

HUGUELY HAPPENINGS – NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2017

JASON CORNELISON

Michael and Carol Cornelison proudly report that their son, Jason Cornelison, had a very strong cross country season, which runs (no pun intended) from September through November! Jason is a junior at Cheltenham High School in Wynecote, Pennsylvania, outside Philadelphia. In the district championship's 5000-meter run (5K/~3.1 miles), Jason lowered his best time to 15:55, finishing in 13th place, with all of the other runners in the 16-minute range, depending on the course. Jason was undefeated in Suburban One League (SOL) American Conference meets and won the league championship on October 20th at Lehigh University - Goodman campus (below). The first three photos were taken just before the 1-mile mark, at the 2-mile mark, and at the 5K finish line (16:01). These photos are courtesy of Anderson Photography. A great interview following his league championship may be viewed at: <http://pa.milesplit.com/videos/232558>.



After placing fourth at the Briarwood Invitational on September 16th and placing fifth at the William Tennent Invitational on October 7th, Jason managed to also capture the individual title at the Neshaminy Invitational Cross Country meet on October 14th. A few weeks later, on November 4th, he ran strong in the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) Cross Country State Championships meet (above right photo) where he finished 45th out of the 240 best in-state runners on a crazy hilly golf course. This photo was taken at the $\frac{3}{4}$ -mile mark. The field was very crowded, with Jason on the left edge of the pack a few yards behind the leaders. After this event, he was finally able to get some well-deserved rest for two weeks before he started training for the indoor track season, which runs from December through February. Best of luck to Jason in the upcoming track season! Run, Jason, Run!!! (*Mack Hugely Branch*)

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SHERI RILEY



In late November, Sheri Riley's book, "*Exponential Living: Stop Spending 100% of Your Time on 10% of Who You Are*" (Penguin Publishing Group), was nominated by the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) for a 2018 NAACP Image Award for "Outstanding Literary Work – Instructional." Sheri's book, published earlier this year, has already garnered two awards: American Book Fest 2017 Best Book Awards, Self-Help – General; and African American Literary Award – Self Help 2017 Book of the Year!

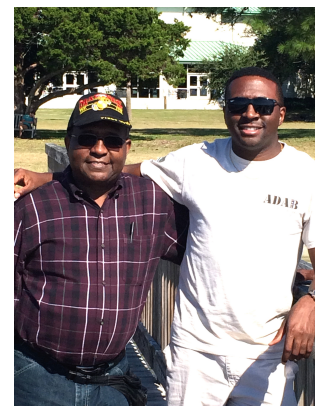


The NAACP Image Awards honor outstanding representations and achievements of people of color in motion pictures, television, music, and literature. Sheri's book was one of five titles in the Literary Work – Instructional category. Other Literary Work award categories include: Fiction, Non-Fiction, Debut Author, Biography / Auto Biography, Poetry, Children, and Youth / Teens. The 49th NAACP Image Awards ceremony, hosted by Anthony Anderson, will take place at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium on January 15, 2018, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday, in Pasadena, California. Photo courtesy of Marie Thomas. We all wish Sheri good luck!!! "And the NAACP Image Award goes to..." (*Lucian Huguely Branch*)



JOHN & FELECIA SHEARER

On November 3-6, 2017, John and Felecia Shearer traveled to Fort Walton Beach, Florida, to spend time with their son, Capt. Nathaniel Shearer, USAF, who was stationed at nearby Hurlburt Field Air Force Base, before his departure on November 10th for Busan, South Korea.



During their wonderful visit, John and Felecia stayed at the Air Force Inn. A few days after returning home safely to Berea, Kentucky, they heard from Nathaniel that he'd arrived safely in Korea. We all thank Nathaniel for his service and pray for his safety! (*John A. Huguely Branch*)

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FLOYD ‘TRE’ JENKINS, III



Janika Liles is happy to announce that her oldest child, Floyd ‘Tre’ Jenkins, III, will be attending Garrett College this upcoming January!! Garrett College is located in McHenry, Maryland, in the northwest corner of Maryland that borders West Virginia and Virginia state boundaries. Tre, a transfer student from Schoolcraft College in Livonia, Michigan, plans to complete a two-year program in 2019 and obtain his Associate in Applied Science degree in Computer Information Systems, with a minor in Graphic Design. He leaves for school on January 20, 2018. Janika is planning a wonderful farewell dinner for Tre before he leaves town (nothin’ quite like mom’s home-cooking!), so stay tuned for that. Go Tre!!! *(Everee Huguely Branch)*



JAMES CORNELISON

On December 12, 2017, James Allen Cornelison, of Ellicott City, Maryland, turned 87 years old!!! Ten family members and friends (the usual suspects) celebrated his birthday on Sunday, December 17th, at The Carolina Kitchen soul food restaurant located in Hyattsville, Maryland, a 50-minute drive from home. If you recall, the 2017 Huguely Reunion dinner was hosted at the restaurant’s Washington, D.C. location – a total soul food experience! To a person, the party of 10 agreed wholeheartedly with James that the food was well worth the drive to get to it.



Also, his wife Alice’s constant nagging about James being too old to drive influenced him to reluctantly sell his beloved 2001 Acura red sports car. He had been falling asleep in an instant at the kitchen table and his doctor agreed that driving was no longer a safe pastime for him. James had kept the car in tip-top shape, and looking clean and shiny, detailing it when necessary. He consistently received compliments from passers-by on how good his car looked when out and about (e.g., church, gym, breakfast out, choir rehearsals, barbershop, etc.). Fortunately, he was able to get an excellent selling price for it.

James is trying to get used to his lost freedom, all the while nitpicking Alice to death from his passenger seat: “You’re driving too slow” or “you’re driving too fast” or “Wow! You were too close to that car.” Alice wonders what Huguely male member is 87 or older. “We do a good job about keeping up with who the oldest female is because, after a certain age, women will tell anyone their age! Men are more quiet. Please let the Huguely President know,” she requests.

James and Alice wish a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone: “May your heart be an inn where the King may bide.” *(Mack Huguely Branch)*

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MARVIN COBB

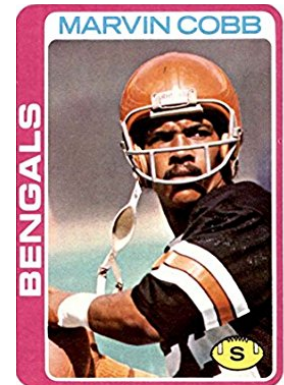


Marvin Cobb recently sang at a pre-Christmas church service at the First Baptist Church South Lebanon, located ~30 miles northeast of Cincinnati, Ohio. At both morning services, he sang the modern Christmas classic “Mary, Did You Know?” solo and, of course, performed so beautifully!

On December 4th, Marvin was also one of 20 former Cincinnati Bengals players honored when it hosted the Pittsburgh Steelers on Monday Night Football. This 2017-18 season is the 50th anniversary of the Cincinnati Bengals franchise and the team is honoring its legends of the game at each home affair. Marvin, who played five seasons for the Bengals (1975-79) at strong/free safety, participated in autograph

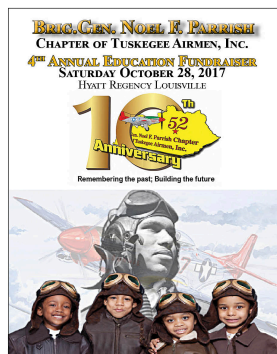
signings the day prior to and on day of the game, a legends dinner the night before, and a halftime celebration at the game. Too bad the game did not pan out as well as was anticipated (Bengals lost 23-20)... but it was a really neat thing to be a part of. Congratulations, Marvin!!!

(Everee Huguely Branch)



TIMOTHY & VICKI MITCHELL

On October 28, 2017, Timothy and Vicki Mitchell attended the Brig. Gen. Noel F. Parrish (Louisville) Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.’s Gala at the Hyatt Regency Louisville. Tim’s stepfather is a member of the local chapter. This year’s 4th annual education fundraiser honored Kentucky World War II Tuskegee Airmen and the Class of 2017 Student Honorees. One of the Tuskegee Airman honored, S/Sgt. Frank Weaver, USAAC (Ret.), a Louisville native, is pictured below left with Tim and Vicki. Six graduating high school students, who will be attending University of Louisville (3), University of Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky University, and Asbury University this fall, will each receive a check deposited into their college student account.



The fundraiser’s keynote speaker was Wilbert W. (Wil) James, Jr., President of Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc. (TMMK), Toyota’s largest automotive manufacturing plant in the world. In the group photo above, he is picture on the left flanked by his wife Michaelene, in the silver and white dress. Michaelene is Tim’s cousin. It was a grand affair all around! *(John A. Huguely Branch)*

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LT. COL. ALEXANDER JEFFERSON & DANTE BARTHWELL

On December 7, 2017, Lt. Col. Alexander Jefferson, USAF (Ret.) participated in a panel of World War II veterans at John Glenn High School in Westland, Michigan. The three other panelists were: Maj. Joseph Girolamo (U.S. Army), PO2 Frank Gaca (U.S. Navy), and Mrs. Marg Walters (B-24 ‘Rosie The Riveter’ Technician). All are shown (L-R) in left photo below. Dante Barthwell, youngest son of Andre and Patricia Barthwell, is a junior at the school.

Back in mid-November, Dante’s U.S. History teacher, “Mrs.” Michele Anderson, quite a history buff herself, was covering a study unit on ‘World War II.’ After she mentioned to her class that it would be nice to put together a panel of actual World War II veterans, one of Dante’s classmates blurted out, “Hey, Dante’s uncle (great-uncle) is a Tuskegee Airman!” Being somewhat shocked, but nevertheless encouraged, Dante’s teacher subsequently drafted a letter and mailed it to Lt. Col. Jefferson, inviting him to be part of a panel that she was in the process of setting up for her students. He gladly accepted!



On the day of the event, Mrs. Anderson gathered Dante’s whole History class, along with invited students from her other classes, approximately 45 student in all, in the Lecture Hall at 12:00 Noon. The principal and a few of the students’ parents (including Patricia) were also in attendance. Above right photo shows Dante (second from right) and two of his classmates.

After introducing themselves, each of the panel members, all nonagenarians, spoke about their life and experiences during the war. This was followed by Q&A (questions and answers). The students found the panel members very interesting and their stories quite riveting. Lt. Col. Jefferson, known to use spicy language and loosely drop a few ‘D bombs’ and ‘H bombs’ from time to time while relaying old war stories, no matter the age of the audience, kept the students simultaneously engrossed and entertained. On one occasion, when a student asked a question in a rather quiet voice, he responded, “Can’t you see that all of us up are wearing hearing aids??? You gotta talk a little louder! Hell, don’t you kids yell all day in school anyway...”

To their credit, throughout the two-hour session, the students were fully engaged, respectful, polite, and glad to have a chance to ask questions. They really and truly enjoyed themselves. In fact, Mrs. Anderson purchased a copy of Lt. Col. Jefferson’s revised book (with additional photos), titled “*Red Tail Captured, Red Tail Free: Memoirs of a Tuskegee Airman and POW*,” and asked him to inscribe it. We especially thank these WWII veterans for their service! (*Everree Huguely Branch*)

Season's Greetings!!!



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