

CHIVILO - ERMAGORA - MANIAGO

REUNION NEWSLETTER

Summer 2006

WHOEVER THOUGHT OF THIS?

Well it's that time again; a long five years have gone by without a good old bonding. Five get togethers over 23 years certainly speaks for itself. Old friends are now gone but new ones have been added and it's time to be reraquainted. Five years has become the historical time period. The Trail gang have been thrown the torch (or is it the wine bottle) and, as they say, "With a little help from our friends", we'll do you proud.



HISTORY

- 1983 - Trail
- 1990 - Trail
- 1995 - Fort McLeod
- 2000 - Trail
- 2005 - Trail



DATES

- **Fri., July 29, 2005**
- Evening - Wine and Cheese and Registration and Family Tree Centre
- **Sat., July 30, 2005**
- Big Time Breakfast and Family Photo
- Social Events
- Banquet and Dance
- **Sun., July 31, 2005**
- Mass
- Picnic



DON'T LEAVE ANYONE OUT!

We want to see everyone. It's important that the word be sent far and wide and everyone be included. Like the usual pyramid scheme, key family members have been contacted and they will spread the word.

COST

- **Adults** - \$100.00
- **Children** - 2 to 15 years - \$50.00

Send cheques to Gale or Louise and make them out to **CEM Reunion**. Price includes events above. Accomodation and drinks not included. When sending a cheque for a group, give us the names for whom the cheque covers.



BUSY-BUSY-BUSY

Let us know what you would like to sign up for or volunteer for.

- Wine contest
- Talent Show Organizer
- Kid's Games
- Bocce Tournament
- Face Painting
- Preparing Goodie Bags for Kids
- Golf
- Any Darn Thing You Can Think Of



THINGS TO BRING

- Camera
- Big Smile
- Golf Clubs
- Appetite
- Passport (In case of side trip to Spokane)
- Family photos (Don't forget to label)
- Swim Suit, Hat, and Sun Screen (Heat Guaranteed)
- Lots of Stories and Memories



SETTING UP AN E-MAIL LIST

Send your e-mail addres to Keith and Gale at < keithandgale@shaw.ca >. A group electronic mail out of the next newsletter is planned. Of course, this will save us half-loonie stamps. Time sensitive - make it a priority!

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Famiglia per sempre

WEAR YOUR COLOURS

Each clan, grouping, circle or clique better find some fancy duds so we recognize yuh' ll. How about one of those colourful, itty-bitty, can't-keep-my-eyes off of you costume things with a big bow!



WHERE TO HANG YOUR HAT

Here's some places to call. Don't hesitate though, the're going like ice water at a camel market.

TRAIL:

- **Best Western Terra Nova - (250) 368-3355**
- **Glenwood Motel - (250) 368-5522**
- **Ray Lynn Motel - (250) 368-5541**

ROSSLAND:

- **Thhe Uplander - (250) 362-7375**

CASTLEGAR:

- **Sandman Hotel - (250) 365-8444**
- **Super 8 Hotel - (250) 365-2700**



KEY FAMILY CONTACTS

The following have been the early contacts. Thanks for your help!

- **Joyce Adams** kenadams123@hotmail.com
- **Myrna Balbi**
- **Penny Ivens-Baker**
- **Elsie Milne** georginamilne@yahoo.ca
- **Gale Smyth** keithandgale@shaw.ca
- **Louisa Ganzert** lganzert@yahoo.com



LAST MINUTE

- Conversations are underway about a web page. If this is your forte, let us know. More to follow.
- We need another update of the family tree. We should be on line with this. Your thoughts are welcome.

The Station by Robert J. Hastings

"Tucked away in our subconscious is an idyllic vision. We see ourselves on a long trip that spans the continent. We are traveling by train. Out the windows, we drink in the passing scene of cars or nearby highways, Of children waving at a crossing, of cattle grazing on a distant hillside, of smoke pouring from a power plant, of row upon row of corn and wheat, of flatlands and valleys, of mountains and rolling meadows, of city skyliners and village halls.

"But uppermost in our minds is the final destination. On a certain day at a certain hour, we will pull into the station. Bands will be playing and flags waving. Once we get there, so many wonderful dreams will come true and the pieces of our lives will fit together like a completed jigsaw puzzle. How restlessly we pace the aisles, damning the minutes for loitering - waiting, waiting, waiting for the station.

"When we reach the station, that will be it' we cry. 'When I'm 18.' 'When I buy a new 450SL Mercedes Benz!' 'When I put the last kid through college.' 'When I have paid off the mortgage!' 'When I get a promotion.' 'When I reach the age of retirement, I shall live happily ever after'...

"...Sooner or later, we must realize there is no station, no one place to arrive at once and for all. The true joy of life is the trip. The station is only a dream. It constantly outdistances us.

"Relish the moment' is a good motto, especially when coupled with Psalm 118:24: 'This is the day that the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.' It isn't the burdens of today that drive men mad. It is the regrets over yesterday and the fear of tomorrow. Regret and fear are twin thieves who rob us of today.

"So stop pacing the aisles and counting the miles. Instead, climb more mountains, eat more ice cream, go barefoot more often, swim more rivers, watch more sunsets, laugh more, cry less. Life must be lived as we go along. The station will come soon enough."

ATTENTION GETTER

To show you how important it is to contact us with confirmation and to get your money in as soon as possible (by May 1st!!!) we are giving a BIG prize - a trip for 10 to Disneyland. Okay, so we can't afford this. How about an early bird draw for a \$ 50 registration rebate!

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