January 2013 Status Report Reuben Yoder Centennial Reunion - July 4-7, 2013

Our ancestor Reuben Yoder was born Jan. 9, 1831, so today is his 182 birthday!

This status report is being sent to those in our email list for each family mail group. Please pass along to anyone in your family whose email address you don't see in the address line, and "cc" me with the added addresses.

- 1. Registration Information- the registration fliers should be prepared and distributed to all email/snail mail addressees in about two months.
- 2. Reservations at Amish Inn, Shipshewana:

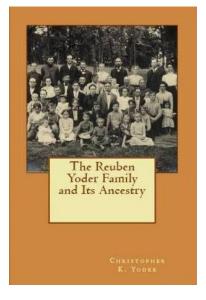
FOR THOSE PLANNING TO STAY AT THE AMISH INN AND SPLASH WATER PARK

- We have an initial block of rooms reserved. Limited availability. Book before 1 Jun. Call 260-768-7688 ask for the "Reuben Yoder Reunion". Pricing and room details (all with microwave and refrigerator): -Classic Room (sleeps up to 4)-Two Queens sized beds -\$89.99 per night
 - -King Suite- (up to 4) One King and one set of bunk beds- \$99.99 per night
 - -Bunkhouse Suite- (up to 6) One King and two sets of bunk beds- \$99.99 per night
- -Family Fun Suite- (up to 8) One King, two sets bunk beds, one sofa sleeper -\$\$109.99 Amish Inn takes first night as deposit, gives refunds if canceled before 48 hours. A 6% sales tax and 5% lodging tax is applied to all guest rooms. Rollaway beds and cribs are only available on a first-come, first-serve basis at time of check in.

Discounted passes to Splash Universe Indoor Water Park will be available to the group at time of check-in. Water Park passes <u>can also</u> be purchased by people not staying at the Amish Inn. Breakfast Pricing: Full Amish Hot Buffet: Kids 11 years and over and Adults: \$7.95 plus tax, Kids under 11 eat free.



3. T-Shirts have been designed and should be available in several colors and all standard sizes. Orders will be delivered at registration. For those not able to attend, shirts may be ordered for mailing after the reunion. The registration flier will include ordering details.



- 4. The update of the Reuben Yoder Family book is coming along well (assuming I can figure out how to add page numbers outside the margins without reformatting everything). The new edition will be over 250 pages.
- A ''draft'' cover has been designed at left (subject to change)
- Many family lines still need to be updated. PLEASE look at your family on-line at: http://www.fargazepoint.com/RWeb and send in data or contact information especially for anyone not showing a 2012 address. Over the next couple months I'll start trying to

call people across the country for updates. At this point we

have 1,187 individual descendants identified.

- At the 1983 reunion, the people present helped name those in the 1907, 1913, 1917, 1925 reunion photos. In an attempt to "fill in the blanks" before the book update goes to

press, I've attached to this email a PDF file of these photos and identities. If you can name anyone else in these photos please do so, as I'd like to be as complete as possible.

- -Books will be available for distribution at the reunion. As with the T-shirts, ordering information will be in the registration flier and copies not delivered at the reunion may be mailed after the reunion.
- 5. The Main Banquet Program- Saturday Evening, July 6th at Shipshewana Conference center:
- One Hour Powerpoint Program on the History of our Family (Switzerland to Indiana). The result of over 40 years of family history research.







1742- Berks Co, PA



1851- LaGrange Co, IN

-Stopher Photo Center Lagrange, the Photographer who took the 1983 Reunion photo will be present the night of the main banquet program (6 July) to take an official reunion photo. They will be available to take additional group photos on request.

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT! AND MAY YOU HAVE A HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR!