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# JOSEPH SMITH SR.

## FAMILY REUNION NEWS

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## 17TH BIENNIAL REUNION IN GLORIOUS OLD NAUVOO, AUGUST 7-10, 2003

Nauvoo, Illinois, will be the location for the upcoming reunion, August 7-10. During these four days the family spends in the "City of Joseph," they will participate in a myriad of activities.

Thursday afternoon, August 7, registration finalization and a get-acquainted reception will take place in the Joseph Smith Academy, just to the west of the Nauvoo Temple. Each evening, August 7-9, members of the family are invited to see *The City of Joseph* pageant, *Rendezvous in Old Nauvoo*, and the *Nauvoo Adventure*.

Friday and Saturday mornings, August 8th and 9th, special programs will be staged in the theatre of the Academy for all reunion participants.

The family banquet will be held that Saturday afternoon in the Hotel Nauvoo Historic Inn.

A special wreath-laying ceremony at the nearby Carthage Jail on Sunday morning, August 10th, will officially bring the 17th biennial reunion to a close.

Lots of free time has been scheduled for those planning to attend the

reunion. Opportunities to tour the local visitors' centers, numerous historic sites, and restored buildings will be provided. LDS Nauvoo Temple sessions Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 7-9, will take place every hour on the hour, 6:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

To insure reservations for the 2003 reunion, fill out the enclosed registration form, or a copy of the same and mail it to Buddy Youngren, President, 703 North 945 West, Orem, UT 84057-3698. Include applicable payment by check made out to Joseph Smith Sr. Family Reunion, no later than July 3, 2003. Cancelled checks will serve as registration confirmation.



## FAMILY BUS TOUR TO HISTORIC SITES, REUNION AND BRANSON

Beginning August 3 and ending August 13, Buddy Youngren will conduct and host a special 11 days/10 nights tour of LDS Church historic sites in Liberty, Independence, Richmond, Far West, Adam-ondi-Ahman and Hannibal, Missouri, as well as Nauvoo and Carthage, Illinois.

This 2003 tour will be topped off with entertainment and relaxation in popular and delightful Branson, Missouri.

Motorcoach touring, complete with video monitors, restroom, com-

fortable hotel/motel accommodations, experienced guide and driver, souvenir book, group photographs, two Branson shows (Spirit of the Dance and Showboat Branson Belle Dinner Cruise), and Salt Lake City/Provo, Utah, pick-up and drop-off is offered on a limited availability basis and priced at just \$1295.00 per person-double occupancy.

Fifty per cent of each individual \$1295.00 tour fee must be paid upon booking. The balance will be due July 3. Make tour checks out, separate

from regular reunion registration fees, to *Joseph Smith Family Tours*. Mail with regular registration form and registration check to Buddy Youngren, President—703 North 945 West, Orem, UT 84057-3698.

There will be no non-medical emergency refunds whatsoever because of pre-paid bookings of motorcoach, lodgings, and shows. A complete tour itinerary is included in this newsletter. Telephone or fax Buddy Youngren at [801] 266-6561 for any additional information.

## President's Message



**Buddy Youngreen**  
**Chief Reunion Officer**  
**Since 1972**

It's been an incredible experience directing the Joseph Smith Sr. Family Reunions for the past thirty-two years. During that time we have had seventeen very memorable biennial reunions.

The upcoming Nauvoo reunion, August 7-10, is an event no family member will want to miss. Potential participants need to make plans now to attend.

Those who choose to participate in the bus tour will automatically have all of their transportation and lodging needs taken care of. Everyone else must secure their own accommodations.

I am reprinting a list of Nauvoo area lodgings, restaurants, and caterers to assist family members needing to make reservations.

The enclosed registration form/bus tour itinerary should be copied and the original filled out and mailed off as directed, with applicable fees paid by check, no later than July 3.

Bus tour participants can also

arrange to join the tour late or leave early via air transportation. Kansas City and St. Louis airport pickup and delivery may be arranged on an individual basis.

## 32 Years of Reunions

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|----------------------|------|
| 1. Nauvoo            | 1972 |
| 2. Independence      | 1973 |
| 3. Salt Lake City    | 1975 |
| 4. Kirtland          | 1977 |
| 5. Nauvoo            | 1979 |
| 6. Brigham Young U.  | 1981 |
| 7. Graceland College | 1983 |
| 8. Nauvoo            | 1985 |
| 9. Kirtland          | 1987 |
| 10. Salt Lake City   | 1989 |
| 11. National Tour    | 1991 |
| 12. Carthage/Nauvoo  | 1993 |
| 13. Salt Lake City   | 1995 |
| 14. Kirtland         | 1997 |
| 15. Nauvoo           | 1999 |
| 16. Salt Lake City   | 2001 |
| 17. Nauvoo           | 2003 |

### Business Lodgings:

Hotel Nauvoo  
Motel Nauvoo  
Nauvoo Family Motel  
Grandma's House  
White House Inn  
The Nauvoo House  
Riverview Guest House  
Auntie Ann's  
Harmon Guest House  
Rufus Abbott Manor  
Mississippi Memories  
Park Inn  
Temple View  
1850's Guest House  
Nauvoo Grand  
Camp Nauvoo  
Nauvoo State Park  
Nauvoo RV Campground  
New Life Campground

### Restaurants:

Blimpies  
Deli at Duck's Grocery  
Hotel Nauvoo  
Grandpa John's  
Nauvoo Dairy Sweet  
Nauvoo Mill & Bakery

### Caterers:

Mike Trapp  
Hy-Vee Food Store  
Hy-Vee Food Store

### Address

1290 Mulhollar  
1610 Mulhollar  
1875 Mulhollar  
Contact Family  
1475 Mulhollar  
Main & River  
1995 No. Hwy.  
2626 Ave. H, F  
3 Miles South o  
1910 Ripley  
1 Riverview Te  
290 North Pag  
Corner Knight  
15 min. No. on  
2015 Parley St  
1095 S. Warsa  
Highway 96 Sc  
Highway 96 Sc  
Route 3, Box 65,

1390 Mulhollar  
1385 Mulhollar  
1290 Mulhollar  
1255 Mulhollar  
2205 Mulhollar  
1530 Mulhollar

Nauvoo  
Fort Madison, I  
Keokuk, IA

### Keokuk, Iowa 52632 (15 miles south/west of)

Fairfield Inn 3404 Main  
Holidayh Inn Express 4th & Main  
Econo Lodge 3764 Main  
Super 8 Motel 3511 Main  
Chief Motel 2701 Main

### Keokuk, Iowa 52632 Bed and Breakfast

Grand Anne 816 Grand Ave  
River's Edge 611 Grand Ave

### Fort Madison, Iowa 52627 (12 miles north of)

Days Inn Hwy. 61 West  
Kingsley Inn 707 Ave. H  
Super 8 Motel 5115 Ave. L  
Madison Inn Motel 3440 Ave. L

### Fort Madison, Iowa 52627 Bed & Breakfast

Coffey House 1020 Ave. D  
Ivy Manor 804 Ave. F  
Kountry Klassics 2002 295th Ave  
Morrison Manor 532 Ave. F

### Carthage, Illinois 62321 (25 miles southeast of)

Towne House Motgel 160 Prairie Ave  
Prairie Winds Motel Hwy 136 - 1 mi

### Burlington, Iowa 52601 (40 miles north of Na)

Super 8 Motel 3001 Kirkwood  
Comfort Inn 3051 Kirkwood  
Holiday Inn Express 1601 N. Roose  
Fairfield Inn 1213 N. Roose  
American Motel & Suites 628 Gear St, n

# D LODGINGS, RESTAURANTS, CATERERS (2003)

	Phone	Facilities	Capacity	Approx. Cost	Availability
	217-453-2211	S/Db/Tr Rooms	8 Rooms	\$40-\$90	Year Around
	217-453-2219	S/Db/Tr Rooms	11 Units	\$39 & up	April-November
	800-416-4470	Reg/Kitchenettes	120 Rooms-340 People	Dbl. \$56 up/Year Around	
otel	Same	Kitchen/Showers	54 People	\$12 up	Year Around
	217-453-6734	Shared Kitchen	4-8 Per Room	\$55 up	Year Around
	217-453-2246	Bunks/Kitchen	70 Bunks \$8/pp	\$160 min.	Year Around
	217-453-6556	noe@nauvoo.net	Guest House =6	\$75 - \$85	Year Around
Madison	319-463-7200	Bed & Breakfast			Year Around
Nauvoo	217-453-2726	Bed & Breakfast		\$45 to \$65	Year Around
	888-299-3688	Bed & Breakfast		\$65 & up	Year Around
ce	217-453-2771	Doubles/Suites	8 People	\$69-\$99	Year Around
	217-453-2025	2 Doubles/Suites	4 People	\$48-\$50	Year Around
age	217-453-6260	Bed & Breakfast		\$75 to \$85	Year Around
vy. 96	217-852-3652	10 Rooms	30 People	\$50-\$70	Year Around
t	217-453-2767	Cable TV/Antique	5 Rooms	\$115	Year Around
	217-453-2317	Bunks/Shower	150 People/Grps	\$7.50 pp Full Hookups \$20+\$2pp	
	217-453-2512	Campers/Tents	Groups	\$10	VB,BB,BaseB, etc.
	217-453-2253	RV/Campers/Tents	30 Hook-ups	\$18 includes Tax \$11 Tents	Showers, full hookups
hoka, MO.	660-727-3769	RV/Campers/Tents	45 Hook-ups	\$15/Night \$9 Tents	Showers, full hookups
	217-453-2050		84		Year Round
	217-453-6526				Year Round
	217-453-2211		200		Mid March-Late Nov.
	217-453-2310		90		Mid-Jan closing (2 wks)
	217-453-2253		50		Closed Jan-Mar.
	217-453-6734		40		Year Round Caterers
	217-453-2249				
	319-372-5841				

## MOTELS IN NEIGHBORING TOWNS

auvoo)	1-800-228-2800	Pool, etc	63	\$50-\$130	Year Around
	1-800-465-4329	Pool, etc	80		Year Around
	1-800-524-3252	Pool, etc	60	\$40-\$50	Year Around
	1-800-800-8000	Cable TV	62	\$35-\$75	Year Around
	1-800-728-0599	www.keokuk.com/chief	17	\$30-\$45	Year Around
	1-319-524-6310	Queen Beds	4	\$75-\$100	Year Around
	1-319-524-1700	King/Queen Beds	4	\$75-\$110	Year Around
uvoo)			<a href="http://www.fortmadison.com/directory">www.fortmadison.com/directory</a>		
	1-800-423-2693	Pool, CableTV	140	\$54-\$75	Year Around
	1-800-441-2327	www.kingsleyinn.com	14	\$75-\$135	Year Around
	1-800-800-8000	Weight Room, HBO	42	\$40-\$80	Year Around
	1-800-728-7316	Queen Beds	20	\$32-\$42	Year Around
	1-319-372-1656	Queen, Dbl, Sgl, Hide	2 rooms: 4 beds	\$60	Year Around
	1-319-372-7380	King/Queen/Pool	3 w/private baths	\$75	Year Around
	1-319-372-5484	King/Queen/Beds	8 rooms	\$65-\$75	Year Around
	1-319-372-5876	King/Queen/Beds	4 w/private baths	\$80-\$90-\$110	Year Around
auvoo)	1-217-357-3118	Double Beds	3	\$35+\$5 pp	Year Around
West	1-217-357-3101	Double Beds	24	\$32-\$46	Year Around
oo)	1-800-800-8000				
	1-319-753-0000				
t	1-800-465-4329				
t	1-800-228-2800				
Mall	1-800-634-3444				

# 2001 JOSEPH SMITH SR., FAMILY PORTRAIT, SALT LAKE CITY



## Guest Article by Hortense C. Smith

The above photo is a study of our family—gathered to know one another better, to learn of our roots, to be entertained and to have a fun and memory-making time. All ages are present—babies, youth, parents, grandparents and there is not one unhappy face discernable. It is a motivating preview for the descendants of Joseph Smith Sr. as we look forward to a like gathering in Nauvoo, Illinois, in August. We get a feeling of exciting anticipation, especially as we remember the remarkable experiences in Salt Lake City in August, 2001. Has it really been two years?

Some extra special privileges were afforded during that reunion. The setting was most appropriate—the beautiful Joseph Smith Memorial Building in Salt Lake City with its adequate and luxurious accommodations.

From the beginning at the Thursday evening registration, a general spirit of warmth and family togetherness settled over the participants. That spirit strengthened and prevailed as the days and events progressed. It was joyful to mingle with and greet those friends that we have grown to love and to experience special family events together. All of which enhance our gratitude for belonging to such a royal family.

Reviewing some of the highlights can only whet our appetites for what is in store in Nauvoo: In Salt Lake City we

were taught the details of the printing of the Book of Mormon augmented by a replica of the original press which was brought from Provo for our special instruction. Then came a privilege that few others have—the opportunity of seeing part of the original handwritten translation manuscript of the Book of Mormon. An extremely rare opportunity! Those who missed it missed an experience that more than repaid us for being there. Coupled with all this was some exceptionally beautiful music. We also had blue grass music so typical of the early days of the family.

A moving and inspirational dramatic episode by talented actors gave us a glimpse into the life of Joseph and Emma. We were surprised to learn of how many references to the Savior there are in the Book of Mormon. An expert scholar taught some little known history of the family.

Friday evening we played and ate on the patio grounds of the LDS Brighton Branch Meetinghouse, cradled in the majestic tops of the gigantic Wasatch Mountains. The Samuel H.B. Smith family prepared and served a scrumptious outdoor barbeque which topped it all off. Genuine western music made our toes tap and we enjoyed every minute of it.

The children had sessions especially for them where they played and learned of their pioneer grandparents.

Teens also had special attention with fascinating stories and viewing personal

belongings of Hyrum that told them, very realistically, about the Smith family and about the martyrdom of Joseph, Hyrum and of Samuel too, who also gave his life in trying to aid his brothers..

Saturday evening 400 Smith cousins attended a formal banquet and special musical entertainment on the twenty-sixth floor of the new Church Office Building. This afforded a breathtaking panoramic view of the Salt Lake Valley at night. It was a full two and one-half days, but very rewarding.

The capstone of the event came on Sunday, with attendance at the Mormon Tabernacle Choir broadcast where family members were seated in a section of the Tabernacle designated especially for them. In the closing session, Sunday afternoon, we enjoyed an original musical theatre presentation, “Joseph Smith, The Prophet” directed by its composer, Rob Gardner with the assistance of a complete orchestra and chorus. The performance was dedicated to the Joseph Smith Sr. Family. Elder M. Russell Ballard left his blessing. We sang “God Be With You Till We Meet Again,” said a prayer of thanksgiving, and bid each other farewell until next time.

Next time is this year, 2003 at Nauvoo! This review of the past reunion gives us a glimpse of what next time will be like—an equally impressive and rewarding gathering will take place there. Don't Miss It!! SEE YA!