

# 69TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION PACKET

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“A Taste of the Lowcountry - Experience the Culture and Inspiration”

You are cordially invited to the  
*69th Annual National Drifters Convention*  
hosted by the Greater Charleston Chapter

August 6-10, 2025  
Embassy Suites by Hilton Airport  
Hotel & Convention Center  
5055 International Blvd  
North Charleston, SC 29418

**69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Drifters Convention**  
***"A Taste of the Lowcountry - Experience the Culture and Inspiration"***  
**August 6 –10, 2025**

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*From the Desk of  
The National Drifters  
President Donna L. Roderick*

Greetings Drifterdom,



Congratulate yourselves for all the amazing things you've accomplished this year. As we prepare to come together to celebrate sisterhood, I'm predicting a successful 69th Annual National Drifters Convention: "A Taste of the Lowcountry—Experience the Culture and the Inspiration " in the historic city of Charleston, South Carolina, at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Charleston Airport Hotel & Convention Center.

Thank you to the NDEB (National Drifter Executive Board), National Convention Planner Drifter Jewel Reid, Co-Chairs Chapter President Drifter Junerese Rhoden, Drifter Jenetha Hollis, and the dedicated members of the Greater Charleston Chapter of Drifters, Inc. for the incredible job they've done in creating what will be a memorable and meaningful experience. I look forward to the tours, activities, and seeing you all at another successful national convention!

The National Drifters Executive Board (NDEB) sincerely appreciates our members' valuable feedback, meaningful contributions, and continued patience. I remain optimistic about the future as we pursue our goals, especially as we continue to embody true excellence and active community engagement.

We proudly embody our motto: *"Strengthen Our Families to Build Better Communities — Save Our Children, Assist Our Seniors."*

Let us continue to champion voter registration and education within our communities, and remain steadfast in upholding the Drifter Code:

**D – Devotion**  
**R – Responsibility**  
**I – Intelligence**  
**F – Friendliness**  
**T – Truthfulness**  
**E – Eudemonism**  
**R – Rationality**

I wish you a fantastic time in Charleston, South Carolina, as we care for the Drifters business and enjoy plenty of fun along the way!

*In sisterhood,*



*Donna L. Roderick, National President*





## The Greater Charleston Chapter

Dear Members of The National Drifters, Incorporated,

It is with great joy and enthusiasm that we, on behalf of The Greater Charleston Chapter, welcome you to the 69th Annual National Drifters Convention of The National Drifters, Incorporated. This year, we are proud to host this cherished gathering in the beautiful and historic city of Charleston, South Carolina, at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Charleston Airport Hotel & Convention Center.

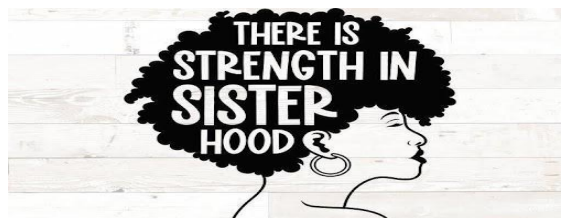
Our 2025 convention theme, "A Taste of the Lowcountry - Experience the Culture and the Inspiration," promises to capture the essence of Charleston's rich heritage, vibrant culture, and undeniable charm. As your Co-Chairs, we are committed to creating an atmosphere that is as welcoming as it is inspiring. Whether this is your first convention, or you are a seasoned participant, we are here to ensure that your experience is seamless and fulfilling.

The schedule is thoughtfully designed to offer engaging workshops, insightful sessions, dynamic events, and valuable networking opportunities that celebrate the Drifters' mission and legacy. Inside your registration packet, you will find all the essential information to guide you through the convention, including detailed schedules, program highlights, and contact details for additional support. What are you waiting for? Register today.

We are honored to share this momentous occasion with you and are deeply grateful for your participation. We look forward to seeing you from August 6-10, 2025, as we come together to celebrate unity, inspiration, and the enduring spirit of The Drifters.

**Drifter Junerese Rhodan**  
69th National Convention Co-Chair

**Drifter Jenetha Hollis**  
69th National Convention Co-Chair



*"Invest, Improve and Inspire."*

# GREATER CHARLESTON WELCOMES YOU



## *Experience Charleston*



**69<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL DRIFTERS CONVENTION**  
**August 6-10, 2025**  
**North Charleston, South Carolina**



## Registration Overview

We encourage you to review the Convention Registration Packet before completing your online registration. This comprehensive guide provides all the details necessary to ensure a smooth registration process and a memorable convention experience.

Payment Methods	Payment Instructions
Electronic Registration:	Visit the National Drifters, Incorporated's website at: <a href="https://driftersinc.org/">https://driftersinc.org/</a>  Click the registration link under the 69th Convention tab to access the online registration form.
Electronic Payment:	Via Zelle to <a href="mailto:GreaterCharlestonTreasurer@gmail.com">GreaterCharlestonTreasurer@gmail.com</a>  Memo Line: 2025, First Name, Last Name, Chapter  <i>Example: 2025, Mary Doe, Greater Charleston</i>
Mail-in Payment:	Accepted Payment Methods: Personal Checks, Money Orders, or Cashier's Checks  <b><u>Payable to:</u></b> The Greater Charleston Drifters The 69 <sup>th</sup> National Convention Registration P.O. Box 1272 Hollywood, SC 29449 - 6099  <b>Note:</b> The registration must be completed online, and Zelle or mail-in payment must be made only to the address above, due by <b><u>June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025.</u></b>
It is important that your name and chapter are included in all the above communications and <b>MUST</b> be in all documents. See the Greater Charleston Chapter Contact List on page 8.	

### NEED ASSISTANCE?

For support or questions regarding registration, please get in touch with the designated chapter member or:

**Alison Johnson, Registration Chair Phone: 470.424.0840**  
**Email: [Reigninsuccess1@gmail.com](mailto:Reigninsuccess1@gmail.com)**

We look forward to seeing you at the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Convention!





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***"A Taste of the Lowcountry - Experience the Culture and Inspiration"***

**Embassy Suites by Hilton Airport Hotel & Convention Center, North Charleston, South Carolina**

**August 6-10, 2025**

<b>CHAPTER CONTACT LIST</b>	
<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Greater Charleston Point of Contact</b>
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St. Louis, Tallahassee & Southern NJ	<b>Carla Jones</b> 843.813.8285 jonescarla0215@gmail.com
Alumnae, MAL & Sisterly Affection Interest Group	<b>Alison Johnson</b> 470.424.0840 ReignInSuccess1@gmail.com

The Greater Charleston Chapter is here to help make your convention experience as smooth and enjoyable as possible.

If you have any questions or need more information, we have included a dedicated contact for you. Every Drifter sister from our chapter is excited to support you and will also be your personal ambassador throughout the convention. We are here for you every step of the way!



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**CONVENTION FACT SHEET**

**[REGISTRATION]**

- Online registration is open: National Drifters, website at: <https://driftersinc.org/> **No On-Site Registration**
- Late registration fee (\$50) if postmarked/received electronically after **Monday, June 16, 2025**.
- No registration will be accepted after Monday, June 30, 2025.
- Registration will not be completed until payment is received.
- No cash accepted: Personal checks, cashier's checks, and money orders payable to: The Greater Charleston Drifters.
- Registration will be confirmed by email to the registering Drifter upon receipt of online or paper registration and payment.
- All Driftwood, Male Guests, Female Guests, Kindling 21+, and Kindling/Splinters must complete a registration form(s) and submit appropriate fees prior to the registration cutoff date of Monday, **June 30, 2025**, to gain admission to any convention event.
- Driftwood Bundled Convention Package: Includes admission to Wednesday Welcome Dinner Party, Thursday Mystery Dinner, Friday Game Night, Saturday Scholarship Luncheon, Saturday Evening Gala, and Amenities Fees.
- Male and Female Guests, Kindling 21+ Bundled Convention Package: Includes admission to Wednesday Welcome Dinner Party, Thursday Mystery Dinner, Friday Game Night, Saturday Evening Gala, and Amenities Fees.

**[Late Registration:**

**Postmark/Online after June 16, 2025]**

- Any registration material(s) postmarked/received electronically after Monday, June 16, 2025, will be assessed a \$50.00 late fee per registrant.
- Late fees **MUST** accompany the registration material(s). Registration will be delayed until all fees are received.
- Registration material(s) postmarked/received electronically after Monday, June 30, 2025, will not be accepted.

**[Cancellation Policy: \$50 Handling fee]**

- Registration cancellation requests must be in writing and sent to the email address below; they are discretionary.
- A \$50.00 handling fee will be deducted from the refund for all cancellations.
- A full refund, minus the \$50 handling fee, will be given if the request is postmarked/received electronically on or before Monday, June 16, 2025.
- A \$100 handling fee will be given if the request is postmarked/received electronically on or after Tuesday, July 1, 2025.
- A 50% refund will be given if the request is postmarked/received electronically on or after Monday, July 21, 2025.
- Extenuating circumstances (i.e., death, illness, etc.) will be addressed on a case-by-case basis by convention chairs.
- Refunds will be issued no earlier than 30 days after the convention.

**[Substitute Registration]**

- A non-attending Drifter may substitute for another Drifter by written request to:  
  
[ReignInSuccess1@gmail.com](mailto:ReignInSuccess1@gmail.com)
- The request should include the name of the substitute Drifter, date, and signature of both the non-attending Drifter and the attending Drifter.
- Chapters are responsible for notifying the convention committee in writing to the email address above; if Delegate(s) must be substituted, include the name and chapter of the original and substitute.
- Email must be presented to the Registration Committee upon arrival at the convention.

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### CONVENTION FACT SHEET CONTINUED

#### **[Neighboring Health Facilities & Services]**

Urgent Care  
MEDcare Urgent Care  
8740 Rivers Ave. North  
Charleston, SC 29406

Phone: (843) 377-2406

Hours:  
Daily 8:00 am - 8:00 pm

Phone: 911

Hours:  
24 hours

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#### **[Herbert's Mobility Scooter Rental]**

[www.herbertsmobility.com](http://www.herbertsmobility.com)

Phone: (843) 571-1515

Hours:

Monday - Friday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Herbert's Mobility Services provides power scooters and other mobility devices for rental. They will deliver to the hotel. Scooter rentals are available at the rate of **\$60.00 per day or \$185 for a weekly cost, plus delivery fees.**

Contact Bobby Herbert or Barbara Hinton.

**Call at least a week in advance of the requested reservation date(s).**

#### **[Payment Information]**

**Reminder:**  
**Final registration closes Monday,**  
**June 30, 2025**

Late Registration fee is \$50 if postmarked/received electronically after Monday, June 16, 2025

- DO NOT REMIT CASH
- Payments may be made by any of the following methods:

☐ Zelle Payments:

[GreaterCharlestonTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:GreaterCharlestonTreasurer@gmail.com)

Memo Line: 2025 First Name Last Name, Chapter

**Example: 2025, Mary Doe, Greater Charleston**

**It is crucial that your name and chapter be included in all the above communications and MUST be on all documents.**

- ☐ Make checks, money orders, and cashier's checks payable to:

The Greater Charleston Drifters  
69<sup>th</sup> National Convention Registration  
P.O. Box 1272  
Hollywood, SC 29449-6099

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#### **[Tours]**

**Wednesday:**  
**Charleston International African American Museum (IAAM) Tour** (Noon – 3 pm)

This is a walking tour. Seats are limited. Reservations will be assigned based on the date registration is received.

**Note: A minimum of 55 participants is required; refunds will be given, if the minimum is not met.**

**Friday:**  
**Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy & Bess Tour** (3 pm – 5 pm)

This is a chartered, guided tour. Seats are limited. Reservations will be assigned based on the date the registration is received.

**Note: A minimum of 34 participants is required; refunds will be given, if the minimum is not met.**



## Emergency Room Information

MUSC Hospital  
96 Jonathan Lucas Street  
Charleston, SC 29425

(843) 792-1414

Roper St. Francis  
Healthcare  
316 Calhoun Street  
Charleston, SC 29401

(843) 724-2000

MEDcare Urgent Care  
8740 Rivers Ave.- North  
Charleston, SC 29406  
Daily hours: 8 am – 8 pm

(843) 377-2406

St. Francis Hospital  
2095 Henry Tecklenburg Dr.  
Charleston, SC 29414

(843) 402-1000



# Drifter Registration Form

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

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

Chapter/National Position/Title \_\_\_\_\_ Check One: Delegate \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Member \_\_\_\_\_ Alumna \_\_\_\_\_ Member-at-Large \_\_\_\_\_

Check if Legacy \_\_\_\_\_ Of Whom? \_\_\_\_\_ What Chapter? \_\_\_\_\_ How? \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Day: Wed \_\_\_\_\_ Thur \_\_\_\_\_ Fri \_\_\_\_\_ Sat \_\_\_\_\_ Other(day) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/ Vegetarian/Dietary Restrictions/Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*All Drifters MUST register to attend any scheduled event\*\*\*

	Activity & Events	Day of Activity	Cost	Amount Enclosed
D	<b>International African American Museum (IAAM) Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 55 participants is required</b>	<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b> Noon - 3:00 pm	<b>\$45:</b> 62+ / Military <b>\$55:</b> Adults 17+	\$
D	<b>Sisterly Affection Interest Group Welcome Reception</b> (Drifters Only)	<b>Wednesday Night</b> 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Included	
D	<b>Charleston Bash Welcome Dinner Party</b> Represent & Wear Your Chapter Gear: T-shirt, white jeans & sneakers	<b>Wednesday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	Included	
D	<b>Sister to Sister Luncheon:</b> "Sisters Show Love, Give Blood for Sickle Cell Awareness"	<b>Thursday Afternoon</b> Noon - 2:30 pm	Included	
D	<b>Best Laid Plans: A Low Country Whodunit</b> <i>Mystery Dinner Party</i>	<b>Thursday Night</b> 7:00 pm - 10:30 pm	Included	
D	<b>Human Service Luncheon</b> "Service to Others Leads to Greatness"	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> Noon - 2:00 pm	Included	
D	<b>Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy &amp; Bess Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 34 participants is required</b>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	<b>\$65</b>	\$
D	Dine Around: "Experience Charleston" (Buses Provided)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Included	
D	<b>Fun, Games &amp; Bingo Gullah Geechee Style</b>	<b>Friday Night</b> 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	Included	
D	<b>Scholarships &amp; Awards Luncheon</b> "Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"	<b>Saturday Afternoon</b> 12:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Included	
D	<b>An Elegant Evening of Southern Culture &amp; Charm</b> <i>"Formal Gala"</i>	<b>Saturday Night</b> 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Cocktails 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm: <b>Gala</b>	Included	
D	<b>Ecumenical Worship Service</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b> 9:00 am – 10:00 am	<b>No Cost</b>	
	<b>Amenities and Hospitality Package</b>	Wednesday – Saturday	Included	
D	<b>Drifter Registration Fee</b>		<b>Set Fee</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>
D	<b>Club 69</b>		<b>\$69</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay or</b>		<b>\$10</b> - 1 ticket	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay</b>		<b>\$25</b> - 3 tickets	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided) or</b>		<b>\$10</b> - 1 ticket	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided)</b>		<b>\$25</b> - 3 tickets	\$
D	<b>Sister to Sister Luncheon Donation</b>		<b>\$10</b>	\$
D	<b>Late Registration Fee (if applicable)</b>	<b>After June 16, 2025</b>	<b>\$50</b>	\$
	<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			\$

**Please note: Registration closes Monday, June 30, 2025. Registration will NOT be accepted if postmarked/received electronically after this date.**

- Late Registration fee of **\$50** if postmarked/received electronically after **Monday, June 16, 2025**.
- DO NOT REMIT CASH.
- Zelle payment to: [GreaterCharlestonTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:GreaterCharlestonTreasurer@gmail.com),

Memo Line: 2025, First Name, Last Name, Chapter

Email completed registration form(s) to: [ReignInSuccess1@gmail.com](mailto:ReignInSuccess1@gmail.com), with the subject line:

2025, First Name, Last Name, Chapter

- Make checks, money orders, and cashier's checks payable to: **The Greater Charleston Drifters**  
Memo Line: 2025, First Name, Last Name, Chapter
- Mail registration form(s) and checks to:

The Greater Charleston Drifters; 69<sup>th</sup> National Convention Registration

P.O. Box 1272; Hollywood, SC 29449-6099

# Driftwood Guest Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Guest of Drifter and Drifter  
Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Day: Wed. \_\_\_\_\_ Thurs. \_\_\_\_\_ Fri. \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. \_\_\_\_\_ Other(day) \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/ Vegetarian/Dietary Restrictions/Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*All Driftwood MUST register to attend any scheduled Event, and all starred events are included in the Bundled Package\*\*\*

\*Location is subject to change

	Activity & Events	Day of Activity	Cost	Amount Enclosed
D	<b>International African American Museum (IAAM) Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 55 participants required</b>	<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b> Noon - 3:00 pm	<b>\$45:</b> 62+/Military <b>\$55:</b> Adults 17+	\$
D	<b>Charleston Bash Welcome Dinner Party***</b> <i>Represent &amp; Wear Your Driftwood Gear</i>	<b>Wednesday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Westcott</b> (Outdoor Golfing)	<b>Thursday Morning</b> 7:30 am – 1:00 pm	<b>\$30</b>	\$
D	<b>Stars and Stripes</b> Bowling	<b>Thursday Afternoon</b> Noon – 2:30 pm	<b>\$45</b>	\$
D	<b>Best Laid Plans: A Low Country Whodunit***</b> <i>Mystery Dinner Party</i>	<b>Thursday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>One Charters</b> Sport Fishing*	<b>Friday Morning</b> 7:00 am – 2:00 pm	<b>\$125</b>	\$
D	<b>Wescott</b> (Outdoor Golfing)	<b>Friday Morning</b> 7:30 am 1:00 pm	<b>\$30</b>	\$
D	<b>Stars and Stripes</b> Bowling	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> Noon – 2:30 pm	<b>\$45</b>	\$
D	<b>Human Service Luncheon</b> <i>"Service to Others Lead to Greatness"</i>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> Noon – 2:00 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>Top Golf</b> (Indoor Golfing)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>\$55</b>	\$
D	<b>Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy &amp; Bess Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 34 participants required</b>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>\$65</b>	\$
D	<b>Dine Around: "Experience Charleston"</b> (Buses Provided)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>On Your Own</b>	
D	<b>Habana Club</b> Wine Tasting and Cigar Bar*	<b>Friday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	<b>\$65</b>	\$
D	<b>Fun, Games &amp; Bingo Gullah Geechee Style***</b>	<b>Friday Night</b> 8:30 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$25</b>	\$
D	<b>Scholarships &amp; Awards Luncheon***</b> <i>"Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"</i>	<b>Saturday Afternoon</b> 12:15 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>An Elegant Evening of Southern Culture &amp; Charm***</b> <i>"Formal Gala"</i>	<b>Saturday Night</b> 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Cocktails 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm: Gala	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Ecumenical Worship Service</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b> 9:00 am – 10:00 am	<b>No Cost</b>	
D	<b>Amenities Fee***</b>		<b>Set Cost</b>	<b>\$100</b>
D	<b>***Bundled Package Driftwood Registration Fee***</b>		<b>\$400</b>	\$
D	<b>Club 69 (Couples Deal Only)</b>		<b>\$99</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay or</b>		<b>\$10 - 1 ticket</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay</b>		<b>\$25 - 3 tickets</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided) or</b>		<b>\$10 - 1 ticket</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided)</b>		<b>\$25 - 3 tickets</b>	\$
D	<b>Late Registration Fee (if applicable)</b>	<b>After June 16, 2025</b>	<b>\$50</b>	\$
	<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			\$

# Male Guest Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Guest of Drifter and Drifter Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Day: Wed. \_\_\_\_ Thurs. \_\_\_\_ Fri. \_\_\_\_ Sat. \_\_\_\_ Other (day) \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/ Vegetarian/Dietary Restrictions/Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*All Guests MUST register to attend any scheduled Event & all starred events are included in the Bundled Package\*\*\*** \*Location is subject to change

	Activity & Events	Day of Activity	Cost	Amount Enclosed
D	<b>International African American Museum (IAAM) Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 55 participants is required</b>	<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b> Noon – 3:00 pm	<b>\$45:</b> 62+/ Military <b>\$55:</b> Adults 17+	\$
D	<b>Charleston Bash Welcome Dinner Party***</b> <i>An Evening of Celebration</i>	<b>Wednesday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Westcott</b> (Outdoor Golfing)	<b>Thursday Morning</b> 7:30 am – 1:00 pm	<b>\$30</b>	\$
D	<b>Stars and Stripes</b> Bowling	<b>Thursday Afternoon</b> Noon – 2:30 pm	<b>\$45</b>	\$
D	<b>Best Laid Plans: A Low Country Whodunit***</b> <i>Mystery Dinner Party</i>	<b>Thursday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>One Charters</b> Sport Fishing*	<b>Friday Morning</b> 7:00 am – 2:00 pm	<b>\$125</b>	\$
D	<b>Wescott</b> (Outdoor Golfing)	<b>Friday Morning</b> 7:30 am 1:00 pm	<b>\$30</b>	\$
D	<b>Stars and Stripes</b> Bowling	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> Noon– 2:30 pm	<b>\$45</b>	\$
D	<b>Human Service Luncheon</b> <i>"Service to Others Lead to Greatness"</i>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> Noon – 2:00 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>Top Golf</b> (Indoor Golfing)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>\$55</b>	\$
D	<b>Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy &amp; Bess Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 34 participants is required</b>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>\$65</b>	\$
D	<b>Dine Around: "Experience Charleston"</b> (Buses Provided)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>On Your Own</b>	
D	<b>Fun, Games &amp; Bingo Gullah Geechee Style***</b>	<b>Friday Night</b> 8:30 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$25</b>	\$
D	<b>Scholarships &amp; Awards Luncheon</b> <i>" Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"</i>	<b>Saturday Afternoon</b> 12:15 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>An Elegant Evening of Southern Culture &amp; Charm***</b> <i>"Formal Gala"</i>	<b>Saturday Night</b> 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Cocktails 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm: <b>Gala</b>	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Ecumenical Worship Service</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b> 9:00 am – 10:00 am	<b>No Cost</b>	
D	<b>Amenities Fee***</b>		<b>Set Cost</b>	<b>\$100</b>
D	<b>***Bundled Package Male Guest Registration Fee***</b>		<b>\$350</b>	\$
D	<b>Club 69 (Couples Deal Only)</b>		<b>\$99</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay or</b>		<b>\$10</b> - 1 ticket	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay</b>		<b>\$25</b> - 3 tickets	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided) or</b>		<b>\$10</b> - 1 ticket	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided)</b>		<b>\$25</b> - 3 tickets	\$
D	<b>Late Registration Fee (if applicable)</b>	<b>After June 16, 2025</b>	<b>\$50</b>	\$
	<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			\$

# Female Guest Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Guest of Drifter and Drifter Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Day: Wed. \_\_\_\_\_ Thurs. \_\_\_\_\_ Fri. \_\_\_\_\_ Sat \_\_\_\_\_ Other (day) \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/ Vegetarian/Dietary Restrictions/Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* All Guests MUST register to attend any scheduled Event & all starred events are included in the Bundled Package\*\*\***

	Activity & Events	Day of Activity	Cost	Amount Enclosed
D	<b>International African American Museum (IAAM) Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 55 participants is required</b>	<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b> Noon – 3:00 pm	<b>\$45:</b> 62+/ Military <b>\$55:</b> Adults 17+	\$
D	<b>Charleston Bash Welcome Dinner Party***</b> <i>An Evening of Celebration</i>	<b>Wednesday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Stars and Stripes Bowling</b>	<b>Thursday Afternoon</b> 12:00 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>\$45</b>	\$
D	<b>Best Laid Plans: A Low Country Whodunit***</b> <i>Mystery Dinner Party</i>	<b>Thursday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Human Service Luncheon</b> <i>"Service to Others Leads to Greatness"</i>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy &amp; Bess Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 34 participants is required</b>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>\$65</b>	\$
D	<b>Top Golf (Indoor Golfing)</b>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>\$55</b>	\$
D	<b>Dine Around: "Experience Charleston"</b> (Buses Provided)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>On Your Own</b>	
D	<b>Fun, Games &amp; Bingo Gullah Geechee Style***</b>	<b>Friday Night</b> 8:30 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$25</b>	\$
D	<b>Scholarships &amp; Awards Luncheon</b> <i>" Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"</i>	<b>Saturday Afternoon</b> 12:15 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>An Elegant Evening of Southern Culture &amp; Charm***</b> <i>"Formal Gala"</i>	<b>Saturday Night</b> 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Cocktails 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm: Gala	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Ecumenical Worship Service</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b> 9:00 am – 10:00 am	<b>No Cost</b>	
D	<b>Amenities Fee***</b>		<b>Set Cost</b>	<b>\$100</b>
D	<b>***Bundled Package Female Guest Registration Fee***</b>		<b>\$350</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay or</b>		<b>\$10</b> - 1 ticket	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay</b>		<b>\$25</b> - 3 tickets	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided) or</b>		<b>\$10</b> - 1 ticket	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided)</b>		<b>\$25</b> - 3 tickets	\$
D	<b>Late Registration Fee (if applicable)</b>	<b>After June 16, 2025</b>	<b>\$50</b>	\$
	<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			\$



# Kindling 21+ Registration Form

Please use one form for each registrant, **FEMALE** and **MALE**

Kindling Name \_\_\_\_\_ Drifter's Name /Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Arrival Day: Thurs. \_\_\_\_ Fri. \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. \_\_\_\_\_ Other(day) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Needs/ Vegetarian/Dietary Restrictions/Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*All Guests MUST register to attend any scheduled Event & all starred events are included in the Bundled Package\*\*\***

	Activity & Events	Day of Activity	Cost	Amount Enclosed
D	<b>International African American Museum (IAAM) Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 55 participants is required</b>	<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b> Noon – 3:00 pm	<b>\$45: Military</b> <b>\$55: Adults 17+</b>	\$
D	<b>Charleston Bash Welcome Dinner Party***</b> <b>An Evening of Celebration</b>	<b>Wednesday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
	<b>Stars and Stripes</b> <b>Bowling</b>	<b>Thursday Afternoon</b> 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>\$45</b>	\$
D	<b>Best Laid Plans: A Low Country Whodunit***</b> <b>Mystery Dinner Party</b>	<b>Thursday Night</b> 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Human Service Luncheon</b> <i>"Service to Others Leads to Greatness"</i>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy &amp; Bess Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 34 participants is required</b>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>\$65</b>	\$
D	<b>Top Golf</b> <b>(Indoor Golfing)</b>	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>\$55</b>	\$
D	<b>Dine Around: "Experience Charleston"</b> (Buses Provided)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>On Your Own</b>	
D	<b>Fun, Games &amp; Bingo Gullah Geechee Style***</b>	<b>Friday Night</b> 8:30 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>\$25</b>	\$
D	<b>Scholarships &amp; Awards Luncheon</b> <i>"Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"</i>	<b>Saturday Afternoon</b> 12:15 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>\$80</b>	\$
D	<b>An Elegant Evening of Southern Culture &amp; Charm***</b> <b>"Formal Gala"</b>	<b>Saturday Night</b> 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Cocktails 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm: Gala	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Ecumenical Worship Service</b>	<b>Sunday Morning</b> 9:00 am – 10:00 am	<b>No Cost</b>	
D	<b>Amenities Fee***</b>		<b>Set Cost</b>	<b>\$100</b>
D	<b>***Bundled Package Kindling 21+ Registration Fee***</b>		<b>\$350</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay or</b>		<b>\$10 - 1 ticket</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Free Hotel Night Stay</b>		<b>\$25 - 3 tickets</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided) or</b>		<b>\$10 - 1 ticket</b>	\$
D	<b>Raffle: One Dinner Cruise for two (Transportation Provided)</b>		<b>\$25 - 3 tickets</b>	\$
D	<b>Late Registration Fee (if applicable)</b>	<b>After June 16, 2025</b>	<b>\$50</b>	\$
	<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			\$

# Kindling/Splinters “Under 21” Registration Form

Please use one form for each registrant, **FEMALE and MALE**.

**NOTE: A Kindling Activity Waiver must be completed and signed at the time of Registration**

Kindling Name \_\_\_\_\_ Drifter's Name /Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Day: Thurs. \_\_\_\_ Fri. \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. \_\_\_\_\_ Other(day) \_\_\_\_\_ **AGE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs/ Vegetarian/Dietary Restrictions/Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

All Guests MUST register to attend any scheduled Event & all starred events are included in the Bundled Package

\*\*\* Denotes ages (5-14)

\*\*\* Denotes ages (15-18)

	Activity & Events	Day of Activity	Cost & Age	Amount Enclosed
D	<b>International African American Museum (IAAM) Tour</b> (Buses Provided) <b>A minimum of 55 participants is required</b>	<b>Wednesday Afternoon</b> Noon – 3:00 pm	<b>\$55:</b> 17+ & Older <b>\$40:</b> Ages 6-16 <b>Free:</b> Ages 5 & under	\$
D	<b>"Paint and Pizza"</b> (All Ages) ***** Welcome Party (Paint kit and dinner provided)	<b>Wednesday Night</b> 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	All Ages	
D	<b>Children's Museum</b> (Ages 5-8) *** Kindling's will explore the exhibits (Transportation and lunch provided)	<b>Thursday Morning</b> 9:30 am – 12:30 pm	Select for (Ages 5-8)	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
D	MUSC Lab Tour (Ages 9-18) *** Simulation Lab (Transportation and lunch provided)	<b>Thursday Morning</b> 9:30 am – 1:00 pm	Select for (Ages 9-18)	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
D	<b>Movie Night</b> (Ages 5-14) ***	<b>Thursday Night</b> 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Select for (Ages 5-14)	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
D	<b>Top Golf</b> (Ages 15-18) *** (Transportation and food provided)	<b>Thursday Night</b> 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Select for (Ages 15-18)	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
D	<b>Fire House Museum/Zaxby's</b> (All Ages) *****	<b>Friday Morning</b> 10:30 am – 12:30 pm	All Ages	
D	<b>Pajama Day Party</b> (Ages 5-14) ***	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Select for (Ages 5-14)	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
D	<b>Shop Around Tanger</b> (Ages 15-18) *** (Enjoy shopping)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Select for (Ages 15-18)	Check Box <input type="checkbox"/>
D	<b>Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy &amp; Bess Tour</b> (Buses Provided)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>\$65</b>	\$
D	Dine Around: <b>"Experience Charleston"</b> ***** <b>(Must be accompanied by parent/guardian)</b> (Buses Provided)	<b>Friday Afternoon</b> 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	On Your Own	
D	<b>Game Night</b> (All Ages) ***** Fun and competition	<b>Friday Night</b> 8:00 pm – 9:30 pm	All Ages	
D	<b>Frankie's Fun Park</b> (All Ages) *****	<b>Saturday Morning</b> 11:00 am – 3:00 pm	All Ages	
D	<b>Silent Glow Party</b> (All Ages) Includes dinner *****	<b>Saturday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm	All Ages	
D	<b>An Elegant Evening of Southern Culture &amp; Charm</b> <b>"Formal Gala"</b>	<b>Saturday Night</b> 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm	<b>\$150</b>	\$
D	<b>Ecumenical Worship Service</b> (All Ages) *****	<b>Sunday Morning</b> 9:00 am – 10:00 am	<b>No Cost</b>	
D	<b>Bundled Package Kindling/Splinters "Under 21" Registration Fee</b>		Set Fee	\$ 325
D	<b>Late Registration Fee</b> (if applicable)	<b>After June 16, 2025</b>	<b>\$50</b>	\$
	<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>			\$

## KINDLING/SPLINTERS CHILDREN GENERAL RELEASE & WAIVER

We, the undersigned, in consideration of The Greater Charleston Chapter providing Kindling/Splinters activities and field trips for our child (children) as designated, during the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Drifters Convention at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Charleston Airport Hotel & Convention Center in Charleston, SC, do hereby release and discharge forever, and by the presents, do ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, release and discharge forever the National Drifters, Incorporated and/or its individual members, all other persons, firms, and corporations both known and unknown, from all claims, demands, damages, actions, causes of actions, or suits at law or in equity because of any matter, incident or thing done, omitted or suffered to be done by anyone, which may hereafter arise from, or not out of, our child's (children's) presence at the Kindling/Splinter activities room(s) or field trips. The undersigned acknowledges that Kindling/Splinters will be supervised during field trips and in the designated Kindling/Splinters activities room(s) only, Wednesday through Saturday, during convention operating hours as designated by The Greater Charleston Chapter.

Furthermore, we, the undersigned, do hereby expressly stipulate and agree, in consideration for the aforementioned Kindling/Splinters activities room(s) and field trips, to indemnify and to hold The Greater Charleston Chapter and The National Drifters, Incorporated harmless against loss from any, and all kinds whatsoever that may hereafter, at any time, be made or brought by our child (children) or by anyone, on behalf of our child (children) and we hereby waive all rights of exemption under the laws of any State against such claims.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name (**Print**) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Event: 69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Drifters Convention

Cell Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

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

We have read the above and understand this Release. Furthermore, in the event of an emergency, we give The Greater Charleston Chapter of The National Drifters, Incorporated our permission to administer first aid or obtain emergency medical treatment in our child's (children's) best interest. We agree to pay for all expenses due to an emergency involving our child (children).

# CONSENT TO TREAT MINOR CHILDREN

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, born the \_\_\_\_ day of, 20\_\_\_\_, do hereby consent to any medical care and the administration of anesthesia determined by a physician to be necessary for the welfare of my child while said child is under the care of \_\_\_\_\_, City of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, and I am not reasonably available by telephone to give consent.

This authorization is effective from the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian    Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness Name (please print)

This consent form should be taken with the child to the hospital or physician's office when the child is taken for treatment. This additional information will assist in treatment if it can be furnished with your consent, but it is not required.

Family Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Tetanus: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies to drugs or foods: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Medications or Pertinent Information: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Child's Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_

# Charleston IAAM Tour

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

12:00 pm - 3:00 pm (3 hours)

Meeting Time in Hotel Lobby: 11:15 am Bus Departure Time: 11:30 am



One of Charleston's most meaningful landmarks. This world-class museum explores the rich history, resilient culture, and enduring impact of the African American journey. You will walk through immersive galleries, reflect in the beautiful memorial garden, and even have the chance to explore your roots at the museum's powerful genealogy center.

**Seats are limited**  
**Do not miss the opportunity**  
**to connect with history**



## Cost:

Seniors 62+ and Military - \$45

Adults 17+ - \$55.00

Children 6 - 16 - \$40

Children under 5 and younger - Free

## Bottled Water Provided

**Note: A minimum of 55 participants is required; refunds will be given if the minimum number of participants is not met.**



# Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy & Bess Tour

Friday, August 9, 2025

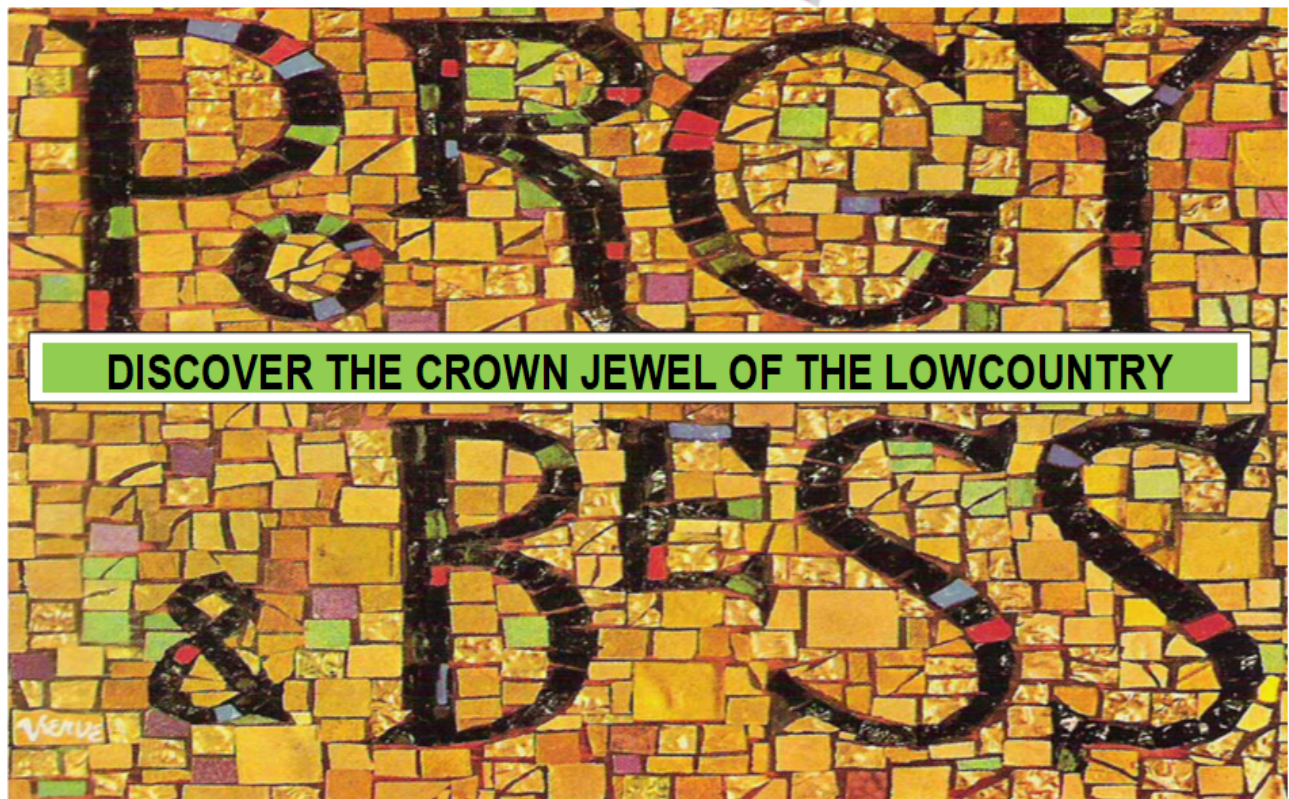
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm (2 hours)

Meeting Time in Hotel Lobby: 2:15 pm Bus Departure Time: 2:30 pm

**Note: A minimum of 34 participants is required; refunds will be given if the minimum is not met.**

Get ready to sit back, relax, and take in the sights as we roll through the heart of historic Charleston! This guided tour will treat you to stunning views of Rainbow Row, the elegance of antebellum mansions, the charm of the Charleston City Market, and the beauty of the waterfront along the Battery. Along the way, enjoy lively stories, fun facts, and a few surprises that bring the city's rich culture and history to life.

**Come curious. Leave inspired.**





# 69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Drifters Convention

## Luncheon Information



**Thursday, August 7, 2025 (12:00 pm - 2:30 pm)**

Sister to Sister Luncheon - *"Sisters Show Love, Give Blood for National Sickle Cell Awareness"*

We will come together to celebrate and honor the remarkable women of The National Drifters, Incorporated while raising awareness for sickle cell disease. This meaningful gathering will include ***A Call to Action for Life-Saving Change***, highlighting the urgent need for blood donations to support those battling this disease. We will pay tribute to our sisters for their **longevity of service** to both their local chapters and our national organization. In addition, each chapter will recognize their **"Special Drifter"**, a sister who has gone above and beyond in service to her chapter and community. As a gesture of collective support, we ask that each Drifter pay with registration or donate **\$10.00** to the MUSC Sickle Cell Center. We are honored to welcome our keynote speaker for the afternoon, **Dr. Shantae Jenkins**, Medical Director of the **Rena N. Grant Sickle Cell Center, MUSC**.

**Attire:** Gray with a touch of **Burgundy** (Business casual)

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**Friday, August 8, 2025 (12:00 pm - 2:00 pm)**

Human Service Luncheon - *"Service to Others Leads to Greatness"*

Join us for a powerful afternoon of celebration, inspiration, and purpose. We will shine a light on the unwavering commitment of The Drifters, Inc. to uplifting communities through mentoring, feeding families, and impactful service initiatives. **Be prepared to be inspired** by the rich traditions and wisdom of a **Gullah storyteller**, whose words will bring history, heart, and heritage to life. This luncheon not only honors the achievements of our service but also amplifies the spirit of giving that lies at the heart of our mission.

**Attire:** **Coral** (Business casual)

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**Saturday, August 9, 2025 (12:15 pm – 2:30 pm)**

Scholarship and Awards Luncheon – *"Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"*

Join us as we celebrate educational excellence, leadership, and service. Scholarships and Membership awards will be presented to deserving students and outstanding Drifters, including recognition of the National Executive Board Scholarship and the prestigious **2025 NOW BLACK WOMAN Award**, honoring a Drifter for exceptional community service. Together, we honor excellence, invest in the future, and celebrate the achievements of our scholars and sisters.

**Attire:** **White** w/ touches of **Coral** and/or **Gray** (Business casual)

## 2025 Daily Narrative

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Arrivals	7:00 am - 9:00 pm
Registration	12:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Vendors Open	4:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Drifter Hospitality Suite	10:00 pm - 12:00 am (Midnight)

### WEDNESDAY

#### Charleston International African American Museum (IAAM)

Departure 11:30 am EST

**\*Minimum of 55 Participants – If the minimum is not met, refunds will be given**

Join us for a powerful and enriching experience at the International African American Museum (IAAM) in Charleston, where history, resilience, and culture come to life. This unforgettable tour offers a deeper understanding of the African American journey, with exhibits that honor the strength, legacy, and contributions of those who came before us.

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#### Interest Group Reception

It is with great joy that we welcome the Sisterly Affection Interest Group from Philadelphia, PA, to this year's Convention. After you have had a moment to relax and settle in, we invite you to a special Drifters-only reception in their honor. Let us come together in sisterhood to celebrate their journey, extend our heartfelt greetings, and make them feel at home among us. Let's take this special time to offer our heartfelt greetings and make the ladies of Sisterly Affection feel the true spirit of our sisterhood.

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#### Welcome Party

Welcome to Charleston! Get ready for an unforgettable evening of fun, celebration, and sisterhood at the **Charleston Bash – Kickoff to the 69th Annual National Drifters Convention!**

Experience history in the making with our first-ever **Charleston Sweetgrass Live Auction**. Will you claim *Sweet Victory*? Savor a delicious buffet of Lowcountry cuisine, show off your best moves in the high-energy **Soul Train Line Showdown**, celebrate **Greater Charleston's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**, and join the ultimate birthday celebration honoring all twelve months with laughter, surprises, and nonstop joy. Come dressed to impress in your **chapter T-shirt, white jeans, and sneakers**, and prepare for a night to remember! Get ready to party Charleston style.

**Attire:** Chapter T-shirts, white jeans, and sneakers

Hospitality Suites are open for snacks and beverages to all registered Drifters, Driftwood. Kindling 21+ and guests identified by wristbands. \*Closing times are subject to change.

## 2025 Daily Narrative

Thursday, August 7, 2025

Registration	8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Breakfast	6:00 am - 10:00 am
Vendors Open	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Drifter Hospitality Suite	10:00 pm - 12:00 am (Midnight)

### **THURSDAY**

#### **Drifter Opening Session: “Official Opening of the 69th Annual National Drifters Convention”**

The 69th Annual National Drifters Convention will officially begin with our Opening Session, as we welcome and install the Sisterly Affection Interest Group. All delegates are kindly asked to be seated promptly at 8:00 am. We will open with a heartfelt welcome from our National President, Drifter Donna Roderick, as we embark on the business of our sisterhood and set the stage for a powerful and purpose-driven convention.

**Attire:** Gray with a touch of Burgundy (Business casual)

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#### **Thursday Luncheon: Sister to Sister Luncheon**

##### **"Sisters Show Love, Give Blood for National Sickle Cell Awareness"**

Prepare for a powerful afternoon as we honor the extraordinary women of The National Drifters, Inc. and shine a light on the fight against sickle cell disease. With a moving Call to Action and inspiring words from keynote speakers, Dr. Shantae Jenkins, Medical Director, Rena N. Grant Sickle Cell Center, we will celebrate dedicated service, recognize our "Special Drifters," and come together in support of life-saving change. As a gesture of collective giving, we ask that each guest donate \$10 to the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Sickle Cell Center.

**Attire:** Gray with a touch of Burgundy (Business casual)

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#### **Best Laid Plans: An Old Charleston Whodunit Mystery Dinner**

You will indulge in a Low Country feast while unraveling an interactive murder mystery filled with film-noir flair and unexpected twists. Inspired by classics like *Who Framed Roger Rabbit*, *Clue*, and *Harlem Nights*, this evening will be an immersive experience. The clock is ticking. Will you solve the case or become part of the mystery?

**Attire for Women:** Vintage glamour dresses, pearls, and bold red lips (optional)

**Attire for Men:** Sharp suits, suspenders, and fedoras

Hospitality Suites are open for snacks and beverages to all registered Drifters, Driftwood, Kindling 21+, and guests identified by wristbands. \*Closing times are subject to change.

## 2025 Daily Narrative

Friday, August 8, 2025

Breakfast	6:00 am - 10:00 am
Registration	8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Vendors Open	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Drifter Hospitality Suite	10:00 pm - 12:00 am (Midnight)

### **FRIDAY**

**Chapter Presidents Breakfast: 7:30 am**

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**Drifter Opening Session & Business Meeting**

**Attire: Coral** (Business casual)

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### **Friday Luncheon: Human Service Luncheon**

**"Service to Others Leads to Greatness"**

Join us for a powerful afternoon of celebration, inspiration, and purpose. We will shine a light on the unwavering commitment of The Drifters, Inc. to uplifting communities through mentoring, feeding families, and impactful service initiatives. **Be prepared to be inspired** by the rich traditions and wisdom of a **Gullah storyteller**, whose words will bring history, heart, and heritage to life. This luncheon not only honors the achievements of our service but also amplifies the spirit of giving that lies at the heart of our mission.

**Attire: Coral** (Business casual)

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### **Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy & Bess Tour**

**\*Minimum of 34 Participants – If the minimum is not met, refunds will be given**

Get ready for an unforgettable journey through Charleston on the ***Porgy & Bess Tour***! Explore the historic streets and neighborhoods that inspired the beloved opera, while discovering the deep roots of Gullah culture and the vibrant spirit of the Holy City. With rich storytelling, cultural insight, and a touch of musical history, this immersive tour brings the world of *Porgy & Bess* to life right before your eyes. It's a must-do experience that captures the heart and soul of Charleston!

**Attire: Coral & Gray** (casual wear)

Hospitality Suites are open for snacks and beverages to all registered Drifters, Driftwood, Kindling 21+, and guests identified by wristbands. \*Closing times are subject to change.

## 2025 Daily Narrative

Friday, August 8, 2025

Breakfast	6:00 am - 10:00 am
Registration	8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Vendors Open	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Drifter Hospitality Suite	10:00 pm - 12:00 am (Midnight)

### **FRIDAY Continued**

#### **"Experience Charleston" Dine Around**

Discover the heart of Charleston through **"The Charleston Experience"** Dine Around, a culinary tour celebrating the city's restaurants. This unique event invites you to explore a variety of local eateries, each serving delicious dishes that honor Charleston's rich cultural heritage. Come back to enjoy the Fun, Games & Bingo Gullah Geechee Style with Driftwood Dennis Johnson.

**Attire:** Coral & Gray (casual wear)

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#### **Wine Tasting and Cigar Pairing (Driftwood Only)**

Indulge your senses with an unforgettable evening at the **Wine Tasting and Cigar Pairing** experience, where sophistication meets Southern charm. Discover a curated selection of fine wines perfectly paired with premium cigars in a relaxed, upscale atmosphere designed to delight connoisseurs and curious newcomers alike. Do not miss this stylish journey into the world of refined indulgence!

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#### **Fun, Games & Bingo Gullah Geechee Style (Adults Only)**

Get ready for a Friday night like no other with ***Fun & Games, Gullah-Geechee Style!*** an evening bursting with culture, joy, and celebration. Step into the spirit of the Lowcountry as heritage, inspiration, and entertainment come alive through spirited board games, card matches, and lively dancing, with a unique Gullah twist. The festivities continue with the *main event*, BINGO with **Driftwood Dennis, back by popular demand!** His dynamic style promises high energy, fantastic prizes, and nonstop laughter with a party-ready DJ and Cash Bar. This is more than a game night; it is a cultural celebration you will not forget!

**Attire for Women:** Flowing, African print dresses, beaded jewelry, and head wraps

**Attire for Men:** Linens/African print shirts, trousers & straw hats for Lowcountry charm

Hospitality Suites are open for snacks and beverages to all registered Drifters, Driftwood, Kindling 21+, and guests identified by wristbands. \*Closing times are subject to change.

**2025 Daily Narrative**  
**Saturday, August 9, 2025**

Breakfast	7:30 am - 10:00 am
Registration	8:00 am - 6:00 pm
Vendors Open	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Drifter Hospitality Suite	10:00 pm - 12:00 am (Midnight)

**SATURDAY**

**Memorial Service**

As we begin the morning session, we pause to reflect and honor the cherished Drifter Sisters and loved ones who have passed since our last gathering. The National Drifters Incorporated Memorial Service is a solemn and heartfelt tribute, and each chapter is encouraged to have representatives present. During this time of remembrance, special keepsakes will be presented in honor of those we hold dear.

**Attire:** Uninterrupted White

**Drifter Closing Session: *"Official Closing of the 69th Annual National Drifters Convention"***

Delegates should be seated immediately after the Memorial Service. This day will end with the installation of our elected officers.

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**Saturday Luncheon: Scholarship and Awards Luncheon**

**"Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"**

Join us as we celebrate educational excellence, leadership, and service. Scholarships and Membership awards will be presented to deserving students and outstanding Drifters, including recognition of the National Executive Board Scholarship and the prestigious **2025 NOW BLACK WOMAN Award**, honoring a Drifter for exceptional community service. Together, we honor excellence, invest in the future, and celebrate the achievements of our scholars and sisters.

**Attire:** **White** with touches of **Coral** and/or **Gray** (Business casual)

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**An Elegant Evening of Southern Charm & Culture: Formal Gala**

Step into a night of elegance and heritage as we celebrate the rich Gullah-Geechee legacy with soul, style, and sophistication. From a beautifully plated Lowcountry feast to the stirring sounds of Grammy Award winner Charlton Singleton, this black-tie evening promises heartfelt honors, joyous celebration, and unforgettable moments. As we reflect on our legacy and look to the future, we eagerly anticipate passing the torch to the Greater Michigan City Chapter to carry forward the spirit of Drifterdom.

**Attire for Women:** Evening gowns in hues of Gullah-Geechee blues, golds, and greens

**Attire for Men:** Tuxedos

Hospitality Suites open for snacks and beverages to all registered Drifters, Driftwood, Kindling, 21+, and guests identified by wristbands. \*Closing times are subject to change.



**2025 Daily Narrative**  
**Sunday, August 10, 2025**

Breakfast	6:00 am - 10:00 am
Departures	Various Times

**SUNDAY**

**Ecumenical Service**

Welcome to our Ecumenical Service. It is a sacred privilege to come together in faith, fellowship, and unity, led by Driftwood Rev. Dr. Herbert Jenkins. May this time of reflection and worship renew our spirits, strengthen our bonds of sisterhood, and uplift our shared purpose. As we prepare to return to our respective homes, let us carry the light of this experience with us, and look ahead with hope and anticipation to the joy of reconnecting in love and sisterhood at next year's National Convention.



# 69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Drifters Convention

## Evening Activities

## Hospitality Suite: Where the Fun Never Ends!



Keep the good vibes rolling after the day's events with fun-filled nights of food, drinks, and unforgettable connections!

Open Wednesday – Saturday 10:00 pm – 12:00 am (Midnight)

### **WEDNESDAY – WINE DOWN WEDNESDAY**

Sip & relax with a selection of fine wines

Savor crispy wings, fresh veggies, & sweet fruit trays

Mingle, laugh, and set the tone for an amazing convention

### **THURSDAY – TACO & TEQUILA NIGHT**

Build your perfect plate at our loaded taco bar

Sip on handcrafted tequila cocktails

Satisfy your sweet tooth with assorted desserts

A night full of flavor, fun, and fiesta vibes!

### **FRIDAY – SNACK AWAY**

Enjoy a tempting variety of light refreshments

Choose from a selection of alcoholic beverages

A laid-back evening to unwind, chat, and connect

### **SATURDAY – IT'S A WRAP NIGHT!**

Savor delicious sandwich wraps with flavorful fillings

Toast to a fantastic week with select beverages

Share stories, laughter, and memories before we say farewell

69<sup>th</sup> Annual National Drifters Convention  
**"A Taste of the Lowcountry – Experience the Culture and Inspiration"**  
Embassy Suites by Hilton Airport Hotel & Convention Center, North Charleston, SC - August 6-10, 2025

### Quick Reference - Daily Activities

<b><u>Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup></u></b> (various times)	<b>Arrivals at Embassy Suites Charleston Airport &amp; Convention Center 5055 International Blvd., North Charleston, SC 29418</b>
12:00 pm – 6:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>
4:00 pm – 9:00 pm	<b>Vendors</b>
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	<b>Charleston International African American Museum Tour</b>
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	<b>Sisterly Affection Interest Group Reception</b>
7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>Charleston Bash – Welcome Dinner Party</b>
9:30 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>Rehearsal – Sisterly Affection Interest Group</b>
10:00 pm – 12:00 am (Midnight) 9:00 am – 12:00 am (Midnight)	<b>Drifters Hospitality Suite Open Driftwood Hospitality Suite Open</b>
<b><u>Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup></u></b> (6:00 am – 10:00 am)	<b>Breakfast</b>
8:00 am – 6:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>
9:00 am – 9:00 pm	<b>Vendors</b>
8:00 am – 8:45 am	<b>Sisterly Affection Chapter Induction</b>
9:00 am – 11:45 am	<b>General Session I</b>
11:45 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Break</b>
12:00 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Sister-to-Sister Luncheon "Sisters Show Love, Give Blood for National Sickle Cell Awareness"</b>
2:45 pm – 5:45 pm	<b>Audit Committee Meeting</b>
2:45 pm – 4:45 pm	<b>Nominating Committee Meeting</b>
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>Madam National President's meeting with Alumnae and Members at Large</b>
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Madam National President's meeting with Past Presidents</b>
7:00 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>Best Laid Plans "An Old Charleston Whodunit Mystery" Dinner Party Note: Doors open at 6:00 pm, please be seated by 7:00 pm</b>
10:00 pm – 12:00 am (Midnight) 9:00 am – 12:00 am (Midnight)	<b>Drifters Hospitality Suite Open Driftwood Hospitality Suite Open</b>



<b>Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup></b> (6:00 am - 10:00 am)	<b>Breakfast</b>
8:00 am – 6:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>
9:00 am – 9:00 pm	<b>Vendors</b>
7:30 am – 8:45 am	<b>Madam National President's breakfast with the Chapter Presidents</b>
9:00 am – 11:45 am	<b>General Session II</b>
11:45 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Break</b>
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>Human Services Luncheon</b> <i>"Service to Others Leads to Greatness"</i>
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Charleston Black History Gullah Geechee Porgy &amp; Bess Tour</b> (Offsite – Bus Transportation Provided)
5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>Dine Around: "Experience North Charleston"</b> (Offsite – Bus Transportation Provided)
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	<b>Wine Tasting &amp; Cigar Bar (Driftwood Only)</b> <b>Habana Club (Address will be in the Hospitality Suite)</b>
8:30 pm – 10:30 pm	<b>Fun, Games &amp; Bingo Gullah Geechee Style with</b> <b>Driftwood Dennis Johnson (Adults Only)</b>
10:00 pm – 12:00 am (Midnight) 9:00 am – 12:00 am (Midnight)	<b>Drifters Hospitality Suite Open</b> <b>Driftwood Hospitality Suite Open</b>
<b>Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup></b> (7:30 am – 10:00 am)	<b>Breakfast</b>
8:00 am – 6:00 pm	<b>Registration Open</b>
9:00 am – 4:00 pm	<b>Vendors</b>
8:00 am – 9:00 am	<b>Memorial Service</b>
9:00 am – 12:00 pm	<b>General Session III</b>
12:00 pm – 12:15 pm	<b>Break</b>
12:15 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Scholarships &amp; Awards Luncheon</b> <i>"Bridging Dreams and Opportunities"</i>
2:45 pm – 4:45 pm	<b>General Session III Continued (Tentative if needed)</b>
4:00 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>Chapter Pictures</b>
6:30 pm – 7:00 pm	<b>Cocktails (Cash bar)</b>
7:00 pm – 11:00 pm	<b>An Elegant Evening of Southern Culture &amp; Charm</b> <b>"Formal Gala"</b>
10:00 pm – 12:00 am (midnight) 9:00 am – 12:00 am (midnight)	<b>Drifters Hospitality Suite Open</b> <b>Driftwood Hospitality Suite Open</b>
<b>Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup></b> (9:00 AM – 10:00 AM)	<b>Ecumenical Service</b>
At various times	<b>Drifter Sisters &amp; Friends, Safe Travels!</b>
<b>Farewell From The Lowcountry!</b>	



# KINDLING 21+ EVENING GUIDE

Enjoy the downtown Charleston scene on Friday and Saturday nights with bars, lounges, and a jazz club. Check out these websites and a list of Charleston events downtown. It is easy to access by Uber or any rideshare service.



- **Bourbon and Bubbles** - <https://bourbonnbubbles.com/>
- **Lamar's** - <https://lamarssportingclub.com/>
- **Forte Jazz Lounge** - <https://www.fortejazzlounge.com/>
- **Buzzed Bull** - <https://buzzedbullcreamery.com/>
- **Prohibition** - <https://www.prohibitioncharleston.com/>
- **Ink Rooftop & Lounge** – Instagram - @inkcharleston
- **Charleston Events** - <https://www.charlestoncvb.com/events/>

## Kindling/Splinter Activities Quick Reference Guide

Day	Activity	Age Group
<b>Wednesday August 6, 2025</b>	<b>IAAM Tour</b> Noon – 3:00 pm	All Ages
	<b>Paint and Pizza (Hospitality Suite)</b> 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	All Ages
<b>Thursday August 7, 2025</b>	<b>Children's Museum</b> 9:30 am – 12:30 pm	5-8
	<b>MUSC Sims Lab</b> 9:30 am – 1:00 pm	9-18
	<b>Movie (Hospitality Suite)</b> 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	5-14
	<b>Top Golf</b> 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm	15-18
<b>Friday August 8, 2025</b>	<b>Fire Museum &amp; Zaxby's</b> 10:30 am – 1:30 pm	All Ages
	<b>Shop Around Tanger</b> 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	15-18
	<b>Day Pajama Party</b> 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	5-14
	<b>Game Night</b> 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm	All Ages
<b>Saturday August 9, 2025</b>	<b>Frankies Fun Park</b> 11:00 am – 3:00 pm	All Ages
	<b>Silent Glow Party</b> 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm	All Ages

# Hotel Information/ Amenities Sheet



## ***Embassy Suites by Hilton Charleston Airport Hotel & Convention Center***

5055 International Boulevard  
North Charleston, SC 29418  
Reservations: (843) 747-1882

Web Link:

<https://site.meetcharleston.com/the-national-drifters-inc--69th-annual-national-convention->

Please call the hotel to make your reservation and indicate your affiliation with The National Drifters, Inc. at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Charleston Airport Hotel & Convention Center in North Charleston, SC. All reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card.

### **ROOM RATES**

Queen and king suite rates are **\$175 per night plus tax**. Note that there is a **14% hotel tax and a \$2 charge per night per room**, which is a state hospitality tax above the base rate of \$175. This rate is good for three days pre-/post-convention dates. The booking link will already include the \$2 fee and will display as \$177.

Please bring a CREDIT card for incidentals. The hotel places a temporary hold of **\$25 per night** on the guests' credit cards to cover any potential incidental charges (room service or in-room purchases). If no incidental charges are incurred, the hold is released at checkout. If you check in with a DEBIT card, the temporary hold fee of \$25 per night will be taken out of your bank account, and it may take up to 5 business days to be refunded. Rates are effective Sunday, August 3, 2025, through Wednesday, August 13, 2025. You must make your hotel reservations by July 16, 2025, to receive the Drifter rate.

### **SHUTTLE**

Call the hotel with your flight arrival time for pickups from the airport.

### **CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT**

Check-in time is **4:00 pm**  
Check-out time is **11:00 am**

## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Cancellation policy is 48 hours prior to arrival.

## **HOTEL AMENITIES – *FOR THE STAY***

- Free made-to-order breakfast Mon-Fri at 6:00 am – 10:00 am, Sat & Sun 7:30 am – 10:00 am
- Complimentary parking
- Complimentary guest room Wi-Fi and Wi-Fi within all public areas of the hotel
- Complimentary evening reception (5:00 pm – 7:00 pm daily)
- Non-smoking rooms
- Airport shuttle (5:30 am to 10:00 pm)
- On-site restaurant
- Indoor pool
- Fitness center
- Pet-friendly rooms
- Business center
- Meeting rooms
- ADA Rooms
- Concierge
- Digital key (Hilton Honors members)
- Connecting Rooms
- Streaming Entertainment

# CHARLESTON TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

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## **Absolutely Charleston**

P.O. Box 80489

Charleston, SC 29416

**Phone:** (843) 747-4448

**Website:** <http://www.absolutelycharleston.com>

**Contact:** Missie McCoy

### **Description:**

Full-Service DMC and Event Planning. The client-oriented staff has the skills, knowledge, and experience to manage all the details. Also, plan and execute walking, motor, water, air, carriage, and nature-based tours.

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## **Charleston Convention & Group Services, Inc.**

PO Box 1118

Charleston, SC 29402

**Phone:** (800) 553-2055

**Website:** <http://charlestongrpsservices.com>

**Contact:** James Mellen

**Phone:** (843) 571-5882

**Email:** [jmellen@DestinationCharlestonSC.com](mailto:jmellen@DestinationCharlestonSC.com)

### **Description:**

Our licensed professional guides represent the most experienced tour professionals in the Charleston area. Call us today for a step-on guide service, walking tours, educational programs, or a customized package for your group.

Note: Bilingual guides available; Member NTA & MPI.

## **Coastal Limousine of Charleston**

3826 West Montague Ave.  
North Charleston, SC 29418

**Phone:** (843) 501-2777

**Website:** <http://www.coastallimocharleston.com>

**Contact:** Marina Miller

**Email:** [reserve@coastallimocharleston.com](mailto:reserve@coastallimocharleston.com)

### **Description:**

Locally owned and operated, and serving the Lowcountry's high-end transportation needs. Luxury sedans and SUVs, executive shuttles, buses, and limousine-style vehicles. Safety and customer service are at the forefront of the operation that caters to weddings, corporate events, and business travelers on a regular basis.

## **Going Coastal Transportation**

5675 Woodbine Ave. Suite E  
North Charleston, SC 29406

**Phone:** (843) 216-8483

**Website:** <http://goingcoastaltransportation.com/>

**Contact:** Clayton Dennard

**Phone:** (843) 216-8483

**Email:** [clayton@ridegct.com](mailto:clayton@ridegct.com)

### **Description:**

GCT takes pride in getting our clients where they want to be on their schedule. Our specialties include corporate, leisure, and group transportation with 24/7 live reservation and flight tracking services. Let GCT take the guesswork out of your trip!

## **Marquee Limo Company**

1966 Sandcroft Drive  
Charleston, SC 29407

**Phone:** (843) 530-3257

**Website:** <http://www.marqueelimoco.com>

**Contact:** Kenny Hutchinson

**Phone:** (843) 530-3257

**Email:** [marqueelimoco@hotmail.com](mailto:marqueelimoco@hotmail.com)

### **Description:**

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## SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

Wave	Departure	Arrival	Pickup	Return
Wave 1	5:00 pm	5:30 pm	7:00 pm	7:30 pm
Wave 2	6:00 pm	6:30 pm	8:00 pm	8:30 pm
Wave 3	7:00 pm	7:30 pm	9:00 pm	9:30 pm

### Charleston Dine-Around Experience

Friday, August 8, 2025 | 5:00 pm - 9:30 pm

CALL TO MAKE YOUR OWN DINNER RESERVATIONS BY JULY 15, 2025

## Featured Restaurants

### Charleston City Market (Drop-off / Pickup)

*Approx. 2-5 min walk*

**Hyman's Seafood - Seafood** 215 Meeting St, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 723-6000

**Poogan's Porch - Southern** 72 Queen St, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 577-2337

**Anson Restaurant - Southern** 12 Anson St, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 577-0551

**Amen Street Fish & Raw Bar - Seafood**

205 E Bay St, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 853-8600

**The Establishment - Seafood** 28 Broad St, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 789-4028

### Charleston Visitor Center (Drop-off / Pickup)

*Approx. 2-5 min walk*

**The Swamp Fox Restaurant - Southern**

387 King St, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 724-8888

**Rodney Scott's BBQ - Barbecue** 1011 King St, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 990-9535

**Bertha's Kitchen - Soul Food** 2332 Meeting St Rd, Charleston, SC Phone: (843) 554-6519

Come join us for a true taste of what Charleston has to offer. Buses will be in front of the Embassy Suites by Hilton Airport Hotel & Convention Center at 4:45 pm. Buses will depart at 5:00 pm and will make a final shuttle heading back to the hotel by 9:00 pm.

**Note:** Get back to the hotel for the Game Night hosted by Driftwood Dennis, which starts at 8:30 pm.

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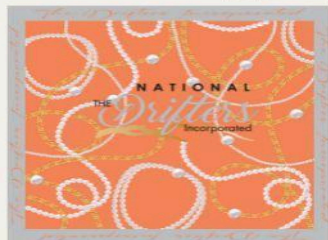
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# Sweetgrass Baskets of South Carolina



Rooted in centuries of tradition, South Carolina's sweetgrass baskets are one of the oldest West African art forms in the United States. Originally brought to the Lowcountry by enslaved Africans, these baskets were first used for rice cultivation and later evolved into treasured works of art.

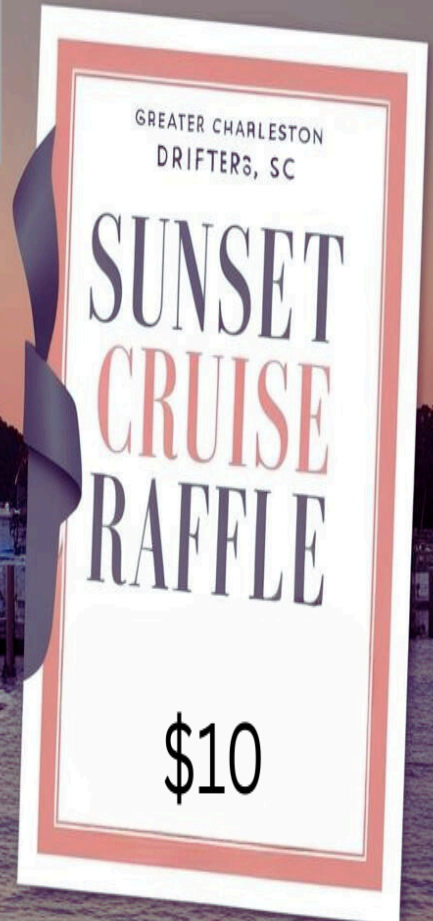
Crafted by hand using natural materials like sweetgrass, bulrush, palmetto, and pine needles, each basket is meticulously coiled and stitched without the use of machines. The process can take hours or even days, depending on the complexity and size.

Today, sweetgrass baskets are highly valued both as functional items and cultural heirlooms. Prices vary based on size and intricacy, ranging from around **\$30 for small pieces** to **\$500 or more for large, elaborate designs**.

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**REGISTER FOR CLUB 69 AND ENJOY THE VIP  
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**WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?  
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A photograph of four women of diverse backgrounds, smiling and looking towards each other. They are dressed in professional or semi-formal attire. The image has a warm, orange-toned overlay.

# CLUB 69

## VIP Perks & Privileges

**VIP Registration Status:** Skip the long lines with exclusive VIP access, ensuring a seamless and stress-free check-in experience.

**VIP Entry Status:** Enjoy front-of-the-line privileges at all convention events, giving you priority access.

**Free Night:** Automatic entry for a free night at Embassy Suites during the convention.

**Exclusive Giveaway:** Automatic entry into a drawing for a Sunset Dinner Cruise for Two in Charleston Harbor.

**Premium Seating:** Reserved VIP seating at all luncheons for an enhanced experience.

**Recognition:** See your name proudly displayed as a club member in the Convention Center



***A Taste of the Lowcountry: Experience the Inspiration and Culture***  
North Charleston Convention Center – August 6-9, 2025

## VENDOR'S APPLICATION

The submission deadline for **the Vendor's Application** and total payment is **June 16, 2025**. **Virtual vendors** are still needed; if interested, please contact Drifter Mary Nesbitt. An email confirmation receipt will be issued. Please be advised that vendors are responsible for their own goods for sale, setting up, and total breakdown of the assigned area by 5:00 p.m. on August 9th. **Note: The Greater Charleston Chapter of The National Drifters, Inc., is not responsible for any lost/stolen items, online sales, or lack of product sales.** Each vendor is asked to donate a gift towards a raffle. Please have a gift available and submit it by 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 6, 2025.

Vendor Exhibit Space Cost beginning **Wednesday, August 6, 2025**

**Non-Drifter Rates:**

\$450.00 Bundle for 3 days – includes one (1) 6ft skirted table and two (2) chairs

\*\*Discounted rate available for Drifter or Drifter chapters:

\$400.00 Bundle for 3 days – includes one (1) skirted table and two (2) chairs

Exhibit Days	Exhibit Hours	Table/Chairs Assigned	Amount Included
<b>Set Up Wednesday</b> August 6, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.		\$
Wednesday August 6, 2025	4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.		
Thursday August 7, 2025	9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.		
Friday August 8, 2025	9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.		
Saturday August 9, 2025 ( <b>Break Down</b> )	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.		
		<b>Total Amount Received</b>	\$

Please Print Vendor Information			
Vendor Name:			
Business Name:			
Street Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Cellphone #:			
Email Address:			
Description of Product(s) being Sold:			

Make a check or money order PAYABLE TO: The Greater Charleston Chapter, The National Drifters, Inc.

Mail to: The Greater Charleston Chapter, The National Drifters' Inc.

VENDORS' APPLICATION

P. O. Box 1272

Hollywood, South Carolina 29449-6099

Telephone Inquiries: Drifter Mary Nesbitt (240) 476-8573

**Note:** Space will be assigned in order of their postmarked date, with full payment of the VENDORS' APPLICATION Fee

For Chapter Use Only Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Received \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_

# **DRIFTER DONATION**

All donors will be acknowledged in our 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Souvenir Ad Journal

## **Nefertiti Donation \$2,500**

- One Free Night at the Hotel During the Convention (Can be donated to someone)
- One seat on the Historic **International African American Museum** Tour  
(Must be attending the convention or donating to someone else)
- Entry into Club 69
- Acknowledgement in Souvenir Ad Journal

## **Silver Donation \$2,499-\$1,500**

- One seat on the Historic **Porgy and Bess** Tour
- Entry into Club 69
- Acknowledgement in Souvenir Ad Journal

## **Coral Donation \$1,499-\$1,000**

- One Drifter Branded Canvas Bag
- Entry into Club 69
- Acknowledgement in Souvenir Ad Journal

## **Gladiolus Donation \$999-\$251**

- Entry into Club 69
- Free Drifters Baseball Cap
- Acknowledgement in Souvenir Ad Journal

## **Friendship Donation \$250**

- Entry into Club 69
- Acknowledgement in Souvenir Ad Journal  
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## **Corporate Gold Sponsor \$7,499 - \$5,000**

One Full Table at the Gala

Logo Feature on Website and Other Programming for One Year

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# **CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION**

**Contact Name**

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**Company/Organization**

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**Sponsorship Level**

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**Address**

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**City, State, Zip**

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**Phone number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Commitment must be received by June 16, 2025**



# 69TH ANNUAL NATIONAL DRIFTERS SOUVENIR ADVERTISING FORM

**Souvenir Ad Journal Size (8.5 x 11) (Select One)**

**Outside Back Cover - \$350**  
**Inside Front Cover - \$300**  
**Inside Back Cover - \$250**  
**Business Full Page - \$175**  
**Chapter Full Page - \$100**  
**Friends/Family Full Page - \$125**  
**Business Half Page - \$125**  
**Drifters Half Page - \$75**

- **ADVERTISING DEADLINE: June 16, 2025.**
- Photographs in ads can be in color or black and white.
- The advertiser agrees to assume liability for all content (including text, representations, and illustrations).
- Submit CAMERA-READY/high-resolution (at least 300 dpi) ads.
- Ads must be original, clear black or color print, NOT FUZZY.
- Submit ads in digital form ONLY.
- Submit ads in JPG, PDF, or PNG format only to [greatercharlestdrifters2015@gmail.com](mailto:greatercharlestdrifters2015@gmail.com)

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please return this form, your ad, and your check, made payable to:**

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If you have any questions about the Souvenir Ad Journal, contact the following:

Drifter Junerese Rhodan 843.810.6213 or  
Drifter Jenetha Hollis 240.423.4169

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**SUBJECT LINE: FIRST NAME, LAST NAME AND CHAPTER**

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THANK  
YOU

The word "YOU" is decorated with white, stylized floral and vine elements. A wavy line runs horizontally beneath the word, with small leaves and berries on either side.