

**Mid-Atlantic Chapter  
Society for the Preservation of Old Mills**

**August 22, 2015  
Semiannual Meeting**

Location: Jerusalem Mill Village  
Kingsville MD

Attendees: See Attachment A

President Bob McLaughlin opened the business meeting at 10:00 am. Dan Campbell was thanked for coordinating arrangements for the meeting and Friday's tour of Havre de Grace and surrounding sites.

Minutes of the April 2015 meeting in Lewisburg PA featuring Union County Mills were approved as distributed. The balance in the treasury is \$9,451.46. See Attachment B for a detailed report.

As of August 15, 2015 memberships include 48 chapter/SPOOM (\$10), 9 non-SPOOM members (\$15), 17 sustaining memberships (\$25), and 16 organizational memberships (\$50) for a membership total of 90. There are 300 subscribers to the [www.spoommidatlantic.org](http://www.spoommidatlantic.org) website. Beth de Francis Sun will contact Face Websites about adding a blog to our site and Jean Sansonetti will also contact them regarding training to assume management of the photo gallery since Steve Spring has moved out of the area.

**Project Report: Ivan Lufriu**

- **May 27.** An inquiry from Steven Formel for a belt pulley. Recommended Meadows Mill Company in North Carolina or Jim Kricker in New York.
- **May 22.** The Historic Bridge Hotel and Conference Center in Virginia is seeking a qualified individual for a paid internship position to bring an old mill and inn back to life. The candidate will be responsible to inventory and log property of both the mill and inn as well as help oversee as well as help oversee the renovation of the mill.
- **May 30.** Mr. Ron Houghton is the owner of Rockledge Mansion, built in 1758, which overlooks the mill town of Occoquan, VA. His concern is that developers might construct an edifice between the mansion and the mill site, and he is interested in any suggestions as to preserving the historical complex of the historical site. Responses were from Susan Langley and Ivan Lufriu.
- **June 5.** A mill to be demolished in Chesapeake VA contains mill equipment and building parts. Many photos available. Response from Craig Sansonetti.
- **June 16.** Request from Ron Morton who will be restoring a mill in Loudon County, Tennessee. Seeking information on insuring the structure, and any assistance on restoration Responses from Dan Campbell and Ivan Lufriu.
- **July 2.** An ongoing battle in Kennebunkport, Maine regarding the restoration of a tide mill. After much debate, the Planning Board has still not issued a decision. Bud Warren of the Tide Mill Institute has been in the forefront with the proponents – with evidence from some of us in SPOOM.
- **July 26.** From Ryan and Jackie Martin, who are endeavoring to restore a mill and surrounding property. They are attempting to raise funds through a “Kickstart” program. The SPOOM consensus was to not get involved with private enterprises.
- **Nittany Antique Machinery in Centre Hall:** Robert McLaughlin reported that the mill foundation has been laid and timbers cut following an 8-year process. Construction will hopefully be completed in 2016.

**Old Business**

**SPOOM Chapter Group Exemption Status:** Bob McLaughlin reported that all chapters have secured an EIN number and SPOOM is awaiting a response on the 501(c)(3) tax exempt status for chapters.

**Mill Mapping Project:** Currently there are over 4000 mills listed, but help is needed to input Virginia sites.

**Website Policy:** Following discussion, these guidelines were established by group consensus and will be posted on website pages as appropriate.

- Members receive one free posting per year; nonmember individuals pay \$25 and nonmember organizations pay \$50.
- Ad postings are free if items are to be given away at no cost.
- Decisions regarding questionable postings are to be made by Judy with board input as needed.
- Ads will be posted for 60 days.
- Email alerts will be sent to inform website subscribers of new ad postings.
- Judy will pursue the process of automating the ad postings through Face Websites.
- Members without email access will be contacted about receiving ad notifications.

**Chapter Donation to SPOOM:** On a motion by Craig Sansonetti and second by Steve Childers, the chapter gift of \$2000 to SPOOM to cover expenses (such as archives, 501(c)(3) status, etc.) was authorized once the chapter exemption process is completed.

**Chapter Insurance:** The vote to renew our insurance policy from year to year passed following a motion by Jean Sansonetti and second by Terry Koller.

**2016 Chapter Meetings:** St Vincent's Gristmill will host the Spring Meeting and Springfield Mills (Bill and Linda Koons) at Morris Arboretum in Philadelphia PA will host the Fall Meeting.

#### **New Business**

**Requests for Fundraising Projects:** On a motion by Linda Koons and second by Sharon Lynch, the SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Board was authorized to determine whether to promote fundraising projects received by our group.

**Project Grants:** Bob McLaughlin will contact SPOOM Board at the November meeting about possible ways chapter funds can best be used to help fund grants for Mid-Atlantic sites, a mill-finder's app or other ideas that would achieve the goals of SPOOM. Their Founder's Fund is one possibility.

**SPOOM Photo Contest:** The Mill Photo Contest/Exhibition for the SPOOM Conference in California this fall is going digital. Details are available in the [2015 SPOOM Conference Brochure](#) which is available at [www.spoom.org](http://www.spoom.org) website. Send digital entries from the Mid-Atlantic Region to Steve Spring at [millfoto@aol.com](mailto:millfoto@aol.com)

The meeting adjourned at 11:05.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judith Grove, Secretary  
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NOTE: See Attachment D for recurring announcements.

**Chapter Meeting Attendees – August 22, 2015****Attachment A**

#	First Name	Last Name	City	ST
1	Nancy	Bell	Narvon	PA
2	Allyson	Brian	Lancaster	PA
3	Dale	Brian	Lancaster	PA
4	Daniel	Campbell	West Chester	PA
5	Steve	Childers	Wyoming	DE
6	Beth	DeFrancis Sun	Arlington	VA
7	Joan	Dixon	Alexandria	VA
8	William	Dixon	Alexandria	VA
9	Ron	Funk	Narvon	PA
10	Judy	Grove	York	PA
11	Cheryl	Hemler	Hanover	PA
12	Robert	Hemler, Jr	Hanover	PA
13	Bonnie	Ingram	Muncy	PA
14	Galen	Ingram	Muncy	PA
15	Ray	Kinard	York	PA
16	Terry	Koller	Dover	PA
17	Bill	Koons	Philadelphia	PA
18	Linda	Koons	Philadelphia	PA
19	Ivan	Lufriu	Littlestown	PA
20	Marlene	Lufriu	Littlestown	PA
21	Bill	Lynch	Mifflinburg	PA
22	Sharon	Lynch	Mifflinburg	PA
23	Diane	McLaughlin	Howard	PA
24	Robert	McLaughlin	Howard	PA
25	Karen	Peterson	Elkton	MD
26	Josey	Poteet	Elkton	MD
27	Craig	Sansonetti	Airville	PA
28	Jean	Sansonetti	Airville	PA
29	Adam	Sieminski	Washington	DC
30	Laurie	Sieminski	Washington	DC
31	Margaret	Sultner	York	PA

**Attachment B**

2015 SPOOM MIDATLANTIC CHAPTER FINANCE REPORT					
Description	April 15	Aug. 15	Dec. 31	YTD	Budget
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$ 7,974.01	\$ 10,213.86	\$ 8,926.46		\$ 6,000.00
<b>INCOME</b>					
<b>4000 Memberships</b>	\$ 885.00	\$ 230.00	\$ -	\$ 1,115.00	\$ 2,000.00
4010 Cash/Check Payments	\$ 730.00	\$ 85.00		\$ 815.00	
4020 Online Payments	\$ 155.00	\$ 145.00		\$ 300.00	
4030 Additional Donations					
<b>4100 Meeting Registrations</b>	\$ 1,755.00	\$ 1,443.00	\$ -	\$ 3,198.00	\$ 2,000.00
4110 Spring Meeting 2015	\$ 1,755.00	\$ 405.00	\$ -	\$ 2,160.00	\$ 1,000.00
4111 Cash/Check Payments	\$ 1,170.00	\$ 270.00		\$ 1,440.00	
4112 Online Payments	\$ 585.00	\$ 135.00		\$ 720.00	
4120 Fall Meeting 2015	\$ -	\$ 1,038.00	\$ -	\$ 1,038.00	\$ 1,000.00
4121 Cash/Check Payments		\$ 1,038.00		\$ 1,038.00	
4122 Online Payments				\$ -	
<b>4200 Miscellaneous</b>	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
4210 Ad Sales		\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
4220				\$ -	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	\$ 2,640.00	\$ 1,773.00	\$ -	\$ 4,413.00	\$ 4,100.00
<b>Total Receipts and Balance</b>	\$ 10,614.01	\$ 11,986.86		\$ 13,339.46	\$ 10,100.00
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
<b>5000 Meeting Expenses</b>	\$ 226.00	\$ 2,781.90	\$ -	\$ 3,007.90	\$ 2,000.00
5010 Spring Meeting 2015	\$ 226.00	\$ 1,706.90		\$ 1,932.90	\$ 1,000.00
5020 Fall Meeting 2015		\$ 1,075.00		\$ 1,075.00	\$ 1,000.00
<b>5100 FACE Websites</b>	\$ 127.35	\$ 254.70	\$ -	\$ 382.05	\$ 550.00
5110 First Quarter	\$ 127.35			\$ 127.35	
5120 Second Quarter		\$ 127.35		\$ 127.35	
5130 Third Quarter		\$ 127.35		\$ 127.35	
5140 Fourth Quarter				\$ -	
<b>5200 SPOOM Services</b>				\$ -	\$ 2,500.00
<b>5300 Mill Project Support</b>				\$ -	\$ 500.00
<b>5400 Office Supplies</b>	\$ 9.80	\$ 9.80		\$ 19.60	\$ 50.00
<b>5500 Credit Card Fees</b>	\$ 37.00	\$ 14.00		\$ 51.00	\$ 50.00
<b>5500 Miscellaneous</b>				\$ -	\$ 50.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 400.15	\$ 3,060.40	\$ -	\$ 3,460.55	\$ 5,700.00
<b>Ending Balance</b>	\$ 10,213.86	\$ 8,926.46			\$ 4,400.00

#### **Attachment D Other Announcements**

**Mills Open to the Public:** Steve Spring is compiling a list; to include your mill that is open to the public on the list, send the name (and web URL if possible) of the mill and your contact information to Steve at [SPOOMMILLISTS@aol.com](mailto:SPOOMMILLISTS@aol.com). If the mill is not already on the SPOOM Mill List, you will be asked to complete the Mill Survey Form.

**SPOOM Mid-Atlantic News:** Submit items of interest for our twice yearly newsletters to Editor Megan Orient at [meganorient@gmail.com](mailto:meganorient@gmail.com). Time sensitive information may be submitted at least two weeks ahead of the event to Judy in paragraph form for posting on the SPOOM Mid-Atlantic website. Photos may be sent to Jean Sansonetti at [sansonet@erols.com](mailto:sansonet@erols.com).

**Mid-Atlantic Chapter Report in *Old Mill News*:** Vice President Dan Campbell sends a quarterly chapter report. Send information on events of general interest to [campbelldt@verizon.net](mailto:campbelldt@verizon.net) by the first of February, May, August and November deadlines.

**Chapter Member Contact Information:** A few days prior to the event names of attendees will be sent by Email to those who pre-registered. Contact information for individuals may be requested from the secretary when needed. Information related to milling topics or events may be submitted to the secretary for distribution via Email alerts upon approval by the board.