



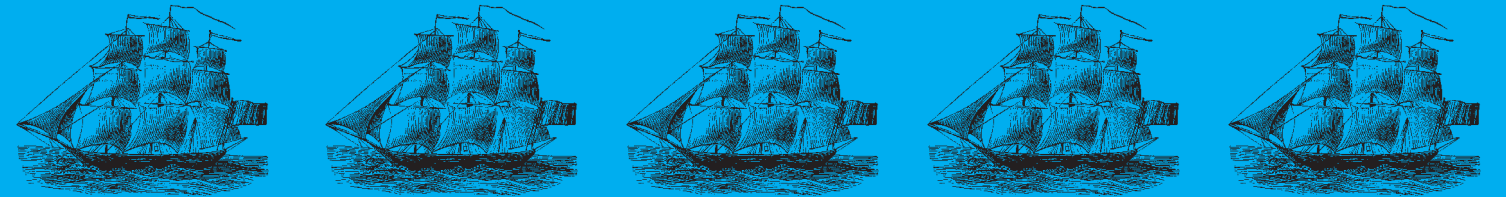
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2013 Reunion & Meeting

After 3 years of a difficult economy, high travel cost and a predicted small turn out for the Yacht Club this summer, a group of the directors decided to not hold our traditional meeting this year. This will be the second time in our history that we have chosen to skip a meeting. The cost of the meeting is considerable and we thought it was prudent to forgo the event and begin a discussion about future meetings.

Several years ago, I benefited from the counsel of another family organization president and was pleased to learn that we have succeeded for years having one of the more robust family organizations in the country. It is probably a sign of the times that we are attracting fewer members to the annual conclave. I hear from similar groups that their challenges are the same.

At this time, suggestions have been forwarded to: meet every other year, meet somewhere other than Milford, or meet in Milford with the other founding families as a "Founders Weekend" celebration, holding our business meeting the day before. The third option would provide a crowd large enough to support a venue such as the Yacht Club and attract first-rate speakers.

We will be communicating with the membership and appreciate any suggestions. We expect to be more aggressive with the Milestones and the web, and change with the times. We will miss the personal association this year but look forward to it in July 2013.

Watch the website for details as they are developed.

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