



The Spiral



Newsletter of the Center for Lifelong Learning, University of South Carolina Aiken

DECEMBER, 2021

President's Message

Greetings! By now most of us are trying to regain our "fighting" weight from all the Thanksgiving festivities. Our last class for the fall term took place November 30. A special thanks to you, all our members; we had a very successful year and a particular thank you to our volunteers for their hard work.

We have one more special event, our Holiday Drop In, scheduled for 2 December 2-4 PM. Refreshments will be available. Music will be provided by the Savannah River Stringband. Holiday greetings and a summary of our successful semester will be presented around 3 PM. There is no charge for members; guests are \$15. You should plan to attend to renew your class friendships.

Our catalog for the Spring semester is at the printers and should be distributed in early December. There are 38 general interest courses and 23 technology courses. Both the General Interest Curriculum and the Technology Curriculum Committees are to be commended for planning an excellent, varied array of courses. Open House for registration will be January 6, 9 am- 12 noon.

We are trying something new. We are selling memberships in our Spring semester (\$35) to be given as Christmas gifts. More details are in this edition of *The Spiral*.

I want to give a warm welcome to our new volunteers that have agreed to help our organization during the last term. Our organization is able to function because of our volunteers. Our course liaisons, our technology instructors and coaches, our Board of Directors and others that support our social events are all key for our survival as an organization. We have established a volunteer committee headed by Nancy Hughes. If anyone would like to help with any aspect of our operation please contact Nancy by email vol@aikenlearning.org.

See you at the Holiday Drop-in and meeting you again next semester.

Enjoy the Holiday season!!

Wayne Rickman, CLL President
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Christmas Gift Idea

Are you looking for something unique to give as a Christmas gift? How about a Center for Lifelong Learning membership for the upcoming Spring 2022 semester?



You may purchase a pre-paid \$35 Membership Certificate starting December 1:

- Purchase in person through December 23 at the UofSC Aiken Continuing Education office, Business and Education Building, room 126.
- Purchase online, through this web page: campscui.active.com/orgs/UniversityofSouthCarolinaAiken1?season=3084731.

The Certificate will be mailed to the person making the online purchase. To allow for mailing time, online purchases can only be made through December 17.

You will receive a numbered certificate suitable for gifting.

If registering by mail or in person, to redeem the membership credit your recipient must present the certificate when enrolling during the registration period.

If registering online, to redeem the membership credit the recipient should call the UofSC Aiken office at 803.641.3741 and provide their name and gift certificate number.

Course and Event registration fees are the responsibility of the registrant.

One Semester Ends ...

All Center for Lifelong Learning courses for the Fall term wrapped up in November.

The only remaining activity this calendar year is the **Holiday Reception**. Those who reserved their places by the November 19 deadline may attend on December 2, 2:00-4:00 pm, in B&E 116.

... And Another Semester Begins

The Spring semester kicks off in late January and runs through late April.

The full UofSC Aiken Continuing Education catalogs are being printed and those on the catalog mailing list

should receive them in early to mid December. Electronic copies of the Center for Lifelong Learning section of the catalog will be available for download from the [Center's website](#) at about the same time.

The first classes will start January 24 with additional short courses beginning throughout the semester.

Registrations for the Spring semester will be accepted starting at 9 am January 6 and may be submitted online, mailed in, or delivered in person. An Open House is planned for 9 am to noon on January 6 for those with questions or who would just like to learn more about the program.

Further information will be posted in the January issue of *The Spiral*, and the latest is always be available on the Center's website at [aikenlearning.org](#).

History in Headstones Course Delved into Baseball History

Jeanmarie Bronson just wrapped up the latest in her popular *History in Headstones* series of courses in November. This course centered on the "Blacksox" World Series scandal of 1919, and along the way branched into early baseball history as well as local baseball connections.



Milledge Murray, Jeanmarie Bronson, Lamar Garrard

In one session she invited a couple of local baseball experts to speak. Milledge Murray told about Joe Jackson, and of his connection to South Carolina. "Shoeless" Joe was one of the Chicago White Sox players involved in the 1919 scandal. Lamar Garrard gave the class information about baseball in the CSRA and shared stories of minor league players in our region who had gone on to play in the majors.

Jeanmarie turned part of the final session to UofSC Baseball Coach Mike Holder, who talked about the Pacer baseball program. As part of his talk he brought in several of his players to illustrate various versions of the team's home and away uniforms and explained when each would be used.



Jeanmarie with Pacer players A.J. Deibel, Bryce Bulls, Marcus Mastellone, Nick Tripp, Coach Mike Holder

November Board Meeting To Be Reported Later

The Board does not meet in December so the November minutes have not yet been approved. They will be reported following the January Board meeting.

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CENTER FOR LIFELONG LEARNING CALENDAR – DECEMBER 2021						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 <i>Holiday Reception</i> 2-4p [B 116]	3	4
[Location Codes @ UofSC Aiken]		B = Bus & Educ Bldg		TC = Computer Tech Center		P = Penland Bldg