



Participants of the 2004 Reunion of the Ages included, from left, Sam Fulton, Alvin Fulton, Margaret Fulton and Nadine Fulton.

Annual reunion works to preserve black educational institutions

Reunion of the Ages held its second reunion July 29-Aug. 1 in Morristown. Event organizers hosted visitors at the Holiday Inn on West Andrew Johnson Highway.

The group is a non-profit organization working to preserve and honor the history and heritage of former black educational institutions in the Morristown and Hamblen County areas.

Participating alumni, former faculty, staff, students and friends of former black educational institutions came from 22 states, including California and Maine.

The reunion began with a welcome party for participants with live entertainment provided by Alex Phipps, featuring Elvis is Back and s Black.

Committee reports to update participants on the status of the organization were provided

during the group's business meeting.

Contributions totaling \$2,100 were collected for the Reunion of the Ages James A. Nichols Scholarship Fund.

Dr. Alvin Fulton, principal of The International Preparatory School in Ohio, was keynote speaker at the group's banquet.

Sunday morning worship services at Bethel United Methodist church closed the weekend's activities, with the Rev. Herman Cody, executive pastor of Greene Forest Community Baptist Church in Georgia, leading the service.

The group is already in the planning stages for the 2006 reunion.

For more information about the organization and its mission, or for membership information, contact Walter Evans, Sr. at (423) 586-3957, or Naomi Mason (423) 586-1853.