



The Bills' Family

Reunion Register

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~ All the News That Fits, We'll Print ~

Summer '96

Our Fourth Decade Begins

This year will mark the 31st year that we gather to celebrate the legacy of Helen and Nelson Bills. The beginning of the *fourth decade* of reunions. All signs indicate that this tradition will endure for at least 31 more years.

Our 30th year brought increased attendance, record raffle proceeds and overwhelming participation in the various fun and games events. We enjoyed our long-standing traditions: morning mass with Bishop Clark, the honoring of our special attendees with various awards and, of course, the day-long horseshoe tournament.

We were also fortunate enough to receive special commendations from President Clinton, Congressman McNulty and Governor Pataki. But, perhaps most memorable, was the American flag that Congressman Solomon had flown over the Capitol in Washington D.C. in honor of the memory of Nelson and Helen Bills. 1995 reunion chairman Mike Carter donated a flag pole and mounting bracket and motioned, with unanimous approval of all in attendance, that the flag be displayed at all future reunions.

So, with our enthusiasm at an all time high, we now begin the fourth decade of a tradition that has gotten better with age. Let's be sure to keep the tradition alive.

Mark Your Calendars...

We are again lucky to have reserved the *Orenda Pavilion* at Saratoga Spa State Park for Saturday, August 24. The park will open at 9 a.m. and close at dusk. Admission to the park is \$4.

~ See directions to Saratoga park on back ~

Spread the Word

Make sure to tell all of your family members about this year's reunion. If you or someone you know have changed addresses please contact the reunion committee at the postal or e-mail address below or by phone at (518) 235-5210 (ask for Jim). We will promptly send the *Reunion Register* to the new address.

Attention Cyber-Surfers

The Bills' Family Reunion is now on the Internet. If you have access to the Internet at work, home or school you can visit our homepage at:

<http://pages.prodigy.com/NY/yattaw/reunion.html>







(be sure to capitalize "NY"; all other letters are lowercase). Our Website will contain the latest reunion information including directions and park information. You will be able to E-mail this year's organizing committee with suggestions and address updates.

The site is open now but it's admittedly bare. In the near future we hope to be able to have pictures and sound available. We are also working on having some of the past years' meeting minutes transcribed and available for your on-line reading.

Our homepage should be compatible with Netscape, Mosaic, Lynx and most popular browsers. So add our address to your *Hot-List* and visit often for the most up-to-date reunion info

This year's reunion is on
Saturday, August 24
at
Saratoga Park
-Orenda Pavilion -
Be There!!!

Things to Remember

- **Carry In - Carry Out**
 New York State parks do **NOT** provide trash receptacles. We are all required to bring our own garbage bags to remove our trash from the park.
- **Park Admission**
 Park admission is \$4 per car.
- **Coin Toss**  Bring your extra change for the kids' Coin Toss
- **Reunion Mass**  Bishop Clark has graciously offered to say mass. Feel free to offer a special remembrance for a friend or loved one.
- **Raffle prizes**
Please plan ahead and donate a prize to our annual raffle. Hand crafted items and beverages have been traditional favorites. The raffle proceeds are used to offset skyrocketing pavilion rental fees.
- **Sporting Equipment**
  Be sure to remember your balls, bats & gloves. A volleyball court and softball field are available for our use.