

CCR Program Fall 2014

September 16

Welcome Back!

1:00: What's New in Wine?

Mike van Beyer and Brent Beam of *Bottles Beverage Store*, Mt. Pleasant

We will kick off the CCR season with something special!

The first hour will be a lecture on wine – what's new in the wine world. This informative presentation will be given by Mike van Beyer, owner, and Brent Beam, manager, of *Bottles Beverage* in Mount Pleasant.

2:00: Wine Tasting, CCR Overview and Welcome Back Social

The 1:00 program will be followed by a wine tasting where you will be able to sample small amounts of the wines discussed during the lecture. Both Mike and Brent are extremely knowledgeable about wines and are available to answer all your questions. You will also have an opportunity to place case-lot orders for wines that you will then pick up at the Mount Pleasant store.

To help all of us learn about the exciting year we have planned for CCR, tables will be set up around the rooms with information about the CCR Fall line-up of Field Trips; Study Groups and Book Discussions. CCR's Historian will also have a table displaying photographs, documents and memorabilia from our organization's 21-year history.

For those of you who have not already registered, you will have the opportunity to register and pay for your membership at this time.

And there will be time to enjoy visiting with each other.

September 23

1:00: "Vote Smart:" Voter Defense Project

Pete Silveston, Spokesman for **the Voter Defense Project**

The Voter Defense Project sponsors "Vote Smart." Its purpose is to educate voters, especially with regard to attack ads and other manipulative practices.

2:30: Don't Believe Every Story

Jim Lundy, Writer, Poet, Musician

Jim will be playing songs from his CD as well as new songs written for the *February Album Writing Month (FAWM)* competition. In that competition, participants write 14 songs during the 28 days in February. He was one of 2 South Carolinians who won the challenge this year, and this is the third year he has completed the challenge.

September 30

1:00: Fun is Good

Mike Veeck, President, Charleston River Dogs

Mike will talk about why fun in the workplace and personal life is good for business and good for you personally.

2:30: What is Tai Chi, Anyway?

Kaye Finch, Ph.D., Private Practice and Al Finch, Ph.D., The Citadel

This presentation will define tai chi, give research support for tai chi, demonstrate tai chi and give the audience an opportunity for first hand experience with tai chi.

October 7

1:00: Bucket List: Tournament of Roses

Larry Lopez, Nature Photographer

Warehouse tours of floats being covered with flowers and a review of the equestrian entries began our magical trip to the 125th Rose Parade followed by Stanford's tailgate extravaganza and the 100th Rose Bowl game in January 2014. Enjoy a photographic look at the most recent items crossed off our bucket lists.

2:30: Historic Homes of Charleston

Kitty Robinson, President and CEO of Historic Charleston Foundation

Mrs. Robinson will present slides of many of the beautiful homes and buildings in Charleston with commentary regarding their historic nature.

October 14

1:00: Growing Tall: An Overview of Charleston Horticulture Society

Kyle Barnette, Executive Director, Charleston Horticulture Society

The Charleston Horticulture Society has deep roots in our community. Kyle Barnette will explore with us this unique institution's mission, history and achievements.

2:30: The Ancient Greek Federal Republic

Jane Bishop, Professor of History, The Citadel

Dr. Bishop returns with an interesting discussion about the Ancient Republic of Greece and how it inspired our Republic in America.

October 21

1:00: Footlight Players

Melonea Marek, Director of Development, Footlight Players

Melonea's presentation will cover the history of The Footlight Players, share some information about acting techniques, and provide information on the season.

2:30: An Adverse Reaction – A Food Allergy?

Thomas B. Harper III, MD, Partner, Charleston Allergy and Asthma

This talk will review types of adverse reactions to food. Food allergy is a type of adverse reaction involving the immune system. This talk will also review approaches to the investigation of adverse food reactions.

October 28

1:00: Virtual Tour of the College of Charleston's Mace Brown Natural History Museum

Mace Brown, Sponsor/Curator, Mace Brown Natural History Museum

Mace Brown started collecting rocks when he was 13 - 46 years ago. Last year his collection, valued at \$1.6 million dollars, became the CofC's *Mace Brown Natural History Museum*. Mace Brown will give us a virtual tour of this remarkable resource for bringing understanding of the natural world.

2:30: Issues and the Election

Gibbs Knotts, Dean, Department of Political Science, College of Charleston

One aim of CCR from its outset has been to keep its membership meaningfully informed about issues that impact us all. From CCR's outset, Dr. Bill Moore of the College of Charleston's political science department was our source of informed and unbiased information relating to elections. His untimely death in 2009 left a void in our programming that we have at last been able to fill. Dr. Gibbs Knotts, dean of the CofC's political science department, will join us to discuss issues relating to the upcoming election.

November 4**1:00: The Future of Print Media**

Bill Hawkins, Post and Courier, retired

The presentation will consider the changing media landscape and how newspapers compete.

2:30: Birds and Scenes of the Lowcountry

Bill Carter, MD, Photographer

Bill Carter, MD, noted lowcountry physician and photographer, will provide a slide presentation of some of his most outstanding shots of lowcountry birds and other outdoor scenes.

November 11

1:00: The Merchant Marines

Mike Walsh, Merchant Marines Fleet Manager

The program will provide a history of the US Merchant Marines from early days until the present. It will cover the impact on local economies as well as how it affects everyday life from a manufacturer-to-store perspective.

2:30: The Mighty Boeing 787

Kurt Kraft, Director of Engineering, Boeing 787 Program

The speaker will provide a brief history of Boeing, including the rationale for Boeing's locating in South Carolina. The speaker will provide information and explanation regarding the 787 that is assembled at the Charleston plant.

November 18

1:00: **A Mediterranean Diet for Today**

Patricia Moore-Pastrides, Cookbook Author

Ms. Moore-Pastrides, noted cookbook author and wife of the president of the University of South Carolina, will share with us the delights and benefits of eating a Mediterranean diet. She will bring copies of her cookbooks, which will be available for purchase and signing after her talk.

2:30: **Can I Have a Mulligan: Redevelopment of the Charles Towne Landing State Historic Site**

Rob Powell, Charles Towne Landing Site Park Manager

Mr. Powell will give us a look back at what Charles Towne Landing was and what it now is.

November 25: Thanksgiving Recess

December 2

12:30: **Luncheon/Holiday Gathering**

Music by Wayne Spattes Sr. playing classical guitar