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DuPont, Jones Wed



Mr. and Mrs. Derrick Jones

Versonya M. DuPont and Derrick W. Jones were joined in holy matrimony on Saturday, July 3, 2010 at 11 a.m.

Versonya is a native of Savannah and the only daughter of Donald and Versie DuPont. Derrick is a native of Toms River, NJ and the son of Bobby Barksdale and Blanche Jones. A private garden wedding was held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Lemuel Campbell, godparents of the bride. An elegant reception was held at 1 p.m. at the Hunter Club with over 200 guests in attendance.

The wedding ceremony was a unique family affair. The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father and two brothers, Donald Leonard

DuPont and Dwayne Laron DuPont, and given away by her parents and brothers. The mother of the bride proudly served as the matron of honor and the father of the groom stood as the best man.

Bridesmaids in attendance were Tonja Campbell Smith, godsister of the bride, of Humphries, VA; Deirdre Pinkney, friend of the bride, of Atlanta; Brendesha Tynes, friend of the bride, of Chicago and Sadonna Clarke, friend of the bride, of Atlanta.

Groomsmen included Dennis Adams, friend of the groom, of Toms River; Mark Worthy, friend of the groom, of Toms River and Bobby Smith, brother of the groom, of Nashville.

Other attendants includ-

ed Chandler DuPont and Jasmine Mobley as flower girls, Darius Adams as ring-bearer, and cousins of the bride served as ushers: Greg Smith, Katrina Hicks, Ashleigh Hicks and Trevon Hicks. The awesome wedding coordinator/directress was Sharon Smith, also a cousin of the bride. Special thanks are given to Annette Mitchell who served as the wedding decorator and Makeba Matthews of Divas Delites who served as the baker.

Several bridal events were held during the couple's engagement period. Samantha Pitre hosted a bridal tea, underwritten by bridesmaids, in Brooklyn for friends of the bride in New York in May. The Queens Empire Chapter of Top Ladies of Distinction (TLOD), a service organization to which the bride has been a member since 2004, hosted a bridal shower on Long Island in June.

The Savannah Chapter of TLOD, to which the bride was a former Top Teen, organized a lunch with members of the Savannah chapter. The final event was a bridal shower hosted by the bridesmaids at the Savannah Tea Room.

The bride pursued her BS and MS at Clark Atlanta University and her Ph.D. at Northwestern University. She has seven years experience in the field of education technology providing teacher professional development, curriculum design consultation and independent evaluation services at the K12 and university level.

The groom is a professional driver with Swift Transportation. The couple honeymooned in Myrtle Beach and ROW resides in Brooklyn, NY.

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Shirley Barber James receives the Humanitarian of the Year Award presented by the Consortium of Doctors, Ltd.

Owner/President of *The Savannah Tribune* received the organization's most prestigious honor, "The COD Humanitarian Award."

Founded by Savannah resident Dr. Abigail Jordan, COD is comprised of women with doctoral degrees from accredited institutions.

For the mission of COD, Jordan recalled the words of Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm. "She said Black women must be role models. "In a sense, we have to reinvent the wheel. Our lives must be clean and

wholesome, because youths are not listening to our rhetoric. They are watching our lives."

Dr. Barbara Cannon, COD Director, Oakland, CA, said, "COD brings together powerful, talented, gifted trailblazers with abundant potential and expertise who inspire others to achieve, grow, develop, and become positive in life and in capacity-building of self and others."

COD Co-Director, Dr. Harriette Bias-Insignares, a product of the Savannah city

schools, said, "We are a Think Tank dedicated to promoting the core values of scholarship as life-long learning and citizenship as life-long commitment to guiding and leading this country through activism."

We challenge all African Americans with doctoral degrees to view this achievement not only as a personal achievement but also as a public resource to be used to invest in the future of the African-American community."

Jazz Accross The River

Drummer/pianist, Sean Bolden's intense passion for music has translated into making him one of the most accomplished and sought after jazz musician in the Coastal Empire -and has won him the respect of both audiences and his professional peers.

As a studio musician, he has played and recorded with many of the top jazz

musicians including Robin Eubanks, Big Black (Nee: Daniel Ray), Tom Lure, and Stefan Harris on the national scene, as well as area jazz icons such as Teddy Adams, Eric Jones, Doug Carn, Delbert Felix, Tony Royster Sr. and many others.


Mr. Bolden is currently wrapping up his soon to be released CD, "My Thoughts".

The Sean Bolden Group will perform at the Westin Resort on Sunday, August 22nd at 5pm. Free for Coastal Jazz Association members and \$10 for non-members.

Attendees who join CJA while at the concert will also be admitted for free.

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Williams Promoted to Site Supervisor at Saber Security & Investigations

Saber Security & Investigations, LLC, a leading full-service security company with offices in Savannah and Atlanta, is pleased to announce the recent promotion of David Williams as Site Supervisor for two high-profile manufacturing facilities.

In his new position, Williams will oversee all security officers on location, ensuring that all tasks and responsibilities are performed at the highest level of quality by conducting regular reviews and security reports. He will also be responsible for the training and facilitation of all security officer policies and procedures.

"I have a firm belief in the moral integrity of this company," said Williams, "and I am committed to continuing the tradition of hard work, superior work ethic, and quality work performance."

In addition to his work with Saber Security, Williams serves his community by working as a prison minister. He is also a member of "The Soul Survivors," a gospel singing group that performs at transitional centers, churches, and different communities in the area, and is a volunteer for the Big Brother Program and a mem-



David Williams

ber of his church's outreach program.

"We are so pleased to have Williams on board with our team," said Erica Lumpert, president of Saber Security and Investigations. "Over the last two years, he has emerged as a first-class leader with an excellent record of service to our clients and our team."

Saber Security & Investigations delivers security services for various companies throughout the Southeast.

With offices in Savannah and Atlanta, this leading full-service security

company provides highly professional security officers for special events, facility management high-value escorts and executive protection.

Under the leadership of company president Erica A. Lumpert, Saber Security & Investigations provides customized security solutions for a wide range of clients in the greater Savannah area including the City of Savannah, IHOP Restaurant, the Newell Recycling Plant and many others.

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