

The South Carolina Historical Society

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Dear Members,

This has been a wonderful year for the Society as we have celebrated our sesquicentennial. In looking back through our records, I cannot help but be awed at how time and again members stepped forward to make sure that the organization would be able to continue its mission. Many of you have already generously either contributed to the Sesquicentennial Campaign or made a pledge to do so. For that we are grateful.

For the past quarter century, beginning in 1979, the Society has asked members to consider an end-of-year gift. Since that time, your Board of Managers has included an item in our annual budget for this income. Because of it we have been able to keep our dues relatively modest. It was the wish of our founders and their successors to “open the Society to any person who honestly feels an interest in the history of our State.”

We as a Society have every reason to feel good about what has been accomplished during the past century and a half. We also have every reason to be proud of the current state of the Society. However, we cannot rest on our laurels.

For those who have given to this annual appeal in the past, I would hope that you would continue to do so. For those who have not, would you please consider making an end-of-the year gift?

On behalf of your Board of Managers, I wish you and yours a happy and safe holiday season and the best for 2006.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'W. Eric Emerson'.

W. Eric Emerson, Director
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