

2000 NAIL-RAY ANNUAL MEETING
Business Meeting June 10
Family Reunion June 11

You see the dates for our week-end this year. Come as early as you can and stay as long as you can. Especially welcome are those newcomers who have just recently heard about us; however we are always eager to see again those who come often; we enjoy each other so much.

Many of you know the way very well: Shelbyville is on Interstate 74 about 25 miles southeast of Indianapolis. **Ramada Inn** (which was Holiday Inn until about three years ago, same location), **Super 8**, Shelbyville's oldest motel and **where we have our Saturday a.m. business meeting**, **Holiday Express**, and **Comfort Inn**, are all northwest of Shelbyville at the Greenfield Exit (State Road 9). These motels are closer to our Nail-Ray activities.

Lee's Inn is east of Shelbyville at the Rushville Exit (State Road 44) off of 74, but the bypass takes you around town instead of through town, so whichever motel you choose, access is easy.

RATES

SUPER 8 (317-392-6239) \$40.00 for 1 or 2 people, \$4.00 for each additional person in the room. Continental breakfast is served.

RAMADA INN (317-392-3221) has swimming pool and restaurant. They have been undergoing a complete remodeling and until it is finished, which will not be much longer, they are having a very, very special rate of \$29.95 for one occupant, \$6.00 for each additional. If you could call **right away** and say "Nail-Ray" they will give **you** that special rate even if their rates have gone back up by June (which will be \$60.00).

HOLIDAY EXPRESS (317-398-0472) is located directly behind Ramada Inn. Rates are \$59.00 for one or two; \$7.00 for each additional person in the room. One king-size bed in each room. Can bring in another. Has indoor pool. Continental breakfast to roomers.

COMFORT INN (317-398-8044) \$50.00 for 1 to 4 (for Nail-Rays). This is Shelbyville's newest motel, and they furnish a **big** (the lady says) continental breakfast -- (take heed, you big eaters!) Comfort Inn is back of Super 8 and also has a swimming pool. They will not take personal checks.

LEE'S INN (217-392-2299) current rate is \$74.00 for 1 to 4.

All of these motels have some special rates, some for Senior citizens, some for certain credit cards, some for groups. Everyone call in your own reservations early because June is a heavy month; motels fill up early. Always tell them you are with the Nail-Ray Reunion.

The Nail-Ray Association was formed in 1981 when a government marker was placed on the grave of THOMAS RAY, the Revolutionary War ancestor of many of us. Since early Rays, before coming to Indiana, married many of HENRY NAIL'S family, descendants of both pioneers formed the family association. Meetings on the second Sunday in June. Newsletter will give details. Dues of \$10.00 per family; mail them in now or pay at the meeting.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, June 11 Some of you will be arriving at your motels. If you get here early, we would like for you to call **Dorothy Plymate, 398-7921**, or come on out if you know the way. Of course you might rather rest a bit, or talk to others arriving at your motel

Our popular "optional" for **Friday evening** is the Boggstown Inn and Cabaret. Some of us each year enjoy their ragtime music, food, and fun. The inside has been highly remodeled into a "genuwine" 1840's Vaudeville stage. There are some new entertainers but some of our favorite oldies are still there.

Cost is \$15.00 for the show and from 10.95 up (extra for bar drinks and/or dessert). They want money for the show in advance so **call Dorothy (317-398-7921) by May 20th** and Nail-Ray will pay the \$15.00 for each of you; you repay Nail-Ray when you get here. They fill up early so if you are **pretty sure** you are going, better call; cancel later if you have to.

Those going to Boggstown, gather at Dorothy's at **5:30 p.m.** The Plymate home is three miles from Shelbyville on the Boggstown Road on the right side of the road, white picket fence across the front yard, name **PLYMATE** and the number 2442 on the mail box. At your motel you can probably find someone who knows the way, to double up with, or double up in the Plymate barnlot.

Saturday, June 12: 9:00 a.m. Business meeting at Super 8 Motel meeting room.

Noon: Lunch on your own at any of our many fast food places (same as in your town) or at one of our several locals, such as Chicken Inn, Jackson Street Fish Fry, Golden Corral. **After lunch Saturday** -- is **free time** for prowling in the Brandywine-Center Cemetery where many Nails and Rays are buried. Or you may take a tour of early Nail-Ray homesites (a guide can be furnished) -- or you may want to spend time just visiting with the cousins, either at the motel, at Dorothy's, or at the Church of our Ancestors, Old Union U.M.C., working at our Public Library, or browsing in the Historical Museum or Genealogical Library.

Back to Dorothy's at **5:00 p.m.** to go entourage to the **Goodrich Party House** where our cousins Julia and Cora Marie Goodrich will serve us a delicious homecooked meal, your choice of fried chicken or beef and noodles, or both, for \$7.50. Here again, they would, of course, like to know the number to prepare for, so, as with the Boggstown Inn, call us as soon as you can if you will be going to their place and we will call them. At neither place do you pay until you are there; just **call US** if you plan to go.

After the meal, we like to sit on the **Plymate porch** until bedtime.

Sunday, June 14, 9:15 a.m. Worship at **Old Union U.M. Church**, founded in 1854 with Samuel Nail, Jacob Kinney, and Zephaniah Stubbs as first trustees. (All three, members of Nail-Ray families.)

Between church and dinner you will have time to return to your motel and to pick up something at a deli for the pitch-in dinner: a salad, a vegetable, a dessert. Local people please bring food. Meat will be furnished, as will coffee and iced tea, and table service.

Be back at the church at **12:30**. Take your food to the basement, and while waiting for everybody to arrive, you may go upstairs and visit in the sanctuary, or you may stay in the basement, if you prefer, until it gets too crowded.

We're not saying yet what kind of program we will have upstairs, if any, but it will be brief because many from out-of-state want to get started home. The tradition, however, of **shaking the tree** will be first thing. Hope there are many ancestors represented.

We will want to hear our President a few minutes, of course after which we will be dismissed by our **Chaplain James Russell**, but do not feel you have to leave. Stay and visit, if you can, or look at our posters and publications, and those who are staying another night, come back to Dorothy's at 6 o'clock and eat the leftovers!

Sometime during the week-end, please remember to pay your dues, or mail them in earlier, \$10.00 per family.

SEE YOU, PLEASE!