

Welcome to the



Biennial South Carolina State Convention

9-11 October 2015, at the Beaufort MCAS and
Parris Island MCRD

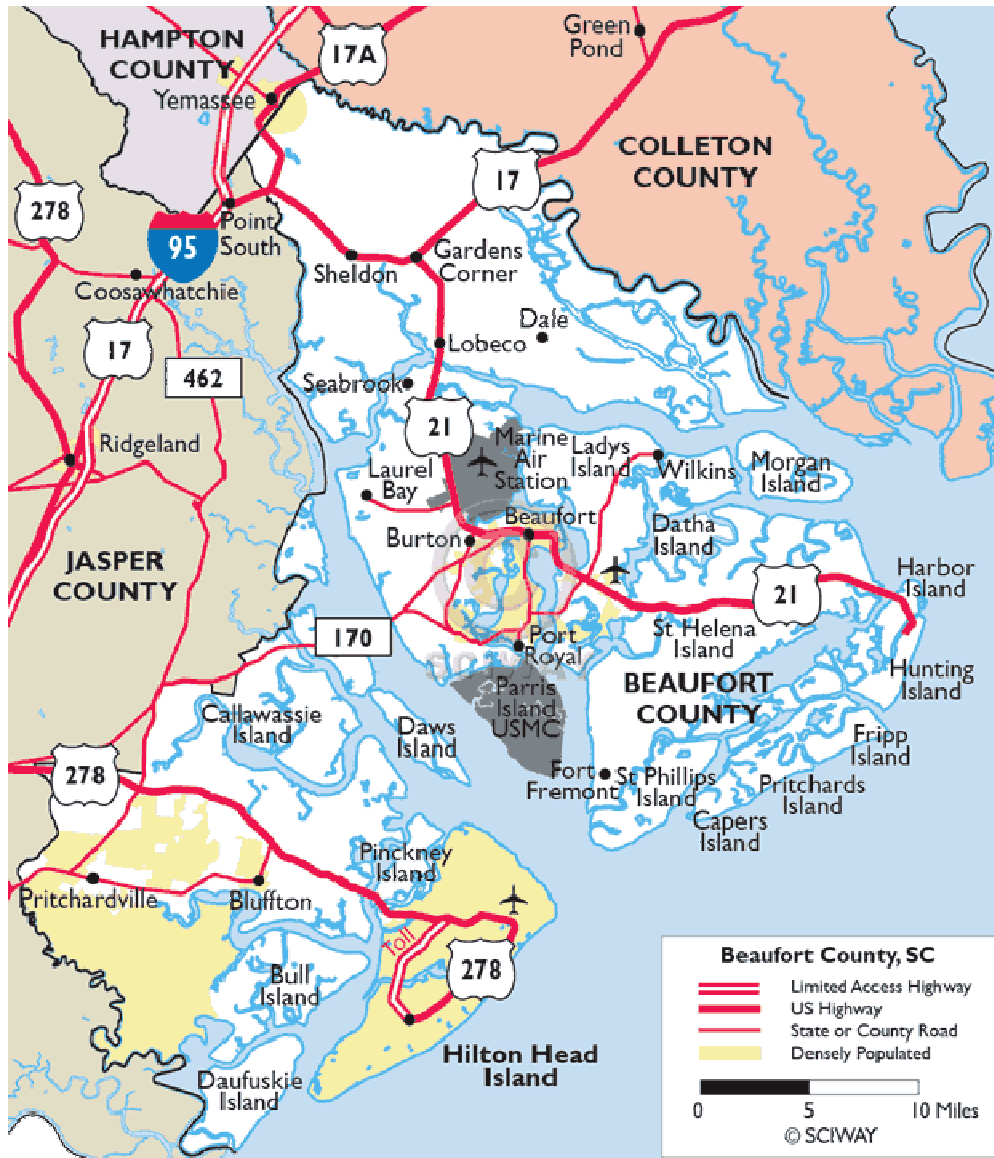


Beaufort, South Carolina

Hosted by the SC Council of Chapters, the Low Country and
Columbia Chapters

Your Get Acquainted Booklet







Friday, October 9th

1430-1630 F-35B Tour (VMAT-501)
1800-2000 No Host Social (MCAS Beaufort Officers Club)
Welcome By Col Peter Buck

Saturday, October 10th

0900-1400 Golf tournament “Shotgun start” – The Legends at Parris Island Golf course
1000 ***Free Time - Some Suggested Activities***
Beaufort walking tour
USMC museum
Horse Carriage Tour
Penn Center
Prince of Tides from the Downtown Marina of Beaufort for a scenic tour
1800-2200 Gala Dinner – The Lyceum MCRD Parris Island
Keynote Speakers VADM Ryan & Congressman Joe Wilson

Sunday, October 11th

1030 Light Refreshments – Log Cabin MCAS Beaufort
1100 Opening Prayer Chaplin Phil Clark
1105 Business meeting - Topic TBD (transition assistance, legislative, Presidents message, etc)
1205 -1225 Break – light snack provided
1325 Memorial Service Nick Russell, CAPT, USMC (ret)
1355 Closing conference remarks Dale Ellenburg, Col, USA (ret)
1400 End of Conference
PM ***Free Time - Some Suggested Activities***
See Saturday October 10th recommendations

deTreville House – conference lodging

The deTreville House Facility is located on Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, South Carolina. All rooms equipped with private bath, A/C unit, TV/HBO, microwave, refrigerator, coffeepot, iron and ironing board, alarm clock, hairdryer, WiFi, smoke detector and full housekeeping service.

Handicap-accessible rooms available. Breakfast 6:00-9:00 a.m. (0600-0900) served in Lobby includes coffee, juices and an assortment of pastries. Sorry, but we do not allow dogs (except for service animals only) and/or pets

Beaufort MCAS Officers Club

Building 554, MCAS Beaufort
Tel: 843-228-7600

The Officers' Club welcomes all ranks for lunch, special dinners and special events. Lunch is served Tuesday to Friday, between 1100 to 1300, featuring new menu with “on the fly” items daily while supplies last.

Wireless Internet Available!

Parris Island MCRD – The Lyceum

Tripoli Street, Building 18
Tel: 843-228-1559

The Lyceum facility offers the flexibility of a first-class ballroom area/banquet hall for all of your special occasion needs and now we are ready for you! Please contact us if you are interested in using our facility for your special events.

Parris Island MCRD – The Legends Golf Course

The Legends Course was saluted as one of the Top 10 Military Golf Courses in the World following a \$4.5-million renovation by one of America’s most imaginative architects, Clyde Johnston from the original George Cobb/Fred Findley layout. The par-72 layout winds its way along salt marsh wetlands and deep-water creeks that border the course on three sides. The freshwater wetlands in the interior of the course also provide a challenge for players of all skill levels, but an even more daunting challenge might prove to be carving your shots through one of the largest concentrations of moss-draped live oaks in all of South Carolina. Placement off the tee, therefore, is a much wiser battle plan than playing bombs away. But beware of the well bunkered greens and their subtle slopes that will test your navigation skills, not unlike the tests those training Marines are undergoing not too far away.

You'll be at ease on a layout that features five sets of tees, measuring up to 6,900 yards from the tips, with holes named for legendary U.S. Marines who've made remarkable contributions or excelled in service to our country.

Historically, the site reaches back to the sixteenth century with the French occupation of Charleston. Later, the Spanish city of Santa Elena was established there and served as the capital of Spanish Florida until English raids in 1587 forced the Spaniards to evacuate to St. Augustine. Santa Elena is home to the oldest known European pottery kiln discovered in the United States. Three of the holes on the original course along with the practice range and the clubhouse are all located within the Santa Elena archaeology site.

Some suggested activities

Beaufort walking tour Info

You are about to take a fascinating walk back in time!

Soon after Columbus discovers the New World, a Spanish sea captain sails into what, one day, will be Port Royal Sound and claims "Santa Elena" for Spain.



"Janet Matlock is knowledgeable, enthusiastic and great fun. Despite having lived here for years, we learned a ton. The two hours flew by too quickly. This will be a 'must do' whenever we have company not fortunate to live here."
Tom & Bonnie Downs, Beaufort, SC

"The most comprehensive, entertaining, educational and interesting walking tour we have ever taken!" Kim Reinhard, Lansdale, PA

Then the great pageant of America is played out here in Beaufort, as the Spanish, French, English and Indians battle relentlessly for her.

"One of the friendliest tour guides I have ever encountered! Janet looks like she is having the time of her life when you taking her tour so you can't help but get caught up in her enthusiasm for Beaufort and her route is fantastic! After this one tour you'll have felt like you got to see the real Beaufort."

Kevin McQuade, Chief Concierge

Courtyard By Marriott, Charleston Historic District



You will hear of Indian wars, massacres, pirates, slaves, planters wealthy beyond belief, the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, a great fire, a catastrophic hurricane, and the wonderful stories of the incredibly brave and tenacious people of Beaufort who lived through these times.



"We host groups from Backroads, one of the world's largest tour companies, 6-8 times a year.

One of the highlights of their trip is always their walking tour with Janet.

They return raving about her knowledge, passion, and love for Beaufort.

This is the tour to take to really experience our lovely little town."

Stephen Harrison, Owner,

[The Rhett House Inn](#)

You will be swept up in the 500 year story of Beaufort "The Jewel of the South" as told by Janet Matlock, whose passion for history is equaled only by her delight in telling it to visitors to our beautiful town.

Parris Island Museum

The Parris Island Museum is open daily from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Family and Graduation Days. Explore the long, rich legacy of the Marine Corps, as well as the exciting history of the Port Royal region. Admission is free.

The Depot is home to the Marine Corps' first Command Museum, the Parris Island Museum. Thanks to the efforts of then Commanding General Robert H. Barrow, under the authority of the Marine Corps

History and Museum Division, the museum was dedicated on 8 January 1975 by Commandant of the Marine Corps, Robert E. Cushman, Jr.

Today, the museum's over 10,000 square feet of exhibit galleries serves as a focal point for assisting in the training of recruits about the long and honored history and traditions of the Marine Corps. Marine families, veterans, and the general public will also find inspiration from the stories told through artifacts and images of Marines who served our nation during some of our most challenging times.

The public is welcome to visit Parris Island, access may be dependent upon current security needs. A driver's license, proof of vehicle insurance and registration are required. Boulevard de France.

Horse Carriage Tour

Welcome to Southern Rose Buggy Tours in Beaufort, South Carolina. You are invited to join us for a Narrated Horse Drawn Carriage Tour of Historic Beaufort SC. Learn all about the history our town has to offer.

Re-live the past through the narration of our professional guides and the clippity-clop of our horses. Learn about Beaufort's Civil War History. See Antebellum and Victorian Architecture as well as Hollywood movie sites.

Tours last about 50 minutes and leave frequently from the Waterfront Park area between 9:40 am and 5pm Monday thru Saturday. Sunday tours begin leaving at 12pm.

Tickets Prices
\$21.00 per Adult

Penn Center

Tucked in the heart of the South Carolina Sea Islands surrounded by glimmering marshes and nestled beneath the silvery moss-draped limbs of massive live oaks, is Penn Center - the site of the former Penn School, one of the country's first schools for freed slaves. It is one of the most significant African American historical and cultural institutions in existence today. Penn Center is located on St. Helena Island, one of the most beautiful and historically distinct of the South Carolina Sea Islands, and at the heart of Gullah culture. The 50- acre historic campus of Penn School was designated a National Historic Landmark District in 1974, and is the only African American landmark district in the nation. Established 150 years ago in 1862 as Penn School, an experimental program to educate Sea Island slaves at the beginning of the Civil War, it is the oldest and most persistent survivor of the Port Royal Experiment. The two founders were Northern missionaries: Laura M. Towne, a Unitarian from Pennsylvania, and her friend, Ellen Murray, a Quaker from Rhode Island, who spent the next 40 years of their lives serving the people of St. Helena in so many ways, in spite of numerous severe hardships. Charlotte Forten (1862-

1864) of Philadelphia was the first Northern African American teacher at Penn. Upon Ms. Towne's death in 1901, the school became incorporated under a Board of Trustees, and was heralded as a showplace as the new Penn Normal, Agricultural and Industrial School, influenced by the Hampton Institute, until it closed in 1948.

Prince of Tides from the Downtown Marina of Beaufort for a scenic tour

Board the 24-passenger *Prince of Tides* from the Downtown Marina of Beaufort for a scenic tour or to celebrate a special occasion with family and friends. We offer regularly scheduled daily tours, evening cruises, and private tours and charters.

Save with a combination carriage-boat ticket.

Trips Available:

Our regular tour departs daily at 2:00 pm; it is approximately an hour and 15 minutes, longer if we get into lots of dolphins!

We leave the Downtown Marina at the Beaufort Waterfront Park and make our way up river past the historic Old Point neighborhood to Pleasant Point Plantation. Along the way, passengers are provided information about the homes, the ecology, and the wildlife. We *almost* always see dolphins.

Adults 20.00

More Exciting Places to Visit in the Low Country

- * Dafuskie Island
- * Hunting Island State Park
- * 8th Air Force museum in Pooler GA
- * The Beaufort Waterfront & downtown shops
- * Golfing
- * Beaufort Art Center
- * Harbor Town in Hilton Head
- * Zip Line in Hilton Head