

PETERSON FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

Peterson – Jackson – Mack – Connors – Knighton – Wakefield
October 2012

Message from the **2013 Family Reunion Cruise Committee**: The plans for the **2013 Reunion Cruise** have been finalized. The Family will be sailing on the **Carnival Cruise Ship Imagination**. The **Imagination** will sail out of Miami, Florida on July 26, 2013. See the Cruise Itinerary and Costs below.

Imagination - Nassau July 26, 2013

Date	Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
07/26/2013	Fri	Miami, FL		4:00 PM
07/27/2013	Sat	Nassau, The Bahamas	10:00 AM	
07/28/2013	Sun	Nassau, The Bahamas		7:00 AM
07/28/2013	Sun	Fun Day At Sea		
07/29/2013	Mon	Miami, FL	8:00 AM	

Costs: The best deal is on Interior View Cabins which will allow all of the family to be on the same floor. Interior View Cabin rates are \$254 per person for 4 persons to a cabin or \$319 per person for 2 persons to a cabin. The cost is the same amount for both adults and children plus a \$70.86 Cruise Tax per person. Payments must be made by Debit or Credit card only. A \$100 deposit per person is due by Friday, October 26, 2012 to avoid a price increase. The final payment (the balance) is due by Monday, May 27, 2013. You should consider making your deposit now and not wait. **Call Tami Murrell at 800-819-3902 ext. 85864 to book.** The longer you wait the higher the price.

Cruise Tax Explained:

Government Fee	59.36
Customs Fee Amount	5.50
Immigration Tax	3.00
Intl Dep Cruise Only Tax	3.00
Total Cruise Fees	70.86

Cabins: Each cabin is 185 square feet. There is a maximum of 5 persons to a cabin. Each cabin has 2 twin beds / 2 upper bunk beds and a roll away night bed and a bathroom. The family will be on the 3rd level of the ship with activities on the 5th level.

Rooms and audio visual equipment can be provided for meetings. Cabins for handicap persons may be located by elevators. Diabetic food can be provided. There is all you can eat pasta, chicken, lobster, pizza, etc. and 24 hour room service. Entertainment includes Broadway show/entertainment, Casino/Dance club, and a free program for children under 17. Tami will provide information on airline package deals. This cruise is to Nassau in the Bahamas and to no other place.

A **Passport** (post office) is recommended. Otherwise, you should have your birth certificate and state ID. Children 15 years and under are not required to have a state ID but must have a birth certificate. See our Facebook or Family web pages for more information.

Since this is the last Family Newsletter for this year (2012) you should check the Peterson Families Facebook group and or the Peterson Families webpage for updates from the Cruise Committee. When you do, please pass the updates on to family members who may not have access to the Internet.

If you have not done so, please be responsible and notify Homer Duke of your intentions to take the Cruise. It is crucial that the Committee obtain a head count of how many of us intend to take the cruise. Please email or call Homer today!!!!

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Family Newsletters: The cost associated with printing and mailing the Newsletter is high. **Only** those persons who do **not** have access to the Internet (email, Facebook, or the family webpage) will continue to receive the newsletter through the mail. The rest of us will receive copies via email or the Peterson Families Facebook Group or by viewing it on the family webpage. If you received a hard copy of this Newsletter and you have an email address or routine access to the Internet then let me know so that I may save the expense. If I do not have your email address please email me at nejames@verizon.net.

Join the Peterson Families Facebook Group by befriending me (Noriega E. James www.facebook.com/noreaj). Or, ask any group member to add you. Every member of the Peterson Families Facebook Group may add other family members to the group without referring them to me or for the need for them to befriend me.

Family Milestones & Notices - Members of the Peterson Families Facebook Group may post *Milestones & Notices* directly to the Facebook Group. Post births, birthdays and deaths, prayer requests for the sick, graduations, promotions, engagements, marriages, anniversaries, achievements, and any other notices or accomplishments you wish to share with the family. Do it at any time.

Family Web page: Visit the family webpage at: www.noreaj.com/petersonfamilies. The webpage contains photos and videos from past family reunions. There are obituaries, family genealogy charts, US Census records, and some family history. Contact me if you have information that you would like posted on the family webpage. Send me copies of family obituaries (recent or past) and any historical records or documents you may come across. I will digitize them and return the originals to you in a timely manner.

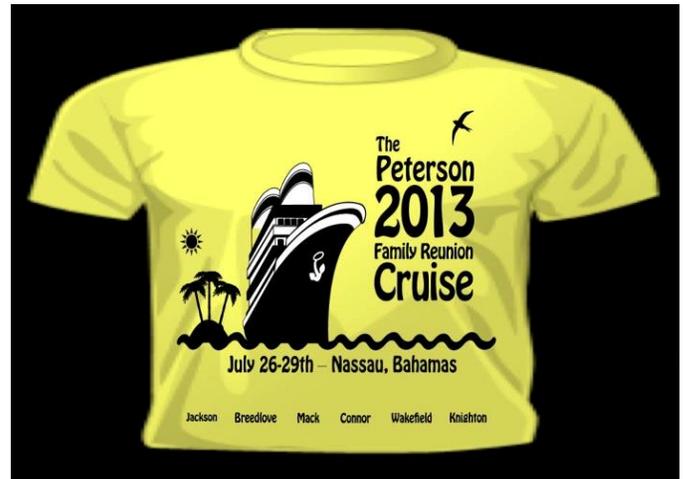
The **1940 US Census** was recently released and is now fully indexed. I am researching them in hopes of finding our family members listed. Check the family webpage every now and then to see who I find.

Names and Addresses or Email Addresses: The continuing success of our family reunions depends upon reaching as many family members as possible. Send me the home and or email addresses of family members that may not be on our current mailing or email list.

Urgent Notification System: Contact me (Butch, Noriega) by email or phone when you have urgent family news such as a death that you would like to broadcast to the family. I will email the information to those family members for whom I have email addresses and post a notice on the Peterson Families Facebook Group. Those who receive the information by email or Facebook should then pass the urgent news on to other family members by phone and word of mouth. **This system does not substitute for how you currently pass on such urgent information but instead it adds to it.**

Keep informed and up to date by visiting the Family Webpage and the Peterson Families Facebook Group.

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Happy Holidays
Happy Thanksgiving
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year