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SCPRA

Spring - Summer 2006

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Conference information for this year is already available on the SCPRA website. There's a new hotel and new schedule. Check it out and make your reservations early. You don't want to miss this one!

Celebrating the past planning the future

What a great conference! I hope you didn't miss it. The celebration of our 10th anniversary was a delightful addition to our regular training and business meetings. The entertainment Wednesday night was a big hit with most everybody.

Mr. Charles Bierbauer, noted former journalist and news correspondent with CNN and presently Dean, University of South Carolina School of Journalism and Mass Communications, provided an excellent jumpstart to the conference. He is a very interesting person and his presentation was most appropriate for our conference.

The conference this year attracted over 115 members and non-members, making it one of the largest attended in recent years. Our Program Committee, under the guidance of Joe Onessimo, did an outstanding job of planning a two tract session that met the needs of those who have been in records management and those coming in the profession for the first time. Once again our goal of providing training



Joe Onessimo (left) and Bob Rogers, SCPRA president, help celebrate the association's 10th anniversary at the 2005 conference. See more pictures from the celebration on pages 4-5.

for **Technical Knowledge**, as it relates to our jobs; **Professional Development**, as it relates to our industry; and **Personal Improvement**, as it relates to us as individuals, has been met. It is our fervent hope that all who attended came away with something to make them a better and more productive employee. You can be proud of your Board of Directors for their diligence and untiring efforts in coordinating the many small details that make everything fall into place. It was a job well done!

As announced at the close of the business meeting on Friday, our next conference will be a "return to the beach" as we will be meeting at the Hilton Beach Resort, No. Myrtle Beach, during the first week of November, 2006. It will be another great conference! ~Bob Rogers

Awards

The SCPRA annual business meeting was officially called to order by Bob Rogers, President, on Friday morning, November 5, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.

Bob welcomed everyone and asked the Treasurer, Joe Powell, to report on the Financial Status of the Association. Joe reported that we have total assets of \$34,367. There was a motion made and seconded to accept the report as given. The vote was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Carolyn Bartley presented nominees for the Board of Directors for 2006. Nominees include Bob Rogers, John Macintosh, Sherry Villeponteaux, Joe Powell, Jackie Reed, Carolyn Bartley, Joe Onessimo, Pat Sowell, Cheryl Mosley. Bob asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There being no further nominations, Bob asked for a motion to accept nominations. There was a second to the motion with the vote unanimously in favor of the motion. Bob informed the members that officers would be elected at the Board Meeting in December.

Jackie Reed and Sharon Skipper, Awards Committee members, presented the following awards:
Coastal Region - Cathy Hyatt
Pee Dee Region - Esther Murphy
Upstate Region - Robin Chambers
Midstate Region - Greg Carter and Judy Lucas
Lindy Smith Award - Lauren Young
Member of the Year 2005 - Jack Bryan

Joe Onessimo presented Bob Rogers with a Lead Crystal Lifetime Achievement award *[picture on front page]* which caught him quite by surprise.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

~ Recorded by Sherry Villeponteaux,

Committee to review awards process

The SCPRA Awards Committee met on February 23, 2006. The committee elected Sherron Skipper as chair and Vicki McCarthy as secretary.

The awards applications and processes for the Region Service Awards were reviewed and the committee is considering changing the award from an individual to a regional group award. Also discussed were the concerns about the communication within the regions.

The committee will meet again on April 6, 2006 to continue discussion on the criteria for a Regional Group Award and to finalize the Region Service Award amendments. In the meantime, the Region Service Award for 2006 will remain the same. ~Vicki McCarthy



Cathy Hyatt



Esther Murphy



Robin Chambers



Greg Carter



Judy Lucas



Lauren Young



Jack Bryan

Congratulations to all!



Regions

Upstate, Midstate,
Pee Dee, Coastal

New members

Ketchash Crump-Lukie

Clerk to Council - Greenwood

Lillie Mae Nelson

Orangeburg Dept of Public Safety

Antonette Pipkin

Georgetown Police Department

Kathleen M. Taylor

Oconee County Sheriff's Office

Pam White

Florence-Darlington Technical
College Registrar's Office

Scott Willbanks

Greenville Technical College

Rita W. Williams

Washington Safety Management
Solutions, Aiken, SC

Upstate Region did things *By the Book* at its workshop on June 22

Twenty three people joined us at Clemson University's Madren Conference Center for a day of learning. Speakers for the day were Tim Nanney, Register of Deeds, Greenville County followed by

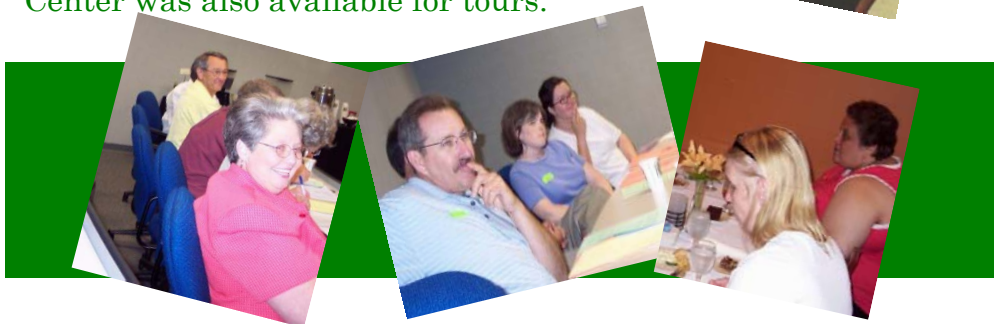


Captain Jinny Moran, Greenville County Public Safety. The workshop opened with a few remarks from Joe Boykin, Dean of Libraries, Clemson University. Dean Boykin retired in July. He has always been a strong supporter of



SCPRA and its events.

At the end of the day guests were invited to take a self-guided tour of the SC Botanical Gardens. The CU Records Center was also available for tours.



Other notes from the Region:

During a recent networking luncheon, Robin Chambers (administrator) informed members that the Board voted to change the region workshop months. Two regions will alternate bi-annually in holding region workshops. This plan will make it easier to plan topics and the regions will only have to conduct a workshop every other year. Robin also noted some administrative changes. Isaac Wallace has accepted the duties of the new position of Membership Coordinator. Sandra Mansel has resigned as the recorder and Lauren Young has offered to complete her term. The term will end December 2006. ~Jinny Moran

Back to School with the Coastal Region

The spring workshop was held May 19th at Santee Cooper. From the basics of why we need to manage records (elementary school) to protecting electronic information (high school) to preparing for hurricanes (college), participants ended the day with lots of new knowledge. Speakers (teachers) included Michelle VanAllen, Supervisor of Records, Santee Cooper; Jack Goins and Julie Shultz, IT Managers, East Cooper Hospital; Bill Walsh and Chad Watson, Meteorologists, Live 5 News.



Other region notes:

During a recent networking luncheon, Sam Stephens accepted the position of Membership Coordinator. ~Karen Greene

Midstate went “Back to the Future” at their recent workshop

Held at the SC Department of Archives and History, the Midstate Workshop began with refreshments for attendees. The room was prepared with many items of interest displayed on tables. An old adding machine, 8-track tape player, record player, manual typewriter, and other technological breakthroughs from yesterday were displayed along with old advertisements of computers long gone. Music from previous eras was played throughout the workshop.



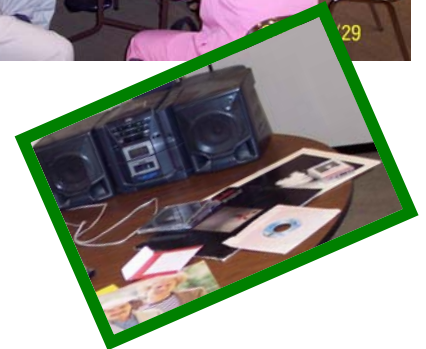
The first presentation was from Billy Deal of the State Credit Union. His topic was “Thriving on Change”. Mr. Deal alluded to the fact that in today’s fast-paced society, change is common place. He noted that people say they don’t like change, but in reality, it is the unknown that is really the issue.

Some of the statistics brought out in Mr. Deal’s talk were quite thought provoking. Information is being processed at an astounding rate and we wonder where this will lead us.



Dr. Donald Schewe was the presenter for the second program – “Records and Information Management, Past, Present, Future”. Mr. Schewe’s extensive background in records and archives proved to be a real asset as he discussed the history of records management, where we are now, and what we face going forward. Dr. Schewe addressed the English system of William the Conqueror, the (3 X 5) card registration system, and moved into the file system of America. Current and future data issues and retrieval matters were highlighted at the conclusion of his talk.

Dr. Schewe also gave the third presentation entitled “Your Friend – The Computer – Or Is It?”. This talk centered on not only the history of computing, but also the truly dynamic and complex issues of today’s electronic word – such as managing web sites and email.



Dawn Mullin of the South Carolina State Library conducted the final presentation – “Finding a Funder”. Her talk centered on some of the web sites that assist in finding grants for particular needs. She also noted that the SC State Library can give guidance to individuals on these searches even though they can’t perform the actual work. Ms.

Mullin talked about grants needing to be focused, written correctly (the need to follow directions on the grant).

The workshop concluded with a short business meeting conducted by Richie Wiggers, Region Administrator for the Midstate. ~Greg Carter

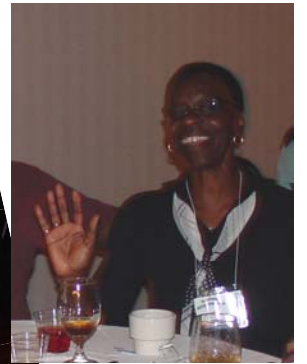
10th Anniversary Celebration!



*Celebrate good times, come on
Let's celebrate
Celebrate good times, come on*



*There's a party goin' on right here
A celebration
to last throughout the years
So bring your good times
and your laughter too
We gonna celebrate your
party with you*



*Come on now, Celebration...
Let's all celebrate
and have a good time
Celebration...
We gonna celebrate
and have a good time...
Come on!"*

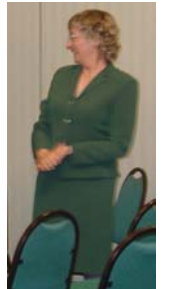
"Celebration"
Kool & The Gang





*A special
Thank You
to all
members and
agencies who
donated door
prizes.*

Conference Sessions



Vendors

