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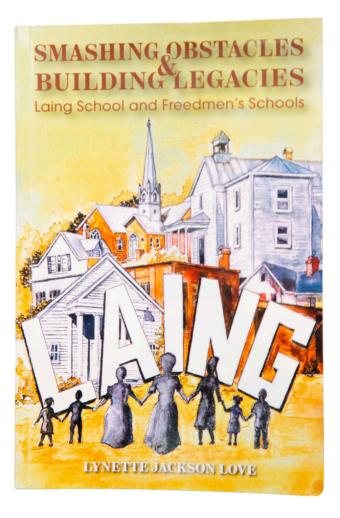
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I was born in Chicago Illinois, and was reared in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina. When I was growing up in that "Lowcountry" area in South Carolina and attending school, I didn't realize that I was living in a veritable mother lode of Black History. I have always been a bit of a history buff. In "Act 2" of my life I have developed a passion for researching and writing about history.



Featured Work

SMASHING OBSTACLES & BUILDING LEGACIES



In 2020, I discovered the story of Cornelia Hancock, a 26-year-old Quaker who founded Laing School in Mt. Pleasant, SC, in 1866 for newly emancipated individuals. My research revealed a rich history spanning over 150 years, including the challenges and triumphs faced by the school and its community.

Laing School, which I attended, was led by notable figures like Abby Munro, who served for 37 years, and eight other dedicated principals. These educators provided a safe haven for children during racially turbulent times, supported largely by Quaker organizations.

Through the perspectives of three female principals, I narrate the school's history and explore the broader Freedmen Schools Movement, highlighting both the struggles and the unsung heroes whose resilience and faith shaped this vital institution.

A LASTING IMPACT

In Part 2 of the book, I delve into the profound legacy of the thousands of Freedmen schools, which laid the groundwork for the establishment of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). This journey highlights the struggles and suffering endured by countless escaped enslaved individuals, whose resilience and determination fueled a movement for education and empowerment. I explore the collaboration of educational trailblazers whose collective efforts not only transformed individual lives but also fundamentally changed the landscape of America. Their unwavering commitment to education and social justice serves as an enduring testament to the power of unity in the face of adversity.

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You are also warmly invited to visit www.LynetteLove.com, where you can explore further the rich history of Laing School and its enduring legacy. I welcome your questions and look forward to sharing this inspiring story with you.

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