May 11, 2005

Cousins:

Here's the information for the reunion, **Saturday, June 25, 2005 in Prosperity, SC**, near Newberry. I really hope you can come. Please contact or send copies of the information to relatives that may not have received it from me. My mailing list is extensive, but it's not complete.

We will be meeting this time at the Stoney Hill Community Center, 2984 Stoney Hill Road, Prosperity, SC. The meeting hall is just south of town. Prosperity doesn't have accommodations, so we'll be staying in Newberry again. It's just a few miles north of Prosperity. We had to change from the Newberry Community Hall, where we met before, because the price went up so badly. This is good, however, since Stoney Hill is the area where our ancestors lived.

This information and other reunion materials are also available on our Web site (<u>www.wwtaylor.org</u>). *Please visit the site. Although I have a lot to do yet, there is a great deal of information available there, including photos from previous reunions.*

I will be staying at the Hampton Inn Newberry Opera House in Newberry. I'm arriving on Thursday, June 23. Typically, many of us from out-of-town will visit at the motel on Friday and Saturday evenings. Local people feel free to join us. This motel doesn't have a hospitality room like we had in Florida, but we can use the breakfast room off the lobby anytime after 10:00 AM, and I've booked a large room for myself so we can visit there as well.

I have arranged a special rate at the **Hampton Inn** where I'll be staying (\$79 regardless of number of people). Call **1-803-276-6666** and say you're part of the Taylor reunion to get the special rate and be recorded as part of the reunion. Enclosed is another sheet with information on other hotels. This is also on the Web site.

I'm planning a short tour for after the reunion on Saturday. It will cover mainly the areas near Prosperity where the Taylors lived. I will also cover a Hawkins site or two.

For those in town on Sunday and wish to go to an ancestral church, we have chosen Zion Methodist Church, just outside Prosperity. It was the church of Ann Taylor and possibly William.

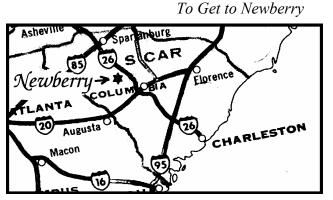
See you in June.

Out-of-Towner Information

Newberry is 1.5 miles from exit 74 of I26 (I26 at state route 34). It is 40 miles NW of Columbia, SC along Interstate 26. Major airlines serve the Columbia airport.

The Area

Newberry has been listed as one of the 100 best small towns in the U. S. It is home to Newberry College and has a large number of beautiful Victorian and earlier homes. In downtown, they have restored the old Opera



House and it has become an attraction in itself. We're meeting in the Stoney Hill Community just outside of Prosperity. The meeting hall is the Stoney Hill Community Center. This is the heart of the area where our Taylors lived in the 19th Century

Motels:

There are several motels in Newberry for your choosing.

Holiday Inn Express

1147 Wilson Rd (803) 276-1600 Middle priced. In town, but not downtown.

Days Inn Newberry

50 Thomas Griffin Road (803) 276-2294 Economical at the interstate

Hampton Inn Newberry Opera House

1201 Nance Street 803-276-6666 New, nice, and downtown, where I'll be staying

Best Western Newberry Inn

11701 SC Highway 34 (803) 276-5850 Economical at the interstate.

Newberry Economy Inn

2721 Winnsboro Rd (803) 276-2212

Budget Inn

384 Wilson Rd (803) 276-2410

To get food for pot luck lunch at reunion:

Winn Dixie, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Bi Lo, Other fast food restaurants. There are several places to obtain food around the intersection of Wilson Road (US 76) and Evans Street.

General:

Most people are arriving on Friday. Reunion and tour are planned for Saturday. Some are staying until Sunday or later. The out-of-towners tend to visit at the motel on Friday and Saturday evenings. Generally, a group goes to supper together on those evenings. Locals are invited to join the out-of-towners.