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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

Jan. 8th—Lt. Gen. James Longstreet's
birthday

Jan. 9th—anniversary of Mississippi's
secession

Jan. 16th—Camp workday
@ Beauvoir, 10am

Jan. 19th—Robert E. Lee's birthday

Jan. 21st—Lt. Gen. Stonewall Jackson's
birthday

Jan. 22.—Lee / Jackson Banquet
@ Latimer Community Center / 7pm

18th Annual

Lee - Jackson Banquet



Friday, January 22, 2010
Latimer Community Center
7PM

Guest Speaker: Larry McCluney
Special Musical Guests: Kracker Dan

Join us for a night of great Food and Entertainment

\$25 per Person

*Deadline for ticket sales is January 15th

Social Hour / Reception from 6:00-7:00pm

Call Charlie Purchner for more information: (228) 313-1048

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Compatriots,

I hope you all have had a great Christmas and a wonderful New Years.

We all know during the celebration of New Years, we make self improving resolutions normally with our successes being measured in days or if we are totally committed maybe even a few months. We usually take pride in our achievements, even knowing they are lackluster at best.



But this New Years also marks the Sesquicentennial of a Resolution that our Ancestors made. Their Resolution would not only have devastating effects on their lives but change the course of this nation. Their Resolution was to stand in armed defense of their country and the rights bequeath to them by the founding fathers.

The means to continue their armed defense ended four years later, but the spirit of their Resolution remained and still remains 150 years later.

Today, as Sons of Confederate Veterans, we are the continuance of that long thin gray line and we must do our part to ensure that the deeds of our ancestors were not in vain.

We are and have been conducting a rear guard action on the retreating Armies of the Confederacy since April 1865. We must continue to protect the good name of those men who wagered everything including death for what they knew to be right.

With the turning of this New Year, I would like to challenge you as I challenge myself; to not only maintain the rear guard action, but to do all in our power to stop the disintegration of our ancestor's good names and the rich heritage that they have handed down to us. If it is lost, it is our fault.

I would like to wish you all the best in the upcoming year!

We had a great time on our camp fieldtrip to New Orleans and I would like to thank all of you who participated.

I would also like to thank Wallace Mason for taking on the roll of acting Camp Adjutant.

Please remember our Chaplain, Bill Allen who has been in the hospital with a serious heart condition, and also don't forget our men and women serving in the armed services. Keep them and their families in your prayers.

Please note that our January meeting will be our annual Lee-Jackson Banquet, which will be held on Friday, January 22nd at 7pm at the Latimer Community Center. Please contact 1st Lt Commander Charlie Purchner (228- 313-1048) for ticket information.

I am looking forward to seeing you there!

Deo Vindice!



Camp members visit the Confederate Memorial Hall in New Orleans.

This cartoon was sent to me by Compatriot Daryl Ladner of the Gainesville Vols. Camp 373. It was produces by his daughter Annie and inspired by an event at last years Fall Muster. Great job Annie!!!

10/18/08 - Part 1

<p style="font-size: small;">My dad and my brother were in a Civil War reenactment today.</p>	<p style="font-size: small;">My mom and I brought our starving Confederate soldiers some brownies.</p>	<p style="font-size: small;">Ten minutes later, they put on blue coats. Turns out they're actually dirty, brownie thieving Yankees.</p>
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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.
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 A SEMI-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 OR

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION www.samdavis596/Lee_Jackson.html

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

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!

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Lee and Jackson--Stalwarts of the Faith

Sierra Times| Al Benson

This Month we should remember, and should celebrate, the birthdays of two of America's greatest Christian soldiers, Robert E. Lee and Thomas Jonathan (Stonewall) Jackson. It is poor tribute to us as a country that we neglect to remember Christian men of their caliber and prefer instead to celebrate the birthdays of socialists and apostates. Douglas Southall Freeman has written of Lee that: "In early boyhood he had been drilled in his catechism by Rev. William Mead. From his youth he had lived in the spiritual atmosphere Meade had created in Northern Virginia, but had not joined any church. As he grew older, all his religious impulses were deepened, and he felt an increasing dependence on the mercy of a personal God." Lee felt that no man could truly be a gentleman unless he were first a Christian. Freeman noted " [Lee] could not have conceived of a Christian who was not a gentleman." Rev. Steve Wilkins, in his book "Call of Duty" which deals with the life of Robert E. Lee, noted that: "To Lee, there was no contradiction between the two at all. There was no possibility of being a gentleman without first being a Christian. And there should be no such thing as a Christian who was not a gentleman."

Lee joined the Episcopal Church in 1853 and remained therein throughout the rest of his life. All his years thereafter he lived as a humble and devoted Christian and stated: "My chief concern is to try to be an humble, earnest Christian." This motive was at the bottom of all that Lee did in his life. In response to a pastor he once talked to, General Lee said ".I can only say that I am a poor sinner, trusting in Christ alone for salvation and that I need all the prayers you can offer for me." With Lee, this was genuine, heartfelt concern, and not just so much political verbiage.

Many lesser men and "historians" in our day have sought to tarnish Lee's image, trying to tell us he really fought only to perpetuate the institution of slavery. Actually Lee had little use for slavery. He had freed his slaves and wrote: "In this enlightened age, there are few I believe, but what will acknowledge, that slavery as an institution, is a moral and political evil in any Country." Lee fought, in the War of Northern Aggression, out of devotion to his home state of Virginia and to the principles of state sovereignty that this country was originally founded upon. That in our day many would seek to besmirch the character of this great man rather than recalling his virtues is a sad sign of how far America has degenerated in the past 150 years. We fail to produce men of the character of Robert E. Lee in this generation, and we are infinitely worse off as a country for that lack.

Stonewall Jackson came from what is now West Virginia. He was not born into affluence by any stretch of the imagination and his early years were extremely difficult. He served in the Mexican War and after that he was sent home and stationed at Fort Hamilton, about seven miles from New York City. Author Mary Williamson wrote of him: "While there, he was baptized and began to live his life for the glory of Christ. God had changed the heart of this brave soldier and gave him wisdom to see that life should be lived for the glory of God--not for the glory of self."

>From that point on Jackson did, indeed, seek to live for the glory of God, both as a professor at Virginia Military Institute and as a soldier. Jackson was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Lexington, Virginia, where he founded and taught a black Sunday School class each Sunday afternoon. Even after he left to go to war, Jackson continued to be concerned for the black youngsters that had been in his Sunday school class and he wrote back whenever possible to check on their progress. It is said that several black preachers eventually came out of Jackson's Sunday school class.

Like General Lee, General Jackson was a sincere and humble Christian that gave thanks to God for everything, even down to a glass of water. He always sought to observe the Sabbath as strictly as possible, not wanting to fight or march on the Lord's Day unless emergency dictated that he do so. Jackson was a strict disciplinarian, not only with his soldiers, but with himself as well.

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Yet he manifested care and concern for his men, and, like General Lee, was much concerned for their spiritual welfare, promoting church services for them whenever possible, that they might be further exposed to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Jackson had something most of our military men, with their spirit of compromise today do not have--a desire to win the battles he fought in. His detractors, "historian" Ken Burns among them, have labeled Jackson a "cold-eyed killer." Interesting they choose to say such things about Jackson the Christian but they overlook the aberrations of Sherman, the agnostic and would-be military dictator, Sheridan the arsonist of the Shennandoah Valley, and Grant, the often barely sober General who has been referred to as a "butcher" for his willingness to send men into battle in certain situations where he might have done otherwise. Jackson, to his credit, never sought to wage war on women, children, and private property as Sherman did. Jackson's Christian worldview prevented such heinous activity, which, by the way, the Lincoln administration gave tacit approval to.

Again, it is to our national hurt that we refuse to recognize and remember such good Christian men. In their efforts to preserve the Constitutional Republic the founders bequeathed to us and which they saw being destroyed by a galloping centralism from Washington, they did all that they did within the framework of their Christian faith. They have nothing of which to be ashamed in their actions. Their detractors can not say as much. Robert E. Lee was born on January 19th and Stonewall Jackson on January 21st. Let us remember these faithful men this week.

Notable Quotes

"We are the last of our race.

Let us be the best as well."

-- Gen. Joseph O. Shelby, CSA



Sam Davis Camp 596 members present the colors at the 2009 UDC National Convention, in Biloxi.

Showing the Colors



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Sons of Confederate Veterans Sesquicentennial Society

The Sesquicentennial (150th Anniversary) of the Cause for Southern Independence is upon us! The Sons of Confederate Veterans has established a unique way you can show support for our efforts and build a legacy for the future. It is the SCV Sesquicentennial Society! By joining this prestigious group you will help in supporting two projects very important to the future.

First- the General Executive Council made the commitment in October of 2008 to start the process to erect a new building on our property at Historic Elm Springs. One of the uses of this new building is to give us office space and return Elm Springs to its original grandeur. However the main function is to house The Confederate Museum. We are planning a museum that will tell the truth about what motivated the Southern people to struggle for many years to form a new nation. It will give an accurate portrayal of the Confederate soldier, something that is lacking in most museum and in the media.

75 % of the money received through this effort goes to that building fund.

Second-we need to leave a legacy for our Compatriots who will be the members and leaders of the SCV when the Bicentennial of the Cause for Southern Independence arrives 50 years from now.

One can only guess at the obstacles they will have to face in putting forth an accurate commemoration.

25% of the money will go into a fund to be used by the SCV at that point in time.

Here is how you can take part. To join it is a minimum payment of \$200.(You can give more if you wish!) You will receive a handsome SCV Sesquicentennial Society Medal and Certificate. This program will end at the close of the Sesquicentennial. You may pay all at once or you can make non-refundable installments of \$50 (you will receive the medal and certificate when paid in full).

Send a check to:

Sons of Confederate Veterans
c/o Sesquicentennial Society
P.O. Box 59
Columbia, TN 38402

Or you can call 1-800-MY-DIXIE to pay by credit card.

You may also use the on-line donation page at <https://scv.secure-sites.us/donation.php>

At this time the on-line page does not have a \$200 option. You can select \$250 (donating an extra \$50) or you can donate \$100 twice. If you choose to pay by installment there is \$50 option.

Be sure to put Sesquicentennial Society in the box marked purpose of payment.

We hope that all Compatriots will take advantage of this opportunity to make a stand for the future.

You can proudly wear your medal and display your certificate as a symbols of your commitment to teaching the true history of the South to future generations.

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Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

Deuteronomy 31:6



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