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President's Message

It is March, and our "march" through the busy Spring Semester continues. There are three items this month that will interest our members:

- Please be aware of the parking rules on the campus! ONLY those with valid "Handicap" placards or plates may park in the designated handicap zones, and ONLY faculty and staff may park in yellow lined spaces. IF anyone of our members has followed these policies and still received a parking ticket (\$75.00!), they should bring their violation forms to Amy Westra in B&E room 113. She has worked with the Police Chief on campus to attempt to remedy these situations.
- Remember next month the Academy will again celebrate the **Kauffman Award Luncheon**, where we honor a person who has been an exceptional participant and supported the Academy for Lifelong Learning. Although the Academy covers the cost of this event for all members, attendance is limited to only members who participated in the Academy this year! Reservations are required, and you will soon be receiving your formal invitation. With your RSVP you must indicate whether you prefer the salad luncheon with salmon or chicken. **Reservations must be complete by April 1, 2016!** Contact Amy Westra at: AmyW@usca.edu.
- Finally, the Curriculum Committee is still in need of more participation from our members. Please consider volunteering to help construct each semester's curriculum. We need more input for course ideas and instructor recommendations. Even if you don't think you have any of that "knowledge", we can use your help as a liaison – taking attendance in one or more courses (those you are already interested in!), and contacting speakers in the development of courses. Since there have been fewer people willing to participate, it is inevitable that we cannot continue to offer the number and types of courses that we currently do.

Curriculum Committee meetings are open to all members, so if you'd like to see what goes on there, you can attend without making a commitment. The committee meets about 10 times each

year for 1 hour, typically on the first Friday of the month.

Please contact either Amy Westra or Jan VanSlyke (curric@aikenlearning.org) to volunteer or for more information. Help us maintain the success of our Academy.

Thank you all for participating in another successful year with The Academy for Lifelong Learning!

Doug Cook, Academy President

Proposed Revisions to Bylaws

The Board desires to revise the Bylaws which govern the operation of the Academy to cover two issues:

- Change the name of the Public Relations Committee to the Publicity Committee. Internally we have used this name for years.
- Clarify the effect on election procedures of having President-Elect and Curriculum Chairperson-Elect offices which automatically progress to the President and Curriculum Chairperson offices respectively the following year.

The text of these proposed changes can be found as an addendum to this issue of *The Spiral*.

The Membership will vote on the proposed Bylaws revision at the Membership Meeting immediately following the Kauffman Luncheon on April 14.

Kauffman Luncheon Reservations

Invitations to the April 14 annual Earl F. Kauffman Recognition Day Luncheon will be mailed to all active Academy members in March. There is no charge to members to attend this luncheon, but you MUST reserve your space by responding to the invitation **no later than April 1**. If you signed up for the luncheon when you registered this semester, you still must RSVP to indicate your choice of entree.



Earl Kauffman

Additional Catalog Changes

There have been several class changes since last month's list.

April's **Alchemy in the Americas** class has been relocated for the second time, to **Nursing 120**. Please update your catalog accordingly.

A death in the family forced Alexia Helsley to cancel her February 17 session of **The Emperors of Rome** class. The class has been extended one week to March 2.

The **Balloon Creations** class has been extended for two additional sessions by popular request. The additional dates are March 4 and 18.

The full list of current schedule changes can be found at www.aikenlearning.org/Catalog_Update.php

choose monthly, weekly, or agenda views of the calendar, print these views, and add items to your own Google calendars.



You can also access this calendar directly at <https://goo.gl/4JdZQc>

How to Become a Blow Hard



Academy members had fun learning the art of balloon sculpting from Tom and Sandi Brandner in the **Balloon Creations** class.



Sample balloon creations by Tom Brandner

Stay Up To Date with New Academy Calendar

The latest addition to the Academy website at www.aikenlearning.org is an embedded Google calendar showing all current classes and events. Any late schedule changes will be added to this calendar as they are announced. The individual calendar entries include map links to class locations. You can

Courses and Events Beginning in March

Please see the published catalog for full descriptions and additional information. (You can find the current catalog on the Academy website at <http://www.aikenlearning.org/catalog/>). To enroll, return the form in the catalog along with any required payment. For questions, contact USCA Department of Continuing Education at USCA (803-641-3741 / info@aikenlearning.org).

IMPORTANT NOTE: Do NOT attend these classes or events unless you have pre-registered AND received written confirmation of your registration from USCA.

LINE DANCING

Date: 5 Wednesdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 30

Time: 11:00 – 12:15 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg., 2nd floor Gym

EUROPEAN UNION IN CRISIS

NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FROM ORIGINAL CATALOG

Date: 4 Wednesdays, March 2, 16, 23, 30 (no meeting during USCA Spring Break)

Time: 3:00 – 3:50 p.m.

Location: Penland Administration Bldg., Room 106

HUNTING IN THE CAROLINAS: ESSAYS AND STORIES

Date: 4 Thursdays, March 3, 17, 24, 31 (no meeting during USCA Spring Break)

Time: 2:00 – 2:50 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg., Room 124

GREAT DECISIONS

Date: 8 Fridays, March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1, 15, 22, 29 (no meeting during Masters Week)

Time: 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Penland Administration Bldg., Room 110

FIELD DAY AT THE DAIRY GOAT FARM**NOTE TIME CHANGE FROM ORIGINAL CATALOG**

Date: Monday, March 7

Time: 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Location: Samaria Farm, 714 Wrightsmill Road, Aiken, SC 29801

HUMMINGBIRDS – NATURE’S JEWELS

Date: 1 Tuesday, March 8

Time: 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: Birds and Butterflies, 117 Laurens St., Downtown Aiken

CLASS, GENDER AND RACE IN LITERARY WORKS

Date: 4 Tuesdays, March 8, 15, 22, 29

Time: 1:40 - 2:55 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg., Room 124

THE BUCK STOPS HERE AND I LIKE IKE**NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FROM ORIGINAL CATALOG**

Date: 4 Thursdays, March 10, 17, 24, 31

Time: 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg., Room 140

SETTING THE STAGE FOR THE FOUNDING OF AIKEN’S**WINTER COLONY****NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FROM ORIGINAL CATALOG**

Date: 1 Tuesday, March 15

Time: 3:05 – 4:20 p.m.

Location: Humanities & Social Sciences Bldg., Room 116

LITHUANIA IN HISTORY

Date: 2 Fridays, March 18, 25

Time: 9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg., Room 140

AIKEN’S FRENCH CONNECTION

Date: 1 Tuesday, March 22

Time: 3:05 – 4:20 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg., Room 140

Getting Your Squat On

Dr. Patrick Gélinas teaches how to carry out safe time-efficient and performance enhancing exercise programs in the *Movement That Matters: Developing Functional Form for Exercise* class.

Handouts from the *Movement That Matters* class are available from the Course Materials page on the Academy website (<http://www.aikenlearning.org/>).



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PROPOSED REVISION: ACADEMY FOR LIFELONG LEARNING BYLAWS

To be voted on at the Membership Meeting April 14, 2016. Proposed changes highlighted in **RED**.

ARTICLE VI: DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

VI.2. The President-elect shall:

VI.2.1. Serve a one-year term and prepare for assuming the office of President, **which he/she will do the following year.**

ARTICLE VII: STANDING COMMITTEES

The Standing Committees of the Academy shall be Curriculum and **Media-Relations Publicity.**

VII.1. Chairpersons of Standing Committees shall be elected by the Academy membership for a one-year term and may be re-elected to additional terms. The incumbent Curriculum Chairperson-elect becomes the Curriculum Chairperson the following year and a new Curriculum Chairperson-elect is elected annually. In the absence of an incumbent Curriculum Chairperson-elect, the incumbent Curriculum Chairperson may be elected to an additional term.



VII.3. The **Media-Relations Publicity** committee may include but not be limited to the following subcommittees: Publications, *The Spiral*, and **Media-Relations Publicity.**

ARTICLE VIII: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

VIII.3. A slate of officer candidates shall be presented to the Board of Directors by the Nominating committee Chairperson at the February Board meeting, **except for the offices of President, when there is an incumbent President-Elect, and Curriculum Committee Chairperson, when there is a Curriculum Committee Chairperson-Elect.** The slate of candidates shall be announced to the membership in advance of the election.

VIII.4. An election shall be held at a General Membership Program/Business meeting in the spring of the year, following a request for nominations from the floor. **If none For non-contested positions,** the Academy membership elects the **state-of-officers nominees** presented by the Nominating Committee by acclamation. **Otherwise For contested positions,** a paper ballot will be required.

ACADEMY CALENDAR – MARCH 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 <i>Healthy Lifestyle</i> 10:00-10:50a [B 124] <i>Line Dancing</i> 11:00a-12:15p [B 2 nd Floor Gym] <i>Emperors of Rome</i> (Rescheduled) 11:00-11:50a [H 116] <i>European Union</i> 3:00-3:50p [P 106]	3 <i>Hunting in Carolinas</i> 2:00-2:50p [B 124]	4 <i>Curric. Committee'</i> 10:00a [B 102] <i>Balloon Creations</i> 1:00-2:00p [P 110] <i>Great Decisions</i> 2:00-3:30p [P 110]	5
6	7 USCA SPRING BREAK <i>Dairy Goat Farm</i> 9:00-10:30a [Samaria Farm] 4 Arts 11:00-11:50a [H 116]	8 USCA SPRING BREAK <i>Hummingbirds</i> 10:30-11:30a [Birds & Butterflies, 117 Laurens St.] <i>Class Gender Race</i> 1:40-2:55p [B 124]	9 USCA SPRING BREAK <i>Line Dancing</i> 11:00a-12:15p [B 2 nd Floor Gym] <i>European Union</i> NO CLASS	10 USCA SPRING BREAK <i>Hunting-in-Carolinas</i> NO CLASS <i>Buck Stops, Like Ike</i> 3:00-3:50p [B 140]	11 USCA SPRING BREAK <i>Great Decisions</i> 2:00-3:30p [P 110]	12
13  Daylight Savings Set Clock AHEAD	14 4 Arts 11:00-11:50a [H 116]	15 <i>Class Gender Race</i> 1:40-2:55p [B 124] <i>Winter Colony</i> 3:05-4:20p [H 116]	16 <i>Line Dancing</i> 11:00a-12:15p [B 2 nd Floor Gym] <i>European Union</i> 3:00-3:50p [P 106]	17 <i>Hunting in Carolinas</i> 2:00-2:50p [B 124] <i>Buck Stops, Like Ike</i> 3:00-3:50p [B 140]	18 <i>Lithuania in History</i> 9:00-10:15 [B 140] <i>Balloon Creations</i> 1:00-2:00p [P 110] <i>Academy Board</i> 1:00p [B 102] <i>Great Decisions</i> 2:00-3:30p [P 110]	19
20	21 4 Arts 11:00-11:50a [H 116]	22 <i>Class Gender Race</i> 1:40-2:55p [B 124] <i>French Connection</i> 3:05-4:20p [B 140]	23 <i>Line Dancing</i> 11:00a-12:15p [B 2 nd Floor Gym] <i>European Union</i> 3:00-3:50p [P 106]	24 <i>Hunting in Carolinas</i> 2:00-2:50p [B 124] <i>Buck Stops, Like Ike</i> 3:00-3:50p [B 140]	25 <i>Lithuania in History</i> 9:00-10:15 [B 140] <i>Great Decisions</i> 2:00-3:30p [P 110]	26
27  EASTER SUNDAY	28	29 <i>Class Gender Race</i> 1:40-2:55p [B 124]	30 <i>Line Dancing</i> 11:00a-12:15p [B 2 nd Floor Gym] <i>European Union</i> 3:00-3:50p [P 106]	31 <i>Hunting in Carolinas</i> 2:00-2:50p [B 124] <i>Buck Stops, Like Ike</i> 3:00-3:50p [B 140]		

[Location Codes] B = Bus & Educ Bldg @ USCA H = Hum & Soc Sci Bldg @ USCA RP = Ruth Patrick Sci Ctr @ USCA
N = Nursing Bldg @ USCA P = Penland Bldg @ USCA CC = Cedar Creek Community Building