

THE VILLAGE THAT RAISED THEIR CHILDREN

The History of Ann Arbor's Black Community



THE PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL'S 1957 VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM.



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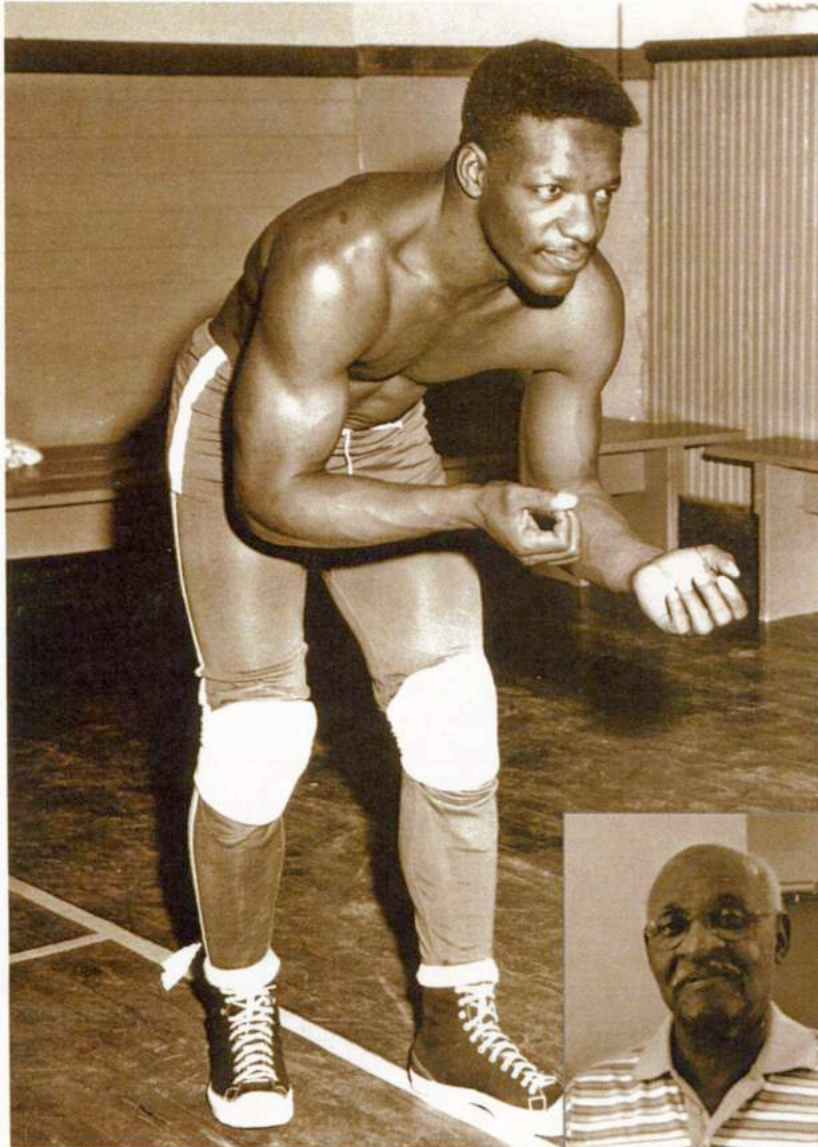
This calendar intends to present an accurate picture of Black Ann Arbor, from the many voices of those community members that are still alive to tell our history. There is an old saying, “If you don’t document your own history, someone else will tell his-story.” Founded in 2006, this project aims to ensure that our youth are properly educated and our ancestors, parents, and peers are properly honored.

FEBRUARY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18
19	20 Presidents' Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

SAM HOLLOWAY

WRESTLER AT EASTERN MICHIGAN
(MICHIGAN STATE NORMAL COLLEGE AS IT WAS KNOWN)



SAM'S BROTHER, ROBERT WILLIAMS



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: ANGELA, SAM, HOWARD DOUGLAS, TEDDY VICTOR, JANET, & VICKY HOLLOWAY



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: TEDDY VICTOR (SAM'S SON), HORACE WILLIAMS (SAM'S BROTHER), SAM, & HOWARD DOUGLAS (SAM'S SON) HOLLOWAY

MARCH 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
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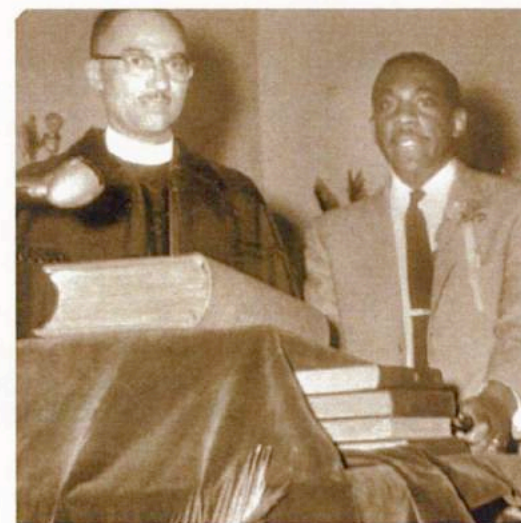
THE 1940s



REV. WRIGHT WITH MISSIONARIES & NURSE-LADIES OF BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH



From Left to Right: REV. WRIGHT
WITH MR. & MRS. HARRISON, TWO
UNKNOWN, MRS. FOX AT RIGHT
EXTREME



REV. PARKS & REV. WOODS

April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Good Friday	15
16 Easter Sunday	17	18 Emancipation Day	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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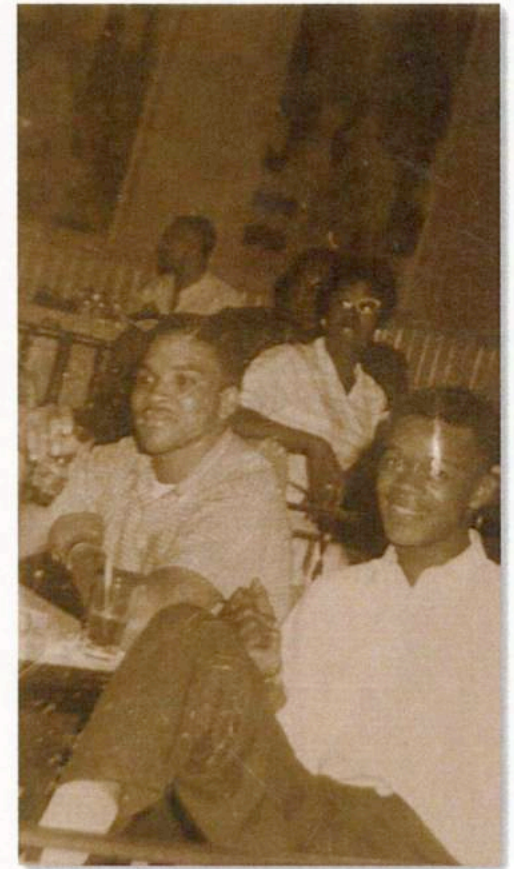
STUDENT DAYS



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: PENNY ANDERSON, JEAN DIXON, CAROLINE SCOTT, DORRIS MCQUEWEN, PAM HOWARD, UNKNOWN & CATHY SCOTT, presenting books and magazines to children.



MARTHA MONK, LESLIE CLAY, & BRENDA MCFADDEN.



CORNER RIGHT: ROBERT CONNORS

May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30	31			

ANN ARBOR DOWNTOWN AFRICAN AMERICAN FESTIVAL



June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 African American Festival!
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Father's Day	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

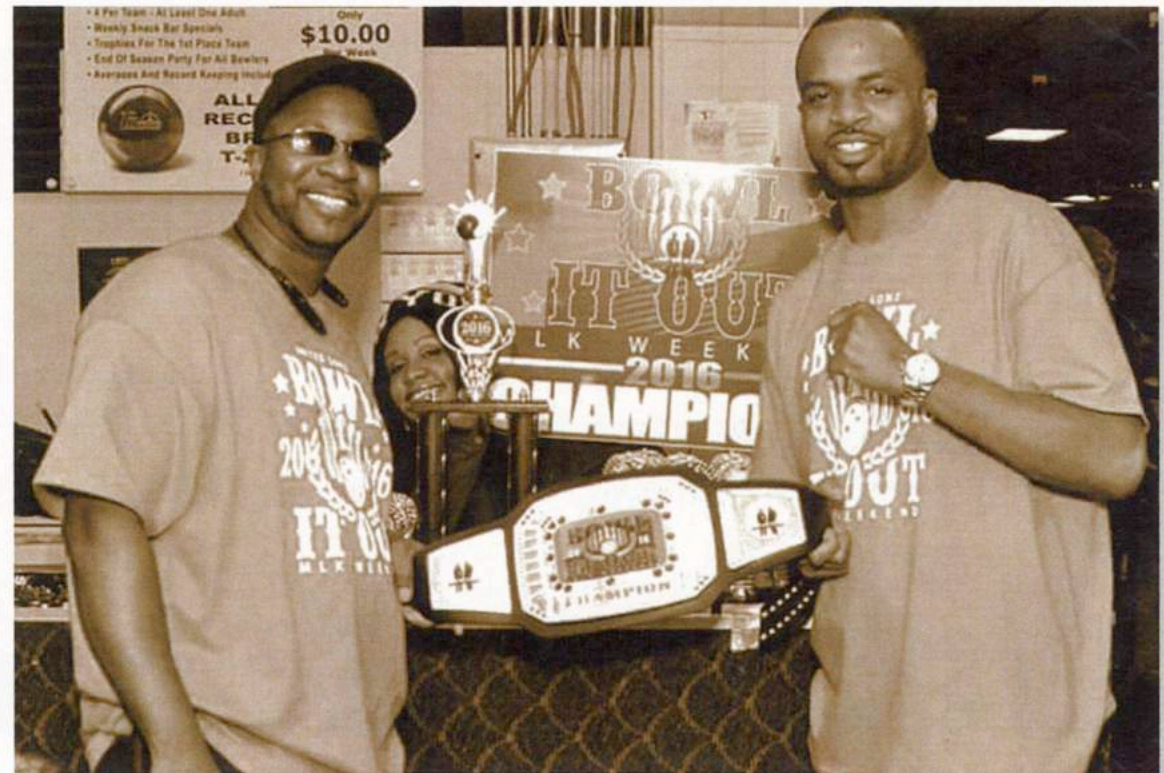
*In 1999, Opio Shaa started a business along with four other young men with the support and advise of their fathers. Now, he and his partner Travis Willis, and his wife KaJuan operate **KS Event Decor**, a printing and promotions business located at 105 W. Michigan Ave. in Ypsilanti, Michigan. They also operate a salon, **Stylez Unlimited Beauty and Barber Salon**, located at 24 N. Washington St. Ypsilanti.*

Opio is an Ypsilanti local who gives back to his community. He is President of the Leaning Post, the organization that sponsors the Ann Arbor downtown African American Festival. The festival was started by Lucille Porter, who organized it until her passing.

Opio and KaJuan have 3 sons: Eric, Elijahwaun and Omarie.



OPIO AND HIS WIFE KAJUAN



OPIO AND HIS BUSINESS PARTNER TRAVIS

July 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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OLD NEIGHBORHOOD REUNION



BILL HENDERSON & TOMMY CLEMONS



MARCELLA ARNOLD, DELORES PRESTON
TURNER & CAROLYN ERVIN ARNOLD



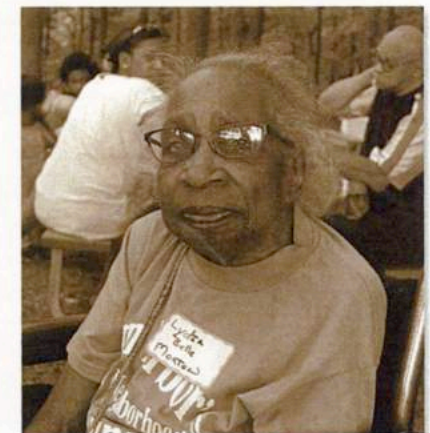
PEARLENE SULLIVAN & AUDREY LUCAS



IRVEN & CAROLYN ARNOLD, CAROL ROSS ALLEN, FRANKIE & WILLIS PATTERSON, BETTY CLEMONS RUSH



LLOYD QUICKSY



**We honor MRS. LYDIA
(CROMWELL) MORTON who
turned 100 in 2016**

August 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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A Project of the Ann Arbor Public Art Commission
You are invited
Dedication of the Jewett Memorial
August 2, 2018, 6 PM
Ann Arbor Farmers Market, 4th Street at the Market Building

Following the dedication, enjoy the Food Truck Rally. Bring your family and your appetite for some of the best food around, drink, and an evening out.
The Jewett Memorial is temporarily not open at the Fourth Street location until construction on Detroit Street is completed in approximately a year and it will be repositioned to the original location.

COLMAN JEWETT MEMORIAL



Colman Jewett's family members with Michael Jewett and Michelle (Jewett) Trigg sitting in the bronzed memorial chairs. Mr. Jewett was a counselor at Tappan Middle School in past years.



The mural painted by Steve Coron's art class at Community High School, featured in mural.

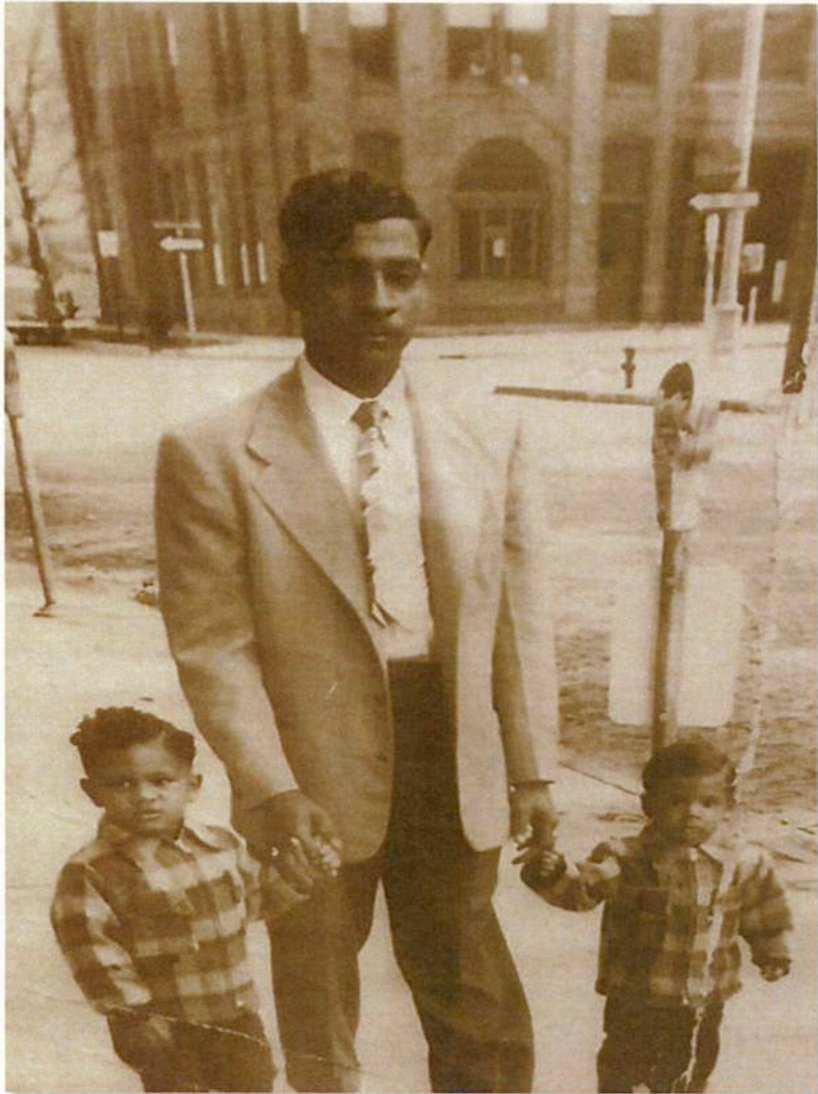
From left to right on the mural:
BRIAN WESTFIELD, COLMAN
JEWETT, JUDGE NANCY
(FRANCIS) WHEELER.

People: MICHELLE (JEWETT)
TRIGG-DAUGHTER OF COLMAN
JEWETT- SCOTT MCFADDEN.

September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9
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ELMER KNOX



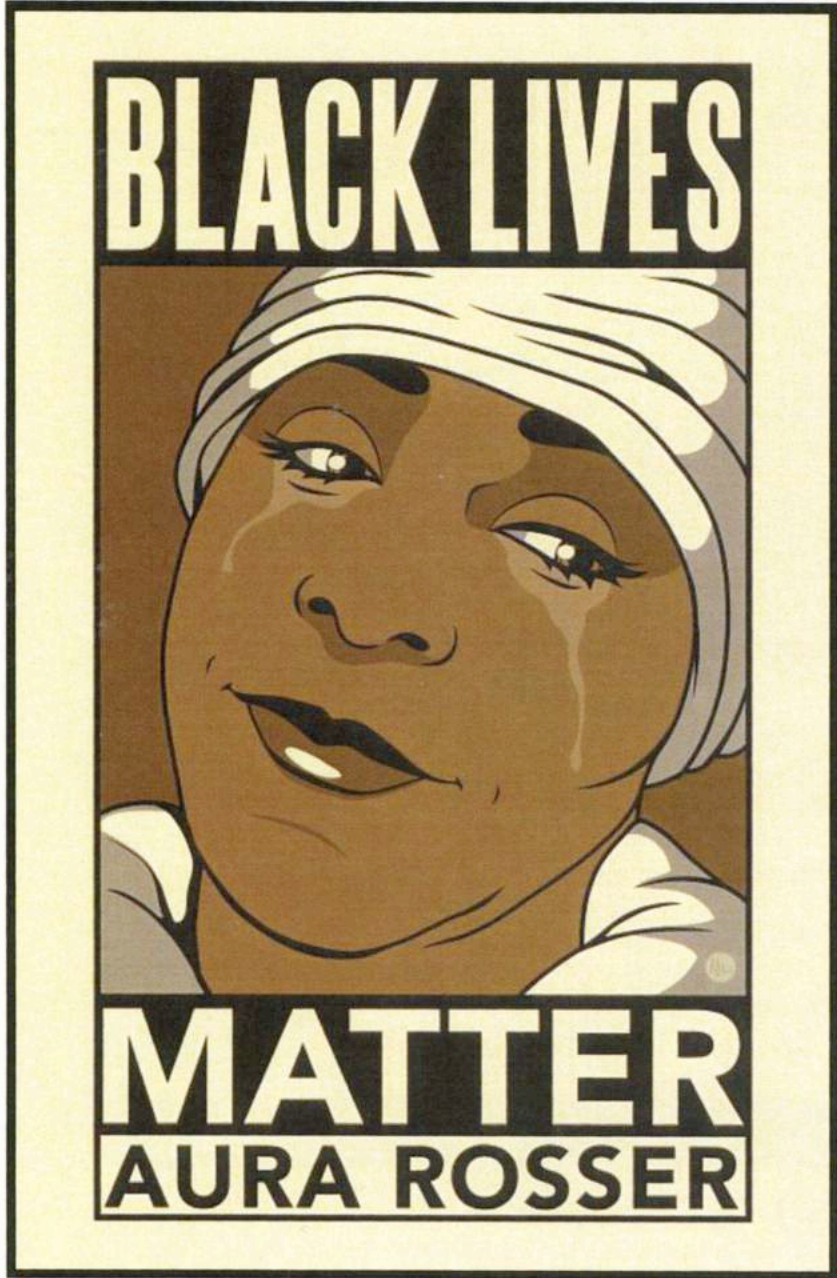
ELMER WITH SON'S TOMMY KNOX AND BAILEY (TREY)
BRIDGES WALKING ON ANN STREET IN THE EARLY 1950'S.



ELMER KNOX

October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween				



November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Veterans Day	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Day	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

BEVERLY PATTERSON WITH THE FRENCH DUKES DRILL TEAM



December 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Christmas	26	27	28	29	30
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