

Register now for ***Making Connections***. Use the registration form enclosed, go to the Clan Ewing in America website at [www.ClanEwing.org](http://www.ClanEwing.org) and print one out, or register on-line if you prefer. We feel sure ***Making Connections*** will be a great success, and we don't want anyone to miss out on this terrific opportunity for fun and education. Headquarters for ***Making Connections*** will be Don Hall's Guesthouse in Ft. Wayne. Barb McGuiness has negotiated a discounted room rate in a limited number of rooms for Clan Ewing members who choose to stay there during the Gathering. Some were held until July 21; the remaining twenty will be held only until August 29. If no more rooms are available at Don Hall's Guesthouse when you call, there are several other motels close by – Amerisuites, Baymont Inn, Best Value Inn, Days Inn, and the Ft. Wayne Marriott are all within a block or two. You can see their locations on the greater Ft. Wayne map available at the web address shown below.

**Useful Websites for planning the trip to Ft. Wayne for *Making Connections*:**

- Hotel: [www.donhalls.com](http://www.donhalls.com).  
Telephone reservations: 1-800-348-1999
- Gathering Registration: [www.ClanEwing.org](http://www.ClanEwing.org)
- General Information: [www.visitfortwayne.com](http://www.visitfortwayne.com)
- Map of Ft. Wayne: [FW AreaMap.pdf](#)  
(shows nearby hotels)
- Local history & genealogy resources: [www.FriendsOfAllenCounty.org](http://www.FriendsOfAllenCounty.org)
- ACPL genealogy collection: [www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy/index.html](http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy/index.html)
- Johnny Appleseed Festival: [www.johnnyappleseedfest.com](http://www.johnnyappleseedfest.com)  
(weekend before the Gathering)
- Our Scottish genealogy expert's website: [www.genealogybyjeanne.com](http://www.genealogybyjeanne.com)
- DeBrand Chocolates: [www.debrand.com](http://www.debrand.com)

## **Making Connections: *Tentative Schedule*** **The Ninth Biennial Gathering of Clan Ewing in America**

### **Thursday, September 21, 2006**

- Noon - 6:00      Continuous Trolley to and from Allen County Public Library  
6:00 p.m.      *Opening Dinner with Welcome by Chancellor & Chairman*  
after dinner    *"On Eagle's Wing" a Musical about the Scots-Irish – DVD presentation*

### **Friday, September 22, 2006**

- 7:00 a.m.      *Breakfast* - Break-out groups at Don Hall's Guesthouse  
8:30 a.m.      *Welcome to the Allen County Public Library* - ACPL staff at Don Hall's Guesthouse  
9:00 - 6:00      Continuous Trolley to and from Allen County Public Library  
10:00 a.m.      *Commemorative Ceremony & City Proclamation*  
Ewing Memorial, Lindenwood Cemetery  
12:00 Noon      *Lunch* at the History Center  
12:45 p.m.      *Tour* the History Center; visit the Allen County Public Library,  
the Allen County Court House, or the Lincoln Museum  
3:30 p.m.      *Ewing Genealogy Documentation Project, Overview & Discussion* - David N. Ewing, MD  
4:00 p.m.      *Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project, Introduction and Overview* - David N. Ewing, MD  
6:00 p.m.      *Dinner* - Don Hall's Guesthouse  
7:30 p.m.      *Panel Discussion - The Ewing Family & Early Fort Wayne*  
9:00 p.m.      *"The Journey of Man" - Spencer Wells - DVD presentation*

### **Saturday, September 23, 2006**

- 7:00 a.m.      *Breakfast* - Break-out groups at Don Hall's Guesthouse  
9:00 - 6:00      Continuous Trolley to and from Allen County Public Library  
8:30 a.m.      *Optional Tours* (Choose one)  
1) *Swinney Homestead and the Chief Richardville House*  
Victorian luncheon at Swinney Homestead  
maximum participants limited to 43  
2) *The Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum, Auburn, Indiana*  
*and DeBrand Fine Chocolates (www.debrand.com)* Lunch at Guesthouse on return.  
12:00 Noon      *Buffet luncheon* at Don Hall's Guesthouse  
1:30 p.m.      *Seminar - Jeanne L. Stump, CGsm FSA Scot, Professional Genealogist*  
Discussion on getting the most out of your genealogical  
research - Jeanne is a specialist in Scottish genealogy  
2:45 p.m.      *Seminar - Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project, Advanced Discussion* - David N. Ewing, MD  
Learn more about the Ewing Surname Y-DNA Project and how it may be  
used in conjunction with our traditional genealogical research techniques  
4:00 p.m.      *Scottish Heritage Presentation*  
Join us for some fun!  
5:45 p.m.      *Gala Reception - Tartan & Tie*  
6:30 p.m.      *Dinner*, followed by special entertainment

### **Sunday, September 24, 2006**

- 7:00 a.m.      *Breakfast* - Break-out groups at Don Hall's Guesthouse  
9:00 a.m.      Clan Ewing General Session followed by Board Meeting

## ***Additional Sites of Interest in Fort Wayne***

**Beth Ewing Toscos, Chief Worker Bee**

Editor's Note: A Tentative Schedule appears on the back cover of this issue.

On Friday, September 22, participants in ***Making Connections***, the Ninth Biennial Gathering of Clan Ewing, will be transported from historic Lindenwood Cemetery to downtown Fort Wayne, Indiana, for a luncheon at the History Center. Although buses will begin returning people to Don Hall's Guesthouse shortly after lunch, there are three excellent possibilities for your afternoon adventure.

The first is the Allen County Public Library, home to one of the most extensive genealogy collections in the United States. Our breakfast speaker on Friday morning will be ACPL staff genealogist Steve Meyer, who will give us pointers on how to use the library. On Friday afternoon ACPL staff and volunteers from the Allen County Genealogical Society will be on hand in the ACPL Genealogy Department to give assistance to anyone who wishes to research.

There are two other exceptional sites in the immediate vicinity. One is the Allen County Court House and the other is the Lincoln Museum. The Court House is an imposing Beaux Art structure dedicated in 1902. It is a National Historic Landmark (NHL), one of only 35 in the state of Indiana. The exterior is blue Bedford limestone and Vermont granite. Atop the copper-sheathed dome is a 14-foot tall copper Liberty. The interior has undergone a \$9 million restoration, including a clean up of its four magnificent murals by artist Charles Holloway. It is a wonderful building to visit.

The other attraction of note is The Lincoln Museum. This museum holds the world's largest private collection dedicated to the life and times of Abraham Lincoln. It includes signed copies of the Emancipation Proclamation and the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment as well as Lincoln family belongings and more than 300 original Lincoln documents. It houses a research library and a museum store. The Lincoln Museum is adjacent to the Allen County Public Library, making it very accessible to all who may be interested in Civil War era history and the Lincoln family in particular.

You will have several hours to spend before returning to the Guesthouse, or you may choose to stay downtown until the last trolley at 6:00 p.m. Be prepared to be delighted with Fort Wayne and all she has to offer.