Mid-Atlantic Chapter Society for the Preservation of Old Mills

August 20, 2011 Semiannual Meeting

Location: Colvin Run Mill Historic Site

10017 Colvin Run Great Falls VA 22066

Attendees: See Attachment A

President Bob Lundegard opened the business meeting at 9:00 AM. He welcomed attendees and introduced Yvonne Johnson, Colvin Run Mill Site Manager, and our host, Adam Sieminski from Pierce Mill, the site of our April 2012 meeting. Charlotte Cain from North Virginia Community College, speaker for the morning session was introduced later.

Copies of the minutes from the April 2, 2011 meeting in Southern York County PA were approved as published. The treasurer, Jane Sewell, reported a balance of \$4,040.71 as of July 31.

SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Newsletter: Send articles to slangley06@comcast.net by the September 22 deadline for the next issue. Susan Langley, editor, welcomes long-term calendar items from participating mills. Pictures in jpeg format are preferred; include names of any individuals in the photos.

SPOOM Mid-Atlantic Board Members: Susan Langley (newsletter editor), Marlene and Ivan Lufriu (Union Mills), Mason Maddox (Colvin Run Mill), Adam Sieminski (Peirce Mill), Steve Springs (chapter photographer), Nick Yannarell (Colvin Run Mill), and Charles Yeske (Bucks County Mills) were approved as board members for 2011-2012.

Mill Preservation: Ivan Lufriu reported on the availability of SPOOM grants for mill related projects supported by non-profit groups or individuals doing research into mills and milling operations which would be of benefit to SPOOM members and the general public. Recipients are for SPOOM members in good standing. Applications for 2011 were due to Ivan, SPOOM vice president, by September 1. For information on future grant opportunities, contact him at ivamar@netzero.net or 717 359-4363.

Mid-Atlantic Milling Day: Resources posted on the <u>www.spoommidatlantic.org</u> website include sample activities, publicity pieces and a poster. An earlier day was suggested for 2012. The board will set this date.

Mid-Atlantic Chapter Report in *Old Mill News***:** Vice President Robert McLaughlin sends a quarterly chapter report. He requested that members submit information of general interest to him at Rlm101@verizon.net by November 1 for the January issue.

Mill Survey: Steve Spring is maintaining mill lists for SPOOM which were originally collected by Fred Beals. Mill owners are asked to check if current information is up-to-date and make corrections as needed. Members are asked to submit mill survey information to him on places they visit. Mill lists are available through OMN as PDF files or CD. Mill pictures and completed forms may be sent to Steve Spring at millfoto@aol.com.

SPOOM-MA Web Page: Bob Lundegard reported that the purposes of the website are to provide archival for documents and photographs, maintain records of chapter activities, communicate with membership about items of interest, and to provide an administrative tool to manage membership. These goals are not being met effectively with the current web server. Jim Noel of Face Websites has offered to provide a free trial period through his company. A motion by Ken Weaver, seconded by Tom Graham was passed authorizing the board to accept Jim Noel's offer, get bids from other hosts, explore the possibility of using pages under the SPOOM website, and seeking a volunteer webmaster through an

article in the newsletter. The promotion of organizational memberships to fund the website and the use of the website by membership and monitoring the number of hits by searchers are steps that will increase the effectiveness of the website.

Spring 2012 Meeting Site: Adam Sieminski reported the new flume, headrace and gearing are in place at Peirce Mill. The water wheel is to be installed next month. The mill will be open for tour on September 24. The official ribbon-cutting ceremony will take place during the Rock Creek Park Heritage Festival on October 15 from 10 am on.

Chapter Membership Rosters: A motion was approved to add a line on the membership form seeking permission to share contact information within the group and to make membership lists available at meetings or via Email request to the secretary. This information is to be used only for items related to mills and milling. (Those who decline permission will have names listed, but no contact information.)

Early American Industries Association, Inc.: Tom Graham, a member of the board of directors for EAIA, provided information and copies of their publications. For more information, contact him at tmajgraham@erols.com or view the website www.EAIAinfo.org

Upcoming Chapter Meetings:

- March 2012: Peirce Mill with hosts Adam Sieminski and the Friends of Peirce Mill. The date will be March 24 or 31. Details will follow.
- August 2012: Stephanie Elliott volunteered Double Mills near Salisbury MD as host, pending approval by their board. Stephanie and her brother, Kevin Coleman, descendants of the last miller, are active leaders in the restoration project, along with Kevin's wife Lisa.
- April 2013: ???

Respectfully submitted, Judith Grove, Secretary August 31, 2011

Following the chapter meeting, Ivan Lufriu reported on the Mills of Ellicott City and Charlotte Cain described the process for the Mill Mapping Project completed by the Northern VA Community College sponsored by the Friends of Colvin Run Mill.

Name Milling Connection

Judy Grove Wallace Cross Mill PA

Ray Kinard Mill Hunter
 Terry Koller Mill Hunter

Bob Kinsey
 Ivan Lufriu
 Marlene LuFriu
 Bob Lundegard
 Marjorie Lundegard
 Colvin Run Mill VA
 Colvin Run Mill VA

Nick Yannarell
 Bob McLaughlin
 Steve Spring
 Colvin Run Mill VA
 Union Mills MD & Mill at Anselma PA
 Photographer and Colvin Run Mill, VA

12. Ken Weaver Brenneman-Turner M-VA

Craig Sansonetti Muddy Creek Forks Roller Mills PA
 Jean Sansonetti Muddy Creek Forks Roller Mills PA

15. Kevin Coleman Double Mills MD
16. Lisa Coleman Double Mills MD
17. Stephanie Elliott Double Mills MD

18. Thomas Graham Early American Industries Association

19. Mary Ann Graham

20. Nate Bond

Edward Ashby
 Ashby Masonry, historic restoration
 Fonda Ashby
 Ashby Masonry, historic restoration

23. Adam Sieminski
24. Sheila Ploger
25. Warren Ruefer
Peirce Mill DC
Aldie Mill VA

26. Edwin Jason Dryer

27. Enid Dryer28. William Dixon