



43rd Annual Wagner Family Reunion



February 3, 2012

Dear Family Member,

Happy and Blessed New Year! The New Jersey/New York reunion committee has the honor of hosting the 43rd Annual Wagner Family Reunion this year in the new metropolitan hotspot Jersey City, New Jersey. The dates of the reunion are **Thursday, August 2 to Sunday, August 5, 2012** and we can't wait. We had an excellent time on the cruise last year and now plan to show you what the Big Apple and Garden State have to offer. A lot has happened since we last met but we have all remained steadfast in our efforts to continue the legacy of Martin & Betsy Wagner and the traditions of their offspring. The host hotel information is as follows:

The Westin Jersey City Newport

479 Washington Boulevard • Jersey City, New Jersey 07310 • USA
Phone: 201-626-2900 • Toll Free: 800-937 8461 • Fax: 201-626-2925
www.westinjerseycity.com

The hotel registration deadline is June 30, 2012. After this date rooms will be subject to room availability. The rates are as follows: \$179 for Single/Double occupancy, \$199 Triple occupancy, \$219 Quad occupancy, and \$279 for the Junior Suite – rates are exclusive of tax, currently 14%. Ask for **“Wagner Family Reunion 2012”** when booking the room. Parking is available but the rates are \$35 for valet parking and \$22 for self-parking, each exit.

It is advised that those flying into the area use Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR) since it is the closest to Jersey City; otherwise we suggest New York's LaGuardia International Airport (LGA). Those coming by Amtrak or NJ Transit trains can arrive at Newark Penn Station and then take the World Trade Center-bound PATH train to Journal Sq., transfer across platform for the 33rd St. PATH train, and get off at the Pavonia-Newport stop in Jersey City. If coming from New York Penn Station take the 33rd St. PATH train to the Newport-Pavonia stop. The PATH train is \$2 per trip and runs every 10-15 minutes, 24 hours/day. The hotel is in walking distance from the Newport-Pavonia stop. There is also a chartered bus being arranged by Alvin “Butch” Horne. It will depart from its first stop in Wichita, KS and go cross-country to our hotel, with pickups along the way. For those interested in taking the bus please see the attached insert from Prestige Bus Charters and contact Alvin for more information.

The reunion dues rates are as follows: Adult (19-64 yrs) = \$65, additional Adult = \$55; Senior (65+ yrs) = \$55, additional Senior = \$50; Youth (13-18yrs) = \$55, additional Youth = \$50, Child (6-12 yrs) = \$40, additional Child = \$30; Young Child (0-5 yrs) = Free. Please note that the increased rates are due to the higher expenses in the NYC metropolitan area.

Dues are payable by check or money order to **“Wagner Family Reunion”** and mailed to Wagner Family Reunion 2012 c/o Darlene Smith, 57 Mustang Trail, Somerset, NJ 08873. Payments can also be done online at www.wagnerfamilyreunion.com under the listing “Dues Donation” but there is an additional 3.75% credit card processing fee and a \$0.75 transaction fee deducted from the amount submitted. The deadline to pay the dues without a \$10 late fee is May 30, 2012.

Although the new Wagner Family website www.wagnerfamilyreunion.com has been created there are still parts under construction. Some sections are open to the public but, for security reasons and the safety of our family members’ privacy, the parts with personal information, pictures, and other sensitive information are password-protected. To access those sections you must contact Darlene Smith at dmsmithesq@gmail.com or call 732-821-0272 to get the password. Once you log-in you can create your own password and username. Most of the reunion information that is sent out by mail will also be posted on the website – plus links that are helpful for travelers to the New Jersey/New York region and other reunion items.

We look forward to fellowshiping with all of you in August and can’t wait to show off our cities, states, and a lot of East Coast hospitality and charm (don’t believe the stereotype... we are really a friendly bunch).



Yours truly,

The NJ/NY Wagner Family Reunion Committee

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