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President's Message

Happy Almost Spring! I hope all of you are enjoying, learning, and having fun at our various courses this semester. Our enrollment and attendance have been great so far. I want to thank Abby and her assistants for making our semester run smoothly. We have signs pointing us to our classes, computers that work, and rooms that are set up and ready for us to learn, as well as offering assistance with questions or issues we have had.

While I'm thanking folks, I also want to acknowledge Harriet Haynes and the members of our curriculum committee for developing a diverse list of course offerings this year. We can always use new ideas and are actively seeking new curriculum committee members, so join and be able to participate in determining the courses the Academy offers. Please contact Abby abbyg@usca.edu or one of our committee members if you are interested.

The proposed Fall 2018 Lifelong Learning course offerings are being finalized and are shaping up to again offer courses to appeal to a variety of interests. Some of the tentative courses include cooking, Einstein, Canal Cruising in the South of France, various history courses, Italy (part II), line dancing, literature, and many more. I'll have more information on potential courses later this spring.

Watch for your email for your e-invitation to our Academy for Lifelong Learning annual Earl F. Kauffman Recognition Day luncheon to be held on Thursday, April 12 at noon. This annual luncheon honors Dr. Kauffman's efforts to develop and implement a program for the community's mature residents, which is now the Academy for Lifelong Learning. There is no charge for Academy members, but an RSVP will be required later this month.

See you in class

Jan Van Slyke, Academy President

Kauffman Luncheon

The annual Earl Kauffman Remembrance Luncheon

will be held Thursday April 12 at noon. This event is held in memory of Dr. Earl F. Kauffman, the individual most responsible for founding the Academy for Lifelong Learning back in 1989. Each year at this event an award is given in Dr. Kauffman's memory, to recognize a group or individual that has made significant contributions to the Academy.

Invitations will be sent to all Academy members by early March (watch your email). There is no charge for Academy members to attend the Luncheon, but you must **RSVP by March 23** to indicate your food choice so that we can make meal arrangements with the caterer. Note that this RSVP is required, even if you indicated a desire to attend when you registered for this semester.

A short Academy business meeting will be held immediately following the Luncheon.

Parking Clarification



Consultation with the USCA campus police has confirmed that USCA parking permits are required for all students, *including those with government-issued handicap permits who park in handicap spaces*. For full parking permit information, see the new [Parking](#) page on the [Academy website](#).

Courses Beginning This Month

Please see the published catalog for full descriptions and additional information. (You can download the current catalog from the Academy website at <http://www.aikenlearning.org/catalog/>).

To enroll, register online at <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/UniversityofSouthCarolinaAiken1#/selectSessions/2263702>, or return the form in the catalog along with any required payment. For questions, contact USCA Department of Continuing Education at USCA (803-641-3563 / info@aikenlearning.org).

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

FRIENDS AND FAMILY CPR COURSE

Date: Thursday, March 1

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location: School of Nursing (room to be announced later)

IRISH-AMERICAN HISTORY AND POPULAR CULTURE

Dates: 4 Fridays, March 2, 9, 23, 30

Time: 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room ~~124~~ 122**NOTE LOCATION CHANGE****LINE DANCING ADVANCED CLASS**

Dates: 6 Fridays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; April 6

Time: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg., 2nd fl. Gym**FIELD DAY AT THE DAIRY GOAT FARM**

Date: Monday, March 5

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

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

UNDERSTANDING THE PRINCIPLES OF COMIC BOOK ART

Dates: 4 Mondays, March 5, 12, 19, 26

Time: 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

HOW A DOG CHANGED HISTORY-THE IMPACT OF THE VICTROLA ON AMERICAN LIFE

Dates: 2 Wednesdays, March 7, 14

Time: 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room ~~124~~ 122**NOTE LOCATION CHANGE****LET'S TALK BASEBALL!**

Dates: 4 Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 21, 28

Time: 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

CHICKENS, PIGS AND DOGS

Dates: 3 Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 21

Time: 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

NUTRITION AND EXERCISE MAXIMIZE WELLNESS ACROSS ALL LEVELS OF HEALTH AND FITNESS

Dates: 4 Mondays, March 19, 26; April 9, 16

Time: 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

~~LISTENING TO SONIC ART SINCE 1945~~~~Dates: 4 Tuesdays, March 20, 27; April 10, 17~~~~Time: 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m.~~~~Location: Etherredge Center, Room 125~~**COURSE WITHDRAWN****EXPLORING SOUTH CAROLINA ALONG THE BACK ROADS**

Date: Wednesday, March 28

Time: 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p. m.

Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

GREAT DECISIONS

Dates: 8 Thursdays, March 30; April 6, 13, 20, 27; May 4, 11, 18

Time: 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p. m.

Location: Penland 106

Non-Academy Event that may be of interest to our Members

Turner's Keyboards invites you to a USCA (University of South Carolina, Aiken) special event: "The Secrets of Steinway" presented by Jim Hoover of Steinway & Sons in New York. Though many companies have tried to copy Steinway's manufacturing techniques-from the most important patents to the smallest nuances of craftsmanship-we'll explain how none have succeeded in duplicating the Steinway sound.

RSVP by Wednesday, March 7 to Eric Campbell: 706-736-4479

January 17 Board Meeting

[Approved at the February 21 Board Meeting]

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by President Jan Van Slyke.

Present: President Jan Van Slyke, Past President Doug Cook, Secretary Doug Wilson, Curriculum Chair Harriet Haynes, Curriculum Chair-elect Kathy Rachick

Absent: Treasurer, Abby Grizzle, Publicity Chair Rachel Pirkle

Guest: Continuing Ed Intern Joel Aitcheson

MINUTES

Minutes of the prior Board meeting, held November 15, 2017, were approved without change.

[Note: there was no Board meeting in December, 2017.]

TREASURERS REPORT – Doug Wilson and Joel Aitcheson for Abby Grizzle

All payments have been received from Active.com, our online registration provider, for registrations made through approximately the end of December, which would be the bulk of the registrations. Payments for any subsequent fees should be received every two

weeks.

Approximate known outstanding expenses:

Instructor pay (including USCA dual comp + fringes)	\$6666.27
Holiday Drop-In catering	1624.54
Steeplechase Tickets	810.00
Printing rack cards	30.00

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT – Harriet Haynes

The Committee is working on 30 class and 3 event possibilities for Fall 2018.

The Curriculum Committee will assemble a user survey to gather input from our members on likes/dislikes, suggestions, and other information we would like to gather. Kathy will head this up, so Board members should pass anything they'd like to have on the survey to Kathy.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board expressed its appreciation of the great job Rachel is doing and is already concerned with who we can get to replace her when her term expires in June.

OLD BUSINESS

Online Registration

Despite the major glitch at the beginning of Open Registration caused by USCA's local network going down, the Board feels our initial foray into registering online was a success.

Joel presented his best estimates regarding this semester's registrations, as of Jan 16:

Walk-ins during Open Registration	71
Walk-ins following Open Registration	19
Mail-ins	47
Online	82
Total Registrations	219

The inability to accept checks encountered during Open Registration has now been corrected.

Academy Presence on USCA Website

The changes requested at the last Board meeting have been accomplished. The Academy page on the USCA site has been taken down and all Academy links on the USCA site now go directly to our own website.

Kauffman Luncheon and Award

The Board selected a long time participant and contributor as our Kauffman award honoree for 2018. Jan will invite Chancellor Jordan.

NEW BUSINESS

Officer Slate for Next Year

Kathy Rachick will progress from Chair-Elect of the Curriculum Committee to Chairman. Doug Wilson is willing to continue as Secretary and his two non-Board positions (Newsletter Editor and Webmaster). Jan Van Slyke has already had two consecutive terms as President and deserves a chance to step down. We need to really start canvassing for people willing to serve as President, President-Elect, Curriculum Chair-Elect, and Publicity.

Parking Permits

Discussion continues with the campus Police re parking permits for our non-faculty instructors. We do not feel it is realistic for an instructor who may only be coming on campus to teach one or two class sessions to have to plaster a 2-year parking permit to the windshield. We are proposing that a simple paper hang tag should suffice for such instructors. Doug C will try to get with the Police Chief to get this resolved in the next few days.

Classroom Computer Training for Liaisons

We need to have all class liaisons familiar with the audio-video equipment in our classrooms, so it is suggested that the Curriculum Committee schedule one or more hands-on sessions in conjunction with Committee meetings on a regular basis. In addition, it would be a good idea to have instructions on laminated sheets permanently placed in the classrooms, reflecting any idiosyncrasies for that particular room (Penland 106 especially). It is also strongly suggested that instructors bringing in presentations on thumb drives or who are bringing in video resources receive instruction prior to their first day of class.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 am. The next meeting is scheduled for February 21.



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ACADEMY CALENDAR – MARCH 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4	5 Dairy Goat Farm 9-10:30a [Samaria Farm] Comic Book Art 11:00s-12:15p [B 124]	6 A Woman's Word 10:30-11:30 [B 124] Diabetes 1:00-2:00p [B 124]	7 Chickens Pigs Dogs 10:00-11:00a [B 124] Victrola 1:00-2:30p [B 122] Let's Talk Baseball 3:00-4:00p [B 124]	8 Beg-Drawing 40:00-41:00a [B 124] Islam Exposed 3:00-4:00p [B 124]	9] Irish-American 9:00-10:00a [B 122] Adv Line Dancing 11:00a-12:00p [B gym] Live from the Met 1:00-2:00p [P 106]	10
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