

THE

GETMAN NEWS

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FRIENDLY REMINDER

Getman Association Meeting, Saturday August 1, 2009

The Getman Association will hold its annual meeting Saturday August 1, 2009 in Herkimer, NY. Herkimer is well known to many Getman's as one of the early settlements in the Mohawk Valley where their ancestors lived and worked.

This year's meeting will have a new format that is intended to provide family related history and entertainment. Beginning at 4:30 PM we will gather for a cruise using Erie Canal Cruises of Herkimer. The cruise will be followed by a 7:00 PM dinner at the Waterfront Grill. Both are located at "Gems Along the Mohawk" adjacent to the Interstate 90 "Thruway" exit. Folks who would rather not take the cruise may choose to browse in the shops at "Gems Along the Mohawk", displaying many local products or visit some of the many local historic sites.

The cruise will take us eastward toward Little Falls, through a canal lock and return in time for dinner. The cruise will take about an hour and a half and we will learn about the Erie Canal "Clinton's Ditch", and its impact on the history of our country. Many Getman descendants were greatly impacted by the Canal as it brought them news ways of life and helped them move westward.

Because this is a different format, a different reservation system is required. The cruise fee will be \$16.00 per/person. (We need to have, or at least pay for, 25 persons, minimum). Dinner will be \$17.50 per/person. (Tax and gratuity not included). Reservations must be submitted by Friday July 17 and payment of \$20.00 per/person is required by Wednesday July 22, the balance is payable upon arrival. Reservations are to be submitted to Wayne and Sara Getman at (wayget@ntcnet.com or 315-845-8014). Payments may be submitted to Wayne Getman or David Getman, Getman Association Treasurer.

Late Registrations

As of this writing, June 11, 2009, there are a half dozen reservations, two of which have been paid. Wayne and Sara Getman will be unavailable to take reservations after July 15th. Fortunately Maureen Getman has agreed to fill in during their absence.

Reservations should be submitted and paid as soon as possible. If pre-payment is a concern please contact Wayne Getman to make arrangements.

