

8TH NATIONAL FAMILY REUNION
JULY 14-18, 2010
DESCENDANTS OF
THE REV. ROBERT AND SARAH WINTER JORDAN
Headquarters Hotel - Best Western Merry Manor Inn, South Portland, Maine

CELEBRATION is the theme for the 2010 Family Jordan Reunion! We will be celebrating the 400th anniversary of the birth of our founding father, The Rev. Robert Jordan who was baptized in St. Swithuns Church, Worcester, Worcestershire, England on January 12, 1611. We will also celebrate the 21st Anniversary of the founding of The Descendants of The Rev. Robert and Sarah Winter Jordan (The Family Jordan) on July 28, 1989.

The reunion will be held July 14 through 18, 2010 at the Best Western Merry Manor Inn, South Portland, Maine. There are several hotels in the area; however, Best Western Merry Manor Inn will serve as our headquarters hotel and has offered a block of rooms as well as banquet facilities at a special Jordan Reunion rate as listed on the enclosed registration form.

We have planned a number of activities for this reunion and hope that you will plan to attend as many of these activities as possible. Much looked forward to at each of our reunions is the annual fundraising auction - and this reunion is no exception. Please bring your items for the auction to the reunion with you. This year, we have added an auction preview with pizza and a beer and wine cash bar. This will allow you time to mingle with your Jordan cousins and look over the auction items while munching on pizza and sipping beer or wine (soda will be also available). If you are planning to take the bus tour on Thursday, and are coming from any distance, we would suggest that you plan to arrive Wednesday and stay overnight so that you will be ready for the early morning departure.

Wednesday, July 14 - This will be a day for registration and hospitality, a day to renew old friendships and catch up on what has been happening with our Jordan cousins over the past three years. Following our buffet dinner on Wednesday evening, we will present a program with updates on the gravesite of The Rev. Robert Jordan in Newcastle, NH, the Summer 2009 Dig at the Sprague Farm in Cape Elizabeth, and an overview of the numerous events and activities planned for the 2010 reunion.

Thursday, July 15 - We will need to be up early this morning as the bus will leave promptly at 9 AM for a day long trip to Newcastle, NH to visit the gravesite of The Rev. Robert and Sarah Jordan Winter near Fort Constitution. After stopping for lunch, we will then travel on to Biddeford Pool where we will visit several historic Jordan sites and cemeteries in this area. Upon return to South Portland we will gather for a buffet dinner followed by a fun and educational game night "Jordan Trivia." Here we will test your knowledge of people, places and events in Family Jordan history in a fun, relaxed atmosphere. Even if you don't think you know much about our history, please come and participate - you will know a lot more when you leave!

Friday, July 16 - This is the day of the much anticipated Lobster Bake at Fort Williams followed by our Auction in the evening! But before you head out for Portland Head Light and Fort Williams, take time to enjoy our breakfast buffet and then spend some time in the Republican Room from 9-10:30 AM where we will have people available to provide membership information and orientation; information on what is available on our Family Jordan website and tips on how to navigate the site; as well as information about The Jordan Foundation and its past and current Foundation Scholarship winners.

We will begin serving our Lobster Bake at 12:30 p.m. at the Picnic Shelter at Fort Williams. Directions to the site will be included in your registration packets. A new addition to this year's Lobster Bake is the choice of a Barbecue Chicken dinner for those who do not eat Lobster. The old standby Hot Dog dinner will still be available also. All three meal options include salads, potatoes, vegetables, soft drinks or water and desserts.

Back at the hotel Friday evening, everyone is invited to gather in the Governors Ball Room at 5:30 p.m. for an hour long Auction Preview and Social Hour preceding the auction. This will give you an opportunity to preview all of the items available for auction while socializing, munching pizza and sipping beer, wine or soft drinks.

Saturday, July 17 - While the Banquet is the much anticipated activity of the day, Saturday is also a day filled with various business and board meetings. Please plan to take some time to attend these meetings to not only find out what is happening within your organizations, but also to have an opportunity to play a role in how your organization operates and moves forward from here. If you have lost Jordan friends and loved ones since our last reunion, you won't want to miss the poignant Candle Lighting Memorial Service for remembering deceased members at the close of the Family Jordan General Business Meeting.

Immediately following the Saturday evening Banquet, get ready to enjoy a trip back to the wild west with an original play "The Dalton Gang," written, produced and acted by present day Jordans about some of our past Jordan cousins.

Sunday, July 18 - We will bring our 8th National Family Jordan Reunion to a close with a Sunday Worship service at the historic Spurwick Church. We hope you will plan to come and worship with us in the very same church our forefathers helped build and where they worshipped for many generations.

While at the reunion, please take time to visit our Hospitality Room where you can view photos and various other information and memorabilia about all branches of the Jordan family. This is also a great opportunity to meet, greet and socialize with other Jordan cousins. Another spot you won't want to miss is our Memorabilia Room where you can purchase wearing apparel with Jordan crests, Family Jordan jewelry, family crests and a wide variety of specialty items. We have added some new items to our stock that you won't want to miss, so please stop by and see what we have to offer. Sales from the Memorabilia Room help to finance The Family Jordan.

We look forward to seeing you at our ***Celebration Reunion!*** Please plan on attending for as many days as possible so that you don't miss any of the fun, exciting and educational activities that we have planned for you.