

Wingate-Swinton-Charles **2009 Annual Family Reunion** **& Friends**

Dear Members of the Wingate-Swinton-Charles Family Reunion,

It's that time again! Time for you to mark your calendars for the event of the year. If you haven't participated in a family reunion, now is the time to start. This year you may invite your friends to come along and visit provided they pay the reunion fee.

Welcome to the entertainment capital of the world. The Hollywood Highland Entertainment Complex & Kodak Theater, Hollywood Walk of Fame, Grauman's Chinese Theatre, El Capitan Theatre & Entertainment Center. Hollywood Museum, Magic Castle and Hollywood Bowl are less than two short blocks away. Yamashiro Restaurant nestled in the Hollywood Hills which has a panorama view of city is also nearby. There is so much more you can do in Hollywood, and all you will need is the money to spend.

The date for this year's family reunion has been set for the weekend of July 31, August 1, 2, 2009 in Hollywood, California. The Hollywood District is eight miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles. The colors for this year's reunion will be red and blue. The Los Angeles Host Committee will host this year's reunion. The committee members are Terrence Montgomery, David Hollaway, John Hollaway, Shirley Pate, Doris Seay, Chuck Hollaway and Mary Manuel.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The Holiday Inn Express and Suites Hotel (323) 850-8151 is the place the reunion will be held. It is located at 1921 N. Highland Avenue in Hollywood, CA 90068. The reunion group room rate is \$160 per night and includes four people per room and a continental breakfast. The rooms are furnished with two queen beds or a king size bed, coffee maker, microwave oven, small refrigerator, and a couch that lets out into a bed. There is an additional charge for more than four people per room.

Room reservations for the hotel should be made directly with Terrence Montgomery at (323) 292-9146 or (323) 292-0325 fax. Reservations made

directly with the hotel will not be given the group rate. The hotel rooms used by the reunion will have to be paid with one check. I have to make a payment to the hotel for one night's stay by June 12, 2009, and the second night stay by July 17, 2009. Terrence will submit all the names of people who have paid to the hotel on July 17, 2009. On the day of check in, the hotel will accept your credit card, but it will only be charged for the room taxes and incidentals you charge to your room. Parking at the hotel is an additional \$22.00 per day. **Please call me and make your reservations now.** Other hotels in the area on the internet are \$200.00 to \$300.00 per day so please do not miss the deadline date. The last day to make hotel reservations or cancel under the reunion rate is June 12, 2009. Check in time is 3:00 p.m., check out time is 12:00 noon.

ACTIVITIES

This year's reunion promises to be exciting. The reunion begins on Friday evening at the hotel. On Saturday the banquet will be in Universal City, and on Sunday the picnic will be at Griffith Park. Traveling to the events will not be very far or difficult. The reunion schedule is:

Friday	Welcome Reception – 5:30p.m. – 9:30p.m. Free Time – select your own activity
Saturday	Free Time – select your own activity Evening Banquet Dinner – 6:30p.m. – 8:30p.m.
Sunday	Reunion Picnic – 11:00am – 6:00p.m.

HOSPITALITY ROOM

Two bedrooms in the hotel will be designated as a hospitality room. This room will open on Friday night at 10:00 p.m. and remain available 24 hours to family members until Sunday 11:00 a.m. The room will be supplied with food and refreshments. The cost of the room and food is included in the reunion fee.

REUNION FEES

The following price list has been established to accommodate this event. The Welcome Reception will be catered by us. John Hollaway is coordinator of the welcome reception. The banquet will be held at Buca di Beppo Italian Restaurant at City Walk in Universal City. Jackie Hass is the coordinator of the

banquet. The picnic will be held at the Crystal Springs Picnic Area in Griffith Park. David Hollaway is the coordinator of the picnic. The picnic area is a reserved area, and has seven picnic tables and grills. The reunion fee will cover the expenses of the hospitality room, welcome reception, banquet and picnic. The fee also pays for equipment rental, decorations and other overhead expenses. The adult price is higher to make it slightly more affordable for families with children. Any left over funds from this reunion will be kept for next reunion.

Adults (18 and over)	\$ 65.00
Teens (13 - 17)	\$ 55.00
Pre Teens (7 - 12)	\$ 50.00
Children (6 and under)	FREE

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed for this reunion. This is another way for us to get to know each other. Help us if you can, it will be greatly appreciated. Call any one of the committee member below if you can volunteer.

DONATIONS

Whether you plan to attend the reunion or not, donations are always needed and will help lower the price for family members at this reunion. If you cannot attend, please try to send a donation. For those in the Los Angeles area, we can use donations of picnic supplies, food, games and small gifts for our give away raffle. Mary Manuel is our donations coordinator. Call Mary and let her know if you can provide a donation.

T-SHIRTS

We would like for everyone to purchase a reunion T-shirt if this is possible . The cost is \$15.00 to \$18.00 per person. **The price of T-shirts is not included in the reunion fee.** We are requesting that you pre order your T-shirt (s) with sizes when you send in your reunion fees. There will be a limited quantity of T-shirts for sale during the reunion.

PAYMENT DEADLINES

The deadline for receipt of reunion fees is July 10, 2009. If you cannot meet this deadline, please contact Terrence at the phone numbers listed below.

Payment plans are acceptable, but we ask that you pay at least half by June 12, 2009, and the other half no later than July 12, 2009. We ask that you send all monies in the form of money orders or cashiers checks payable to Wingate Swinton Charles Family Reunion and mail them to Yvonne Hollaway at 12122 Lumpkin Street, Hamtramck, MI 48212. Do not send cash or personal checks.

If there are any questions or if additional information is needed, you may also contact any of the following individuals below:

John Hollaway	(310) 350-0809	Carson, CA
Mary Manuel	(310) 635-2641	Carson, CA
Derrick Hollaway	(313) 493-1751	Detroit, MI
David Hollaway	(310) 739-6162	Carson, CA
Shirley Pate	(323) 754-8475	Los Angeles, CA
Terrence Montgomery	(323) 292-9146	Los Angeles, CA

This reunion letter will be the only notification you will receive about the family reunion event. It is necessary to keep the costs from going any higher, so be careful not to misplace this letter. Please visit our family website on the World Wide Web at <http://home.comcast.net/~wscark>. This letter and registration form will be available there for you to download. You can read the latest updated reunion information at this site as well.

Participation Form Please return with payment by July1, 2009

Please name all family members who will be attending even kids who are free so we are able to get an accurate count.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and participation in the success of this event. May God bless you until we meet again.

Sincerely,

Terrence M. Montgomery
2009 Los Angeles Reunion Host Committee Chair
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