



# The Scout

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SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS



“...I would sooner die a thousand deaths before I would betray a friend or be false to duty.”

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## Calendar

Dec. 6th / 2PM Ground Breaking Presidential Library @ Beauvoir

Dec. 10th—Camp Meeting, 7PM @ McAlister's Deli

Dec. 11th-5th Brigade Meeting/ Christmas Party, 7PM @ Dixie

Dec. 12th—Camp field trip to Confederate Memorial Hall in New Orleans

Jan. 22.—Lee / Jackson Banquet

Feb. 11th—Camp Meeting

## Camp Officers

Commander / Editor  
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James Gipson

## COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Compatriots,

As my first year of as Camp Commander comes to a close, I can not but feel honored... and relieved to have made it this far. If we compare ours to the current Federal Administration's year, we have had a stellar one, hands down. We started with hosting our Lee Jackson Banquet and began meeting at Beauvoir again, both first's since Katrina. Other first's which we saw were; the Hayes Cottage reopening, the 5th Brigade launched a new Website, the Division implemented a new Dues renewal system, we saw Beauvoir receive the new Jefferson Davis statue and the construction work again on the new Presidential Library.

The members of the camp have had a year full of workdays at Beauvoir and elsewhere along the Coast. ...And I must say, most all of these were done with very little griping. The Camp's work did not stop there, we managed to sponsor 3 headstone dedications and participated in a couple other around the Division. We again held our Confederate Memorial Day Service in Gulfport and supported the Division Service at Beauvoir. We also had members find time to put on a couple Living histories on the property. Our members worked feverishly on making Fall Muster a great success, the largest since the storm.

When it came to giving, our camp also answered the call. We donated many State Flags this year in a effort to "Keep Them Flying". We gave flags to the City of Long Beach, the Bastogne Historical Museum, and several local schools and VFW posts. When we found out that a Local school needed a donation of guitars for it's music class, the camp answered the call with 6 new guitars.

Our members came out in support of our new Heritage Fundraiser T-shirts and once they are gone we will have raised \$1000 for our Heritage fund. A fund that we may need at anytime. Case in point, a couple of months ago we saw a compatriot, S.C. rep. Joe Wilson get raked across that coals for his "you lie" comment.

The national media had a field day accusing him and our organization as being racists. Although this one was addressed on our International ...

level, we may today have a fight on our hands. I am sure many of you remember the Eight flags and State Flag fights. We can not afford to sit back and hope it won't happen again.

We have welcomed half a dozen new members to our camp and unfortunately have had several compatriots pass away. This men can not be replaced only substituted.

Now looking forward, we are approaching the Lee Jackson Banquet again and the beginning of a new year of opportunities. Opportunities to Defend our Heritage, the Heritage that you have inherited from the most honorable men the world has every seen.

Every time we meet and talk about our ancestors, we are perpetuating their memory. Every time we hold a workday, we are protecting their deeds. Every time we sponsor a living history or recruiting event, we are educating the public about them.

Compatriots, we are the battle line and what we do this coming year will reflect directly on our Ancestors. We can not let them down!

I have decided to close our years' activities with a Field Trip, we deserve it. On December 12th, we will be heading over to Confederate Memorial Hall, the WWII museum and the Metairie Cemetery in New Orleans. We will discuss the details at our December 10th Meeting /7PM at McAllister Deli, I hope to see you there.

Deo Vindice!



*This is one of our field trip destinations!*



*Com. Troy Savoie, 1st Lt. Com. Charlie Purncher and Compatriots Ronald Wade, Wayne Saucler and Chris Finley manning our recruiting booth at this year's Scottish-Highlands Games.*

Men,  
The following was published in the Dec. edition of the Maj. Gen. William T. Martin Camp 590 newsletter, it deserves passing on.

We, as Sons of Confederate Veterans, are given a great responsibility when we become members of this organization. To fully understand why we are here let's look at the Charge and examine what it really means.

**..we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought..**

Now, there are some that see our organization as just a history club. They feel we just like to dress up and relive the past. I ask you to look closely at the words "vindication for the cause.." The American Heritage Dictionary defines vindication as the evidence, argument, event or the like, that serves to justify a claim. Does that sound like our ancestors expected us to just dress up and relive the past? No, because of the Rebel blood that flows through our veins it is our duty to teach the real truth of the Cause for which our ancestors fought. We must go out and take advantage of every opportunity to vindicate our ancestors.

In the words of Jefferson Davis, .Is it a lost Cause? Never! A thousand times no! Truth crushed to the earth will rise again!  
Can never die!

**...will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name..**

I don't believe this means to go out and physically fight to defend the good name. But, I do believe it means for us to not back down when we see our ancestors being maligned by some liberal press or other group that sees it as their sole responsibility to call our ancestors traitors and accuse them of treason. Our ancestors were more patriotic than any other people I have studied. No-where have braver men fought and we owe it to them as a duty to make sure they are never belittled for what they did.

**..the guardianship of his history..**

We as a group of men that descended from such noble men shall never let them be forgotten.

**..the emulation of his virtues..**

We should all behave as Southern gentlemen in our relations with others.

A.L. Long in his book *Memoirs of Robert E. Lee* stated "It can always be said of [Lee] that he was never heard to speak disparagingly of anyone, and when anyone was heard so to speak in his presence he would always recall some trait of excellence in the absent one."

**.the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish..**

This final part of the Charge is probably the most critical one we face today. Everywhere we turn some group is trying to eradicate our Southern culture and heritage. Those principles of home, family, charity and religious beliefs are constantly under attack. It has been given to us the duty to hold these beliefs and ideals fast in the consciousness of the Southern people and more importantly to impart them to our children. Our young people are constantly being bombarded by liberalism through the TV and media. Video games are teaching them to disrespect human life. We cannot allow this to happen. It is our Charge.

As you can see we have a great responsibility. We are the immortality of our ancestors. We are the reservoirs of their Confederate blood. We must remember them and pass that history on and protect that history so that they and we are never forgotten.

I leave you once again with the words of Jefferson Davis.

*"Nothing fills me with deeper sadness than to see a Southerner apologizing for the defense we made of our inheritance."*

*Authored by Allen Terrell, Commander; Maj. Gen. William T. Martin Camp #590*

## **DID YOU KNOW**

THE BASIC OBJECTIVE OF INFANTRY TACTICS WAS TO BE ABLE TO MANEUVER UNITS OF TROOPS INTO POSITION WHERE THEY COULD DEPLOY ON THE BATTLEFIELD AS QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY AS POSSIBLE, SO AS TO BRING THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF MUSKET FIRE ON TO THE ENEMY AND THEN TO CHARGE WITH BAYONETS AND DRIVE THE ENEMY FROM THE FIELD. CONFEDERATE COMMANDER "STONEWALL" JACKSON'S BRIGADE BROKE THE UNION ATTACK ON HENRY HILL USING EXACTLY THESE TACTICS IN THE FIRST BATTLE OF MANASSAS (BULL RUN) IN JULY 1861.



**Sam Davis Camp No. 596**  
**Mississippi Division**  
**Sons of Confederate Veterans**

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

**LEE / JACKSON BANQUET**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2010

LATIMER COMMUNITY CENTER  
10908 DAISY VESTRY RD  
OCEAN SPRINGS, MS 39565

THE EVENING WILL START AT 6:00 PM WITH A RECEPTION AND CASH BAR.  
WE WILL CUT THE BIRTHDAY CAKE AND MAKE A TOAST OF REMEMBRANCE TO THE  
GENERALS AT 7PM, FOLLOWED BY DINNER.

BANQUET AGENDA INCLUDES RECEPTION, DINNER, SAM DAVIS CAMP #596 AWARDS  
PRESENTATION, KEYNOTE SPEAKER, A SILENT AUCTION, DOOR PRIZES, AND A CANDLELIGHT  
MEMORIAL. THIS WILL BE FORMAL/PERIOD DRESS EVENT.

THIS YEAR'S SPEAKER WILL BE;

**LARRY MCCLUNEY**  
PAST COMMANDER  
OF THE MISSISSIPPI DIVISION,  
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

PROGRAM – "THE VANISHING SOUTHERNER"

LIVE MUSIC FOR THE EVENING WILL BE PROVIDED BY KRACKER DAN

TICKETS WILL BE \$25.00 PER PERSON

PLEASE RSVP TO CHARLIE PURCHNER BY EMAIL [cpurchner@yahoo.com](mailto:cpurchner@yahoo.com) OR

BY PHONE (228-313-1048) BY JANUARY 15, 2010

FOR MORE INFORMATION [www.samdavis596/Lee\\_Jackson.html](http://www.samdavis596/Lee_Jackson.html)

**TICKET ORDER FORM**  
**Lee Jackson Banquet**  
**Friday, January 22, 2010**  
**6PM**  
**\$25.00 per person**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Please find my enclosed check for the amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
For the purchase of \_\_\_\_\_ tickets.

**Mail to;**  
**Charlie Purchner**  
**102 Pecanwood Dr**  
**Long Beach, Ms 39560**

**Tickets are \$25.00 per person,**  
**Your ticket will entitle you to a great meal and a**  
**evening of wonderful entertainment.**

**Your ticket(s) can be picked up at the door the night of the Banquet.**

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CELEBRATE OUR**  
**HERITAGE!**

**This event is Proudly sponsored by the Sam Davis Camp #596,**  
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# Showing the Colors



**The inside of the Chapel on FOB Lima at Karballa, Iraq.  
The home of the Mississippi National Guard. May 30, 2005**

## Calling all Ladies for the OCR!!!

We are currently trying to start a Biloxi Charter of the Order of the Confederate Rose. This organization will work in conjunction with the Sam Davis camp on various heritage projects. Anyone knowing a lady (young or mature), age 12 or older, who is interested in joining the Order of the Confederate Rose  
Contact Judy Allen,  
228-806-4788 or e-mail at  
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### Notable Quotes

"LEE IS THE ONLY MAN I KNOW,  
WHOM I WOULD FOLLOW  
BLINDFOLED"

JACKSON, OF LEE, MAY 1862

## CAMP MEMBER MILITARY SERVICE SURVEY

**COMPATRIOT'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**RANK ACHIEVED** \_\_\_\_\_ **BRANCH OF SERVICE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ENLISTMENT/YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_ **DISCHARGED/YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

**I AM A VETERAN OF WARS/CONFLICTS/ACTIONS; (PLEASE LIST)**

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*On Behalf of the Sam Davis Camp #596, Thank You for your service!*

*Please fill in the Survey and mail to;*

*Sam Davis 596*

*10809 Dogwood Dr.*

*Ocean Springs, Ms*

*39565*

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Mississippi  
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**In his heart a man plans his course, but the  
LORD determines his steps.**

**Proverbs 16:9**

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