Spartanburg County Historical Association

Greetings!

I am excited to invite you to the first meeting of the Spartanburg History Hub. In my role as Executive Director of the Spartanburg County Historical Association, I am asked to speak to groups and attend meetings about Spartanburg history. We have so many dedicated organizations and individuals preserving and promoting Spartanburg history, but I have heard over and over again people remarking that they didn't know various groups existed, they don't know what those groups do, or they don't know who to contact when they have a question or opportunity for their own group or project. These discussions have been the catalyst for the formation of the Spartanburg History Hub.

Our first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 28, at 7:00 pm in the Barrett Room of the Spartanburg Public Library's Headquarters on Church Street in Spartanburg. This Hub is designed to bring people and organizations with a commitment to Spartanburg County history together to share what they're doing, hear what others are doing, and facilitate learning and collaboration. The Hub won't work if you don't come!

There is no charge for attending meetings of the Spartanburg History Hub and we'll try to wrap up by 8:00 pm. There will be the opportunity for announcements, but we need to keep them brief. Feel free to bring fliers or brochures for events so you can give a short announcement and interested parties can pick up the detailed information afterwards. We'll also have brief introductions, but the main focus of this inaugural meeting will be to get a sense of what we all would like the Hub to accomplish and how often it is beneficial for it to meet. Each of us involved with history has a unique set of skills, experiences, and resources related to preserving and promoting history. If we combine our strengths, we will take Spartanburg County's history community to the next level which will benefit us as well as our communities at large.

Please feel free to forward this email to anyone you think may be interested or send me their contact information and I will send an invitation. Also, if you would prefer not to be included in the Spartanburg History Hub email list, just let me know.

I look forward to seeing you on the 28th!

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