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112th Mississippi SAR Convention Embassy Suites – Ridgeland, MS

Dear Compatriot,

You are cordially invited to attend the One Hundred Twelfth Annual Convention of the Mississippi Society Sons of the American Revolution at the Embassy Suites in Ridgeland, on Saturday, March 13, 2021.

The meeting has been adapted to provide you and your guest a safe environment during a year of restrictions and cancellations. The one-day meeting has been specifically planned to make you feel comfortable and enjoy seeing friends and escaping the confines we have all experienced for ten months.

If you wish to stay overnight at the Embassy Suites, you may contact the hotel directly at 601-607-7112 or visit the MS SAR website at www.msssar.org Instructions are included. Clean suites are available at the same reduced contracted rate of last year (\$129.00 plus tax). However, the one day schedule should permit you to come from and return to your home on the day of the meeting.

Please consider making this a part of your plans for 2021. I believe you will be glad you did. We have all struggled. I feel we are ready for a safe Saturday with friends. Details of the safety measures taken are included with your registration. The Central Mississippi and Dr. Joseph Warren Chapters welcome you to Ridgeland

Sincerely, Bryant R. Boswell, President



Event Information

Hotel accommodations:

Convention registration does not include a hotel reservation. Attendees must reserve hotel rooms on their own. The deadline for hotel reservations is Feb. 26 or until room blocks are sold out.

<u>Embassy Suites by Hilton</u> 1-601-607-7112, 200 Township Ave., Ridgeland. The discounted rate is \$129 per night (plus tax) and includes complimentary breakfast. Make sure to use our group code "SAR" and request the MS SAR annual convention rate when making your reservation. Check-in: 12-MAR-2020, Check-out: 14-MAR-2020.

Meals:

Attendees may select from the following optional meals. See agenda for more information.

March 13 @ 12 Noon Lunch (\$35 per person) – plated meal with awards presentation Entrée: Classic Country Fried Steak with white gravy <u>or</u> Grilled Seasoned Chicken Breast Grilled Vegetable Medley Parsley and New Potatoes with Banana Pudding Dessert

Meal tickets will be included with your name badge at convention registration. Please note, we will not have a banquet or any extracurricular or evening activities. *The convention will adjourn at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 13, at the latest.*

Award winners:

We're inviting individual award winners to attend the convention. Pick up your awards and have your picture taken with President Bryant and the other state officers. Award winners will receive an invitation letter with additional details closer to the event.



Deadline to register and make hotel reservations is February 26, 2021. Questions? Call 601-927-8479 or email bejonesii@bellsouth.net

We are first and foremost gentlemen and ladies of honor and distinction. The Mississippi State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of the novel coronavirus, COVID- 19. The Society cannot guarantee that you will not become infected with Covid-19. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Nonetheless, by registering to attend this event, you agree to engage in certain beneficial conduct while attending the Society's annual convention and business meeting (e.g., wearing a mask at all times in public areas, engaging in appropriate social distancing, restrictions on certain activities that carry higher COVID-related risk, not attending the event if ill).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PRIOR YEAR REGISTRANTS:

To help cover a portion of the expenses that we will incur with the Annual Convention, the Mississippi Society would normally solicit donations for memorials, honorariums, business and chapter advertisements for the convention booklet. *There will be no printed program this year.*

Normally, the Mississippi Society would conduct a silent auction to help cover the costs of the convention. *There will be no Silent Auction this year.*

If you paid to register for the 2020 Convention, those funds will apply to your registration for the 2021 Convention. The difference will be treated as a credit and refunded on request *after the 2021 Convention*.

If you paid for a memorial, honorarium, business and chapter advertisement for the 2020 Convention Program, those credited funds will be refunded on request *after the 2021 Convention*.

As always, the Society appreciates any donations, whether actual or waiver of refundable credits. Our intent is to close the ledger on 2020 and 2021, starting our 2022 Convention in Oxford with a fresh clean slate. *Requests for refunds must be received on or before March 31*.

Agenda

Agenda subject to change prior to event.

All times are Central Standard Time.

Saturday, March 13

8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Registration (Colony Boardroom)

10:00 - 12:00 p.m. General Business Session (Township B & C)

Opening: MS SAR President Dr. Bryant Boswell Presentation of Colors: MS SAR Color Guard

National Anthem

Pledge to the Flag of the United States: President Boswell American Creed: Jerry Molaison, Southern District Director Pledge to S.A.R.: John McBride, Central District Director Invocation and Blessing: Rev. Glenn Shows, State Chaplain

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch (Township B & C) 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Afternoon Session

Welcome and Introductions: President Boswell Society Greetings Southern District Awards Presentations State Society Awards Presentations Chairman Bob Cox, Trustee

Outgoing Presidents Message Installation of Officers Change of Gavel/Exchange of President's Medallion Incoming President's Address SAR Recessional: Second VP Dr. Tommy Thomson Benediction: Rev. Glenn Shows