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OUR MISSION

The South Carolina Chapter of the American Planning Association is organized to advance the art and science of planning and to foster the activity of planning – **physical, environmental, economic and social** – in South Carolina.

The objective of SCAPA is to encourage planning that will contribute to the public well-being by developing communities and environments that meet the diverse needs of South Carolina

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CONFERENCES

Anderson

The 2018 Winter Conference was held in March in Anderson and was a resounding success. The program included a wide variety of information, including sessions on the plans for the future of the Upstate region, how Uptown Greenwood was transformed into a diverse center for Greenwood County and selected by APA as a Great Place in America, and how the City of Anderson is revitalizing its downtown.

Fort Mill

The Kingsley Development in Fort Mill, SC was the site for the Summer Conference in July. The informal start was Thursday night with a reception, followed by a full day of sessions on Friday. Topics included impact fees, a look at planning in the Town of Fort Mill and the City of Rock Hill, and how to prepare for small cell facilities.

Greenville

October 31 - November 2

A SPOOKY Good Time

In October, SCAPA headed back to the upstate visiting the Historic Westin Poinsett Hotel in Greenville for the Fall Conference. It was as great honor to have Kurt Christiansen, APA President, and Deborah Lawlor, AICP President at the conference. Kurt provided the keynote address about being a leader in our profession and Deborah conducted an ethics session and met with students to discuss the AICP Candidate program. Other sessions included a “deep dives” into Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design and the health of coral reefs, two mobile workshops featuring the City of Greenville, and a variety of sessions featuring planning activities in South Carolina. One of the highlights of the conference was the auction benefiting the student chapter, held during the President’s Reception.

RETIREE HIGHLIGHT

After 22 years, Elizabeth (Libby) Anderson, MCP, AICP, CFM, CNU-A has retired as Director of Planning and Development Services for the City of Beaufort, SC. Some key accomplishments during her tenure were: Fostering organized Neighborhood Groups and Meetings, the first Unified Development Ordinance, oversight of the Sasaki Plan for Waterfront Park, Boundary Street – Redevelopment District, Master Plan, Tiger III Grant and Implementation, Bladen Street – Redevelopment District, Master Plan and Implementation (Midtown), Department's first Disaster Response and Recovery Plan, Community Development Block Grant in the Northwest Quadrant, Floodplain Management and CRS Rating Improvements, Civic Master Plan, Design Oversight of new high-quality Municipal Building such as the City Hall Government Complex and the Fire Station II, City Walk and other Neighborhood Scale Infill Projects, Short-Term Rental introduction into the City, and the Beaufort Code. During her tenure, she presided over 200 ordinances and over 100 annexation petitions that tripled the geographic size of the city. Libby has been a wonderful person to work for and with and has touched thousands of lives over the past 22 years. She will be truly missed!

Photo Source:
Beaufort Lifestyle Magazine

CPAT IS AT IT AGAIN!

SCAPA's CPAT completed another successful project in Georgetown, South Carolina during the summer and fall of 2018.

Revitalizing the West End

The West End Revitalization Project allowed the CPAT to join with Georgetown city officials, led by Dr. Tinubu, and the West End Redevelopment Sub-Committee to focus on affordable housing, the R-5 zoning designation, property maintenance code enforcement efforts, and heirs property issues. The team's visit began by meeting Georgetown City Councilmembers and the West End Redevelopment Sub-Committee on the evening of Wednesday July 18. The following day included a morning bus tour of the West End neighborhood and a listening session during lunch with city staff at the Waccamaw Regional Council of Government offices. Later, stakeholder meetings were held with West End landlords; affordable housing and rehabilitation organizations; foundations, banks, and credit unions; and the Charleston-based Center for Heirs Property Preservation. The day ended with an extensive public input meeting with neighborhood residents. After team working time on Friday morning, a presentation of preliminary recommendations was made at a community luncheon. Those recommendations included facilitating community dialogue, raising the community's awareness to economic opportunities, hiring a community planner with responsibility for West End and other neighborhood planning projects, updating and equitably enforcing relevant zoning and building standards, and activating funding partnerships for affordable housing. The recommendations were finalized into a report which was presented to the Georgetown City Council on October 25th.

CLEMSON STUDENTS

Clemson University's Master in City and Regional Planning program (MCRP) celebrated a benchmark of teaching planning for 50 years (1978 to 2018). Faculty, staff, current students and alumni came together to celebrate and reminisce on the growth of the program at a celebratory reception at the Fall SCAPA conference.

Also in Tiger news, Clemson's MCRP program is excited to continue its growth with its recent five year accreditation by the Planning Accreditation Board (PAB). Clemson is the only accredited graduate planning program in the state.

Twenty-one students graduated from the program in 2018 and 50% chose to begin their planning careers in South Carolina. Recent grads can be found across the state from the Upstate to the Midlands to the Low Country.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Financial Report

Program Revenues Year Ending 2018

AICP Exam Training $2,090

Advertising $3,400

APA Dues $12,537.64

Conferences $76,054.82

Interest $339.92

Awards Revenue $1,040

Program Expenses Year Ending 2018

AICP Exam Training $1,084.50

Chapter Administration $13,579.67

CPAT $1,267.42

Clemson Planning Student Organization $3,000

College of Charleston Planning Student Organization $2,000

Conferences $66,186.52

FAICP Application $0

Sponsorships/PR $0

Membership $2,154

Communications $750

Scholarships $0

EC RESPONSIBILITIES

1. MISSION STATEMENT
2. DEVELOPMENT PLAN
3. WORK PROGRAM
4. BY-LAWS
5. BUDGET
6. FINANCIAL REPORTING
7. TAX RETURN
8. APA LOGO
9. CONSOLIDATED ELECTIONS
10. ANNUAL REPORT
11. COMMUNICATIONS
12. RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION
13. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
14. LEGISLATION AND POLICY PROGRAM
15. APA LEADERSHIP MEETING PARTICIPATION
16. CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING
17. SUCCESSION MANAGEMENT
18. AWARD PROGRAM
19. NATIONAL COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH
20. YOUTH, STUDENT AND NEW PROFESSIONAL OUTREACH

LOOK WHO PASSED AICP

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Brennan Hansley

Mary Johnson

Ronald Rutherford, AICP Candidate

Shane Shaughnessy, AICP Candidate

Ariel Weyandt, AICP Candidate

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