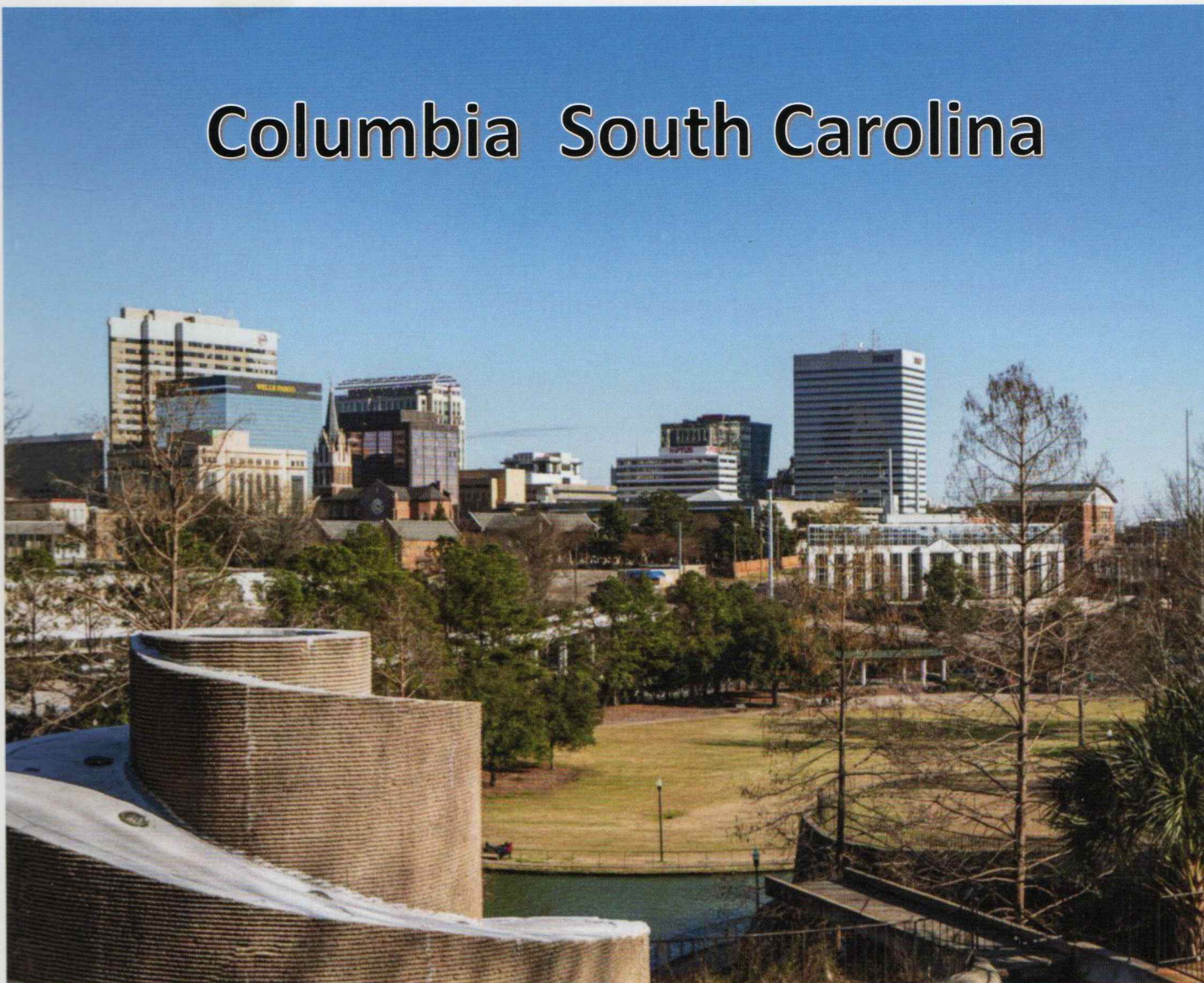


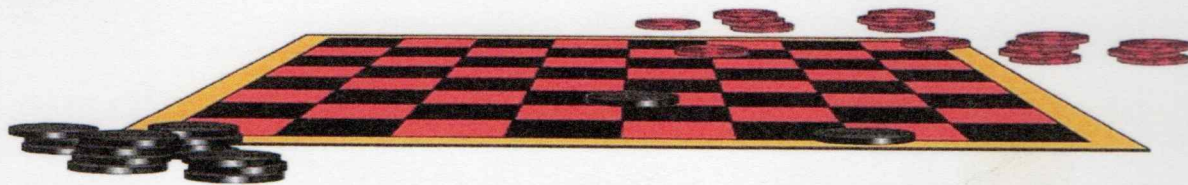
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Greetings

On behalf of the American Pool Checker Association, I want to welcome everyone to our 54th annual national tournament.

This is our first national tournament since the start of the "Covid 19 Pandemic" and we're excited to restart our annual event.

I want to thank the Columbia Checker Club for hosting this event for 2023 in the beautiful city of Columbia, S.C.

We are very fortunate to have Mr. Rufus Watts (President of the Columbia Checker Club) and his staff invite us to their great city.

Aside from the really great joy that is derived from playing checkers, scientists have found that the mental exercise that is experienced while playing checkers will help to prevent Alzheimer's and other dementia related conditions.

So fellows, young, middle age and elderly, I encourage you to get your youth and your females involved in playing this incredible game!

For those of us who bring our families to Columbia for this event, be sure to let and encourage them to play and enjoy the game of checkers.

Also there are many tourist attractions to keep them entertained if they don't enjoy checkers.

For the "sight seeing" fans there is "West Columbia Riverwalk Park and Amphitheater", "The South Carolina State Museum", The SC Institute For Archeology And Anthropology" and many more.

When mealtime comes the city has many restaurants to suit our every taste desire, including "Mr. Friendly's New Southern Café", The Gourmet Shop, The Sakura Japanese Restaurant and many more.

So enjoy the event and do some vacationing while you're here.

Albert Harrison
A.P.C.A. President
Albert Harrison

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APCA Mission and History

The American Pool Checker Association's mission is to:

1. Preserve the heritage of American Pool Checkers which is rooted in Black History.
2. Motivate youths to develop problem-solving and good analytical skills.
3. Stimulate the minds of senior citizens through free game play and sponsored organized national tournaments.

History

In examining the history of the American Pool Checker Association, one must consider the history of pool checkers in Detroit, Michigan and how it influenced two men, John Otis and Nathaniel Leach, to visualize organizing players into a strong, unified body.

These individuals had witnessed checkers being played on street corners, alleys, barbershops and anywhere that two or more people could congregate in a challenging atmosphere to out-wit, out-think, out-move, and out-talk each other.

Players during that time, (the early 1930's) would travel from one section of the city to another to satisfy that competitive zeal.

They took special delight in "mugging" (beating their opponents five straight games) or "hooding" (beating their opponents ten straight games) their victims. However, winning was not as much fun as it was to have the loser to buy a bottle of soda pop and personally bring it to the winner while the winner shouted indignities to him as he sat waiting for his turn to get even.

The game was called "Spanish Pool" Checkers and it was played predominately by Blacks throughout the United States.

Straight Checkers was much too slow and not exciting in its' moves and jumps so it was not as appealing as the former.

There were no written rules to govern play nor were there any recorded accounts of games or players.

The players agreed on local rules or those endorsed by the majority.

There were no tournaments, no divisions, and no instructions.

The streets or the barbershops gave the group its name.

What was happening in Detroit was also occurring in other major cities where there was a checkerboard.

Mr. Leach and John Otis were quite disturbed by the lack of organization that existed in Spanish Pool Checkers.

So, these men of vision proceeded to start a checkers club in the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in Detroit in the early 1930's.

In 1938, the St. Antoine Checkers Club held its first organized city-wide tournament.

In 1940, the club created two divisions for that years' tournament: Heavyweight and Light Heavyweight Divisions.

Playing unorganized checkers as it had been played was one thing, but to get club members to pay dues, (25 cents a month) to help defray heating and light expenses was like "pulling a hen's teeth."

Refusing to accept some responsibilities for overhead costs, many players returned to the street corners, and it was difficult to find them as they left no addresses or formal names as most played under nicknames, such as, "Schoolboy", "Little George", "Mack" and etc.

With a few faithful followers the club continued to meet in various homes and recreation centers.

The idea of unorganized play in the Spanish Pool Checkers tradition didn't set well with these two men of vision and in 1960 they presented the idea to Newell Banks, a grandmaster and a blindfold expert in Straight Checkers.

The guidance of this expert proved to be invaluable in the formation of an organization designed to teach its members the finer points of play and to keep individual records.

In 1961, the American Pool Checker Association was registered in the city-county building and was granted a charter as a non-profit organization to organize all checkers players in the United States.

The first big event was the Midwest Open Tournament held in 1965 along with the publication of a points manual and rules based on the American Pool Checker Association (A.P.C.A.) philosophy.

Then in 1966, the dream began to become a reality as the Association sponsored its first national tournament in Detroit, bringing together checker players from all parts of the country.

The dream became a full reality when on December 1, 1976, the Georgia Pool Checker Association became the first to receive its charter of affiliation.

As the organization grew it found itself having to make modifications to accommodate its members.

The Divisions were changed to the following divisions representing the level of play: Top Master, Master, Jr. Master, Gold Bar, and Blue Ribbon.

Subsequently, rules and regulations were adopted to govern the organization and tournament play.

Today, the American Pool Checker Association holds annual tournaments in various cities throughout the United States.

After the 2019 tournament was held, the A.P.C.A. stopped holding tournaments because of the "Covid 19 Pandemic" and remained stopped until the present time.

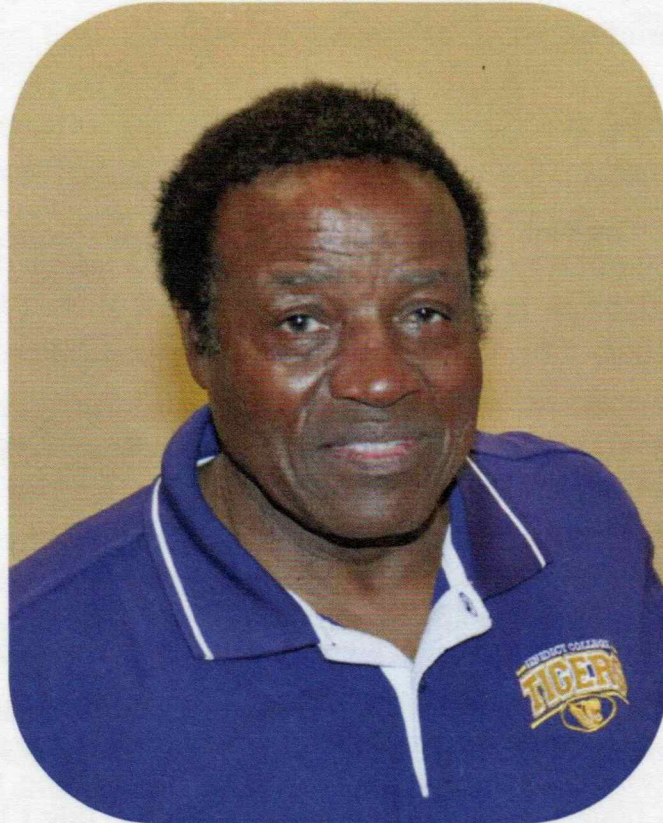
In July of 2022, Mr. Clarence Gooche, who had held the office of President for the last 10 years, decided to step down from the position.

At that time the organization's official board elected Mr. Albert Harrison to the President's office.

After the election the board authorized the president to restart the annual event and to hold an official A.P.C.A. tournament in July 2023.



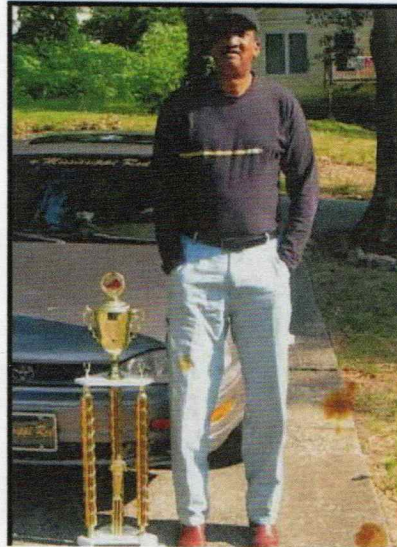
To
Mr. Rufus (Kilowatt) Watts



On behalf of the American Pool Checker Association, I wish to express our debt of gratitude to Mr. Rufus Watts and his staff for hosting the 54th annual national tournament in July 2023.

Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

*Brother Albert Harrison
A.P.C.A. - President*



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

**A PROCLAMATION
ALFRED "EAST POINT" BARNETT**

WHEREAS: Alfred Barnett of East Point, Georgia has undauntedly redefined what it takes to be a top champion of the once forgotten sport of Pool Checkers; and

WHEREAS: Reading books on the sport and learning strategy techniques have led Alfred Barnett to win three national championships and several other titles including the Georgia State Championship title, the Tennessee State title and the Carl "Buster" Smith Trophy; and


WHEREAS: As the only player to win the prestigious Carl "Buster" Smith Trophy four consecutive times, Alfred Barnett has once again proven that he is indeed a champion in this sport by winning the National Annual Pool Checkers Championship that was held July 13 - 17, 1998; and

WHEREAS: Mr. Barnett has done an outstanding job of keeping alive the highly strategic sport of Pool Checkers; now

THEREFORE: I, Zell Miller, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby congratulate ALFRED "EAST POINT" BARNETT for a job well done and extend best wishes for continued success.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed. This 6th day of August 1998.


GOVERNOR

ATTEST


EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

A Tribute to Alfred "East Point" Barnett

By APCA National Tournament Director Wayne Lockheart

Introduced at about 10 yrs. old by the 5th grade teacher Mrs. Rachel to Chess and Checkers in class. East Point initially began to play chess and was a pretty good player, but he soon fell in love with the amazing game of Pool Checkers. Even as a young adolescent, East Point began to make a name for himself as a very strong player.

Through the years, The Great East Point has played every top Pool Checker Player throughout the United States and has gained respect every step of the way. Mr. Barnett's name is synonymous with greatness and his skill level is now considered to be above any and every American born top checker player to ever play the game. All of his competitive achievements through his years of playing could not be listed because they are countless. They include city championships, state championships, and national championships. He has also had match play with every notable checker player throughout the US. These are just a few listed achievements that have enshrined Mr. Barnett's career.

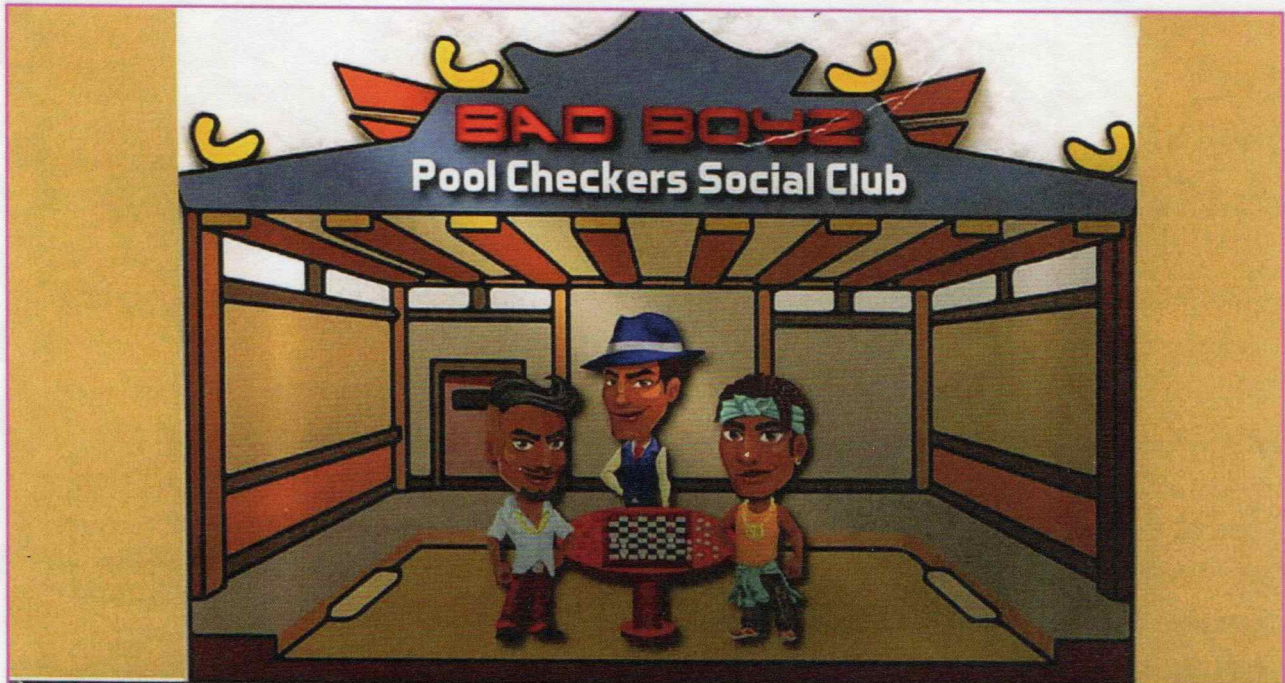
1. He was inducted into the American Pool Checker Hall of Fame in Flint Michigan in 1997 along with Buster, Frasier, Elton and other highly recognizable greats of the game.
2. Mr. Barnett stands alone having won 16 American Pool Checker National Championships. Until recent years, Buster Smith held the record with 11 National Championships. Mr. Barnett now holds the record with 16. His winning of 16 Championships is a phenomenal achievement and if he continues to compete, he will no doubt win more.
3. Mr. Alfred Barnett is the only American born checker player in the United States to have the Illustrious Title of Grand Master bestowed upon him.

East Point is a man among men in Pool Checkers in the United States and his name is well known throughout the streets of Russia. He is indisputably the best American born player to ever play the game to date in my opinion.

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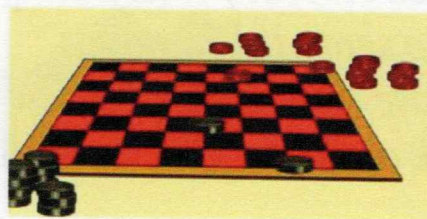
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We, the members of the "Homan Square Checkers and Chess Club" want to express our appreciation to the A.P.C.A. for your faithful service in keeping our game alive and for 54 years of annual national checker tournaments.

We send "Best Wishes" as you continue in your diligent efforts to take the organization to even greater heights!

We also send "Congratulations" to "The Columbia Club" for hosting the 54th Annual National Tournament!!!



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Of Maxton, N. C.

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*Maxton Checker Players
pictured left to right....*

*Willie "Walk Willie" Terry --- Taurus "Atlanta Champ" Prichett
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Jerome "Fishman" Roberson --- Leonard "Boot" Hall
Bill Buie --- Frankie "Tick" Hall*

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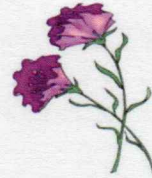
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From Larry and Kendra Bethea
To
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and "The Columbia, S. C. Checker Club"
as you host your 54th Annual
National Tournament in July 2023!!!*



My Dahdee

A.P.C.A. "Master Player" Alex Isaac aka Youngblood!



Sends greetings to the Columbia Checker Club and the American Pool Checker Association as you host the 54th Annual National Tournament in Columbia, S. C. Also sending "Congratulations" and "Best Wishes" for a great 2023 checker tournament.!!!

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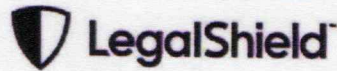
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2002	Charles “Pecan” Thompson
2003	Al Lambert
2004	Orlando “Panama” Williams
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2006	Charles “Pecan” Thompson
2007	Clorius “Mongoose” Lay
2008	Al Lambert
2009	Charles “Pecan” Thompson
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2012	Al Lambert
2013	Al Lambert & Clorius “Mongoose” Lay
2014	Fred D. Shurn
2015	Wayne Lockheart
2016	Charlie Williams
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2018	Wayne Lockheart
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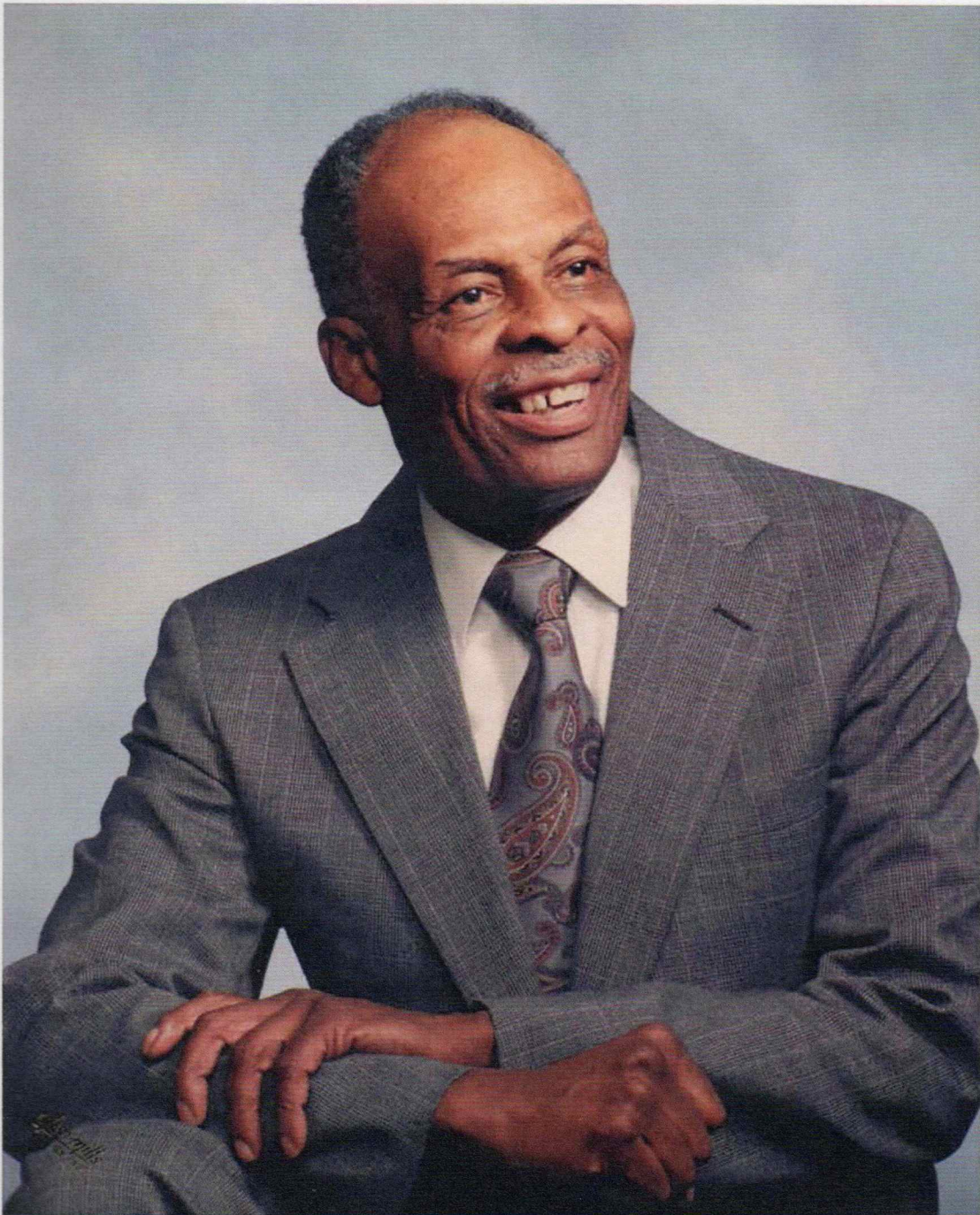
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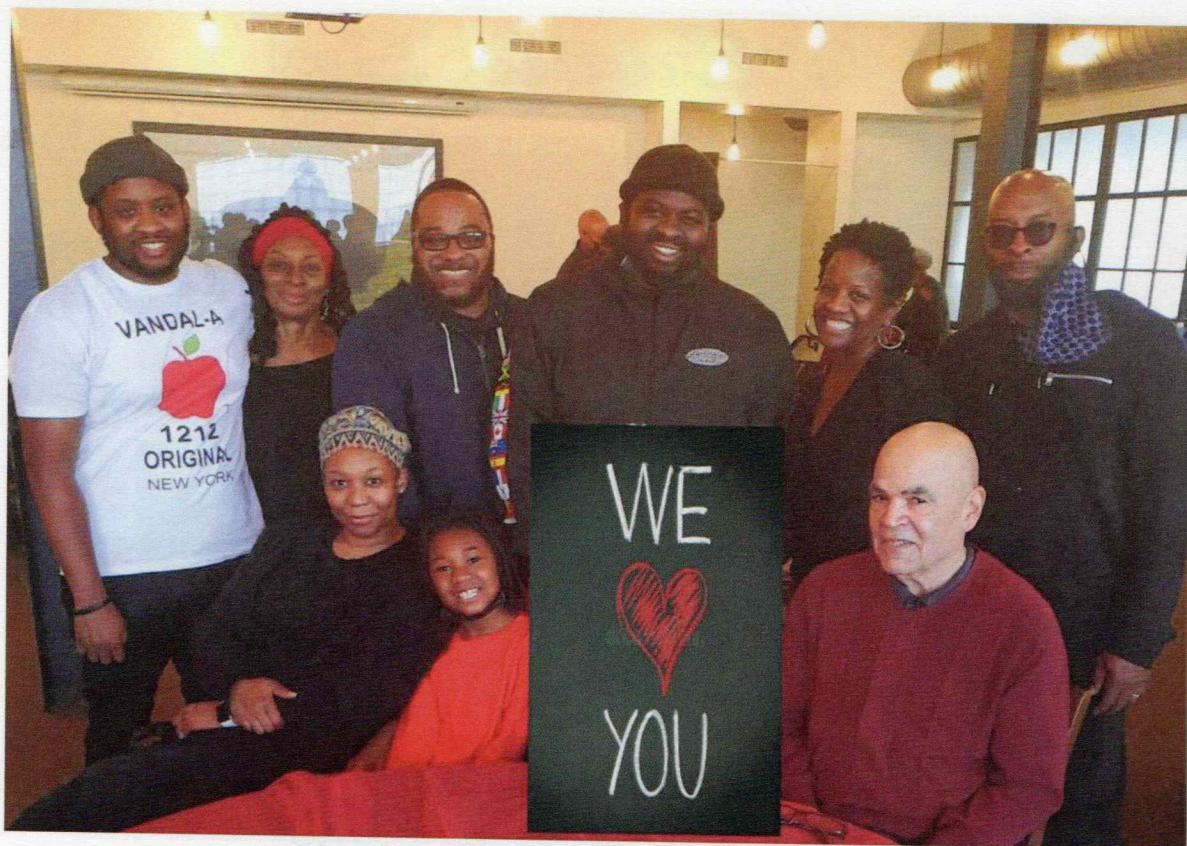
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Blessings To Our Family Patriarch
George H. Evans Sr.

The hunter, fisherman, carpenter, jack of all trades, and most of all, a Junior Master checkers' player. Daddy, your children, grandchildren, and great granddaughter are so proud of you. We are in awe of your checkers' skills, commitment to, and passion for the game. Not many men could begin playing in their mid 60's and achieve the level you have. Yes, your love for the game started in the mid 1990's as something to do to pass the time. In the thirty years since, you've played tournaments as far away as Texas, Georgia, South Carolina, and Florida just to name a few states. You've played challengers from foreign countries like Russia and was seen by a fellow player on CNN. Now, at the age of 94, you've enjoyed the title of Junior Master for almost five years, and God willing, we hope you continue to re-live the joy you find from playing checkers for many, many years to come. We pray that GOD continues to bless you with good health and the ability to continue playing the game you love so much!

Love Always,
Your Family

*Beverly, George Jr., Tyrone, Robin, Shederia,
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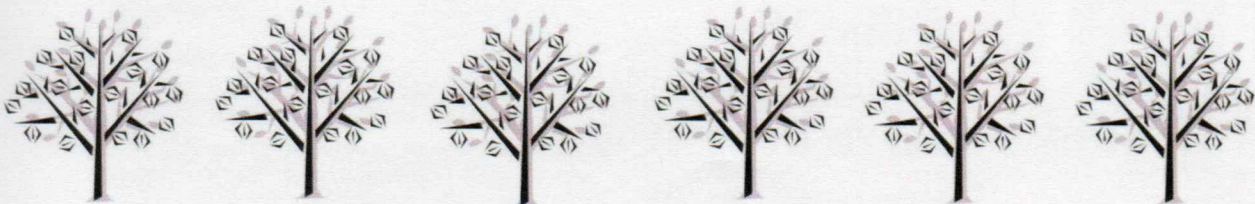
To Our Friend
Nathaniel "Nate" Jenkins

Our Checker Man in Charleston

*We wish you all the best
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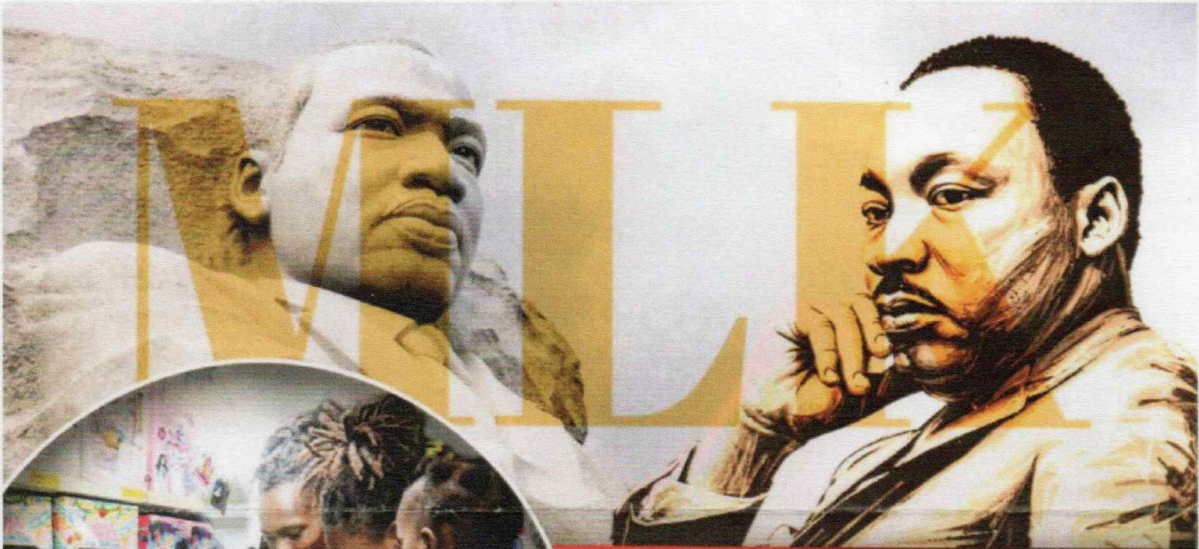
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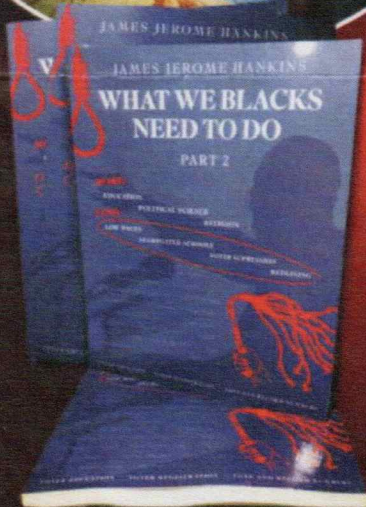
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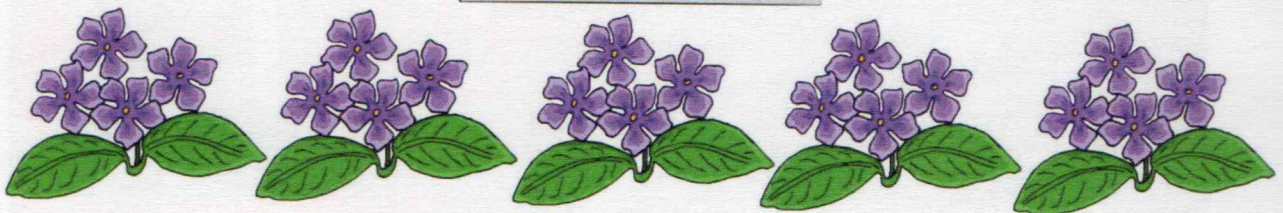
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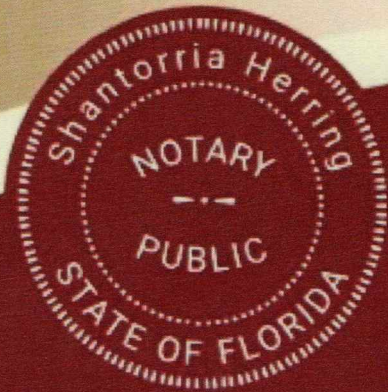
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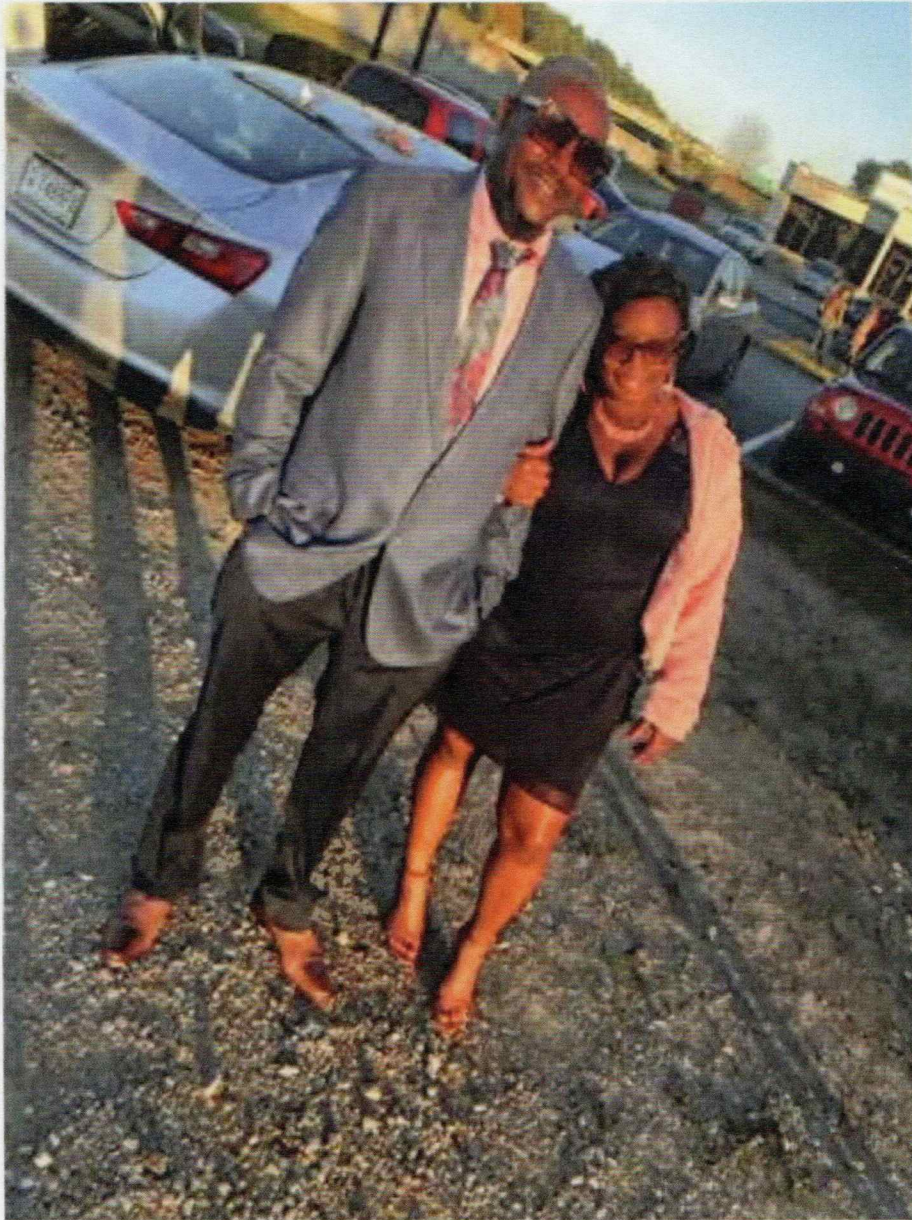
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as they
host
the 2023
Annual
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*Congratulations!
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and all of the
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They send encouragement to (Pop) Nathaniel Jenkins to keep playing and enjoying his checkers!

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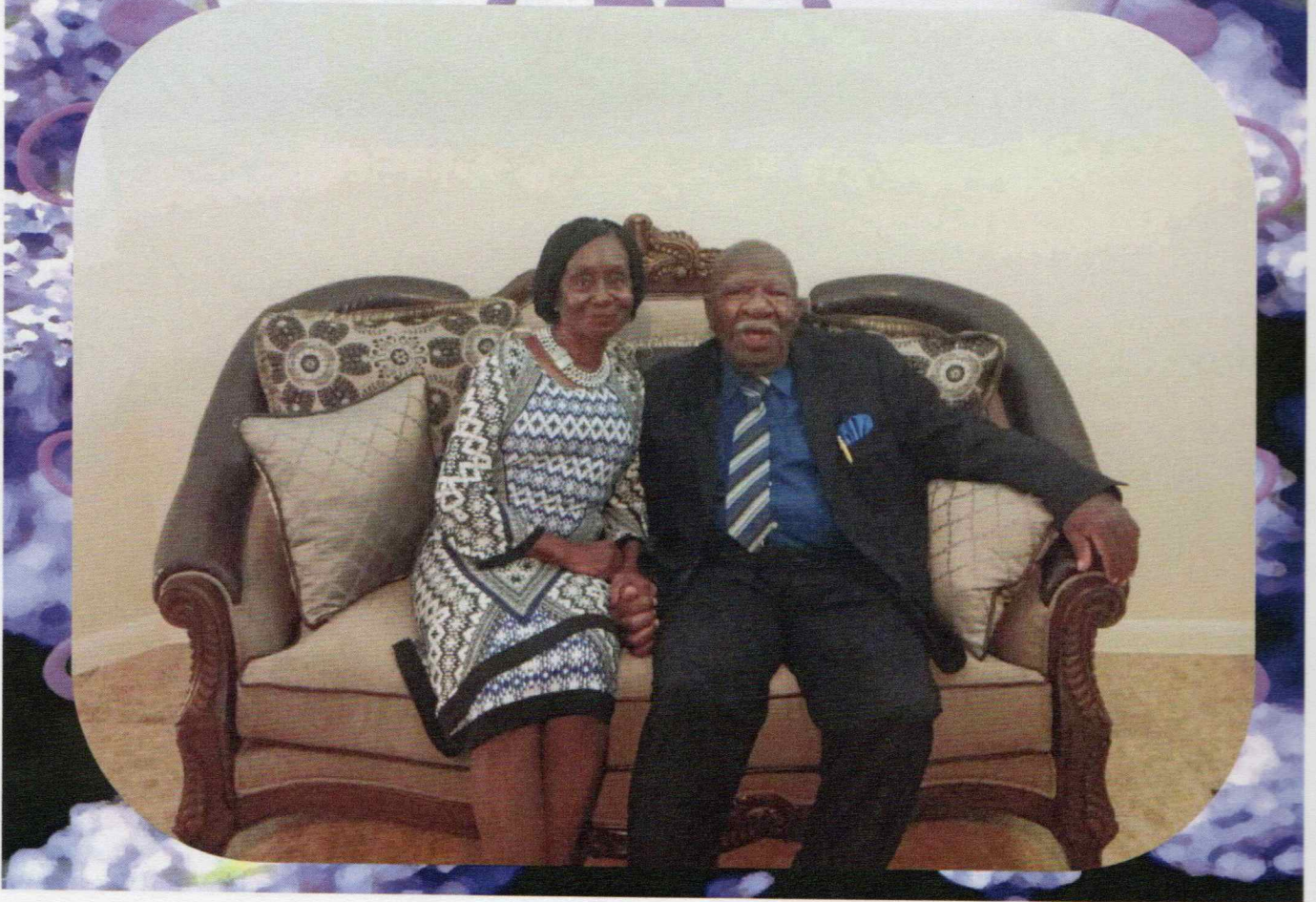
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*Best Wishes to the American Pool Checker Association
and
the Columbia, South Carolina
Checker Club as you host the 2023
Annual National Checkers Tournament!!!*

Geraldine & Timothy



Tim and Gerrie Irving

Share a quiet moment at home as they take a trip down memory lane while discussing all the good times that they had during their many years together.

Tim who is an A.P.C.A. Top ten Top Master player joins his wife in sending Best Wishes to the American Pool Checker Association and the Columbia Checker Club.

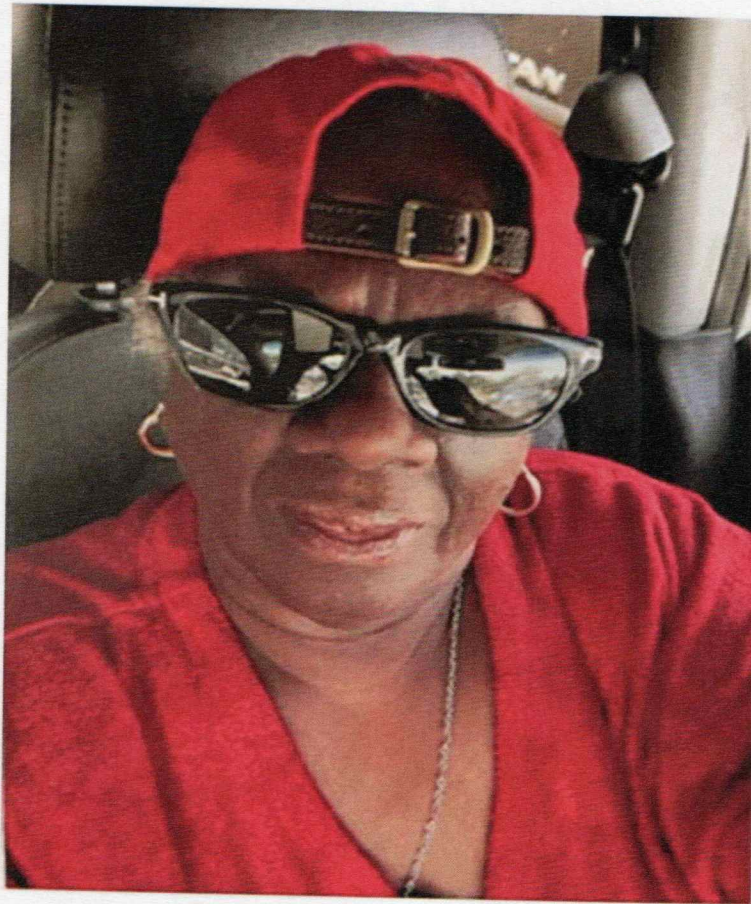
Nathanial "Nate" Jenkins

Charleston's Checker Man!



*Sends "Blessings" to
The American Pool Checker Association
and
"The Columbia Checker Club"!!!*

Brander White - Jenkins



Brander along with her friends Julia Ann Smalls, Gwendolyn White, Shiron Broadnax and Le-var R. Coppin band together to cheer and encourage the "Checker Man" her husband, Nathaniel "Nate" Jenkins.

According to Brander, checkers is Nate's favorite past time and once he gets to playing, he is not likely to stop anytime soon. So she just tells him to play and enjoy himself.

She and her friends also send "Best Wishes" and "God Speed" to The American Pool Checker Association!

Gloria Jenkins



Whenever the conversation comes up concerning Nathaniel "Nate" Jenkin's checker playing and how much he enjoys the game Gloria has just three words.....

THAT'S MY DADDY!!!!

My daddy and I send congratulations and "Blessings" to the "American Pool Checker Association" as you host your 54th Annual National Tournament!!!

Major Tilman Johnson and sons



Major Johnson is one of the recently elected A.P.C.A. officers (2nd Vice President). He is in the U.S. Army and lives in Lanham, Maryland and works in D. C.. He is a member of the D. C. Chess and Checker Club

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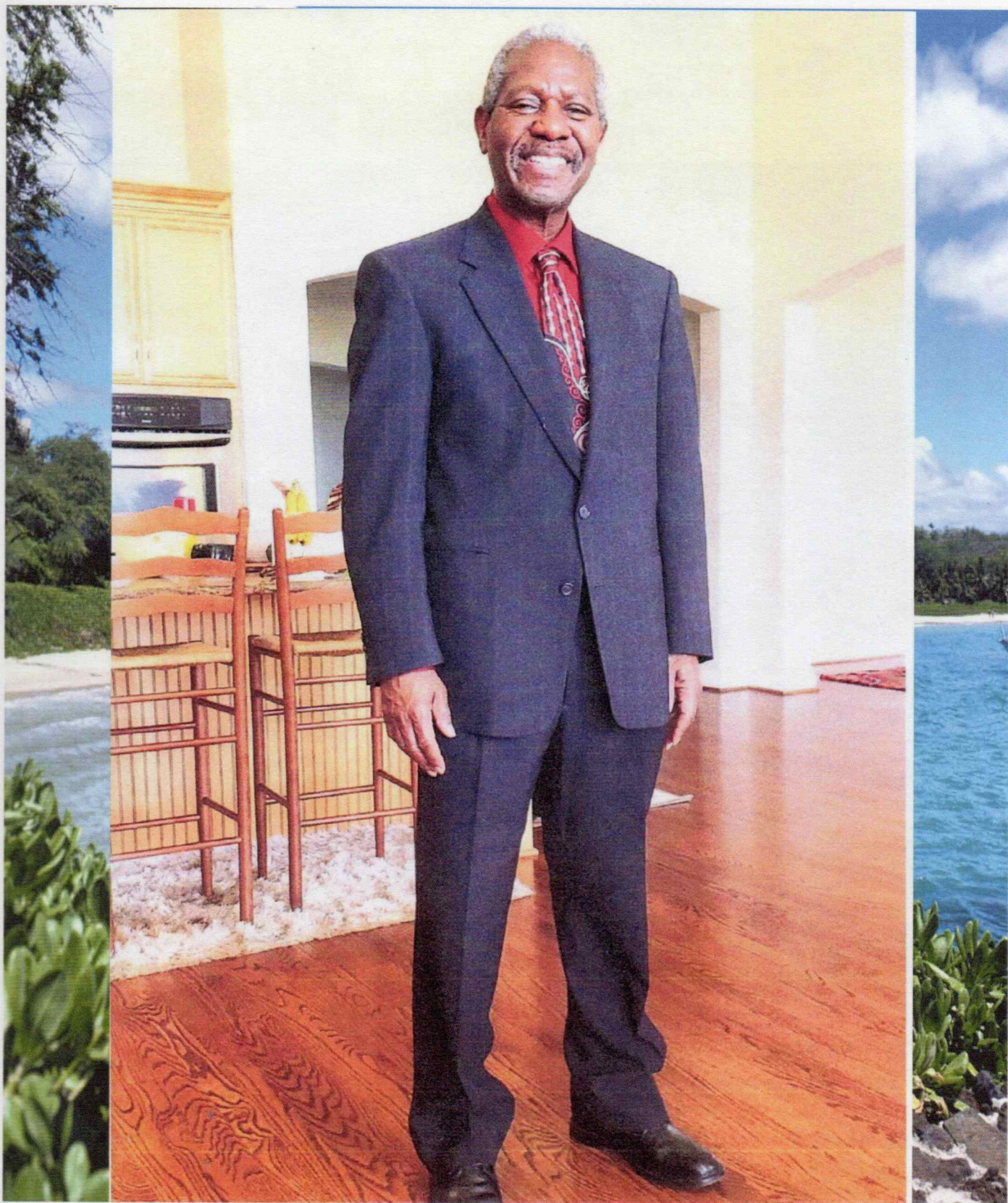
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***Congratulations and Best Wishes to
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and
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as you host
The 54th Annual National Tournament!!!!***

Congratulations to The Columbia Checker Club and
The APCA on hosting the 54th annual national tournament!



Pastor, Dr. Eva J. Merritt
along with her husband

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Mr. & Mrs. Merritt

*Send "Best Wishes" to our Brother-N-Law
A.P.C.A. President, Mr. Albert Harrison
and congratulations to
"The American Pool Checker Association"
as you celebrate your
"54th Annual National Tournament"*

Tim and Linda Moore



*Tim and Linda are from Durham N.C.
Tim is an A.P.C.A. Top Master player and is a member
of the Bull City Checker Club.
His nick name is "Hit Man" cause he loves to kill hams.
He and Linda send congratulations and best wishes to the
Columbia Checker Club and the American Pool Checker
Association as they host the 54th Annual National
Tournament in 2023.*



***Congratulations
to***

*"The American Pool Checker Association"
as you celebrate your 54th annual National Tournament!!!*

*Best Wishes from
James Moss Sr. and Wife.*

Mr. Roosevelt Perkins



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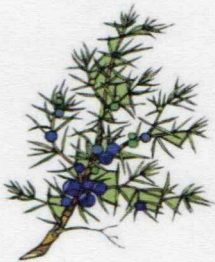
Brother Owens is a member of the Homan Square Checkers and Chess Club of Chicago and he along with other club member play regularly in tournaments that the American Pool Checker Association holds. He is preparing to make the trip to Columbia, S. C. to play in the 2023 annual national tournament. In our recent conversations he told me that he is planning to win the Masters division this year in Columbia.

The organization wishes him good luck and God speed as he goes head to head with the tough players in that division.



Curtis Rump

*Encourages cousin Nathaniel "Nate" Jenkins
to keep playing and growing his checkers game!!!*



*Curtis also sends "Best Wishes" to
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and
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A.P.C.A. Top Master!!!

Fred Shurn



I want to congratulate the American Pool Checker Association for 54 years of bringing together "checker players" from all over the world.

I realize that your hard work has been totally unappreciated so I will take this opportunity to express my appreciation and gratitude for a job well done

Keep up the good work!

In Memory of my Beloved Sister Fannie L. Tharrington



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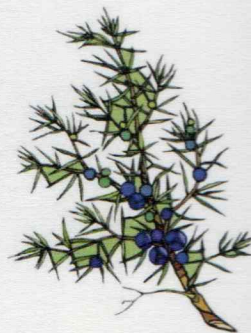
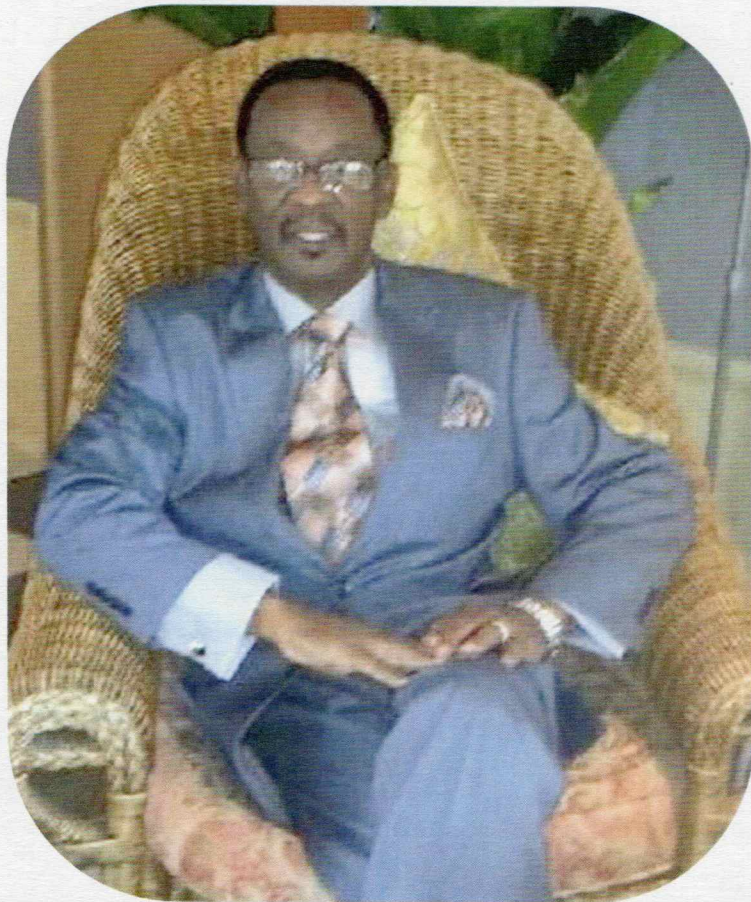
In honor of a teacher who taught her students the value of moral character and intellect. In her sunset years, many of her ex-students came to honor her.

I remember her for the love she showed me and teaching me mathematics. I honor her for taking care of our mother.

Her favorite saying was the quote "Know Thy Self."

In memory of her, I promote the American Pool Checkers Association 2023 Annual Tournament.

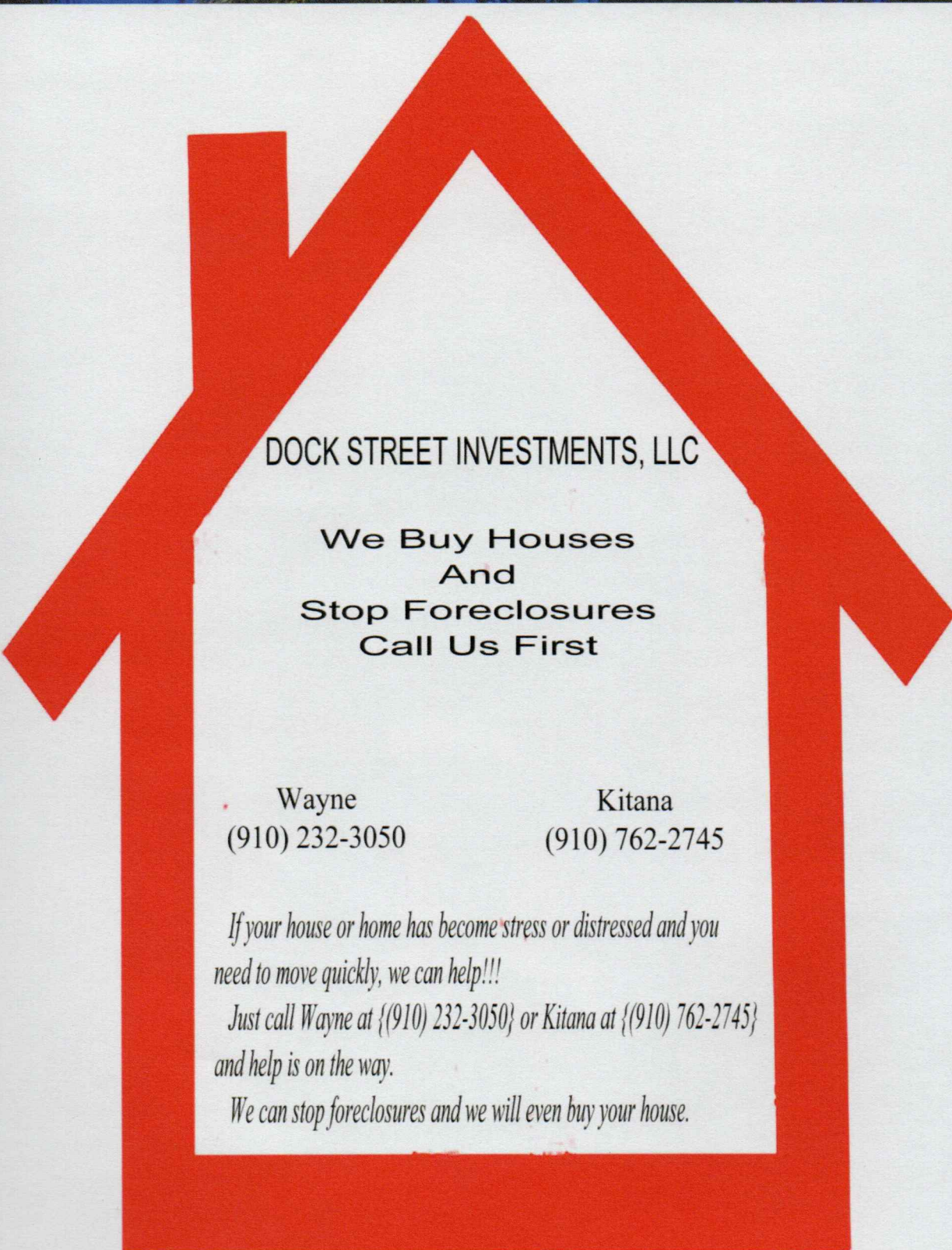
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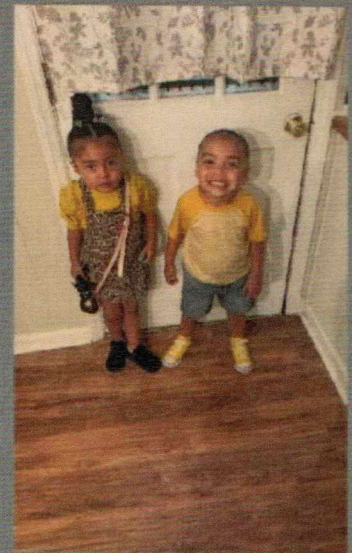
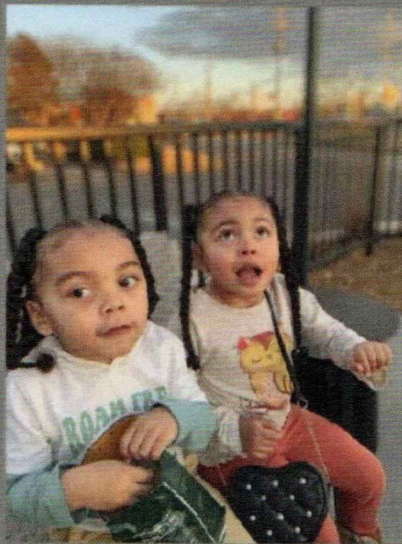
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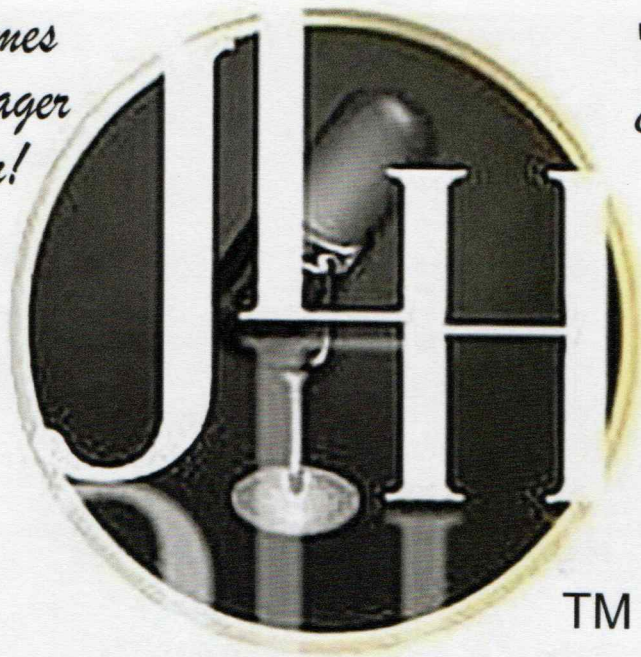
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2018 Baltimore, MD	Al "Eastpoint" Barnett Sparta, GA	Michael Adkins Alapaha, GA	General Owens Chicago, IL	Charles Smith Bartlett, TN	Robbie Mason Washington, DC
2017 Chicago, IL	Al "Eastpoint" Barnett Sparta, GA	Derrick Williams TN	Kemraj Rambarr NJ	Sonny Towns Trotwood, OH	Charles Smith TN
2016 Durham, NC	Al "Eastpoint" Barnett Sparta, GA	Charlie Williams Kentucky	Joe Davis Louisburg, NC	Booker Neely Mantee, MS	James McQuay
2015 Albany, GA	Al "Eastpoint" Barnett Sparta, GA	Eugene "Sailorboy" McCloud Moultrie, GA	James Lyles GA	Ronald Jackson GA	Stevie L. Scott Lakeland, FL
2014 Memphis, TN	Al "Eastpoint" Barnett Sparta, GA	Freddie Welcher Augusta, GA	Derrick Williams Memphis, TN	Joe Davis Louisburg, NC	Kenneth Jones Havana, FL
2013 Columbus, SC	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA Alfred Barnett Atlanta, GA	Caryle Lasane Columbia, SC	Alexander McNair Durham, NC	Michael Adkins GA	Cornelius McCleod SC
2012 Atlanta, GA	Alfred Barnett Atlanta, GA	Michael Weaver Washington, DC	Lynwood Tharrington Durham, NC Alex Issac Darlington, SC	James Lyles GA Derrick Williams Memphis, TN	Walter A. Adams Atlanta, GA
2011 Columbus, OH	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	Fred D. Shurn Chicago, IL	Michael Weaver Washington, DC	Khemraj Rambarr Washington, DC	Robert Firstlist St. Louis, MO
2010 Durham, NC	Alfred Barnett Atlanta GA Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	Tim Moore Durham, NC	Toney Simuel Washington, DC	Michael Weaver Washington, DC	William Wilkerson Durham, NC
2009 Washington, DC	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	Kim Williams Washington, DC	Thomas Fletcher Washington, DC	Toney Simuel Washington, DC	William Ham Apex, NC
2008 Chicago, IL	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	Arthur McCarr Tampa, FL	Kim Williams Washington, DC	General Owens Chicago, IL	Joe Davis Louisburg, NC
2007, Memphis, TN	Al Lambert Chicago, IL	Clinton Thang Macon, GA	Gregory Green Macon, GA	Kim Williams Virginia Beach, VA	Derrick Williams Memphis, TN
2006 Columbus, OH	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	John Williams Washington, DC	Larry Lindsay Piedmont	Tommie Ferrell Athens, GA	Keith Brown St. Louis, MO
2005 Atlanta, GA	Al Barnett Atlanta, GA Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	Willie Robinson Atlanta, GA	Hammond Clark Atlanta, GA	Reggie King Miami, FL	Toney Simuel Washington, DC
2004 Memphis, TN	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	Edward Danzy Detroit, MI	Jessie Sherfield Memphis, TN	Freddie Lambert Durham, NC	Robert Hunt Miami, FL
2003 Atlanta, GA	Al Barnett Atlanta, GA	Homer King Macon, GA	Edward Danzy Detroit, MI	Alexander McNair Durham, NC	Alexander Eley Atlanta, GA

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2002 Washington, DC	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA Charlie Brown Baltimore, MD Alexander Katz New York, NY	Albert Harrison Wilmington, NC Joe Wilson Memphis, TN	John Williams Washington, DC	Robert N. Johnson Durham NC	Michael Weaver Washington, DC
2000 Columbia, OH	Ion Dosca Moldova	Clorius Lay Gary, Indiana	Arthur McCarr Tampa, FL	Keith Goodman Atlanta, GA	Lynwood Tharrington Piedmont
1999 Memphis TN	Al Barnett Atlanta GA	Frank Cox Bahamas	Donald Jackson Macon, GA	Emmitt Smith Atlanta, GA	James Lanier Piedmont
1998 Atlanta, GA	Al Barnett Atlanta, GA	Louis Rufus St. Louis, MO	David Jackson Macon, GA	Timothy Moore Durham, NC	Vilmer Phillipe Bahamas Emmanuel Rogers St. Louis, MO
1997 Flint, Michigan	Al Barnett Atlanta, GA	Alex Golodets Memphis, TN	Joseph Wilson Memphis, TN	Willie Robinson Mid-West OH	Elliott Eley Kansas City, MO
1996 Houston, Texas	Al Barnett Atlanta, GA	Anatoliy Grupin Los Angeles, California Anthony Simmons Atlanta, GA	Servin Hanna Bahamas	Chauncey Smith St. Louis, MI	Timothy Moore Durham, NC
1995 Augusta, GA	Al Barnett Atlanta, GA Elton Williams Flint, Michigan	Vincent Dean Bahamas	Freddie Welcher Augusta, GA	Gary Watson Atlanta, GA	Eugene Davis Atlanta, GA
1994 Winston-Salem, NC	Calvin Monroe Atlanta, GA	Timothy Irving Huston, Texas	Fred D. Shurn Chicago, IL	Roger Knowles Bahamas	William Bryant Piedmont
1993 Petal, MS	Elton Williams Flint, Michigan	Orlando Williams Chicago, IL	Anatoly Grupin Los Angeles, California	Wayne Lockheart Toledo, OH	Clinton Murphy Atlanta, GA
1992 Nassau, Bahamas	Carl Smith Chicago, IL Andrew Frazier Bahamas	Charles Hudson Detroit, MI	Michael Williams Bahamas	Leonard Bains Bahamas	General Owens Chicago, IL
1991 Los Angeles, CA	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Melvin Martin Bahamas	Frank Cox Bahamas	Therman Earnest Chicago, IL	Joe Bailey Los Angeles, CA
1990 Atlanta, GA	Iser Kuperman Midwest OH	Simon Levine NA	Willie Robinson Atlanta, GA	Obie Rufus Memphis, TN	Leonard Bains Bahamas
1989 Columbus, OH	Iser Kuperman NA	Valentine Cox Bahamas	Nelson Moore St. Louis, MO	Clifford Johnson Chicago, IL	Grover Kennedy Los Angeles, California Christopher Stinson Los Angeles, CA
1988 Detroit, MI	Iser Kuperman NA	Sylvester Wilson NA Al Lambert Chicago, IL	Orlando Williams Chicago, IL	Fred Shurn Chicago, IL	Joseph Capers Detroit, MI
1987 Memphis, TN	Iser Kuperman Bahamas	Henry Stokes Memphis, TN	Albert Harrison Winston-Salem, NC	Jessie Sheffield Memphis, TN	Fred Shurn Chicago, IL
1986 St. Louis, MO	Iser Kuperman Bahamas	Henry Miller Atlanta, GA Andrew Fraizer, Bahamas	Valentine Cox Bahamas	Frank Cox Bahamas	Garland Kilpatrick Los Angeles, California
1985 Dayton, OH	Iser Kuperman Bahamas	James Garrett Winston-Salem, NC	Andrew Fraizer Bahamas	Robert Bulter Bahamas	Eddie Smith Chicago, IL
1984 Nassau, Bahamas	Iser Kuperman Bahamas	Neil Wright Bahamas	James Chambers Bahamas	Andrew Fraizer Bahamas	Roger Knowles NA
1983 Chicago, IL	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	George Briscoe Berton/Flint	Al Lambert Chicago, IL	Louis Ruffus St. Louis, MO	Wayne Lockheart Toledo, OH

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1982 Akron, OH	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	James Shell Atlanta, GA	Eugene Hampton Berston/Flint, MI	Valentine Cox Bahamas	Sylvester Wilson Flint, MI
1981 Memphis, TN	Momodou Faal Atlanta GA	James Stone Atlanta GA	Homer King Macon, GA	McBee Smith Cleveland, OH	Robert Johnson Chicago, IL
1980 Washington, DC	Momodou Faal Atlanta, GA	Rembert Ford Detroit, MI Parmalee McClammy Brooklyn, NY	Bobby Hondo Chicago, IL	Dan Flowers Detroit, MI	Prince Garland Washington, DC
1979 Winston-Salem, NC	Momodou Faal Atlanta, GA Vladimir Kaplan N.Y. Dream Elton Williams Flint, MI	Larry Stepter Memphis, TN	Parmalee McClammy Brooklyn, NY	Bobby Hodo Chicago, IL	Emory Myrick Brooklyn, NY
1978 Detroit, MI	Vladimir Kaplan N. Y. Dream	Jesse Hurst Memphis, TN	Charles Hudson Det, Amer	Ben Rice Det. Ameri	Johnny Johnson Piedmont
1977 Atlanta, GA	Vladimir Kaplan New York Dream	Joel Marshall Atlanta, GA	C. P. Rudy N. Y. Dream,	Parmalee McClammy Brooklyn, NY	Bobby Hodo Chicago, IL
1976 Memphis, TN	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Raleigh Taylor Brooklyn, NY	James Sharp Chicago, IL	Luther Murray Det. Amer	Jesse Sheffield Memphis, TN
1975 Chicago, IL	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	OH Mitchell Chicago, IL	Larry Stepter Memphis, TN	Stephen Trader Harlem Park	S. Saneigeyman Cleveland, OH
1974 St. Louis, MO	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Charles McDuffie St. Louis, MO	Alex Femandez Brooklyn, New York	Jesse Galloway N. Y. Dream	Leroy Thomas Chicago, IL
1973 New York, New York	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Elton Williams Flint, MI	Jasper Grayson NA	Alex Femandez Brooklyn, NY	Stephen Trader Harlem Part
1972 Detroit, MI	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	See Top Masters	Elton Williams Flint, MI	Charles Florence Chicago, IL	Ray Lawrence N. Y. Dream
1971 Flint, Michigan	Victor Krafft Chicago, IL Ollie Howard N. Y. Dream	See Top Masters	Joel Marshall Atlanta, GA	Elton Williams Flint MI	Eddie Reynolds Cleveland, OH
1970 Cleveland, OH	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Wood Williams Detroit, MI	Rudy Slade N. Y. Dreaan	Elton Williams Flint, MI
1969 Atlanta, GA	William Langely Detroit, MI	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Frank Mitchell Atlanta, GA	James Turner Det. Amer/	Archie Hinton Atlanta, GA
1968 Detroit, MI	Charlie Carter Atlanta, GA	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	Ben White Detroit, MI	Pierce Towns Atlanta, GA	Walter Hall Flint, MI
1967 Detroit, MI	Carl Smith Chicago, IL	George Lyons Cleveland, OH	James Shell Atlanta, GA	Howard Jackson Atlanta, GA	Michael Jordan Atlanta, GA
1966 Detroit, MI	George Sykes Detroit, MI	George Sykes Detroit, MI	Rembert Ford Detroit, MI.	Howard Jackson Atlanta, GA	Michael Jordan Atlanta, GA

To each and every A.P.C.A. officer, past and present

Thank You!

I want to thank the A.P.C.A. official board for electing me to be your President and I promise to do my best to live up to the lofty standards that have been set by those who came before me.

First let me thank each and every one of the people, past and present who served this great organization in any capacity.

I realize that it took a great deal of effort and sacrifice to unite and maintain the organization from 1966 to the present time.

Thanks to all of the individuals who have seen me struggle in the new position and have offered continuous encouragement.

A special thanks to our previous President, Mr. Clarence Gooche and our longtime Tournament Director, Mr. Wayne Lockheart, who have remained in constant communication with me, offering their guidance and direction.

Also I thank former 1st Vice President, Talmadge Roberts and former 2nd Vice President, Jackie Carr who served us very well for many years before they stepped down and vacated their respective positions.

I wish to thank the official board for the replacement officers that they elected to fill the above mentioned vacancies in the persons of Mr. Kenneth Jones (1st vice president) and Major Tilman Johnson (2nd vice president).

A third new officer has also been added in the person of Mr. Kenneth L. Thompson as Director of Public Relations to fill the vacancy left by me when I was elected to the President's office.

Thanks to all of the new officers for accepting your positions and I look forward to working with each of you to take this organization forward.

Respectfully Submitted

Albert Harrison

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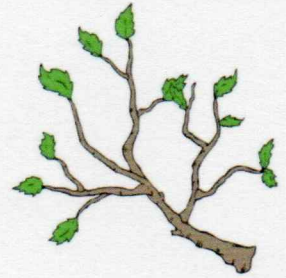
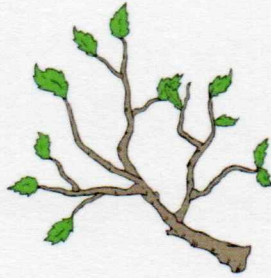
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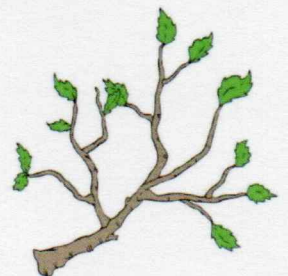
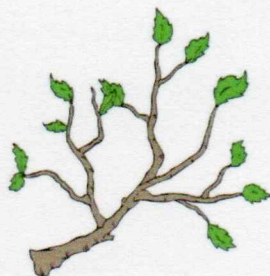


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