W.E.B. Du Bois Boyhood Homesite
and Memorial Park Preview

July 24, 2008
10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Clinton African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church
W.E.B. Du Bois Boyhood Homesite
W.E.B. Du Bois, 1872

W. E. B. Du Bois Memorial Park Dedication, 1969

(Clockwise, from top left): Co-Chairman Walter Wilson; Dr. Margaret Brenman-Gibson, William Gibson, Frederick Lord and Ruth Jones; Ossie Davis; Julian Bond, and Co-Chairman Edmund Gordon

National Historic Landmark Dedication, 1979

National Historic Landmark Dedication October 20, 1979, Tanglewood Concert Theatre, W. E. B. Du Bois Memorial Park, Great Barrington. Source: Homer Meade Archives
Program

10:00 a.m.
Clinton African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church

~ Welcome ~
Rev. Melvin J. Davis, Pastor
Jay Schafer, Director of UMass Amherst Libraries
Rachel Fletcher, Friends of the Du Bois Homesite

~ Remarks and Recollections ~
Dr. Edmund Gordon, Du Bois Memorial Foundation
Chancellor Thomas W. Cole, UMass Amherst

Announcements
Benediction

11:15 a.m.
W.E.B. Du Bois Boyhood Homesite

~ Preview of Improvements ~
~ Sharing of Personal Reflections at Memorial Boulder ~
Elaine Gunn, Chair, Steering Committee
MaryNell Morgan, Vocalist

Noon
Lunch at Masonic Temple
Thank you

Special thanks to the people who made today’s celebration possible

Friends of the Du Bois Homesite Steering Committee
Elaine Gunn, Chair
Rachel Fletcher, Great Barrington Land Conservancy
Wray M. Gunn, Clinton AME Zion Church
Frances Jones-Sneed,
Upper Housatonic Valley African American Heritage Trail

W. E. B. Du Bois Memorial Committee, 1969
Shirley Graham Du Bois, Honorary Chair
Edmund W. Gordon, Co-Chair and Treasurer
Walter Wilson, Co-Chair and Secretary

Incorporators
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Bruce Thomas, Landscape Architect

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