



SCHHCC STAFF/BOARD MEETING
March 24, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.
Coosaw River & New River Rooms in
Hidden Cypress

In attendance:

Sherry Conrad, Tom Lovelidge, Jeff Hoffman, Lori Fritzky, Stu Mace, Jim Bowdan, Bill Altman, Brian Osgood, Susan Dobbs

President's Remarks: Sherry Conrad

Thank you for making time in your schedule for our meeting today.

Vice President: Jim Bowdan

Printing prices are increasing at places such as Staples. Jim will put together a presentation on CC prices vs UPS, Staples, etc., and recommend a new price for making copies at the CC.

Secretary's Report Kathleen Baine

Motion to approve minutes of February staff meeting by: Brian Osgood.

Seconded by Jim Meeker. Approved by all.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Lovelidge

(published at the end of these minutes).

Committees

Social Committee: Chris Chase, Lori Fritzky.

Everything is in place for our April 18 Volunteer Party from 5 pm (set up team arrives at 4:30 pm) to 8 pm (clean-up team remains to get the room back into ship shape). Food will be provided by The Lunch Lady, with consideration for many dietary restrictions. Menu: charcuterie table upon guest arrival; followed by buffet of teriyaki skewers with asian dipping sauce, shrimp, sausage, corn boil, vegetable fried rice, pineapple cole slaw, veggie spring rolls and small desserts. Chris is getting a special cake in honor of our 30th anniversary.

Decorations are in excellent hands with Brenda at the helm, and Bonnie has a beautiful flyer prepared for distribution. We will be well entertained by Mike Sweat, with soft music while guests are arriving, vocal and musical entertainment through dinner, and dance music after dinner.

And...we have Mark and Brian on the tech team.

Interior Decor:

John Meeker - I am always looking for suggestions.

SIG Reports

Apple: Noah Rosenstein/Toni Valenstein/Leslie Foster

We were delighted to have club educator Mark Davis present about using 'Preview on the MAC' while noting some features that are available on iPhone and iPad. Due to threatening weather, we moved to a Zoom-only meeting but had great attendance. Again, Brian Osgood assisted with the Zoom, and his expertise is invaluable to us. We are contacting survey responders with a goal of gaining new volunteers. Help is busy, and we could use some new blood.

Genealogy: Jim Bowden/Susan Dobbs

Our last spring meeting will be on Thursday, April 2nd at 7 p.m. Rhoda Gordon, from Digging My Photos, will speak on "From Photo Boxes to Family Stories: How to Organize, Preserve, and Share Your Legacy." All CC members are invited to attend. Help Sessions will continue on March 25th, April 8th, and

22nd. Susan will teach on “Using Newspapers in Genealogy Research” on March 27th from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Computer Club Hour: Bill Altman

Here is the current schedule for 2026.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Mar 27	Pinckney Hall	Tracking Your “Stuff”
Apr 10	Pinckney Hall	AI is Here: What It Means for You
Apr 24	Pinckney Hall	Build Your Own AI Research Assistant with Notebook LM
May 8	Pinckney Hall	Free Version of Microsoft Office

Facebook: John Meeker [SCHH Computers, Tablets, and Smart Phones](#)

Although our Facebook page currently has a limited number of members, we are beginning to see meaningful interaction emerging within the group. Members are starting to engage with one another, particularly in response to posts of significance.

Encouraging the posting of questions and answers is especially important, as many individuals may have similar inquiries but are hesitant to ask. By fostering open dialogue, we can create a more informative and supportive community for everyone. John Meeker will ‘advertise’ the Facebook page in the Sunday newsletter that goes out to all club members. John has been vetting people who ask to join the Facebook group, ensuring on club members are allowed in.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SCHHComputer>

Microsoft: Dennis Shea/Maureen Kilcoyne

Ron Snyder presented AI Deep Dive in March. We are actively soliciting presenters for future meetings.

Skywatchers: Jeff Hoffman

Next Skywatchers meetings:

Lakehouse Ballroom

April 14, 2026. 7:00 p.m.

May 12, 2026. 7:00 p.m.

Standing Committee Reports

Education: Mark Davis/Laura Giovanetti

During March, we have eight classes. This same month in the past, we had more classes than this. Those who are scheduling classes are doing a great job. We have lost several instructors over the last few years. Laura is doing a great job of contacting our instructors to schedule classes. Mark is working to contact former instructors to see if they are considering continuing to teach or not.

In April, we currently have nine classes registered, with Easter in the first week of the month, so this is a good number.

Facilities: Brian Osgood

Three of the PCs in the Open Room had to have their Bit Locker key entered so they would boot again. I've had this happen once before in the club on a PC in the classroom. Not sure what caused it. n

All but three of the PCs in the club had signed out of MS Office one day. I signed them back in. The next day, one of those three had been signed out. Assuming that it is due to inactivity, or activity doesn't get logged properly while the systems are frozen.

The Brother MFC-L8900 that was on the left in the Open Room reported that it needed a new belt, fuser and laser unit (service call for replacement). These parts would cost over \$500, plus the service call, to repair a well used and discontinued printer. We replaced it with a Brother MFC-L8930CDW printer which is the current version. The replacement cost was \$689 with toner and tax. The 8930 does take different, toner cartridges, so we need to use up our stash of toner for the 8900 series printers.

The Brother MFC-L8905, on the right in the Open Room also reported that it needed a new drum, which is considered an expendable. Replacing the drum

fixed the gray marks that were appearing on the paper, but it is still wrinkling the right side of the page. The last time this happened the fuser failed shortly thereafter. We may be replacing that printer this summer. Print on it a lot to use up our toner stash.

I've been involved with a few meetings in Hidden Cyprus lately. The sound system there is not very good. We have had a PA speaker. I've purchased a wireless handheld microphone and a wireless lapel mic to work with. I can work with SIGs for the remaining meetings this spring to use it. I'll teach a class when the fall meetings start back up for any staff/SIG chairs that would want to use it.

Membership: Stu Mace

During the past month our membership has grown by 75. Of those 34 were renewals and 41 were new members. Our total membership now stands at 3,212. This compares with 3,130 one year ago for a growth of 82 members.

Membership in our four SIGs now stands at:

Apple	1,832
Microsoft	1,418
Genealogy	596
Sky Watchers	362

Monitors: Bertha Fudgen

Ten individuals who indicated they wished to be trained as a monitor on the club survey in January have been trained in the past month. Two more are scheduled to be trained.

General Membership Meeting Programs: Bill Altman

Here is the last presentation for this season.

Mar 26	Jason Klempner	Wearable Technology for Health Monitoring
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Publicity/Communication: Bonnie Potter/Mark Davis

Bonnie has created Graphics when requested, such as the announcement for

the Volunteer Party in April. Mark generated the Google Form for the party and sign-ups are going well.

Website Review/Revise Report: Mark Davis

As usual, when changes are needed, Bud does an admirable job making them when he is notified.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Lovelidge

2026 Treasurer's Report: [Click Here](#)

The Opening Cash Balance for the month of February was \$44,515. Our income for the period was \$3,541. We collected Membership Dues of \$2,955, Education Class Fees were \$345, and there are Open Room Cash Sales for the period, with \$241. Our General and Administrative expenses included \$100 gift cards for the club survey and \$64 Party supplies for our Volunteer party in April.

Facility expenses of \$711 included \$167 in non-capital Hardware \$420 in printing supplies, and \$13 in software subscriptions. We also spent \$111 for a door stopper and acoustical tiles to minimize the noise from another room. Genealogy purchased a newspaper subscription in the amount of \$63. The Resulting Total Expense for the period was \$938. Our closing cash balance was \$47,117. If we include our CD of deposit in the amount of \$33,068, our resulting adjusted cash balance at the end of February is \$80,185.

Ongoing Business

Procedures Manual:

Nothing was done on this project this past month.

Club Survey: Information has been distributed from the Club Survey to the individuals who can use the information. Is there any feedback about the information collected regarding changes we should make for next year's survey?

New Business

Request for Susan Dobbs to use classroom to speak to another Sun City group about geneology. After discussion, it was approved.

Meeting Dates for 2026: Sherry Concrad

Note: Due to room availability, some meeting dates are not the usual 4th Tuesday (staff meetings) or 3rd Thursday (general meetings) days of the week.

- General membership meetings will be in Pinckney Hall on 3/26 (4th Thursday), 9/17, 10/22 (4th Thursday), and 11/17 (3rd Tuesday).
- Staff meeting reservations are for 1:00 p.m., in the Coosaw River & New River Rooms in Hidden Cypress on 4/28, 5/26, 6/23, 7/28, 8/25, 9/23, 10/28, and 12/1.

Our next Board meeting is on April 28th, 1:00 p.m., in the Coosaw & New River Room in Hidden Cypress.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Altman; seconded by Brian Osgood. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Baine
Secretary