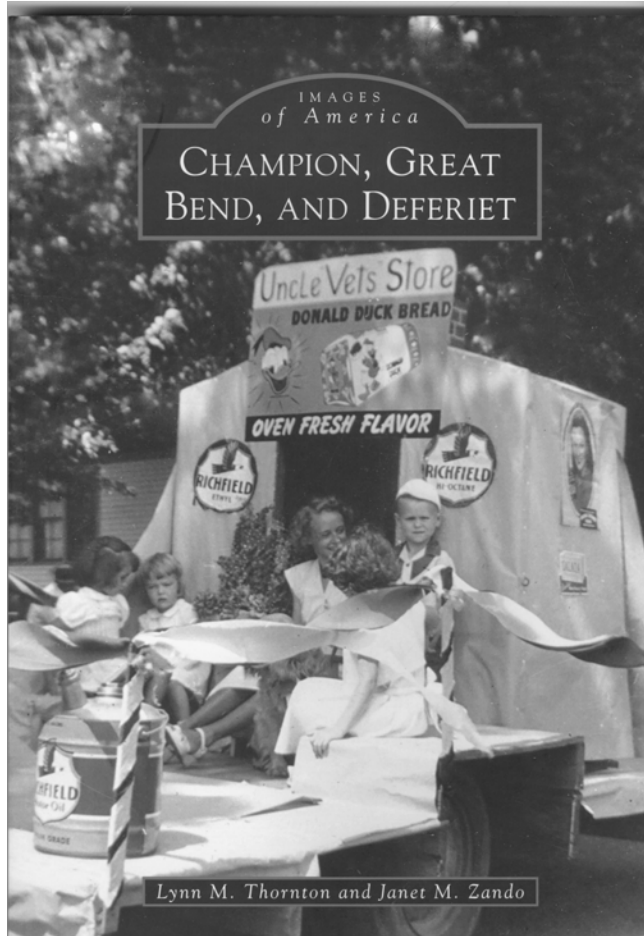


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Champion, Great Bend and Deferiet

by Lynn Thornton and Janet Zando



Lynn Thornton is the town of Champion historian, Board Member of 4 RVHS and a retired West Carthage elementary schoolteacher. She has partnered with Janet Zando, a charter member of the 4RVHS and Village of Deferiet historian to bring you the history of Champion, Great Bend and Deferiet. Janet is a registered Dental Hygienist and is currently employed part-time at the North Country Children's Clinic.

Janet and Lynn hope that this new look at the three communities that grew around the turn of the century will shed some light on the connections between them. There are many people who have relatives in two of the villages, some who lived in one and worked in another, people who moved away but retain a fierce connection with their old community – sometimes the farther away we move, the stronger the pull of our roots. We hope it will bring people closer to their origins by providing a common ground for discussion, sharing of memories and appreciation of their heritage

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