

TAKEI & EXTENDED CLAN REUNION IN OTTAWA, ONT , CANADA,
August 13 to 15 , 1999, Update 1

This is an update on the plans for the Takei & "Extended Clan" Reunion to take place in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, on August 13th to August 15th. 1999. The events will be hosted by Chiz. & Peter Diemert and Grace & Hiro Furuya.

On the 13th of August, a dinner is planned for 7:00 p.m.in the evening at a restaurant; the restaurant has not been selected to date.

On the second day a short boat cruise of 1. 25 hours, on the Rideau canal has been reserved for 10:00 a.m. The cruise boat goes up the canal through part of the city and into Dow's Lake and then returns back down the canal. If the weather cooperates it should be a very pleasant cruise. Lunch will be at a restaurant, to be selected and if there is sufficient time a tour of parts of the city may be conducted after the lunch. Then a guided tour within the Parliament Building for which a reservation has been made for a start at 3:45 p.m. This tour will show you the House of Commons, the Senate and the Library and it will take approx. 1 hour. Following this, a dinner at our little Ottawa Japanese Cultural Centre (OJCC) to wind up the day. Depending on the numbers attending we may hold the dinner at the Furuya's .

On the 3rd day, we are planning a brunch at the OJCC or at the Furuya's, before you depart. For those who plan to stay longer we will be pleased to help you out if you would like to visit museums, the National Art Gallery or other places within the city, or just to tour the city.

Concerning hotels or motels there are many and the prices given before for the three hotels apply to those who are members of the Canadian Automotive Association, (CAA). I understand that Membership in AAA will be accepted. The Westin Hotel is a four star hotel and the cost per night in 1998 started from around \$ 165.00. This hotel is close to the place where the canal boat tour starts and it is within walking distance to the Parliament buildings, however, transportation to the Parliament buildings will be arranged. Another hotel not too far away is the Lord Elgin. It is a three star hotel and the cost per night starts from around \$ 89.00. Transportation will be arranged for those who stay at this hotel. A hotel much farther away is the Best Western Macies Hotel, a three star hotel starting at a cost of about \$ 96.00 per night. This hotel is not located in the down town area, but, it is close to the route we take to get downtown. The costs given are in Canadian dollars and they do not include the taxes. The exchange rate at the present time, U.S. to Canadian is around 1.5345 or Canadian to U.S. is about 0.6517. That is, a Canadian dollar cost of \$100.00 would be approximately \$ 65.00 U.S. I think reservations should be made at least 4 months ahead. At Macies Hotel, if everyone stayed there, a group rate may be obtained.

If you folks have any other suggestions on what you would like to see or do, I would be happy to look into it. I am enclosing another copy of the question sheet in case you can't locate the first one sent to you around Christmas time. An early response would be appreciated so that we may proceed with the plans here.

Please contact Hiro Furuya at

or Fax the same number.

H.F. March 14, 1999

Tami + Henri,

*I am mailing this copy to you, even though,
I Faxed you a copy. Just to make sure you
receive the latest info.*

*We are looking forward to meet you folks
again. Warmest Regards, Grace & Hiro Furuya*

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Will you please fill out the information requested below and mail it back to:
Hiro. Furuya, 1200 Southwood Dr., Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, K2C 3C3, by March
31 22, 1999.

Names, address, telephone and Fax numbers of those who will be attending:

Children attending, Name and age: _____

Please indicate your Ottawa arrival date and time _____

& your departure date and time _____

What transportation will you be taking : Air, train , bus, car ? _____

Will you be renting a car in Ottawa ? Yes _____; No _____

Would you prefer to make your own hotel reservations _____

or would you like us to make the reservations for you ? _____

If the latter, will you indicate your choice of hotel: _____,

and your room requirements such as double beds, queen size, extra beds, non smoking, etc.

Please indicate if you would like us to make any other arrangements for you or if you have suggestions on what else you would like to do or see.

It is imperative to receive your response as soon as possible in order to have the information requisite on whether a bus should be chartered , to make reservations at the hotels as required, the number of people on the tours and etc.

Please return this sheet to Hiro Furuya. _____

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