4717 Rivers Ave. Charleston Heights 29405

Wed 7 Feb 1979

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Yes, I desire to join the First Families and I appreciate your kind Sponsorship.

Now Since the Cemetary Dinner meets every year why not have a room with Blackboards in the same school and have another Descendents of George Rhodes remunion in Estill say at Two O:clock after the feeding. Families could bring any old pictures or whatever and get to gether for a short time. We do this on a small scale and end up at Mary and Britts Rhodes. But there are more than my family and your family envolved. This could grow into something big. I will cochair with you and we could pick some one in Estill To handle local arrangements. It might take a room for the Lawtons and one for the Peeples etc, with a common room with chalkboards for trees. I am sure that there are many additions to the tree.

I ran into a Morrison who is Oscar Morrison's Brother. Maybe.

Milton

P.S. We could mail a notice when the cemetery send out their invitation.

Have you any published papers on George Rhodes/?

We could try to stimulate interest toward the \$400.00

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