

Caravaner Participation in the Augustana Heritage Association Gathering VI in Lindsborg, Ks

With a theme of “Children of Augustana” what could be more appropriate than a gathering of the “children” who were part of that special group of youth who were Caravaners. The last time Caravaners met officially was August of 1995. They met in connection with the ELCA national convention of that year in Minneapolis. This year we will be part of the Augustana Heritage Gathering in Lindsborg, Ks June 19th through the 22nd. That is also Midsummer Celebration in Lindsborg.....an event you need to experience.

As he was organizing the 1995 reunion John Hult wrote that “the main purpose of the Caravaning program was to strengthen the youth program in our churches and to share our faith with both youth and adults. At that time the tremendous impact it would have on the Caravaners themselves had not been full understood”. The upcoming event in Lindsborg will give us an opportunity to reflect on this aspect even more.

Pr. Carl Manfred, Dr. David Nelson, and Birger Nelson have agreed to facilitate two different interest sessions. We are looking for former Caravaners who would be willing to share some of their experiences and the impact it made of their lives. Mostly, it will be an opportunity for a group of people who shared a special common experience to interact with each other some 45 plus years later.

If you are interested and willing to participate please contact Birger Nelson, 8107 Bayridge Ave, Gig Harbor, WA 98332. (253) 853 5905.
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