



*Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose T M, Inc.*

*The Rose Petal Newsletter*

*February 2024*



*Greetings Roses*

*Hope you had a Happy New Year*

*This is going to be a few days late.*

*Hopefully I can do better*

*Thanks for understanding*





## Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose, Inc.



Greetings Roses,

Happy New Year. Let's make 2024 our best year yet! I want to thank each of you for all you do.

It is that time of the year.... renew your dues. I am happy to say at our January 6th General Business Meeting, dues were rolled back to \$10!

That will help us all in this time of inflation. You should be getting information from your Chapter President/Rep in the next few weeks. If not, please contact me.

Spring is around the corner, and we look forward to our next General Business Meeting in Waco on March 23rd. Mark your calendars-I hope to see you there.

On April 20th, there will be an SCV Texas Division Picnic at the Blanco State Park. I would love to have a TSOCR presence there. It will be a fun day of fellowship and a great way to celebrate Confederate History Month.

Also, mark your calendars for June 6-9 for the SCV Texas Division Reunion/ TSOCR Annual Meeting in San Antonio. Information is on the website <http://tsocr.net> under EVENTS.

Enjoy this edition of the Rose Petal and a special Thank you to editor-Gail Walker.

God Bless Texas & Dixie!



Proud to be a Rose.

Debbie Hearrean  
TSOCR Director 2023-2025  
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TEXAS SOCIETY ORDER OF CONFEDERATE  
ROSE, Inc.



## ALAMO ROSE, CHAPTER #4

San Antonio, TX.

### December 30, 2023 - Report to Texas Society Order of Confederate Roses

- \* Saturday, April 29, 2023 – Military Order of the Stars & Bars/ Alamo Rose-Black Rose- Memorial @ Camp Verde Cemetery- Honoring Major Reeves, CSA. – Spent afternoon at Camp Verde, sharing Jo Ann Seiler's Confederate soldiers at Camp Verde.
- Sunday, April 30, 2023 - 1:00PM Confederate Decoration Day, Confederate Cemetery, San Antonio, TX–10 Alamo Rose Members Present-Alamo Rose Serve as Hostesses & Black Rose Ceremony.
- Attend and participate in Hood's Texas Brigade Camp Monthly Meetings- January – December 2023- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month. Average attendance 12 Rose members.
- May 27, 2023 – Military Order of Stars & Bars/ Alamo Rose- Black Rose Ceremony @ Confederate Cemetery, San Antonio-Honoring, David McKnight III, Surgeon, James Louis Davis, Assist. Surgeon. 7 Alamo Rose members present.
- June 2-4, 2023 – SCV & TSOOCR Annual Meetings, Lubbock, TX Alamo Members present, Jo Ann Seiler, Casey Hand, Madison Hand, Abigail Hand.
- June 16, 2023 – Attended Eileen Lehmborg Memorial Service- TSOOCR Rose Ceremony, Rose Petals provided by Alamo Rose Chapter 4
- \* June 18, 2023- Alamo Rose members assisted Hood's Camp members in assembling the new benches for our Parade trailer
- July 3, 2023 -Alamo Roses attended the Confederate Cemetery Association Meeting – planning for Wreaths Across America -December 2023, laying a wreath for every Confederate Soldier registered in that cemetery.
- \* July 29, 2023- Rodney Seiler, Alamo Rose assisted the Roads and

Grounds Committee for cleaning the Texas UDC Monument at the Confederate Cemetery, San Antonio- removing graffiti/spray painting

- September 04, 2023 – Military Order of the Stars and Bars -Convivial Dinner / 7 Alamo Rose Members present

- September 30, 2023 – TSOCR Quarterly Meeting - Waco, TX @ Pa Pa Rollo's – Alamo Rose Presentation – SCV 2024 Reunion Video Presentation

- \* October 14, 2023 - Rodney W. Seiler, Alamo Rose Gentleman Gray, Presentation @ SCV Temple Camp Meeting- "My Black Confederate Ancestors" at the Cotton Patch Restaurant.

- \* Parades- Fall 2023 – 10/07/2023- Gonzales, TX- "Come and Take It Parade", 11/11/2023 Veteran's Day Parade- Blanco, TX, 11/18/2023- "Christmas in God's Country" Hondo, TX

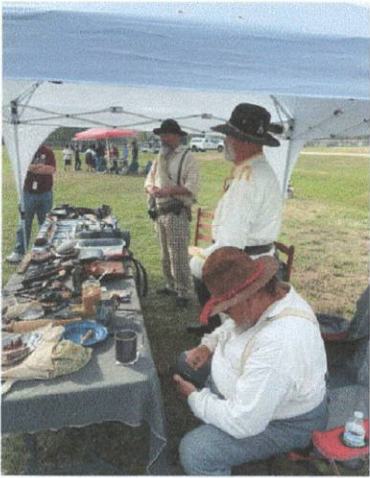
- \* School Program – November 18, 2023- Alamo Rose and Hood's Camp members presented "Texas Living History" @ Lytle MS/HS, Lytle TX

- \* Acknowledge- Alamo Rose member, Abigail Hand – creates and presses custom t-shirt art for SCV Camp and Alamo Rose members

- \* "Wreaths Across America" – December 16, 2023 @ the Confederate Cemetery, San Antonio, TX. Sponsored by Albert Sydney Johnson UDC, Alamo Rose members participated in the Memorial Service by laying Wreaths to acknowledge each branch of our US Military. Alamo Rose members participated with other veterans' organizations in laying more than 500 wreaths for our veterans.

- \* Donations: Alamo Rose members participate in the Hood's Texas Brigade "Toys for Tots" Christmas Toy Drive this year. A total of 125 toys were donated. Delivered by Alamo Rose members, Rodney and Dustin Seiler to the Bexar County Sheriff's Department, December 21, 2023/

- \* Alamo Rose Members acted as Host and Hostesses for the Annual Hood's Toast to General Robert E. Lee, and our Annual Holiday Party, December 14, 2023- providing the Sparkling Grape Juice for the toast, Rum Cake, and Cup Cakes for the party.



## Cactus Rose #23 Quarterly Report

October-December 2023

October- TSOCR was represented at the Mechanized Cavalry "Gator Run in Louisiana.



By Gone Day in Stephenville was success!



Our Dottie Durrett hosted a beautiful Black Rose Event in East Texas.



November- Brenda Guise performed the program at Camp 1904-A visit with Emma Sansom

December-Cactus Rose organized Camp 1904 Christmas Party and had a successful Silent Auction.

As 2023 comes to a close Cactus Rose wishes all a very Happy New Year. May 2024 hold many opportunities to represent the South with Honor and Respect.

## Cactus Rose #23

It has been a slow quarter as we get through the holidays and winter. However, we did participate in the Fort Worth Stock Show Parade. We had Roses from Mattie J. Gano #64 and Cactus Rose #23 passing out flags and enjoying a beautiful day in Dixie.



## January Meeting Photos



Meet the newest future Rose, Miss Annabel Kay Wallace.  
Born Saturday January 13, 2024 2am 8lbs 10oz 21in  
She joins her Mother, Audrey, and sister, Ruthie Mae in Mattie J. Gano Chapter #64



## Madison Rose 43 Madisonville, Texas

In honor of Confederate Heroes Day, Madison Rose members Larry Figley, Secretary/Treasurer along with

President, Jennifer Figley attended the camp meeting of Captain James Gillespie Camp 226 SCV in Huntsville, Texas.

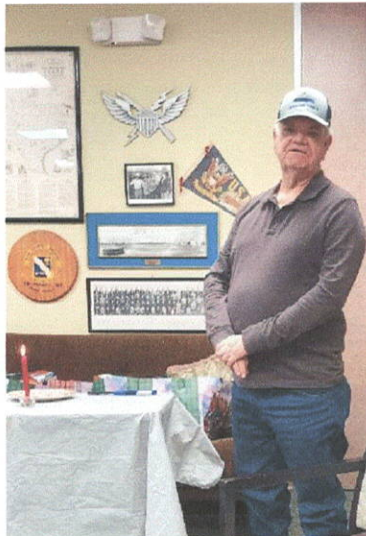
Camp members (left to right) David Moore, Ron Beale, Paul Smith, Bryan Rasco, (lady guests) Dolly Rasco,

Clara Malak, Jennifer Figley and Commander Larry Figley of the T. J. Goree Camp 2129 of Madisonville who presented

Candlelight Ceremony. All people attending enjoyed honoring their Confederate Ancestors.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Figley, President







## The Woodlands Rose #53



December 30, 2023 at 01:21 PM CST The Woodlands Rose 53 had many members who attended the Tx UDC Annual Convention in Clear Lake Tx, at the end of September. Some of the ladies participated in the Educational evening fashion show, as they wore period correct dress. At the end of January many of the ladies will also be attending the annual Tx UDC Forum held in College Station. Members also participated in WAA at a local cemetery in Montgomery Tx.

President, Jenny Lehr



*Mattie J. Gano*

*Grapevine, Tx.*

*Chapter #64*

*November – November 11 – Veterans Day Parade*

*December – December 18 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Christmas Party*



*Debbie Hearrean*

*Mattie J. Gano*

*Chapter President*



## PAINTED ROSE #66

Quarterly Report  
Oct.-Dec. 2023

Fall was a busy season for the members of Painted Rose.

September 23, we helped our friends at Cactus Rose #23 and SCV Camp 1904 in their booth at the Comanche Powwow. We helped our comrades from SCV Camp 2283 with a booth at the Crazy Water Festival in Mineral Wells on October 14 and at the Kickapoo Festival in Lipan on October 21. Some of us met with the Reunion committee at the Crazy Water Hotel in Mineral Wells on October 19, to begin planning the 2025 SCV Texas Division Reunion to be held in Mineral Wells. We also provided a snack supper for the October 19 SCV Camp 2283 and Painted Rose #66 meeting and helped Cactus Rose with their snack supper for Camp 1904's monthly meeting on October 24.



November 11 found a few Painted Rose members joining the Hudson Oaks, Weatherford, and Palo Pinto SCV Camps on a float honoring our Confederate veterans in the Weatherford Veterans Day parade. On November 16, we provided a Thanksgiving snack supper for the Camp 2283 and Painted Rose meeting and helped Cactus Rose with their snack supper for Camp 1904's meeting on November 23.



December found some of our members celebrating the upcoming Christmas holidays on December 9 at the Camp 1904 annual Christmas banquet and Jim and Peggy Harvey volunteered at the Palo Pinto County Frontier Christmas as Santa and Mrs. Claus.



We are looking forward to many fun times and adventures in 2024 with our TSOCR brothers and sisters! Happy New Year Roses.



## *Deaths and Prayer Request*



*I have a prayer request, my Doctor told me to stay at home for another month. I am well but our town has flu, strep and Covid so she wants me to stay healthy. So I see my doctor on March 6 and I am praying I get to go to the meeting.*

*I haven't had any other prayer requests*

*And I haven't had any deaths to report*

*Gail Walker*





*Remember:  
Dixie Bells needs  
our support*



*Send your documents  
and photos to  
Gail Walker  
ocrgwalker@yahoo.com*





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## *Rose Petal Schedule*



*Please send your documents and photos to:*

*Gail Walker, PO Box 1386, Tahoka, Texas 79373*

*Or*

*Email: [ocrigwalker@yahoo.com](mailto:ocrigwalker@yahoo.com)*

*The deadline for the next submission is:*

*April 30 submission May 20*

*Quarterly deadlines for articles and photos are the last day of the Month:*

*July 31 submission August 20*

*October 31 submission November 20*

*January 31 submission February 20*

*April 30 submission May 20*



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Marilyn C. Sweeney  
TSOCR 2024 Scholarship  
Essay Contest Application

The Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose (TSOCR) recognizes that our young people are our local, state and national leaders of tomorrow. We strive to make them aware of our historical and educational purposes through our scholarship opportunity. The TSOCR Scholarship Award Program is designed to award annually a scholarship to a graduating public, private or home school senior who will be attending a post-secondary institution (University, junior college or trade school). The amount of this award is \$2,000.00.

The application and requirements for this scholarship essay contest are as follows:

- Students will write an essay on a given topic and submit their essay with other required documentation (see essay guidelines).
- The scholarship winner will be selected based on the essay. In case of a tie, the Scholarship Committee members will review all applications and make a selection based on the entrant's supporting documentation. Each Chapter is asked to distribute the scholarship packet to interested students in their area.
- The TSOCR Scholarship Committee will announce the winner by May 15, 2024. The Application packet must be sent by U.S. mail and postmarked no later than 15 April 2024 and mailed to the address below:

Peggy Harvey      2651 Devil's Hallow Rd.      Graford, TX 76449

Selection of the winner will be made by May 15, 2024 and will be notified by e-mail and by letter on/after May 15, 2024. Winning entrant should plan to attend the TSOCR Annual Meeting to accept their award. The winner will be advised of location and time. Application, essay guidelines and judging criteria are attached.

## **TSOCR 2024 Scholarship Guidelines**

Students will write a research essay with a minimum of three pages but not to exceed six pages on the following topic:

### **Angels of Mercy: Confederate Nurses in the War Between the States**

Your essay should include but not limited to:

1. How did women in the south organize, provide care, and create hospitals during the War Between the States?
2. Who were some of the most renowned Confederate nurses and what were their major accomplishments?
3. In what ways did the War Between the States revolutionize the field of nursing including how it affected the idea of women in the workforce?
4. What insights do the diaries of nurses from the War Between the States give us of the conditions they endured, the challenges they faced, and the indispensable job they performed?

### **ESSAY GUIDELINES**

1. Research the selected topic and stay within the specified page limit.
  2. Cover page - title and author's name centered to the middle of the page.
  3. Text - Essay must be typed, double-spaced, 12 point font, Times New Roman 1 inch margins, pages numbered.
  4. Length - Minimum of three pages but not to exceed six.
  5. Provide Bibliography/End Notes.
  6. Sources - Minimum of five sources cited. Internet can be used for only two sources, others should be published materials.
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### **JUDGING CRITERIA**

1. Form/Quality of writing (20); Grammar (5), Organization (5), Style (5)  
Bibliography/Endnotes (5)
2. Content (60); Thesis Statement (20), Supporting ideas (20), Conclusion (20)
3. Overall presentation (20); Effectiveness (10), creativity (10)

### **ATTACH TO APPLICATION**

1. Essay
2. Two letters of recommendation from any of the following: teacher, employer, pastor or persons from an organization in which you are a member. Letters are to be no longer than one page 8 ½ x 11 inches double spaced typed.
3. A biographical letter which includes information about yourself, family, activities, future goals and the reason for applying. Letters are to be no longer than one page 8 ½ x 11 inches double spaced typed.
4. Application information form.

Application must be postmarked no later than **Friday, April 15, 2024**. Packets, with the above requirements, are to be sent by U.S. Mail to:

**Peggy Harvey 2651 Devil's Hallow Rd. Graford, TX 76449**

The essay winner will be contacted on or after May 15, 2024 and invited to come to the TSOCR Annual Meeting. The time, place and date to be advised. Payment of \$1,000.00 will be made to the winner's school after proof of 30 days of enrollment and \$1,000.00 paid for second semester, with proof of 2.5 GPA at the end of the first semester. The TSOCR Scholarship winner will be given the procedure for submitting the proof by TSOCR Treasurer

MARILYN C. SWEENEY  
2024 TSOGR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM  
APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

College Selected: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Admission Semester: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The purpose of the Marilyn C. Sweeney Scholarship is to provide \$2,000 to a graduating high school senior. Applicant must plan to further their education at a college/university, technical or vocational school.

Attach to the application:

1. Essay
2. Recommendation letters
3. Biographical letter