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## A good time was had by all!

Good weather, good fellowship, and good activities all meant that the 2002 Biennial Reunion of the International Cody Family Association in Florida was a success.

President Kit Cody hosted the event, with the help of other Florida family members, at his Green Gables Inn at Lake Wales.

The four-day event started with a social hour on Thursday and finished with a cook-out on Sunday afternoon. In between family members could take advantage of a number of activities in the area. They went as a group to nearby Bok Tower and Gardens. Many also went to Cypress Gardens for its outstanding water show and enjoyed an evening dinner cruise there. A number of other individual activities such as golf and fishing were also available. A family dinner brought everyone together again on Saturday night.

In addition, some of those in attendance got a chance to visit with several of the family

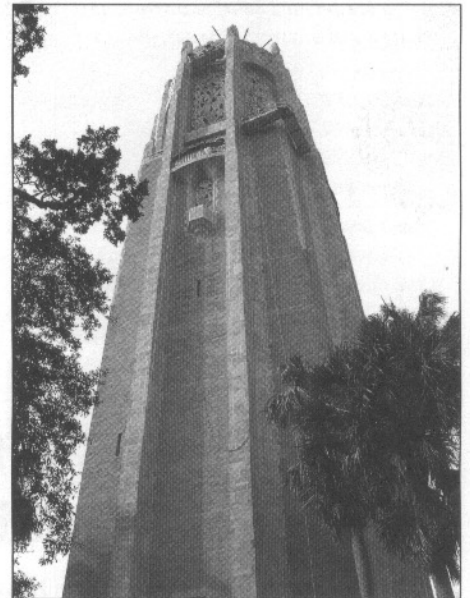
members who live in a Cody compound at nearby.

Several short business sessions were also on the Reunion agenda.

Following church service on Sunday at Hope Presbyterian Church, a cook-out at Green Gables provided more fellowship and a fitting close to the 2002 Reunion.

There was a good representation at the Reunion of family members from both North America and Canada.

*Family members stop on a visit to Bok Gardens to look at and take photos of the impressive Bok Tower. Shown are Harold and Delores Thornton, Grayce Cody, Terence Cody, Al Cody, Bertha Cody, Kit Cody, Gerald Cody, and Jim Cody.*



### Mark Your Calendar For Next Reunion

Mark your calendar now to reserve Columbus Day weekend in October in 2004. That's when the 2004 Cody Family Reunion will be held in San Diego, CA. Suzanna Cody says that family members on the West Coast are already putting together ideas for the annual get-together there. There's lots to do in the San Diego area. You'll want to be there!

The 2006 Reunion will be held in Cody, WY.



*Planned activities during the Florida Reunion gave family members a chance to meet and greet each other. At left Gerald Smith, Ron Hills, and Terence Cody chat during the opening night social event. Ron is the new association treasurer. At right Edna and Richard Grosenbaugh and Bertha and Al Cody enjoy the special dinner cruise at Cypress Gardens.*

## From the President

It was good visiting with all the family members who turned out for the 2002 Cody Family Reunion in Florida. I'm glad we were able to have good weather for the visit and hope that everyone had a good time. The Reunion provides an excellent opportunity

*In addition to hosting and presiding over the reunion President Kit Cody was the chief cook for the event.*



for family members to get together to catch up on each other's lives and to swap the latest stories. It also provided time for us, officers and members, to discuss the future of the association and, currently important, its finances. I hope you will all send in your voluntary membership dues using the back page of this newsletter. In addition to helping the treasury it helps us to update the family directory. I hope you will get involved, it is your association.

For those of you who plan ahead, mark off Columbus Day weekend in 2004. That's when the 2004 Reunion will be held in San Diego, California. More on this in coming issues of the *Review*.



*Kit Cody*

## Association Officers Elected, Future Reunions Discussed

Officers of the International Cody Family Association were selected during the 2002 Reunion in Lake Wales, Florida.

**Kit Cody** will remain as president and **Suzanna Cody** as vice-president. **Linda Cody** is the association's new secretary and **Ron Hills** the treasurer.

**Terry Cody** will continue to serve as Executive Director.

At the meeting at which officers were selected it was also announced that the 2004 Reunion would be held in San Diego, CA, and the 2008 Reunion in Ohio, either Columbus or Cleveland.

Discussion at the meeting included ways in which the association might raise funds to improve its current financial situation.

Special thanks were given to **Margaret Mabon** for her many years as secretary-treasurer of the association, **Lee Norwood** for his hard work on the family genealogy, and **Richard Grosenbaugh** for his work on the newsletter.

*President Kit Cody presides over a business meeting of the family association at the Florida Reunion. Among those present were Gerald Smith, Lee Norwood, Hiram Cody, Jim Cody, and Grayce Cody.*



*During the meeting Linda Cody, Kit's wife, was elected association secretary.*

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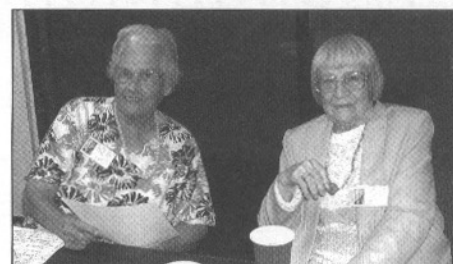




**CAUGHT AT THE REUNION:** Faye and Wayne Adams visit with Hap Goodman (top left); Hiram Cody, left, and Jim Cody share stories (top right).



Lee Norwood, at left, was commended at the Reunion for his dedication to and hard work on the family genealogy. Past president Harold Thornton, right, enjoys the warm Florida weather during the Reunion.



Delores Thornton (left) and Suzanna Cody take part in a business meeting (top); Marjorie Smith (left) and Grayce Cody get a chance to visit (bottom).

## Deaths

Charlotte Laurretta Yates (130/6272) died on December 12, 2002, at Hamilton, Ontario, where she lived. Mrs. Yates had been active in the association for some years and was one of the organizers of the Cody Reunion held in Mississauga in 1989. She is survived by her husband James, daughters Stephanie and Louise and son Matthew.

Richard Streifert Jr. (206/57411), 76, died November 7, 2002, at the Gloversville, NY, Hospital. Richard, an electrician, lived most of his life in Ballston Spa and also in Broadalbin and Perth. He is survived by his wife, Celea, and three sons: Ricky, Russell and Barry.

Philip Cameron Cody, MD (130/6141) of Westbank, BC, passed away in the Kelowna General Hospital on January 8th, 2003 at the age of 83 years. He was survived by his four children: son Michael (Beatrix) Cody (130/61411) and their children Jennifer and Suzanne; son Peter (Linda) Cody (130/61412) and their children Lawrence, Leanne and Lara Lynn; daughter Rosalind Walker (130/61413) and her son Lewis; son Leonard Cody (130/61414), also four great grandchildren.

## Correction

In an article in the last *Review* on the Dixie Union Chapel and Cemetery the location was given as Hamilton, Ontario. William Pinkney has pointed out that it is located in Mississauga, about 35 miles from Hamilton. Thanks, Bill, for keeping the record straight.

## Help needed to restore poster

At the Florida Reunion, Hiram Cody brought to the group's attention the work being done to preserve a piece of Buffalo Bill Cody history in Jamestown, NY.

After reading about the discovery of an old Cody show poster found on the wall of a theater, Hiram wrote the person responsible for its restoration, indicating the interest of the Cody Family Association in the project.

Patricia Anzido, Buffalo Bill Project Director for the Reg Lenna Civic Center, reported about the progress of the restoration work. She explained that the work is being funded by private contributions. Hiram noted this in his report and suggested that family members give their financial support to the restoration.

Research indicates that the poster was for one of Cody's early combinations: "May Cody" to be held on the night of March 14, 1878.

A report dated January 30 of this year in *Artifacts Online*, a publication of the Arts Council for Chautauqua County, indicates that the first fragment of the poster has been restored and delivered to the Reg Lenna Civic Center Development Corporation. The billboard project is being completed in four sections to facilitate fund-raising for the total project. Further information about the project is available at the following website: <http://www.reglenna.com/buffalobill.html>.



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March 14 of this year will be the 125th anniversary of the presentation publicized by the long-lost poster. Ms. Anzido says that the Center

will commemorate the event with some additional publicity on the project in a further attempt to raise the funds needed for restoration.

Address of the Civic Center, should anyone want to contribute to the project, is Reg Lenna Civic Center, 166 East Third St., Jamestown, NY 14701. Contributions should be identified as "Attn: Buffalo Bill Restoration Fund".

**CHANGE IN PUBLICATION ORDERING:** Starting May 1, the 1998 Cody Family Directory should be ordered from the Museum Shop of the Buffalo Bill Historical Center (720 Sheridan Ave. Cody, WY 82414). After that time all Cody Family publications, with the exception of the Genealogy, will be available through the BBHC.

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Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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To List additional children or grandchildren, use additional sheets

**LIST DETAILS OF FAMILY DEATHS** (Include name, Cody ID, Date & Place of Birth, Date of Death, Location of final resting place)

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