

Lynne M. Jackson

Among the descendants of Dred and Harriet Scott, one of the great-great granddaughters, Lynne M. Jackson, was determined that the family should play a significant role in the 150th anniversary of the Dred Scott Decision. With her parents, John and Marcy Madison, she founded the Dred Scott Heritage

Foundation. The Foundation's vision includes playing a pivotal role in *Commemoration*, *Education and Reconciliation* of our collective history with the Dred Scott Decision of 1857 as a starting point.

The foundation activities have allowed her to speak around the country on the history of her ancestors to such groups as The National Association of Attorney Generals Annual Conference of 2007, Dred Scott Symposiums at Washington University and Harvard University and The Inaugural Underground Railroad Institute Conference at Georgetown College in Georgetown, Kentucky. She and the foundation work to assure that there will be a statue of Dred and Harriet in St. Louis. There being none in existence to memorialize their critical role in the nation's history, sculptor Harry Weber of St. Louis has designed a world class rendition of the couple which will stand on the east side of the Old Courthouse where their suit for freedom began.

Lynne holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Marketing from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. During her career, she has held management positions at The Girl Scout Council of Greater St. Louis, Cass Information Systems, Ford Motor Company and Bryan Cave LLP.

Lynne is a native of St. Louis. She was formally trained in classical piano and graduated from the Alleda Ward Wells Piano Studio. She is married to her devoted husband, Brian Jackson, who she met in high school. Together, they have taught biblical apologetics for over 20 years. They have two grown children, Chris and Sherrie.

Lynne has a strong faith in the Lord and has worked in prison ministry, been Superintendent of Junior High Sunday School, Vacation Bible School director and been in numerous choirs throughout her lifetime. Among other awards, she was awarded the Community Outreach Award from one of her favorite organizations, Community Women Against Hardship. In 2007 she received a congratulatory proclamation honoring her heritage work from the Missouri State Senate.

On April 29, 2011 Lynne will host the first Dred and Harriet Scott Reconciliation Forum at the Marshfield Cherry Blossom Festival. She will be honored to receive the 2011 Hubble Medal, named for astronomer Edwin Hubble of Marshfield along with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., posthumously and Dr. Christopher Sullivan. This award is given for demonstrated initiative. She is currently the president of the Dred Scott Heritage Foundation and does speaking engagements to educate groups on the rest the story. www.thedredscottfoundation.org