THE REBEL YELL

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From your President-Joe White

We are making final plans for the 2017 Reunion in Laughlin, Nevada. Most of this newsletter will be to get as much information in your hands as possible and give you the schedule of the events of the reunion. The dates and current schedule of events we have so far is as follows:

Reunion Dates: April 2-5, 2017

The Web site was a little confusing as it says April 2-6, 2017. The 6th is actually the day most people will leave and the last activity of the Reunion will be the evening of April 5th. The Hotel is the Tropicana located at 2121 S. Casino Drive, Laughlin NV 78928

Phone # of Hotel: 1-800-782-9946 and when making reservation use the name ROBERT this way they know you apart of the Robert E. Lee Association.

The Hotel Website: http://www.troplaughlin.com

Reunion Fee per person: \$90.00

Reunion Dues: \$10.00 per year (Must be current to attend the Reunion) If you are not sure if you are paid current contact Chuck at: 1-630-638-1840 or e-mail him at: cdhorvath@comcast.net

*Send this check to Chuck Horvath and make your check out to the Robert E. Lee Association Address to send check is: 435 Somerset Ct., Apt B, Aurora, Illinois 60504-4088

If you are flying to the Reunion there are now flights to Laughlin/Bullhead by American Airlines on a daily flight. This is a short 10-15 minutes from the Hotel.

PLAN OF THE DAY

April 2, 2017: Registration All Day- Hospitality Room-Tropicana Hotel/Dinner Cruise on Celebration/Get to see the Colorado River and all of the Hotels on this dinner cruise.

Call 1-702-298-1047 to make reservations: The boat only has room for 60 total people so if you want to go on this Tour, please call and sign up ASAP. The cost per person is \$45.00 which includes dinner. There is a cash bar on board. Mention the Robert E. Lee Association when make your reservation to insure you get the group discount. This Tour is a great way to relax on your very first day and see the Laughlin Area on the Colorado River by night.

<u>April 3, 2017</u>: <u>Late Registration until Noon</u>-see Laughlin on your own-(Evening Opening Ceremonies-Banquet-Group Pictures and Cash Bar)

<u>April 4, 2017</u>: We will be offering a Morning Tour of Kingman, Arizona and the Route 66 Museum and then drive through the Black Mountains to Oatman, Arizona. Ride in air conditioned 12 passenger Vans. The cost is \$49.00 per person and includes all cost but lunch will be on your own in Oatman. To make reservation call: **1-702-420-5345**. Mention the Robert E. Lee Reunion when calling to get this rate. Twelve passenger van's will pick up group in front of the Tropicana Hotel and drop group off at the same location.

April 5, 2017: Morning Business Meeting-Afternoon Free time-Evening Texas BBQ

The Banquet and the Texas BBQ are including in the Reunion Fee. We suggest you bring some Western Wear Cloths and help us celebrate as we say goodbye on this final evening. We plan to have a Country and western DJ to entertain us.

Key Note Speaker: T. Michael Bircumshaw

Michael is the past National Commander USSVI and a Navy Submarine Veteran and he also served proudly on the USS Robert E. Lee from 1964-1967 as a Reactor Technician. We are excited to have Michael speak to us about all of his experiences in the Navy and current events and subjects of interest.