

MCLAMB FAMILY NEWSLETTER

*Continuing to Strengthen Family Ties Through Kinship,
Friendship and Fellowship*

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The McLamb Family Reunion

Descendants of Dublin and Eliza Jane Hobbs McLamb

September 1, 2, and 3, 2017, Raleigh, North Carolina

It is a great honor to share information on the upcoming Family Reunion. Our Annual Reunion is where we share our story through **Kinship, Friendship and Fellowship**.

We are what we are because of you, our family and our friends. Year 2017 brings a renew celebration as we open our arms to new family members found since we last met in 2016. And to those who plan to join us for the first time and those coming back you will find a welcome full of warmth and love.

A great weekend is planned during Labor Day Weekend to include:

Hospitality and Welcome
(Friday—September 1)

Picnic at Pullen Park
(Saturday—September 2)

Banquet Celebration
Garner Senior Center
(Sunday—September 3)

*The McLamb Family Reunion
has been a part of our lives
since the 1953.*

Together
we make a
Family

2017 Planning Committee

*President—Linda M. Owens
Secretary—Andrea McLamb
Treasurer—Alfred Faison
Asst Treasurer—Vada Williams
Ethel Hailey, Clifton McLamb
Doris M. McLamb, Milton Draughon*

Family is where our story begins

Our Annual Family Reunion is where we continue to strengthen our family ties. With family togetherness we have it all. Since the last reunion much have happened.

Recap of 2016 Reunion

Hurricane Hermine brought heavy rain to Wilmington, but the reunion was able to keep its full schedule.

The Family Reunion opened with a "Meet-n-Greet" on Friday night at the Country Inn and Suites. On Saturday the family enjoyed a "Cookout" in the park. The reunion closed with a "Banquet Celebration" on Sunday at the Coastline Conference Center. Milton Sr. and Milton Jr. Draughon were the

"Masters of Ceremony." Our guest speaker was Clifton McLamb, the great grandson of Isham McLamb from the Minnie McLamb ancestry line. We were serenaded with a melody of songs from May Williams. Linda McLamb Owens presented the family history and Ethel Draughon Hailey directed and acted in a "skit" that she wrote with other family members taking part.

Cliff left his post as President with "*high praise*" as he stepped down from this position. He nominated Linda McLamb Owens as president and with a show of support from the family, she accepted the position with no other nominations to consider.

Linda is the proud granddaughter of Henry McLamb, one of the founders of the family reunion. He was the son of Minnie McLamb Days, the daughter of **Dublin and Eliza Jane McLamb**. She brings over 30 years of experience working on the planning committee and has served as the Family Historian since 1987. She has worked in numerous capacities over the years.

Linda gave us our web presence that continues to discover new relatives. She has done several DNA test on family that have lead to new kinships. She setup the family Facebook page **linking** family from all corners of the world.



Host Hotel—DoubleTree by Hilton

A great weekend is planned during Labor Day Weekend starting, **Friday, September 1, 2017. Welcome and Hospitality is planned** after check-in at the Host Hotel, the DoubleTree by Hilton.

Hospitality is offer to help welcome family and friends. A hospitality suite will be available starting at **4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Family will be able to pick up information for the reunion.

The Hospitality Suite will be a floating event with no formal program. Light refreshments will be served.

A block of room have been set aside for the **McLamb Family Reunion** at the DoubleTree by Hilton at 1707 Hillsborough St, Raleigh.

Family are to make their own room reservations at the special rate of \$114.00 plus tax per night until August 11, 2017.

Reservations can be made using a booking link via the Internet. This link can be found on the McLamb Family website at: www.mclambfamily.com

Reservations can also be made by phone (919) 828-0811.

A Hilton Honors Hotel

Enjoy warm chocolate chip cookies during your stay!



“If you don’t know what happened behind you, you’ll have no idea of what is happening around you.”
(James Baldwin)

A Picnic and Cookout at Pullen Park—Saturday

Pullen Park is located off Western Boulevard on Ashe Street. The park is about 1/2 mile from the Host Hotel, the DoubleTree by Hilton.

The park is full of activities for all ages. Ride the train around the park, relax on the historic carousel, cool down on Lake Howell or take a swim in the

Aquatic Center. There is a small fee for some rides.

Family can meet at Shelter #1 at 12 noon. Food will be served around 1:00 p.m.

Family can arrive and leave Pullen Park at any time. Only access to Shelter #1 is limited to 3 hours. After leaving the park,

family can take a trip downtown Raleigh and enjoy the African American Cultural Festival that will be going on Saturday and Sunday.

There are also many shopping centers and museums to visit too.

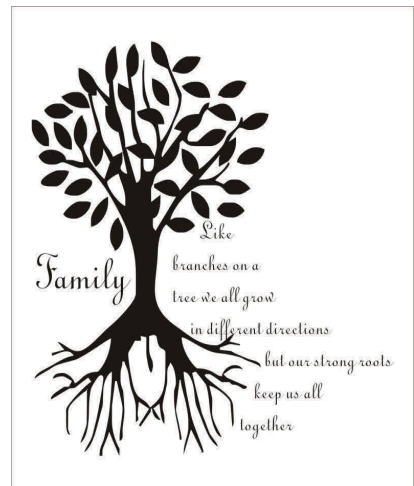
Banquet Celebration— Sunday

An exciting program and with a delicious catered buffet meals is being planned.

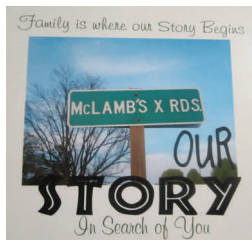
The Banquet will be held at the Senior Center in Garner, North Carolina. The banquet time is from 12:30 to 5:00 p.m.

There will be time for family to greet and socialize with one another before the official pro-

gram start. Family history displays will be set up throughout the banquet room. A chance to win a family book full of images...*past and present*. The winners of the lucky raffle ticket holders for a tablet and/or laptop will be drawn at the banquet. For a \$5.00 donation you get 3 chances to win either one of the items or may win both.



“The best times are always found when Family and Friends gather”



Family Book full images of past and present family