

Hinton & Johnson Connection

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Our Family Newsletter

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Greetings from the President's Corner

Dear Family Members,

I am excited we have arrived at another year to celebrate this blessed family reunion. Can you believe we have reached our 21st family reunion! It seems like yesterday when Jesse Hinton Jr. and his family came to visit me during the Christmas holidays at my parent's home to ask me to consider the role of the family reunion's president. It was twenty-one years ago. I would like to thank all of you who have stood by my side from the beginning. We have a great family. When the family reunion started from the beginning many of us, including myself, did not know our extended family. It is a blessing that God has granted us the privilege to reunite with each other as a family.

I would like to thank everyone who was responsible for the success of our 20th family reunion. Your help was greatly appreciated. Thanks also to Rev. Milton Batts and his congregation for allowing us to use their facility each year.

The youths and young adults stepped up to the plate and participated in our program last year. The following family members volunteered again this year; Earth Pender, Arnold Pender, Asun Pender and Jusiya Pettaway.

I would like to encourage each family member this year to commit to recruiting other family members to attend the reunion.

Mary B. Lawrence, President

Saturday, September 5, 2015 Picnic, Auction and Business Meeting

McCall's Barbeque and Seafood will cater the picnic at Bethlehem Baptist Church at 1:30pm. Food will only be served for one hour, so please arrive at the church promptly. The auction and business meeting will follow after the picnic. Please bring items for the auction.

Sunday September 6, 2015 Church Service & Banquet

Please plan to worship with your family at the 11:00am church service at Bethlehem Baptist Church. The church is located at 305 S. Halifax Rd., Rocky Mount, NC.

The banquet will begin at 1:30 pm at the Double Tree Ballroom located at 200 Gateway Blvd., Rocky Mount, NC.

Tickets

Meal tickets for the Family Reunion are available. You may purchase them from your District Leader, Deloris Davis or online at

2015 FAMILY REUNION

**Saturday Sept.5, 2015
Picnic -1:30p.m.**

Bethlehem Baptist Church
305 S. Halifax Rd.
Rocky Mount, NC

Picnic Prices

0-4..... Free
5-12.....\$8.50
13& up.....\$19.00

Directions to Bethlehem Baptist Church from Hotels

1. Turn left on Winstead Rd.
2. Turn right on Sunset Ave.
3. Turn left on S. Halifax Rd.

**Sunday Sept. 6, 2015
Church Service – 11:00am
(Bethlehem Baptist Church)
Banquet**

**1:30p.m. (Double Tree -
Dogwood/Magnolia Ballroom**
0-5..... Free
6-12.....\$21.00
13 & up.....\$28.00

The colors for the banquet are maroon and gold. If you have clothing in these colors, you may wear it.

Price for Both Days:

5-12..... \$29.50
13 & Up.....\$47.00

**You may pay online this year
at www.hintonjohnson.org.
A small additional charge
will apply to cover online
fees.**

www.hintonjohnson.org. There will be a small additional charge for online tickets to cover the expense of PayPal fees. You may also pay for dues online. **All tickets must be purchased in advance by August 11, 2015.**

Tickets for the 50/50 raffle will be sold at the start of the family reunion and will be sold throughout the weekend. The drawing will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 5th and 6th. The winning ticket will get half of all tickets sales and the reunion keeps half. See Marilyn Stephens and Deloris Davis at the reunion to purchase tickets. The price is six tickets for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each.

Hotel Reservation

The Double Tree and Comfort Inn offers a group rate for rooms that are reserved. The hotels are located near each other. Please mention the Hinton/Johnson Family reunion when making reservations. The rooms are reserved starting on Thursday, September 3rd and departure on Monday, September 7th 2015. **Cut off deadline reservations must be made by Friday August 7, 2015 for both hotels.**

Comfort Inn

200 Gateway Blvd. & Winstead Ave.
Rocky Mount, NC 27804
Singles/Double: \$82.00
Suite with 2 double Beds \$104.00
Phone: (252) 937-7765

Doubletree

200 Gateway Blvd & Winstead Ave
Rocky Mount, NC 27804
Singles/Double: \$104.00
Phone: (252) 937-6888

Dues

Please pay your dues as soon as possible. The money is used to cover the cost of mailings, website fees, deposit for the banquet and the overall expense of the family reunion. **The dues are \$15.00 per household.**

T-Shirts

Please order your t-shirts in advance again this year. There will be short and long sleeve shirts available.

Children sizes.....	\$8.50	Small to 2X.....	\$13.00
3X and above.....	\$14.00	Long sleeve.....	\$16.00

Commemorative Book

Mary Lawrence is still in the process of updating the second edition commemorative booklet and hope it will be ready for review at this year's family reunion. We are asking for biographies from family members who are seniors, been in military, retired, or married 25 years or more. If you were in the first booklet, please provide an updated picture. There have been family members who have become seniors since the last commemorative book. Please send all information to Mary Lawrence. If you didn't get the information to her last year, this will be the last chance you have, because the booklet will be available to order at the family reunion. If you will be sending by postage mail, send information to Mary before July 4, 2015. Please call Mary at (718) 693-1887 (H), (646) 239-6672 (C) to make sure she is still in NY before mailing by postage mail. You may also reach her in Rocky Mount at (252)-446-2179 after July 4. There will also be ads in the commemorative booklet for purchase. Whole page ads are \$50.00, 1/2 page \$25.00 and 1/8 page \$15.00. You may include pictures with whole page and 1/2 page ads.

Scholarship Fund

The Scholarship committee would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Hinton & Johnson and the Willard Coleman Scholarship Fund. Raeshun Whitehead received the Hinton & Johnson scholarship last year.

Remember our Family Members in Prayer

Please pray for the following family members:

Mrs. Maggie Davis, Mr. Jesse Hinton, Sr., Mrs. Dell Hinton, Mr. James & Mrs. Flossie Dunston, Mrs. Clarissa Parker-Rocky Mount, NC – Mr. George Hinton, Mrs. Malissa Pettaway – Tarboro, NC, Mrs. Dorothy Harden-Hampton, Va., Mrs. Margaret Riddick - Chesapeake, Va., Mr. Cleveland Hinton-Wilson, NC, Mrs. Charlotte Hinton Bascombe-White Plains, NY, Mr. Collien and Mrs. Caroline Hinton-Montclair, NJ, Mr. Roosevelt Hinton (Bill) -Winter Springs, Florida, Mr. John Pridgen, Mrs. Sarah Lawrence Best, Kelton & Ruth Lawrence, Ernestine Hart Speller-Brooklyn, New York, Fannie Hinton Harris – Sleepy Holly, NY & Mrs. Rosa Lee Stephens-Philadelphia, Pa.

Hinton and Johnson Update

Family members who provided their email address last year will receive their newsletter via email. Only family members without email addresses or those who rarely read email will receive paper newsletters. You may also go online to get a copy of the newsletter at www.hintonjohnson.org.

Dwyanna Harris married Ricardo Copeland on December 26, 2014. Congratulations!

Kenya Harris made the dean's list. She is a student at Norfolk State University. Way to go!

Keenan Harris was promoted to Major in the military. He is in the Navy and stationed in Norfolk, Virginia. Congratulations!

Dwayne Meeks attended President Obama's State of the Union address on January 20, 2015. Way to go!

Roosevelt Hinton retired from the University of Central Florida after 18 years of service on January 31, 2015. He previously retired from Westchester in 1992 after 32 years of service. Roosevelt and his family reside in Winter Springs, Florida. Enjoy your retirement!

Memorials

Pete Hinton died December 29, 2014 in White Plains, NY.

George Hinton of Tarboro, North Carolina died on September 17, 2014 in Greenville, North Carolina. He was husband of Carrie Hinton. Pete and George Hinton were the sons of the late Pete Hinton and Lucy Brown, the great-grand sons of Harry Hinton and Maggie Carney. George was 69 years old.

Shirley Mae Brown Hussey died in Tarboro, North Carolina on March 27, 2014. She was cousin of George, Pete and Roosevelt Hinton. Shirley was 62 years old.

Cora Hinton Ford died in December 2014. She was the sister of Collien Hinton.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

NAMES	DUES	HINTON & JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND	WILLARD COLEMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND
MADYLIN & WILLIE AVENT	15.00		
HELEN BALL	15.00		
FRANK & CESTINE BATTS	15.00		
MILTON & BATTS	15.00		
JACKIE COLEMAN	13.00		
MARY JANE CURRIN	15.00		
DELORIS DAVIS	15.00		
CAROLYN DOMERCANT	15.00		
CAROLYN DRAUGHT	15.00		
CAROLINE & COLLEN HINTON	15.00		
JESSE HINTON JR.	41.00		
JESSE & LELA HINTON	15.00		
MARY B. LAWRENCE	15.00		
BARBARA ANN LUCAS	15.00		
DEDRA LUCAS	15.00		
CLEVELAND MEEKS	15.00		
DWAYNE & LISA MEEKS	15.00	100.00	
JEROME & DORIS MURRAY	15.00		
EVELYN PRIDGEN	15.00		
MARILYN STEPHENS-BOOKER	15.00	45.00	75.00
ROSA MARIE	15.00		
ROSA LEE STEPHENS	15.00	12.00	13.00
SHIRLEY WILKES	15.00		
TOTAL	295.00	157.00	88.00

Amount Collected

Balance from 2013	1432.45
Banquet	1351.00
Dues	295.00
Picnic	1077.00
Auction	265.00
T-Shirts	724.00
50/50 Raffle	131.00
Total Credits	\$5275.45

Expenses

Banquet Cost	1298.50
T-Shirts	469.00
Postage	178.63
Church Rental	125.00
Catering Deposit	250.00
Newsletter	216.22
Renewal of Website	75.00
Misc (Senior Gifts, Door Prizes, Decorations, Auction, etc)	146.50
Total Expenses: \$3627.75	

2014 FAMILY REUNION BALANCE REMAINING: \$1,647.70 HINTON JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP REMAINING: \$1882.15 WILLIARD COLEMAN SCHOLARSHIP REMAINING: \$1743.17
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