January 20, 2022

Berlin Brats,

It's FINALLY happening after a two year delay!!!!

Below is the Reunion itinerary and the two page registration form all in one detailed document.

Please note, in our effort to get this info to you sooner rather than later, as of this email, we are still working on the website to make the PayPal payment option go live. (ie: a credit card method of payment). We hope to have that finalized in the next week.

Look forward to seeing you in the Springs!

Jeri

Jeri (Polansky) Glass '72, Director



Hello Berlin Brats,

It's Reunion time! <u>The Memories are all yours</u>, but we bring them to life at our All Classes, All Years Reunion. While you rekindle those old memories you will be making some new ones. Reconnect, relax, and rejoice with your former classmates over three to four glorious days.

WHEN: June 2-5, 2022

WHERE: Marriott Hotel 5580 Tech Center Drive Colorado Springs, CO

Colorado Springs with its new moniker Olympic City USA is home to the U.S. Olympic Training Center, the new Olympic Museum, Pikes Peak (America the Beautiful was written here), the USAF Academy, the Broadmoor, the Cog Railroad and Garden of the Gods just to name a few of the well-known icons of the town!

Getting to Colorado Springs:

Flying? Fly right into **Colorado Springs Airport (COS)**. (17 miles from hotel).

The Hotel is situated on a hill making it the highest point in COS, with its windows framing "Pikes Peak." There are no shuttles from the COS airport to various hotels. We recommend taking an Uber which runs \$29.96. There are airport shuttles between the DEN and COS airport should you be flying into Denver vs Colorado Springs.

Driving? Free parking at the hotel.

Rental Cars? Are available at the COS airport. However, a car is NOT needed on site for the Reunion unless coming in early, staying later and/or want to explore the area on your own.

Accommodations:

Marriott Hotel 5580 Tech Center Drive Colorado Springs, CO 719-260-1800

Our group rate is \$179 until we exceed our room block and/or May 1st whichever comes first. If you plan on attending, we recommend booking sooner rather than later. We are known for exceeding our allotted rooms! The private booking page can be found at:

CLICK HERE

or cut and paste this link: https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1642090761004&key=GRP&app=resvlink

If you cannot book online, then please make sure when calling by phone, that the reservationist knows you are with the <u>"Berlin Brats Alumni Association 2022 Reunion."</u>

Check-in time is 4pm. Check-out time is Noon. (Rooms may be available earlier) If arriving on Day 1 of Reunion (i.e., Thurs, June 2nd) and your room is not ready before check in time the hotel has made arrangements to hold luggage for us.

Our group rate is effective three (3) days before and three (3) days after the Reunion dates for those wishing to add on vacation time. If you have trouble booking the pre and post dates online, **then** call the hotel directly

WEEKEND ITINERARY:

June 2nd (Thursday):

12:30PM: Registration, Membership, Raffle/Auction and the PX tables open. Pick up your Welcome Package, view our Raffle & Auction items and browse our PX for Berlin Brat souvenirs and memorabilia.

12:30PM: After checking in visit the <u>Hospitality Suite</u>. Bring your yearbooks and pictures. This is a place to sit around and talk while snacking on finger food, soft drinks, beer & wine. Suite will be manned by rotating alumni.

5:30 to 7:30PM: Ice Breaker-Welcome Reception. Hot and cold hors d'oeuvres. Background Music. Photo booth. Cash Bar. Dress: Casual.

7:30PM: Hospitality Suite re-opens. Suite will be open till midnight to come and go as you like.

June 3rd (Friday):

SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY! ~ Wear Maroon & White! Reunion Polo shirts will be sold all weekend long at the PX table. Previous Reunion polos are good to wear too!!!

Free day/evening to meet with up with your friends &/or classmates or take in the city via the "optional events" below.

7:00AM: Optional event: Golf play.

Play the famous Eisenhower Golf Course on USAF Academy grounds. The number one ranked military course in the world and one of the top 100 courses in the U.S Access to base will be pre-coordinated w/Golf Chair Rick Martin '77. Tee-times will be nailed down after registration. Four-person, scramble format. Prizes including best dressed in Berlin or Bear theme. Meet in Hotel Lobby for car-pooling to the course.

9:30AM: Optional event: Tour the "new" Olympic Museum – while in Olympic City USA. Then pay a visit to the historic small town of **Manitou Springs**. Bus transportation included. Lunch on your own.

10:00AM: Registration/Membership/Raffle/PX Store and Hospitality Suite opens. Suite will be decorated with Berlin Memorabilia. Please bring your items as well!

3:30PM: Optional event: **Tour Garden of the Gods** via bus w/a local Brat step-on Guide. A couple photo stops are included then head to the infamous **Edelweiss Restaurant**, for dinner in the Ratskeller. Berlin Brat regionals and the Colorado Brat Clubs hold regularly luncheons here. The owners are from Heidelberg.

June 4th (Saturday):

7:00AM: Optional event: Cog Railroad. The Cog has been climbing "Pikes Peak" since 1891. The world's highest cog. A 3.5 hr. round-trip train journey gives you breathtaking views, sightings of wildlife and your first glimpse of the Summit. New visitor's center is nestled into the mountaintop. Must dress warmly. Bus transportation included.

8:00AM: Optional event: Yoga. Start your day with a gentle yoga class led by Cate Speer '85. Slow and gentle approaches focusing on releasing tension and quieting the mind. Modifications will be shared to ensure everyone experiences their best practice. Beginner's welcome. If you can breathe, you can practice Yoga. No mats needed, just bring a towel from your room.

10:00AM: Registration/Membership/Raffle/PX Store and Hospitality Suite opens. Come chat and snack on finger food, soft drinks, beer & wine. Suite will be manned by rotating alumni.

11:00AM: Movie Time (2-4 different possible features/<u>not determined yet),</u> features considered and will be advertised at Registration desk reunion weekend are:

"The Ed Sullivan Show" filmed in Berlin. After the Berlin Wall went up Ed Sullivan showcased to America what it was like for the American soldier and his family living in Berlin. The Oct 8th & 15th, 1961 TV shows showcase The Outpost Theatre, TAR (which was both the elementary and high school at the time) and our teen dances at the AYA/DYA.

The Brown Babies: the Mischlingskinder Story: True story of the children born in post-war Germany to black American soldiers and white German women, and the African-American socialite (Brat Mom stationed in Karlsruhe) who took it upon herself to rescue hundreds of the children when armies and nations did nothing.

One, Two, Three: James Cagney in a Gene Wilder comedy that defrosts the Cold War with gales of laughter! An executive in West Berlin is charged with the care of the boss' visiting daughter. She runs off and marries a fierce young communist. Oh no! 1hr 49 minutes.

BRATS: Our Journey Home: The 1st non-fiction film to explore our subculture of "growing up Brat" ...includes General Norman Schwarzkopf and Kris Kristofferson - both Brats.

<u>Special feature</u>: "Berlin Brats purchase a Section of the Berlin Wall in 2005 then truck it across America." View this PowerPoint presentation. 20 minutes.

5:15PM: Class Photos & Group Panoramic

6:00PM: Cocktail Hour ~ cash bar

7:00PM: Banquet, Program & Dance with presentation of U.S. and BAHS school flags. Raffle and Silent Auction, and Scholarship Presentations. Dress: Casual-elegance (no jeans). For those of you who do not burn the midnight oil on the dance floor our hospitality suite will reopen at 9:30pm.

June 5th (Sunday):

Departure day! unless you are staying on for a few more days to take in the local sites.

REGISTRATION FEE: Your registration fee for the Reunion includes the Welcome Reception, photo booth, Saturday's banquet, snacks, and drinks in the hospitality suite all weekend long, the DJ for Saturday's dinner dance, memorabilia item(s) with your registration package, decorations, name tag, printing, mailings, and production costs.

Cost per person is \$175.00 if received by May 1st. Registration fee received after May 1st will be \$220 (includes a \$45.00 late fee).

<u>CANCELLATION POLICY:</u> Cancellation of your Reunion registration fee, with full refund of all fees, will be accepted until May 1st, 2022. After May 1st, the Berlin Brats will be required to finalize all payments to the various different vendors. Consequently, no refunds can be made for cancellations received after this date.

SUMMARY:

- 1. Use our LIVE Booking Page CLICK HERE ASAP to book a Hotel Room.
- ^{2.} Fill out the Reunion Registration Form (<u>all 2 pages/ie: pgs. 7 & 8</u>) and send in with your payment by May1st.
- 3. PayPal is an option on our website (This option includes the PayPal service fees. Too, PayPal now lets you select a credit card payment option) but please make sure you provide <u>ALL</u> the information required on this Registration Form in the footnote area!!!! This is needed for Name Badges and matching payment with selections.
- 4. Call a Berlin classmate and/or educator and make sure they are coming too!

*****Attendance at the Reunion comes with basic inherent risk. I agree and understand in today's current environment that venues and government regulators can change group gathering guidelines. By registering for this event, you are agreeing to comply with any changes in such guidelines. At present, Marriott employees are required to wear masks, but optional for hotel guests.

Additional/Optional Tour Information

Olympic Museum and Manitou Springs: Newest addition to the Springs - it just opened in 2020. Dedicated to America's greatest athletes and their compelling stories, with the artifacts, media and technology behind the athletes who make the U.S. proud. Reload the bus and travel to Manitou Springs: A quaint mountain town nestled at the foot of Pikes Peak. Mainstreet is lined with shops, restaurants & bars. Grab lunch on your own. Reload bus/return hotel 2:15-2:30pm.

<u>Garden of the Gods & Edelweiss Restaurant:</u> Brat narrated bus-driving tour of a natural landmark. Dramatic views, 300' towering sandstone rock formations against the backdrop of snow-capped Pikes Peak and brilliant blue skies. <u>Most visited attraction in the region</u>. 2-3 photo stops. Then head to the Ratskeller (the basement) at the Edelweiss (need we say German) Restaurant for dinner. Drinks not included. Depart restaurant at 8pm returning to hotel by 8:30pm

<u>Cog Railroad:</u> The Cog has been climbing "Pikes Peak" since 1891. The world's highest cog. A 3.5 hr. round-trip journey gives you breathtaking views, sightings of wildlife and your first glimpse of the Summit. New visitor's center is nestled into the mountaintop. Elevation at the summit is 14,000 ft, you must dress warmly as the temperature is about 30 degrees cooler than at the departure depot. Plus bring water! Return to hotel at Noon.

The elevation of Colorado Springs is slightly higher than Denver at 6000 ft.

Bring and drink water on your outings!!!

Dress definition: "Casual Elegance" for the Saturday banquet.

The ladies like to dress up and the men do not. SO, the ladies will get a little dressy...and the men will be casual (ie: no coat and tie). Hint to you men though, the ladies do like to see you a "little" dressy....so a nice shirt and slacks would be great. To really score...add a blazer and you will be the hit of the evening!

<u>REGISTRATION FORM</u> For the Berlin Brats 2022 Reunion June 2-5, 2022

| Name: | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|--|-----|-------|--|--|
| (first) | (maiden) | | (last/married) | | | | |
| Class Year: | or Teacher of: | | | | | | |
| Years in Berlin: | (ie: 1970-1974) | | | | | | |
| FULL Name of spouse or guest(s |) attending | , <u>please in</u> | dicate which | | | | |
| Address: (street, city, state, zip) | | | | | | | |
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| Email: | | Telephon | ie #: | | | | |
| I /We plan to arrive on (circle on | e): W | /ed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | | |
| Registration (Till May 1 st , 2022): | | | | | | | |
| | # of peop | ole | Fee | | Total | | |
| Alumni/Teacher | | @ | \$175.00 | | | | |
| Spouse/Guest(s) | | | \$175.00 | | | | |
| Optional Add-Ons: | | | | | | | |
| Golf Play/Green Fees | | @ @ | \$39.00 Military/Re \$68 Civilia | | | | |

| Cart Fees per person | | _ @ | \$16.00 | _ | |
|---|--------------|---------|-----------------------|------------|----------------|
| Rental Clubs | | _ @ | \$40.00 | 0 _ | |
| Olympic Museum & Manitou Springs | | _ @ | \$60.0 | 0 _ | |
| Garden of the Gods & Edelweis | s Restaurar | nt | @ | \$67.00 | |
| Cog Railroad | | | @ | \$112.00 | |
| I would like to support the Alumni As amount: \$20 \$50 \$100 (Awards to be presented: Saturday Internal Due: | \$250 | | Other Am | Ŭ | |
| AFTER MAY 1 st , 2022, ADD \$45 | 5.00 LATE I | EE PE | R PERS | ON | |
| | New Tot | al Due | w/Late F | ee: | \$ |
| Paymer | nt due by | May | 1 st , 202 | 22 | |
| Make Check Payable to: The Be | erlin Brats | | | | |
| Mail these last two form pages (| (ie: pgs. 78 | 8) with | your ch | eck_to: | |
| Berlin Brats 41910 N. Crooked Stick Road Anthem, AZ 85086 | OR: PayPa | I/Cr Cd | on our w | ebsite: Be | erlinBrats.org |

Registration is not complete until your check/payment is received!

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the Berlin Brats at: **623-764-1105**