

**SOUTH CAROLINA ORDER OF CONFEDERATE ROSE
STATE CONVENTION
MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2008**

The State Convention of the South Carolina Order of Confederate Rose was held in the Southeastern Freight Lines Room at Saluda Shoals, South Carolina, on March 15, 2008.

In attendance: Diane Padgett – Louisa McCord Chapter #12, Carole F. Crosby – Louisa McCord Chapter #12, Heidi B. Jackson – Ann Eliza Harllee Chapter #14, Cynthia L. Arnette – Ann Eliza Harllee Chapter #14, Mosie Marlar – Varina Howell Davis Chapter #1, Tammy Stonehill – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, Debora Kaigler-McGovern – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, Kristine Stonehill – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, Nancy White – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, JoAnn B. Watts – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, Gail Callicott – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, Marilyn White – Palmetto Chapter #2 Members at large, Mike Walls – Sergeant at Arms, Rod Gardner – Palmetto Chapter #2 Members at Large, Dale Smith – Rebel Rose Chapter #18, Krys Wood-Elmore – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, Elaine Coon – Wild Rose Chapter #8, Polly Moseley – Wild Rose Chapter #8, Earline Grey – Manse Jolly Chapter #17, Betty Graham – Manse Jolly Chapter #17, Julia Barnes – Palmetto Chapter #2 Members at Large, Maria Shull – Louisa McCord Chapter #12, Jackie McGovern – Mary Huntt Chapter #13, Andrea Wolfe – SC Society OCR President/Louisa McCord Chapter #12

Andrea Wolfe called the meeting to order. Commander Randy Burbage gave greetings from the SC State Sons of Confederate Veterans. Commander Steve Wolfe gave greetings from the SC MOS&B and instruction on how to find our way around the Conference Center.

Introductions were given around the room. A warm welcome was given to our newest chapter President of the Rebel Rose Chapter #18, Dale Smith, from Westminster, SC.

Information was provided in our packets regarding Nationals which will be held in Concord, NC from July 17th until July 19th. Some events are on the SCV registration form. The OCR General Sessions meeting will be held on Saturday, July 19th from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. The Black Rose Seminar will be held on Friday, July 18th at 2:00 p.m. The Fashion Show will be held on Friday, July 18th from 10:30 AM until 1:30 PM.

Volunteers are needed for the Reading of the Roll of the Dead on Confederate Memorial Day at the State House. Members of Camp 51 will read from 12 pm until 2 pm. Volunteers should email Jeanne Weil with a time they are available. The reading/bell ringing times are in half-hour segments.

Nancy White, President, Mary A. Huntt #13, gave a short talk on Confederate Memorial Day plans. There will be a program at Elmwood Cemetery starting at 10:00 a.m. A procession will be made down Elmwood Avenue to Main Street to the State House. After the program at the

State House, lunch will be served to all participants. There will be a Water Station this year to help anyone who may become over heated. Nancy asked other chapters to assist with the Water Station and to encourage all of their Camps to attend to fill the front steps of the State House. All Black Roses are needed to assist. This year, recent deaths will also be included in the Reading of the Roll of the Dead.

Chapter Reports were given. Andrea gave the Webmaster report in Anne Gelwicks absence. Some the links are not working at the current time. Contact Anne if you encounter problems and she will fix them. Special events should also be sent to Anne, Andrea, Marilyn or JoAnn so that they can be put on the website.

Heidi Jackson gave the Black Rose report. There are currently 53 members in the SC Black Rose Society. Current Rosters are to be sent to her as soon as possible. A complete Black Rose Roster is being developed. Black Rose articles are needed as well as pictures for the scrapbook. Contact Suzy Hager in Charlotte to purchase your Black Rose Pin. They are \$15.

The Lake Murray Monument Dedication will be held on April 19th at 1:00 p.m. All Black Roses are encouraged to attend. The monument is located at Corley Street Park in Lexington, SC. The bricks are down and everything is beautiful. A fellowship will be held after the dedication service.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Marilyn White. As of March 15th, there are 202 members of the OCR in the state. There is \$3,269.45 in the account to date. Hopefully, 2 children can be sent to Sam Davis Youth Camp this year. Lexington Museum can use support as well as other groups this year. New forms for membership and renewals were distributed. They can also be downloaded from the website or call Andrea or Marilyn. All dues are due by June 1st. Give your dues to your chapter treasurer and she will forward them to Marilyn all at one time.

Mosie Marler, Planning Chair, gave a pin report. There are 21 pins available and another order will be placed in the next 10 days. An award is being planned using the logo on the pins and either add small bars or ribbons to the pin. Kry's Wood-Elmore will get a price for her for the pins. Andrea gave Mosie permission to make a decision as to whether to use the bars or the ribbons.

Mosie also brought copies of her cookbook for us to see. There are 7 different sections in each cookbook. Funcraft published these books. If we sell the cookbooks for \$12, we would double our proceeds. Mosie was given direction to go ahead with this project and let each chapter know when to enter their recipes in the computer.

Christmas ornaments can be another fundraiser. A one time fee of \$225 is charged to make the ornaments. This is another way to double our investment. Mosie will send an email regarding information for the cookbook and the ornaments.

Sam Davis Youth Camp for this year was discussed. Counselors are needed this year. Their charge for the Camp will be \$245. Campers will pay \$495 again this year. An essay will be

required by each child wishing to attend. The topic of their essay will be given in the near future. Mosie will send out an email regarding Sam Davis Camp to all chapters.

Chapter Reports were presented. President Dale Smith reported on our newest SC OCR Chapter #18. They currently have 9 members and 3 Rosebuds. They are still in the learning stage but participated in several parades and cook dinner for their SCV meetings.

Cynthia Arnette, Chaplain, will send condolence cards as noted. All prayer requests and passings are to be sent to her for distribution to all chapters.

Heidi is working with Conway to start a new Chapter. Other areas, especially on the coast, have expressed interest in OCR Chapters.

Kristine Stonehill, President, Mary A. Hunt Chapter 13's Rosebuds, gave their report. Currently they have 9 Rosebuds. Over the past year, they have been making memorial cockades to purchase Crosses of Honor to be placed at Confederate Soldier's graves. To date they have purchased 67 Crosses. Last year with the help of two chapters, they were able to send 2 girls to Sam Davis Youth Camp. They go to most of the re-enactments, assist with Confederate Memorial Day events at Elmwood Cemetery and at the State House in Columbia and assisted this year with the Lee/Jackson banquet.

Pam Evans in Greenville has still expressed interest in being the Rosebud Chairperson for the State Society. It is planned that the Rosebud Chair will work with Kristine and other chapter Rosebuds to strengthen this program.

Duties of the officers of South Carolina Society Order of Confederate Rose were distributed in all packets and can be read in their entirety on the web site. Current Officers are: President – Andrea Wolfe; Vice President – is a floating position; Secretary – JoAnn B. Watts; Treasurer – Marilyn White; Black Rose Chair – Heidi Jackson; Webmaster – Anne Gelwicks; Editor of the Newsletter – Steven Wolfe; Chaplain – Cynthia Arnette; and Planning Chair – Mosie Marler.

Andrea presented awards to the following chapters. Mary A. Hunt #13 was presented a plaque of appreciation for their help at the Convention last year. This plaque was presented to Nancy White, President. Heidi Jackson, President of Ann Eliza Harlee Chapter #14, was presented a plaque for their Chapter's contribution of baked goods. An award was presented to Cynthia Arnette for her service to the Society and to her chapter. An award was given to Bailey Frye for her help at this Convention; mother Melanie Frye was also recognized for manning the vendor and fundraising table for the Society.

The proposed budget for 2008-2009 was discussed and will be as follows:

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2008-2009

	Quarterly	Annually
Reimbursements for Members-At-Large	\$ 25.00	\$ 100.00
Postage:		
President - quarterly	25.00	100.00
Treasurer - quarterly	25.00	100.00
Secretary - quarterly	- 0 -	- 0 -
Planning Chair - quarterly	25.00	100.00
Black Rose (including pictures and scrapbooking)	25.00	100.00
Travel for any one representing President at functions		200.00
Seed Money for National Convention		100.00
State Convention		100.00
Door Prize for National Convention		75.00
FunCraft (Printing of 200 Cookbooks)		800.00
Pins		250.00
Registration Fee for one Rosebud to Sam Davis Youth Camp	_____	<u>495.00</u>
Total Proposed 2008-2009 Budget	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,520.00

A motion was made by Krys Wood-Elmore and seconded by Gail Callicott to adopt this budget. A unanimous vote was taken. It has been decided room rental cost for the State Convention is the responsibility of the hosting OCR Chapter.

Motion was made to accept the amended budget by Nancy White, second by Marilyn White. Unanimous vote.

Mrs. Alexis Jones Helsley was the Guest Speaker for the Convention. Her presentation was very enjoyable and an informed topic on Historic Cemeteries. Mrs. Helsley is an archivist, historian and genealogist. She is originally from Kentucky but moved to Beaufort where she lived until she married.

The Minutes of the July 7th, 2007 meeting were discussed. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes.

The Bylaws were discussed. A Standing Rule stating the SC OCR will maintain an operating balance of no less than \$2,000. All funds over this amount will be denoted to one or more non-profit worthwhile projects within South Carolina. A motion was made, seconded and unanimous vote taken to make this change.

A motion was made, seconded and accepted to donate \$25 to the Lexington County Museum. We also could help them catalog their quilt collection.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM

Respectfully Yours in History,

JoAnn B. Watts, Secretary

Motion to accept amended minutes as presented by Cynthia Arnette, second by Heidi Jackson. Motion approved unanimously.