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HIBBERT FAMILY NEWSLETTER

Dear Family,

We are pleased to welcome you to this Summer 2020 edition of the Hibbert Family Newsletter. We hope that 2020, despite its challenges, is treating you well and that any adversity or hardship has been overcome through the strength of family.

Our family is unique in its diversity and talent, which intensifies as we grow. This newsletter has purposely focused on these key attributes, with spotlights on several members of the family, as well as a family history focus that honors and shares fond memories of an ancestor. We also bring news of the planned 2021 Hibbert Family Reunion "Building our Legacy". Please take the time to register online so that your reunion committee can plan effectively.

We hope you enjoy this family update, and wish you all the best for Summer 2020 and beyond.

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FAMILY SPOTLIGHT

In the month of July we want to highlight individuals in the family who continue to represent the family name in exceptional ways.

Claudienne Hibbert

Claudienne Hibbert (descendant of Manley Hibbert & Paulette Hibbert) has continually strived to be the best in assisting the community in various endeavours, most notably through the Real Estate sector. Claudienne has not only been the voice of our people through home ownership empowerment, economic empowerment and community awareness, she has also helped people open their eyes to health empowerment.



During this pandemic, when many individuals are struggling to keep up with everyday life and unemployment is at an all-time high, Claudienne has helped hundreds of individuals create another stream of income through the health and wellness sector. In just 5 short months, she has managed to build a highly successful business from home (https://retail.totallifechanges.co m/claudiennehibbert/products) and opened up the eyes, hearts and minds of many who now understand multiple streams of income.

Oh wait! This has all been done while BEING 6 MONTHS PREGNANT! We welcome a baby boy into the family in Fall 2020 and we know that through Claudienne's guidance he will be a pillar of the family for many years to come!

FAMILY RECIPE

Jamaican Chocolate Guinness Cake



For one 9-inch cake/10 servings

Cake ingredients

- 1 cup (240 ml) Guinness
- ³/₄ cups (140 g) unsalted butter
- ¼ cup (25 g) unsweetened cocoa powder
- 2 cups (400 g) superfine (caster) sugar
- ³⁄₄ cups (180 g) sour cream
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups (240 g) all-purpose (plain) flour
- 2½ tsp baking soda/baking powder
- Butter to grease the pan

Topping ingredients

- 1 ¼ cups confectioners' (icing) sugar
- 1 cup (225 g) cream cheese (at room temperature)

Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F/180°C.
- 2. Butter a 9-inch spring-form pan.
- 3. Combine Guinness and butter in large saucepan.
- 4. Mix over medium-low heat until the butter is melted.
- 5. Remove from heat and add cocoa and sugar, whisking together until blended.
- 6. In a separate bowl, combine the sour cream, eggs and vanilla, mixing well.
- 7. Add the sour cream mixture to the Guinness mixture in the saucepan.
- 8. Add flour and baking soda.
- 9. Whisk all until smooth.
- 10. Pour batter into buttered pan.
- 11. Bake for 45 minutes to 1 hour.
- 12. Remove from oven and place on wire rack to cool in the pan.
- 13. Mix confectioners' sugar by hand or with a food processor and break up any lumps.
- 14. Add the cream cheese and blend together until smooth.
- 15. Spread the cream cheese icing on the top of the cooled cake

Recipe contributed by Sola Neunie (Anthony Neunie, Veronica Neunie (Hibbert), Huntley Hibbert, Solomon Hibbert, Robert Hibbert)

FAMILY SPOTLIGHT CONT...

Keyandra Wilson

Exploration and adventure are concepts at the heart of many grandiose tales of heroes and trailblazers throughout film and literature. These sorts of tales plant seeds in our imaginations and nourish our wildest dreams, but far too often, inspirations fail to bear the fruit of action in our real lives. We'd like to tell you the tale of a hero who took that inspiration and transformed it into a lifestyle of seeing the world and making it better. Keyandra Wilson, affectionately known as "Keke" (Dawn Hibbert, Owen Anthony Hibbert, Sydney George Hibbert, Solomon Augustus Hibbert) was born in Queens, New York to Rogelio Wilson and Dawn Hibbert. As a child, her



family relocated to South Florida, where Keke spent the bulk of her childhood. Growing up, Keke's fascination with legaland law enforcement-themed tv and movies inspired her to become a federal agent. To that end, she participated in the FBI Youth Program in high school, won the inaugural Hibbert Family Scholarship and earned bachelor's degrees in Criminology and Sociology from Florida State University. What Keke encountered next was an internal conversation that so many new grads face the minute the ink on their diploma dries: Is this really what I'm meant to do? For Keke, it seemed the answer was no. As fate would have it, Keyandra Wilson had been inspired by more than just tv. Exposure she had gotten from her mother, a nurse practitioner, led her to work in medical facilities throughout her college career. Finding a sense of pride and fulfillment in helping people, Keke decided to aim her life in a new direction. Her new path

COVID-19: ON ASSIGNMENT



In her day job, Keyandra Wilson serves the most vulnerable patients in a variety of locations throughout the country. Even now, she's on a COVID-19 assignment in Long Island, New York. In her leisure time, she explores the world, learning about and connecting with the people who inhabit it. The inspiration and exposure she acquired through family has propelled her down a path of exploration, adventure, and heroism that rivals what we might find in film and literature.

FAMILY SPOTLIGHT CONT...

wasn't without adversity; she entered the University of Miami's Accelerated Nursing Programs and had to overcome failing a class that added an additional semester to an already laborsome academic career.

Shortly after completing her studies, Keke began her nursing career as an Intensive Care nurse with the Cleveland Clinic, and since 2018 she has worked in ICUs in New York City and Washington DC. However, traveling isn't just something she does for work. From an early age, Keke remembers traveling with her parents and those trips inspired her to see the world. Today, at just 27 vears old, Keke has visited 35 countries on five of the seven continents. Some of her most memorable experiences include learning about the history of slavery at slave castles in Ghana and visiting an underserved settlement in South Africa with supplies and aroceries. She remembers the warmth and gratitude she felt interacting with the people in that South African settlement.



Daniel Reid, son of John and Julia Reid, was born in Kingston, Jamaica where he spent most of his formative years. Since 2007, he has been residing in Toronto, Canada. Following in his father John's footsteps, Daniel has been employed as a pilot since 2017, and current works with Porter Airlines in Toronto. Daniel enjoys sports, especially football (real football!), and biking, snorkelling and jetskiing.

You may remember Daniel from past reunions as a very shy kid. He



has since grown into a sociable young man, who is now helping to plan some of the activities that will make up our next reunion. On the 2021 reunion, Daniel says "This will be the first reunion I'll be attending as an adult and I think it is important to make those connections and gain a deeper understanding of our massive family, and what better way to do that than being involved."

Keke has a few tips for travelers, her first being, "Don't be afraid to leave your comfort zone." She also recommends staying at vacation rentals or hostels instead of hotels as a way to cut costs and live as the locals live. "Take advantage of stops" she added, indicating that layovers often present opportunities to derive impactful value from your journey. Lastly, she advises to plan ahead, but leave room for spontaneity. "In travel and in life, you should know where you want to go and what you want to do, but don't be so rigid that you miss out on beauty and wonder you didn't know you could encounter."



More about Lucille:

- She was called Culu, a corruption of the word "coolie" because of her wavy hair
- Lucille sold produce such as peas, scallion, thyme and cooking oil at May Pen Market in Clarendon
- She had 3 children named Pearl, Gloria and Edgar Alphonso with Vincent Lawrence
- She had 1 child named Barbara with Erastus Jones

FAMILY HISTORY FOCUS

Lucille Ione Hibbert (Aunt Culu)

Born July 27, 1906 in Kingston, Lucille Ione Hibbert was the fourth child of Solomon and Elizabeth. She was 10 months old when the great earthquake of 1907 flattened Kingston. The family had to stay in tents at what was then the Kingston Racecourse.

Lucille attended Chetolah Park Elementary School, but because she was very sickly as a child, she could not attend school regularly. She had only 4 years of formal schooling from 1918 when she was 12 years old until she left school at age 16. She was nonetheless numerate and literate. Perhaps because of her own shortened school life she always emphasized education for her children.

She was a hard worker and very proud of the fact that she was not afraid to work hard. She worked for many years at the Kingston Packing House, packing oranges and other citrus fruits when these were in season. She only gave it up when the processing plant was moved to Bog Walk in St. Catherine.

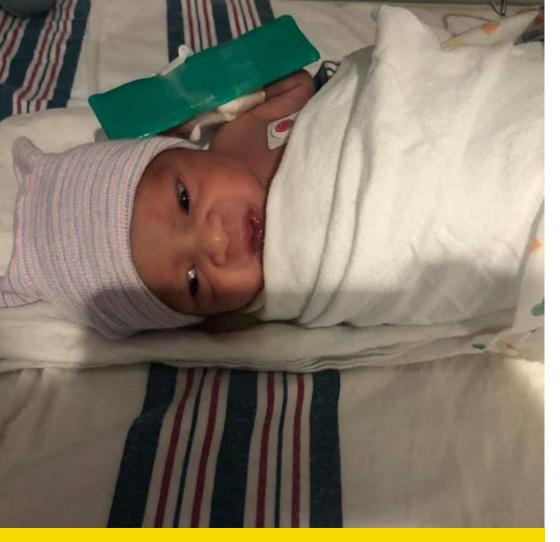




She was lactose intolerant regarding cow's milk but could tolerate goat's milk. She did not eat any of the following fish pickled in brine, which were staples of the Jamaican diet: mackerel, shad, and herring, as well as sprats, a very popular "nine night" favorite.

Lucille loved courtroom dramas and would spend many hours sitting as a spectator in the courts listening to cases, particularly murder cases, especially when the eminent lawyer Norman Washington Manley was the trial lawyer. Despite her limited education, she had an uncanny knack for sifting through evidence and deciding the innocent or guilt of an offender before the trial was over, yet she never served as a juror.

She worshipped at All Saints Anglican Church on Lower West Street in Kingston. Lucille died suddenly of a brain hemorrhage at age 64 of untreated high blood pressure, and is buried at the May Pen Cemetery in Kingston.



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Lauryn Alexandria Stuckey

It is with great pleasure that we announce the newest member of our family. Lauryn Alexandria was born on 29 June 2020 in Georgia to Sierra Hibbert and Morgan Stuckey. Lauryn was delivered via C-section at 36 weeks. Mom and baby are doing well and recovering. Lauren's descendant order is: Lauryn Stuckey (2020), Sierra Hibbert (1997), Andre Hibbert (1967), Ruel (Chubby) Hibbert (1940), Huntley Hibbert (1902), Solomon Hibbert (1873), Robert Hibbert (1837). The Family Lineage Book has been updated accordingly. Please send your well wishes directly to Sierra at: <u>Sierrahibbert.sh@gmail.com</u>

OTHER ADDITIONS TO THE FAMILY (2018-2020)

- >Aura Parker NeilStrong, 28 Jun 2018 >Xavier Martin, 17 Sept 2019
- ≻Zayn Neunie, 8 August 2018
- ➤Tarin Neunie-Rutkins, 6 Oct 2018
- ≻Jaden Davis, 27 Dec 2018
- Xavier Martin, 17 Sept 2019
 Brandon Hicks, 10 Jan 2020
 Kairo Neunie, 27 Jan 2020

HIBBERT FAMILY INITIATIVE

We are a dynamic family that is growing powerfully, especially through current initiatives like Boys to Men. To expand on this already amazing idea, we want to include the girls and women of this family too. The goal is to create a circle of sisters that teaches etiquette, financial health, mental wellbeing, and so much more. So here is what we need:

- Women who are interested in being mentored
- Women who are interested in being mentors
- Volunteers who may not want to be fully involved but would not mind speaking on some topics that will lead the women in our family to the levels of success they want to accomplish

Please contact Shay at <u>hibbert1873@gmail.com</u> if you are interested.

2021 REUNION CONTINGENCY PLAN

Amid the global uncertainty, we as a family must move forward. Our continued strides to unite and know our family must move forward. We want all to be safe... Therefore we fully understand traveling apprehensions. When the time comes to make a sound decision please be assured that **OUR FAMILY SAFETY IS** PARAMOUNT. Should the need arise to shift the family reunion, your reunion committee will do so. In the meantime, please contact the committee if you wish to comment or have concerns: hibbert1873@qmail.com

Descendants of Solomon and Elizabeth Hibbert Family Reunion 2021 "Building our Legacy"

In a little over a century, the descendants of a dressmaker and a beekeeper, from a small island in the Caribbean, have come to expand across the globe and achieve excellence in every major field of the human experience. The family reunions have been the stage for our global family to reconnect and engage one another.

Since the first family reunion in 2005, we've seen a generation come of age, we've created and reclaimed connections to family in new geographies and lineages - we've grown individually and collectively. Today, the world boasts unprecedented potential for connectivity, while we boast unprecedented geographical presence. This reunion seeks to foster collaboration in the realms of leisure, philanthropy, and vocation in the years to follow. This collaborative engagement is intended to reinforce the reverence and appreciation we have for our

elders, empower our youth, and multiply opportunities for our many doers.

The family reunion's revival comes after what will be an eight-year hiatus. The 2021 family reunion will be held at the all-inclusive Moon Palace Jamaica Resort in Ocho Rios. Jamaica with activities scheduled from July 22 through 25, 2021. The purpose is to reunite the family to nourish bonds through fellowship, inspire a sense of belonging through sharing our history, and empower each other through networking and discussing the legacies we plan to build, both individually and as a family.

Register online:

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