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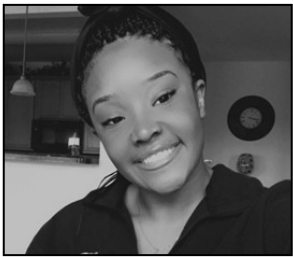
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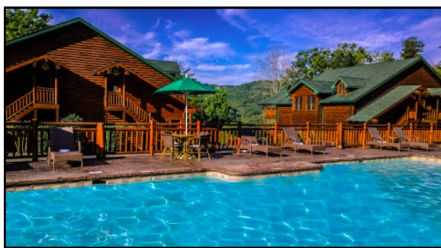


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## Gatlinburg, TN site of 2018 reunion

By Executive Committee

This year's 64th Huguely reunion, a family gathering that originally began on a farm in Madison County, Kentucky, in 1954, returns to the familiar off-site location of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, as it did in both 1995 and 2009.

Gatlinburg, a mountain town in eastern Tennessee located 185 mile south of Madison County, offers a relaxing, rustic, camping/hiking environment, as well as the roughly 520,000-acre Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Ripley's aquarium, Ober Gatlinburg ski resort, and nearby Dollywood theme park.

Last fall, the Lex-Kin Planning Committee, under the leadership of Michael Runyon, Jr., began planning a very exciting and fun-filled itinerary for the August 10-12, 2018, reunion. Coming on the heels of last year's incredible and amazing reunion in the nation's capital, Washington, D.C., the stakes were very high at topping it this year.

This year's host hotel, River Terrace Resort & Convention Center, offers comfortable accommodations, fine amenities, reasonable rates, and beautiful views. Reunion planning

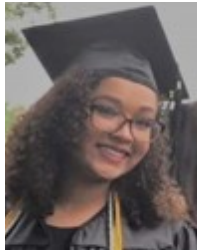
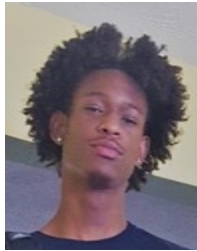
has come to fruition with scheduled activities including: Meet & Greet, "Minute to Win It" family game, Salt & Pepper Shaker Museum Tour, Sugarlands Distilling Company Tour (where moonshine is made...), Tennessee Homemade Wine Tour, Tanger Outlet in Sevierville, Gatlinburg Scenic Overlook, Mills Park (recreation activities), hospitality suite fellowshipping, and the family reunion picnic.

This year's business meeting that immediately follows Sunday Morning Praise service takes on added significance due to the election of Huguely Officers for the 2018-20 term, as well as discussing last year's family survey (see below) and other important Huguely business matters.

Since over 25 hotel rooms were booked, at least 50 Huguely family members (and friends) are expected to attend, re-acquaint themselves, enjoy the scenery, taste test wine & moonshine (uh oh), and just have a grand old time.

To those family members in attendance, the Huguely Executive Committee cheerfully welcomes you (back) to Gatlinburg!!! Enjoy!

## 2018 Huguely Scholarship Awardees



## Puzzling challenge

By Executive Committee

In April, as a parting gift to the Huguely Reunion after serving two terms as its President, as well as being inspired by MSNBC host, Rachel Maddow, who had recently completed such a task, Kenneth Cobb completed the first ever Huguely Reunion 66-clue crossword puzzle for family members to rack their brains, try their skills, and test their knowledge (and patience) of Huguely family history. (See the Back Page)

The crossword's theme, "And Miles To Go Before We Sleep..." from the famous Robert Frost poem, is a tribute to Huguely ancestors who have passed on and left a great legacy.

Having never designed a crossword puzzle before, Kenneth was also intrigued with the mere challenge of taking on the somewhat difficult, but very gratifying, task of thinking up clever and succinct one-line clues for each answer.

All answers are related to the Huguely branches, names, host cities, locations, events, etc.

## 2017 survey findings

By Executive Committee

At last year's 63rd Huguely Reunion business meeting in Washington, D.C., as the reunion looked at its legacy and sustainability going forward, a request was made to the Executive Committee (EC) to develop a method to solicit family members' input and feedback on several vitally important topics. These topics included: future reunion locations, reunion duration, family dues, attendee demographics, and dissolution options. As a result, a 21-question on-line survey, including 13 multiple choice, one ranking, and seven write-in responses, was made available for Huguely family members to express their views and have their voices heard.

The EC's original goal was to have at least 125 family members participate. The more family members who participated in the survey, the more representative of the full Huguely body the responses would be. Unfortunately, only 29 family members participated.

At right and on Page 7 are the results of the multiple choice and ranking questions for further discussion at this year's business meeting.

## 2016-18 term ends for Huguely Officers

By Executive Committee

This 64th Huguely Reunion marks the end of the 2010-18 term for all of its Executive Committee members: President Kenneth Cobb, Vice-President Brandon Durham, Secretary Angelina Huguely, Treasurer Donna Clark, Assistant Secretary Jasmine Higgins, and Assistant Treasurer Troy Huguely (not in photo below). For Kenneth Cobb, Brandon Durham, and Angelina Huguely, this marks their second two-year term of serving (since 2014).

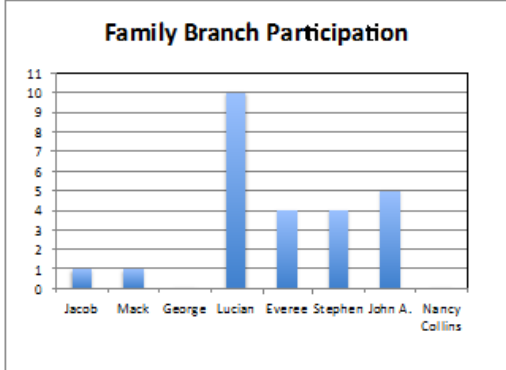
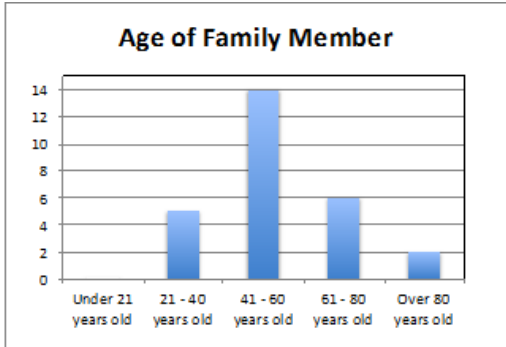


While carrying on the great tradition and legacy of the Huguely reunion since its inception in 1954, Cobb, the reunion's 18th President to serve, and the current administration (Treasurer Emeritus Vicki Mitchell served from 1986-2016) are proud of their accomplishments during their four-year tenure.

These accomplishments include: updated Huguely website, on-line repository of Huguely records and archives (e.g., family tree, by laws, 1870/1880 censuses, newsletters, reunion photos, cookbook, tracked EC action items, survey, resolutions, obituaries, audios & videos, etc.), bi-monthly newsletter updates, additional seed money cities, improved electronic and social media communications, Facebook Page, quiz, crossword puzzle, PayPal account, and successful annual reunions in Lexington, Detroit, Washington, D.C., and Gatlinburg.

Sadly, however, over these same four years, the Huguely reunion lost many beloved Huguely family members, including its three oldest members at that time over a span of 10 weeks in 2015: Mr. Enoch Gillispie (96), Mrs. Madge Reed Huguely (98), and Mrs. Elizabeth Chenault Huguely (100).

Outgoing President Kenneth Cobb will remain in his position as Huguely Family Historian, with his main focus turning toward updating the Huguely family tree for next year's 65th anniversary reunion in Richmond, Kentucky.





## Fun times with grandma

By Everee Huguely Branch

On January 4, 2018, Janet Morton had a chance to spend a wonderful, fun-filled day with her three granddaughters, Dezarae, Charlea, and Charla, while still on their school holiday vacation and their mom, Janika Lile, was at work. After picking them up from home, Grandma & Company first headed to Barnes & Noble book store in Northville, Michigan, where they had a chance to spend their Christmas gifts cards on interesting and exciting books (see right)! All three love to read and usually make the favorite trek there with their great-uncle from Baltimore when he's in town. Next up, they traveled across the parking lot to Applebee's fine restaurant for a hearty, tummy-filling lunch (including a favorite des-



sert, of course!). Now their appetizers and drinks were one thing, but please take a gander at that Blue Ribbon Brownie, with chunks of dark chocolate, nuts & hot fudge,



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mary feast with you???" After lunch, Janet dropped the girls off, went home, and took a long nap. Whew! A great time was had by all.

## Slave museum and gallery

By Mack Huguely Branch

On February 25, 2018, Carrington Viot and her parents, Jetty Viot and Terri Cornelison, visited the Sandy Spring Slave Museum & African Art Gallery, located in Sandy Spring, Maryland, as part of as group activity with the Northern



Montgomery County (Maryland) Chapter of Jack and Jill. The one-acre site features a cross-section of: Slaving Clipper Ship, Log Cabin, Arts Pavilion, and Great Hall. On such a ship, slaves and other cargo would travel months before reaching their final destination. The one-and-a-half story Log Cabin, relocated from nearby Olney, Maryland, represents typical living conditions for



the poor during slavery and the post-slavery years. Slaves and freed Blacks lived in quarters such as these. The Arts Pavilion, built in 1994 and purposely designed like a hut, was dedicated to Nelson Mandela and the N'debele tribe in South Africa. It is the home of over 100 wooden artifacts from the African Diaspora. The Great Hall is the main museum space.

Jack and Jill of America, Inc., founded in 1938 by 20 African-American mothers in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, brings together children in a social and cultural environment, and dedicates its resources to improving the quality of life, particularly African-American children. Every month, Carrington's age group meets for social, educational, recreational, and community service activities. In the group photo above in front of the Arts Pavilion, Terri and Carrington are hidden in the back row...

## Family wedding shower

By Lucian Huguely Branch

On April 21, 2018, Jasmine Clark, daughter of Donna Clark, celebrated her family wedding shower at Central Bank & Trust's con-



ference room in Richmond, Kentucky. Jasmine plans to wed John Riggins, a native of Pine Bluffs, Arkansas. Nuptials for her and her fiancé are planned for May 21, 2018, in Cocoa Beach, Florida.

Many of Jasmine's Huguely cousins and friends turned out for this momentous

event. Pictured below with Jasmine are her mother, Donna Clark, and grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams. She received many wonderful gifts and well-wishes! Jasmine wishes to say thank you to all of her family who came to her shower! "I love you all!" she exclaimed. Jasmine gives a super special thanks to the world's best cousin (Tiffany Williams) and aunt (Tonya Williams)!



Jasmine says everything was absolutely perfect!!! The Huguely family wishes the future Mr. & Mrs. Riggins the very best!

## Tea Time for the ladies

By Mack Huguely Branch

On May 5, 2018, Dr. Terri Cornelison, wife of Jetty Viot and mother of Carrington Viot, joined her sistren Montgomery County Moms Group (MGMG) in a social setting for "Afternoon Tea" (not to be confused with the 'Tea Party'). The ladies met at Tea on the Tiber restaurant in historic downtown Ellicott City, Maryland. (Unfortunately, the restaurant was destroyed three weeks later by a tragic flood.)



One of the goals of MGMG is to provide educated and upwardly mobile African-American mothers in this diverse, but sometimes culturally-isolated community, especially for their children, an opportunity to meet other folks



of color and have their children play with, and be exposed to, other American-American kids. Terri is pictured in photo above sporting her 'crown'!

'Afternoon Tea' was introduced in England by Anna Russell, the seventh Duchess of Bedford, in 1840, who would become hungry around four o'clock in the afternoon, hours before the evening meal. The Duchess asked that a tray of tea, bread and butter, and cake be brought to her room during the late afternoon and she soon began inviting friends to join her. Thus, the tradition began...the perfect excuse for the ladies to get dressed up! A delightful afternoon!!



## A very long way home...

By Everee Huguely Branch

On Kenneth Cobb's Sunday, September, 10, 2017, return trip to Baltimore following the September fall Executive Committee Meeting in Lexington, somehow he made a wrong turn (smile), taking I-64 west, then I-65 north, and low and behold, ended up five hours later at the home of his brother, Roger, and sister-in-law, Rosalind, in Flossmoor, Illinois, 30 miles south of Chicago.



Even though Roger and Kenneth last saw each other in August in Washington, D.C., during the 63rd Huguely reunion, Kenneth hadn't visited Flossmoor since May 2015. Since they both visit Detroit to see their five sisters at various times, they seem to always miss each other. Well, during this short visit, despite Roger and Rosalind's busy schedule, they all managed to squeeze in dinner at Olive Garden, two movies (Wind

River, Home Again), and Jazz at Chicago's famous Jazz Showcase, where an outstanding local group, Chicago Soul Jazz Collective sextet, performed several toe-tapping, head-nodding, and finger-snapping standards.



To top things off, Kenneth had a chance to tag along with Roger for his Monday morning (yes, that's right!) Senior Classic Mixed bowling league where he and his three teammates squared off against one of the other 31 teams. Just from observing several bowlers at various lanes, Kenneth noticed that there



were some serious bowlers (and ballers and OG's) in the house!!! Unfortunately, Roger's 31st-place team won only one of three games against the 32nd-place team, however, he had the best scores for his team. Everyone seemed very friendly, cordial, and personable, traits rather typical of Midwest folks... Overall, a wonderful and fun-filled detour for Kenneth before heading out east Wednesday morning for his 10-hour drive along I-80/I-70 to Baltimore.





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## A great adventure!

By Mack Huguely Branch

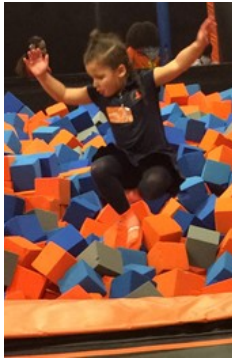
On March 23-27, 2018, six-year-old Carrington Viot, daughter of Jetty Viot and Terri Cornelison, had an opportunity to hang out with her 'Uncle Kenny' (cousin Kenneth Cobb) when her parents traveled to New Orleans for Terri to attend the 49th Society of Gynecologic Oncology (SGO)



Annual Meeting on Women's Cancer. Carrington stayed at the popular 'Huguely Prez B&B' Friday thru Tuesday. Her busy after-school and weekend itinerary included: four great movies (*Peter Rabbit*, *Sherlock Gnomes*, *The Greatest Showman*, *A Wrinkle In Time*), Dave & Buster's (D&B) arcade/games, Sky



Zone, bowling, doll house construction, putt-putt mini golf, pizza, daily conference calls with her parents, "Peter and The Wolf" ballet, Nickelodeon, and Sunday dinner with Pop-Pop Jim, Nana Alice, and Aunt Erin... oh, and homework/study time!



Upon check-in on Friday evening, Carrington selected the 'Man Cave' (w/73" HDTV) for her accommodations and placed Minute Maid Apple Juice cartons inside the cooler. The proprietor immediately canceled any NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament host-

ing plans for the fellas! :v) Carrington also used her Ollie's Bargain Outlet birthday gift card to purchase a My Little Pony Busy Book and an in-the-box Barbie Dreamtopia Princess Castle doll house. Construction began bright and early at 7:00 A.M. Saturday and was successfully completed two

hours later... Whew!

After long drives each school day, Uncle Kenny dropped off Carrington at 7:30 A.M. at her 1st grade classroom and picked her up promptly at 3:15 P.M. After all, she had places to go, people to see, and fun things to do... Carrington completed three bowling

games, racking up scores of 76, 80, and 80, not bad for a first-timer, and displayed splendid form and follow-through. While 'monster' mini golfing, 'Tigress Woods' got frustrated, but still had fun. Carrington attended Palm Sunday services at St. Veronica's Church. That afternoon, she enjoyed "Peter and The Wolf" performed by the Washington Ballet Company. With school closed that following Friday, she also saw a matinee of the popular musical "The Wiz." Dining included: Bob Evans, IHOP, Capri Pizza, D&B, Dunkin' Donuts, McDonald's, and Red Lobster. Not a hair braiding expert, Uncle Kenny thanks Aunt Erin for Carrington's 'do touch-ups for school!



## Alvin Ailey troupe amazes

By Mack Huguely and John A. Huguely Branches

[This article appeared in the Jan/Feb bi-monthly update, months before Uncle Jim's untimely passing]

On February 7, 2018, Danielle Edmonson, daughter of Maurieta Edmonson, joined James & Alice Cornelison and Kenneth Cobb on their annual trek to see the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre (AAADT) at WDC's Kennedy Center. She works at Georgetown University, not very far from the Kennedy Center, and met up with the trio before the performance at the roof-level KC's Café cafeteria for fine dining, compliments of the Cornelisons.



Each year, the New York City-based dance troupe sells out each of its eight performances in the 2,364-seat Opera House during its weeklong residency. The three or four choreographed pieces that it performs include: ballet, modern, African, Jazz, R&B, and hip-hop dance styles, which illustrate the flexibility and strength (and bodies!) of its dancers, as well as very tender, sensual, and romantic moods.

AAADT is always a joy to see perform, and this was no exception. On that particular night, it performed: *Stack-Up*, *Victoria*, *Ella*, and *Revelations*. The very funky, Soul Train-like *Stack-Up* featured 17 dancers moving to 1970s/80s hits by Earth, Wind & Fire, Grover Washington, Jr., The Fearless Four, and Alphonse Mouzon. *Victoria* featured 11 dancers performing very interesting athletic movement and ballet, backed by the propulsive driving music of Beethoven's re-written Seventh

Symphony. *Ella*, a tribute to Jazz great, Ella Fitzgerald, featured two female dancers moving in synchronized motion to Ella scat singing her 1957 hit, "Airmail Special." And *Revelations*, AAADT's most famous piece that always concludes its performances, is about African/Black folks' spiritual journey and strong faith from the Middle Passage through slavery to post-slavery. It featured 10 memorable and moving Negro spirituals. After an AAADT performance, one often can't help but hum one of these many songs on the way out... *Rocka my soul in the bosom of Abraham... I've been 'buked... Waded in the water...*



Afterwards, on the return trip to Maryland, Danielle was dropped off at her WDC home, safe and sound. A wonderful night all around – great food, phenomenal dance, and Huguely family!!!

## Swahili Elks Lodge Ball

By John A. Huguely Branch

On March 10, 2018, Timothy and Vicki Mitchell attended the 47th Swahili Elks Lodge Ball in Lexington, Kentucky. This annual upscale event celebrates the year and the accomplishments of the brothers of Swahili Elks Lodge #1611. Timothy has been a member of the Lodge for 20 years. The annual event was a grand occasion and a sell out. Dressed fabulously in the photo to the right (L-R) are: Timothy & Vicki; their daughter, Lauren; and Vicki's sister and her husband, Sandra & Darren Barnes. A wonderful time was had by all!



## California dreamin' and fun times

By Everee Huguely Branch

The McClain family continues to live out God's desire that "you prosper and be of good health, even as your soul prospers" (3 John 1:2). John and Linda, 72- and 66-years-old, respectively, are blessed to be in good physical condition with no major health challenges and needing no medication. They take their daily vitamins, minerals, and supplements, both naturally and spiritually, and regularly exercise. They also pray their daily 'Blood Confession' in order to sustain their family and loved ones from any hurt, harm, or danger, and have witnessed God's faithful love, mercy, and protection.



John and Linda celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on May 29th and spent a restful and delightful week in June with their adult kids, Ebony and John, Jr. (Jay), in Los Angeles, California, along with their precious grandson, Josiah, who just turned three-years-old. They stayed with Jay and his wife, Byanka, in their beautiful home in the Hills. Jay, an entrepreneur, is involved in producing videos for quite a few well-known singers in the music industry. Byanka is the Financial Director of a bio-feedback company that she has helped grow from its inception three years ago to now making over \$9M in revenue. John and Linda needed all the en-



ergy that they could muster to keep up with little Josiah, who will be starting Montessori school in September.

Ebony broke away from her busy schedule as a co-producer of "The Four" music competition show, which is owned by Sean 'P. Diddy' Combs, to co-host a dinner with Jay at the fancy Ancora Cucina Italiana restaurant located in Tarzana near Burbank to celebrate John and Linda's anniversary (top left photo). They were joined by several of their friends,



including Sheonna Mix, Vice-President of Productions at Bravo cable network and a native of Flint, Michigan. Ebony was previously a producer for a number of TV programs, including "The Real" daytime talk show, a cooking show with Martha Stewart and Snoop Dogg, and a reality show with singer Keyshia Cole.

Both Ebony and Jay attend good churches in the Los Angeles area where the Word is preached and Jesus is Lord.

John's role as deacon continues to grow at their home church, Word of Faith International Christian Center, which now has 46 locations all over the world. Besides planting churches in a number of U.S. cities, including both Nashville and Memphis in Tennessee, it has churches in Bulgaria, Brazil, France, Peru, England, Ukraine, and throughout Africa. Linda was recently ordained and God has expanded her territory to train churches on grant writing, forming partnerships, and training their



congregations on evangelizing and prayer. Both of them continue to work part-time at Black United Fund of Michigan, Inc., where they are able to use their talents, treasures, and time to the glory of God!



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## Sisters getting it done and making a difference!

By Everee Huguely Branch



The Lile household has been very busy the last few months! In May, Charlea (shown below) and Charla, daughter of Janika Lile, completed their Junior Level of Girls Scouts and earned Bronze Awards. Their troop, Troop 40035, completed two projects that helped their community, earning each girl a Bronze Award. The girls made blankets for the Children's Hospital of Michigan and constructed a Little Library

outside of their school. Also, in the month of May, Charlea was selected "Student of the Month" at her school, Canton Charter Academy in Canton, Michigan.



Charlea's positive attitude and willingness to help other students were why she was selected. She is also a peer mentor in reading to the Kindergarten class. Way to go Charlea!



On June 2nd, Charlea and Charla competed in Wayne-Oakland Elementary Science Olympiad. This competition involved 900-1,000 students from over



was also the coach for the Wildlife Safari Team.

The Water Rockets event involved students creating rockets using one or two plastic 2-liter pop bottles, along with pressurized air and water, in order to launch it vertically from a launch pad as high in the sky as it can go. The Wildlife Safari event featured 65 different mammals known to the state of Michigan. For each mammal, the students had to learn the following: habits, size, prey, unique features, reproductive cycles, and predators. Rockhound was a competition where students had to learn about rocks. For the



30 schools in these two counties who competed in 16 different events. Both girls competed in two events each: Charlea competed in the Water Rockets and Wildlife Safari events, and Charla competed in the Rockhound and Precision Ping-Pong Propulsion events. Their mother, Janika,



Precision Ping-Pong Propulsion event, students had to construct a launcher for ping-pong balls. Charla sketched her own design and her stepdad, Alex Lile, helped to bring her vision to life. Charla placed 7th overall for her Ping Pong design. Although, Charlea and Janika's team didn't place in the Wildlife Safari event, it improved the school's ranking from 25th place to 10th.

Lastly, from July 16th thru August 3rd, Charlea and Charla participated in a three-week STEM-based program called "SEEK" (Summer Engineering Experience for Kids), which was sponsored by automakers, Ford and GM, and NSBE (National Society of Black Engineers). Throughout the three weeks, students focused on projects, with a high focus on math and engineering. The goal of the program was to produce a measurable aptitude improvement in science and math, and to provide an experience that fosters interest in the pursuit of science, engineering, and technology careers. Way to go, girls!!!



## Summer getaway to Baltimore 2018: The remix

By Everee Huguely Branch

As a follow-up to their exciting, fun-filled, and FAB-U-LOUS 2015 summer getaway to visit their "Uncle Kenny" in Baltimore, Maryland, Miya Ross (daughter of Robert and Margaret Ross) and Dezarae Boyd (daughter of Alex and Janika Lile) arrived into BWI airport early on Saturday, July 7, 2018, for even more adventure and fab-u-lous-ness.



This time around, highlights of their busy itinerary included: Cirque du Soleil Crystal ice show, Six Flags America, David Blaine magic show, UniverSoul Circus, and "Bring It! LIVE" show.

Other fun activities included: shopping at the Arundel Mills Mall, purchasing books at Barnes &

Noble, Monster Mini-golf, bowling, and a movie ("Uncle Drew").

Of course, time was taken for Sunday worship at St. Veronica's Catholic Church, visiting with family and close friends of Uncle Kenny, and celebrating their Aunt Alice's (Cornelison) 82nd birthday with Cousin Erin at Cheesecake Factory!!!



During their week-long stay, Miya and Dezarae also enjoyed exquisite, palatte-tlingling, and fine dining at an assortment of other restaurants, including: Cracker Barrel, Buffalo Wild Wings, Bob Evans, Cheesecake Factory, Applebee's, Carolina Kitchen, IHOP, Chinese carry-out, Subway, McDonald's, Burger King, and best of all, a home-cooked baked chicken dinner from 'Master Chef KC'! :v)

On Monday, Miya and Dezarae were joined at Six Flags America by the great-granddaughter of Uncle Kenny's long-time St. Veronica church friend, 17 year-old Da'Jon. Both she and Dezarae showed little fear and tremendous courage in tackling the scariest and craziest rides, with Dezarae ultimately getting the nod for riding the "Dare Devil Dive," plummeting 11 stories through the air at 60 mph for the ultimate skydiving experience! FYI, Uncle Kenny was the 'designated bagholder' all day... thank God! :v) After having dinner at Applebee's, they dropped off Da'Jon before visiting with maternal Cousin Leland Jefferson and his wife, Nanette, whom they met back in 2015.

On Wednesday, Miya and Dezarae

took a day trip 120 miles up Interstate 95 (I-95) to the City of Brotherly Love to tour the Philadelphia African American Museum, shop briefly at Ross, visit the historic Liberty Bell, dine at IHOP, and check out the breath-taking, death-defying magic of David Blaine. Since the waiting line for the historic Old City Hall tour was long and moving too slow, they stepped out and headed to dinner! On the way to the Tower Theater in West Philly, they took a detour up Ben Franklin Parkway toward the Philadelphia Museum of Art, scene of "Rocky's" famous victory pose, with arms raised and hands held high above his head. Along Ben Franklin Parkway, Dezarae noted the streets signs and flags of several countries around the world. The magic show was incredible!!! They arrived safely back in Baltimore at 12:45 A.M.

On Thursday, Da'Jon's aunt, Dakota, a 19-year-old college sophomore, joined Miya and Dezarae for "Bring It! LIVE" at the Warner Theatre in WDC, the hit reality TV dance show live on stage! Set in Jackson, Mississippi, the TV show features the Dancing Dolls hip-hop majorette company, founded in 2001, consisting of girls aged 10 to 17. The TV show also features the Baby Dancing Dolls, consisting of children under the age of 11. The troupe has earned over 15 Grand Champion titles and more than 100 trophies. The girls really enjoyed the show, with Dakota and Da'Jon representin' West Baltimore, and Miya and Dezarae representin' Detroit (in the house)!!

On Friday, Aunt Alice joined Miya and

Dezarae at the UniverSoul Circus for an unforgettable journey of electrifying, edge-of-their-seats, and non-stop performances with lots of 'Soul!' UniverSoul is a culturally-diverse, single-ring circus that is celebrating 25 years under the Big Top. It featured



performers from at least 24 different countries around the world, including: Russia, Trinidad, South Africa, Mongolia, Cuba, China, Ethiopia, and the U.S. The trio thoroughly enjoyed themselves before dining at Carolina Kitchen in Largo, Maryland on the return trip to Baltimore! The circus was set up at the National Harbor, one of last year's WDC reunion tour sites.

Overall, Miya and Dezarae had a very enjoyable and unforgettable week with Uncle Kenny, assuring each of them something to say or write about just in case their teachers ask them in the fall: "So, what did you do interesting and exciting this summer???" When asked to describe their week in one word, Miya responded 'Amazing' and Dezarae responded 'Adventurous'! After departing BWI Airport at 11:00 that night, they arrived safely back home in Detroit.





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## Traveling near and far, seeing the past and present

By Stephen Huguely Branch

In January, Charley and Del Gillispie experienced their first cruise. They took a 11-day cruise to the Panama Canal with stops in the Bahamas; Cartagena, Colombia; Panama Canal and Colon, Panama; Limon, Costa Rico; and the Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.



In the Panama Canal, they entered the Canal through the new east “Gatun Locks” and returned thru them. The Gatun Locks is a lock system that lifts up a ship 85 feet to the main elevation of the Panama Canal and down again. Charley was excited about seeing how the locks function. He claims that he remembers studying about how the locks were built and operated in junior high school.



Several times, Charley and Del traveled to Kentucky to visit with Albirda, Charley’s sister, and to South Carolina to visit with Del’s mother, Momma Della.

After Thanksgiving, on their return trip to Florida, they spent a few days in Savannah, Georgia, to vacation and take in two Valparaiso University (Valpo) basketball games as Valpo was one of four teams participating in the Savannah Invitational at its Civic Center. Charley and Del were able to see some of their former colleagues from Valpo.



They traveled with two Solivita groups (active senior citizens) to Sarasota, Florida, to see the plays. *Lady Day* by Lanie Robertson, starring Melba Moore, highlights in detail the difficult life and story of legendary singer Billie Holiday from the largely fictionalized 1972 film *Lady Sings the Blues*, starring Diana Ross. Melba Moore sang a dozen of Holiday’s songs.



*Soul Man* conveyed to the audience how the music developed from those tightly controlled, carefully choreographed Motown performances of the early 1960s to the looser, sometimes funkier cross rhythms rendered by James Brown, Otis Redding, Al Green, and other mainstay artists from the 1970s and beyond. In summary, the play depicts how music arose out of the black experience in America through the transmutation of gospel and rhythm & blues (R&B) into a form of funky, secular (testifying) lyrics.

Lastly, Charley and Del attended a Spinners concert and a Christmas program with Whoopi Goldberg, as narrator, at Disney’s Epcot Center.



In April, they travelled to Washington, D.C. (WDC) to tour the National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC), do some sightseeing, and visit with their son, Christopher. Chris had chosen several excellent eateries. To the right, he and his dad enjoy The Wharf on the Potomac River. Charley and Del found the NMAAHC an experience that was unbelievable and reminded them of many of the things they experienced when their parents



began the Reunion back in 1954. They suggest that you set aside a couple of days in order to tour the museum. (The Huguely Reunion toured the museum in 2017!)



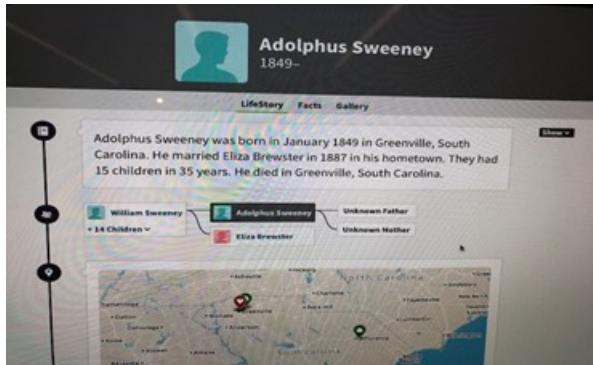
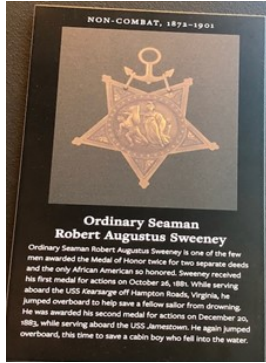
Charley and Del would also remind you that if you are a veteran, be sure to bring your DD214 or some other form of military ID to show that you are a veteran and do not need a timed visitor’s pass to enter the museum and, instead, you go to the front of the line.



While touring the Museum, Del discovered a plaque with the name of one of her relatives, Robert Augustus Sweeney (1872 – 1901), “a seaman who received the Medal of Honor twice.” The only

African American so honored.

Del also did a little research on her maternal ancestry/linkage. She found the opportunity to perform additional research on her family history and genealogy extremely rewarding and awesome. She and Charley continue to perform deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) tests to learn about linkage, ancestors, history, relatives and forefathers. The search continues...



## Family trip to seek our capital’s wealth (of museums)

By Everee Huguely Branch

On August 1-5, 2018, Kenneth Cobb hosted his nephew, Damon Morton, and his family during a visit to Baltimore, Maryland. Damon, Janet Morton’s youngest son, his wife, Maryam, and their three children, Damon ‘DJ’, Jr. (16), Cameron (13), and Evan (9), reside in Prairieville, Louisiana, located 15 miles southeast of Baton Rouge. Janet saw her grandkids just last month when she and Damon’s sisters, Nikki and Ja’Nee, traveled to New Orleans for the 2018 Essence Music Festival on July 5th-8th. Between Uncle Kenneth’s ‘Man Cave’ sofa bed, two queen-sized air mattresses, a love seat, and extra blankets and pillows, he was able to comfortably accommodate his charges.



A few hours after landing at Baltimore / Washington International (BWI) Thurgood Marshall Airport and getting carry-out at Chick-fil-A near Kenneth’s home, they were all off

to the races at the AMF Bowling Alley (above) where, during game 2 of 3, Cameron (‘Ringer’) posted the highest score of night, 161, including a ‘Turkey’ - three strikes in a row!!! In the interest of full transparency, Evan posted the second highest score for that game... :v) On the way back to Kenneth’s home afterwards, they grabbed two carry-out large pizzas and a 8-piece chicken nuggets from Pizza Hut.

During their family visit, DJ, an aspiring hoops star, attended a two-day Kevin Nickelberry Youth Basketball Camp on the historic campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. (WDC). Kevin Nickelberry is the current men’s Head Basketball Coach at (since 2010) and Up-and-Coming” Division 1 Basketball. at University Laboratory located on the cam-State University in starts at small forty Basketball Team on the AAU Basketball Club team, Louisiana Future, based in Baton Rouge, which has traveled to Dallas, Las Vegas, and Atlanta to compete.



Before heading out the next day for the Day 1 afternoon basketball camp session, the family had breakfast at IHOP and visited the Washington Mall grounds (see U.S. Capitol in background) briefly before a heavy rain downpour. They immediately headed to Burr Coliseum, home of the Howard Bison’s men’s basketball, women’s basketball, and women’s volleyball teams. Day 1 basketball camp activities comprised of a very inspirational speech from Coach Nickelberry and several scrimmages for DJ and the other 149 high school cagers. On the drive back, they hit Wal-Mart!



The Day 2 basketball camp activities comprised of dribbling, passing, and shooting drills, as well as more organized scrimmages. Afterwards, they hung out in WDC for some more sightseeing before heading back to Uncle Kenny’s home, stopping by Boston Market along the way

With Damon and Maryam both being former teachers, and Evan being a huge government/civics buff (so important these days...), Saturday’s all-day itinerary included Smithsonian museums and WDC historical monuments: U.S. Capitol Tour (video, rotunda basement, and rotunda), Air & Space Museum, Museum of Natural History, Lincoln Memorial (see Evan’s handstand above right), Vietnam Memorial, and a drive-by of Arlington National Cemetery. Damon was visibly moved by the cemetery’s endless rows and rows of white headstones of our military heroes who paid the ultimate sacrifice. Once Damon and his family returned home late Saturday, they were totally wiped out!

On Sunday, the family visited with Aunt Alice (Cornelison), each one signing her infamous guestbook for all first-time visitors, before heading to her other



favorite restaurant, Shannon’s very delicious lunch (AND Aunt Alice their company conversation. dropped off at kids had more their veins, so back to AMF Bowling for three more games before grabbing a few pizzas afterwards.



On their final day, before their early evening departure from BWI, they returned to WDC once again, this time to tour the American History Museum. On their way to the airport, they had dinner at the nearby Green Turtle.

Even though Damon’s family was not able to procure timed visitor passes for the National Museum of African American History and Culture, still WDC’S hottest museum ticket, or have a chance to tour downtown Baltimore’s Inner Harbor, they had a wonderful and amazing



five days, had a chance to re-connect with their grandmother’s younger brother, Kenneth, and meet the wonderful ‘Aunt Alice!’ Hey, but who’s know, maybe next time...



# HUGUELY HAPPENINGS

# FAMILY FUN

## Hittin' the rode on his bike

By John A. Huguely Branch

This past year, Timothy 'Tim' Mitchell, an avid motorcyclist, and his wife, Vicki, attended a few exciting events around the country, including: (a) National Bikers Roundup (NBR) last August (2017) in Kansas City, Missouri, (b) Black Bikers Week in May in North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and (c) National Bikers Roundup in early August in Springfield, Illinois.

Timothy rides a 2002 Honda Goldwing GL1800 (below). Goldwings were 'Made in America' from 1979 to 2009. Throughout his many years of riding, Tim has managed to safely travel the Interstates, highways, and back roads of the lower 48 states to complete (shade in) his motorcycle jacket



patch. In fact, he rode all of the New England states one year. In 2009, he road the light blue-shaded states on the way to the NBR in Las Vegas. In 2015, he rode 16 additional states in six days to finish up in South Carolina for the NBR. And Tim road the remaining western states in June 2016 and June 2017 for a total of 48 states, quite an accomplishment!

Since 2016, Tim has been the president of



his local Lexington Barons motorcycle club, below. Founded in 1968 and celebrating its 50th year anniversary, it is the oldest African-American motorcycle club in Lexington, Kentucky. Tim is seated on lower right.

The National Bikers Roundup is the largest camping motorcycle rally in the U.S. and serves to unite the Black motorcycle community and promote camaraderie. This event is held every August and is sponsored by a group of African-American motorcycle clubs. First organized in 1977 by the Zodiacs Motorcycle Club in Kansas City, Kansas, the NBR initially attracted only 49 riders, but has since grown to a five-day event with up to 30,000 participants who enjoy camping, exhibition, parades, stunt shows, entertainment, and a host of other motorcycle-related experiences, including drag racing and the "biggest gut contest."

The location of the NBR changes every year, however, each decade it returns to its founding city, now with more than 1,000 motorcycle clubs, as well as Black women making up close to half of its participants. Since 1998, the NBR has donated food and money to support local food banks and feed-the-homeless programs.

For the NBR last August, Vicki accompanied her husband, riding 'shotgun.' They arrived in Kansas City, Missouri, from Lexington on



late Thursday, August 3rd. They checked out the round up location that was at the fairgrounds. On Friday morning, Tim and Vicki hit the road to downtown Kansas City to the historic 18th and Vine Street area. They toured the American Jazz Museum and the Negro League Baseball Museum. After walking through all of that great history, they found the famous Gates Barb-B-Q res-



taurant, established in 1946. After eating delicious BBQ, Tim and Vicki made it back to the round up site and walked around viewing all the customized motorcycles, merchandise vendors, and, of course, food vendors. After rain moved in on Saturday, the fairgrounds flooded, which inevitably cancelled the outside activities for the remainder of the weekend at the round up. Since Tim and Vicki stayed in a hotel this



year (and not in their trusty RV home on wheels), they were fortunate to have a dry place to stay. Many people camped out at the round up and, therefore, due to the inclement weather, hit the highway and returned home earlier than expected. Vicki, on the other hand, took advantage of the weather and went shopping... There's always time for indoor activities like shopping! When Sunday morning arrived, Tim and Vicki loaded up and hit the highway to



return to Kentucky. But not without stopping in St. Louis and visiting the well-known soul food restaurant, Sweetie Pies! After indulging in a very appetizing dinner, they both tried to stay alert while completing the 340-mile last leg of their trip back home.

Black Bike Week is an annual motorcycle rally held on Memorial Day weekend in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. It's the largest African American motorcycle rally in the



U.S. with between 350,000 and 375,000 turning for the annual event to party hearty! The event started in 1980 as the Atlantic Beach BikeFest. Black Bike Week involves a lot more than just riding up and down on a motorcycle. Many go for the music, socializing, and general partying - as well as enjoying the beach. According to mayor Irene Armstrong, the event is "all about riding, styling, and profiling." Other events include motorcycle racing, concerts, and street festivals. For Black Bike Week this past May, Tim rode to Myrtle Beach solo.

The 2018 NBR in early August was held in Springfield, Illinois, the state capital, as well as the home of the 16th

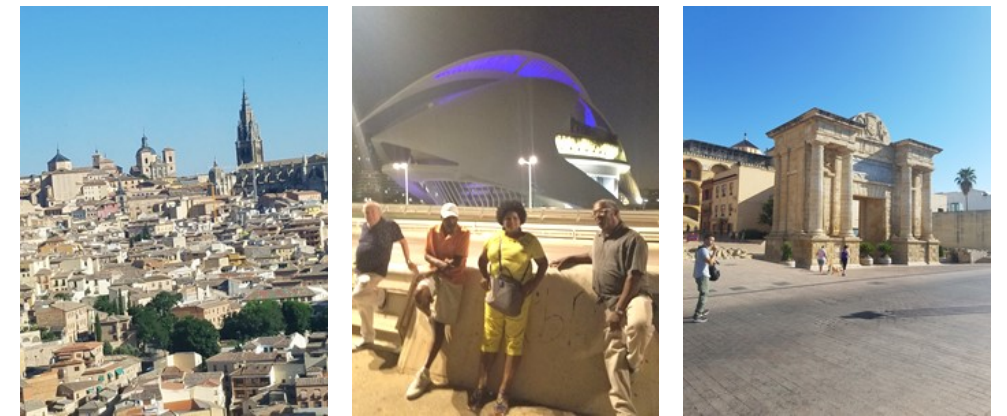
## A Spanish excursion

By Jacob Huguely Branch

On July 21-31, 2018, world travelers and retirees, Alvin and Deborah Bond, Jr., of Charlotte, North Carolina, had the pleasure of touring the beautiful country of Spain and its many cities, including: Madrid, Toledo, Cordoba, Seville, Granada, Valencia, and

Tower. Later, they made a walking visit through Seville's popular streets of the Barrio Santa Cruz area (the old Jewish quarter).

The group then visited the Moorish Alhambra Palace of Granada, with its serene Gen-



Barcelona. For Deborah, it's always fun traveling with family. In fact, Alvin's youngest sister and brother-in-law, Sheila (Bond) and Larry Parks, tagged along with them to Spain. They began their tour in Madrid, including a visit to the Prado Museum, where you can admire works of art by

eralife Gardens, and next headed northeast through the groves of olives, almonds, lemons, and oranges to the garden city of Valencia. What a beautiful city and a mixture of old and new architecture with modern suspension bridges, lakes, and outdoors activi-



famous artists such as El Greco, Diego Velázquez, and Jusepe de Ribera. They continued on to Toledo, the "Museum City," and visited the famous monuments, Church of Saint Tomé and Santa Maria la Blanca Synagogue, then headed to Cordoba to visit the astonishing Mezquita de Cordoba (mosque).

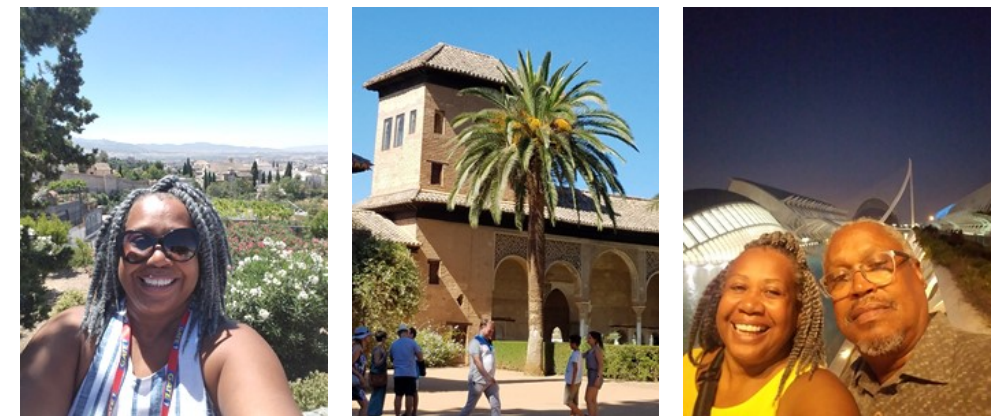
ties! They explored this beautiful city and Alvin just had to have a picture in front of the City Gates, City Hall, and the Cathedral. Finally, they journeyed along the coastline of Catalonia to Barcelona and visited Gaudi's Sagrada Familia and the site of



In Seville, Alvin, Deborah, Larry, and Sheila marveled at the Cathedral of Seville, the burial site of Christopher Columbus, the largest Gothic cathedral in the world. Alvin walked up the 36 stories to the top of the tower to view the city from the Giralda Bell

the 1992 Olympic Stadium.

So there you have it - a wonderful 11-day excursion to 'parts unknown,' to borrow a phrase!!! Lots of delicious food, great fun, good memories, and new friendships.



U.S. President, Abraham Lincoln. Because both Tim and Vicki had job obligations that Friday, they traveled separately to Springfield. Vicki started off tagging behind Lauren, their daughter and a motorcyclist herself, on the way to picking up Lauren's longtime friend, Samarya, who lives in Louisville and who accompanied Vicki. A few hours later, Tim hit the road from Lexington as part of a caravan of motorcyclists with Que (Greg, his club Vice-President), William (his godbrother), and Runan, William's fiancé. Vicki, Lauren, and Samarya were not able to arrive in Springfield until Friday night. On Saturday, Tim's caravan caught up with the rest of the Lexington Barons club members and made their way to the

round up site at the Illinois State Fair Grounds. He also had time to drive by and see the historical sites of Lincoln's home. The girls went shopping... of course! Later that evening, they all met up at an RV campground, where one of the club members was camping. A delicious cookout was held for everyone who made the trip from Kentucky. Following the cookout, Tim, family, and club members left in a caravan to the state fairgrounds where they enjoyed the sites and sounds of the round up and a concert. On Sunday, it was time to load up and head back home. They had beautiful weather to safely make the trip back to Kentucky. One more round up in the books. It was truly a family affair!!!





HUGUELY HAPPENINGS

# FAMILY FUN

## On the road... friends, family, food & history

By Everee Huguely Branch

During a recent July 4th week road trip through the south-east, Kenneth Cobb visited Atlanta, Birmingham, Cleveland (TN), Richmond, and Lexington.



After a brief stop in Atlanta, Georgia, Kenneth headed West on Interstate 20 (I-20). Located just south of Birmingham, Alabama, he had a chance to visit with an old college friend, fellow University of Michigan (U-M) alum, and native Detroit, Greg Scott. Over dinner at the nearby Jim ‘N Nick’s Bar-B-Q restaurant, they laughed about old times, reminisced about days gone by at U-M, and, of course, discussed current events and issues, solving most, if all of them...

At U-M, Kenneth was the dormitory Resident Advisor (RA) for Greg and his college roommate, Arnett Sanders, as incoming freshmen.



On the way out of town the next day, Kenneth visited the historical Birmingham Civil Rights Institute and completed a two-hour self-guided tour. It is located at 16th St. and 6th Ave., directly across the street from 16th St. Baptist Church, site of the September 15, 1963, tragic bombing that killed four little school girls: Addie Mae Collins, Denise McNair, Carole Robertson and Cynthia Wesley, all between 11- and 14-years-old.

Kenneth found the museum riveting, interesting, and extremely informational. And even though he was acutely aware of many of the historical events of the 1960s civil rights movement, he didn’t quite realize that Birmingham was THE central location of most of these incidents and its history: segregation, Jim Crow, ‘Bombingam’, the KKK, fire hoses, police dogs, children’s protests, student lunch counter sit-ins, ‘Bull’ Connor, then Gov. George Wallace, forced desegregation, as well as of MLK’s famous ‘Letter From a Birmingham Jail.’ Kenneth was not aware of the two young boys, Virgil Ware (13) and Johnny Robinson (16), shot and killed on the same day as the church bombing.

He also found the interesting similarities between Birmingham’s post-Civil War (post-slavery) industrialization via coal mining and steel factories while paying slave-like wages, and the agricultural boom in nearby soil-rich states that produced tobacco, grains, cotton, etc. using sharecropping practices.

There are many historical figures and significances from Birmingham’s sordid history: the greatness of Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, the proximity to Selma, the election of Mayor Richard Arrington in 1979, and Angela Davis being a Birmingham native.

There is lots of great history found in the museum, which was built in 1988, 25 years after the tragic church bombing. Given Birmingham’s history, Kenneth made sure that he ‘moseyed on up the road before sundown... :v)



He later arrived in Cleveland, TN, to visit with ‘Gourmet Chef’ Toni Miles, ‘White Glove Princess’ Aunt Margaret, and ‘Artist-In-Residence’ Lucianna.

Before dinner, Kenneth was treated to a very impressive exhibit of Lucianna’s abstract paintings, as well as her studio. To date, she has painted nearly 100 abstracts on various sized canvases, using oil- and acrylic-based paints.

Toni, who loves to cook, later served a very appetizing dinner meal of baked chicken, string beans, and salad.

After an evening of laughter, watching TV, discussing Huguely family history, and, of course, eating genuine strawberry shortcake for dessert, Kenneth was escorted to his living quarters and was immediately taken aback by its decor and how pristine, tidy, and orderly its appearance was. You gotta check out how the bed sheet corners were tucked in... Wow!

The following morning, Kenneth awoke to the sweet aroma of breakfast: delicious frittata with cheese, potato, and veggies... Definitely, Five Stars!!!

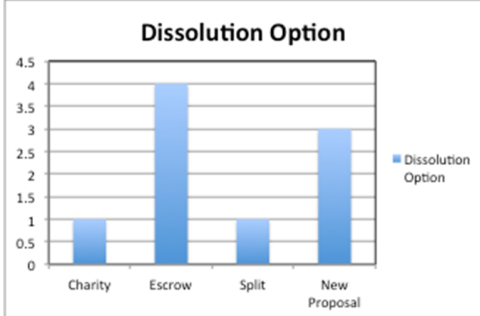
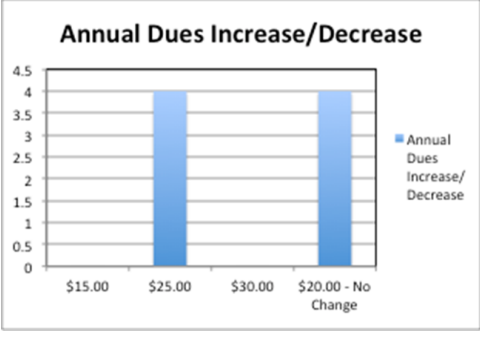
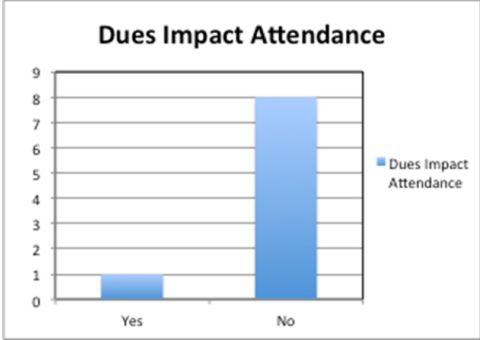
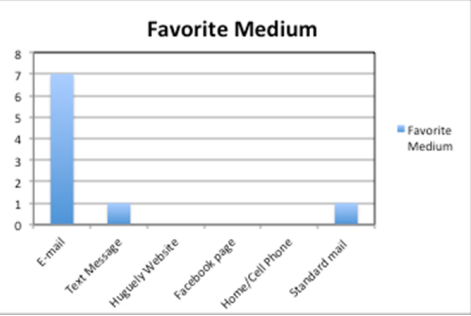
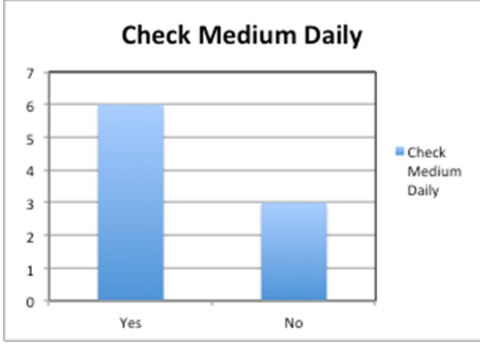
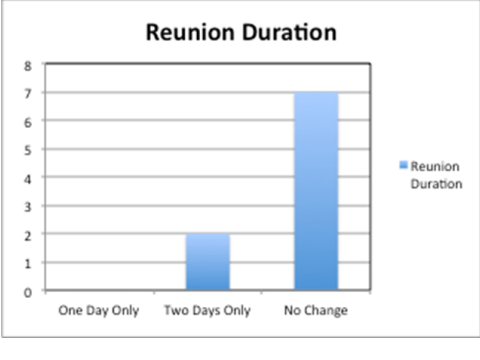
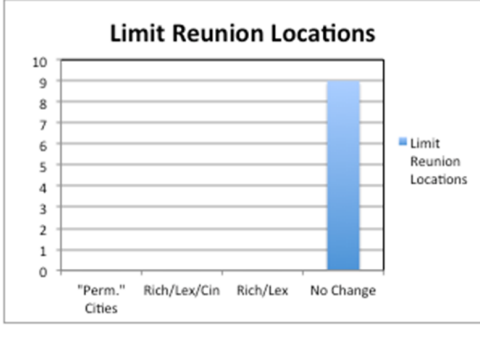
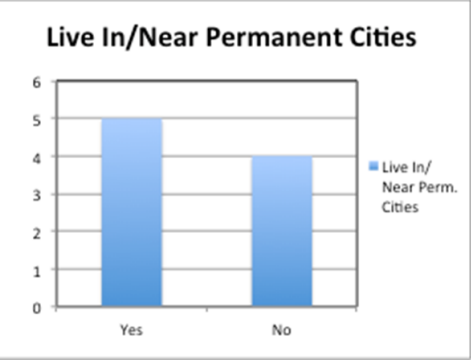
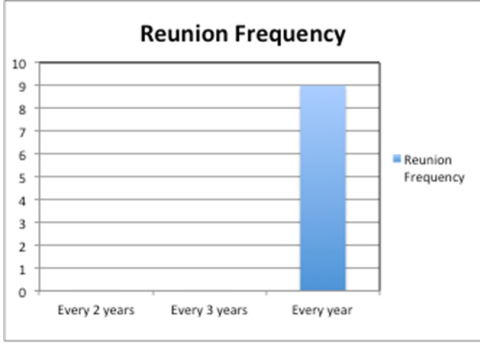
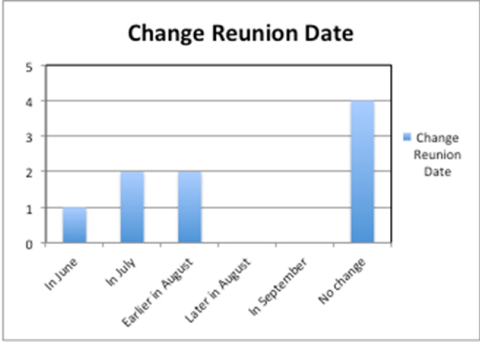
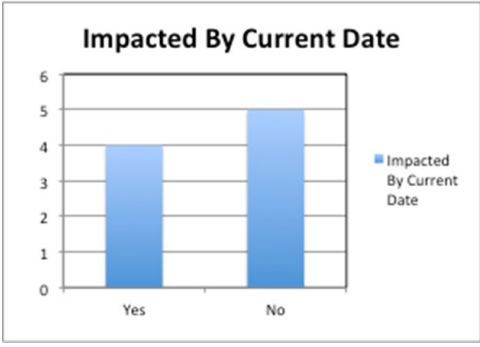
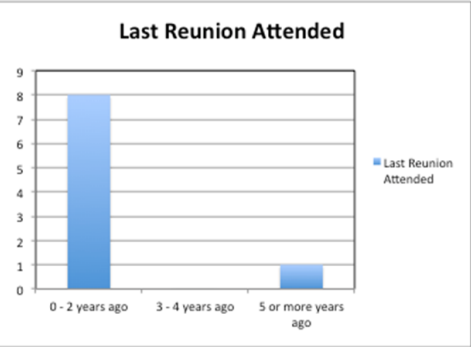
Before Kenneth checked out and headed up I-75 North, he took a photo of what ‘Chef’ Toni was readying for the deck grill for later that afternoon: grilled guacamole.

Later that evening (July 4th) he arrived in Richmond/ Lexington. Unfortunately, he’d just missed Shorty & Juanita at home (on Broadway) in Richmond, but was able to visit briefly with Vicki and Lauren in Lexington before they headed out to a cookout. (Tim was riding his Harley-Davidson in Lexington’s downtown parade.) Kenneth later visited Deanna Sullivan at The Willows at Citation facility. He just missed seeing Deanna’s mom, Felecia, who visits her daily.

The next day, Kenneth hit I-64 east, to I-77 north, to I-79 north, to I-68 east, and onto I-70 east, a very familiar trip he’s made often over the past four years as Huguely President, and arrived home safely in Baltimore, Maryland, eight hours later. A long road trip, 1,800 miles total, but it was wonderful making the rounds, viewing history, having his palette tingle, and seeing family & friends!!! Very reminiscent of CBS’s “On the Road with Charles Kuralt”...



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## Leaving a legacy



By Everee Huguely Branch

Ryan Cobb, youngest son of Roger and Rosalind Cobb, was featured in the April 26, 2018, University of Missouri Center for Academic Success and Excellence (CASE) on-line article, "Leaving A Legacy," <https://case.missouri.edu/leaving-a-legacy/>. CASE works on behalf of the University of Missouri (MU) to promote the success of incoming and currently enrolled students from the time of acceptance into MU until graduation.

This outstanding article highlights Ryan's work (pictured on the left) with the United Minority Network (UMN), an on-campus organization whose mission is to bridge the gap between minority undergraduate students and minority professionals, and to provide a unique opportunity for networking, mentorship, and professional development. In fall 2017, he and Jerome Young (on right) became UMN's President and Vice-President, respectively. Ryan is a senior at 'Mizzou' and plans to graduate in December with a Bachelors degree in Information Technology. He is interested in entering law school, with a focus on intellectual property. Congratulations, Ryan!

## Transfer to new Maryland school



By Everee Huguely Branch

Last fall, Janika Liles was happy to announce that her oldest child, Floyd 'Tre' Jenkins, III, will be attending Garrett College that 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 was 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!



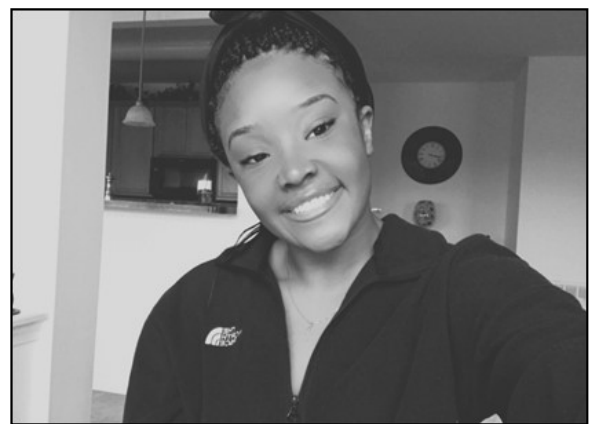
## Exciting HBCU college tour

By Everee Huguely Branch

During spring break (April 1-8, 2018), Miya Ross, daughter of Robert and Margaret Ross, had an opportunity to experience a very exciting and enlightening bus trip to tour 10 Historically Black Colleges or Universities (HBCUs). The trip with was sponsored by "Dreams" organization, based in



North Carolina. Miya is a junior at Renaissance High School, located in Detroit, Michigan. Two busloads of 100 Detroit-area students and eight chaperones visited the following HBCUs: Morgan State University (Baltimore, MD), Howard University (Washington, DC), Hampton University (Hampton, VA), Norfolk State University (Norfolk, VA), North Carolina A&T University (Greensboro, NC), Livingstone College (Salisbury, NC), Clark Atlanta University (Atlanta, GA), Spelman College (Atlanta, GA), Morehouse



## Making the Dean's List a proud, grand achievement

By Henry Collins Branch

Korrie Harris, proud daughter of Brian Harris and granddaughter of Carolyn Harris, is happy to report that she made the Dean's List at THE University of Kentucky, in Lexington!!! Now in her sophomore year, Korrie tried her hardest last semester, but was not expecting to make the Dean's List, in recognition of academic achievement for students in UK's College of Communications and Information. She maintained a 3.8 GPA for the fall semester in completing the fol-

lowing courses: Biology 103, Statistics 210, Journalism 101, Political Science 101, and Linguistics 210. Very impressive, indeed!!! Korrie's major is Print Journalism and her minor is Creative Writing. She also writes articles for the Kentucky Kernel, an on-line student-run UK newspaper. If you recall, Korrie received a Huguely Scholarship Award in 2016 upon graduating from high school. Monies well invested... Congratulations, Korrie, and keep up the excellent work!

## National Honor Society inductee



By Everee Huguely Branch

On January 16, 2018, Miya Ross, daughter of Robert and Margaret Ross, was notified that she had been selected for membership in the Renaissance High School Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS). The NHS is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to recognize those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Miya's selection was based upon careful consideration of these factors by Renaissance's leadership council. Currently a junior at Renaissance, she has a 4.125 GPA for Honors Pre-Calculus, Honors World History and Geography, A.P. English Language Arts, A.P. Microeconomics, Spanish 3, Chemistry, and African American History. Wow! Her extracurricular activities include: Class of 2019 Treasurer, AKA Sorrelles Club Member, and Member of Amachi,

Inc.

On February 28, 2018, Renaissance held its NHS induction ceremony to induct 36 students. The school's chapter already has approximately 70 students. Miya is shown on top proudly receiving her NHS Certificated of Membership from Renaissance's chapter advisor, Kiarra Ambrose. In attendance to support Miya's notable achievement were Mary Heath (Margaret's twin), Mark (Robert's brother), and Shirley Connerly (Miya's godmother). Congratulations, Miya!!!



## Lt. Col. Jefferson goes to school

By Everee Huguely Branch

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 Giralmo (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 photo. 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!" His book is to the right. 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. The photo on Page 11 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 here are wearing hearing aids??? You gotta talk a little louder! Hell, don't you kids yell all day in school anyway..."



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## Prescription for success

By Everee Huguely Branch

On June 11, 2018, Miya Ross, daughter of Robert and Margaret Ross, was selected to participate in the CVS Health 2018 Pathways to Pharmacy Program. This is part of CVS's Pathways to Health Care Careers, a STEM initiative designed to engage young people (grades K-12) and young adults (post-secondary) in awareness, exploration, and preparation for careers in retail pharmacy and other healthcare professions. This five-week internship runs June 26th thru August 3rd and will provide students with "hands-on" training in the Pharmacy Technician career. In the fall, Miya, will be a senior at Renaissance High School in Detroit, Michigan. Students grades 10-12 will gain actual job experience, receive work-based mentoring, explore post-secondary education opportunities, be instructed in preparing resumes, and practice job interviewing. On June 20th, Miya and her parents joined other families at the 2018 Kick-Off Dinner at Henry Ford College Michigan Technical Education Center (M-TEC) in Dearborn, Michigan. Congratulations and good luck, Miya!!!



Additional kudos to Miya for achieving a 4.2 GPA for the second semester as a junior. She achieved straight A's in ALL of her courses, including: AP English Language Arts, AP Microeconomics, Honors Pre-Calculus, Honors World History & Geography, African-American History, Chemistry, and Spanish III. For Honors and AP (Advanced Placement) courses, an 'A' equates to a 4.3 course GPA. Keep up the excellent work!!!

## Big strides for little one

By Mack Huguely Branch

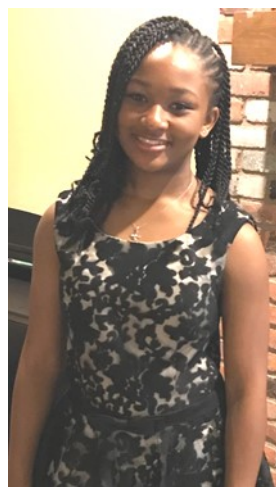
On July 15, 2018, during Sunday worship services at Agape A.M.E. Church in Gaithersburg, Maryland, Carrington Viot, daughter of Jetty Viot and Terri Cornelison, was recognized by church members for the following 2017-18 achievements: (a) completing 1st Grade at Julie Brown Montessori School, (b) reading on a 2nd/3rd grade level, (c) loving school and being an excellent artist, (d) singing in the Youth Choir at Agape, (e) serving as a Junior Stewardess at church, and (f) finishing her first year of piano lessons. Associate Pastor Lydia Kinlaw presented a certificate to Carrington. Her parents are extremely proud of Carrington for her accomplishments this academic year, as well as for her extracurricular activities. And a certain uncle of Carrington would be remiss if he didn't also include her outstanding skills at bowling, putt-putt golf, trampoline jumping, dollhouse construction, and spelling, along with gaining an appreciation for children's live theatre. :v)



## Young student athletes

By Everee Huguely Branch

Cailyn Benton, daughter of Roxanne and Lester Benton, completed her freshman year at Rochester Adams High School, achieving only A's and A-'s. For Semesters 1 and 2, she earned GPAs of 3.80 and 3.825, respectively. Adams, which is ranked 5th top high school in Michigan by U.S. News and World Report, provided a very challenging schedule for Cailyn comprising of three science courses, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics, along with Geometry, French II, Language Arts, and World History. Yes, there's definitely room for improvement... :v)



When she's not studying for her classes, you could find Cailyn learning more about her craft on the volleyball court. In her role as the Defensive Specialist/Libero, her freshman team finished the season with a record 25-8-3. After the high-school season was over, she joined an AAU travel volleyball club, Michigan Elite. Cailyn's quickness and abilities earned her a spot on an 18U team (age 18 and under) even though she was only 14-years-old! Competing in eight different tournaments around the state provided Cailyn with the

necessary training needed to compete for one of the coveted spots on the Adams Junior Varsity Volleyball Team in the fall, which she will be practicing and trying out for this summer.

Cailyn's younger brother, Myles, successfully completed the 6th grade at West Middle School, earning all A's and B's. During his first year of middle school, he was introduced to the alto saxophone and enjoyed playing in the school band. Since he will be trying out for the 7th Grade Basketball Team in the winter, he will be attending team camps this summer in order to prepare. Myles also regularly golfs with his dad on the weekends and is a roller coaster enthusiast. Each summer, he visits a different amusement park. Thus far, these have included: Busch Gardens (Florida), Six Flags Magic Mountain (California), Carowinds (North Carolina), and Cedar Point (Ohio). This year, he (dragging his parents along with him!) plans to visit Kings Island in Ohio or Wonderland in Ontario, Canada. Ask him any question about roller coasters around the world and he can tell you any of their statistics and facts. It's amazing!! Congratulations and good luck to both Cailyn and Myles in the fall!!!



## It takes a village to excel

By Lucian Huguely Branch

The newest member to join the Reid Bunch family, Autumn (center), was recently accepted into Berea College, and the entire Reid Bunch family will be moving Autumn into college during the first week in August. Nina feels that it has truly been a blessing to take in Autumn and her son during a rough time in her life, and be able give her love, stability, and the resources she needed to graduate high school and pursue her dream of being a teacher!



# 2018 Huguely Scholarship Awards

### Korrie Harris



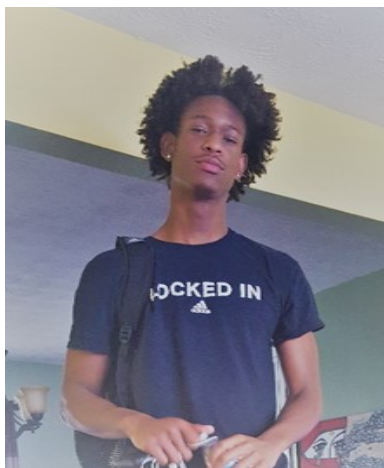
- **University:** University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY
- **Major:** Journalism    **Minor:** Creative Writing
- **Year:** Junior (Awardee as a Freshman also)
- **GPA:** 3.5
- **Branch:** Henry Collins

Hello Huguely Family!

My name is Korrie Harris and I am the granddaughter of the late Richard Harris (Henry Collins Branch) and Carolyn Harris. I am 20 years old, born and raised in Lexington, Kentucky. Currently, I attend the University of Kentucky where I will be a junior starting this fall. My major is journalism with a focus in print and my minor is creative writing. I aspire to become a fashion journalist and work at a fashion magazine while also becoming a young adult fiction novelist. When I'm not working on schoolwork, I work at Old Navy and I have been there since the start of my senior year of high school. And when I'm not at work, I'm either off writing for the UK student newspaper, "The Kentucky Kernel". Writing and fashion have always been a great creative outlet in my life and I'm working hard in school now, so I can strive to have fun doing what I love later!

Korrie Harris

### Khadim Samb



- **College:** University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho
- **Major:** TBD
- **Year:** Freshman
- **GPA:** 3.0 (High School Senior)
- **Branch:** Lucian Huguely

Hello Huguely Family!

My name is Khadim Samb, the son of Renee (Derricks) Samb. I recently graduated from Sprayberry High School in Marietta, Georgia. While at Sprayberry I maintained a 3.0 GPA and played Varsity basketball. My love for basketball began when I started playing at age 6. My position on the high school team was a small forward. I was named MVP during our state playoffs. I will be attending the University of Idaho this fall on an athletic scholarship. This week, I returned from the university after finishing summer school. I plan to major in Network Engineering. My favorite subject is math. I love to swim in the ocean, play racquet ball on the beach, and work with younger boys in helping them develop better basketball skills. I plan to apply Huguely scholarship money toward getting a computer or for an airplane ticket home.

Warm regards,  
Khadim Samb

### Kayla Walker



- **College:** University of North Carolina at Charlotte, NC
- **Major:** Business (concentration in Marketing)
- **Year:** Senior (Awardee last year also)
- **GPA:** 4.0
- **Branch:** Jacob Huguely

Hello, my name is Kayla Walker. I am the granddaughter of Deborah Bond and Alvin Bond, and daughter of Alvin Bond III and Kimeran Walker. My great grandmother is Warlener Hughley and I love that I am a part of the Hughley Family. I came from an Early College High School at Gaston Community College where I attended both high school courses as well as college courses. With this I was able to graduate with my high school diploma and two associate degrees. After that I attended University of North Carolina at Greensboro to start my pursuits as a Pre-Business major. As of today, I am currently enrolled at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte where I can fully dive into my marketing concentration at the Belk School of Business. After only one year out of high school I have accumulated enough credits to be considered a senior and hope to graduate 2020.

~ Kayla Walker

**Congratulations To Our Future Leaders From the Huguely Family!!! We are proud of YOU!**



## Very strong cross country season

By Mack Huguely Branch

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



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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



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league championship on October 20th at Lehigh University - Goodman campus. The first three photos were taken there 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



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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 (below) where he finished 45th out of the 240 best in-state runners on a crazy hilly golf course. This photo was taken at the ¾-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!!!

## Bringing home the Bronze

By Lucian Huguely Branch

Garth and Kim Gilliam announce that at the 2018 Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships on February 15-16, 2018, in Birmingham, Alabama, their daughter, Summer Gilliam, brought home the Bronze Medal in the Pentathlon event, which consists of five events: 60 meter hurdles, shot put, long jump, high jump, and 800 meter run. She is a senior at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff (UAPB) majoring in Chemistry. Her 3rd place finish even made the local newspaper, The Pine Bluff Commercial (bottom right).



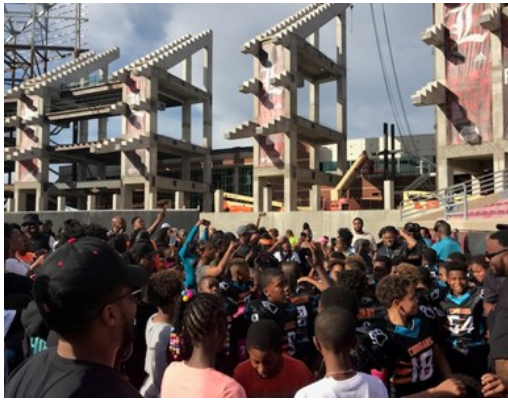
In employment news, Summer was offered a paid teaching position in the Organic & Physical Life Science Labs at UAPB by the Chemistry Department Chair and accepted. Since these positions are usually reserved for graduate-level students, her being offered the job as only a senior is unprecedented. Summer teaches labs (laboratory courses), along with finishing up her senior year and competing in her last year of track and field. Busy, busy!!! Garth and Kim continue to be very proud of their daughter. The Huguely family is proud of her too! Congratulations on all accounts!!!

## Cougars are repeat champions

By Lucian Huguely Branch

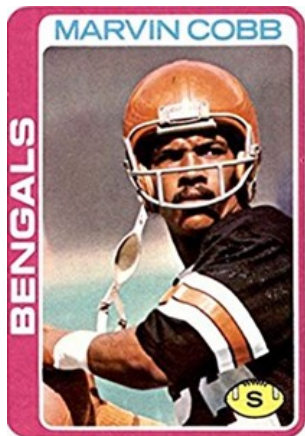
As usual, the Reid Bunch has been pretty busy! Eight year-old Grayden Reid led the Cougar Youth Sports team at quarterback to a perfect 8-0 regular season and 3-0 playoff record, with only one team even scoring on them. The Cougars are one of eight teams in the Metro Louisville Youth Association league's Mighty Mites division for 8-9 year olds. On

October 21, 2017, Grayden's team won its second consecutive championship, which was played at the University of Louisville Papa John's Cardinal Stadium. In the championship, the Cougars beat up on the West End Yellowjackets, 13-0. Big brother, Gavyn, flashes 'V' for victory. GO COUGARS!!!



## Ex-Bengal honored

By Everee Huguely Branch



On December 4, 2017, Marvin Cobb was 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 the 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," remarked Marvin. Congratulations, Marvin!!!

## 20-year marking of NCAA feat

By John A. Huguely Branch

On April 13, 2018, Vicki and Lauren Mitchell had a 20-year commemorative "Makers Mark" bottle signed by head basketball coach Tubby Smith (seated) of the 1998 NCAA National Champion University Of Kentucky (UK) Wildcats. In the 1998 title game, the Wildcats defeated the Utah Utes, 78-69. Coach Tubby Smith was the first African-American basketball coach at UK, a perennial powerhouse. The bottle signing was held at Keeneland Racecourse in Lexington. Lauren was only six years old when Coach Smith was at UK... and has not cheered for the Wildcats ever since!



## Midwest college football tour

By Everee Huguely Branch

During spring break, Dante Barthwell, youngest son of Andre and Patricia Barthwell, was able to attend a six-day football college bus tour with "Rising Stars," a football organization that he belongs to, based in Southfield, Michigan. He is a junior at John Glenn High School in Westland, Michigan, and the starting running back. Along with approximately 50 players from various metropolitan Detroit area high schools, Dante was able to visit 11 Midwest colleges and universities, and talk to players and coaches. The schools included: Western Michigan, Purdue Northwestern, Illinois, Northern Illinois, Western Illinois, Indiana, Indiana State, Iowa, Iowa State, and Ball State. All of the players selected to attend these college tours are required to maintain a 3.0 GPA in order to qualify and all are being recruited to play college football.



Dante is pictured with Chris Barclay, Purdue's running backs coach, who was recently inducted into the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Hall of Fame, being named 2005 Player of the Year and Offensive Player of the Year. While at Wake Forest (2002-05), Barclay led the ACC in rushing yards for three straight years and is currently its all-time leading rusher. Dante thoroughly enjoyed both the trip and the experience!!!



## College hoopster

By Lucian Huguely Branch

On November 8, 2017, Khadim Samb, son of Renee Samb, signed a Letter of Intent to attend the University of Idaho, located in Moscow, Idaho, on an athletic scholarship beginning this fall. He is a senior at Sprayberry High School in Marietta, Georgia. Kha-



dim plays small forward, however, at 6-7, 195 lbs., he also has the ability to play shooting guard or big forward.

Last summer, he was selected as University of Idaho's No. 1 pick after being recruited by Assistant Basketball Coach, Kirk Earlywine. The university's basketball team is a member of the NCAA Division 1's 12-team Big Sky Conference.

The signing took place in the high school gymnasium, as he was flanked by his proud mother. Standing on the far left was his mentor, Coach Roger Hubbard, who believed in Khadim the first day that he met him and saw his skill level six years ago. On the far right was his AAU Coach, Rodney Lewis, who coached him for three years and allowed him to move up to the top tier of the

## Gridiron tour, Pt. 2

By Everee Huguely Branch

On June 16-23, 2018, Dante Barthwell, youngest son of Andre and Patricia Barthwell, attended the "Rising Star 2K18 College Bus Tour" to visit 13 colleges and universities, and to inquire regarding their respective football programs. In the fall, he will be a senior at John Glenn High School in Westland, Michigan, where he will start at both running back and defensive back. Rising Star's mission is to deliver a highly detailed training environment, rigorous tutoring, and extensive recruiting process for the student athlete. Its goal is to help lay a solid foundation in a young man's life through discipline, academics, and respect.

Dante was one of 65 Detroit metropolitan area students-athletes and 13 coaches (e.g., running back, quarterback, linebacker, defensive back, defensive linebacker, wide receiver) to make the trip. None of the 13 coaches who accompanied the student-athletes was affiliated with any college or professional teams.

The universities visited were: Buffalo University, Syracuse University,

Cornell University, Colgate University, Rutgers University, Morgan State University, University of Maryland, Howard University, University of Virginia, Liberty University, Old Dominion University, East Carolina University, Wake Forest University, and University of Tennessee. During the university visits, the student-athletes were able to meet with the head football coaches, along with some of their football staffs, as well as participate in football camps, no-contact drills, and workouts with their respective position coaches.

In even greater news, during his visit to Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland, on June 18th, he received his first Division 1 offer to attend the university and play there at defensive back position. Morgan State plays in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC). The interim head coach, Ernest T. Jones, had already seen Dante's highlight video and, after speaking with him in person and liking Dante's skill set, Coach Jones offered him a scholarship. Congratulations, Dante!!!



AAU program in mid-season, the highest level before college. Next to Lewis is Sprayberry Head Basketball Coach, Marc Carver. The other two men are Sprayberry assistant coaches. Idaho's Head Coach, Don Verlin, was not present.

The road has been rough, but Rene thanks God that Khadim stayed true to himself and his goals. They both feel extremely blessed! Best of luck to Khadim!!!

## Kicking and sparring

By Lucian Huguely Branch

The Reid Bunch has been up to a whole lot this year!! Garry Reid 'number 3' (Trai) started off the year with some pretty rough grades at Western School of the Performing Arts, but ended his 7th grade year with all A's and one B. Nina and Garry, Jr., are so proud of Trai's effort and ability to turn things around. He will be leaving on June 29th for nine days to participate in the ISKA (International Sport Kickboxing Association) U.S. Open Tournament on July 5-7, 2018, at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort Hotel & Convention Center in Orlando, Florida. Trai will be competing in the Point Sparring and Continuous Sparring categories.



4th grade and Gavyn will be transitioning to the Engineering program at Shawnee Middle School (6th grade).

Lately, Grayce (above) has been shining too! Last fall 2017, she joined her oldest brother on the karate mat and is now a competing member of the team! She starts kindergarten this fall 2018.

After several years of coaching football, Garry, Jr., finally stepped out on faith and, along with a colleague, started his own football team called the Louisville



Chargers. He is a green belt.

In other news, the other Reid boys are making a name for themselves in track. Gavyn came in 2nd place recently in long jump, and Grayden came in 3rd place in the 200-meter run. Both of their performances qualified them for the Regional Meet at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, on June 29th-30th. Both boys are in the Advanced Program at school. In the fall, Grayden will be starting



Chargers. He currently has 24 young men on the roster and fundraising is in full swing. If you would like to donate or be a sponsor, please use PayPal or e-mail Garry, Jr., at [louisvillechargers@gmail.com](mailto:louisvillechargers@gmail.com).

## Young gymnast, huge leaps

By Everee Huguely Branch

Evan Morton, young aspiring gymnast and daughter of Damon and Maryam Morton, had a very impressive season, placing very



high in most of the events that she entered. Evan, who will be a 4th Grader this fall, practices for four



hours daily at Athletes in Motion (AIM) Gym in Prairieville, Louisiana, a member of USA Gymnas-

tics, and has enjoyed gymnastics since the very beginning. Evan competes in all four female gymnastics events: Vault, Uneven Bars, Balance Beam, and Floor Exercises. She is also a huge fan of Simone Biles, 2016 Individual All-Around Olympic Gold Medalist.

During this past year, she participated and was proudly victorious in the following competitions:

- Judges Holiday Classic – Level 4, Westwego, Louisiana: December 8-10, 2017 (1st place All-around, 1st place Bars, 1st place Vault, 2nd place Beam, 3rd place Floor, 1st place Team)
- North Shore Gymnastics Classic, Mandeville, LA: January 12-14, 2018 (2nd place All-Around)
- New Orleans Jazz Invitational: February 2-4, 2018, New Orleans, LA (2nd place All-

Around, 1st place Vault)

- Edgewater Classic, Panama City Beach, FL: February 15-18, 2018 (4th place All-Around, 1st place Vault, 1st place Team)
- Louisiana Lagniappe Invite, Gonzalez, LA: March 10, 2018 (2nd place All-Around)
- Louisiana State Championships – Level 4, Lake Charles, LA: March 23-25, 2018 (2nd place All-Around, 1st place Vault)



The Huguely family congratulates young Evan on her amazing accomplishments and achievements, and wishes her the very best going forward!!!



### Cont. from Education

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 WW II veterans for their service!



## Milestones & Anniversaries

### Carolyn Harris

On December 30, 2017, Carolyn Harris retired permanently from Dillard's department store in Lexington, Kentucky, after 24 years of service. She retired in 2014, but, after six months, returned to work on a part-time basis. On her last day of work, she was given a surprise luncheon and received a beautiful Michael Kors watch. Carolyn is shown on the left with some of her co-workers. Later that evening, her sons, Craig and Brian, along with Brian's finance, Sonja, celebrated their mom's retirement by treating her to dinner at Cheddar's restaurant. In her spare time now, she plans to volunteer at Saint Joseph East hospital. Congratulations, Carolyn!!!



### Lucian & Juanita Huguely



wedding anniversary!!!

On March 16, 2018, Lucian 'Shorty' and Juanita Huguely celebrated their 50th (Gold)

### John & Linda McClain



On May 29, 2018, John and Linda (Cobb) McClain celebrated their 25th (Silver) wedding anniversary!!!



## Graceful journey



By John A. Huguely Branch

On October 6, 2017, Antoine and Marisha Edmonson welcomed the newest edition to their family, Montana Grace Edmonson! Antoine is the son of Maurieta ‘Nana’ Edmonson-Washam. Hmmm... I guess this makes Walter Durham a great-granddad!

Since first names are very important to parents, in naming their daughter, Antoine and Marisha wanted to take their time and speak into God’s grand design for their daughter’s life.

“Montana” derives from a trip that they took last year (2016) to Yellowstone National Park, America’s oldest national park, partially located in Montana. Driving through Montana, they were confronted with the enormity of God and His splendor. Antoine and Marisha found the mountains glorious, sky scraping, and daunting. Naming their daughter “Montana” was about capturing the moment. To them, it was the most beautiful place they’d ever seen. “Montana” is the Spanish word for mountain. Mountains are strong. Mountains are trustworthy. Mountains provide safety. Mountains weather storms. Mountains stand the test of time. Mountains are beautiful. This will be their daughter’s legacy.



The word “Grace” is defined as unmerited favor. “God could have used anyone to parent this little princess, but He chose us. We don’t deserve it. She’s a gift. He used us to bring His blessing into this world. He decided to partner with us. This little girl will be a Mountain of Grace to everyone she meets,” attests Antoine.

Antoine and Marisha truly appreciate everyone’s support during their journey of becoming parents. Their friends’ and family’s prayers, advice, and presence have meant a lot as they continue to learn how important community is. For them, the last three weeks since Montana’s birth have been incredible, exhausting, new, and fun. Antoine and Marisha are looking forward to growing as parents and as a couple in the days to come. The Huguely family wishes this new family the very best!!!

## Flowers in spring

By Everee Huguely Branch



Marvin Cobb announces that his oldest son, Quentin, and his wife, Alda, had another girl, Violet, on March 5, 2018. At 2:05 A.M., the healthy bundle of joy checked in at 5 lbs., 14 oz. and 18¼ inches. Big sister, Lily (budding pianist!), is 5 years old, and now has a baby sister...very cool!

Marvin and his wife, Cindy, are making plans for a trip to Southern California in May to visit with their granddaughters. Congratulations to parents Quentin & Alda, and ‘Grandpa’ Marvin (again)!!!



## Wedding bells for Janika and Alex

By Everee Huguely Branch



On August 4, 2017, one week before the 63rd Huguely Family Reunion in Washington, D.C., Janika ‘Nikki’ Morton and Alexander Lile exchanged wedding nuptials at the Wayne Tree Manor in Wayne, Michigan, outside Detroit. The ceremony was presided over by Rev. Solomon Kinloch, Jr., senior pastor of Triumph Church in Detroit.

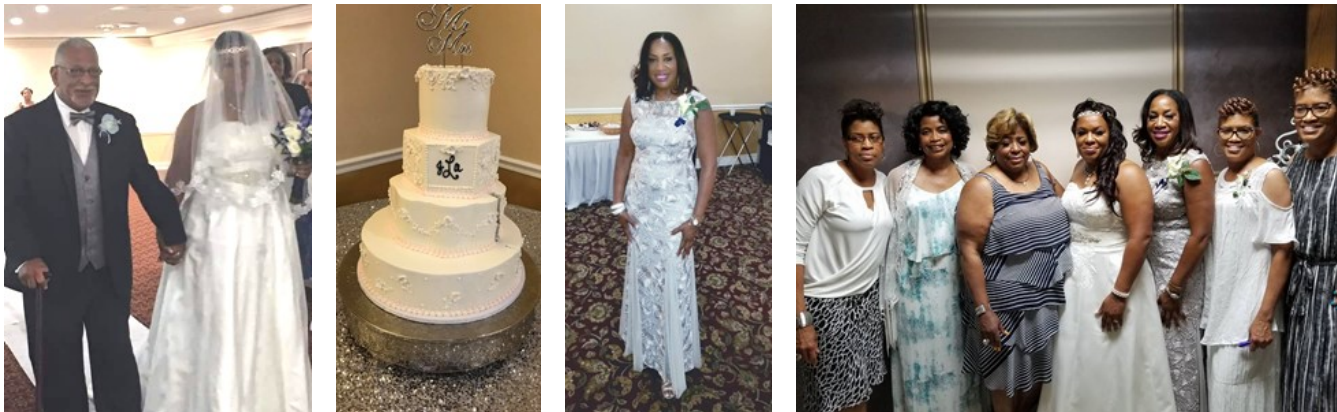
The beautiful bride, wearing an ivory Galina A-line wedding gown, was given away by her father, Duane Morton, Sr., from Atlanta, Georgia.

The mother of the bride, Janet Morton, donned an elegant sleeveless, platinum-colored mermaid-styled gown with sheer pleats. The color scheme of the wedding party of 10 comprised navy, platinum, and coral.

Nikki’s four (Cobb) aunts and their families, as well as other cousins and family members showed up in great numbers to witness this wonderful event.

Ricky Love, who deejayed last year’s Huguely reunion ‘White Party’ in Detroit, ‘held it down on the ones and twos,’ kept things humorous, and led folks steppin’ throughout the wedding reception.

The newlyweds, Mr. & Mrs. Lile, spent their honeymoon in Traverse City, Michigan. The Huguely family extends very best wishes to Nikki and Alex as they begin their life together as one!!!



## Love at first sight, across the floor

By Lucian Huguely Branch

Vivian Kavanaugh, oldest daughter of Chester and Ida Kavanaugh, announces that on June 23, 2018, she and Carl Lee married at North Myrtle Beach Plantation, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Actually, she and Carl eloped!!!



Vivian shares this beautiful love story... She and Carl met on June 23rd, 2011, at a birthday party at Shades Lounge in Cincinnati, Ohio. She was the only one on the dance floor and saw him walk through the door. She immediately found him attractive, then ran and snatched him onto the dance floor. They danced the night away for at least a couple of hours!



With everyone knowing how much each of them loved to dance, no one could believe that they both had met their match. Upon leaving the club, Vivian

gave Carl her cell number and told him that she lived in Nashville, but was there for a week to have a baby shower for her daughter, who was expecting Vivian’s second grandchild. Carl called her immediately as she was getting in the car to make sure he had not dialed “Dial-A-Joke,” but it was actually Vivian’s real number! They then talked all night long as Vivian was riding with her sister and Carl was riding with one of his friends! Vivian left Cincinnati on the 4th of July and the next day, Carl called her and said that he had just arrived in Nashville. They have never left each other’s side since. So they decided to elope and get married on the same day they met (seven years later)! (I hear a Luther Vandross song right about now... :v)

Carl is a native of Cincinnati, the oldest of six children from the union of Bishop James E. Lee and the late Earlene Lee. His father had two churches in Dayton, Ohio, and currently has one in Lincoln Heights, Ohio. Carl retired on April 1st of this year from owning Celestial Janitor Services, but Vivian finds it hard to keep him still. Vivian was Carl’s bookkeeper. Until she was forced to stop working due to a very bad car accident last November, Vivian was a T-Mobile computer analyst, as well as manager over its Customer Care Department.



Carl is also a gospel percussionist, mainly drums and congas, but he can play pretty much every instrument! Because both Vivian and Carl are from Cincinnati, and especially with him being in the studio constantly, they travel back and forth between two homes every month. He is a great addition to her family, so Vivian would like everyone to meet her love, Carl Lee!!! BTW, Vivian’s parents have been married for 62 years (March 18th). Congratulations, Vivian and Carl!



*Concept, Design, Layout  
& Editing by Kenneth A. Cobb*



## One's own journey to answer His call

By Lucian Huguely Branch

On April 29, 2018, Troy Huguely was ordained a Deacon at First Baptist Church of Georgetown, Kentucky, where he's been a faithful member of First Baptist since February 2013. He works full-time at Toyota Motor Manufacturing as a Quality Control Manager. Troy, who many Huguely family members always believed to possess the voice, cadence, and demeanor of a Southern Baptist preacher, was joined by two others, Chris Wilson (left) and Tony Walker, in a wonderful ordination ceremony that was officiated by First Baptist's Lead Pastor, Dr. Frank Warren Houston. They were surrounded by



tism, Lord's Supper, etc.). Currently, Troy serves as Sunday School teacher for middle school, Audio/Video ministry, and Vacation Bible School.

In a gesture of loving, moral, and spiritual support, several Huguely family members were in attendance (bottom) including: his wife, Tanya; father, Gary; brother, Tomma; children, Chuck, Lillian, and Ellis; daughter-in-law, Krissy, and granddaughter, Nevaeh; great-nephew, Kenneth Jay; Aunts Margaret and Elizabeth; Uncles Lucian 'Shorty' Jr. and Johnnie; cousins, Toni, Donna, Erin, and Jasmine; and father-in-law, Kenard Bosley. First cousin, Toni, an ordained minister, servant, and person of strong faith, offers her own testimony: "I believe Troy has discovered his God purpose and has accepted his God-given destiny. I stand in agreement with him and his journey!" Amen!!! The Huguely family proudly extends its heartfelt congratulations and blessings to "Deacon Troy!" Troy's 'Grannie' (Madge Huguely) is certainly smiling down on him from Heaven...



two Deacons on each side, and touched by the four Ministers in the middle from the Ordination Council. The rigorous preparation process for deacon service involved 16 months of study, devotion, commitment, and mentorship. Their new church duties as Deacons will include: Congregational Ministry (e.g., meeting the needs of the church & community to support the Pastor) and Worship Service leadership (e.g., devotions, bap-



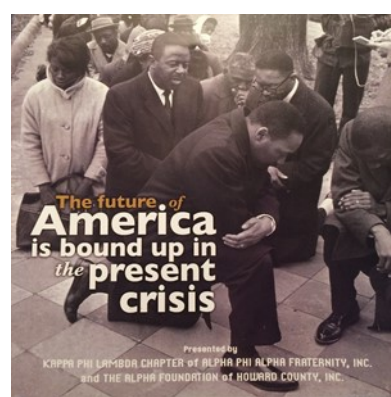
## Annual MLK breakfast honors Dr. King's legacy

By Mack Huguely Branch

[This article appeared in the Jan/Feb bi-monthly update, months before Uncle Jim's untimely passing]

On Sunday, January 7, 2018, James and Alice Cornelison, along with their daughter, Erin, and nephew Kenneth Cobb, attended the 43rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Breakfast in Baltimore, Maryland, sponsored by the Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., headquartered in Howard County, a suburb of Baltimore. James and Alice regularly attend this momentous event to support their long-time family friend, Cecil Christian, a member of the planning team as well as Chapter Elder and Parliamentarian. The annual breakfast serves as a major fundraiser to support the chapter's programs to promote education excellence and social and public service, most notably: *The Alpha Achievers*, which targets African-American male high school students with 3.0+ GPA; *The High Achiever Program*, which targets academic and social behavior of male middle school students; and *Scholarships and Awards*, provided to outstanding students yearly.

This year's keynote speaker was Dr. Everett B. Ward, President of Saint Augustine's University, located in Raleigh, North Carolina. He is also the 35th General President of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc., having been elected last January (2017). Other speakers included Maryland's U.S. Senator, Ben Cardin, and Representative, John Sarbanes; Howard County Executive, Allan Kittleman; and Howard County Public School Superintendent, Dr. Michael Martirano. The Master of Ceremony was Baltimore's CBS affiliate WJZ-13 Anchor, Vic



Carter.

Before Dr. Ward took to the podium (left photo), he listened to a wonderful rendition of "Rise Up" by Jamm Session! vocalist (below). As he began speaking, he first honored the MC, Vic Carter, who "40 years ago appeared on Raleigh television screens (WRAL reporter), a rare

Black face, and inspired many to achieve." Dr. Ward then proceeded to give a very inspirational, moving, and passionate speech. In closing, he requested that the audience look at the program booklet cover (above) and observe what Dr. King was doing — taking a knee in protest!!! He then reminded the audience that former NFL quarterback, Colin Kaepernick, was doing the exact same thing in protest of the shooting deaths of Black men at the hands of police officers, and that he should also be honored. When Dr. Ward finished, to a person, it was felt that Sunday church obligation had just been fulfilled! Please pass the plate!!! Pictured below are:



Kenneth, James, Alice, Erin, and Cecily (Cecil Christian's daughter and Erin's high school classmate). This April 4th marks the 50th anniversary of Dr. King's death.

## Yuletide melodies

By Everee Huguely Branch

In December 2017, Marvin Cobb sang at a pre-Christmas church service at the First Baptist Church South Lebanon, located approximately 30 miles northeast of Cincinnati, Ohio. First Baptist is the home church of Marvin and his



wife, Cindy. Its, Pastor, Dave Frasure, married them at this church three years ago. At their wedding, Marvin sang "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." As a result, Pastor Dave invited Marvin to sing at the Christmas service. At both morning services, he sang the modern Christmas classic "Mary, Did You Know?" solo and, of course, performed so beautifully!



## Settling into a slower lifestyle... Not!!!

By Stephen Huguely Branch

Greetings and God's blessing from Charley and Del Gillispie to their Huguely cousins and friends!

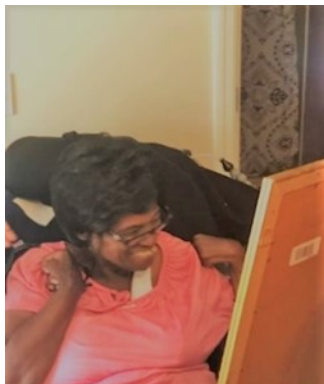


They were unable to attend the Huguely Reunion last year in Washington, D.C., however, they hope to see everyone in Tennessee.



Charley, Del, and their daughter, Adella, continue to reside in Central Florida in an 'active' senior

citizens community known as Solivita. They shout for joy when they hear about the snowstorms up north in the winter (smiles). Their son, Christopher, (pictured below left) resides in Washington, D.C., and works as Corporate Counsel for Lidl grocery store at its U.S. headquarters in Arlington, Virginia.



Charley's sister, Albirda Gillispie, continues in good health and resides at 181 Oliver Drive, Richmond, Kentucky 40475. In photo above, Alberta checks out her new hairdo in the mirror. "Wow! You Go Girl!! Looking Good." She sends her best wishes and greetings to the Reunion.

As most of you know, Charley and Del are now retirees. After several attempts at retiring, Charley

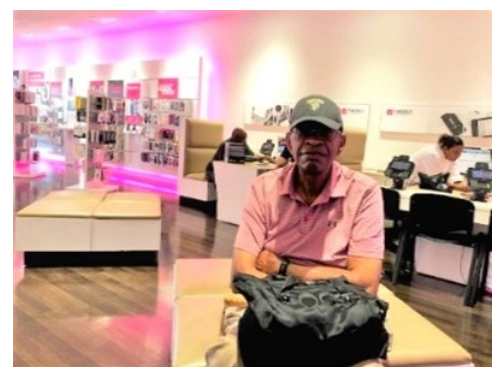
claims to be truly retired. However, Charley and Del stay extremely busy as they reside in what is known as an 'active retirement community' and residents of the community say that if you get bored, it is your own fault! You have a choice of over 300 clubs and other activities.

Del is active in: Page Turner' Book Club, African-American Heritage Cultural Club (AHCC), Kwanzaa and Black History programs, Mardi Gras, New Dimensions High School mentoring, A H C C Scholarship Fund College Mentoring, Line Dancing, and recently accepted an appointment as Neighborhood Captain. Neighborhood Captains are responsible for developing activities



that will build community involvement within each neighborhood. Del and Charley are shown above with mentee, Zoe, a student at Florida A&M University.

Charley, holding the bag at the mall, spends time assisting Del with her many activities and is also a mentor at New Dimensions High School, active in the AHCC, and Men's Forum. They are both members of the Parkview Christian Life Center in Haines City, Florida.





## Lt. Col. Mitchell makes the grade

By John A. Huguely Branch

After serving 20 years in the Kentucky National Guard, Major Timothy Mitchell, husband of Vicki Mitchell, retired in October 2017. In January 2018, Major Mitchell joined the U.S. Army Reserves 84th Technical Command in Fort Knox, Kentucky, which oversees the Combat Support Training Program, ensuring units from across the Army are trained and ready for deployment.

On April 22, 2018, he was pinned with the rank of Lt. Colonel by his mother, Mrs. Louise Mitchell, assisted by 20-year friend and reservist, Retired Captain James Neal (below). In the family photo at the bottom, Tim's is flanked by his mom



(center), his wife (in front), and his sister-in-law, Sandra Barnes (standing behind his mom). Timothy has faithfully waited and persevered to receive this promotion. Vicki and the rest of their family are all very proud of him. Congratulations, Lt. Col.!!! We thank you for your service!!!



## Hurricane Irma rescue relief

By Mack Huguely Branch

Dr. Terri Cornelison made an unexpected trip from Maryland to Florida in early September 2017, but it was not for vacation. Terri has been a U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) professional for 23 years, has achieved the rank of CAPT (equivalent to a U.S. Navy rank of CAPT), and has been deployed several times to homeland emergencies involving citizens. In response to Hurricane Irma's late August 2017 landfall in Florida, Terri was deployed to Miami for two weeks, along with other commissioned medical professionals in the USPHS. Its medical care services are often housed in large gymnasiums (even a docked cruise ship that served as a housing, schooling, and medical center after Hurricane Katrina in 2005).

Following Irma, USPHS staff was housed at Miami's Florida International University's (FIU) gymnasium. When the president of FIU, Dr. Mark Rosenberg (above), learned that Captain Cornelison's mother, Alice Cornelison, was an FIU alumnus (B.S. in Nursing, 1978), he proudly had his picture taken with Terri. Alice was interviewed via phone for an article in the fall 2017 FIU Magazine. We'll have to see if that happens. Stay tuned!



## American Valor Award recipient

By Everee Huguely Branch

On Saturday, October 28, 2017, Lt. Col. Alexander Jefferson, USAF (Ret.), was an honoree in Washington, D.C., at the American Veterans Center's (AVC) annual American Valor Awards program. The mission of the AVC is to guard the legacies and honor the sacrifices of all American veterans. Through oral history preservation, educational programs, and civic events, the AVC preserves the stories — and lessons — of veterans past and present, from which future generations can learn. The American Valor Awards program, the closing event of the AVC's 20th Annual Conference taking place from October 26-28, 2017, shares the stories of America's greatest heroes from World War II to the present day. (See <http://www.americanveteranscenter.org/avc-events/avchonors/>)

Lt. Col. Jefferson, who turns 96 years-old in November, was one of nine honorees, including Captain Chelsey "Sully" Sullenberger, USAF pilot and later hero of 'Miracle on the Hudson' in January 2009, when he piloted his the U.S. Airways A320-214 aircraft to a safe New York City's Hudson River landing soon after takeoff from LaGuardia Airport. The awards program will aired on Veteran's Day weekend. Stay tuned!



On that Thursday, October 26th, Lt. Col. Jefferson's nephew, Kenneth Cobb, not one to pass up a great opportunity to visit with his uncle while in town, 'planned to' treat him and his

granddaughter, Ernestine LaVergne, to lunch at the Cheesecake Factory in Columbia, Maryland, and invited the 'usual suspects' (Jim & Alice Cornelison, Erin Cornelison, Theresa Jackson, and Dr. Maurice & Alice Swanson) and other long-time friends of the Cornelisons: Alex Leak, Jim Neal, and Gerald & Blanche Greenfield. Last year, all of the men, all military veterans themselves, received inscribed copies of Lt. Col. Jefferson's 2005 book, "Red Tail Captured, Red Tail Free: Memoirs of a Tuskegee Airman," and this year received his 2016 DVD, "The Luft Gangster: Memoirs of a Second Class Hero."

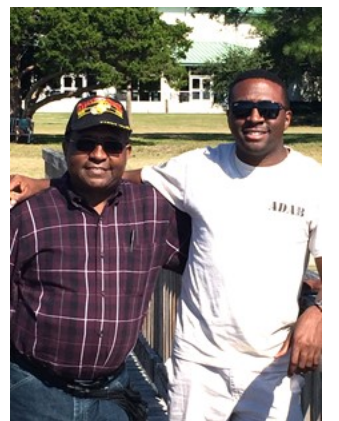
The large group of 11 (minus the Greenfields) sat at a circular table and enjoyed a delicious and palate-tingling meal. (Kenneth was able to arrange a home visit afterwards.) During lunch, three very friendly couples dining nearby, recognizing the stylish Tuskegee Airmen cap that Lt. Col. Jefferson was sporting, introduced themselves, thanked him for his service, and walked away. When the time came for everyone to pay their checks, the very attentive waitress, Erin, was summoned. To everyone's surprise, with Erin holding back tears from being so moved, she informed us that the first couple who visited the table and took

photos, complete strangers nonetheless, had paid the COMPLETE tab on their way out!!! WOW, what a very generous and heartwarming gesture on the part of Ed, a Navy Vietnam War veteran, and Darlene Cushman of Columbia, Maryland. God bless them!!!



## Family 'R & R' before shipping out

By John A. Huguely Branch



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!

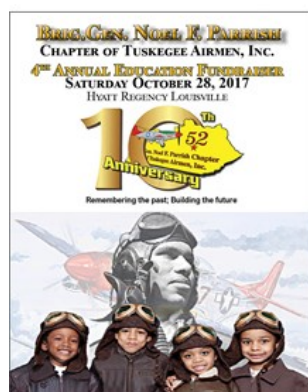
## Tuskegee Airmen gala fundraiser

By John A. Huguely Branch

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 Univer-

sity, and Asbury University this fall, will each receive a check deposited into their college student accounts.

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 below, 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!





## Passion for painting

By Lucian Huguely Branch

On September 24, 2017, the Sunday edition of the *Cleveland Daily Banner* (Tennessee) newspaper featured a wonderful and enlightening article about Lucianna Miles, daughter of Antoinette Miles, titled, "Passion For Painting." Lucianna graduated from Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia, and obtained her Masters degree in Theater from the New School in New York City. In the article, Lucianna discusses her many years of study and dedication to her passion, theater, but then discovered her true passion only six years ago — painting. After relocating from New York City to Cleveland, Tennessee, to re-unite with her mom, Lucianna "went on-line and bought some



paints, some brushes and I got started." As a self-taught painter, she considers herself an abstract artist. Lucianna currently shows



her work at local Cleveland WorkSpace "Open Studio Nights" and is submitting her art to galleries in Nashville and New York. The Cleveland WorkSpace, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to ensure that fine craft artistry continues into the next generation, opened in June 2016 and features five studios, two public galleries, and a community room. Eventually, Lucianna plans to move back to New York City. To view some of her artwork, please visit [lucianamiles.com](http://lucianamiles.com) and [www.patreon.com/lucianamiles](http://www.patreon.com/lucianamiles), or follow her on Instagram, @lucianamiles. The on-line version of the full article may be viewed at <http://clevelandbanner.com/stories/passion-for-painting.66396?> We all wish Lucianna great success in her art career!!!

## Work it, Girl!!!

By Lucian Huguely Branch

In September, Hailey Elizabeth Moran, daughter of Terrell Moran, stunned the crowd and slayed the runway at this year's New



York Fashion Week (NYFW). "I can't believe NYFW is officially over! Had such an amazing experience walking for fashion designer Kimberly Goldson (left) on 9/6, for designer Rinat Brodach on 9/9, and for Stuzo Clothing on 9/14/17. Can't believe I walked in FOUR shows this season!," Hailey proudly confessed. She was especially honored to be a

part of the dapperQ website (right) designer runway show on 9/14 where they put together an incredible and inspiring show for the queer and LGBTQIA+ community. Hailey, a native of Southern California, now resides in New York City as she continues to pursue a career in professional



Theater and Modeling. Hailey's photo of her walking for Kimberly Goldson is courtesy of Essence Magazine.

## Playing the role of a lifetime

By Everee Huguely Branch

On June 22, 2018, Jeremy Cobb, son of Dr. Marcus and Jennifer Cobb, performed in the "Spirit of Windrush, A Service of Thanksgiving" celebration service in Westminster Abbey, London, England. The short drama tells the story of how Caribbean migrants were invited to "The Motherland" to help rebuild post-War Britain. The cast of approximately 15 members (shown below left) performed singing, movements, and narration (see Jeremy on far left). Over 2,000 people were in attendance to witness the production, including British Prime Minister Theresa May.



This event commemorated the arrival of the MV Empire Windrush, originally a German cruise ship, at the Port of Tilbury Docks, located in southeastern England, on June 22, 1948, that brought 492 West Indian immigrant men and women from their Caribbean colonies to live in Britain and to contribute to the recovery of the country from the rigors and devastation of World War II. These Caribbean colonies included: Barbados, British Gui-

ana, British Honduras, Jamaica, Antigua, St. Kitts-Nevas, Montserrat, Trinidad, Dominica, Grenada, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent. Jeremy's grandmother came to England from Jamaica in the early 1960s and later sent for her young daughter, Jennifer, Jeremy's mother. Thus, both Jeremy's mother and grandmother were part of the "Windrush generation" of immigrants to England.

Following the British Nationality Act of 1948, all citizens of British colonies were accorded Citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies. This first arrival marked the beginning of significant migration from the Caribbean. Seventy years later, its citizens came to give thanks for the lives, commitment, and courage of those original settlers, to celebrate the rich diversity of multicultural Britain in their own way, and to pray that all people in their land as elsewhere may live together in harmony and mutual respect. Some of these original immigrants, now citizens, are shown on the right. Hymns including Amazing Grace were played on steel drums as guests, including families of the Windrush



generation, entered Westminster Abbey.

Jeremy recently finished his final year at Rose Bruford College of Theatre and Performance in London, England. Even though he finished all of his required course work for the Bachelor of Arts degree in American Theatre Arts, his commencement ceremony will not occur until September, a custom somewhat different than here in the States. He plans to remain in England for the foreseeable future and pursue acting, writing, and directing. Break a leg, Jeremy!



## Keep blowin' your own horn!

By John A. Huguely Branch

Despite a difficult beginning of 2018 after being involved in a serious automobile accident, Angelina Huguely is recovering nicely. She has spent the spring and summer months busier than usual, playing her alto saxophone at weddings and banquets.



In June, for the 20th consecutive year, Angelina was invited to provide music at the Consolidated Baptist District Association Women's Auxiliary and its annual Women's Spiritual Retreat. The

Women's Auxiliary welcomes and supports all women from the fifty-five churches of the District of Central Kentucky. The retreat was held in Memphis, Tennessee. In past years, the retreat has welcomed special guest gospel artists, including Yolanda Adams and Kurt Carr. This year's guest artist was popular singer and recording artist, Earnest Pugh. During sound check with the singer, he told Angelina to be ready at the



concert because he was going to have her perform a solo during one of his songs! Angelina guesses that she did alright, because afterwards Mr. Pugh gave her some useful information about pursuing a solo recording project!! You go, Girl!!!

Another awesome opportunity took place on July 11th at the Lyrical Theatre & Cultural Arts Center located in Lexington, Kentucky. Angelina was invited to play at its monthly "Feed The Soul" luncheon in the African Art Gallery. This is



a catered event... people get to enjoy a delicious meal and listen to relaxing music. To Angelina's surprise — and delight — her event was SOLD OUT!! In the photo below, she is with her fine accompanist for the evening, Bobby Harris. Angelina humbly asks prayers of Huguely family members as she



considers other opportunities that come her way, particularly this idea of recording. "Yikes," she exclaims!!! Blow your horn, Cuz!!!

## Aspiring thespian's first role

By Everee Huguely Branch

Janika Lile announces that her youngest son, Jalen Morton-Short, a Theatre Arts major at Monroe Community College, located in Rochester, New York, will be cast in his first play, "Brick Window," on May 10, 2018, at its Black Box Theater. He is pursuing his Associate Degree and expects to graduate in 2019.

"Brick Window" is a three-act drama that features eight different cast members. In one of the scenes that is set in the middle of a

sweltering summer day in a backwater prison in the deep south of Mississippi, Jalen plays "Gabriel," a very opinionated Hispanic 19-year-old first time offender. The other two characters are his 68-year-old cellmate (a Black man) and a crooked guard with little morals (a middle-aged white man). The Huguely family collectively wishes Jalen to "Break A Leg!!!" Hmmm... another aspiring thespian in the Huguely family.



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Book nominated for NAACP Image Award

By Lucian Huguely Branch



In late November 2017, Sheri Riley’s book, “*Exponential Living: Stop Spending 100% 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 in early 2017, 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...”



Submit your recipes for the *Huguely Cookbook, 2nd Edition*, to Del Gillispie by September 15th at [del.gillispie1250@gmail.com](mailto:del.gillispie1250@gmail.com)

Black hair care

By Lucian Huguely Branch

At the beginning of September, Nina Reid, of ‘The Reid Bunch,’ released her first children’s book



titled, “My Magical Hair,” which quickly became an Amazon Bestseller on September 7, 2017! The book may now be purchased on Amazon.com. The paperback and kindle versions are also available. Nina also creates and sells a luscious body and hair butter she calls ‘HC’! Please support Nina and order her products on-line at [micheck1two.com](http://micheck1two.com), or contact her personally through her social media platforms at [@thereidbunch](https://www.instagram.com/thereidbunch)



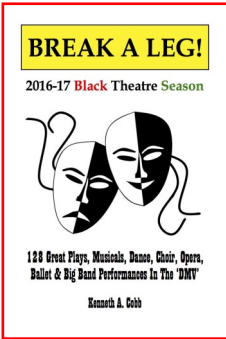
via Facebook or Instagram to place an order. Best of luck, Nina!!!

Also, earlier this year, Nina finished writing her second children’s book, titled “Wash Day Shmosh Day.” It is currently in the process of being illustrated and Nina is hopeful that it will be out on Amazon.com by the end of this year!

Black Theatre and NYC Jazz captured

By Everee Huguely Branch

On February 28, 2018, Kenneth completed his fifth self-published work titled, “Break A Leg!” (176

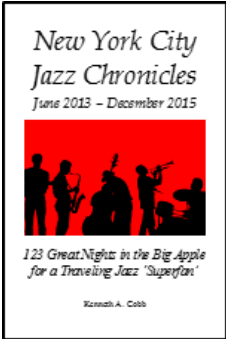


pages), a patron of the arts’ journal of wonderful theatre-going experiences during the 2016-17 theatrical season in the Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Maryland, and Northern Virginia metropolitan area (‘DMV’). The 127 plays, musicals, dance, ballet, opera, and choir and Jazz big band performances taken in, mostly with Black or Afro-centric themes, performers, playwrights, or productions, provided the rare opportunity “to tell our stories of the Black experience in America!” Thanks to the DMV’s demographics, many theatre houses – both large and small, as well as local colleges and universities – offer a ‘diverse’ set of performances each season, of which Kenneth takes full advantage and thoroughly enjoys!!!

Then, in late July, Kenneth, a

huge Jazz enthusiast, finished up his sixth and final offering, “New York City Jazz Chronicles” (152

pages), which describes his exciting (ad)ventures up I-95 north from Baltimore to New York City, a 200-mile, 3-hour trip, practically every weekend over a two and a half year period (June 2013 - December 2015), to enjoy the beautiful, swinging, foot-tapping, and bebopping sounds of America’s original classical music... Jazz! The book chronicles each evening’s itinerary, Jazz artists, and most memorable moments, nearly 500 Jazz performances later!!! This effort was actually interrupted in mid-December by his Black Theatre project.



Read respective excerpts, as well as view his other four books, at [KACBooksRead.com](http://KACBooksRead.com). Bravo and encore!!!

He next plans to try his hand at writing an original screenplay. Stay tuned...

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INTERNET NEWS

For those Huguely family members who have wondered aloud, “What type of information is contained on the Huguely family website?” Well, here’s your answer!

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\* Documents: Family Tree 1997, U.S. Censuses, Kentucky Maps, Historical Document Certificate, A Call To Action (2016), KY/OH Charter Bus Planning (2017), General Information (Preliminary) (2017), Meeting Minutes, Newsletters, Banquet Programs, and Previous Reunions

\*\* Other: Huguely Reunion Officers, Huguely Family Song, Huguely Family Cookbook, 50th Anniversary Article, Denver 2000 Article, Baltimore 1997 Article, Berea 2010 Article, 1967-71 President’s Meeting Notes, and The Stage 2017 Article



## A passion for Digital Arts drawing

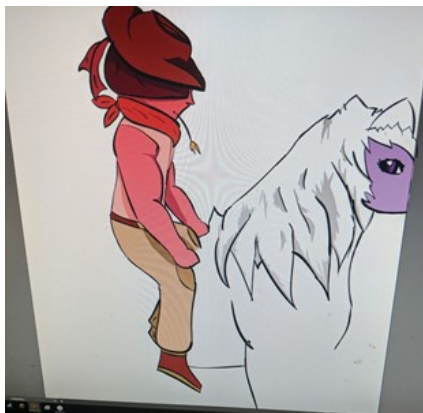
By Everee Huguely Branch

Cameron Morton, youngest son of Damon and Maryam Morton, continued to nurture and build upon his God-given artistic drawing abilities in the area of digital art. This past school year, 13-year-old Cameron complete 8th grade at Prairieville Middle School in Prairieville, Louisiana. In the fall, he will start high school as a freshman at Dutchtown High School located in nearby Geismar, Louisiana, and will be taking Art as an elective. Digital art is an artistic work or practice that uses digital technology as an essential part of the creative or presentation process. Since the 1970s, various names have been used to describe the process, including computer art and multimedia art. Cameron has always loved to draw and has used YouTube to become a self-taught artist. Shown below are three of his very impressive work.

On July 9-13, 2018, Cameron attended a Digital Art & Design day camp for 9th-12th graders at Louisiana State University (LSU) in Baton Rouge. The camp was conducted in partnership with LSU Digital Media Arts & Engineering School and LSU College of Art & Design, and was geared toward young students with a designer's eye and a creative itch. It offered Cameron a number of technical skills needed to thrive in the today's digital arena, as well as a foray into

Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator in order to expand his horizons. Digital photography, vector artwork, and typography were utilized across multiple platforms. Cameron had a chance create his own brand, design a poster,

and receive guidance on a self-selected personal piece to start his design art portfolio. The camp was topped off with a primer on motion graphics in Adobe After Effects to add versatility and some heft to Cameron's new bag of tricks. He found the camp very interesting, was exposed to new technology, and his parents are very happy that he's applying what he learned at camp. The Huguely family wishes Cameron the very best as pursues his passion – drawing!



## Law enforcement career path

By John A. Huguely Branch

On June 29, 2018, Raven Shearer, daughter of John and Felecia Shearer, successfully completed a five-week training program at the Commonwealth of Kentucky's Southern Region Training Center, located in Danville, Kentucky. In May 2017, Raven graduated from Eastern Kentucky University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and a Minor in Police Studies.

During the graduation ceremony, Raven received her Corrections Officer Certificate and took an Oath of Office. Course instruction took place at the Center's John D. Rees Training Facility and included: (a) conflict resolution, (b) self-defense techniques, (c) restraint equipment and techniques,

(d) cell entry and search, and (e) passive and deadly weapons training. Corrections trainees were also exposed to tear gas and pepper spray in order to understand their effects firsthand.

In the left photo below, Raven is shown accepting her graduation certificate from Tiffany Ratliff, Warden at the Blackburn Correctional Complex in Lexington, Kentucky, where Raven will be stationed. In the center photo, she is shown with her nine fellow graduates and the training facility staff. And in the right photo, Raven is flanked by her proud parents. The Huguely family wishes Raven the very best as she begins her law enforcement career!



## Setting the academic bar very high

By John A. Huguely Branch

The great-grandchildren of Emma Jane and Houston Parks continue to make their way in this world! On May 30, 2018, Ariel Wigginton, daughter of Denitra Booker and granddaughter of Jarmilia Parks Stephenson, graduated from Meyzeek Middle School, located in Louisville, Kentucky. In the photo below, Principal Chris Burba hands Ariel her Certificate of Completion. In the photo to the right, she poses with her grandmother after the ceremony. In the fall, Ariel will be a freshman at Central High School in Louisville, where boxing great and international hero, Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay), attended in the late 1950s.

Throughout her tenure at Meyzeek Middle School, Ariel maintained straight A's and was the recipient of many awards, including the following: (a) Academic Achievement Award (from the Commonwealth of Kentucky House of Representatives), (b) Certificate of Perfect Attendance

(Grades 6-8), (c) Outstanding Academic Excellence Recognition (President's Education Award's Program), (d) Certificate of Citizenship, (e) Barack Obama Award for Eloquent Speaking, (f) Certificate of Participation, (g) Certificate of Appreciation, (h) National Beta Club Inductee, and (i) Certificate for having a resolution endorsed by the Secretary General (Kentucky United Nations Assembly). Wow, extremely impressive!!!



With Central High School offering a dental curriculum, Ariel is on the path of realizing her dream of becoming an orthodontist. Her extracurricular activities include giving back to her community through many hours of volunteerism with the Parkinson Foundation, as well as through her church, Middletown United Methodist Church. Ariel also spent several weeks this summer attending tennis camp. Her grandmother, Jarmilia, exults, "We are a blessed family. I believe that our parents, Houston and Emma Jane Parks, would be proud to see a family that continues to do well and who believes that all things are possible if we just believe and put our faith and trust in God." Amen!!! Ariel is well on her way...

## Budding actor's first paying role

By Everee Huguely Branch

On August 11, 2018, only two days after auditioning for his first paying role, Jeremy Cobb, a recent graduate of Rose Bruford College of Theatre and Performance in London, England, received a call from Paul Burbridge, Artistic Director of Riding Lights Theatre Company, who informed him that "you got the part!" Jeremy had just been selected to be part of the four-member cast of an upcoming tour of the play, "Gospel Street." Riding Lights, founded 40 years ago, is one of the U.K.'s most productive and long-established independent theatre companies.



This spring, Jeremy, son of Dr. Marcus and Jennifer Cobb, finished all of his required course work for the Bachelor of Arts degree in American Theatre Arts. His commencement ceremony is in September. He had been purposely hanging around town (London) to audition for acting roles, write, and direct when this opportunity came along.

"Gospel Street" is a powerful mix of theatre, comedy and spoken word – a breath-taking ride through all of the important issues of life, death... and miraculous street food. Good news with wisdom, laughter, energy, and insight. In the play, people are out on the street. Another generation is looking for answers: a rich young executive, an angry gang leader, religious fanatics streaming live, baristas, professors, YouTubers, activists, a surprising refugee, and the pizza delivery bloke who bought some seriously expensive jewelry. Despite their differences and social divisions, everyone wants to meet one extraordinary person: Jesus has arrived on their



street. There's always trouble on the street and he's looking to do something about it...

The tour will include 32 performances throughout the U.K. from September 22 thru November 24, 2018. Rehearsals begin on September 10, 2018, in York, England. In the meantime, Jeremy expects to receive the script shortly to begin practicing his lines. Good luck, Jeremy!!!

## Nuptials for Erica & Gregory

By Jacob Huguely Branch

On August 18, 2018, Gregory Favors from Atlanta, Georgia, son of Dianne Sinkfield, married Erica Leigh Bond of Atlanta, daughter of Alvin and Deborah (Hughley) Bond, Jr., in a quiet ceremony on the Eastern Caribbean island of St. Lucia. Erica is an IT Recruiter for Change Healthcare business management consultants, and Gregory is in management at the Coca-Cola Company. After the honeymoon in St. Lucia, the couple will remain in Atlanta.



Erica's parents are planning a wedding reception for the happy new couple in October. The Huguely (and Hughley) families congratulate Erica and Gregory, and wish them the very best!!!





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## Great direction

By Jacob Huguely Branch

K'Mya Bond, daughter of Alvin Bond, III, and granddaughter of Alvin and Deborah Bond, Jr., has been very busy this summer! She has traveled to Canada to visit her maternal grandmother, then onto Atlanta to visit her Aunt Erica (Bond), and then back home to Charlotte, North Carolina. The summer was not over for K'Mya as she had one more adventure and that was to attend the "Girls Rock Charlotte" film camp on August 6-10, 2018, at McGlohon Theater at Spirit Square in Charlotte.

Girls Rock Charlotte is a non-profit organization designed to empower young girls ages 8 to 16 years old in a five-day summer camp through music and learning to play instruments. This year marked the first time that Girls Rock Charlotte ran side by side with the film camp as a way to give girls the opportunity to be mentored behind the camera.

Three short films that were developed during the week were debuted, along with sixteen rock bands, at the "Teen Rock N' Reel Show" on August 11th. K'Mya, who will be a junior at the Northwest School of the Arts (NWSA), has always had a thing for cameras and taking photos, so the camp was something in which she took an interest. She was interested in getting behind a real camera, but was surprised to find out she had another talent... directing.

She was chosen to direct her first film project, titled "White Wood." The short film is about two totally different, yet alike, juvenile delinquents who spend time in a camp for juvenile offenders. The other two short films were titled, "Dress Code" and "Kingdom of Nowhere."

Several photos capture filmmaking with K'Mya's hard at work: K'Mya and the film's cast and crew share the stage with the camp leader; K'Mya receives her Oscar Award for directing "White Wood"; K'Mya studies the storyboard with the camp director and film producer; K'Mya reviews a scene before a re-take; and all 53 teenage girls who participated in making rock music and film don the stage! A huge success for K'Mya!!! Lights, camera, action...



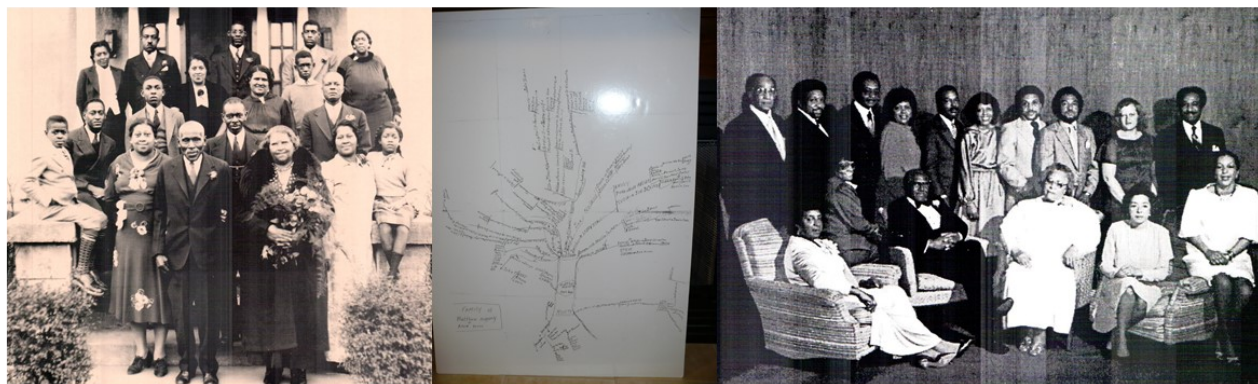
## Quality promotion

By Everee Huguely Branch

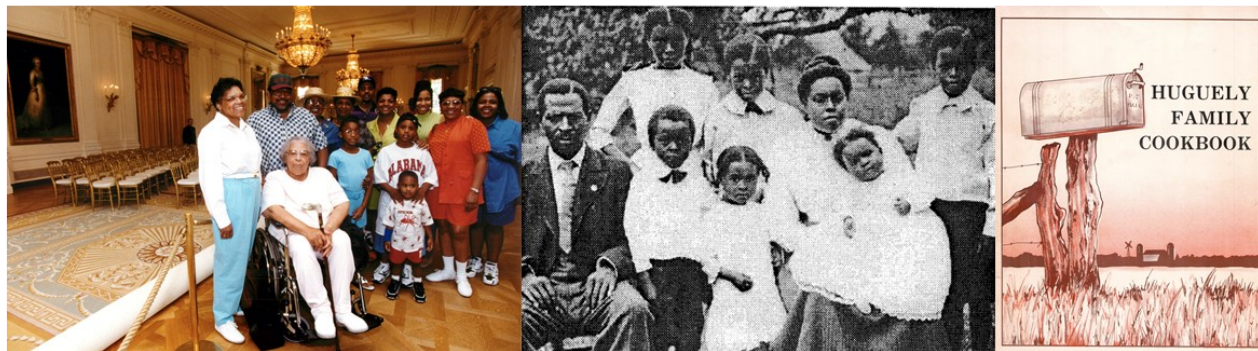
Randall Cobb, oldest son of Roger and Rosalind Cobb, was recently promoted at General Motors (GM) from General Assembly (GA) Matching Engineer to GA Quality Lead (Manufacturing Dimensional Quality). In his new role, he is responsible for the dimensional quality of exterior and interior parts assembled to a vehicle's body. Several of those parts are sourced from outside suppliers. Randall has worked for GM for over 17 years. Randall and his wife, Adrienne, relocated temporarily to an undisclosed location and he is working on a new product as part of a special assignment. Once this product is revealed to the public, Randall will update the family with additional information. Congratulations, Randall!!!



### 2018 Reunion pics: Meet & Greet, tours, picnic, recreation



### 64th Huguely Reunion, August 2018, Gatlinburg, Tennessee



### Students: Study hard, qualify for Huguely Scholarships!!!



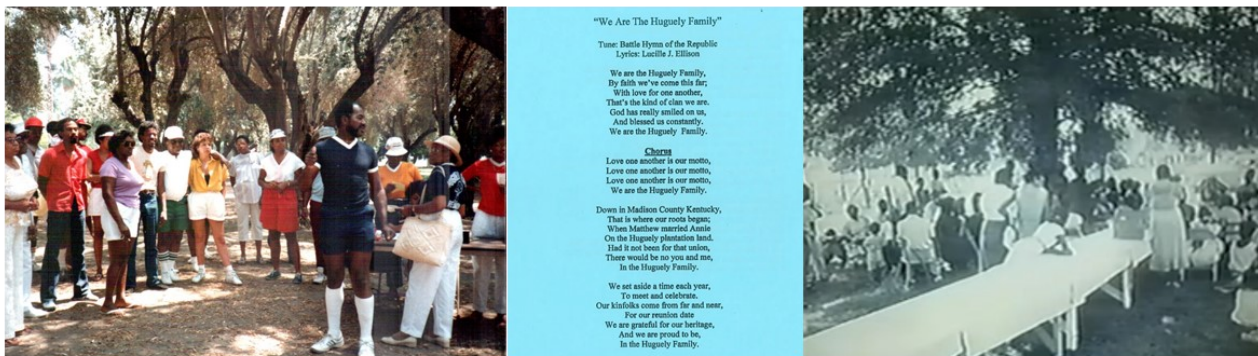
### So you think you know your Huguely family history???



### Search for your name in the Huguely Family Tree!



### How many Huguely Reunion host cities can you name?



### Catch up on your reading: Huguely Reunion Newsletters



### "A picture (from reunions past) is worth a thousand words"



HUGUELY HAPPENINGS

# IN MEMORIAM

## BRC spring concert honors its founder

By Mack Huguely Branch



On Sunday, June 24, 2018, the Baltimore Regional Community (BRC) Male Chorus, under the direction of Director Hugh Carey, dedicated its Annual Spring Concert to its founder and member, James A. Cornelison, following his untimely passing four days earlier on June 20th.

The concert was held at Lochearn Presbyterian Church located in northwest Baltimore, Maryland. Besides his widow, Mrs. Alice Cornelison, two of her children, Michael Cornelison and Erin Cornelison, were also in attendance.

The spring concert's theme was "We Sing Our Songs" and included the following concert sections: We Sing of God, We Sing of Our Heritage, We Sing of Life and Love and to Inspire, We Sing to Spread the Gospel, and We Sing of Brotherhood and Our Country.

As is the BRC's custom, its 19-song concert selections covered many genres of music, including: standard traditional choral music, anthems, Negro spirituals, gospel, contemporary pop, Broadway show tunes, folk songs, "pop songs," and patriotic songs.

In addition to the wonderful voices of the 16-member choir that were on display, many of the songs showcased the beautiful voices of its featured soloists!

The BRC annual spring concert highlights include:

- Prior to the chorus's procession, narrator Rev. Dr. Ronnie Hankins kicked off the concert with a joyful noise in his version of Earth, Wind & Fire's popular



1975 hit, "Sing A Song," with three BRC members doing the background vocals. Rev. Hankins and the trio gave Philip Bailey and the late Maurice White a run for their money!

- Satin-voiced Eddie Satterfield performed a beautiful solo rendition of "If You Believe" from the hit Broadway musical, "The Wiz," reminiscent and recalling flashbacks of those 1960s/70s souls singers and 'chitlin' circuit' reviews at Baltimore's Royal Theatre.

- After a song was concluded, Choir Director Carey asked (directed) his choir members to go to their wives and significant others (totally caught off-guard) in the pews, escort them to the sanctuary, and stand next to them. One of the single BRC members escorted Mrs. Cornelison to a stool just in front of the choir. Then, Carey began 'crooning' the first verse of Billy Preston's 1974 hit, "You Are So Beautiful (To Me)" to his wife, Bernellyn, who had just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 22nd. Congratulations!!! As the second verse began, all of the attached men looked at their better halves, gave them a rose, and began singing "You are so beautiful to me..."



love and appreciation brought tears to her eyes, an even bigger smile, and many, many hugs and kisses from her after the song. Mr. Carey commented that, with all the hugging, kissing, and smiles on the faces of his BRC choir members, "We have done this song at every concert!!! :v)

- The BRC provides scholarships to Baltimore youth to attend the Carter School of Music, an after-school program. Its latest recipient, Corey Smith-Eldridge, who will be a senior this fall at Baltimore City College magnet high school in Baltimore, played two beautiful selections on piano: classical piece titled, "Toccata," by Dmitri Shostakovich, and his original arrangement of the traditional hymn, "It Is Well Within My Soul." Afterwards, Smith-Eldridge received a standing ovation. His piano teacher at the Carter School, 80-year-old Mrs. Audrey McCallum, who was sitting in one of the pews, was then recognized by Mr. Carey. She is a former Baltimore City public school music teacher and a retired music professor at Morgan State University. As it turns out, she and Mr. Carey's were former colleagues in the public school system.

- BRC member, Jim Cox, who'd been under the weather most of the week before, and who was not expected to show up, even though he'd made protestations to the contrary ("I'm NOT going to miss my solo!"), indeed showed up, feeling much better, to sing a heart-

rendering version of "My Soul's Been Anchored In To The Lord"!

- Three long-time members of the BRC were retiring and plans had been in place to honor each one: Milton Dis-



tance, Clyde Richardson, and James Cornelison. Without their knowledge, specially designed and tailored BRC suit jackets were being made for each one, to be presented as a token of appreciation from the other BRC members. Of course, the wives had been contacted months ago for their respective husbands' vital measurements. At the time, aware of what the BRC meant to James, Mrs. Cornelison quipped, "I plan to bury my husband in that jacket." During the presentation of James Cornelison's jacket, which was monogrammed above the sleeve pocket "BRC Member Emeritus / Founder," as well as had Kente cloth squares sewn onto the cuffs, Mrs. Cornelison expressed very beautiful complimentary and appreciative words to the choir members and to all who attended. In turn, Mr. Carey also had many wonderful and gracious words to say about Mrs. Cornelison, including her devotion to the BRC over the years and the fact that, despite her own sorrow, she took the time to attend the BRC's choir rehears-



al the previous day to comfort some of the men. Now, that's a special woman!!!

Mr. Carey is currently planning a BRC concert performance at the Cornwall International Male Choral Festival in Cornwall, UK, in May 2019.

Overall, it was wonderful concert by the BRC Male Chorus and a great tribute to one of its own, founder James Cornelison!

## 87th b'day celebration

By Mack Huguely Branch

[This article appeared in the Nov/Dec bi-monthly update, months before Uncle Jim's untimely passing]

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 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 there.

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, looking clean and shiny, and 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-years-old 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."



We remember these beloved Huguely family members (*branch*) who have passed on since September 1st, 2017, and cherish their memories:



**Jessie Lee Covington Thomas**  
(Mother of Deborah Cooper, Sylvia Williams, Ray Covington, and Victor Covington)  
July 19, 1931 – September 28, 2017  
Los Angeles, California  
(Lucian Huguely Branch)



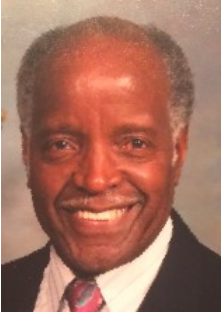
**Charity Mae Hocker**  
(Mother of Paul Hocker)  
May 5, 1926 – April 8, 2018  
Lexington, Kentucky  
(John A. Huguely Branch)



**Walter Raymond Harris, Sr.**  
(Husband of Ruth Harris)  
June 16, 1935 – April 23, 2018  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
(Henry Collins Branch)



**Otha Chenault**  
(Husband of Pauline Parrish Chenault)  
November 5, 1926 – June 2, 2018  
Richmond, Kentucky  
(Lucian Keene Branch, nephew of Amie Keene)



**James Allen Cornelison**  
(Husband of Alice Sloan Cornelison)  
December 12, 1930 – June 20, 2018  
Ellicott City, Maryland  
(Mack Huguely Branch)



**Walter Erving Durham**  
(Father of Maurieta Edmonson Washam and Brandon Durham)  
May 14, 1941 – July 8, 2018  
Dayton, Ohio  
(John A. Huguely Branch)



Useful Money Tips

Charley and Del Gillispie respectfully share these rules regarding retirement.

Simple Rules to Consider During Retirement

Here are some important rules about money. They’re so important, in fact, that they consider them commandments. Follow them to the letter and you will be a better steward of your money.

- Thou shalt not forget that skillful salespeople can manipulate thy emotions.
- Thou shalt not buy an investment before completely understanding it.
- Thou shalt remember there is no such thing as a free lunch.
- Thou shalt put thyself in the seller’s shoes before buying.
- Thou shalt not ever believe thou art too smart to fall for bad investments.
- Thou shalt not accept the stated word but instead always get it in writing.
- Thou shalt not buy anything that is too good to be true.
- Thou shalt avoid limited-time offers (like the plague).
- Thou shalt not depend upon a regulator for protection.
- Above all, thou shalt not forget that people wish to separate thee from thy money.

They pray for the health and blessings on each member of the Huguely Reunion and that they will see each of you in Richmond for the 65th anniversary of the Reunion in August 2019. May God bless and keep you this next year.

Huguely Reunion t-shirts



“And Miles To Go Before We Sleep...” Huguely Crossword Puzzle

Fill in the crossword puzzle below using Huguely Reunion branches, host cities, names, locations, events, etc.

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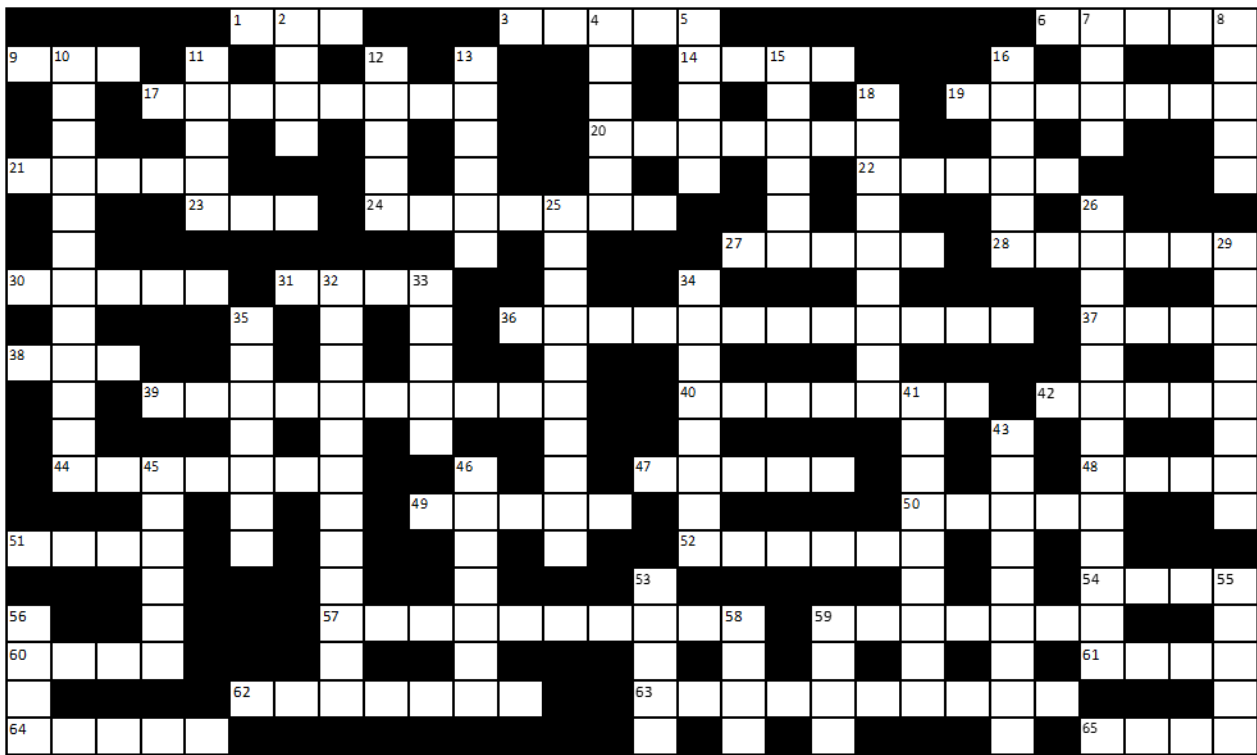
1. Mother of the third President
3. Toni and Sheri’s ‘Granny’
6. President’s favorite type of Jazz
9. Del, Linda and Terri hold these
14. Steady companions of aging
17. Youngest sibling
19. Huguely family song’s lyricist
20. “The Ultimate Family Reunion”
21. Overseas drama student expects to hear this in the future
22. Branch includes the ‘Bushes’
23. Oldest sibling
24. Alternate spelling of name
27. Freezes when kids eat ice cream
28. Newest, most popular museum
30. Historic tavern for family dinner
31. ‘The Reid Bunch’ matriarch
36. Grubbed at Carolina Kitchen
37. Lucian Huguely, Sr., to many
38. Dreamed in front of monument
39. Resort site for 2003 and 2009
40. At the root of us all

42. Type of buddies on Holly St.
44. Carolyn and Albirda’s branch
47. Felecia, Vicki, and J.D.’s branch
48. Slang term for West Coast state
49. Shorty & Juanita’s ‘Broadway’
50. Potatoes - yes, Huguelys - no!!!
51. ‘The Real Thing’s’ museum
52. USAF Museum tour
54. Used to build picnic tables
57. City of the Kentucky Derby
59. Hitsville U.S.A. tour
60. Family matriarch
61. Sixty-fourth to be exact
62. Motor City’s NBA team
63. Sat inside of a slave house
64. Family Historian’s nickname
65. Over 1,300 names documented

DOWN

2. ‘23 Wolverine, Pirate or Spartan
4. Hat in hand, Walter urged us on
5. Branch includes the ‘Baxters’
7. Sammie’s or Alice’s daughter
8. Host of early gatherings on farm

10. Etheline and Walter’s branch
11. Branch with alternate spelling
12. First spouse of 47. ACROSS
13. The brother or the son namesake
15. Arrived late at USAF Academy
16. Largest branch
18. “Great Blacks In Wax” Museum
25. Universal Studios tour
26. Site of first meeting in 1954
29. Family photo at White House
32. Very posh downtown Hilton digs
33. Proof “It wasn’t me, Momma!”
34. Family cemetery nearby
35. Family patriarch
41. Partied hearty at The Plantory
43. ‘Shotgun houses’ tour
45. Marvin and Janet’s branch
46. Annual family gathering
53. Piece of pie or cake
55. Expected turnout in 2019
56. Pauline and James’s branch
58. Mother of Dwight, Jr.
59. Raised platform for officers



Farewell letter & parting words...

Dear Huguely Family,

As my second two-year term (2014-18) as the 18th Huguely Family Reunion President comes to an end, I’d like express a few heartfelt sentiments...

Firstly, it’s been truly an honor and a pleasure serving as your President for the past four years! I feel very humbled to have followed in the footsteps of those 17 Presidents who preceded me, as well as very proud of the Huguely Reunion legacy, tradition, and ancestors who came before me. When I encountered past Presidents during these four years (e.g., Uncle Jim, Felecia, Gerry, Aunt Margaret, Toni, Michael, and Troy), I always knew to whom I was speaking, as well as up against whom my legacy was being measured. To coin a sports phrase, “I knew I had to bring my ‘A’ game!” Notwithstanding, it’s been lots of fun initiating, undertaking, and completing many new projects, as well as making my acquaintance with so many Huguely family members. I found out early during my tenure that as President, if I had an idea, within reason, I really didn’t have to run it by a committee for approval. I could just go ahead and do it! What’s that old expression: “Sometimes, it’s better to beg for forgiveness (after the fact) than to ask for permission (before the fact).” Of course, in most cases, I asked then Treasurer and trusted confidante, Vicki Mitchell, for

her feedback. She did, however, shoot down my planned immediate 25 percent pay raise for the new Huguely Officers effective September 2014. Oh well... Overall, I hope that I did justice to my predecessors and to this office.

Secondly, I’d like to recall, to my best recollection, the exact and somewhat mysterious (to me, at least) circumstances under which I became your 18th Huguely President. Here I was on that fateful Friday, August 8, 2014, having just arrived from an 8-hour drive from Baltimore. Normally, I’d arrive with the Cornelisons, but because they decided to stay overnight at a hotel, we rode in separate cars. When I arrived that weekend, I was ready to fellowship with my Huguely peeps, meet up with my homeys (Detroit Cobbs), do some touring and sightseeing, throw down on some serious grub, feast at the banquet, attend the usual business meeting, and just take everything in - you know. Well, this is what had happened... and I blame that darn Huguely hospitality suite!!! That Friday evening in the hospitality suite, while cajoling with everyone, first Shorty, and then later Margaret and her sister, Elizabeth, scooted up next to me in a chair and asked if I’d given any serious thought to running for President. I believe my response was, “No, it never crossed my mind,” which was true. All three, in two separate conversations, ‘persuaded’ me to give it some thought, saying that they felt I was ‘ready’ to be President, and to sleep on it. Now, if the pressure and encouragement from Cousin Madge’s first-, third-, and fourth-born weren’t enough, next came her first grand-child the next day (Saturday), perhaps in the hospitality suite following the banquet. Toni pulled up a chair next to mine, also cajoled me, all the while extolling the virtues of being President and how I was ‘ready’ to serve as President. I was feeling like Arsenio Hall, “Things that made me say, ‘hmmm.’” Fast forward to the next day... All I know is that as of 12:00 Noon that Sunday, following the business meeting, I was the newly-elected Huguely President. I didn’t quite realize what had hit me. And I felt like Malcolm X: “Ya been had, ya been took, ya been hoodwinked, bamboozled...” What in the world did I just get myself into??? Well, in hindsight, it was all good!

Thirdly, I am extremely proud of the many accomplishments that were achieved during my tenure: Huguely website, Huguely information repository, posting of family member obituaries, Facebook page, family organization chart, State of the Family addresses, family survey, Huguely quiz, Huguely crossword, bi-monthly newsletter updates, 2015-18 annual newsletters (including this year’s special newspaper edition), hosting of the 2017 reunion in WDC, updated address/e-mail distribution list, tracking of EC action items, and overall increased communications.

Fourthly, I like to give a special



thanks to the other Huguely Officers who started with me in 2014 (Brandon, Vicki, Angelina, Lauren), and those who began serving in the second term in 2016 (Donna, Jasmine, Troy). I’m certain that they will NOT miss receiving any more 3:00 A.M. text messages from me. I’d also like to express a debt of gratitude to my ‘Advisory Team’ (Toni, Felecia, Michael, Vicki, Shorty). And great thanks and appreciation to my nephew, Randall, for maintaining the Huguely website and for being very responsive and patient to my numerous updates.

Fifthly, even though I will no longer serve as Huguely President (I’ve been rehearsing my LBJ speech: “I shall not seek, and I will not accept, the nomination of my party for another term as your president”), I will remain in my role as the Family Historian and plan to publish an updated Huguely Family Tree for the 65th Huguely Reunion in 2019.

Sixthly, as members of the Huguely family, despite 64 successful years, we all must collectively decide whether or not we want to continue as a viable and meaningful entity. The year-in, year-out struggle and inherent challenge of soliciting and collecting annual dues of only \$20.00 per adult 18 and over often wear thin, especially on any Treasurer... If most family members paid their dues before or at the reunion, we could do so much more (e.g., provide seed money to the next year’s host city at the reunion, increase the amount and/or number of Huguely scholarships, increase number of annual information mailings, organize a semi-annual family event, etc.). Unfortunately, we may have to be creative at convincing family members to invest in themselves. Say it ain’t so. Really? Really! When it comes to the legacy and longevity of the Huguely Family reunion, we must somehow avoid the pitfalls of complacency, nonchalance, and ignorance that bring down other organizations. Basically, we gotta stay ‘woke!’ Just a little food for thought...

And finally, and most importantly, I’m extremely happy that, during these past four years, I avoided: (a) a coup d’etat by the Detroit Cobbs, (b) impeachment by the full body, (c) charges of collusion in the 2016 re-election, (d) stolen e-mails of EC members by WikiLeaks, or (e) abuse of power allegations from fellow EC members. :v)

Yes, it’s been an incredibly fun ride and definitely unforgettable!!! Like Carol Burnett would sing at the end of her shows, “I’m so glad we had this time together...”

Sincerely,

Kenneth A. Cobb  
President, Huguely Family  
Reunion (2014-18)

