

Hairston-Gallant Family Reunion 2014

“Celebrating our Heritage, Building our Future”

August 1-3, 2014

ANNOUNCEMENT #1

Greetings Family!

Hopefully everyone had a wonderful holiday and 2014 is getting off to a great start. This letter is to communicate important decisions and details concerning the 2014 family reunion.

First, the reunion location will be in Norfolk, Virginia. The Reunion hotel will be:

NORFOLK WATERSIDE MARRIOTT
235 E MAIN STREET
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA 23510
757/627-4200

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Please note that the hotel is now ready to accept room bookings for the family. You can call the hotel directly **1.757.627-4200** or use the website www.marriott.com/orfws. When making your reservation, please mention **Group Code, HGFHGFA**.

Room types: 1 King or 2 doubles, Room Rate: **\$118.00 + taxes** (14% tax & \$2.00 Occupancy tax)

Last day to book: July 18, 2014. *The hotel cannot guarantee that they will have rooms available after July 18, 2014. Therefore, we are encouraging family members to please make a strong effort to reserve your room as early as possible. There are a limited number of rooms available if you plan on checking in on Thursday, July 31, 2014. PLEASE make your reservations as soon as possible!*

ITINERARY

Friday, August 1, 2014; 6:00pm – 11:00pm

Meet & Greet, Registration, Business Meeting, Auction and Fellowship

This is our year to vote for National Officers so your attendance is important. Please bring items for the auction. Membership forms will be available as well as signup sheets for the Fashion Show and Talent/Open Microphone. Door prize drawings and refreshments will be served.

Saturday, August 2, 2014; 8:00am

LAKE WRIGHT GOLF COURSE

\$36.91 tax included 18 holes + cart

Please contact the persons listed below on or before July 14, 2014:

Justin McGhee, jmcghee@henry.k12.va.us, Justin.mcghee@live.longwood.edu,
276.226.5680

Donas McGill III, mcgstudio@aol.com, mcgillwordpro@aol.com
301.420.4042 or 240.678.8878

ITINERARY (continued)

Saturday, August 2, 2014; 6:00pm – 11:00pm

Dinner – Proper Casual Attire

All monies due on or before June 30, 2014. – See attached meal form

Plated Dinner – 1 choice of entrée, which includes; salad; rice, potato and vegetable-chefs choice; roll and butter, ice tea, coffee, hot tea and dessert.

Our goal was to keep the meal price affordable however included in the meal price are the following taxes: Conference Center Service Charge = 22%, State Tax = 6%, City Tax = 6.5%, Service Charge Tax = .45%. **We must reach our minimum guest quota in order to honor the terms of the contract so we are soliciting your participation!**

Sunday, August 5, 2012 - Memorial Service, 11:00 am

9:00am – 11am; Breakfast on your own

FYI:

Breakfast coupons specially priced at \$12.00 all you can eat in the hotel dining room.

Scholarship Award

Information and application please contact: Phala Fuller - Phala_Fuller@yahoo.com

On line: www.hairstongallantfamilyreunion.net

Mail completed application to:

Hairston - Gallant Scholarship Committee

c/o Phala Fuller

2574 Mt. Olivet Rd.

Martinsville, VA 24112

Annual Membership Dues

You can submit your membership dues in advance by completing and returning the attached form along with \$10.00 membership fee payable to Hairston-Gallant Family Reunion. Personal check and/or money order accepted, PLEASE NO CASH. You can pay on site at the reunion registration table or mail application and fee to:

Justin McGhee

Treasurer, Hairston-Gallant Family Reunion

1531 Rivermont Heights

Martinsville, Virginia 24112

In addition if you would like to make a donation for Reunion expenses please send to Justin McGhee.

Family Tree

We are still building our family tree so in order for the committee to complete this task we need your input. If you have not done so, please submit the following information to:

Cheryl Douglas
2156 Gerbert Road
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Great Great Great Grand Parents _____
Great Great Grand Parents _____
Grand Parents: _____
Parents _____
Yourself and/or Spouse: _____
Children: _____

Great Grand Children _____

Great Great Grand Children _____

2016 Reunion Proposal Guidelines

In the interest of time, please email or mail Drema Littlejohn (see contact info) your proposal prior to the 2014 reunion by June 30, 2014 so you can be included on the business meeting agenda.

The proposal must consist of the following (**no exceptions**):

- Introduction
- Accommodations
- Group Rates – incl. all taxes
- Meal prices incl. taxes
- Meeting Space for Meet & Greet, Banquet, Brunch, Cookout, Memorial Service
- Golf
- Amenities
- Parking

This will allow the Committee hosting the Reunion to better plan all the events and activities and ensure that everyone is properly accommodated and has the best experience possible during our 2016 Family Reunion.

Military Biographies

We would like to continue honoring our veterans and service members. Spread the word, we need more family members to participate. We are proud of our family members that have served in the military, past and current and we appreciate their sacrifices and accomplishments. Please submit the following information: Photo, Name, Medals/Awards, Location(s) Served, Parents, Grand Parents, Great Grand Parents. Submit bios as follows:

Email: vernonhairston@outlook.com

Mail:

Vernon Hairston
4645 West 4200 South
West Haven, UT 84401

Things To Do

<http://www.visitnorfolktoday.com/things-to-do>

Detailed suggested activity options will be provided at a later date.

In order for this reunion to be successful, we need your support and participation!
Please do not hesitate to contact any committee member listed below if you have questions.
THANK YOU and we look forward to seeing everyone in Norfolk, Virginia!

Attachments: Meal Form, Membership Form

2014 Committee

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