



MAY, 2018

President's Message

Brief Update on academy happenings:

At our Kauffman Recognition Award luncheon in April, Dr. Doris Hammond was announced as our Earl F. Kauffman Recognition award winner. Dr. Hammond has taught our Academy for Lifelong Learning courses for several years and also has shared her expertise with other groups and individuals. She has covered a variety of topics for us, sharing her passion for continuing to teach of the importance of "mindfulness" in our daily lives and her other areas of interest. We were pleased she and some of her family members were able to attend to personally accept this award. At the luncheon Dr. Sandra Jordon was our main speaker and brought us up to date on what's new and under discussion on campus.

In other news, we tentatively plan to distribute our Fall 2018 academy catalog the first part of August, with classes to begin in September. The catalog will be available on our web page www.aikenlearning.org as well as hard copy. We again are offering a broad array of courses to appeal to your interests and respond to your specific requests. More info to follow.

After serving as President of the Academy for Lifelong Learning board for the last two years, I'll be moving to the position of past president this summer. Therefore, I am pleased to announce our new president and other officers for the 2018-2019 school year that you approved following our Kauffman luncheon: President—Harriet Haynes; Past President—Jan Van Slyke; Webmaster—Doug Wilson; Curriculum Chair—Kathy Rachick; Treasurer—Abby Grizzle; and Publicity Chair—to be announced.

Since this is my last President's letter, I want to take this opportunity to thank the board, the curriculum committee, Abby and her assistants, and all of you for the help and support you have offered me during my time in office. You have been accepting and flexible in your response to our needed changes in times, dates, and rooms. You have offered helpful feedback to make our program stronger and enable it to grow. You're awesome!

Jan Van Slyke, Academy President

Kauffman Remembrance Luncheon

The Academy for Lifelong Learning's annual Remembrance Luncheon was held April 12 in honor of Dr. Earl F. Kauffman, who spearheaded the establishment of the Academy back in 1989. For more information about Dr. Kauffman and the formation of the Academy, see the [Early History](#) item on the Academy Website's [Documents](#) page.



Dr. Kauffman



73 Academy Members, USCA Staff, and guests attended the 2018 Kauffman Remembrance Luncheon

Academy President Jan Van Slyke presided over the occasion, leading the Pledge of Allegiance and introducing Aiken Mayor Rick Osburn to give the benediction. Following the meal, Past President Doug Cook presented the annual Kauffman award to this year's honoree (see related article).



Jan Van Slyke



Mayor Osburn



Doug Cook

This was followed by keynote speaker USCA Chancellor Dr. Sandra Jordan who brought us up to date on happenings at the University.

All Academy members are invited to this annual event without charge, although an RSVP is required for planning purposes. The event is partially underwritten via an endowment



Dr. Sandra Jordan

created by late USCA Professor James Kauffman and his family in memory of his father.

Doris Hammond Receives Kauffman Award for 2018

This year's Kauffman Award for outstanding service to the Academy for Lifelong Learning was presented to Doris Hammond at the annual Earl F. Kauffman Remembrance Day Luncheon, April 12.

Doris was born in Cincinnati Ohio, received a BS degree from the University of Cincinnati, an MA degree from Marshall University, was Licensed as a Professional Counselor in South Carolina, and received a PhD in Counseling from University of Georgia. She has moved about twenty times as an adult, having lived in Michigan, Ohio, New York, Florida, West Virginia, Georgia, and now South Carolina. She taught elementary school in five of them.



Dr. Doris Hammond

Doris' family consists of three daughters, two sons-in-law, and one granddaughter. She also has two dogs who today serve as therapy dogs in Aiken.

Dr. Hammond probably has more history with the Academy for Lifelong Learning than anybody else currently involved with the program. Doris first resided in Aiken from 1987 to 1998, where she was a Counselor in Aiken County Schools, and an Adjunct Professor at USCA. In 1989 she became involved with the new program for seniors being spearheaded at USCA by Dr. Earl Kauffman. In its first year of operation the program consisted of three lectures, the very first of which was given by Doris Hammond, titled *In Search Of the Fountain of Youth*. She followed this up with *Bridging the Generation Gap* in 1991.

Dr. Hammond formed her own private counseling practice in 1990. In 1998 she moved to Beaufort SC, where she continued her interest in senior education by serving as an instructor in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at USC Beaufort. After 14 years she returned to Aiken in 2012 and took up where she left off with our Academy for Lifelong Learning. Since returning she has taught many Academy courses, among them: *Birth Order*, *Mindfulness*, *Sex and the New Norms*, *Your Hit Parade*, and *Gerontology 101*.

Doris has been a consultant and counselor in too many organizations to list. Just some of the honors she has received include Make A Difference Day, National Senior Volunteers in School, Who's Who in The World of Women, and Faculty of the Year award. She also originated and coached the Synchronized

Swimming program here in Aiken.

Doris has been a rare jewel in the crown of the Academy for Lifelong Learning since its inception nearly three decades ago. It is with great pleasure that the Academy presents Dr. Doris Hammond with its Kauffman Award for 2018.



Dr. Doris Hammond receives the 2018 Kauffman Award from Past Academy President Doug Cook

Officers Elected for Next Year

A short business meeting followed the Kauffman Luncheon for the purpose of electing officers to serve next year. They are:

President:	Harriet Haynes
Secretary	Doug Wilson
Treasurer:	Amy Grizzle

In addition, two positions were filled by automatic progression:

Past President:	Jan Van Slyke (from President)
Curriculum Chair:	Kathy Rachick (from Curriculum Chair-Elect)

Several days after the luncheon Jeanmarie Bronson expressed possible interest in the Publicity Chair position, left vacant by the end of Rachel Pirkle's term. After a meeting with several Board members on May 1 to explore areas of mutual interest, a quick ad hoc session of the Board was held to elect Jeanmarie as our new Publicity guru.

The Academy is still in need of volunteers to serve in the following positions for next year:

President-Elect
Curriculum Chair-Elect

Please contact Administrative Assistant Abby Grizzle (AbbyG@usca.edu) if you are interested in giving back to the Academy by serving in either of these positions.

Courses Beginning This Month

There are no new courses or events beginning in May. Only two courses hold their final sessions this month.

The Spiral going on Hiatus

This is the last issue of *The Spiral* for the 2017-2018 academic year. Publication will resume in August when the Fall 2018 Catalog is released.

March 21 Board Meeting

[Approved at April 18, 2018 Board Meeting]

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

Present: President Jan Van Slyke, Secretary Doug Wilson, Treasurer Abby Grizzle, Curriculum Chair Harriet Haynes, Curriculum Chair-elect Kathy Rachick, Publicity Chair Rachel Pirkle

Absent: Past President Doug Cook

MINUTES – Doug Wilson

Minutes of the prior Board meeting, held February 21, 2018, were approved without change.

TREASURERS REPORT – Abby Grizzle

Approximate outstanding expenses:

Instructor pay (Dual comp + fringe) + Non-staff honoraria	\$2915.71
<i>Great Decision</i> books	663.18
Misc. copying/printing expenses	38.32
Invitations to Kauffman Luncheon (petty cash to Abby)	26.99
Total	\$3644.20

The Academy operating account has sufficient funds to cover these expenses.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT – Harriet Haynes

There are 32 classes being worked on for next fall, 5 of which have submitted full information for the catalog listing. 6 events are being worked on, several of which may drop out before the catalog is finalized.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE REPORT – Rachel Pirkle

Rachel's plans for the April submission to *Mature Times* will cover the Brewery and Goat Farm visits. May will cover the Canal Trip and the Kauffman Luncheon.

Rachel's term will end on July 1. The Board again expressed its appreciation and gratitude for the fine job she has done this year.

We are still in need of a candidate for this position next year.

OLD BUSINESS

Kauffman Luncheon

Per Abby, 78 people have confirmed attendance at this point, plus she is contacting a few who indicated on their registration forms that they wished to attend but have not returned the RSVP. All arrangements are pretty much in line, just waiting for a final attendance estimate.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Survey

The electronic survey form has been created and will be sent out approximately April 1 to all email addresses of registrants in either semester this academic year, with a requested return date no later than May 1.

New Officers

As it stands now, the slate of officers for next year is:

President	Harriet Haynes
Past President	Jan Van Slyke (automatic progression from President)
Secretary	Doug Wilson
Treasurer	Abby Grizzle
Curriculum Chair	Kathy Rachick (automatic progression from Chair-Elect)
Still needed:	
President-Elect	
Curriculum Chair-Elect	
Publicity Chair	

Doug Cook rotates off the Board after two terms as President and three as Past President. The Board thanks him for his five years of dedicated service to the Academy.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 am. The next meeting, if needed, will be April 18 at 9:00 am in Penland 110.



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ACADEMY CALENDAR – MAY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 <i>Nuclear Waste Res</i> 2-3p [B 124]	3	4 <i>Great Decisions</i> 2:00-3:30p [P 110]	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 <i>Great Decisions</i> 2:00-3:30p [P 110]	12
13	14	15 <i>Curriculum Comm.</i> 2:30p [P 110]	16 <i>LLL Board</i> 9:00a [B 110]	17	18 <i>Great Decisions</i> 2:00-3:30p [P 110]	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		
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