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2000 TEXAS SOCIETY CONVENTION AT CAMP ALLEN, TEXAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

The Texas Society held its first convention of the new century at beautiful Camp Allen in Grimes County in conjunction with the Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans. The Captain David W. Snodgrass Chapter Number 245 in Fort Worth received its Charter with four members in attendance for the ceremony held at the Texas Society meeting.

The proposed amendments were passed to the Texas Society Constitution amending the voting procedure. The Resolution creating Medals to be awarded by both the Texas Society Commander and Chapter Commanders passed. The Department of the Trans-Mississippi, MOS&B is the only Department that awards medals to it's members at the National Conventions. Now the Texas Society is the only Society to Award such medals for it's members and ALL the Texas Chapters are the ONLY Chapters whose Commander has the option to award medals to the deserving Chapter members. Please contact Judge Ed Butler, 8830 Mountain Cross Trail, San Antonio, Texas 78255-2011, e-mail: Judge58@aol.com, who headed up this project for costs of the medals to the Chapters.

We were honored with the presence of one of our National Officers at the Texas Society Convention. Judge Advocate General Jeffrey W. Massey was in attendance for the Convention and spoke a few words in behalf of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars. Also, we were pleased to have Past Commander-in-Chief Edward O. Cailleateau, MOS&B in attendance.

The monument of the Confederate soldier was dedicated in a ceremony at the beautiful and historic Liendo Plantation near Camp Allen. We had a little "liquid Texas sunshine" that shortened the Dedication ceremonies. Unfortunately, this may well be the last monument erected to the sacrifices our ancestors made with their lives and fortunes fighting for the protection of their God given Rights of Liberty and freedom from undue taxation on Southern States.

NEXT STOP.....CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA FOR THE SCV-MOS&B NATIONAL CONVENTION!

It's just a few weeks away Compatriots and if you want to answer the NAACP's ban on tourism in South Carolina; Pack Your Bags! The South Carolina Division of SCV and Society MOS&B have prepared a really great line up of tours for us. This is an election year for both MOS&B and SCV so the attendance will be large. Fill out the Registration Form in the last copy of the *Confederate Veteran* and join the fun! The registration forms are also available at the SCV-MOS&B Web site at: www.scv.org.

TEXAS SOCIETY NOW HAS A WEB PAGE

Thanks to Texas Division Webmaster, Sandy Keathley, the Texas Society, MOS&B has a fine web page that he added to the Texas Division site at: www.texas-scv.org/mosb.html.

Take a look at it! If you want to contact one of the officers that has e-mail just click on their name and you have them. Society Adjutant G. Ronald Aldis has just gone on line and his new e-mail address is: graldis@iopener.net. Our thanks go out to Sandy not only for this great job he has done for us, but also for the job he is doing as the Texas Division Webmaster!

NEW CHAPTERS IN THE MAKING

In Texas EVERYTHING is Big! It should be that way. We want more Chapters for the Texas Society. In Tyler they are trying to form a new Chapter. In Galveston the John Bell Hood Camp, Number 50 is coming closer and closer with Bart Tate's help. In Austin they are getting nearer to the formation of another Chapter in the Capitol City. Tom Copeck is working on one for the Central Texas area as are other areas looking to form new Chapters. We need not only to hold the membership that we have, but extend it to new frontiers.

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

This edition of *THE LONE STAR GAZETTE* has had a few problems. Our fine Editor, Don Lee, recently underwent by-pass surgery in Houston on an emergency basis (after just having a complete physical examination, which showed him in good health). Don was recovering nicely until the other day he fainted in his daughter's garage (it is not 68 degrees in Texas in July). He went back in the hospital and last week they put in a pacemaker on Don. Naturally, I speak to him often and he is doing GREAT! His e-mail address is: DonJanTX@aol.com and his mailing address is: 818 Thornbranch Drive,

Houston, TX 77079-4510. Drop him a line and let him know that the Texas Society cares for the great job he is doing as our Editor! He would love to hear from you.

It was hoped that a copy of the revised Texas Society Constitution could be printed in this newsletter, but unfortunately, they have not been transcribed as yet. It will be in the next issue of the Gazette along with a copy you can just click on and save a copy to your hard drive.

Please send our Texas Society Adjutant G. Ronald Aldis a roster of the members of your chapter that have e-mail so that in the future copies of **THE LONE STAR GAZETTE** can be sent this way. It will save the Society money! Also, we can get out information to the various chapters in a more timely manner.

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