

Allen Family Newsletter



Living our Legacy

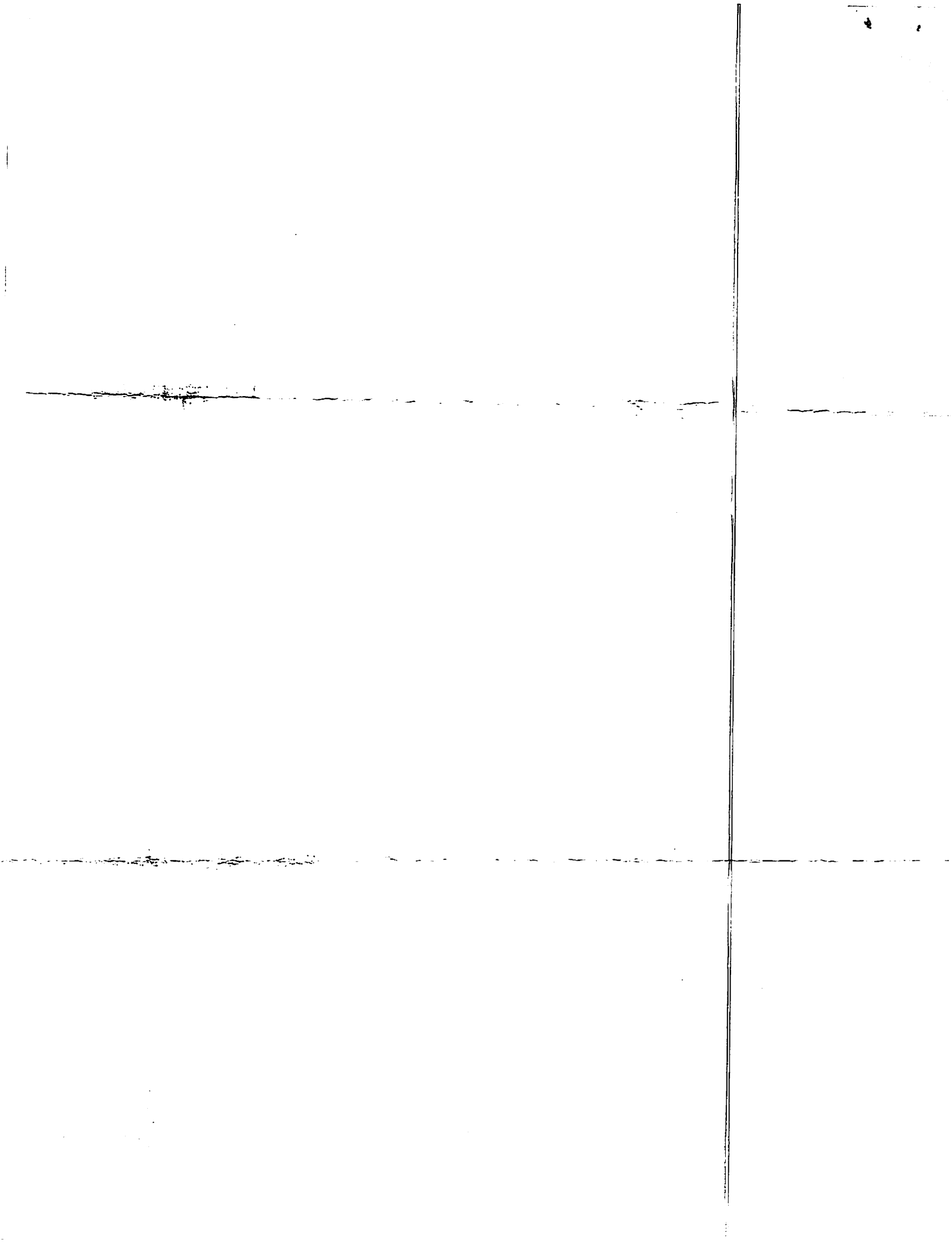
In this issue of the Allen Family Newsletter, we want to remember and give homage to the family members who started this mission of a dream which our Mother, Alene Allen Harrison, left to us to carry on her legacy. That legacy began during the mid 1980's. There were picnics, reunions, bus trips, etc. During this time a formal committee was organized to carry out the legacy of the Allen family. Since then we have continued to grow and carry forward the Vision, but we need total family participation. That is the key to a strong family. This is for the future generations, our kids and grandkids, and great grandkids. We do not take this lightly because we have been blessed to have a family that loves one another. When our friends come to our functions they say "what a loving family we have". That says volumes when so many families are fragmented and dysfunctional. We need you to help the committee to go forward. Your participation, presence and prayers will keep the family dream alive and keep us connected. We invite you to become a member, (take your place in the family's future), or be a satellite member or just to give us your ideas.

If you are interested in becoming a member or satellite member call or text Gwen at 301-741-1337 or you can e-mail: gwenalong@gmail.com

Important Dates:

4/25 Monticello Bus trip
 5/16 YARD SALE in Deale, MD
 7/11 FAMILY PICNIC in MD

See Articles below for more Details.



Yard and Bake Sale

Family Yard Sale

May 16th, 8am to 12pm

Got stuff you are just tired of looking at. Donate it to the reunion committee for our fund raiser.

Got stuff around the house that's too good to just give away? Bring it the yard sale and set up a table space for \$20. Sell your stuff and put the money in your pocket. The yard sale this year will be at Barbara Norris Chapman's At 5967 Tyler Road, Deale, MD 20751.

If you have never been to Deale you should check out the marinas and restaurants in the area.



Family Picnic

JULY 11, 2015

West River Center

5700 Calk Point Road Shadyside, MD 20733

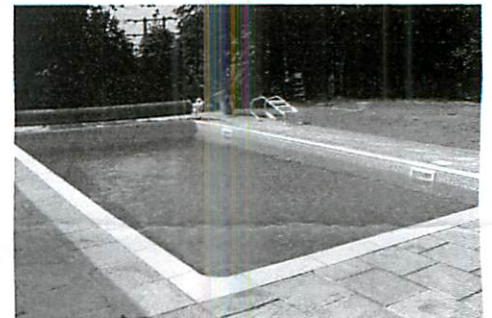
TIME: 1PM TO 6PM

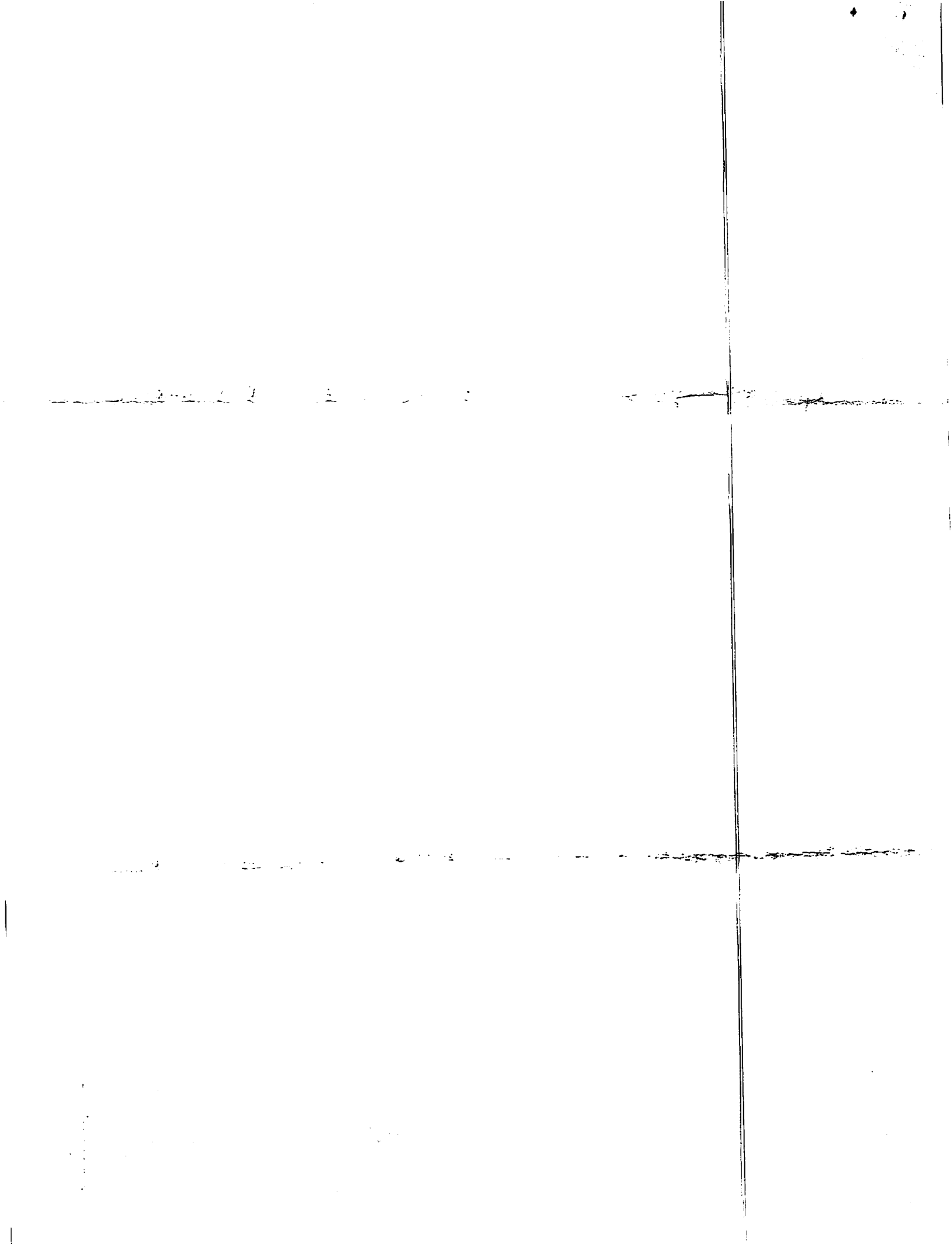
Great location for a picnic. 2 grills, 2 pavilions, A/C building

Ice machine, movie screen, PA system etc.

Swimming Pool available 2p to 4p, included in the ticket price

Adults: \$15 and Child 5 to 11years \$6, 4yrs and under free





Monticello Bus Trip April 25, 2015

Family-Friendly Tour

Thomas Jefferson's Monticello Plantation

In Charlottesville, Virginia

Take luxury bus trip to guided tour of Monticello,
and tour Mulberry Row

Have buffet lunch at the historic Michie Tavern
All food, drink, dessert, sales tax, gratuity
and tour of the tavern is included in your ticket price.

Adults: \$130pp, Child \$65 ages (1-11)

Contact Dorothy Jones @ 301-883-8396



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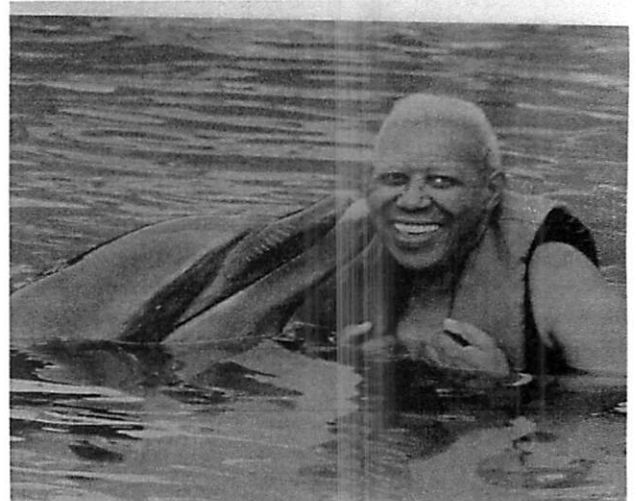
Travel News



October 2014 Gwen and Janet had an opportunity to visit France for 15 days. We stayed in the small town of Reuilly, France. Gwen's co-worker, Jerry, has a 400 year old home in Reuilly, France. (wine country)

Jerry took us all over the country where we toured chateaus, Chenonceau and Valencay. We dined at 3 star Michelin restaurants. In Paris we explored the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, The Louve, Muss'ee d 'Orsay, Arc de Triomphe, Temple Sacre-Coeur and many others. We experienced a Moulin Rouge type stage show. The subway and by foot was our modes of transportation in the city. Boating down the Seine River was an unforgettable experience. Bertheillon ice cream on the west bank is the best, just saying.

Two weeks later Janet went to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico for 2 weeks and stayed in the all inclusive Hard Rock Resort Hotel. Way to go Janet. Don't you know she was brave enough to swim with the dolphins.



Since Our Last Newsletter



Yvonne Green

- Last year we went to St. Michael's Island, we cruised on the Chesterpeak bay, watch the log race and had a seafood luncheon.
- We had a bus trip touring downtown Washington D.C. the M.L. King memorial, World War II memorial, Smithsonian American History Building and touring the Restoration of D.C. We also enjoyed a fantastic lunch at Old Ebbitt Grill. The eating place of the rich and famous, including the President.
- We had a very nice reunion at the James River Inn in Scottsville, Virginia last July.
- It was the family last opportunity to enjoy our beloved cousin Yvonne Green. She is greatly missed.

Family Update

Leon Tucker; son of Kathi Norris and grandson of Barbara Norris Chapman is currently studying toward a master's degree at Maryland University, while working as a track coach at Southern High School in Hardwood, MD.

Talithia Palmer; daughter of Gwen Long is a Professor at Trinity College. She also is the founder and advocate of "Girls Chasing Dreams, that mentors young girls. Your support can be sent to ["girlschasingdreamz@gmail.com](mailto:girlschasingdreamz@gmail.com)

Courtney Dyer; daughter of Rhonda Dyer is a tattoo artist in Richmond, VA

Dakota Garland; son of Steve Allen Jackson, just open his Dreamz Hookah Lounge, 1639 W. Broad St. in Richmond, VA

Yusuph Johnson; son of Joseph Johnson is a senior at Parkdale High School, speaks fluent French and is a student activist.

Alisha; daughter of Joseph Johnson is teaching at Choptank Elementary School and is a Team Leader for Positive Behavior Intervention and Support.

Bessie Patterson Moore; mother of Betty, Harold and Michael Moore will be 100 years old in November.

