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After leaving their homeland and the discomforts of sea travel, they were in sight of their destination when Mr. Harris died before he could reach his goal. It made me think of what our ancestors went through to become part of our story. It makes me so proud to be American and to share the love of our state and our nation with you.

There will be a general meeting on Wednesday, February 10, at 1:00 pm. I checked with City Hall and we are able to meet the requirements of club attendance at 75% seating capacity as long as we can provide social distancing and wearing of masks. I would love for you to see the beautiful silver service that was given to DRGHS by the Henderson family in memory of Dorothy, Hudson, and John Kent. We are so grateful for their generosity. I really do hope to see you if you will feel comfortable about coming to a gathering. If not on Wednesday, you will be greatly missed.

As always,
Susie

An adopted daughter of Mississippi

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February Dates in Mississippi History

2/6/1862 U.S. Grant begins the military campaign in Mississippi

2/3/1804 Sherman begins march through Mississippi

2/23/1870 Mississippi readmitted to the Union after the Civil War.

2/19/1884 Tornado outbreak in Southern states kills over 800 including in Mississippi.

2/14/1915 Experiments to find cause of pellagra begin at Mississippi State Penitentiary. Pellagra was caused by niacin deficiency and often led to death.

February Birthdays

2/10/1927 Leontyne Price born in Laurel, MS. American soprano. First African American to become a leading performer at the Metropolitan Opera. She will celebrate her 93rd birthday this month.

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