The History of a Black Presbyterian Church

Lombard Central West Philadelphia

Lombard Central consisted of native middle-class Philadelphians and newcomers of the migration to West Philadelphia.

- Jesse Sample: a schoolteacher hailing from West Grove, PA, a small farming town an hour away from the city.
- Lloyd Sample: a doctor who ran his practice in the back room of their home.

Jesse was also the secretary for the 100th anniversary committee (1944) and Lloyd was on the board of trustees.

Jesse and Lloyd are relatives of RBGB-pianist Briana Anthony. For more information check out her research materials in the lobby.

The Descendants Board

This group was created August 19, 1949 to ensure the descendents of the descendants are represented. The mission of this group is to empower the third generation of descendants. The group uses the concept of historical awareness to ensure that descendants are aware of their heritage.

The Descendants Board

- Officers: Mr. John, Mrs. Williams, President
- Members: Mr. Jones, Secretary
- Charles E. Stevens

Board of Trustees

- Trustees: Mr. Gray, Mrs. Johnson, President
- Mr. Johnson, Vice President
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- Mr. J. Johnson, Secretary
- Mr. R. Smith, Treasurer

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