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Cody Family Reunion in Vancouver a Hit with All

Rides, cruise highlight weekend event

Fun, fellowship and family business were all on the agenda for the 2000 Reunion of the International Cody Family Association meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Chris Funston of North Vancouver coordinated the event, held August 24-27, with an outstanding lineup of sightseeing and social events with time for association business as well.

Sightseeing activities included:

- A horse-drawn trolley ride through Vancouver's lovely Stanley Park, the largest city park in Canada.
- A visit to the Capilano Suspension Bridge and Park which provided an opportunity to walk across a swaying bridge 230 feet above the Capilano River.
- An exciting ride in a cable car to the top of Grouse Mountain for a special picnic lunch and loggers show.
- A sunset cruise on the Burrard Inlet at sunset with a sumptuous buffet dinner.
 The cruise provided an outstanding view of the famous Lion's Gate bridge which joins Vancouver with North Vancouver

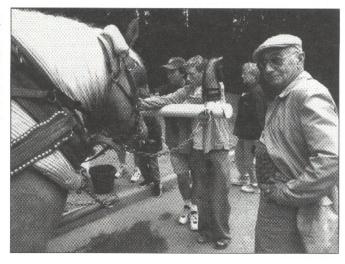


Many of those attending the biennial reunion in Vancouver pose on the deck of the boat that took them on a sunset tour of Vancouver harbor. Those in attendance consumed a sumptuous buffet as well as enjoyed a beautiful sunset.

All these events provided for Codys from all over the country to make new acquaintances and renew old ones. That a good time was had by all is shown in the photographs which accompany this article. On Sunday, the family members attended services at the St. Stephen's Anglican Church in West Vancouver, A luncheon followed at the church. Following the luncheon the ICFA Executive Committee met to transact the association business. A report on the committee's actions is to be found elsewhere in this publication.

Cody family members were present from Vancouver, Richmond, and Kelowna in British Columbia; Calgary, Alberta; Niagra on the Lake, Ontario; Cody, Wyoming; Saratoga, LaQuinta, and Rancho Palo Verdes, California; Seattle, Lake Stevens, Olympia, Stanwood, and Bremerton, Washington; Aurora, Oregon; Springfield, Missouri; Goshen, New York; Massillon and Cincinnati, Ohio; Watertown and Brighton, Massachusetts; and Blue Mountain, North Carolina.

Dwight Cody, Sean Cody, Dolores Thornton and Bill Mabon admire the two horses that provided the means of locomotion for a pleasant ride through Vancouver's lovely Stanley Park.



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More Reunion Pictures



President Kit Cody, Past President Harold Thornton, Genealogist Lee Norwood and Allan Cody visit after the Sunday church service at St. Stephen's Anglican Church.



As part of the reunion activities, family members got to visit the famous Capilano Suspension Bridge and Park. Here they are getting an orientation to the facility from one of the park guides.

A highlight of the Vancouver reunion was a tram ride up to the top of Grouse Mountain where a special outdoor buffet awaited Cody family members.



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Executive Committee Minutes

Canyon Court Motel, North Vancouver, B.C. Friday, Aug. 25, 2000

Present: Kit Cody, Suzanna Cody, Terry Cody, Leland Norwood, Margaret Mabon, Richard Grosenbaugh, Hiram Cody, Gerald Cody, Jim Cody, Harold Thornton, Allan Cody,

Kit opened the meeting by reading the minutes of the previous meeting in Worchester, MA. Discussion ensued through the reading as follows:

The website did not get off the ground in the past period, but will for sure now. A committee of Terry Cody, Richard Grosenbaugh and Allan Cody will design and install a suitable website, under the oversight of Kit Cody. Inquiries to the website will be handled by Lee Norwood and Terry Cody.



Terry Cody, Allan Cody, Lee Norwood and President Kit Carson participate in the association's business meeting held at the conclusion of the Sunday church service.

Margaret Mabon indicated her desire to decrease her work load. A few possible replacements were discussed and a two year transition period was suggested and agreed upon. Certain seeds were to be sown and watered by Kit, with results to be circulated later.

Cody Foundation 501 C status will be once again investigated by Suzanna Cody and Gerald Cody, with a view to obtaining that U.S. tax status, which would greatly enhance fund raising by allowing the issuance of tax receipts. Previously the status could not be obtained because of the organization's focus on the genealogy. There may be a way to open the membership to non-family members, or to create two separate entities to obtain the status.

Future Reunions discussed, with the following schedule confirmed from the prior reunion:

November 14 to 17, 2002, in Florida, to be organized by Kit and Linda Cody, with help from others in the area.

California, (in San Diego or possibly Palo Alto areas) with Jim Cody and Suzanna Cody organizing. Timing and place to be announced in 2002.

Cody, Wyoming. Looks like Kit and Linda again. (2006)

The frequency and content of the *Review* was discussed at length, with the decision to have the following deadlines:

Date for editorial content to be in November 15 May 1 Date for publication/mailing January 15 June 15

The issue immediately following a Reunion will report on that Reunion, creating the (correct) impression of how much fun was had by the attendees. The two issues prior to the next Reunion will concentrate on its promotion. It is recognized that the Review is crucial to good attendance.

A line of modernized Cody merchandise was suggested by Harold. For example, hats, tee shirts, jackets, jewelry, etc. Gerald Cody seemed particularly interested, and indicated that he and Marilyn would investigate and report back to Kit. Allan Cody suggested care be given to copyright or trademark of any images used.

A reprinting of 25 copies of the Genealogy was authorized by motion, M/S/C.

Re-printing of the "Five Generations" book by Lydia Cody was discussed. Richard and Terry will investigate the feasibility of doing so either electronically or by photocopy.

A subsequent meeting was held after the Bi-annual General Meeting, in which the same topics were briefly reviewed and the above details confirmed.

In addition, after some discussion on the nature of the organization's structure, it was decided by motion M/S/C that Terry Cody be given the title and responsibilities of Executive Director. Terry will be responsible for management of the database, replying, along with Lee Norwood, to inquiries on the website, handling of direct mailing from the membership and forwarding of that mail to the appropriate officer.

It was agreed by motion M/S/C, that a new category of membership be created, called Associate Member, with an annual dues payable of \$10.00 U.S., and such membership will include the *Review*. Further, an Active Member, with an annual dues payable of \$25.00 U.S. will receive the *Review* plus a membership card. The card will include an expiration date based on the calendar year.

It was suggested that a middle year executive meeting between Reunions could be desirable to further the work of the association. Agreement in principle was given to a gathering in Florida about February, 2002. Kit will set a time and place, notify participants and send them their free tickets. (Just seeing if you're reading these minutes.)

-Harold Thornton October, 2000



Secretary Margaret
Mabon, and past
presidents Gerald Cody
and Harold Thornton
concentrate on the
business affairs of the
association at the
conclusion of the
Vancouver reunion.

President's Message

Thanks to Chris Funston, we had a well organized, fun, and productive family reunion in Vancouver last August. It is always great to be with all the super people involved with this association at our reunions!

We are already planning the next reunion in Central Florida, November 2002.



Kit Cody

Your officers and directors are all working on programs to strengthen and secure the stability and future of the Cody Family Association.

Editorially Speaking.

This has really been "Buffalo Bill Year" in my life.

I've had an increased interest since I stumbled across a small Cody museum in LeClair, Iowa, Buffalo Bill's birthplace. This led me to visit another Iowa dwelling where he is reported to have lived before the family moved to Kansas.

Several winters ago, I visited the Scout's Rest Ranch in North Platte, Nebraska, and Buffalo Bill's grave on Lookout Mountain.

This summer on the way to the reunion in Vancouver, I stopped again at North Platte (this time the house was open) and at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, Wyoming. I even got to stay in the famous Irma Hotel.

Because I am assimilating everything I can about our famous relative, I've been browsing used book stores. I've found a copy of Cody's autobiography, the books by Nellie Snyder Yost and Don Russell and a copy of "My Life with Buffalo Bill" by Dan Muller which I have since found out was a fraud.

My most interesting find to date, however, is a copy of "The Last of the Great Scouts" by Helen Cody Wetmore. While browsing a small shop in Springfield, Missouri, I found a copy of this classic which was autographed. The autograph read "Good wishes of the author's daughter, Mary Jester Allen - Director, Buffalo Bill Museum - Cody, Wyoming." To that point in time I had not heard about Mary Jester Allen. I soon found out, from various sources, that she was indeed Buffalo Bill's niece and had worked with the Wild West Show as a promoter.

The folks at the McCracken Research Library said that the signature was indeed Mrs. Allen's. It wasn't though until I read the book "From Cody to the World: The First Seventy-five Years of the Buffalo Bill Memorial Association" by Richard A. Bartlett that I realized just how important she was to getting the Buffalo Bill Museum in Cody started and seeing it through its many growing pains. I also learned of her role in getting the International Cody Family Association going in 1925, 75 years ago.

A footnote to my education about this remarkable lady was a paragraph in the Bartlett book that stated: "It is said that she attended Drury College in Springfield, Missouri..." The author says, however, that Drury officials could not find her name in their records. I checked on this myself recently and got the same answer. The question I still have is whether or not my finding this autographed book here in my hometown has anything to do with the fact that perhaps one of Codys actually lived here for awhile.

As I dig deeper locally I am finding more connections between Buffalo Bill and Springfield, Missouri. But those I'll leave for another time. Needless to say, I'm hooked.

FOOTNOTE: Once grasped by the mystique of Buffalo Bill it's hard to get away from him. While in New York recently I saw "Annie Get Your Gun" on Broadway. Who's the first character on stage? You guessed it. Attending a local production of "The Hound of the Baskervilles" in my hometown, the closing line was: "Why don't we go see Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show which is in town."

- Richard Grosenbaugh, Editor

Ordering Books

Books about Cody Family History and Buffalo Bill that have previously been sold by the Cody Family Association are now available through the Museum Store at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center. They can be purchased through the mail. Inquiries about availability and price may be addressed to the Buffalo Bill Historical Center Gift Shop, 720 Sheridan Avenue, Cody, WY 82414 (Phone: (307) 587-4072; Fax: (307) 587-5714; email: giftshop@cody.wtp.net). You may order on the Web at www.bbhc.org/giftshop/ or by calling 1-(800)-533-3838. Books previously sold by the Cody Family Association that are now available through the BBHC are: The Cody Family in North America: Five Generations by Lydia S. Cody; Last of the Great Scouts by Helen Cody Wetmore; Buffalo Bill King of the Old West by Elizabeth Jane Leonard and Julia Cody Goodman; The Making of Buffalo Bill by Richard Walsh and Milton Salsbury; Directory of the Cody Family, various years (primarily of historical interest)

The Genealogy of the Cody Family and the most recent Directory (1998) are available only directly from the Cody Family. The Directory is \$20 (U.S.). The Genealogy is \$100 (U.S.) + \$8 for shipping. The Directory contains an alphabetic listing of all known living members of the Philip Cody Family at the time of its printing (1998). Biographical information is contained in each listing and current address, if known. The book also contains a very useful cross-index of fif/gen numbers. The Genealogy contains information on all known descendants, living and dead, of Philip and Martha Cody of Beverly Massachusetts. It is an extremely valuable resource for family members and professional and amateur genealogists. The more than 27,000 entries are printed on high-quality paper and bound in a 3.5" 3-ring binder. In the future, you will be able to purchase updated versions of individual Chapters for a nominal fee. Thus, you will be able to update your chapter, or any of the other chapters, of the Genealogy as often as you wish. The updated Chapters will be printed for you from our current family database. You may order the Genealogy and Directory by sending your check or money order (U.S. funds) to the International Cody Family Association, PO Box 9854, Cincinnati, OH 45209. Include your name and shipping address and family ID# (if you know it) with your order.

In the News_

These recent items show that Buffalo Bill Cody is still very newsworthy:

In connection with the 2000 Reunion the North Shore News ran a nice article about the reunion and about Chris Funston his interest in Buffalo Bill, and the Cody connection in Canada. It included a familiar photo of the Scout with Sitting Bull and one of Chris with some of his memorabilia. "He was truly a legend in his own time," Chris told the paper. "But how he went about it and how he treated people was his greatest legacy."

The Los Angeles Times published an extensive review on October 1 about the new book, "Buffalo Bill's Wild West: Celebrity, Memory, and Popular History" by Joy S. Kasson. The article by Tom Engelhart starts off: "He was Tom Cruise, Bruce Willis and Mel Gibson. He was Michael Ovitz and Michael Eisner rolled into one; his own publicity machine; his own agency; his own star; his own studio on wheels." It then gives a good summary of the life of Buffalo Bill and how he came to the popularity that led to the Wild West Show being so popular. The article sums up Cody's impact on the nation this way: "By the time he was done, he had invented the West, created the Audience and in a sense laid the foundations for Hollywood."

An article from a Colorado newspaper headlined "Statue shows different side of Buffalo Bill" reports on a new statue unveiled in



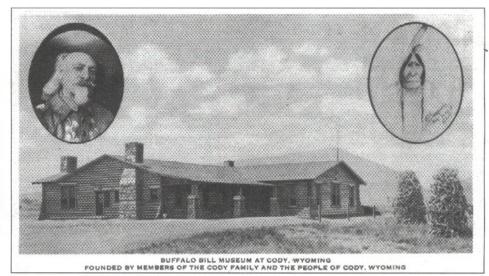
Cody Funston, son of Chris Funston the host for the Vancouver reunion, proudly displays Canada's flag during the sunset cruise on Vancouver harbor.

Golden during Buffalo Bill Days there. The article says the statue reveals a "kinder, gentler version of the Wild West legend." The statue shows Cody carrying his daughter on his shoulder, no gun and no horse.

It's in the Cards



This is a British interpretation of what Buffalo Bill Cody looked like, contained on a trading card produced by an English candy company. A summary of his life is contained on the reverse side of the card, one of 66 featuring figures from the Wild West.



Postcards such as this one which shows the original Buffalo Bill Museum at Cody show up regularly for sale on the Ebay auction site on the Internet. The caption on this card, produced by the Burlington Route, is: "The Buffalo Bill Museum is a replica of the main building on Col. Wm. F. Cody's old home ranch. The museum contains a priceless collection of trophies and mementos—heads, hides, rifles, war clubs, saddles, robes, raiment and many other interesting things associated with the life and exploits of the famous scout, hunter, plainsman and rider of the Pony Express."

Family Circles

Ohio Circle Reunion – 2000

Thirty-one Cody cousins gathered at the Spring Hollow Lodge in Westerville, north of Columbus on September 17, 2000. It was an enjoyable time of renewing acquaintances and making new ones. There was a splendid potluck dinner followed by a brief business meeting. The main business consisted of a report of the recent International Family Reunion in Vancouver, a discussion of ways in which the OH Circle gathering can attract more of our cousins from OH and neighboring states, initial discussion of the OH Circle hosting an International reunion in 2008 and election of officers. Officers for the coming year are: Kyle Moran, president, Gretchen Barnes, vice-president, Vivian Sidle, secretary, Toni Trent, treasurer.

The business meeting was followed by a white elephant auction which is always a lot of fun and raises the money we use for the next reunion. We were encouraged by the good turnout at the reunion and that there were plenty of younger people and their children present - a good omen for the future of the OH Circle.

In attendance were: Kyle & Betty Moran, Westerville, OH; Mike & Pam, Kyle, & Sarah, Galena OH; Carolyn Eileen Porter, Zanesville OH; Kathy Cunningham, Galloway OH; Bill & Sandy Cody, Ashland OH; Skylar & Shellie Browne, Ashland OH; Doug, Kathryn, Ariel & Richard Turnbull, Berea KY; Vera Cody, Wooster OH; Gerald Cody, Massillon OH; Grayce Cody, Canton OH; Terry Cody, Cincinnati OH; Jenny, Jake, & Zoe Price, Loveland OH; Gretchen Barnes, Westerville OH; Vivian Sidle Galena, OH; Anita Kremm, Galena, OH; John, Toni, & Shawn Trent, Columbus OH, Jennifer Trent, Columbus OH; Shannon Trent, Columbus OH.

The next meeting of the Ohio Circle of the Cody Family is scheduled for the afternoon of September 16, 2001 at the Spring Hollow Lodge, 1069 West Main street, Westerville OH. Mark your calendars now. Contact Kyle Moran at (614) 891-5203 for details and directions.

DEATH NOTICE

Mildred Cody Kennedy (270/346), 81, died in Massillon, Ohio, on December 21. She was the daughter of Frank Cody (270/34) and the sister of Harvey Cody (270/345) former president of the International Cody Family Association.



A nice turnout for the Ohio Reunion in Westerville.

Floridians & Snowbirds, Hear This!

Annual Buffalo Bill Day

Gathering of the Florida Circle of the Cody Family Association

Green Gables Resort, Highway 27, Lake Wales FL

March 3, 2001

Plan to arrive for coffee at 10:00 A.M. or later, and plan on a relaxing day at Kit Cody's nicely refurbished property. Bring your bathing suit or tennis racket and make use of the facilities.

Barbecue lunch will be served at noon and President Harley Jordan will call us together for an interesting meeting.

Contact: Kit Cody

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Winter Haven, FL 33884

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Green Gables Resort is located on Highway 27, two miles north of Florida 50, a major cross-state highway. Coming from the north, use the Turnpike or I-4 and turn right on Highway 27. It's two miles south of Eagle Ridge Mall.

Send us your email address

As we move into the new Millennium, more and more of us are discovering the value of being on the internet. Pollsters tell us that more than half of us have access to the internet. This statistic more than likely holds for the Cody family as well. In the interest of getting out news to family members as early as possible when events of general interest come along, we would like to begin an email list. The list will not be a substitute for the *REVIEW*, it will be used only by the Association and will be a way of informing you of upcoming events. If you would enjoy being on this list, send an email to codyte@cinti.net with "Subscribe Cody List" on the Subject line. Please send it from the email address at which you want to receive Cody Family messages.

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Centralia Mural

Centralia, Washington, promotes itself as "the City of Historical Murals" and among the 16 large murals located throughout the city is one of Buffalo Bill Cody.

Information on the mural and the accompanying photo was provided by Brenda Bulger from Olympia, Washington.

The description accompanying the mural reads:

"Buffalo Bill, the famous 19th Century buffalo hunter, U.S. Army scout and Indian fighter, whose real name was William F. Cody is the subject of the mural. Cody organized the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show in 1883. On September 14, 1910 he brought his show to Centralia."

Kathy Evans was the artist for the reproduction of one of the Wild West Show's famous posters.

Family previews Buffalo Bill exhibit in Leeds, England

Several members of the Cody family were privileged to be involved in previewing a brand new traveling exhibit put together by the Buffalo Bill Historical Center.

This collection of memorabilia included the original Deadwood Stage along with hundreds of items that told the life story of Buffalo Bill. The exposition first opened in Leeds, England at the Royal Armories Museum. Kit and Linda Cody, Susanna Cody, and Ron Hill attended as representatives of the Cody Family Association. Former senator, Allan Simpson, now chairman of the Board of the Buffalo Bill Historical Center, Bill Garlow and other BBHC board members, Paul Fees and other BBHC staff all helped open this great Exposition!

Prior to the grand review, the Leeds' people put on a Gala with Lords, Sirs, and Lord Mayors from the Leeds area to make a memorable event. Each of four (4) shows would be for approximately six (6) months.

From Leeds, the show traveled to Los Angeles and on to the Tennessee State Museum in Nashville, Tennessee. Kit and Linda Cody along with Kit's brother and his wife, Barry and Katie Cody, attended the Nashville Expo. The event started with a parade, another great Gala dinner and Grand Opening with local dignitaries including the Tennessee Governor. The Exposition is continuing on to Denver, Colorado in January 2001 and then back home to Cody, Wyoming.

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