

## **WILSON'S CELEBRATE 101<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL REUNION IN MORAVIA PARK**

The 101st Annual Wilson Reunion was held Sunday, August 15, 2010 in the Moravia City Park, Moravia, Iowa. A traditional carry-in meal was served shortly after the noon whistle.

Election of officers was held. The slate of officers for the 2011 Reunion will be: Steve Cloyed, President; Craig Cloyed, Vice President; Sharon Penfield, Treasurer, and Kerry Wilson, Secretary. Following a brief business meeting and treasurer's report attendees enjoyed ice cream that was served for desert at 2:00 P.M. It was decided that future reunions would be held indoors in the Moravia Community Center – in the town square in down town Moravia.

### **Reports**

Kathie Cloyd Green lost her husband recently. Julie Prough Lewis's Step Daughter, Cory Joyce Lewis passed away on May 17, 2010. She was the granddaughter of Daphen Prough. John & Annabelle Wilson were unable to attend this year. They were missed.

### **About the Wilson Reunion**

Jesse and Miram Wilson, the patriarch and matriarch of this Wilson Clan moved to Moravia in 1857 from North Carolina. They had seven children: Nathan, Abel, Mary, Rachel, Ephriam, John and Martha. Rachel married and was moving away from Moravia in August 1910 to homestead in Wyoming, so the family was called together for a reunion. The 1910 gathering started a tradition that had been carried on for 96 years. The reunion was held at Miriam's farm for several years. It was held at the home of the children for several years. It has been held at the Moravia City Park since the 1950's. The reunion is always held on the Sunday closest to the 16<sup>th</sup> of August, which was Miram's birthday, and is still held within 5 miles of its original location.

### **WilsonFamily.net**

The Wilson family now boasts of it's own web site. Family members can log in, and update their address, and view names and addresses of other family members. Others may also point their browser to the site: <http://wilsonfamily.net> and read family history. Photos and press releases of recent reunions may be viewed at <http://www.kerrywilson.com/reunion.htm>. To add names to the database, please email information to [kwilson@kerrywilson.com](mailto:kwilson@kerrywilson.com).

### **101st Reunion Attendees**

It was a beautiful sunny day. Temperatures were in the mid 80's. Sixty two in attendance in 2006, seventy relatives and guests attended the 2007 reunion, one hundred eight in 2008, three hundred fifteen in 2009, and ninety three in 2010. The 2010 attendees were: Keith & Judy Hansen, Marion, IA; Kerry & Joyce Wilson, Gadsden, AL; James & Charlene Wilson Moravia, IA; Neil & Sharon Penfield, Moravia, IA; Jon & Patty Boland, Albia, IA; Maribeth Johnson Otis, Coleman, MI; Dylan Johnson, Moravia, IA; Emma Osborne, Urbandale, IA; Helen & Dick Johnson, Moravia, IA; Carsyn Calkins, Johnston, IA; Kaitlyn Batterson, Pleasant Hill, IA; Melanie Wilson Osborne & Jeremy Osborne, Jake Osborne, Urbandale, IA; Tyler Canine, Urbandale, IA; Paul & Deana Wilson,

Moravia, IA; Lyle Goodwin, Ottumwa, IA; Mardeena White, Centerville, IA; Jeff & Sheri & Anna & Maggie Vining, Des Moines, IA; Darrell & Margie Brown, Des Moines, IA; Alan Wilson, Moravia, IA; Lois Wilson Moravia, IA; Dana Moritz, Centerville, IA; Craig Cloyed, Castle Rock, CO; Brandon Barr, St. Louis, MO; Jennifer, Jayson, Jordan & Chloe Ledford, East Moline, IL; Marla, Kelsey, Cody, & Colby Batterson, Pleasant Hill, IA; Casey Ann Dowd, Moravia, IA; Linda Ware, Moravia, IA; Rhonda Spencer, Moravia, IA; Rick Johnson, Moravia, IA; Charlie Belle Johnson, Moravia, IA; Logan Johnson, Moravia, IA; Shonna, Garrett, & Blake Wilson, Centerville, IA; Joyce & Craig McCoy, Moravia, IA; Scott Johnson, Moravia, IA; Sheila Reistroffer, Mystic, IA; Brayton & McKenna Streigel, Moravia, IA; Milton, Chelsey, and Abby Wilson, Moravia, IA; Christine, Moravia, IA; Dean & Mary Brown, Des Moines, IA; Pat Matson, Coeur d'Alene, ID; David & Marcia Zaputil, Moravia, IA; Cheyenne & Dalton Ervin, Moravia, IA; Richard, Rhea & Kaitlyn Wilson, Moravia, IA; John Johnson, Moravia, IA; Ron Wilson, Crystal Lake, IL; Doris Wilson, Moravia, IA; Matt & Terri Wilson, Altoona, IA; Brad & Hailey Close; Greg, Kathy, & Ryan Wilson, Moravia, IA; Stephanie Huber; Philip & Doretta Hutchings, Mesa, AZ; Ed Hutchings, Phoenix, AZ; Diane, Tony, and Ali Floming, Melrose, IA; Fred & Brian Hansen, Melrose, IA; and Daniel Hutchings, via video phone from Phoenix, AZ.

### **102nd Reunion**

The 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Wilson Reunion will be held Sunday, August 14, 2011. The pre-reunion will be held Friday, August 12, and Saturday, August 13, and Sunday morning August 14. The traditional Sunday dinner will be held in the Moravia City Park Community Building (indoors) at 12:30 pm. The headquarters for the Pre- Reunion will be Angel's Motel, 308 Frontage Road, Moravia, IA (ph 641-724-3130). The facility features motel rooms for approximately \$73 per night, and parking for one RV (50 amp electric only – no water, or sewer- the price for the RV parking is \$25.00). Angel's also has a restaurant and a separate meeting room, with an outdoor patio. Angel's will host the Pre-Reunion, and make meals available at regular prices (per person). They have agreed to make the meeting room and the outdoor patio available to Reunion Attendees for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday morning. If you will be attending from out of town, please make your reservations by calling 641-724-3130.

Long range plans are to hold a "traditional reunion" for the next 3 years, with the addition of the Pre-Reunion at Angels, then hold a "convention style reunion" every 5 years. The Pre-Reunion will allow more time to congregate, and visit for the weekend.