State Presidents,

Need your Help! Kym and I are preparing for the Confederation Convention to be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas. We are asking each state society president to answer the following, so we can prepare for our OCR Convention. By this time you should know if you are going to attend. By being elected by your state it is your responsibility to attend the Confederation Conventions. **We need to know your answers by February 15th.**

Email the latest copy of your bylaws and if this is an election year for your state to also send copy of your announcement that if any member wants to run for State President (according to your bylaws).  We need this information A.S.A.P. We are updating the archives. If you have any question please contact either myself or Kym Stevens.

Your state seed money is due as of February (according to the Operating Guide) Mail your $100.00 seed money to **Renee Mauch 593 Fendley Road Bismarck, AR 71929** making your check payable to the Arkansas Society OCR.

We also need to know if you as State President will be attending the convention to represent your State at the President Planning meeting to be held on Friday. These meeting are very important and you as State Presidents needs to attend. If you as State President will **no**t be able to attend please send the name, address, phone number and email address of your member who will attend in your place in your place. Email to Laura Stallard laura21nct@earthlink.net and Kym Stevens celticrider1864@gmail.com

Make sure you distribute the attached registration form to all your members. Asking them to mail it in to Arkansas A.S.A.P

Question from the States Societies. If you or your state have any questions in regards to the Confederation of State Societies. Email them to me with a copy to Kym Stevens. Do not forget your 100 Ditty Bag items either bring them to the convention turning thein by Friday morning by 9:00am. Also bring your door prize(s)s.

Scrapbooks and Mascots need to also be turned on Friday morning, before the Presidents planning meeting before 9:00am. (See attached)

 If your state has a Website or a Facebook page please send Kym Stevens the information so that she can look at them occasionally. If they have a friend excuse me Facebook page please send me a friend request so that I can qalso look at it on occasion.

Your yearly report of what your state has done over the past year needs to be turned in to Laura Stallard or Kym Stevens in order to speak at the Saturday’s General Business meeting and Social at the Friday Presidents meeting on Friday.

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##  I know this seems like a lot of questions but even though we are a Confederation of State Societies we still need to come together to make sure we are all on the same page, and that we are all following our Governing Document the Articles of Confederation (AOC) . For those that might not know how we came about the name “Operating Guide” (OG). Article VII: of the AOC Rules of Organization: Each chapter and society formed must go by the Rules of Organization set up by the founding chapter of OCR. Each chapter and society formed must go by the Rules of Organization set up by the founding chapter of OCR. The State Presidents gathered in Asheville, NC 2003 at the Presidents Planning Meeting held on Friday at Confederation Convention meeting in Asheville, 2003 we decided that we would remove the articles that pertained to The Order of Confederate Rose (all states) embedded in the Constitution and By-Laws of the founders The Order Confederate Rose Alabama Society making a stand along document for easy reference. We renamed this Document The Order of Confederate Rose Operational Guild. We as the OCR COSS kept the intent of the Rules of Organization set up by the founding chapter of OCR and simply renamed it. This is how the OCR COSS Operational Guide was created. At that meeting the state presidents worked very hard on the Operational Guide to be fair to all state societies. All states present had a voice and a vote as to how we would run “our” organization.

 We will also be updating the archives of our organization with your questions and answers..

**Standing humble in the shadows of our confederate ancestors,**

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**Confederation of States**

**2023 Confederation Convention**

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**Please share this form with the members in your state.**

**Print this form and mail with your check for $25.00 payable AROCR to:**



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**State Presidents Planning Meeting July 21, 2023**

**General Business Meeting July 22, 2023**



**Order of Confederate Rose**

**Confederation of State Societies**

**Mascot & Scrapbook Winners**

**2023 Arkansas**

**State Society Scrapbook Winners**

Your State Scrapbook will consist of your states society activities under one cover. This will include your individual chapter activities and special events for one year, regardless of your beginning and ending dates. (NC begins with July thru June)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1st Place Ribbon – The State Society Scrapbook with the most votes.

 Society

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Place Ribbon – The State Society Scrapbook with the 2nd most votes.

 Society

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Place Ribbon – The State Society Scrapbook with the 3rd most votes.

 Society

**Chapter Scrapbook Winners at the State Level**

 Your Chapter Scrapbook would be your 1st place winner at your State Convention. We will award a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbon at the Saturday’s General Business meeting and Social.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_1st Place Ribbon – The State Mascot with the most votes.

 Chapter Name Society

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_2nd Place Ribbon – The State Mascot with the 2nd most votes.

 Chapter Name Society

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 Chapter Name Society

**Society Mascot**

Your Society Mascot would be your 1st place winner from your State Convention. We will award a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbon at the Saturday’s General Business meeting and Social.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_1st Place Ribbon –The Chapter Mascot with the most votes.

Name / Society

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Name / Society

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 **Name / Society**

**Chapter Mascot Winners at the State Level**

**Your Chapter Mascot would be your 2nd place winner from your State Convention. We will award a 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbon at the Saturday’s General Business meeting and Social.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** 1st Place Ribbon – The Chapter Mascot with the most votes.

 **Name Chapter Society**

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 Name Chapter Society

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 Name Chapter Society

**Judges**

Judge 1.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Judge 2\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Judge 3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

AR 2023 Mascots Scrapbook

**Order of Confederate Rose - 2023 Arkansas**

Dear State Presidents;

Please distribute this email / a challenge to your state and chapters.

 **We will be looking for three (3) Judges**

1.  Little girl for "the cute factor" about 11 of 12 years of age.  2. Seamstress that knows manufacture and quality. 3. Someone in advertising that knows "eye catching" and "sell-ability".

**Judges should be Roses.**

They should not have a dog in the fight (Conflict of interest). Mike Mitchell will not be a judge but will act as judging administrator and pull everything together.  As this is new to the OCR, the guidelines & rules are in flux. If you have any improvements or can think of anything we haven't, please let us know.

**Mascot Judging**

Will be judged in 3 categories, (1) appeal to children (by a child judge), (2) quality of item's construction (crafting/sewing, etc) and determined by a qualified judge, and (3) sales appeal.  These 3 areas will be averaged for a final score. Mascots should be turned in at the Fridays OCR President Planning Meeting.

**State Mascots**

Your **State Mascot** would be the first place winner from your OCR State Convention **(No ties one entry per state.).** We will award a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbon at the Saturdays General Business Meeting and Social**. First place mascots winners on the state level can only be entered once. If a mascot does not place 1st, 2nd, and 3rd it may be entered once more.**

**Chapter Mascots**

Your **Chapter Mascot** would be the second place winner from your OCR State Convention. We will award a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbon at the Saturdays General Business Meeting and Social. **Second place mascots winners on the state level can only be entered once. If a mascot does not place it may be entered once more.**

**Scrapbook Judging**

Scrapbooks should only represent one calendar year. The start and end dates are determined by your chapters or society. See attached Scrapbook Judging Sheet Society/Chapter.

**State Scrapbook**

Your **State Scrapbook** will consist of your State Society activities including your individual chapter activities under one cover. We will award a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbon at the Saturdays General Business Meeting and Social.

The Confederation has decided to allow each state to use your own time frame to start and end as long as it's ***only one year***.  Example: TN begins with April convention thru March where as NC begins with July thru June. This will make it much easier for those planning to submit their scrapbooks. Rules are on the website, only the first 50 pages are "graded". Remember ***one year only*** regardless of when it begins and ends.

Scrapbooks should to be turned in at the Fridays OCR President Planning Meeting.

**Chapter Scrapbook**

Your **Chapter Scrapbook** would be the first winner from your OCR chapter scrapbook competition at your State Convention. We will award a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbon at the Saturdays General Business Meeting and Social. Scrapbooks should to be turned in at the Fridays OCR President Planning Meeting.

If you have any questions please email either Laura Stallard, **laura21nct@earthlink.net** Kym Stevens **celticrider1864@gmail.com**

AR 2023 Mascots Scrapbook

**Order of Confederate Rose**

**Scrapbook Judging Sheet for Year: 2023**

 **Society / Chapter:**

The entire scrapbook must be under one cover, pages must be numbered, and it must not exceed a total of fifty pages. Required pages include a Title Page, a Table of Contents, a Roster page of Societies represented or members in the Chapter, and a Memorial/ Namesake. These pages are not required to be numbered, but will be counted as part of the total fifty pages allowed. The contents are restricted to Society/Chapter activities and those of members acting on behalf of the Society/Chapter within the past year, i.e. from the last convention to this convention.

For each category listed, assign a rating of 1 to 5. Then multiply that rating by the value of that category to get a score for that category. The final score is the sum of the scores of all eight categories.

 **Assign a rating of 1 to 5 based on the following:**

**0 = Item is absent**

**1 = does not meet minimum requirements \*State Society:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**2 = meets minimum requirements**

**3 = meets all requirements \*\* Chapter Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**4 = exceeds requirements and expectations \*\*\* Mascots Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**5 = greatly exceeds requirements, a superior effort**

**Judging criteria: Rating X Value = Score\***

**Outer Cover or Binder Page**\_- Must contain the Society/Chapter name, number,

and it should be neat, attractive, and show imagination. Is it hand make? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 15 = \_\_\_\_

**Title Page** - Should contain the Society/Chapter name, number, and the

year of the scrapbook. Is it neat, attractive and display imagination? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Index Page** - Table of Contents \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Pages numbered** - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Memorial/Namesake Page** - Should display a graphic, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

illustration, picture, or depiction of the Society/Chapter namesake, and a

narrative or description of the person(s) or event.

**Society/Chapter Roster Page** - The logical placement of clear,

neat rosters somewhere within the scrapbook. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 5 = \_\_\_\_\_\_

**Organization and Appearance** - The scrapbook should be neat and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 20 = \_\_\_\_\_

well organized, using attractive material and be well constructed. It

contains all of the required pages, they are numbered and properly

labeled and it does not exceed a total of 50 pages.

**Other Material** - Overall content of the scrapbook. How is it presented \_\_\_\_\_\_\_X 20 = \_\_\_\_\_

and is it of the proper content? Does it demonstrate what the Society/Chapter

and its members have accomplished during the past year.

Superfluous material will lower the rating. Total \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

AR 2023 Mascots Scrapbook