## **REUNION UPDATE MARCH 17, 2020!**

## AS OF NOW THE REUNION IS STILL ON!!!!

As per the Registration package "timely registrations" are filtering in now. (*Five registrations were received yesterday*). The Late Fee presently kicks in on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Please Note: This is now waived. There will be NO late fee assessed for this Reunion.

We know each of you will want to continue individually to monitor this Covid-19 situation.

As we all know, the virus is a very fluid situation with announcements, recommendations and guidelines filtering down from multi-sources daily. Rest assured, like you, we are staying attuned to the official health experts: The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), the White House Coronavirus Task Force, and the local Public Health Officials for King County (Seattle area).

The latest CDC guideline – posted Sunday night - recommends no gatherings of 50 or more for the next 8 weeks. Our Reunion dates are still outside this window.

Additionally, the "President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America" was added to the CDC website yesterday – March 16<sup>th</sup> – that reads to "SLOW THE VIRUS – avoid social gatherings of more than 10 people for the next 15 days." Again, our reunion is past both of these dates.

The Registration Package stipulates a full refund should you need to cancel up to May 1st.

Hence, this date fits into the virus de-escalation charts that are being circulated at present. If the curve has flattened and/or dropped by this date then our June 4<sup>th</sup> Reunion start date, which follows a whole month later, should be viable.

## **BUT WE NEED YOU TO REGISTER NOW!**

....as a certain amount of planning/ordering/payments must take place immediately following that May 1<sup>st</sup> deadline, both with the hotel and vendors.

AGAIN, ALL REUNION INFO CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE AT: BerlinBrats.org

We will continue to monitor the situation for any CDC guidelines and the state of Washington in particular. At present, Gov. Inslee's state orders are only in effect till month end.

## THE PANDEMIC WILL REQUIRE BALANCE.

Thank you. We look forward to seeing you in SEATTLE!

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