

RENEWAL –REFLECTION – REUNION

Hansie Solomon/Ford-Bryson 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion

July 28-31, 2011

Doubletree Hotel - San Pedro, California

January 2011

Dear Family Members and Friends:

Yes, our 38<sup>th</sup> annual reunion is just a short six months away, and we are excited to let you know about the fun and fellowship we have planned when we welcome you to southern California this July!

**ITINERARY**

The schedule for reunion weekend is enclosed.

**REUNION REGISTRATION**

The Registration and T-shirt order forms are enclosed. **Please note that the deadline for submission of your paid registration is May 15, 2011.**

**HOTEL**

Six months ago, we urged you to secure your room reservations at our reunion hotel, the Doubletree in San Pedro, and many of you have already done so. If you plan to attend the reunion and you have not yet reserved your room, we urge you to contact the hotel *immediately*, at (310)514-3344. Once the hotel has sold out, we will suggest an alternate hotel for you in the area. However, please be aware that chartered transportation provided for the weekend's events will depart from and return to the Doubletree *only*.

**AIRPORTS**

San Pedro is located in the greater Los Angeles area. In order of their proximity to San Pedro, Los Angeles is served by the following airports:

- Long Beach (LGB)
- Los Angeles International (LAX)

Private shuttle transportation (Super Shuttle and Primetime) are available from both these airports. Should you decide to rent a car, free parking is provided at the Doubletree.

Other area airports include Burbank (BUR), Ontario (ONT), and John Wayne (SNA), but these are far enough away from San Pedro that you would need to rent a car.

## **AIRLINES**

If it is convenient for you to travel from your home city on Southwest Airlines, you may want to consider that option. Currently, it is the only major airline that allows you to check two bags (up to fifty pounds each) at no cost. Otherwise, you will want to pack light and budget for the cost of checking your bag(s).

## **WEATHER**

During the summer months, Los Angeles may be expected to be sunny, hot and dry during the day and cooler at night. Our reunion venue is at the beach, which is usually several degrees cooler than in the city, especially at night. You will want to plan your wardrobe accordingly.

## **AUCTION**

To help offset the cost of the many activities we have planned, including the awarding of scholarship support, we do plan to hold an auction. We hope you will consider donating an item for this cause.

## **RECOGNITION OF SCHOLARS**

We will be recognizing and celebrating 2011 elementary school, middle school, high school and college graduates (including advanced degrees) who are in attendance at the reunion. Please submit their information along with your reunion registration form.

## **FAMILY TREE**

We have been hard at work on the family tree project and will need your help to make the tree as complete and accurate as possible. You may be contacted over the next few weeks and asked to provide information (birthdates, etc.) on your branch of the family. We know we can count on your help!

## **HONORING OUR ELDERS**

We plan to recognize the oldest female and oldest male family members (in the bloodline) in attendance at the reunion. If you are registering someone you think may qualify, please indicate that person's date of birth on your registration form.

## **IN MEMORIAM**

We are planning a special memorial tribute to the many family members we have lost during our 38-year reunion journey. We want to be able to list all of them at least by name and, where possible, by the year of their passing. A form is included listing names and dates of which we are aware. If you have names of anyone we may have inadvertently missed, please submit that information to us along with your registration form.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Because of the high cost of postage, we want to be able to communicate with you electronically whenever possible. Please share reunion information with those in your circle who may not have computer access. Thanks to Henry's hard work, updated information is always available on the family website, <http://www.hansiesolomon.org/reunion2011.html>. From that link, you are able to join the family e-mail list and the family group on Facebook.

Ways to reach us:

- Via e-mail to [jeanford@pacbell.net](mailto:jeanford@pacbell.net)
- Via telephone at 626.398.8125 (home) or 626.298.1544 (cell/text ); we are in the Pacific time zone
- On Facebook

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We look forward to seeing all of you and to providing you with a memorable and enjoyable

RENEWAL –*REFLECTION* – **REUNION** weekend!

Your family,

Emmanuel & Jean

## ITINERARY

### RENEWAL– REFLECTION– REUNION

#### 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Hansie Solomon/Ford-Bryson Family Reunion

##### San Pedro, California

#### Thursday, July 28

Late afternoon

Reunion registration

Evening

“Hawaiian Shirt Night” -

Get-acquainted reception, light supper and auction  
at Cabrillo Yacht Marina, across from the hotel

#### Friday, July 29

Morning

Optional workshops:

- Genealogy/family tree
- Women’s health (women only)
- Men’s health (men only)

Late afternoon into evening

Depart hotel by chartered bus for downtown Los Angeles  
(see USC, Staples Center, Nokia Theatre, Disney Concert Hall)

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Ocean Blue & Sunset Gold Dinner Dance

(dress to impress; **no denim or sneakers** allowed at the venue;  
gentlemen are asked to wear jackets)

#### Saturday, July 30

Morning

Depart hotel by chartered transportation for 4-hour

L.A. City tour (Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Santa Monica Pier)

Afternoon into evening

Indoor/outdoor picnic at Cabrillo Yacht Marina,  
across from the hotel

#### Sunday, July 31

Morning

Farewell breakfast

# REGISTRATION

**\*\* Payment Due May 16 \*\***

Please list the names of the people (including yourself) that you are registering and whether each person is an adult (ages 12 and over), youth (ages 5-11) or child (ages 4 and under) as of July 31, 2011. Use the back of this page if necessary.

PRINT NAME

Adult, Youth or Child

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\*If you are registering an elder who is in the Hansie Solomon/Ford-Bryson bloodline, please indicate his or her date of birth. If you are registering a child or adult who is a 2011 graduate of a school or college, please indicate that person's name, school, & diploma, certificate, degree, etc. on the back of this sheet. For high school or junior college graduates, please also include college plans where applicable. Also, on the back of this sheet or on a separate sheet, please provide the name(s) and, if known, the year of death of anyone not already listed on the "In Memoriam" page.

TOTALS:

Total Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$149.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Youth \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_ @ No Cost = \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL REGISTRATION PRICE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Person completing this form:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your check, **made payable to Jean L. Ford**, for the total registration price to:

Jean Ford, 900 East Dolores Drive, Altadena, CA 91001.

Hansie Solomon/Ford-Bryson 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion

**\*T-SHIRT ORDER FORM**

**\*\* Payment Due June 15, 2011 \*\***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill in how many of each size t-shirt you are ordering:

_____ Youth Small	_____ Adult X-Large
_____ Youth Medium	_____ Adult 2-X Large
_____ Adult Small	_____ Adult 3-X Large
_____ Adult Medium	_____ Adult 4-X Large
_____ Adult Large	_____ Adult 5-X Large

Summary:

_____ Youth sizes	@ \$13.00 each =	_____
_____ Adult sizes Small to 3X	@ \$16.00 each =	_____
_____ Adult sizes 4X or 5X	@ \$18.00 each =	_____

**TOTAL Enclosed for t-shirts** \_\_\_\_\_

\*This will be a very special commemorative t-shirt you will want to own. You may place an order whether or not you plan to attend. If you do not attend, you may either have someone pick it up for you at the reunion, or we will be happy to mail it to you at a small additional cost to cover postage.

Please send this form and your check, **made payable to Jean L. Ford**, for the total amount to:

Jean Ford  
900 East Dolores Drive  
Altadena, CA 91001

1974  
Synnia Ford Solomon

1975  
Willie Vinson Jr.

1976  
Parthenia Taylor  
Ephriam Rivers

1979  
Eli Andrew  
James E. Cumberlander

1980  
Wilma Tinsley Cumberlander  
Sallie Middlebrook Ford  
Michael R. Vinson

1981  
Reverend Hudson Ford

1982  
Carrie Bell Perdue

1984  
Henrietta Ford Whatley

1988  
Ida L. Vinson

1989  
Isabell Thomas Ford  
Julian Taylor Sr.  
Madison Ford  
William Spencer Sr.

1990  
Rossie Dumas  
Carl Dumas Jr.  
Ruby Vinson Whitworth  
Julian Taylor IV

1991  
Curtis Kilgore  
Mark Ford

1993  
Joe Wilma Farrar Williams  
James Jackson Sr.  
David Lee Tinsley

1994  
Beverly Celestine King  
Darold Julian King

1995  
Thomas Tinsley Sr.  
Marguerite Langston  
Willie E. Ford Sr.  
Lessie Tennant

1995 continued  
Earnest Vinson

1996  
Calvin R. Crippen  
Connie Louise Croom

1997  
Joel Jackson  
Henry Thomas  
Elizabeth Spencer  
Louise Johnson  
Levi Spencer

1998  
Denise F. Adams  
Bernice Wilson  
Willie Mae Ford  
Gene Tinsley  
Fannie Pearl Bryson  
Lottie B. Solomon  
David Cumberlander Jr.  
Louise P. Williams

1999  
Ardell Whitworth  
Bruce Edward Robinson

2000  
Keaziah Davis  
Debbie Whitworth  
Annie B. Tufts  
Melvin Vinson

2001  
Janet Nelson Bali  
Frank H. Pratt Jr.  
W. G. Vinson  
Izetta Love

2002  
Sarah Ann Vinson  
Florence Rawling-Freeman  
Mattie Thomas Vinson  
Adam G. Ford  
Leonard Hardy

2004  
Laura Pearl Thomas  
Edward Smith Sr.

2005  
Michael Vinson

2006  
Jameala Ariel Croom  
Floyd Stewart

2007  
Renita Austin  
Darriel Theracon Williams

2007 continued  
Mary R. Spencer  
Sheila Goolsby-Williams  
Dorothy Hudson  
William Kidd  
Pauline Hodge  
Irilla Little  
Christopher Van Lawrence

2008  
Norris Bradford Sr.  
Leonard Walton  
Johnny Banks  
Juan Croom  
Anna Mae Goolsby  
Diazina Hopkins

2009  
Keith Crippen  
Joshua Broomfield  
Willie Vinson Sr.  
John Henry Stewart

2010  
Robert Vinson  
Dexter Da'Shon McWhorter  
Annie Keith  
Brandon Vinson  
Andrew Turner Jr.  
Allen Williams Sr.  
Homer Solomon Jr.

Year unknown;  
please provide it if you know

Essie L. Ford  
Gennie Ford  
Robert Ford Sr.  
James Holliiday  
Bobby Thomas  
Willie Tufts  
Nettie Williams  
Rufus Williams  
Harris Williams Sr.

***Please note:***  
***We know this list is incomplete; it is what we have at this time. WE WANT TO UPDATE IT. If you know of a name that is missing, please provide it to us along with the year of death, if known. If you know the year of death for those years not shown, please inform us. Also, if you note any inaccuracies, please tell us so we can make corrections. Where a year is omitted, we aren't aware of anyone who passed during that year.***

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