Dear SCAPA Members:

We have a lot going on right now so I hope you take the time to read this issue of Palmetto Planner. I’m very excited about the work of the SCAPA Executive Committee this year and hope you all will take the time to get involved in a committee. There are a few things I hope you will take the time to check out:

- We have a new SCAPA Logo! The logo was designed to complement the APA logo and will be used as part of the overall “branding” effort of APA that will be unveiled over the coming year. We are also having lapel pins made which will be available at upcoming conferences. We hope you will wear yours with pride.

- The membership committee will be hosting a series of three “Planners’ Socials” to get us together socially outside of a conference setting. We hope that you will encourage a colleague who is not a member of SCAPA to attend to see who we are and hopefully get them involved. The Midlands social will be on Thursday, August 11th in Columbia, the Upstate social will be in Greenville on Thursday, August 18th, and the Lowcountry social will be in Charleston on Thursday, August 25th. Locations will be announced via email.

- Skip Grkovic and the conference committee have some exciting conferences planned for this year. I hope you will mark your calendars for July 15th in Greenville and October 26th through 28th for the annual conference in Charleston.

- The six-hour Planning Commissioner Training has certainly been a “hot topic” this year with everyone. SCAPA has partnered with the Councils of Government and with the Municipal Association of South Carolina to prepare a training program. We all agree on several key goals for the effort:
  1. It must be affordable (read free) to our citizen planners.
  2. It must be substantive and applicable to local jurisdictions.
  3. It must have a live “moderator” who can answer questions and engage in dialogue with the participants. This can be someone on staff for most jurisdictions, for smaller communities the COGs and SCAPA can provide folks to answer questions.
  4. It must be interesting.

We greatly appreciate the great partnerships with the COGs and MASC on this effort and are excited to bring this service to our communities. To that end, we are re-inventing the Planning Academy to provide ongoing training efforts.

Have a safe and fun Summer.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

July 28, 2005  Hyatt Regency Greenville  
October 25, 2005  Hampton Inn, Charleston  
January 6, 2006  Location TBA

Palmetto Planner goes Electronic

Beginning in 2005 we will be distributing the newsletter electronically. It is of utmost importance that your e-mail address in the APA record is up-to-date. All members can now access their APA profiles and make changes online. These changes become effective immediately (mailed or faxed changes requiring manual entry will take longer to appear). To access your APA profile go to www.planning.org/myprofile. Enter your APA ID (from the Planning magazine mailing label or invoice) and password (click on “create new password” if you have forgotten it or do not have one). Send a message to the Webmaster@planning.org if you need assistance.

Looking for a job or know someone who is? Check out www.scapa.com
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

by Harold Lea Mond & Phil England

The most recent information on the Hog Farm Bill #304 is sitting tight in committee. There has been a move to remove cities from the provision of this bill but they are still included on the web version. The Legislature has been focused on the President’s visit this week so there has been no movement. Next week will be focused on the budget so we don’t anticipate any further discussion until that is resolved.

The Billboard Bill #3381 the Senate Judiciary subcommittee adopted the House version of the bill enhancing the likelihood of passage and it is scheduled to go to the full Judiciary Committee next week and there is now a companion bill # 3938 which establishes the means to determine Fair Market Value that you may want to review.

Other Bills of Interest:

H 3881 Priority Investment is still making its way through the system.

H 3842 Requires a public hearing if the governing authority decides to modify a planning commission recommendation on a rezoning request.

S 546 Requiring certified mail for zoning changes affecting property for nonresident owners. There has been an effort to modify this to only commercial properties but that would still open the door so please advise your Senator this will have serious consequences for local governments.

Three new House bills have been emailed and may be of interest H 3920 would not allow provision for water and sewer as a basis to require annexation and H 3918 would not allow local governments to ban smoking in restaurants. H 3930 eliminates increases in property taxes. As always these and many other bills are available for hours of reading pleasure brought to you by your friends at www.scstatehouse.net.

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2005 BUDGET APPROVED

On Friday, April 1 the SCAPA Executive Committee approved the 2005 Budget as shown here. The budget was based on income and expenses from the FY 2004 budget as well as upcoming needs identified within the remainder of 2005. These items have been identified within our organizational strategic plan.

More than 60% of SCAPA's revenue comes from our three annual conferences and 30% from the APA and AICP dues. We have tried to reduce our overall expenses by publishing the Palmetto Planner electronically which reduces our printing and postage expenses tremendously. We are also looking forward to some innovative ways to foster our organization as mentioned in Tripp’s President’s Message which have been included.

Lastly, our strategic plan calls for the establishment of a reserve fund in the amount of 60% of our annual budget. The Executive Committee has identified this as a priority and looks forward to meeting this goal by the end of the year.

If you have any questions concerning the budget, please contact Phil Lindler or Pat Collins.

### 2005 SCAPA Annual Budget

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A copy of the 2005-2006 Strategic Plan is located on the SCAPA website at [www.scapa.org](http://www.scapa.org)
While we’re on the topic of training, I URGE you to participate in the AICP continuing education program. In 2004, SCAPA was the fastest growing chapter in the United States and in 2005, I hope we will be the chapter that logs the most continuing education credits. It is EASY… go to www.planning.org/cpdp to find out more about logging your credits. AICP continuing ed credits are available for a whole host of conferences so check it out and log those credits.

The SCAPA Executive Committee has recommended that the membership pass a dues increase to $35 per year. We have not increased dues in nearly a decade and would like to be able to enhance the services we provide our members. We will be bringing this to the membership for a vote at the July 15th meeting.

I am very excited about our program of work this year and urge you to check out the strategic plan link in the Palmetto Planner. Having said that, I want to share with you an extremely disappointing event that took place in San Francisco this year. As you may have heard, SCAPA had planned on “Piggy Backing” its Fall Conference on the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning National Conference that was to be held in Charleston. After SCAPA had committed to a contract with a hotel, nearly a years’ worth of planning by Clemson as the host committee, and a financial commitment of nearly $80,000 on the part of ACSP a boycott effort led by faculty from Cornell University was launched to remove the conference from South Carolina to honor the NAACP tourism boycott of the State. Despite prior assurances from the ACSP board of support, a nearly split vote in San Francisco forced Clemson to withdraw as the host committee. The effort was further tinged by planning “blogs” that made scurrilous remarks about Clemson Faculty, South Carolina, and the south in general. Regardless of personal views about the boycott and the flag, the way that members of the ACSP board handled this effort was unprofessional and contrary to the ethical goals of our profession. With the support of the SCAPA Executive Committee, I have written a letter to the board of the ACSP expressing our regret and disappointment. You can view that letter on our website www.scapa.org.

I do think the debate that has been created by this incident should give us pause to examine how we, as planners in South Carolina, are doing with regard to race relations, minority involvement in our profession, and the role of social equity in our communities. We will feature this topic at our Fall Conference and I hope you all will share your thoughts.

I look forward to seeing you in July and encourage you to stay active and involved in SCAPA.

Sincerely,

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NEWS FROM APA

APA to take Nominations for FAICP

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- A letter of support from SCAPA representative;
- A one-page statement highlighting greatest accomplishments;
- Annotated resume/narrative;
- A summary statement highlighting the nominee’s greatest accomplishments; and
- Letters of reference

Nomination packets are available for download at www.planning.org/aicp. AICP members certified no later than January 1, 1991 are eligible. If you would like to find out if a SCAPA member is eligible, please contact Phil Lindler at phil@co.greenwood.sc.us.

Apply now for November AICP exam

Last year, more than 95 percent of AICP exam applicants chose to register online. Beginning with the November 2005 exam, only online registration will be available. Prospective candidates may submit their applications now through September 15. For more information go to http://www.planning.org/certification/index.htm or contact Brana Snowden, AICP at 843-706-4510.

APA can help with RFPs and RFQs

Whether you are looking for consultant services or selling them, APA can help. Agencies may post RFPs and RFQs on the APA website at no cost. APA immediately e-mails subscribers to Consultant Services when new RFPs and RFQs are posted. Everyone wins! For more information, go to http://www.planning.org/consultant/overview.htm.

Prepay APA with expiring funds

Does your agency have unspent FY05 funds you must put to good use by June 30 or lose forever? Make full use of this year’s resources and free up some of next year’s funds. Prepay your own or your staff’s APA membership or your agency’s subscriptions to PAS or other APA services and publications. Pay whatever amount is available now and APA will bill you for any unpaid balance at the appropriate time. To request more information or a special prepayment invoice, e-mail APA’s billing department billings@planning.org.

Calls for entries

**Community Planning Collaborative Summit**, October 26-30, Orlando, Florida. Sponsored by PlaceMatters, a program of the Orton Family Foundation. Topics include choosing and using decision-support tools, scenario planning, community visioning, and measuring success. Submission deadline: June 17.

**Active Living Research, 3rd Annual Conference**, February 16-18, 2006, Coronado, California. ALR invites abstracts for posters and oral presentations addressing recent research on policy and environmental aspects of active living. Submission deadline: July 21.

Learn more at http://www.planning.org/conferences/apacospersonal.htm.
Welcome to our new members.

On behalf of the over 400 professional and citizen planners that comprise our membership, welcome to SCAPA!

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Did you know? SCAPA was the fastest growing chapter of the APA in the United States with a 19% growth in membership in 2004.

UPCOMING CONFERENCE AND TRAINING SESSIONS

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Summit on the Rural South, Southern Growth Policies Board, Point Clear, Alabama;  
www.southern.org/conf.asp.

June 29, 2005  
Planning, Environmental, and Land Use Law for Planners and Planning Officials; Joint Program - Planning Commissioners, Appointed Officials, and Elected Officials in conjunction with the AICP Audio Conference Training Series.

July 15, 2005  
Summer Conference, South Carolina Chapter, APA, Hyatt Regency Downtown; Greenville, South Carolina

September 14 - 15, 2005  
AICP Workshop on Zoning, Washington D.C.  
AICP Workshop on Parking, Washington D.C.  
www.planning.org/aicpworkshops/

September 16 - 17, 2005  
AICP Workshop on Safe Growth America, Washington D.C.  
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October 9 - 12, 2005  
43rd Annual Conference of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA), Kansas City, Missouri; urisa.org

October 26 - 28, 2005  
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