

# Consortium for Upstate South Carolina History

## Minutes May 7, 2008

Members in attendance: Rolinda Price, Cori Dulmage, Alison Henman, Bob Anderson, Beverly Childs, Mike Kohl, Ron Norris, Jennifer Furrow, Dawn Hammett, Blair Hinson, Martha Severens, Don Copeland, Rosemary Bomar, Anne McCuen, Pam Meister, Sidney Thompson, Mary Chapman, Debbielee Landi.

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The meeting, held at the Vardry McBee House, convened at 9:00 a.m.

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### Member Summaries

**Martha Severens** from the Greenville County Museum introduced the hostess, Judy Cromwell, and thanked her for hosting our meeting. She also gave an update on their annual teacher's institute coming this summer.

**Mary Chapman** from the Museum & Gallery talked about the grand opening of M&G at Heritage Green on April 19<sup>th</sup>. The opening went well. She also announced M&G will host a kid's art camp this summer in June.

**Beverly Childs/Allison Heuman** from the Anderson County Museum discussed their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on May 31. They are unveiling new pieces and working on a collection catalog.

**Ann McCuen** gave a history of the Vardry McBee House. She also is working on accounting for every gristmill in Greenville County.

**Rosemary Bomar** talked about the Greer family fest

**Bob Anderson** talked about their weekend show on the four chaplains

**Ron Norris/Don Copeland** is working with the Greenville High School on preservation; he is also working on oral history projects. They will hold a fundraiser on May 17.

**Sidney Thompson** from The Historical Society has been working with a Furman intern. May 18 at 3pm they will have Dr. Darrel Jervey give the history of the Jervey eye clinic.

**Dawn Hammatt/Blair Henson/Pam Meister** from The Upcountry History Museum gave updates; Blair is finishing school tours and working on adding college ones and summer camps. Dawn talked about their naturalistic exhibit. Pam announced their coordination with Center Stage for a lecture and book signing with Rudy Manke; they will give CUSCH members the \$15 member rate. She also talked about their Lunch and Learn's.

**Jennifer Furrow** announced an antiques discussion with Martin Meek on May 17. They are also posting a new website soon.

**Rolinda Price** at the Greenville County Library attended a historic preservation conference and is starting an oral history project on the southern side.

**Cori Dulmage** is coordinating the digital library and working on software licenses

**Mike Kohl** is researching Clemson history and working on encoding archival descriptions.

**DebbieLee Landi** is researching artifacts that were given to Furman in the 1980's. She is also coordinating an art exhibition with TRAM on the second floor of the library.

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### **Coming Meetings**

The next CUSCH meeting was set for August 27, 9 a.m., at the Greer Heritage Museum. There will be voting for officers at the meeting. Please email your nominations to DebbieLee. All offices are open to nominations.

### **Brochure**

The Upcountry History Museum offered to graphically design the cover.

### **Disaster Preparedness**

A committee was formed to begin discussions and will be in touch soon.

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Members were invited to tour the Vardry McBee House.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00.