

# Commemorating Southeast Lancaster Heritage

## Notable People & Events in Community History

Number	TITLE	TOPIC	LOCATION
1	Stevens-Greenland Cemetery	Last public burial ground for African Americans	South Duke Street, near Conestoga River crossing
2	Saint Paul African Union Methodist Protestant Church	Diversity in faith communities & how some predominantly Black churches moved often, at times against their will	South Duke near Susquehanna Street
3	Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church	Oldest Black Congregation in Lancaster County: members had Underground Railroad connections	Strawberry & North Street
4	Bethel AME Church Cemetery	Graves of Black Civil War veterans and community leaders	Strawberry & North Streets
5	Lancaster In “Green Book” c. 1940	Place of rare hospitality here for African American travelers during early to mid 20th century	Home of Abram Polite, Sr., 540 North Street
6	Home of James Clendenin	Early Black business and property owner, circa 1820. He helped form a new church that, by late 19th century became Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.	Howard Avenue, possibly No. 515; then known as Middle Street
7	Crispus Attucks Community Center	Youth education & recreation facility. Building dedicated, 1942; organization established late 1920s	South Duke Street at Howard Avenue
8	Dr. Copper & other early Black physicians—Site	Pioneers who aided African Americans’ access to basic medical care, widely deprived well into the 20 <sup>th</sup> century	400 Block, Duke Street

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9	Conestoga Elks Lodge-now Belco Federal Credit Union	Originally built as a Black Fraternal lodge. Olympic medal winner Barney Ewell worked here in his later years	South Duke at North Street
10	Sumner House Hotel—Site	First hotel owned and operated by African Americans. Est. 1870s	314-316– Howard Avenue
11	Home of Sadie Harlem— Site	Barney Ewell’s 1 <sup>st</sup> track coach who encouraged him to overcome the polio affliction in his leg by racing in school	North & Rockland Streets
12	Roberto Clemente Park	Puerto Rican Heritage pride, honoring star baseball player and international humanitarian	South Duke at Dauphin Street
13	Urban Renewal & its hard impact on community	Widespread displacement of nearly all homes and businesses along east side of South Duke Street Corridor	South Duke St. Corridor
14	Ebenezer Baptist Church, est. circa 1905, now Church The Light of the World	Illustrates diversity of faith communities; original building was a mission church of St. James Episcopal Church, est. circa 1870. Now, independent church in the community.	Lime & Locust Streets- Northeast corner
15	Sprenger Brewery—Site	Major employer, but limited opportunities for people of color	Lime & Locust Streets-
16	Spanish American Civic Association ( SACA)	Recognizing Iris MacRae, first SACA Board Chair; brought community development and anti-drug actions to area and bilingual education at School District of Lancaster in the 1970s	South Lime at Chester Street

