



Gladney Gram

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REMEMBER:
Join us in Charleston on July 28-30, 2006 at the Francis Marion. It'll be great fun.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dearest Gladney Cousins,

Gene and I send you greetings from Charleston, SC, the place for our 2006 Reunion on July 28, 29, and 30, 2006.

The address for visiting the hotel web site is www.francismarioncharleston.com. At this site, you can view the hotel and see where we will be staying for the last reunion that I will be hosting as President of the Gladney Family Association.

At the Winnsboro Reunion, I announced that this was the perfect spot to turn over the business of the family to someone else. With the approaching ages of 77 and 75, Gene and I feel the time has come to pull in the reigns and relax both during the reunion(s) and year(s) leading up to reunions.

The following statement was given to the attending membership at Winnsboro and I send it to each of you with much, much Gladney love.

STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT BETTYE BOND

"I wish all of you to know how I love each member of this Gladney Family and thank you for placing your trust in me for these 10 years as both your Vice President (1995-97) and beginning 1997 as your President. I feel that the time has come to pass the gavel—so to speak—to a younger mind and stronger stamina. The 2006 reunion in Charleston will be the time for that and will make 11 years of officer service for the family. Larry Ivens has served as the Vice President since 1997, when I became President. I am sure you will place as much trust in and support for Larry as you have given me. We must continue to work to attracting young Gladneys to become involved with the Family Association.

Everyone is very busy but so were our ancestors and life was much more difficult then than now. So I ask each of you to step up and make it your job to find and nurture younger Gladney cousins wherever you are. Please be aware of the needs of our older Glad-

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neys, they need visits, phone calls, letter, and offers to transport them to our reunions. It is our time to step up and assist those who have spent hours in the past keeping this treasured family association active. Be an active part of this family with other Gladney cousins work with us, grow old with us and always remember those who have departed our membership. Especially this coming year—before the Charleston reunion—find a new Gladney. What a treat for new Gladneys to be in either Winnsboro or Charleston for the first time. I remember how I felt my first time in Winnsboro, the chills of walking in the cemetery for the first time—looking at those revered stones—walking on their land where they worked, loved, laughed, cried, and died. It is up to each of us to make this happen for others. Our family association will not continue if we all are not actively involved, contact new and inactive Gladneys, and support this association financially.

Some of us have just been along for the ride and enjoyed the work of others. Now, I challenge each of you to step up and honor our ancestors by being more active, paying dues, and donating to the upkeep of the most holy place to all Gladneys, “the Old Gladney Cemetery”.

As always—My Gladney Love to Each of you,
Bettye

“For those cousins who could not/did not attend the Winnsboro reunion, after the evening banquet on Saturday, Gene and I led a group for a candlelight visit to see the beautiful straight, white headstones of our ancestors in the old cemetery. The stones seemed to glow in the candlelight. If you have a chance, do visit before they become dirty again, as Mr. Jerry Snelgrove completed the cleaning about a month ago. The most wonderful time to visit is in the fall when the leaves are turning. Dr. Dru Gladney, from Hawaii, accompanied Gene and I during this time and was so impressed—so see it for yourself. You won't regret the fall visit.”



CATHY'S CORNER

I have only been a member of the Gladney Family Association for a short five years. Bettye Bond was my first contact with the association. We talked via email and posted messages on the internet for many weeks prior to my first reunion. Bettye has been the only President that I have known. I will miss her in this role but look forward

to seeing Bettye and Gene in reunion attendance each year. I also look forward to getting to know Larry Ivens as our new President. We all need to take the reigns, take responsibility, and make this an easy transition for both Bettye and for Larry. I wish them both the best of luck in their new roles.

Minutes from Winnsboro 2005 Reunion

July 30, 2005

- ◆ 1:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room – Fairfield Motel, Winnsboro, SC
- ◆ Prayer by Kenneth Kirkpatrick
- ◆ Welcome – new/first time cousins were welcomed: Don Stowe and Randy Stowe accompanied by Shelley Stowe (at the reunion for the first time since Don came with his Mother in 1972)— Frances Gladney of Weir, MS - Del Thomsens' daughter Annette Thomsen Saenz and three children: Kyle, Cole and Sierra Saenz - Anna Belle Kibler—Gladney Brooks—Jane Quick—Natalie Sadler— Barbara Cauthen— Elaine Lane— Myra Morgan— Sidney Suggs — Karen Flannigan— and Patty DePrato.
- ◆ Board member introduction by president Bond: past Presidents in attendance were Charles Sidney Gladney, Dick Henderson, James Wallace Gladney, and Charlayne Lamb— Senior Board member, C. Wallace Gladney (also serving as Treasurer) - Dan Gladney our Secretary (absent due to death in family) - James Wallace Gladney our Historian—Tim Johnson our database manager—Cathy Newman (also serving as GladneyGram Editor) - Marilyn Crockett (unable to attend due to the illness of her Father) - Bill McMasters, - and new members to be approved and introduced later: Anna Belle Kibler and Gladney Brooks
- ◆ Vice President—Larry Ivens
- ◆ President—Bettye Bond
- ◆ Treasurer—C. Wallace Gladney gave the treasurer's report.

Old Business:

1. Check for expenses: The executive board approved the motion to pay Kenneth Kirkpatrick \$300.00 for the yearly cemetery care. Membership approved.
2. The executive board approved the motion to pay Jerry Snelgrove for the cleaning of the headstones in the old Gladney Cemetery. Membership approved.
3. The 2006 Reunion will be in Charleston, SC. Our very first time to have a reunion at the entry place for our Gladneys from Ireland. Local cousins, Janice Sakash and Gladney Brooks, have agreed to assist President Bond with arrangements. With the membership approval, President Bond will finalize the contract at the conclusion of this reunion. Membership approved.
4. The Executive Board re-visited the two years out and third year back to Winnsboro for reunions. It was decided that we were not contacting the numbers of Gladneys that we had hoped by this action so, with the membership approval, we will go back to alternating years in Winnsboro. Membership approved.

New Business

There were changes necessary on the Board, The executive board approved the following:

1. Hazel Gladney has experienced health problems and I have asked Dan Gladney if he would take this position. He has agreed at least for 2005/06. We appreciate his willingness to serve

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Dues Reminder

If you have not already done so, please send in your dues as soon as possible. Dues are \$10.00 per Gladney descendant and are due in July of each year. Checks should be made payable to the Gladney Association and sent to C. Wallace Gladney, Treasurer.

We cannot send a Gladney Gram to anyone who has not paid their annual dues. Your family association needs your help to preserve and maintain the precious family memories and for upkeep on the old Gladney Cemetery.

If you or a family member has a problem paying dues, please contact Bettye Bond or C. Wallace Gladney .

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Military Family Members

The 2005 Reunion served as an opportunity to honor family members that had served in the military. Those recognized were:

Tim Johnson, U. S. Air Force
C. Wallace Gladney, U. S. Air Force
Gene Bond, U. S. Army
Richard Lamb, U. S. Navy
Virgil C. Gladney, U. S. Air Force
Jacqueline G. Hanlon, U. S. Naval Reserve
Gladney Brooks, U. S. Air Force

We want like to continue to honor our Gladney family members who are currently in active status in the military.

If you know of a Gladney descendant who is currently active in any branch of the military, please send in the following information to Cathy Newman by mail or email at newmanca@charter.net for inclusion in an upcoming Gladney Gram:

- * The serviceperson's name and address so that family members can send them letters or cards of thanks/encouragement
- * The serviceperson's Gladney line

Let's show ALL of our military personnel how much we appreciate the sacrifices they have made and are making for our freedom.



HELP FOR HURRICANE VICTIMS

In response to the devastation caused this hurricane season, stores, banks, and internet sites are showing their support of the American Red Cross disaster relief efforts by making it easy for their customers to donate. If you have access to the internet, please go to http://www.redcross.org/sponsors/drf/Katrina_DonationSites.html for a list of valid donation sites approved by the American Red Cross.

Our thoughts and prayers are will all who are affected. But, be very careful of the organizations to which you donate. Make sure your donations make it to those in need.

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- this association. Membership approved.
2. Terri Spurling has experienced both computer and health problems of both her and her husband's parents. She requested to be relieved of this duty. Board member Cathy Newman has agreed to take this tremendously important communication position. We appreciate her willingness to serve this association. Membership approved.
A list was made of email addresses with the thought of sending the newsletter via email to save money on printing and posting.
 3. Gladney Brooks and Anna Belle Kibler were asked by President Bond to serve on the board of directors. They both reside in South Carolina and have agreed to serve on the board, thus assisting the Association with South Carolina contacts. We appreciate their willingness to serve this association. Membership approved.
 4. Past President and Historian Wally Gladney of Lexington, KY has more of the red books by Mildred Arnold "Gladneys In America" for sale. Do consider purchasing books for your grandchildren or great-grands. The Fairfield Archives downtown has offered to sell the softbound books in their gift shop.
 5. Linda Malone, Archivist at the Fairfield Archives, has agreed to sell the books for \$20.00 (\$25.00 if she has to mail them), she will retain \$5.00 and send us \$15.00. With your approval Wally will send the Archives 10 books. Membership approved.
 6. Judy Whitsell and her mother, Eula Mae Brown, have agreed to host the 2007 reunion in Winnsboro and Terry Gladney Higginbotham has stated to President Bond that she will entertain the idea of a Biloxi, MS reunion for 2008. Further news of this will be upcoming.
 7. William McMasters asked for a discussion concerning the reason for meeting the last weekend in July. The heat is so devastating that a fall date would be more bearable. President Bond stated that she would much prefer the second weekend in October. Virginia Ivens stated "You will loose your Vice President if you do". Larry Ivens stated that one person should not dictate a decision. Charlayne Lamb stated the need to consider football games. It was further discussed that we do have active teachers attending and the need for new Gladneys with children to be considered. William McMasters stated that these two were valid reasons and asked President Bond to resend his proposal with no further discussion. Therefore no vote was taken.
 8. President Bond then asked Gene Bond and C. Wallace Gladney, both Military Cross of Honor recipients, to escort Tim Johnson to the front.. Tim served in the Air Force during the Vietnam Conflict and the United Daughters of the Confederacy was honored to present him with a Defense Medal.:

"The United Daughters of the Confederacy has established a National Defense Medal, with Certificate, as a testimonial to the Patriotic devotion of certain Confederate veterans and their descendants who served in the Armed Forces during the Korean or Vietnam Conflicts, but not on land or in airspace or waters contiguous thereto. They have served where they were ordered, and we acknowledge their loyalty and patriotic devotion to our

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Family News

Frances Nelson Gladney passed away on Tuesday, August 9, 2005 in Homer, LA. She was the sister of Dr. James Frank Gladney, Jr., Dr. William Patrick Gladney, and Betty Ann Gladney. She is also survived by nine nieces and nephews. Miss Gladney was born in Homer, LA on March 26, 1915. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Homer, LA where her great-grandfather was the founding minister. He was also a member of The Daughters of the American Revolution. Miss Gladney was buried in Arlington Cemetery on August 11, 2005 in Homer, LA. (Submitted by Betty Ann Gladney)

Claude Riley Meadows, Jr., brother of Mary Utt Bishop, passed away on February 26, 2005, only one week after he attended Mary's 90th birthday party. Mr. Meadows was born on May 29, 1917 in Jacksonville, TX. He married Frances Aber on April 5, 1940. They had three children: Michael, Patrick, and Deborah. Michael died in 1989 at age 49. Frances died on January 1, 2000. Claude remarried to Virginia Goldberg who survives him. Mr. Meadows was 87 at the time of his death. (submitted by Mary Utt Bishop)

William C. (Bill) Gladney, age 72, passed away on August 20, 2005 at St. Lukes Hospital in Chesterfield, MO. He was born April 14, 1933 to Sydney and Grace Barrett Gladney. He married Retta Wildins on Oct. 24, 1958. In addition to his wife, Bill is survived by one son, Craig Wilkins Gladney. He is also survived by brothers Charles S. Gladney (past president of Gladney Family Association) and Forrest Gladney and sister Ruby Gladney Wing. He was preceded in death by a sister Reba Gladney. Bill was a 32nd degree member of the St. Louis Scottish Rites, Phoenix Lodge 136 F&AM Bowling Green. The military graveside service was conducted by the VFW Post 5553 of Bowling Green, MO.

Reunion Info for Charleston, SC July 28-30, 2006

Francis MARION HOTEL in HISTORIC CHARLESTON
387 King Street- Charleston, SC 29403. fax 843-853-2186
1-847-722-0600 Call hotel for reservations

HISTORY:

Opened in 1924, financed by local investors, at the cost of \$1.5 million. It was the largest and grandest in the Carolinas. Named for General Francis Marion "the Swamp Fox", has had a long tradition of gracious service, elegant accommodations and splendid banquet facilities. During the 1920's with the Golden Age of railroads, radio and grand hotels, the Charleston Renaissance was in full bloom and the Francis Marion was the "place to be". Rising 12 stories above the historic district, next to the College of Charleston, across from Historic Marion Square, with 227 guestrooms and suites, it offers views of Charleston's church steeples, antebellum mansions and the harbor. The Hotel has been restored through a \$12 million National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The Hotel and rooms were inspected by Gene and Bettye in March 2005 and they were found to be very nice. The prices offered to us are group rates and reasonable for downtown Charleston.

Smaller Inns had limited rooms and no meeting/eating areas. Most hotels would not "barter" with us. It was the thought of Gladney, Janice, Gene, Wally and I that we are in Charleston to be in Charleston, not out away from the Historic District. Gene and Bettye went to Charleston on Monday right after the Winnsboro reunion. They checked with the Francis Marion Hotel and signed the contract for the July 28-30, 2006 reunion.

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Room choices:

Singles & Doubles: \$119.00 plus tax Suites: \$179.00 plus tax

Elevators are in the lobby for easy access to rooms. We have reserved 20 rooms. When those twenty rooms are filled, the hotel will add 10 more.

Cut off date for room reservations at discount price: June 1, 2006. Any rooms not reserved by then will increase in price.

MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS BY CALLING 1-847-722-0600. Tell them you are with the Gladney Family Association Reunion.

Parking in the Marion Square parking garage (secure) located next door to the Francis Marion Hotel for \$10.00 per day. Otherwise, on-street parking with meters (not secure).

WEEKEND PLANS:

Friday Registration will be in the Francis Marion Suite from 4 PM to ?? PM. (ask at desk upon arrival for this destination)

Free time: Friday evening through Saturday - until 6:30 PM for the Banquet.

Individual choices for eating: Friday PM, Saturday breakfast and Saturday lunch. There are so many choices – all very interesting and close by the Hotel.

Group/Individual tours-- Harbor; Sumpter; Yorktown; Hunley; City tours; many selections.

Saturday 6:30 PM Banquet (Buffet style and the price will be \$50.00 per person which includes a 20% service charge + applicable taxes). Gladney Brooks is currently researching the possibility of an interesting speaker. More details on that later. The Hotel offers no children's prices.



Menu:

Salad: 3 choices available on buffet bar

Sliced Honey Baked Ham with Red Eye Gravy

Sliced Roasted Turkey with Sage Gravy

Chive Mashed Potatoes, Butter Beans, Julienne Squash, and Carrots

Warm Rolls/butter

Coffee, Tea

Dessert display – cakes, pies and fresh fruit

Sunday 8:30 A short service in the Francis Marion Suite. For those who would like to worship in Charleston there are several very beautiful Churches just a couple/three blocks from the Hotel. The very beautiful Evangelical Lutheran Church is next to the parking garage next to the Hotel.

Driving Directions: <http://www.francismarioncharleston.com/directions.html>

From I-26 or US 17: Exit King Street, continue south until you pass the Visitor Center after Hudson Street and before Calhoun Street. The Francis Marion will be on the corner of King and Calhoun with the parking garage just after the Evangelical Lutheran Church and before Francis Marion Hotel.

Also, traveling west on the Ashley River Bridge you can continue East on Cannon Street to intersect King Street. Turn Right (South) on King to the Hotel.

Traveling South on Meeting Street you will turn left on Hudson St. and left on King St.



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country.

“The United Daughters of the Confederacy has awarded Tim the National Defense Medal and it will be bestowed by Mrs. Gene T. Bond (Bettye), a member of the Arkansas Division UDC. The recipient will be presented for the ceremony of Bestowal by medal recipients C. Wallace Gladney, WWII, and Gene Bond, both the Korean War and Vietnam Conflict.”

Mrs. Bond states: “I have the honor to present Timothy Ross Johnson, who is to receive the Vietnam Conflict National Defense Medal number 1039, and who is to receive same now.” C. Wallace read the certificate and Gene Bond pinned the medal on Tim. “I congratulate you upon this honor which so fittingly typifies your connection with our beloved Armed Forces of the United States of America, our Southern Confederacy and our great organization. All recipients have distinguished themselves by meritorious service to our country in time of armed conflict. Your personal sacrifices are hereby recognized and honored. Your actions reflect great credit upon yourself, and they are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Confederate Military Service and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. WE THANK YOU!”

With no further business or comments, Kenneth Kirkpatrick dismissed the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Bettye Bond President for Dan Gladney, Secretary (absent).