



# In the News

University of South Carolina Aiken

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## Classified Employee Assembly

### Executive Committee

Jeff Jenik, Chair  
 Carla Hayes, Vice Chair  
 Sandy Besley, Parliamentarian  
 Allison Brown-Owens, Recorder

### Advisory Committee

Carla Hayes, Chair  
 Karen Morris  
 Jodi Herrin  
 Deidre Martin  
 Angela Taylor  
 Maria Chandler (ex-officio)  
 Tom Hallman (ex-officio)  
 Ginger Steel (ex-officio)

### Nominating Committee

John Hutchins, Chair  
 Sherene Power  
 Troy Mothkovich  
 Jane Schumacher  
 Angela Taylor

### Facilities Utilization & Development Committee

Lib Thomas, Chair  
 Annette Beeler  
 Miles Black  
 John Cumbee  
 Elijah Price  
 Tony Ateca (ex-officio)  
 Randy Duckett (ex-officio)  
 Tom Hallman (ex-officio)  
 Deb Kladvko (ex-officio)  
 Suzanne Ozment (ex-officio)



## February 4, 2003 AGENDA

- I. Welcome / Approval of December Minutes
- II. Reports from Administration:
  - Dr. Tom Hallman
  - Christine Inman, USCA Environmental Health & Safety Issues
  - Kris Helou, American Heart Walk
  - Kay Benitez, Working with Students with Disabilities
- III. Reports from CEA Committees
  - ? Election Announcement
- III. Reports from the CEA Chair
- V. Announcements (Open Floor)

## CEA Employee of the Year Award Nominations

The call for Classified Employee of the Year Award nominations is here. This annual award recognizes outstanding classified employees at USCA. The four employees selected will receive a cash award and will be recognized at the Annual University Honors and Awards Convocation. Winners of the Classified Employee of the Year Award are selected under the following criteria: diligence and initiative in their work; cooperation with co-workers, students, etc.; employment by USCA for 2 years by January 1 of the award year. This award is based on Jan. 1 - Dec. 31 of the previous year only.



The call for nominations will be the fourth Friday in January with nominations being accepted through the second Friday in February (January 24—February 14) with nominations coming from any source other than self-nominations. All employees should have obtained a nomination form through the campus mail, CEA web page or, for those who do not have access to a computer, from various locations around campus. Employees should deliver nomination forms to the Chairperson of the CEA. Only official nomination forms will be accepted. For a more detailed explanation of the nomination process, please see the CEA website or contact a member of the CEA Executive Committee.

## Upcoming CEA Elections

As the year progresses, members of our CEA committees roll off, and new members are voted on to fill newly opened seats. The CEA Nominating Committee is in charge of nominating individuals for offices and committees of the Assembly, as well as producing, distributing and tabulating all official ballots. Since the Nominating Committee is responsible for overseeing the elections, John Hutchens will ask that CEA members email or call him with their nominations. The election will take place at our next CEA meeting, which is scheduled for Thursday, April 10 at 2:00pm. Voting boxes will be located on campus as we approach the meeting time to allow for people who don't make it to the meeting to vote.

Committee	Members Rolling Off
<b>Executive</b>	Jeff Jenik, Chair Carla Hayes, Vice Chair Sandy Besley, Parliamentarian Allison Brown-Owens, Recorder
<b>Advisory</b>	Jodi Herrin Angela Taylor
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<b>FUD</b>	Annette Beeler John Cumbee Elijah Price



## A Word from the Chair

The CEA has become a more active organization every year with its members participating in many on campus as well as off campus activities. This has proven to become very beneficial in helping the campus become aware of the group, its activities and its achievements. With continued participation, the Classified Employees Assembly will continue to become stronger. I would like to continue to encourage everyone to become active in the various activities and committees that are offered.

Much has happened over the past year within the University and through the CEA. As we come to the end of yet another year, I would hope you will take a few minutes to nominate any fellow CEA member who you feel has provided the University with exceptional work for one of this year's CEA of the Year Awards.

Additionally, we will soon be electing new CEA officers and committee members. If you know of anyone that you feel would have an interest in serving in any capacity, feel free to nominate them for that position.

Any comments or suggestions you may have regarding the involvement of the CEA are always welcomed and encouraged. My many thanks go out to everyone who is currently actively involved throughout the campus in various ways. It's because of the efforts that you make which make the University a better institution and the CEA a stronger organization. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,  
Jeff Jenik

## Central Savannah River American Heart Walk

Everyone knows someone affected by heart disease or stroke. On Saturday, March 8, 2003 you can help the American Heart Association fight cardiovascular disease by participating in its annual American Heart Walk. This year's Heart Walk goal is \$190,000. All money raised will be used to fund critical research as well as professional and community education programs that increase awareness about cardiovascular disease.

The American Heart Association is the oldest and largest national nonprofit voluntary health organization in the world dedicated to reducing death and disability from cardiovascular diseases and stroke. In fact, by 2010, the American Heart Association's goal is to reduce coronary heart disease, stroke and risk by 25%. As the leading cause of death in this country, cardiovascular disease claims almost as many lives each year as the next 7 leading causes of death combined.

Right now, USCA is the number 1 ranked contributor in the Central Savannah River Area.

Please see the above list of team leaders that you can contact if you are interested in joining the fight against cardiovascular disease either by raising funds through walking or donating directly.

Team	Team Leader
<b>Student Activities</b>	
Pace Setters	Jennie Volforte
Pacer Pride	Sandy Besley
Philosophy for Hearts	Blanche Premo-Hopkins
Student Activities — Meador	Tiffany Meador
Student Activities—Parr	Brian Parr
The Pacers	Sandra Sanders
USCA's K-Family Team	Deidre Martin
<b>Wellness Center</b>	
Wellness Center—Blume	Lynn Blume
Wellness Center—Bodie	Pete Bodie
Wellness Center—Durham	April Durham
Wellness Center—Guy	Holly Guy

## Faculty & Staff Appreciation Luncheon

As most of you know, each year the USCA faculty and staff gather together for the annual Appreciation Luncheon. Last year, the Classified Employee and Faculty Assemblies came together to form the first joint Appreciation Committee whose sole purpose was to assist the Office of Special Events in coordinating an unforgettable luncheon. Now it's time to start planning again! If you are interested in heading or being a part of the Appreciation Luncheon Planning Committee, please contact Jeff Jenik.

## Dates to Remember

2/14	Last day to submit nominations for Classified Employee of the Year
3/30	Last day to submit nominations for CEA officers and committee members
4/10	Next Classified Employee Assembly
5/9	Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon

