

Greetings and Congratulations on
ROOTS Twentieth Anniversary
From the Proctor Family

James and Margaret Cogwell migrated to Seattle with their four children: Ed S. Johnson, Norman Johnson, Laura Ellis and Fern Proctor (nee Johnson) from Kansas in 1910. They engaged in several businesses in Seattle:

- Managed a grocery store at 27th Avenue and East Madison
- Owned and operated a restaurant at 110 Seneca Street
- Ran a rooming house at 26th Avenue and East Madison

The family moved to Rochester, Washington in 1919 where their daughter Ruby (Bishop) was born with the distinction of being the first black born in Thurston County. They raised turkeys on their Rochester ranch and marketed them at their son's (Ed Johnson) fuel and poultry store at 22nd Avenue and East Madison in Seattle.

Clyde Proctor (deceased) a musician, came to Rochester from Ohio and met and married Fern Johnson. The Proctors settled in Seattle's Central Area where they raised their four children:

Norman Edward Proctor (deceased February 1991)
Priscilla Proctor Strothers
Russel Floyd Proctor
Bert Donald Proctor

Fern Proctor is retired from the U.S. Postal Service where she was employed as a civil service examiner.

To date, 24 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren have culminated from the Clyde and Fern Proctor union.