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### **President's Message**

ANTICIPATION! Remember how sweet it was the last few days before the new school year started? Looking forward to a chance to see your old friends, a chance to meet new friends, to adventure into new classes and anticipate new teachers---and maybe even get a new outfit or two! And it all happened shortly after Labor Day---could that be why we still look forward to this particular holiday so much!

When you start taking classes with the Academy, you can recapture some of that old ANTICIPATION. Shortly after Labor Day, school starts! You'll see old friends, make new ones, take new classes and spar with instructors who delight in teaching their areas of expertise. What a lot to look forward to (and by the way, you have my permission to go out and buy a couple of new outfits, as well)! All this and none of the dreaded homework or tests of bygone years. Who could ask for more?

So welcome back to the Academy fall semester of 2019! We hope you found lots of interesting classes/events to sign up for, and hope you are looking forward to the semester as much as we are! Get a notebook, sharpen your pencil and get ready --- classes start September 9!

**Harriet Haynes, Academy President**  
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### **The University Gets a New Name**

Okay, it's not really a new name, just a new abbreviation. In order to avoid confusion with University of Southern California, University of South Carolina Aiken will now be abbreviated as UofSC Aiken instead of USCA. Along with the new abbreviation comes a cool



looking new logo with the head of a Pacer forming the opening in the capital A.

### **Fall Registration Going Strong**

Registration for the Academy's Fall 2019 term opened on August 19 and the response has been phenomenal. Nearly 200 students registered in just the first two days

As this is being written in the waning days of August, it's still 1-1/2 weeks before classes start and we have over 230 registrants.. A number of classes quickly filled and people have signed up on class waiting lists. The Academy is working with UofSC Aiken to relocate popular classes to larger rooms and add additional sessions to reduce or eliminate the wait lists. The school will notify those on wait lists as space for them opens up, so keep a watchful eye on your email.

### **Steeplechase Sign-up Closes September 16**

In order to allow time to arrange for our railside space and obtain and distribute individual admission tickets, registration for the October 26 Fall Steeplechase event closes on September 16.

If you'd like to bring a non-Academy-member spouse or guest, please contact UofSC Aiken Continuing Education at 803-641-3756 / [info@aikenlearning.org](mailto:info@aikenlearning.org).

### **Catalog Updates**

As registrations come in and we learn which courses need more classroom space, room assignments for some courses will change. The following changes have been announced at this point.

#### Location Changes:

*Understanding and Managing Dementia* – B&E 116

*Craftsmanship of Home Renovation* – B&E 116

*Pathways to a Mindful Life* – B&E 116

*Haunted Aiken County* – B&E 116

#### Additional Sessions:

*Exercise is Medicine* is adding a second identical series of four sessions later in the semester to accommodate demand.

Dates: 4 Thursdays, Nov. 21, Dec. 5, 12, 19

Time: 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Location: B&E 147

#### Course Withdrawn:

The instructor for *Appalachian Culture* has informed us that she unexpectedly will not be able to present this popular course this semester.

The calendar and downloadable catalog on the

[Academy website](#) have both been updated to include these changes and additions. Be sure to note these changes in your early downloaded or printed catalog copies. Check the website often as it will have the most up-to-date information.

### 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 [aikenlearning.org/Catalog.php](http://aikenlearning.org/Catalog.php)).

To enroll, register online at [campscui.active.com/orgs/UniversityofSouthCarolinaAiken1#/selectSessions/2481806](http://campscui.active.com/orgs/UniversityofSouthCarolinaAiken1#/selectSessions/2481806), or return the form in the catalog along with any required payment. For questions, contact the Department of Continuing Education at UofSC Aiken (803-641-3756 / [info@aikenlearning.org](mailto: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 UofSC Aiken.

**“LITTLE CHARLESTON” – HISTORIC FLAT ROCK, NC, SOUTH CAROLINA LOWCOUNTRY ELITE’S MOUNTAIN HIDEAWAY**  
 Dates: 4 Mondays, September 9, 16, 23, & 30  
 Time: 11:00 – 11:50 a.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 122

**THE AIKEN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA’S 2019-2020 SEASON**  
 Dates: 2 Wednesdays, September 11, October 23 (note that the dates parallel the concerts)  
 Time: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
 Location: Penland 106

**THE ASTRONOMERS**  
 Dates: 2 Fridays, September 13, 20  
 Time: 11:00 – 12:00 p.m.  
 Location: Penland 106

**SOUTH CAROLINA AND THE SUPREME COURT: CASES THAT SHAPED THE NATION**  
 Dates: 4 Fridays, September 13, 20, 27, October 4  
 Time: 12:15 – 1:05 p.m.  
 Location: Penland 106

**SIX BARRIERS TO INVESTMENT SUCCESS: UNCOVERING YOUR BEHAVIORAL BIASES**  
 Date: 1 Monday, September 16  
 Time: 9:00 – 10:15 a.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 122

**PRODUCING WORLD-CLASS ATHLETIC PERFORMANCES AND DOMINANCE ACROSS A VARIETY OF SPORTS**  
 Dates: 4 Wednesdays, September 18, 25, October 2, 9  
 Time: 10:15 – 11:15 a.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

**FRENCH FOR FUN**  
 Dates: 4 Wednesdays, September 18, 25, October 2, 9  
 Time: 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. 124

**LIVE FROM THE MET OPERA**  
 Dates: 6 Thursdays, September 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24  
 Time: 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

**HISTORY OF AFRICAN AMERICANS AND WORLD WAR II**  
 Dates: 4 Thursdays September 19, 26, October 3, 10  
 Time: 12:00 – 12:50 p.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

**APPALACHIAN CULTURE – CLASS WITHDRAWN**

**UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGING DEMENTIA**  
 Dates: 5 Mondays, September 23, 30, October 7, 14, 21  
 Time: 2:00 – 2:50 p.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 116  
**NOTE ROOM CHANGE**

**WHAT WERE THEY THINKING? THE LIVES OF THOMAS (STONEWALL) JACKSON, JAMES LONGSTREET AND JAMES CHESNUT JR.**  
 Dates: 3 Tuesdays, September 24, October 1, 8  
 Time: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 124

**NORTH, SOUTH AND ACROSS THE WATER: REGIONALISM AND NATIONALISM IN ITALY FROM UNIFICATION TO PRESENT DAY**  
 Dates: 6 Tuesdays, September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
 Time: 11:00 – 12:00 p.m.  
 Location: Business & Education Bldg. Room 122

**OLIVE OIL TASTING**  
 Date: Wednesday, September 25  
 Time: 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.  
 Location: High Country Olive Oil, 125 Laurens Street, Aiken SC

**BEAUTIFUL NESTS AND DIFFICULT BIRDS**  
 Date: 1 Thursday, September 26  
 Time: 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
 Location: Penland 106

### THE DREAM -THE CREW: ADVENTURES INTO THE CRAFTSMANSHIP OF HOME RENOVATION

**Dates:** 3 Fridays, September 27, October 4, 11

**Time:** 10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

**Location:** Penland 110

### PROTESTANT REFORMERS

**Dates:** 6 Mondays, September 30, October 7, 14, 21, 28, November 4

**Time:** 9:30 – 10:45 a.m.

**Location:** Business & Education Bldg. Room 122

### April Board Meeting

[Note: This was the final Board meeting last semester. These minutes were approved at the August 20, 2019 Board Meeting.]

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by President Harriet Haynes.

Present: President Harriet Haynes, Past President Jan Van Slyke, Secretary Doug Wilson, Treasurer Joel Aitchison, Publicity Chair Jeanmarie Bronson

Guests: Secretary Nominee Lucy Sutter, Prospective Curriculum Chair-elect David Tavernier

Absent: Curriculum Chair Kathy Rachick

#### MINUTES

Minutes of the prior Board meeting, held March 25, 2019, were approved.

#### TREASURERS REPORT – Joel Aitchison

The mailing address for the Security Federal checking account has been updated and Joel is now receiving the monthly statements.

Several of our teacher payments are still being processed by Columbia. We have a comfortable balance that can handle these with no problem.

Doug asked Joel to assemble a report categorizing our expenses for the 2018-2019 academic year and use it as a basis for a proposed budget for next year. Joel will distribute this to the Board via email since there likely will not be another Board meeting this semester.

#### CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT – Harriet Haynes for Kathy Rachick

There are about 30 classes being finalized for next semester, with most of the information for the catalog having been submitted. Scheduling is targeted for early May to lock up our classrooms before the system opens their availability up more widely. Four Events/Trips are being planned.

#### PUBLICITY COMMITTEE REPORT – Jeanmarie Bronson

There is nothing new to report on planning for next year at this time. If we decide on advertising next year, Jeanmarie will get it placed. Jeanmarie will get the video that David Frantz did on the Academy for his class assignment in the event we want to make some use of it.

David Tavernier suggested the Aiken Newcomers as a good place for us to distribute our literature.

#### OLD BUSINESS

##### *Senior Spring Fling*

Coverage for the Academy table at this Saturday's Spring Fling at the Convocation Center will be shared by Katie, Harriet, and Kathy. Jeanmarie plans to spend time there as well. We have enough rack cards on hand for distribution at this event without printing more.

##### *Kauffman Luncheon*

The Luncheon is in two days. We went over preparations and it looks like everything is ready to go. There are 71 people signed up to attend.

##### *Election of Officers for 2019-2020*

Next year's slate of officers will be voted in at the Member business meeting immediately following the Kauffman Luncheon on April 25.

Lucy Sutter has already been announced in *The Spiral* and on our website as a candidate for Secretary.

More recently, David Tavernier contacted the Board offering to serve as a Board member for next year. We suggested a good place for him to start would be as Chair-Elect for the Curriculum Committee so that he can learn how this vital function operates for a year then assume the Chair the following year. David agreed. His name will be announced at the business meeting prior to the vote.

Harriet, Kathy, and Jan are willing to continue in their current positions next year. Doug will assume the new Board position of Webmaster, assuming the proposed bylaw revision establishing this position is first approved at the member meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### *2019 Holiday Drop-in Reception*

A date for next semester's Holiday Drop-in is needed for inclusion in the Fall catalog. Tuesday, December 10 was chosen.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 pm. There are no more Board meetings scheduled for this semester. If anything comes up needing Board attention prior to the planned August meeting, it can be dealt with via email.



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**ACADEMY CALENDAR – SEPTEMBER 2018**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 <b>LABOR DAY</b>	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 <i>Little Charleston</i> 11-11:50a [B 122]	10	11 <i>Aiken Symphony</i> 3-4p [P 106]	12	13 <i>Astronomers</i> 11a-12p [P 106]  <i>SC Court Cases</i> 12:15-1:05p [P 106]	14
15	16 <i>Investment Barriers</i> 9-10:15a [B 122]  <i>Little Charleston</i> 11-11:50a [B 122]	17	18 <i>Athletic Performance</i> 10:15-11:15a [B 124]  <i>French For Fun</i> 11:30a-12:30p [B 124]	19 <i>Live from the MET</i> 10:30-11:30a [B 124]  <i>Afr. Amer. &amp; WWII</i> 12-12:50p [B 124]  <del><i>Appalachian Culture</i></del> <b>Canceled</b>	20 <i>Astronomers</i> 11a-12p [P 106]  <i>SC Court Cases</i> 12:15-1:05p [P 106]	21
22	23 <i>Little Charleston</i> 11-11:50a [B 122]  <i>Dementia</i> 2-2:50p [B 116]  <b>Last day for Steeplechase Registration</b>	24 <i>Jackson/Longstreet/Chesnut</i> 9:30-10:30a [B 124]  <i>Italian History</i> 11a-12p [B122]  <del><i>Appalachian Culture</i></del> <b>Canceled</b>	25 <i>Athletic Performance</i> 10:15-11:15a [B 124]  <i>French For Fun</i> 11:30a-12:30p [B 124]	26 <i>Live from the MET</i> 10:30-11:30a [B 124]  <i>Afr. Amer. &amp; WWII</i> 12-12:50p [B 124]  <del><i>Appalachian Culture</i></del> <b>Canceled</b>  <i>Nests &amp; Birds</i> 3-4p [P 106]	27 <i>Home Renovation</i> 10-11:15a [P 110]  <i>SC Court Cases</i> 12:15-1:05p [P 106]	28
29	30 <i>Protestant Ref.</i> 9:30-10:45a [B 122]  <i>Little Charleston</i> 11-11:50a [B 122]  <i>Dementia</i> 2-2:50p [B 116]					

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