

JCP HCSC North Central Alumni Club

February 2023

TO: JCP HCSC North Central Members and Guests

FROM: Glen Thompson, President
Jean Lewis, Secretary
Larry Orth, Treasurer

SUBJECT: Registration Packet for the 2023 Gathering
Radisson Hotel, La Crosse, Wisconsin

It seems like our last Gathering was not long ago, but it is now time to make your plans to attend the 2023 Gathering in La Crosse, Wisconsin. The dates are **June 6-8 (Tuesday – Thursday)**. The JCPenney family will gather to renew old friendships and make new acquaintances. The city of La Crosse and the downtown Radisson Hotel provide a welcoming, relaxing atmosphere. Register soon and come ready to have a great time!

You may make your room reservations directly with the hotel by calling 608-784-6680 and asking for the JCPenney Retirees rate of \$129 for “river view” Double Queen or \$ 119.00 for “city view” King / per night (plus taxes and fees). Reservations must be made by Friday, May 5, in order to guarantee the negotiated event price. Any requests for special room arrangements must be made at the time of your reservation. Room availability / pricing after that date cannot be guaranteed.

The outline of the event is as follows:

- Tuesday after 3:00 p.m. stop by the HCSC table in the lobby area to pick up your packet containing all the necessary reservation information and event materials. Hotel check-in time is 3:00 p.m. The social hour in our designated Hospitality Suite will begin at 5:00 p.m. with dinner following at the Freighthouse restaurant (off-site). A remembrance service will be conducted by John Brennen. The evening will conclude with the telling of jokes and perhaps karaoke.
- Wednesday will start with a leisurely breakfast available from 7:00-9:30 a.m. Hotel vouchers will cover all meal costs (including tip). Following breakfast, those planning to play in the golf event will proceed to Forest Hills Golf Course for their 9:00 a.m. tee time. **The golf cost (including a light lunch and prizes) is \$65.00 per person.** Once again, Bruce Motsinger will be serving as our “Golf Pro”. Please include your handicap with your registration so Bruce can determine teams and manage the course contests.
- For those not golfing, the scheduled activities begin with lunch in the hospitality suite. You will then board an air conditioned chartered bus where a local guide will lead a special behind the scenes tour that combines both the “Historic La Crosse” and “Dark La Crosse” highlights. **The cost for the lunch and chartered bus tour is \$60 per person.**
- Wednesday evening will begin with another happy hour before we head down to Ballroom B for a plated dinner. Following dinner, we will enjoy some professional entertainment.
- Thursday we will wrap up the Gathering with a buffet breakfast at the hotel and our Annual Business meeting.

To make this year’s Gathering even better, we are asking each of you to reach out to 2-3 Penney Partners that haven’t attended recently (or have never attended) and encourage them to join us and get reconnected with friends.

Looking forward to seeing you in La Crosse this June.

Sincerely yours,
Glen Thompson, President
Jean Lewis, Secretary
Larry Orth, Treasurer

Things to know in preparing for attending the 2023 HCSC Gathering

Make Hotel reservations:

Please make your own Radisson Hotel reservations by directly calling the hotel at 608-784-6680 and asking for the JCPenney Retirees rate of \$129 for double queen or \$119 for king per night (plus taxes and fees).

Please submit your registration form by Friday, May 5 and reserve your room in order to receive the group rate.

Make Food Selections:

You will need to review the following menu options and indicate your choices on the registration form.

Wednesday Plated Dinner Banquet (Select one for each attendee on the registration form)

Smoked Pork Loin with wild mushroom jus, whipped potatoes, and fresh vegetables

or

Pan Seared Chicken Breast with sun-dried tomato sauce, whipped potatoes, and fresh vegetables

or

House-made Focaccia Crusted Walleye with champagne cream sauce, whipped potatoes,
and fresh vegetables

or

Cheese Ravioli with forest mushrooms and tomatoes, served with pomodoro sauce, and fresh vegetables

We are in need of a volunteer to take pictures at the Gathering that can be used for the Partners magazine. Please contact President Glen Thompson at glengthompson@gmail.com if you are willing to be our photographer.

A quick reminder: Please give Jean a shout at jeanielewis3@gmail.com or 309-255-5741 if you are unable to attend or if you have registration questions. You may bring your coolers, beverages, snacks, etc. to your individual room.

To recap, here are your Action Steps:

1. Make room reservations by Friday, **May 5th** to guarantee room availability and the JCPenney Retirees price.
Call the Radisson Hotel directly at 608-784-6680.
2. Make your meal and activity choices then return the Registration Form and your check made payable to North Central HCSC Club to Jean Lewis by **May 5th**.
3. Think of several Penney partners you haven't seen or heard from lately.
Call, email, or write to those friends and encourage them to reconnect with us at the Gathering.

See you in La Crosse for a FUN TIME!

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Name Spouse/guest: _____

Your contact email: _____

First time to attend: (Yes or No) Self _____ Spouse/Guest _____

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Please list those you have personally invited to join us: _____

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Registration Cost

Partner

Spouse/Guest

Total cost for four meals and hospitality suite \$185/person \$_____ \$_____
*All taxes, tips, and service charges are included

Tuesday Banquet and Entertainment select entrée Pork Loin _____
Chicken Breast _____
Walleye _____
Cheese Ravioli _____

Optional Wednesday Activities:

1. Golf and Lunch at Forest Hills Golf Course \$65/person \$_____ \$_____
List your handicap _____

2. Lunch and guided bus tour of La Crosse \$60/person \$_____ \$_____

Registration and Activities Sub Totals \$_____ \$_____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

\$ _____

Note: Please make checks payable to North Central HCSC Club.

Return this registration form and payment by May 5 to:

North Central HCSC "Alumni" Club
c/o Jean Lewis
1061 Hawthorne Ridge
Macomb, IL 61455