

**Ten Days of Celebration of Emancipation 2013**  
**“From Slavery to Freedom to Education to Achievement”**  
**Corpus Christi Juneteenth Coalition**  
**June 9 – 19, 2013**

The goal of the Juneteenth Coalition is to increase awareness in the community of the Juneteenth Holiday and to involve community organizations to participate in the celebration of the holiday. Member of the Corpus Christi Juneteenth Coalition include the Corpus Christi Black Chamber of Commerce, Lead First, TABPHE (Texas Association of Black Personnel in Higher Education), Small Business Owners and Community volunteers.

**2013 Focus: Defenders and Protectors**

The Corpus Christi Juneteenth Coalition celebrates the achievement of the African American in the defense and protection of America from 1865 to 2013. The Juneteenth Coalition will honor: **The Military** (*Buffalo Soldiers, Tuskegee Airmen, Veterans, and our local active duty military*), **Law Enforcement** (*Police and Sheriff Departments*) and local **First Responders**. “Defenders and Protectors” will be honored at the Solomon Coles Award Banquet, Sunday, June 16, 2013 from 6:30 PM – 10:00 PM at the Holiday Inn Emerald Beach. Individual tickets price is \$40 and a table for 8 Reserved Seats is \$500.

Sponsorship Levels:

- Bronze - \$1000 (8 Reserved Seats & ¼ Page Ad),
- Silver - \$1,500 (8 reserved Seats and ½ Page Ad),
- Gold - \$3,000 (16 Reserved Seats & Full Page Ad);

Ads:

- Full Page -\$200, Half Page -\$100, Quarter Page -\$50, Eighth Page -\$25

Ads & Sponsorship Deadline: **June 5, 2013.**

The Writ to free the American slaves was effective January 1, 1862. Slaves in Texas were not freed until, June 19, 1865. The voyage of General Granger from Louisiana to Galveston, Texas to deliver the news of freedom took ten (10) days. Since the news of freedom of the slaves arrived in Texas 2 ½ years after other slaves were freed, the Corpus Christi Juneteenth Coalition organized the **“Ten Days of Celebration of Emancipation”** (June 9 – June 19)“.

Respectfully,

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