

# DOUGLAS DISPATCH

*Sons of Confederate Veterans*

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## Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans:

“To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the Cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldiers’ good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, 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.”

*Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee,  
Commander General,  
United Confederate Veterans,  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
April 25, 1906*

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## Commander's Message

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Safe New Year!

Are you ready for 2008? Please add dates listed in the Calendar of Events to your personal calendar. We will need help in several areas for our Camp Ford Living History and Reenactment March 29-30. Please contact Bobby Davidson to see where you can help. Also, send in your reservations for the MOS&B's Lee-Jackson Dinner! Your invitation is enclosed with this Dispatch! You might be the lucky winner of the Jeb Stuart replica sword! You will have a good time with fellow compatriots and friends! See you at the camp meeting on Jan 17th.

Long Live the South!  
Muddy Waters  
Commander

## January Program

First of all, I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and that 2008 will be filled with blessings for all. The month of January has produced many important events in Confederate History. Five states seceded from the Union in January, 1861; Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, and Louisiana. Two VERY important men of the Confederacy were born in January. Lieutenant General Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson was born January 21, 1824. Seventeen years prior to that, on January 19, 1807, our beloved General Robert E Lee was born. So, it is very fitting that our January program will be about General Lee. Mark Vogl will be with us to present this very informative program.

Again, I am currently working on getting our 2008 programs set up, so if you know of any guest speaker who would be available to give a program, please let me know. Also, if there are any past speakers that you would like to have back, let me know that as well. Let's continue working to make the James P Douglas Camp the very best it can be in 2008!

God Bless  
Brad Tindel  
1st Lt Commander

## From the Adjunct

Thank you to all who did get their membership re-ups in to me. You should have gotten a member packet by the time you receive this dispatch. Those who were late for the October

31st deadline, I took the late re-up fees for national and state out of our raised and then lowered- back-down camp dues. If anyone sent a renewal in after October 31st and only sent \$15.00 camp dues, I need an additional \$6.00 from you that national and state has already required me to pay. I really encourage all to check the calendar of events and pick at least one in which you can participate.  
DEO VINDICE

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### Brigade 8 News

Greetings to all compatriots! I hope you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I am sure all of you who attended the Christmas Party will agree that "a good time was had by all." My congratulations to Daniel Hibbs who received the Camp Member of the Year award and to Mary June Goodson who received the Woman of the Year award. Both are more than deserving!

The East Texas Brigade welcomed H.K. Edgerton to Texas. I attended the reception for him in Carthage where he was warmly welcomed. Representatives of the Nacogdoches UDC and Norma Holley from TSOOCR also welcomed him to Texas. Norma also presented him with a cash donation from the TSOOCR.

As for upcoming events, be sure to check out the Lee/Jackson Dinner hosted by the MOS&B on February 2, 2008 at the Tyler Woman's Bldg. For information, see the enclosed invitation or contact Dan Horton at (903)833-5539.

The Camp Ford Living History weekend is March 28 - 30. Please try to attend as we will need lots of help. Contact me (903) 725-6775 or Bob Davidson (903) 581-7891 to volunteer. Tell your friends and let's make this the best one ever.

I hope to see you at the next Camp meeting.

Johnnie L. Holley

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### MOS&B News Lee-Jackson Celebration

Well, as the year winds down with the celebration of the birth of our Savior, I hope everyone had a safe and Merry Christmas. With the beginning of the New Year, let us not forget the birth of two of the South's greatest leaders, Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. Come celebrate their birth with us on February 1, 2008 (SEE INSERTED INVITATION). We will have a lot of good food and door prizes. We will also have a raffle drawing to give away a Jeb Stuart replica sword. Our speaker will be Rosemary Rumbley, the famed Southern/Texas humorist from Dallas. She has spoken to our SCV camp on several occasions and is a real crowd pleaser. Dress is period or casual. Please send in your reservations ASAP.

Dan Horton, Commander  
Richard B Hubbard Chapter, MOS&B

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### Roses to You

I hope your Christmas and New Year's was as enjoyable as ours! The holiday season is so nice but I am always glad to get back to the normal routine. The kin and dogs have gone home and the decorations are put up for next year. Now is the time to get ready for 2008's activities. The winter months give time to make those changes to your period dress—or to get started making one. This is an excellent time to make that mourning attire so you can help with our Black Rose ceremonies. Or if anyone needs help acquiring a period civilian attire, please contact me. I will be more than glad to help anyone. Be sure and put our next meeting - March 9th - on your calendar!

Tis a Joy to be a Rose!  
Mary June Goodson  
President, Emma Sansom #31

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### Christmas in Dixie

On Thursday evening, December 13, 2007, a host of Compatriots and friends met to celebrate Christmas together--Southern style! If you missed it, you missed a good time! Santa Muddy was present! A good



time was had by all!

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### An Evening with HK

On Saturday evening, December 8, 2007, a large gathering of Southerns welcomed H.K. Edgerton to Texas. He



spoke at the Country Catfish Restaurant in Carthage. Attendees were from Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. The SCV was represented by State, Brigade and Camp officers and members. Norma Holley brought greetings from the OCR. Mary Roan, president of the Nacogdoches UDC chapter, brought greetings from the UDC. After a rousing speech HK left Carthage to march in the Christmas parade in Marshall, Texas. He is a wonderful representative for the SCV!

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### New Camp Officer Training

The 4th Brigade has scheduled New Camp Officer Training for March 8, 2008 at Macedonia Baptist Church,

2214 Franklin Dr, Mesquite, TX 75150. They have already secured the necessary training space at the church. They welcome any adjoining brigades to join them. I highly recommend the 3rd, 5th, 7th and 8th brigades join with them if at all possible. Please contact 4th Brigade 1st Lt Cmdr. Ron Shultz at [mavmin@netportusa.com](mailto:mavmin@netportusa.com) for more details.

Please notify me and Cmdr. Shultz by Nov. 1, 2007 if your brigade will be able to participate in the March 8 training. This would be an excellent opportunity for your camp and brigade officers to not only receive some needed training, but also to get acquainted with many of the other camp and brigade leaders in the North and East Texas areas.  
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### Fourth Annual Camp Ford Living History

The East Texas Brigades, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and the Smith County Historical Society invite you to come and join us for a Living History Event at Camp Ford Historic Park on Saturday and Sunday, March 29 and 30, 2008 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, in conjunction with the Azalea Festival. Originally a training camp, Camp Ford became the largest Confederate Prisoner of War Camp west of the Mississippi River. The site is located northeast of Tyler on Highway 271, about one mile north of Loop 323.

Re-enactors from throughout Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana will come together with the Captain James P. Douglas Camp and Douglas Battery of Tyler, to relive the history of Camp Ford. There will be overnight encampments Friday and Saturday nights.

Throughout Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 to 4:00, in addition to Cannon Firings, Infantry Drill, Musket Volleys, and Flag Presentations, there will be Skirmishes, Infantry Company Street, Weapons Demonstrations, Soldier Equipment and Haversack Contents, Shirt Sewing, and others.

Retirement of Confederate Flags

ceremony will be held at 3:00 pm on Saturday.  
Church Service will be held at 10:00 am on Sunday.

This should be an enjoyable and educational event for children and adults.  
There is no charge for admission, but we do appreciate donations.

For information contact Bob G. Davidson 903-581-7891.

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### Texas Confederate History & Heritage Month Banquet

In connection with Texas Confederate History & Heritage Month, the Walter P. Lane SCV camp #1455, Longview, is pleased to announce a banquet will be held at the Pinecrest Country Club in Longview on Saturday, April 12th, 2008 at 7 PM. Our guest speaker will be Mr. Scott Bowden, co-author of the award winning book, *Last Chance for Victory; Robert E. Lee and the Gettysburg Campaign*. Final details regarding cost, etc., will be determined after the first of the year and notice sent for reservations.  
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### A Letter from 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Commander

Fellow compatriots,

The James P Douglas Camp needs your help!! We need more camp members to step up and take a more active role within the camp. We desperately need someone to head up our school program committee, as well as other positions within the camp.

Also, we need more people with uniforms to participate in events throughout the year. If you do not have a uniform and would like to get one, there are several good outlets online. If you would like information about them, just ask me, Muddy, Johnnie, or any other camp member who owns a uniform. We will be glad to help you.

We really need some "new faces" to take on some of the active roles within our camp. I definitely realize that all of us have other commitments that keep us from participating in some camp activities. My job pretty much keeps

me tied up on the weekends, so weekend events are very hard for me to take part in, BUT...I do what I can by serving as your 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Commander, so.....I urge everyone to make a real effort to do what you can for this camp! We must not continue to rely on the same members (Bob Davidson, Johnnie Holley, Dale Fowlkes, etc.) to do most of the work on all of the events. I know several of you DO participate in many events, more events than I can participate in, and I thank you for your time and effort... BUT, we need more of our members to step up and man a post. Let myself or Muddy know if you would be interested in serving this camp in some way.

Thank You and God Bless!

Brad Tindel  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt Commander

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### Important IRS Requirement

We have received notification from Headquarters relating to the SCV's IRS Tax Exempt Status. Each camp must adopt certain language (Articles of Association, see Page 6) into their constitution or by-laws. Essentially the language affirms the restriction that our funds cannot be used for any member's benefit (we can still reimburse expenses) and that we will not engage in political campaigning as a Camp. So, please read the Articles of Association as enclosed. A formal amendment to our by-laws will be presented at the January meeting. If approved by camp members, the camp will maintain a copy and return a signed and dated copy to GHQ. Please come prepared to vote.

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### Battle at Jones Meadow

The William H.L. Wells Camp #1588 has produced a CD with over 1,000 photos from the October 2007 event. They are working on a video and a notice will be inserted when it is available. For CD ordering information go to [http://www.camp1588.org/tylertexas/cf\\_orderinformation.html](http://www.camp1588.org/tylertexas/cf_orderinformation.html) or send a check for \$10 plus \$2 Postage and handling to  
Gene Kinsey  
Sons of Confederate Veterans  
3116 Robin Road  
Plano TX 75075

## "SPIRITS OF OAKWOOD"

The Mollie Moore Davis Chapter's The Oakwood Cemetery Restoration Committee, along with the Tyler Parks Department, will present the "Spirits of Oakwood" event on Saturday, March 29, 2008, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the historic Oakwood Cemetery, corner of Palace and Oakwood Streets.

The "Spirits of Oakwood" event is a historical walking tour through the cemetery where groups of 15 to 20 people led by a tour guide dressed in period attire will stop at the grave sites of ten prominent citizens of Tyler to hear their 'story'. There will be someone, historians or family members, at each grave site dressed as that person would have dressed in their lifetime telling his/her 'story'.

The cost is \$5.00 per person. The proceeds from this event are used to repair the many broken monuments in the cemetery. The first tour will begin at 1:00 p.m. and the tours last approximately 2 hours. Entrance is through the back gate of the Cemetery on Ellis Street - all other gates will be closed for the event.

The Oakwood Cemetery Restoration Committee is a City Committee, and we work with the Tyler Parks Department. The "Spirits of Oakwood" event has been approved by the City, and this is the fourth year for this event. The event is always held in conjunction with the Tyler Azalea and Spring Flower Trail.

The "Spirits of Oakwood" event is entertaining as well as educational. Much of the history of Tyler and Smith County is in Oakwood Cemetery. The Committee welcomes volunteers, so if anyone would like to help with the event please call Maxine Herbst - 903-593-4642.

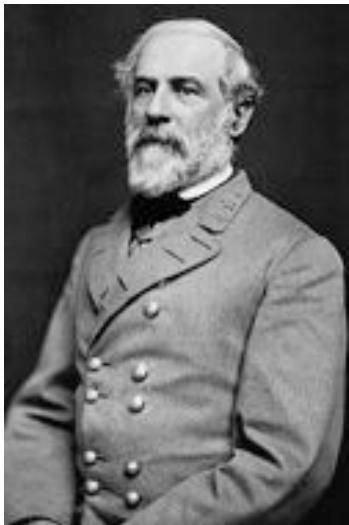
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### **PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD'S REMARKS UPON SIGNING A BILL RESTORING THE CITIZENSHIP OF GENERAL ROBERT E. LEE**

In honor of General Robert Edward Lee's birthday, January 19, 1807, we offer the following:

August 5, 1975

*"Governor Godwin, Senator Byrd, Congressman Butler, Congressman Harris, Congressman Satterfield, Congressman Downing, and Congressman Daniel, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen: I am very pleased to sign Senate Joint Resolution 23, restoring posthumously the long overdue, full rights of citizenship to General Robert E. Lee. This legislation corrects a 110-year oversight of American history. It is significant that it is signed at this place. Lee's dedication to his native State of Virginia chartered his course for the bitter Civil War years, causing him to reluctantly resign from a distinguished career in the United States Army and*



*to serve as General of the Army of Northern Virginia. He, thus, forfeited his rights to U.S. citizenship. Once the war was over, he firmly felt the wounds of the North and South must be bound up. He sought to show by example that the citizens of the South must dedicate their efforts to rebuilding that region of the country as a strong and vital part of the American Union.*

*In 1865, Robert E. Lee wrote to a former Confederate soldier concerning his signing the Oath of Allegiance, and I quote: "This war, being at an end, the Southern States having laid down their arms, and the questions at issue between them and the Northern States having been decided, I believe it to be the duty of everyone to unite in the restoration of the country and the reestablishment of peace and harmony."*

*This resolution passed by the Congress responds to the formal*

*application of General Lee to President Andrew Johnson on June 13, 1865, for the restoration of his full rights of citizenship. Although this petition was endorsed by General Grant and forwarded to the President through the Secretary of War, an Oath of Allegiance was not attached because notice of this additional requirement had not reached Lee in time. Later, after his inauguration as President of Washington College on October 2, 1865, Lee executed a notarized Oath of Allegiance. Again his application was not acted upon because the Oath of Allegiance was apparently lost. It was finally discovered in the National Archives in 1970. As a soldier, General Lee left his mark on military strategy. As a man, he stood as the symbol of valor and of duty. As an educator, he appealed to reason and learning to achieve understanding and to build a stronger nation. The course he chose after the war became a symbol to all those who had marched with him in the bitter years towards Appomattox. General Lee's character has been an example to succeeding generations, making the restoration of his citizenship an event in which every American can take pride.*

*In approving this Joint Resolution, the Congress removed the legal obstacle to citizenship which resulted from General Lee's Civil War service. Although more than a century late, I am delighted to sign this resolution and to complete the full restoration of General Lee's citizenship."*

The President spoke at 2:12 p.m. at Arlington House, Arlington, Va. Arlington House, formerly known as the Custis-Lee Mansion, was the home of General Lee. As enacted, S.J. Res. 23 is Public Law 94-67 (89 Stat. 380).

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### **From the Editor**

Well, our second edition is in your hands! I hope the *Dispatch* is what you need in a camp newsletter. Any comments or suggestions for improvement are greatly appreciated! Thanks to everyone for the praise for last month's edition. We will strive to make the *Douglas Dispatch* the best camp newsletter!

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**Col. Richard B. Hubbard Chapter #261  
Military Order of Stars and Bars**

**Requests the Honor of Your Presence at  
A Very Special Birthday Party!**

**Please Join Us in Celebration of the Birthdays of  
General Robert E. Lee and General Stonewall Jackson**

**On Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>,**

**In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eight  
We will gather at 5:30 - Celebration will begin at 6:30**

**At the Woman's Building, 911 S. Broadway, Tyler, Texas  
Parking across Bobbs Street at First Presbyterian Church Parking Area**

**Rosemary Rumbley will be our featured speaker**

**Raffle Drawing for the Jeb Stuart Sword Replies  
Door Prizes**

**Dinner Menu**

Herbed Pork loin	Oven Fried Chicken		
Roasted New Potatoes	Glazed Carrots	Country Style Green Beans	
Chef's Choice Salad Bar	Fresh Baked Rolls	Iced Tea	Coffee Dessert

**Please remit \$20.00 per person, payable to Hubbard Chapter #261, to:  
Dan Horton, P.O. Box 158, Ben Wheeler, Texas 75754  
no later than January 25, 2008.  
Prepaid Reservations required.**

**For information call**

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<b>Tom Clinkaevs</b>	<b>903-567-4708</b>		

**Period Dress encouraged, or Casual**

Articles of Association

Sons of Confederate Veterans \_\_\_\_\_ (camp or division)

This organization was formed for the purpose of being strictly a patriotic, historical, educational, benevolent, non-political, non-racial and non-sectarian. Each member shall perform his full duty as a citizen according to his own conscience and understanding.

Our organization was originally formed in 1896; however, it was incorporated in Jackson MS in 1978. On 06/21/2005 the old MS Corporation was merged into a new Texas Corporation.

Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, education, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

The fiscal year month or month that the accounting period ends is July.

These articles were adopted by the following on the following date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of officer or director)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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(Signature of officer or director)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

## Dixie Donors

June 1, 2007-May 31, 2008

Stars and Bars Donor		\$10 - \$25 Donation
Larry Ashburn	James Ballard	Bennie Jack Bearden
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Douglas Camp Website: <http://www.b17.com/scv>  
Hubbard Chapter Website: <http://www.b17.com/mosb>

A Non-Profit Organization

**Captain James P. Douglas Camp #124 meets at 7:00 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month in the Sweet Sue's Family Restaurant's Banquet Room (except December).  
3350 S SW Loop 323, Tyler TX.**

**The Public is Invited!**

## Calendar of Events

**Captain James P. Douglas January Meeting – 7:00 pm**

Jan 17, 2008      Sweet Sue's Restaurant      (See Page 1)

**Lee-Jackson Dinner-Marshall #412 UDC**      POC Norma Holley

Jan 19, 2008, 6:30 pm Pinecrest CC, Longview

**Lee-Jackson Birthday Party – 5:30 pm**      POC Dan Horton

Feb 1, 2008      Woman's Building      (See Insert)

**Captain James P. Douglas Meeting – Thursday – 7:00 pm**

Feb 21, 2008,      Sweet Sue's Restaurant

**TSOCR Executive Board Meeting – Location TBA**

Mar 8, 2008      POC Norma Holley

**New Camp Officer Training**      POC Denne A. Sweeney

Mar 8, 2008      Mesquite TX      (See Page 2)

**OCR Meeting – Emma Sansom Chapter – Sunday – 1:00 pm**

Mar 9, 2008, 1:00 pm Papacita's Restaurant, 6704 S. Broadway, Tyler

**Captain James P. Douglas Meeting – Thursday – 7:00 pm**

Mar 20, 2008,      Sweet Sue's Restaurant

**Camp Ford Living History and Reenactment – Saturday & Sunday**

Mar 29-30, 2008      Camp Ford Historical Park      (See Page 3)

**Spirits of Oakwood - Saturday – 2:00 – 6:00 pm**      POC Maxine Herbst

Mar 29, 2008      Oakwood Cemetery, Tyler      (See Page 4)

**Texas Confederate History Month Banquet**      POC Mac Meredith

Apr 12, 2008, 7:00 pm Pinecrest CC, Longview      (See Page 3)

**Captain James P. Douglas Meeting – Thursday – 7:00 pm**

Apr 17, 2008      Sweet Sue's Restaurant

**Battle at Jones Meadow – Friday – Sunday**

Oct 24-26, 2008      POC Rob Jones 903-520-3265

