

## THE COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES AND HISTORY

We are pleased to announce that we have had another successful year. I would personally like to thank the members of the commission for their assistance as I assume the role of chairperson.

### PON-PON CELEBRATION

John Wesley's 1737 visit to the Pon Pon Chapel of Ease will be remembered on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2007. The celebration will begin with an outdoor worship service at 11 am. This service will be followed by a picnic on the grounds and the day will conclude with another brief service. All are welcomed to attend.

**Please bring chairs and a picnic lunch to be shared with fellow worshippers.**

The Pon Pon Chapel is located about three miles from Jacksonboro off of the Walterboro Road. Signs will be posted to assist in directions to the site.

This event is sponsored by the Old Jacksonboro Historic District, the SC Conference Commission on Archives and History, the Walterboro District of the SC Conference and the St. Jude Episcopal Church.

### LOCAL CHURCH HISTORIAN TRAINING

Two informative workshops for local church historians were held in April, 2007.

A third workshop is scheduled for October 2007 in the Orangeburg district.

**For more details please contact Darien Pickens, 13 Valerie Drive, Greenville, SC 29615 or [bdarien@charter.net](mailto:bdarien@charter.net) or Frank Buie, 209 Jabay Drive, Columbia, SC, 29229 or [fbuie@sc.rr.com](mailto:fbuie@sc.rr.com).**

### GRAVE MARKERS

The Commission is pleased to provide grave markers for deceased clergy. This is a gift of appreciation from the Annual Conference to all who served as itinerant pastors. They are capable to be attached to stone or metal markers. They are available in each district office.

### CHURCH CELEBRATIONS

This year we are pleased to recognize these **Centennial** Churches:

Jerusalem UMC, Harleyville Parish, Harleyville, Walterboro District

Marshall Memorial UMC, South Anderson Charge, Anderson, Anderson District

Ware Shoals UMC, Ware Shoals- Harmony Charge, Ware Shoals, Greenwood District

Williams UMC, Adnah- Williams Charge, Ruffin, Walterboro District

The **Bicentennial** church is St. John's UMC, Batesburg, Greenwood District.

### HUCKS AWARDS

All churches of the Conference are encouraged to celebrate their heritage with this award. This year we are pleased to present this award to the following congregation:

Mountain View United Methodist Church in Taylors, SC. This is the second year that Mrs. Frieda Anne Liston and the history committee have submitted such an excellent historical record of this beloved congregation.

The Herbert Hucks, Jr., Individual Award for Preservation and Interpretation is presented to Mrs. Harriet Anderson Mays. Mrs. Mays' qualifications are numerous. She most recently served as the editor of The Mark, the newsletter of the South Carolina Conference Historical Society of the United Methodist Church.

### 2008 Award Application and Criteria

2008 Herbert Hucks, Jr. Awards

The S.C. Conference Commission on Archives and History is pleased to receive applications for the **2008 Herbert Hucks, Jr., Award** for Historical Preservation and Interpretation. This award will be presented to all qualified churches and one individual at the 2008 Conference Session. If your church qualifies, or if you know of someone who has furthered the interpretation and preservation of United Methodist Heritage in South Carolina, please send the name with answers to the questions below. Please include your name, the name of the church, and how to contact the pastor by name. Mail your application to **Rev. Lisa Hawkins, 273 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401.**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 1, 2008**

### Local Church Qualifications

As many churches as have fulfilled the qualifications during the past year will be recognized. Churches may qualify any number of times in a period of years. The purpose of this award is to encourage ongoing efforts to maintain awareness of the heritage celebrated in all churches of the Conference and to create research materials for the future.

1. Describe how the church historian has been active in the local church: projects, publications, collection and preservation of objects/data.
2. What steps have been taken to organize and preserve records or artifacts or what additions have been made to the church's archives in the last year? What is the overall quality of the current collection?
3. In what ways has Methodist heritage, conference or local church history been interpreted for people in the local church in the past year as part of the Sunday school or confirmation class curriculum; UMW, UMM or UMYF program; worship experience; or general interest display?
4. Has Heritage Sunday been celebrated in some form in the past year?
5. Has a record been made on paper or video/audio tape in the past year of recollections of members who witnessed aspects of the church's story?
6. Have copies of published documents been sent to the Archives at Wofford College and/or Claflin University? (May be included with this application.)
7. Please include appropriate documentation for responses to questions above.

#### **Individual Qualifications**

Nominees for this singular recognition should be someone who during his or her life, or in some special way recently, has contributed significantly to the preservation or interpretation of United Methodist history/heritage **beyond the local church**. Please describe in a few paragraphs the contributions made by this person.

One individual recognition may be awarded annually; re-nominations are welcome any time.

**Deadline:** February 1, 2008. The Commission regrets that no extensions to the deadline are possible; the Commission meets to finalize all actions on February 9, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lisa C. Hawkins, Chairperson*