



# FARRAR FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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## A Message from the Reunion President

With liberal editorial comments by ... um ... the Editor!

A big "Hello!" to all Farrars (including descendants, family, and friends) from my desk here in north-central Missouri. We have had a fairly mild winter here, but I know others can't say the same! I'm sure we're all looking forward to Spring and warmer days ahead. Mark your calendars and be sure you don't miss our 29th Annual Farrar Family Reunion near sunny Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, from June 18th - 24th, 2006.

We know all of the Original 10 who can be there will be there, including our beloved adoptee, Charlotte.

[Editor's note: For first-time readers, the Original 10, or "O-10" as they are sometimes called, are the children of Joseph Vernon Farrar and Viola Lillian Schwend, the line which produced the founders of the Farrar Family Reunion, Inc. The 2nd Generation (and so on) are direct descendants by blood or marriage. We also count friends and other relations as part of our extended family.]

So, 2nd Generation, let us strive to see how many of our 30 members can come -- and bring the 3rd and (yes, some of us are grandparents) 4th Generation members! [See page 3 for info on our updated Reunion grounds.]

Remember that next year, 2007, will be our 30th Reunion!! We hope to have another awesome blowout (remember the fireworks show at the 25th Reunion when Uncle Tom caught a rocket in his pocket -- literally!?!). We want to break our all-time attendance record of 88 people, which was set at the 25th Reunion.

Come join in the fun! We'll cook outdoors; play volleyball, cards, and games; tell tall tales and sing songs around the campfire. There's canoeing, kayaking, and trout fishing available nearby, and there's always time for lots of visiting. Be sure to join us ... we're looking forward to seeing YOU!!!

-- Nancee (Farrar) Lehnhoff



The O-10 get commemorative stones set into a cement pad beneath the flagpole at the Reunion grounds. For more pictures and the rest of the story, see the featured article inside.

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## The O-10 Get Stoned!

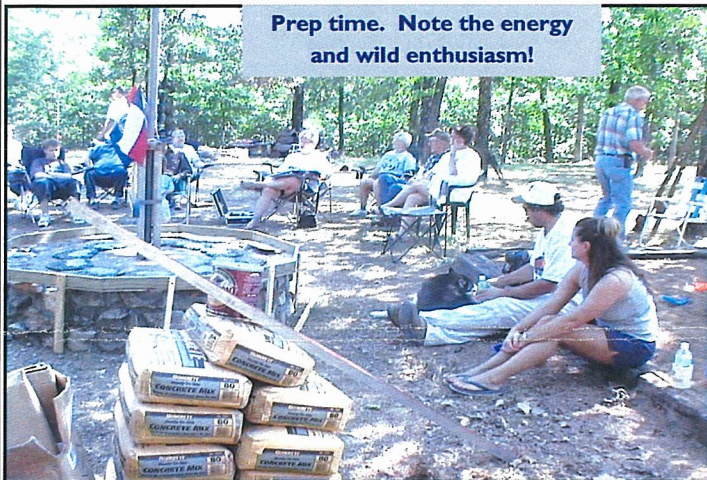
Story and photos by the Editor (uh-oh, here comes trouble!)

Thanks to a generous donation by Jean (Farrar) Hite, the 6th member of the O-10, each of the original 10 sons and daughters of Joe and Viola received a decorative resin-cast "stone" inscribed with their name, and these stones were cemented around the base of our flagpole at the Reunion grounds during the 28th Annual Reunion in June of 2005.

As the pictures below will attest, a great deal of labor went into building the forms, mixing and pouring the cement, and carefully setting each stone in place. The birth year of each

person was also carved into the cement. Requests to have those O-10 members in attendance also leave a detailed face-print in the wet cement were, alas, declined by one and all. Hmmp! Some people.

After an intense afternoon of watching the cement dry (a job dutifully supervised by yours truly), the finished product was stunning to behold -- a beautiful and enduring tribute to those who have worked so hard over these past 30 years to make our Reunion the best it can possibly be.







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## Special Reunion Project Update

Loosely based (very loosely) on stories told to the Editor by Nancee Lehnhoff, Tom Farrar, and Jean Hite.

Photos provided by Nancee Lehnhoff.

For most of us, the Reunion grounds will have a bold new look when we arrive for our annual gathering, starting Father's Day weekend. Thanks to the dedication of a few hard-working individuals (the names Kurt Stanford, Tom & Nelda Farrar, Gary & Nancee Lehnhoff, Bob & Gerdie Farrar, and Jean Hite were mentioned) the pavilion has a brand-new Durasteel roof, and we have a new welded-iron water tower with a couple of 700-gallon tanks installed.

Kurt was already laboring away when Gary & Nancee arrived on March 31st, with Tom & Nelda arriving shortly thereafter. Jean showed up the following afternoon on her way to visit her son and his family in Illinois. With that many Farrars on hand, it's no surprise that a game or two of dominoes helped pass the evening hours!

The guys (and gals) worked diligently, and the new water tower was completed by Tuesday afternoon. The old roof had

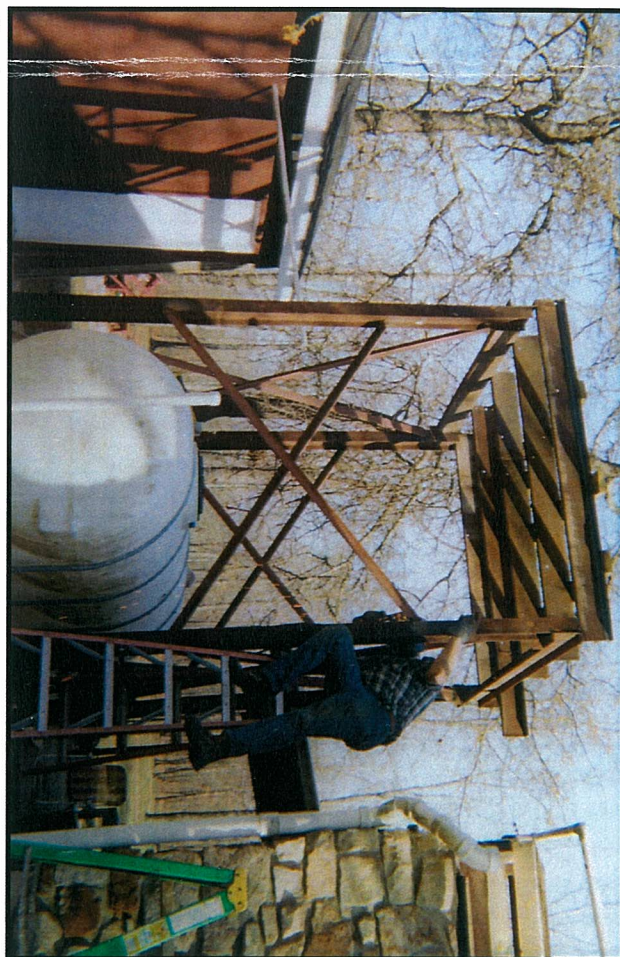
been completely removed and the new roof was ordered on Wednesday. [Side note: Apparently the old tin wasn't the only thing sliding off the roof during the demolition -- Uncle Tom almost slid off as well, at one point. According to some witnesses, he executed a spectacular nose-dive and tumbled about halfway down the roof before stopping himself by grabbing onto one of the exposed roof joists. Thankfully, he didn't fall on his head, or we'd have had to repair the concrete floor during our Work Day this year!]

There's still some work to be done. Bob is finishing up the plumbing connections for our water supply, and he and Kurt are going to finish the roof when the materials are received.

A big hats-off to all of these diligent volunteers for their sacrifice and efforts! Thanks for providing us with a better supply of water and for putting a new roof over our heads for this year's Reunion!!



Gary learns why you don't touch your tongue to a cold piece of steel [above]. Ooops! I mean, Gary welds a cross-member onto the tower. Reunion regulars will recognize the location, midway between the bathrooms and the back wall of the pavilion, close to the buried rainwater collection cistern. Tom gets stuck while attempting to jump the tower in an unorthodox pair of wooden skis [below]. Oh, no wait, that's not right either. Um ... Tom and Gary position the upper tank onto the 2x4 platform fastened to the welded steel frame of the tower. Yeah, okay - that's more like it!







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## The Boss of The Wild Bunch

Submitted by Joseph V. Farrar, Jr.

When our clan gathers for Rendezvous IV in Junction, Utah, in August this year, we will be in part of the country made notorious by Butch Cassidy, an infamous gunslinger of the Old West.

From the book "Triggernometry: A Gallery of Gunfighters" by that prolific writer of western hoopla, Eugene Cunningham, let's recall some of the lore of this nefarious fellow...

West over the mountain, where I-5 now streams flowing with traffic unaware of yesterdays, is Beaver, the place where, in 1867, the parents of George Le Roy Parker gave birth to their son. Soon after, this dirt-poor trio moved to Circleville, six miles south of Junction. George grew up to a life of bronc-bustin' along the Sevier River, and cow-huntin' in the dry arroyos, valleys, and high, rugged mesas of his arid surroundings.

They say as a bronc-buster, he had few equals. Imbued with a natural wit and a ribald sense of humor, he was favored on the spreads he worked. When work was done and the cowboys hit town for a little boozing, betting, and dancing with the pretty girls of Circleville, and to ride their wild-eyed mounts up and down the street, firing off pistols ... George Parker was a leader of this wild horseplay.

By the mid-1890's, things were changing in the West -- more settlers moving into the cattle states, fences going up, free range coming under the plow, barbed-wire wars, water wars, new towns springing up. Also important to note, the wild element of Texas and from the more "civilized" parts of other western states were drifting into the wild and wooly wilderness stretching border to border just west of the Rockies.

During this era of flux, perhaps it was the more seasoned drifters who were the horse thieves and rustlers. But some native cowboys, carousing and encountering, were enticed by the stories and lured by the tune of easy money. So it was with George Parker.

Hesitantly starting with the small stuff, he enjoyed the der-ring-do, the camaraderie, living on the cusps ... later expanding to the big-time -- trains, banks, and payrolls.

Riding as a cowhand, he'd help drive the rustled cattle north or south out of the home country for sale. This financed their daily needs and their sprees in the 24x7 cattle towns. He also learned the secret places such as Castle Valley, Brown's Park, San Rafael Swell, Robber's Roost, the Hole in the Wall, etc. He also learned the "alpha males" of this boisterous bunch of nomads, as well as the dim trails along the "high lines" that gave a view of the surrounding country across which lawmen must ride.

In the spring of 1894, a couple of deputies seeking rustlers captured Parker and a partner with a herd of stolen horses outside of Lander, Wyoming. When booked, Parker gave his gang

name: Butch Cassidy. Perhaps he had chosen that name because his family down in the Savier River Valley of Utah were respectable folk (a sister was appointed as assistant postmaster at Circleville). The Pinkertons, however, were later able to prove his real ancestry.

From this first encounter with the law, Cassidy had a gash in his head where a deputy's slug creased his scalp. He also had a broken jaw. His partner had given up immediately. Cassidy didn't. He fought savagely until he got a smashing gun barrel to his face. He also got two years in a Laramie penitentiary.

A few months prior to his release, he petitioned the Governor for a pardon. During the governor's interview, Cassidy stated that he could not change his ways, he was in too deep, but he promised never to bother Wyoming again. The Governor granted the pardon. It seems Cassidy kept his word.

Having had time to think and plan, it was a Long Rider ... far more dangerous departing than the happy-go-lucky young rustler who had arrived ... now drifting down to Green River, Wyoming, to find old sidekicks. After all, it was no more dangerous (and far richer) raiding banks than raiding cattle. Soon, with a few others, he was heading for Montpelier, Idaho, and his first bank job. It was the usual: a quick hit-and-run; a quick division of the loot; a quick split-up of the raiders to confuse the law and posse. Many more such jobs followed. Cassidy learned and rapidly advanced to become the admired and trusted leader of his own gang ... The Wild Bunch.

But civilization, law, and order also advanced. Determined deputies pacified their districts. U.S. Marshalls doggedly followed the scent. Bounty hunters took their toll. Stock Associations warred to protect their members; the Pinkertons likewise for the railroads. By shortly after the turn of the last century, the era of the free-ranging Long Rider had faded into history. As the Pony Express, it was short-lived. But, also as the Pony Express, it became an historical legend and an exciting bit of nostalgia in the lore of the Old West.

The rest of the story: Towards the end, members of The Wild Bunch were slowly picked off ... jailed or killed. In 1906, Butch Cassidy and the last two gang survivors fled to South America, as numerous others of their ilk had. One of the two survivors disappeared without a trace, but Cassidy and his lone remaining partner got a place near Buenos Aires and signed on to rope and ride against the Argentinos.

Obviously, they were not the type to become peaceful rancheros, and they were soon afoul of the law. Their place was raided. The partner was shot dead while asleep. Cassidy ran for cover behind the stone walls of a corral. There he died, either from a ricochet or from the final shell of his own gun.





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## Family news and notes from home and abroad...

### Farrars in the Armed Forces...

Sergeant Sean Hedrick, son of Kathy (Farrar) Rigway and grandson of Bill & Betty Farrar, has now returned safe and sound from his second tour in Iraq with the U.S. Army. We are very glad he is home, and wish to thank not only him but all of our servicemen and women serving in this country and abroad for their unselfish dedication to this wonderful nation.

If you know of any other family members who are serving their country overseas, please send us their information (or bring it to the Reunion). It would be nice to send them letters from loved ones to express our appreciation for their sacrifices and to remind them just who they are protecting here at home.

### Farrars winning wars at home too!

We are excited to inform everyone that, after a dire diagnosis of aggressive non-Hodgkins lymphoma, Bill Farrar (second eldest of the O-10) has achieved the five-year mark!! Although doctors won't say he's in remission, the disease is currently non-active, and the family is very pleased with his progress. Due to other health problems, it will be difficult for him to attend the Reunion, but he would love to get your phone calls or visits. Bill and Betty have moved back to Brookfield, Missouri. Their new telephone number is (660) 258-8206, and the address is #80 Fessler Vista, Brookfield, MO 64628.

### The Farrar Family Tree

This Tree will function alone or as a great companion to the Farrar's Island books. A 3'x5' scroll, on white paper, in black ink, non-fading, easily readable, it begins three generations into England, over the ocean to Jamestown and our immigrant grandparents William and Cecily, and then follows our particular line through each generation to the present. The Farrar Family Tree is \$25.00 per copy.

### The Farrar's Island Books

This two-volume set of well-researched Farrar history by author Miss Alvahn Holmes, covers the history of our line back to Jamestown and further. Learn about the deeding of 2,000 acres of land, including the 800 acre island known as Farrar Island, to our ancestor William by the government of Jamestown. Read about Pocohantas and The Starving Time.

Vol I: The Farrar's Island Family (\$48.00)

Vol II: Some Farrar's Island Descendants (\$68.00)

Both volumes as a matching set, bound in red cloth (\$108.00).

All of these items are available for purchase by anyone, and all prices include shipping and handling. Please send your order, along with payment (check or money order, payable to Farrar Family Reunion Fund) to the Reunion Treasurer:

Joseph V. Farrar, Jr.

P.O. Box 402

Aguanga, CA 92536-0402

### Reunion Dues

A reminder: By the time you receive this Newsletter, our gathering will be less than two months away. The advance guard have upfront costs and they need upfront money for outlays necessary to prepare our grounds, purchase supplies, arrange for water, ice, dumpster, etc. Please send your dues to our Treasurer. Your timeliness in doing so is greatly appreciated.

### Welcome new additions!

Keita Ariel Hite (daughter of Kevin & Reida Hite) born May 2, 2005.

***There are probably others, but your editor didn't receive any announcements!! \*\* Hint, hint \*\****

### Farewells, with love ...

Eugene J. Farrar, Sr., of Virginia Beach, VA died March 26, 2005. Many of us met Gene on Farrar's Island during Rendezvous I in September 1998. Gene was a dedicated family researcher and collected much information. In 2003, he and wife, Anna, flew to England to visit and explore our ancestral grounds of Ewood. Gene's health failed during that trip, and he never fully recovered. Anna is reportedly putting together documentation of their excursion into our past, and we hope to bring that to you in a future edition of the Newsletter. Anna can be reached at 1102 Mediterranean Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA 23451.

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## Mailing List Updates (deletions and additions)

The following folks have been (regrettably) added to our "Dead Letter" list, since past mailings have been returned as undeliverable. If you know of their current whereabouts, please contact the Newsletter Editor ([kevin.hite@hotmail.com](mailto:kevin.hite@hotmail.com)) to provide an update. Your efforts at helping us regain contact with these people are much appreciated!!

|          |              |                              |             |    |            |
|----------|--------------|------------------------------|-------------|----|------------|
| Adamo    | Tod P.       | No Last Known Address        |             |    |            |
| Anderson | Johnnie      | 1806 Pennsylvania Ave.       | Augusta     | GA | 30904-5333 |
| Andrews  | A.           | 330 Webster St.              | Bel Air     | MO | 21014      |
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| Farrar   | Dustin       | 2149 E. Sunshine, Apt. 310-B | Springfield | MO | 65804      |
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| Mann     | Richard      | 1801 Barron Ln.              | Fort Worth  | TX | 76112      |
| McCarty  | Cecile B.    | No Last Known Address        |             |    |            |
| Minton   | Robert       | 853 Green Meadows Dr.        | Jackson     | MO | 63755      |
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| Rowden   | Charlotte L. | 512 6th Ave E.               | Twin Falls  | ID | 83301-6540 |
| Ruff     | William C.   | 3001 West Ox Rd.             | Herndon     | VA | 20171      |

The following folks have been (joyously) added to our current mailing list, as a result of attending our last Reunion or because of information provided by others of our Clan. Please join us in welcoming these new (or returning) members of our extended family and friends. Again, please be sure to send any updated information to the Newsletter Editor. Thanks!!

|               |                 |                     |                |    |       |   |
|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|----|-------|---|
| Baker         | Melba           | P.O. Box 268        | Mammoth Spring | AR | 72554 | Sister of Gerdie Farrar   |
| Branham       | Mike & Sandy    | 3721 Tuxhorn Rd.    | Springfield    | IL | 62712 | Friends of Barbara Williams   |
| Case          | Theo & Grace    | 16305 E. Sea        | Independence   | MO | 64050 | Grace is the sister of Gerdie Farrar                                    |
| Hughes        | Keith           | 2208 Hazel Dell Rd. | Springfield    | IL | 62703 | Son of Kay Williams   |
| Lawless       | Mr. & Mrs. John | Rt. #1, Box 172     | Pleasant Hill  | IL | 62366 | Grand-daughter of Bill & Betty Farrar                                   |
| Lehnhoff, Jr. | Gary            | 19304 Cockrell Ave. | Salisbury      | MO | 65281 | Son of Gary & Nancee Lehnhoff   |
| Pivinski      | Steve & Linda   | 2608 Williams Creek | High Ridge     | MO | 63049 | Friends of Kurt Stanford  |
| Ridgway       | Mr. & Mrs. Mark | 210 W. Brooks       | Brookfield     | MO | 64628 | Daughter of Kathleen (Farrar) Hedrick                                   |
| Smith         | Tom             | 2175 Laurel Dr.     | High Ridge     | MO | 63049 | Friend of Kurt Stanford   |
| Sparks        | Bettye          | 120 N. 12th St.     | Paragould      | AR | 72450 | [I don't remember how these folks came to our attention -- forgive me!] |





# MAP TO THE FARRAR FAMILY REUNION GROUNDS

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## THE FARRAR FAMILY REUNION

A week-long camp out commencing on FATHER'S DAY each year. Regularly held on BOB FARRAR'S 200 wooded acres, with lake, near Wirth, AR. All FARRAR descendants, families and friends welcome!

## DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From Hardy, AR, go north on US 63 approximately 12 miles. See "FARRAR REUNION" sign on right shoulder. Turn right on Wirth Road and follow the signs.

From Mammoth Spring, AR, go south on US 63 approximately 4 miles to first left turn lane. See "FARRAR REUNION" sign on the left shoulder. Turn left on Wirth Road and follow the signs.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

This is a semi-primitive, boondock-type camp out. We provide a roofed and screened pavilion, space for tents and campers (no hook-ups) flush toilets, cold water showers, picnic tables, benches, the cooking fire, all cooking and dining utensils, food refrigeration, coffee, iced tea, a huge nightly bonfire, fishing and swimming lake, hiking trails, bird watching, star gazing, napping, volleyball, horseshoe, card and board games, a constructed "childrens" play area, and lots of love and camaraderie. We fly our country's flag daily; have a moment of silent prayer for all Fathers who have predeceased us; conduct our annual business meeting; one of the seven days we do maintenance work on our facilities and grounds.

You provide your camping facilities or other accommodations; your lounge chair; your food (see menu); your thirst quenchers; and, most especially, YOU!

## OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS

### Riverview Motel

US Hwy 63 one mile South of Mammoth Spring, AR.

Ph: 870-625-3218

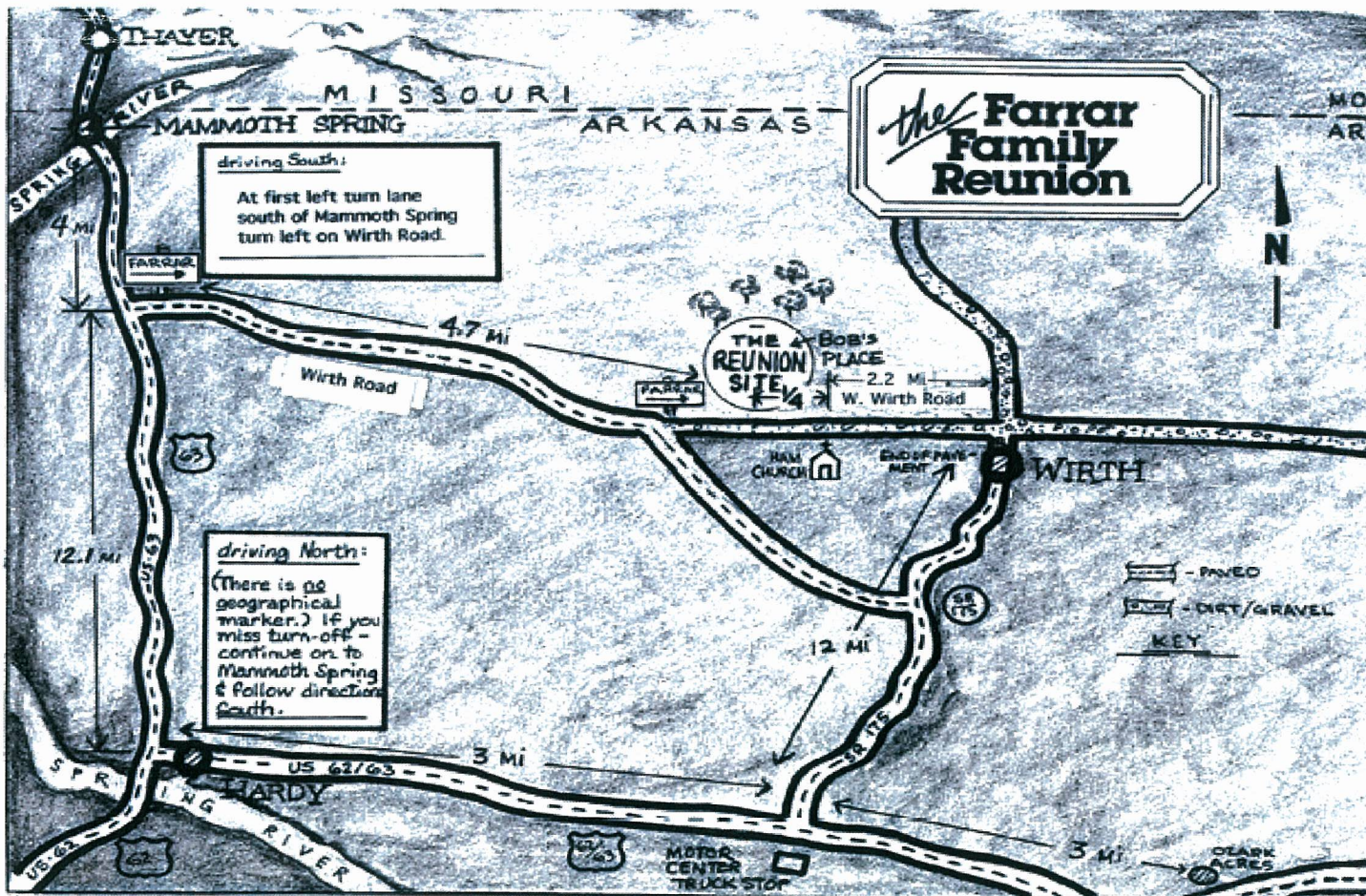
Bill & Bonnie Gildersleeve, Owner/Mgr.

### Mammoth Spring RV Park:

On the Spring River @ south end of bridge, west side.

Full Hookups, \$15 / night

Tom & Claudia, Managers





# MENU FOR 2006 REUNION

## MISC INFORMATION:

- You may purchase groceries locally if you prefer. There are no services in Wirth — supplies are available in Hardy or Mammoth Spring
- Already provided for you: large ice chest for food storage, ice (not for private coolers); propane and wood stoves; oven, all cooking utensils, etc; bowls, flatware, paper plates, wicker plate holders, napkins, salt, pepper, catsup, mustard, sugar, creamer, coffee, tea, toilet paper, paper towels.
- Breakfasts: Cooked every morning by volunteers, will consist of eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, fried potatoes, sliced fruit, toast, butter, jellies/jams, syrup, any pastries and/or homemade items brought. If you are a breakfast eater, bring what your family would eat of these items for the days you are attending. Of course, not all items will be fixed every day. For instance, if pancakes are fixed, we normally do not fix potatoes. **NOTE:** We do not need anyone to bring pancake syrup; we have plenty for this year!
- Regular French, Thousand Island, and Ranch salad dressings will be provided. If you have a favorite, feel free to bring it.
- Nightly desserts: whatever you wish to bring or make.
- Lunch and/or in-between meal snacks is whatever you bring for your family. As a general rule, you are on your own.
- Canoe trip: we usually pack peanut butter & jelly sandwiches, chips, fruit, cookies, water, soda

## IMPORTANT:

- Please bring portions for your family only AND only for the days you are attending.
- Write your name on stuff you bring. **Take it home with you when you leave if it has not been used.** Hopefully, this will help keep us from accumulating so much stuff and help eliminate waste at the end of the week.
- Help the morning cooks by cracking and scrambling eggs ahead of time; put them in tightly sealed plastic bags/containers, 1 dozen in each container.
- Be sure to put your name on dishes that need to be returned to you after use.

## SATURDAY

On your own – fire up the grill or go out to eat with a group.

## SUNDAY

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Fish fry / hush-puppies | (by Nancee and Gary)                                     |
| Cole Slaw               | (pre-packaged cut-up cabbage; dressing will be provided) |
| Macaroni and cheese     | (boxed, i.e.: Kraft)                                     |

## MONDAY

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Chicken and rice         |                          |
| Boneless chicken breasts | (rice provided by Jill)  |
| Stir fry veggies         | (small pre-packaged bag) |

## TUESDAY

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Beef tips and noodles | (please pre-cut meat into bite-size pieces)                               |
| 1 package of noodles  |   |
| 2 cans beef broth     |   |
| Corn on the cob       |   |
| Tossed salad          | (bring pre-packaged cut-up salad mix – see note above regarding dressing) |

## WEDNESDAY

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| Pork roast  |   |
| Green beans |   |
| Potatoes    |   |
| Fruit salad | (pre-packaged, fresh cut-up, or canned is fine) |

## THURSDAY

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| Beef or pork steak | (fixed on the grill by each family)                                       |
| Potato             | (we can boil to save time, or bake on the grill if preferred)             |
| Tossed salad       | (bring pre-packaged cut-up salad mix – see note above regarding dressing) |

## FRIDAY

|                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| Spaghetti and meat sauce | (your favorite jar or canned brand)                                       |
| Tossed salad             | (bring pre-packaged cut-up salad mix – see note above regarding dressing) |

Garlic bread

## SATURDAY

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Hamburgers and/or hot dogs | (your choice) |
| Buns for your choice       |               |
| Chips                      |               |
| Baked beans                |               |
| ??Leftovers??              |               |





# FARRAR FAMILY COAT-OF-ARMS

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The following pictorial depicts the creation of the Farrar Family Coat of Arms by the family's resident *artist de accompli*, Denny Rogers in 2004. For those who don't know, Denny is a highly-acclaimed professional artist with a national reputation as a graphic designer, illustrator, forensic artist, bronze sculptor, and product designer. He has been contracted by movie studios for special effects, and has been commissioned by prominent officials and celebrities (including icons like Willie Nelson).

It should be noted that some have pointed out that the resin cast of our Family's crest is not perfect -- the nail holes in the horseshoes are supposed to be asymmetrical (four on one side; three on the other) and there is no cross on the helmet's face-plate -- but these are the fault of your humble editor and not the artist. Denny created the hand-drawn version from a crudely-sketched original, and I approved the design, being somewhat ignorant about the esoteric details. I'm working to fix those flaws on the original, full-color casting that Denny and his Hollywood friends created for us.

Denny is also working on a six-volume set of books, to be published by Fox Chapel Publishing, featuring intensely illustrated animal physiology, forensic analysis, and detailed measurements. The work is intended for use by woodcarvers, sculptors, artists, and craftsmen of all types, and by scientists, educators, and animal lovers from all walks of life. These books will be available for purchase at all major bookstores (Amazon.com, Borders, Barnes & Noble) and at art supply stores across the U.S. and Canada. For more information, contact the publisher at (800) 457-9112, or visit their website [www.FoxChapelPublishing.com](http://www.FoxChapelPublishing.com).

A full-color photo of the Coat of Arms is pictured on the back of this Newsletter. If you would like a high-resolution poster-sized copy, suitable for framing, please send a check or money order for \$20.00 (includes S&H) payable to The Farrar Family Reunion to the Newsletter Editor (contact info on page 4). Unfortunately, we cannot provide additional copies of the resin-cast original -- it's a one-of-a-kind -- but it is proudly displayed at each and every Reunion, so come on out and see it!



[Above] The re-drawn image was transferred to a masonite board. Sculpting wax was painted onto the drawing, layer by layer, until the rough silhouette was completely built up. [Right and below] Using sculpting tools, Denny painstakingly carves the details into the wax -- a process that took nearly four months to complete!

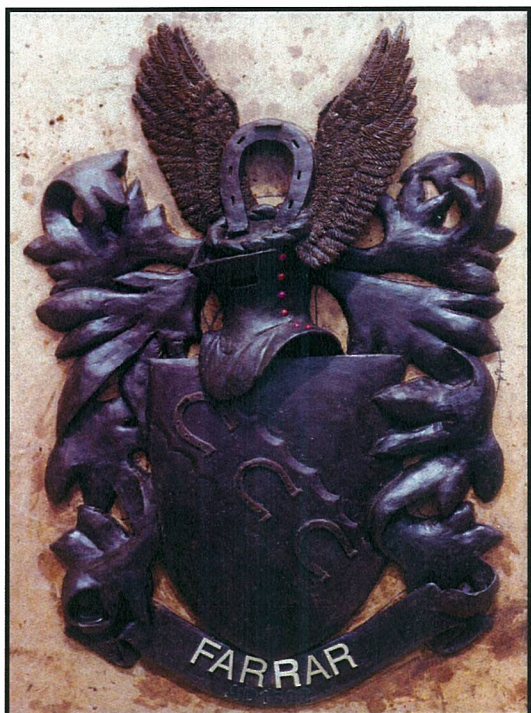




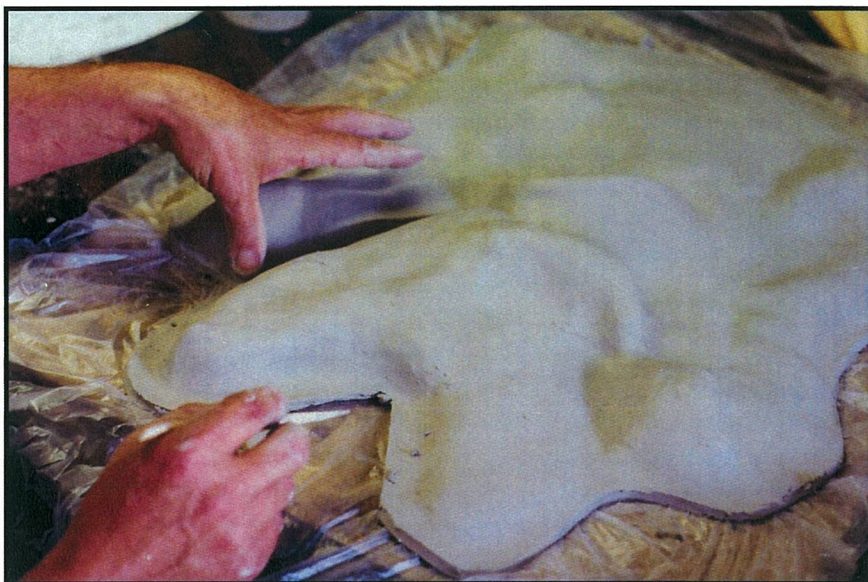


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The finished wax sculpture [above] is covered with layers of clay [above right] by Jim Spinner, a Hollywood special effects artist whose work is featured in more than 100 movies. A fiberglass-backed rubber mold was then created [below], and this mold was used to pour the first poly-resin casting [middle right]. Both the wax sculpture and the rubber mold were destroyed by this process.



After much grinding, cutting, sanding, and filling the final casting is meticulously hand-painted by the artist [below]. Besides the master casting (for future moldings) and the hand-painted full-color cast, only one other casting exists, painted with a bronze patina.





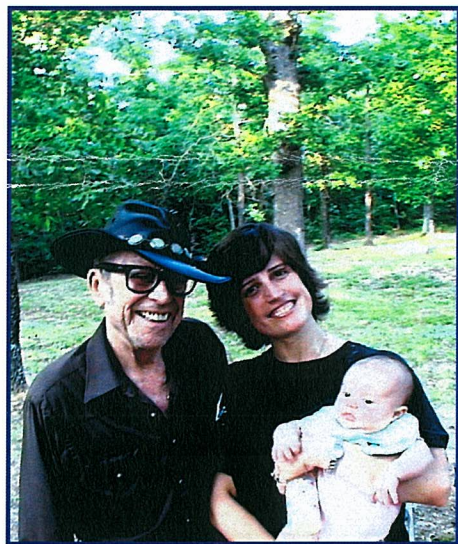


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Scenes from Reunion 2005 ...



## WANTED

NEWS, STORIES,  
PHOTOS, AND  
ALL ITEMS OF  
INTEREST!!

Send 'em to the  
newsletter editor,  
or else I'll just keep  
publishing photos  
of my own kids  
(Keita, left; Thali  
above and below)







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The Farrar Family Newsletter is a bi-annual publication of The Farrar Family Reunion, Inc., a non-profit organization founded by the descendants of Joseph Vernon Farrar, Sr. for the benefit of the Farrar family line descending from William and Cecily Farrar who immigrated from England to Jamestown, VA. In the early 1600s.

Publication of the Newsletter occurs in April and October. Deadline for submissions is the 15th day of the month prior to publication.

**Please send all submissions to the Newsletter Editor**

**Kevin G. Hite**

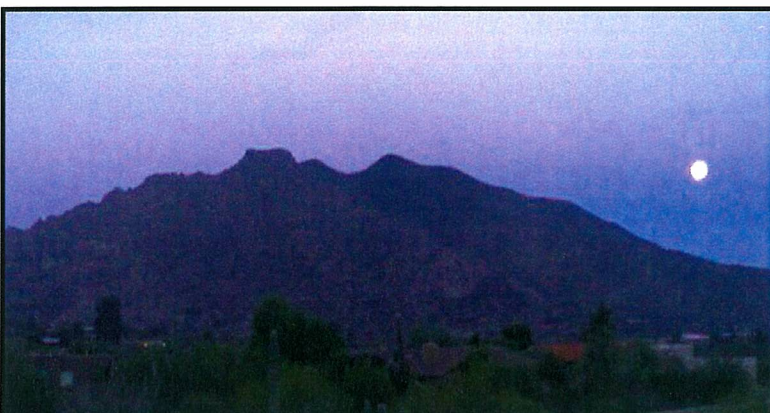
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[kevin.hite@hotmail.com](mailto:kevin.hite@hotmail.com)

A couple of the beautiful handcrafted quilts on display during the Reunion, provided by Jean (Farrar) Hite, the editor's **favorite** mother.

Photos of "**My Favorite Mountain**" (no Martians) near Carefree, Arizona.  
Sunrise on the top; moon-rise below.

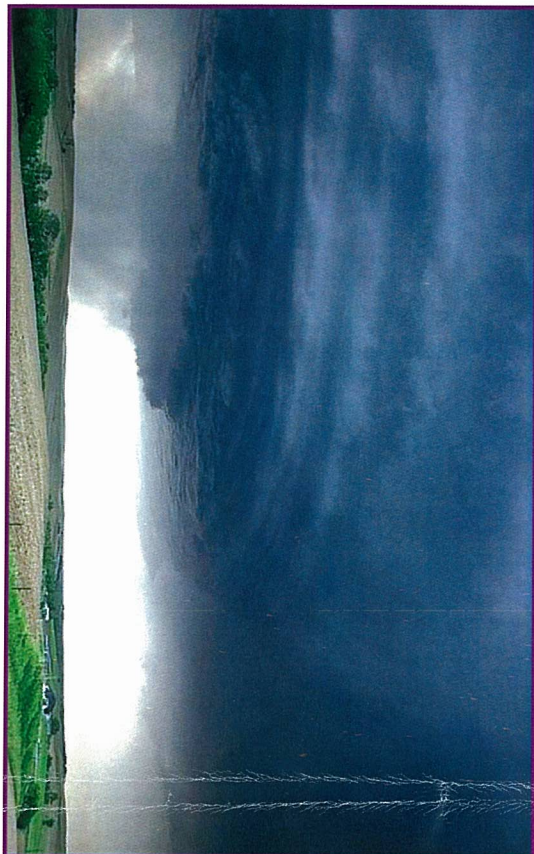






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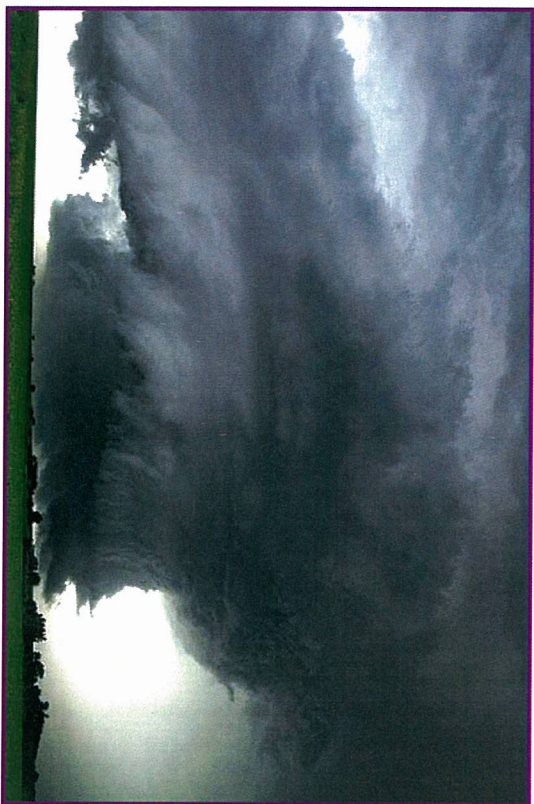


Storms moving across West Texas. Photos provided by Stephanie (Jones) Fortune, the editor's **favorite** niece.

Oh, by the way, if you're tired of me constantly "playing favorites" like this...

**SEND ME SOME OF YOUR  
PICTURES TO PUBLISH !!!**

\*\* Whew! \*\* Okay, I feel better now. Pardon my "thunder."





May 6, 2005

Vera Hailey  
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Hello and thanks for sending the Farrar family newsletter! I'm not sure how I got on the mailing list but it was wonderful!

My mother was a Farrar. I'll outline it for you:

William H. Farrar b. 1790 Albemarle Co.VA --- Seaton Farrar 1830-1900 Nelson Co.VA --- Samuel Thomas Farrar 1866-1918 Nelson Co.VA --- Robert Farrar 1900- 1959 Nelson CO VA --- John Aubrey Farrar b. 1921 Nelson Co.VA --- Ester Farrar b.Washington DC (father in military) and lives in W aynesboro VA ---Vera Hailey b. 1968 Waynesboro VA.

So you can see we didn't travel far. I would like to learn where William H. was before he came to Albemarle County. I haven't been able to hook him up with the early Farrars. Albemarle is the area of Charlottesville, where UV A is located. It is about 1-1/2 hours away from Farrar's Island.

My branch is still in Virginia with the exception of my aunt, Joyce Farrar Schwab's family - they are in the Phoenix AZ area.

Enclosed is a check for Volumes I and II of the book and the map. If you need to send to a street address for FedEx or UPS, please send to me at 220 E. Beverley St., Staunton VA 24401 .

Thanks.

/S/

Vera

PS: Regarding the Flat Creek Church of Christ in the newsletter. Where was this located?



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11 May 2005

Ms Vera L. Hailey  
Post Office Box 1091  
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Hello Cousin Vera,

This in reply to your welcomed letter of 6 May. You've been in my 3X5 card file and on our Reunion MIL since 8 Oct 03. As I remember, a relative of yours requested you be placed there. I no longer recall the name but the address may have been: 6 E. Johnson St., Staunton.

Because your line extends from the Ancient Planters you must be from the immigrant William. However, you will need to go back before William H. Farrar b 1790 Albemarle Co. VA to tie into our Tree.

Your Tree will be mailed this date. Your books will be mailed the 1 st of the week. Again, thank you for your "Family" interest and your orders.

The Flat Creek Church of Christ not only was but still is located and functioning in the small, rural community of Flat Creek, TN, about five miles south of Shelbyville on SR 82. Isaiah (Ike) Farrar, a large dairy farmer, has been a deacon there for years. My Greats moved there from NC. In the write-up, at the end of the second line in the second column, L. T. Farrar (Lewis Tillman Farrar) is my Grandfather.

Remember: Our weeklong gathering of the Clan commences on Father's Day, 19 June, to renew the ties that bind. Throw all cares to the wind and come join with us. You and we will be the richer for it.

Sincerely,



# Join us for Rendezvous IV !!

In the Heart of Utah's Color Country on old US Highway 89

**Address: 145 W. Center St.**

**(Utah Highway 153)**

**Junction, Utah 84740**

**Phone: 435-577-2744**

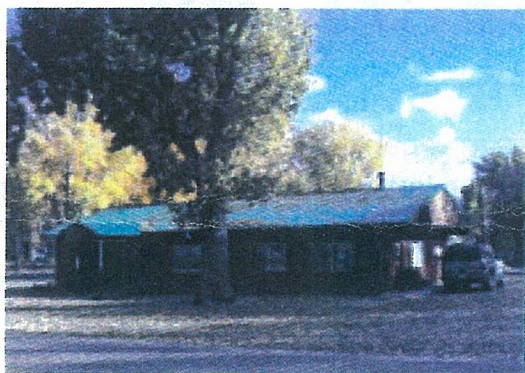
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**Four days and nights:**

**Thursday, August 10 -**

**Sunday, August 14, 2006**



We have a small RV park (8 spaces) for anyone with an RV (full hookups) and our vacation home has three restrooms. It used to be a cafe so it has a restaurant style dining room and a commercial kitchen. We will have plenty of room for tent camping too.

Nearby (2 blocks) is a nice, clean motel with great prices. A more modern motel (but still small) is available in the next town (6 miles).

The town of Junction is the County seat of Piute County and is located on scenic, historic Highway 89 in southwest Utah. Highway 89 is the gateway to many National Parks including Bryce (57 miles), Cedar Breaks (85 miles), Zion (100 miles) and the North Rim of the Grand Canyon (183 miles). Junction is surrounded by the Fishlake National Forest and other recreational lands.

Activities at the gathering will be: Group dinners or excursions to nearby restaurants, a nightly camp fire. and group trips to Bryce and Cedar Breaks National Parks. There are also plenty of other activities to do: Hiking on miles of scenic trails, fishing or canoeing on nearby rivers and lakes, and, plenty of off road vehicle recreational possibilities on the Piute ATV Trail.

## **Local Hotels:**

### **Junction Motel:**

**435-577-2629**

**300 South Main St.,  
Junction, Utah, 84740**

### **Butch Cassidy's Hideout Motel and Cafe:**

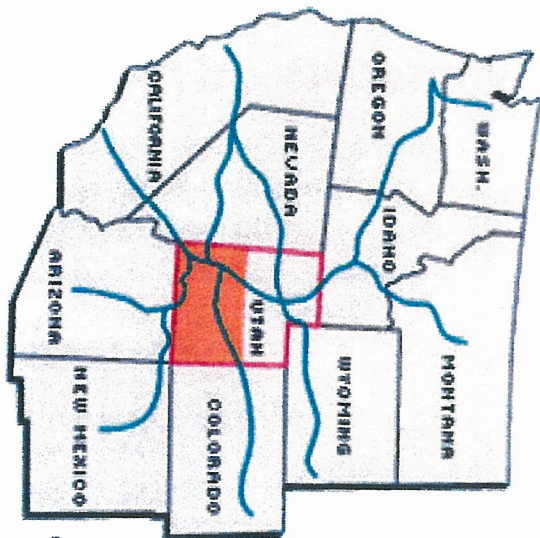
**1-435-577-2008 or**

**1-888-577-2008**

**339 S. Hwy 89,  
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**Visit us on line for more information at [www.1horizon.net/rendezvous](http://www.1horizon.net/rendezvous)**





**To Salt Lake City**  
4-1/2 to 5 hour drive  
from Bryce Canyon  
to Salt Lake City

**To Denver**  
5-1/2 to 6  
hour drive  
from Moab

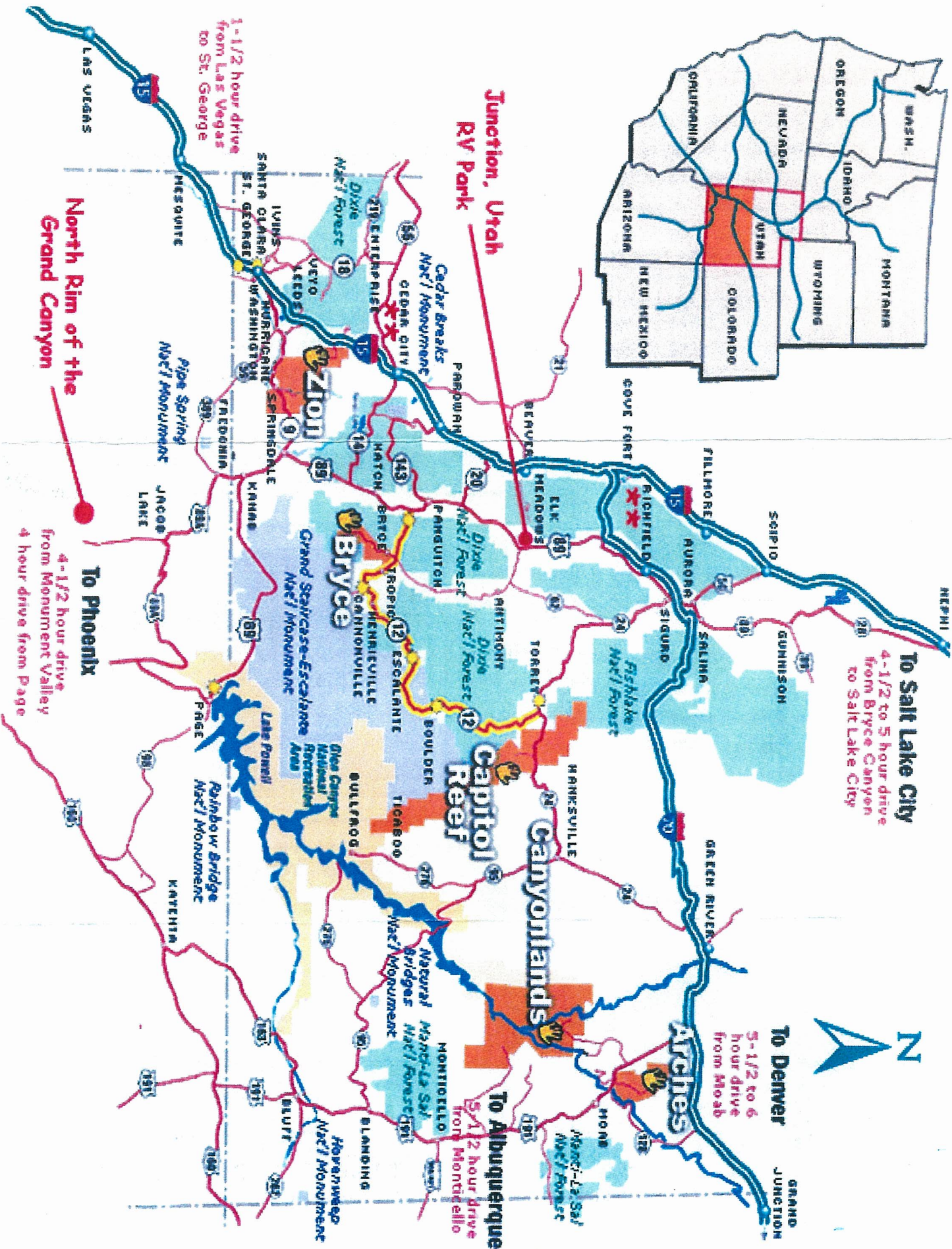
**To Albuquerque**  
5-1/2 hour drive  
from Monticello



**Junction, Utah**  
**RV Park**

**North Rim of the**  
**Grand Canyon**

**To Phoenix**  
4-1/2 hour drive  
from Monument Valley  
4 hour drive from Page

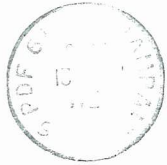






Full-color resin cast of the family coat of arms, created by artist Denny Rogers. Story inside.

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