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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

May 14– Camp Meeting, 7PM

@Beauvoir

Guest Speaker– Compatriot

Jim Odom

May 16– Camp Workday

@Beauvoir, 7AM

May 22– 5th Brigade Meeting,

7PM @ Dixie

May 29-30th– 114th Reunion

Mississippi Division Convention

@ Greenwood Mississippi

June 3rd– President Davis’

Birthday Celebration

“All Day” @Beauvoir

June 11th – Camp Workday

@Beauvoir, 7AM

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Commander’s Report

Compatriots,

I would like thank everyone who came out to celebrate the Confederate Memorial Day Ceremonies. It was a great day, exactly 143 days to the day of the first Mississippi observance in Columbus of Confederate Memorial day. The turn out was good for our camp service at the Gulfport Monument. We had guests from around the Division both in our Honor guard and in the audience. The speaker was a little long winded, but all in all, it was a great time.

The Sam Davis Honor Guard did a great job posting the flags at the Beauvoir Service.

The Honor Guard Committee is doing a great job. (Hat’s off - James, David, Micah, Bryce , Tom and Steve). Beauvoir’s Key speaker, Division Commander McCluney gave a great speech on the importance of Memorial Day. I would like to give a special thanks to all those who participated in April’s workday, our members worked on clearing a large fallen Magnolia on the Beauvoir grounds. There is plenty more to do and we will continue having our regularly scheduled workdays, Beauvoir needs us!

As you read this, the State recognized Confederate Heritage Month, April has come to an end. But as we know, every day is Confederate Heritage day and we need to stay vigilant in our defense of our Heritage. Remember, we are of their blood and descendant of their deeds!

With our Division Convention at the end of the month, we will need to discuss how the camp’s 9 delegates/votes should go. Please plan to attend our next meeting May 14th.



Ceremonial Shroud on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier for Confederate Memorial Day at Beauvoir. This Shroud was commissioned by and donated to the Camp by compatriot James Gipson.

Enemy of Confederate Heritage

Senator David Baria, was on the Rip Daniels show on April 27, in which he agreed with Daniels that Confederate Memorial Day should be done away with and combined into Memorial day in May. Daniels used money being spent to close the state down for Confederate Memorial Day as a reason for getting rid of our heritage. This strategy will be used to convince the legislature to do away with Confederate Memorial Day. They will never stop until they have done away with or made it a hate crime to be Southern.

If we as Southerners do not support what we have they will win.

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Submitted by H.W. Mason

"We mourn the Loss of a Compatriot"



Timothy Payton "T.P." Chapman Sr. died April 27, 2009 in his Gulfport home, at the age of 93. Mr. Chapman was born in Mississippi City on April 3, 1916. He was raised on the Coast and served in the U.S. Coast Guard during WWII.

He moved to Jackson, MS in 1956 where he worked as an inspector with FHA. After retirement he returned to his beloved Gulf Coast. He was a long-time member of First Baptist Church, Gulfport, where he was in the Scrap Iron Sunday School Class. He was also a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans-Sam Davis Camp, NARFE and The Lion's Club. He enjoyed cooking, fishing, gardening and loved animals.

"Please Remember Him and His Family in your Prayers".

Jefferson Davis Statue

The statue of Jefferson Davis and his two sons is nearing completion and the statue will be placed at Beauvoir in Biloxi MS. Fund raising is continuing to proceed less quickly than the work on the statue. The cost of the project is approximately \$100,000, and the total contributions to date have reached \$45,616. The South Carolina Division has made the largest contribution of \$6001, closely followed by the Alabama Division at \$5100, the North Carolina Division at \$2000 and the Fayetteville NC Arsenal Camp 168 contributed \$2000 each, the Virginia Division \$1500, while a \$1000 contribution has been received from the Tennessee Division, \$1550 from Compatriot Reinhard Dearing (LA), \$1000 from Compatriot William D. Melton (AL), and the Louisiana Division has contributed \$500.

If you would like to make a contribution please go to this site <http://www.scv.org/pdf/DavisAppeal2008.pdf> to obtain the current letter from CiC Charles E. McMichael with a contribution return form.

DIVISION NEWS

Dear Compatriots,

I hope you are all well. I write you today to report that we have been officially blocked from displaying our logo on a race car in the Arca race at Rockingham this weekend.

When this journey began back in January, we were assured that our logo had been approved. We originally approached Nascar about the possibility and were turned down, but Arca had approved our design for the race at Daytona. Nascar got involved with the issue at Daytona as they own the track that Arca was racing on and we switched our sponsorship to the Rockingham race. This was done because Nascar had no connection to the Rockingham race, it was fully Arca. I personally spoke with the owner of the Rockingham race-track to make sure he would not have any problems. He welcomed our participation and made offers to attract as many SCV members to the race as possible.

We had our green flag and were finishing up the final design when I received a call from our driver, James Hylton. He had just spoken with the president of Arca and he informed him that we could not run a car with the Confederate Flag on it. I then called the president and had a lengthy conversation with him about this matter. He would not agree that we had been given approval although he admitted that a man from his organization had spoken with the man responsible for our contract. We only accepted the contract after we had been given approval by Arca. I explained this but the president was firm. He allowed that we could run our car with our name, website and phone number but not our federally registered logo that is issued on many state license plates. I explained that this is unacceptable and not what our contract allowed.

Therefore, our money is being returned. This points out just how much work we still need to do to vindicate the cause of our ancestors and educate the public on the truth of their symbols. I do not know what good will come from this project but I have hopes. To quote Jack Marlar, "A stable with no horses is always clean." He is right about that and that is why we continue trying to push the envelop and win as many battles as possible.

I had my final meeting with our driver, James Hylton today and presented him with his SCV membership certificate. He was visibly moved to be a part of this great organization even though he had just lost a much needed sponsor. After shaking my hand he covered his head with an SCV cap and told me that from now on, he intends to climb out of his race car, take off his helmet and don that cap. He then said, "Just let them say something about that!"

Thank you for your support. Onward to the next hill.

Respectfully yours,
Michael Givens
Lt. Commander-in-Chief
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Our Beautiful donated State Flag is Up in Long Beach! It is the now LARGEST Mississippi state flag displayed on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, and, probably the largest in the southern part of the state. Next time you drive down the Beach take a look and admire it. Good Job!

BRIGADE NEWS

Please plan on attending the next 5th Brigade Meeting May 22nd, 7PM at the Dixie Community Center. The Brigade will be selecting it's next Commander and Councilman. The nominated persons will be confirmed at our upcoming 114th Reunion / Division Convention. So come on out and enjoy and fellowship with on fellow compatriot from the Brigade.

God Bless Miss California!

Notable Quotes

"I love the Union and the Constitution, but I would rather leave the Union with the Constitution than remain in the Union without it."

-- President Jefferson Davis, CSA

2009 National Convention

The 114th SCV annual general reunion/convention will be held from July 22 through 25, 2009 at the Arlington Hotel, 239 Central Ave, Hot Springs AR 71901, (800) 643-1502. The registration fee is only \$60 to November 1, 2008 which includes a name badge, a reunion medal, program and discount tickets to rides and attractions in Hot Springs. The registration fee will increase to \$70 on November 1, 2008 and remain at that level until May 1, 2009. However, after May 1, 2009 you will be a late registration, which along with walk ins, are not guaranteed to receive any item other than a name badge as there may not be sufficient programs and reunion medals remaining. Please go to the convention site, <http://scv2009reunion.com/> for more details on the many wonderful opportunities that will be available for your entertainment in this historic resort city. Don't delay your registration.

Beauvoir, April 25, 2009



The Sam Davis Camp 596 Honor Guard presenting the Colors at April 25th, 2009 Beauvoir Confederate Memorial Day.

WEB POLL

This past months survey was;

Who, as a militia volunteer, stood guard at the gallows during the hanging of John Brown?

- Robert E. Lee(1) 20%
- John Wilkes Booth(2) 40%
- Eli Whitney(0)
- John Mosby(2) 40%

Actual Answer: John Wilkes Booth

5 TOTAL VOTES

If you would like to submit a topic for survey, please sent it to fallmuster@cablone.net
This poll can be viewed at samdavis596.com

Anyone interested in signing up for a Camp committee please contact the Committee Chairman.

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Coast CSA History 101

Not all War actions happened on land. Here is a list of sunken Civil War ship around our coast. Taken from Encyclopedia of Civil War Shipwrecks;

Advocate. Confederate, Fishing schooner. Crew of four. Was captured on December 1, 1861, by the USS New London. Was scuttled on January 1, 1862, in Petit Bois Channel to act as an obstruction between the Gulf of Mexico and the Mississippi Sound. (ORN,16:817; DANFS,5:439.)

Deer Island. Confederate, Schooner, Cargo of twenty barrels and thirty bags of flour, and thirteen tierces of rice. En route from Mobile for Biloxi, Miss. Chased by USS Bohio and scuttled by the Confederates on May 13, 1862, in Mississippi Sound off Petit Bois. The owner, the captain, and two crewmen and twelve bags of flour were removed (ORN,18:496)

De Soto. U.S. Side-wheel steamer, 104 gross tons. Built 1859 at Wellsville, Ohio, Exploded on December 9, 1865, at Pascagoula, with eleven killed. Was probably repaired. (MSV, 53, 255: WPD, 126.)

Delight. Confederate. Fishing schooner. Owned by New Orleans residents. Crew of four. Carried a Rebel pass, Rebel flag, and a U.S. flag when captured with sloop Express on December 9, 1861, off Cat Island Passage, Miss, by the USS New London. Was sunk to act as a Union obstruction in the the Petit Bois Channel between the Mississippi Sound and the Gulf of Mexico. (ORN, 16:817; CWC, 6-220)

Express. Confederate. Fishing sloop. Crew of four. Was captured with schooner Delight off Cat Island Passage on December 9, 1861, by the USS New London. Was probably filled with sand and scuttled on January 7, 1862, to block the Petit Bois Channel between the Mississippi Sound and the Gulf of Mexico. (ORN, 16:817; DANFS, 5:440; CWC, 6-225)

Fox (A.J. Whitmore) (Fanny) (Strike)(Washington Potts). Confederate. Steam tug, 432 bulk tons or gross tons. Length 180 feet, beam 28 feet, depth 8 feet 11 inches. Carried an assorted cargo. Built in 1857 in New York City. En route from Havana Cuba for Mobile or Pascagoula, Miss. Was previously captured by the Union in Berwick Bay in May 1862. Used as a towboat, transport, dispatch boat, and then private tow boat. Recaptured by a Confederate raiding party of fourteen under Acting Master George C. Andrews of the Confederate Navy at a coal yard at Pass a l'Outre on April 12, 1863. Converted to a blockade-runner. Chased aground in Horn Island Pass near Pascagoula by USS Genesee, USS Jackson and USS Calhoun. Was burned to the water's edge by its crew to prevent its capture on September 12-13, 1863. The cargo and engine were destroyed. (OR,26:2:244, 52:2:531; ORN, 17:551-53; 20:141, 583-85, 809; LLC, 285, 299; Horner, Blockade-Runners, 203)

Garonne. Confederate. Sloop, 14 tons, Cargo of 165 small bales of tobacco. Was captured by boats from the USS Santee on December 30, 1861, off the Galveston Bar, Texas after 6 mile chase. Was scuttled to act as a Union Obstruction on January 7, 1862, to block the Petit Bois Channel between Mississippi Sound and Gulf of Mexico. (ORN, 17:86-87.)

Mist. Union. Steamer. Was burned by 20 Confederate guerrillas under Dick Holland near Ship Island in the Mississippi Gulf at 3:00 P.M. on October 22, 1863. The vessel's captain was pro-Confederate and claimed \$17,000 had been taken from him. The captain and ten were all allowed to leave. The pilot claimed \$5,000 Confederate had been taken from the safe. (OR, 31:1:32, 780; ORN, 25:521.)

Osceola. Confederate. Sloop. Crew of two. Was captured by the USS New London on December 9, 1861, off Cat Island. Was probably filled with sand and scuttled on January 7, 1862, to block the Petit Bois Channel, between the Mississippi Sound and the Gulf of Mexico. (ORN, 16:817; CWC, 6:278.)

Other Vessels. Confederate. Six Large ships, three large flatboats were captured and destroyed by the Union small boat expedition from the USS Cowslip and USS Vincennes on June 2, 1864, in Biloxi Bay.



2009 Sam Davis 596 Honor guard at the Gulfport Monument

CAMP KUDOS

Welcome to our New Members– Ray “Larry” McDaniel and Ron Hilton and returning members Bryce and Ronald Wade.

Special Thanks to the Honorable Alabama Division Southwest Brigade Commander Terry Bailey for be our guest speaker at our April meeting.

Thanks to Compatriot Charles Sullivan, for acquiring and donating some much needed chairs and tables

Compatriot Wayne Emile for also acquiring and donating even more chairs to the Camp.

1st Lt. Purchner, Moza Herbert and James Gipson for picking up the said chairs and tables.

James Gipson Commissioning and Donating the Beautiful Shroud for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Compatriot David Cook for donating a new U.S. flag to the camp.

I would like to Thank Compatriots Moza Herbert, Ray McDaniel, Andrew Young, James Gipson, and 2nd Lt David Parker for all their hard work on last month workday.



Men of the Sam Davis Camp 596 hard at work for Beauvoir!!!

**114th Reunion Mississippi Division,
Sons of Confederate Veterans
15th Reunion
Mississippi Society, Order of Confederate
Rose
Greenwood, MS
May 29-31, 2009
[http://msconvention2009.homestead.com/
index.html](http://msconvention2009.homestead.com/index.html)**

SCV Membership

The SCV currently has 29,004 members including 45 Real Sons and 3410 Life Members plus an additional 335 cadet members 86 Friends of the SCV. Please vigorously recruit new members and encourage current members to make the commitment to be long term members. An easy way to strengthen the SCV is to persuade former members of your camp to reinstate. If you would like a mailing list of your camp's dues delinquent former members, please contact the GHQ staff.

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But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,
— 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)



Mississippi Division
"Jeff Davis Legion Honor Guard"
Confederate Memorial Day
Beauvoir
April 25th, 2009



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