THE RIVERS FAMILY REUNION

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Minutes of the January 21, 2012 Meeting

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1. The meeting was called to order by the president, Trent Webb, with everybody reading Philippians 2:1-5 and 10-11, followed by an opening prayer by Trent Webb.
2. Inspirational Period- Family members shared testimonies and expressed their thanks to God for everything, both through the good and the bad times. Angela asked us to pray for her mother Eva; Eva’s last cousin passed away. George Rivers expressed how special the Rivers Family is to him and for us to always keep one’s heart lifted. Trent Webb reminded us of our purpose and that we are a God-fearing family built on God’s principles.
3. Birthday recognitions were given to all those present who celebrated or will celebrate a birthday in the months of January, February, and March. We also gave birthday recognitions to family members who were not present at the meeting.
4. The minutes from the previous meeting were read by Christine Rivers and accepted and approved with one correction. The correction was that it should have been Harvey Jones instead of Harvey Rivers winning the money from the fundraising drawing.

Trent thanked the outgoing officers for their service and introduced the new officers. The president will check to see if Rachel gave up the position as Tidewater’s Regional Coordinator; if so, we need to fill that position.

1. Hospitality Report: The president asked for any concerns or news from each region. Most family members seem to be doing well. Rachel Jarvis and her husband had to relocate their business because a CVS Pharmacy is being built in the old location; her daughter, Aisha, now seems to be doing well with her pregnancy and will have a baby shower on February 11. Helen Breckingridge just had surgery and is at home recuperating.
2. Old Business
3. Treasurer’s Report - Angela Nelson gave the following treasurer’s report for September 1 thru December 31, 2011:

General Treasure: $2,207.78

Cemetery: $202.50

Scholarship: $781.17

Total: $3,191.4

Reconciled Difference: ($ 00.10)

Balance on Hand: $3,191.35

A motion was made and properly seconded to accept the report as read. Please see the attached Treasurer’s Report for more details. Angela also clarified questions from the last Treasurer’s Report. We got a returned check, but the check was honored. We also gave a refund of $55.00 to someone who could not attend the banquet.

1. Regional Coordinators

Mid Atlantic – No report.

Northeast – No report.

Southeast – Judy Massenburg retired from her job after 33 years of service. Andre Rivers, Jennifer Rivers’ son, is now attending Middle State Tennessee University; please keep him in prayer.

Tidewater – Tiffany Taylor, Trent and Marilyn’s daughter, has relocated to Augusta, Georgia; her husband is attending an Army Officer’s Computer Networking School at Fort Gordon.

1. Family Tree/Historian – No Report.
2. Scholarship – No Report.
3. New Business
4. Fundraisers – Lena Sowell will pick up 400 raffle tickets on February 1 for the car raffle. 100 tickets will be distributed to each region. All tickets must be returned in a timely manner and accounted for, even if we don’t sell all the tickets.

Lena also mentioned that we should think about doing a trip to Atlantic City, Dover, or West Virginia.

Gladys Jones suggested that we sell the Rivers Family Reunion DVD as a fundraiser. It was voted to sell the DVDs for $10.00 each. We will email order forms to family members and put the form on the family website. Information will be available by the April meeting; 20 DVDs will also be available for sale at the April meeting.

1. 2012 Mini Reunion - The President stated that we will have a mini reunion this year; it is essential that we get together and fellowship. Even though we have had the previous mini reunions at the Rivers Mill, some family members have expressed interest in having it at other locations. We will vote on the location at the April meeting. These are the other locations being considered:

Templeton Park Pavilion in Prince George, VA

Shand Park Stony Creek in Dinwiddle, VA

Franklin/Southampton Fairground

1. 2013 Reunion – Our goal is to vote on next year’s reunion at the June meeting. We are open to all suggestions, but you must present the particulars and details to support your proposal (hotels, banquet space, parking, food prices, attractions, etc.). The President suggested we take a look at Fort Washington, Maryland with the Gaylord as the hotel headquarters.
2. April and June Meetings – The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 21, in Norfolk at Kenny Rivers or Trent Webb’s house. The June meeting is scheduled for the Washington/Maryland area (need volunteer).

Meeting was adjourned with prayer and blessing of the food.

Attendees:

Jesse Rivers

Kenneth Rivers

Judy Massenburg

Marilyn Webb

Edith Obey

Nathaniel Obey

Gladys Jones

George Rivers

Ethel Rivers

Christine Rivers

Trent Webb

Jerome Rivers

Angela Nelson

Magnolia Rivers