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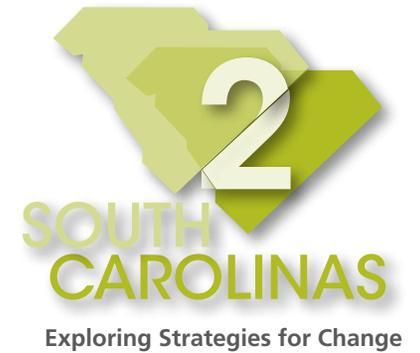
**SOUTH  
CAROLINAS**  
Exploring Strategies for Change

**Tuesday, August 7, 2012**

Younts Conference Center

Furman University

Greenville, South Carolina



## Program

- 6 Welcome**  
Jill Fuson, manager of conferences and policy events,  
The Riley Institute at Furman
- 6:05 Connections and Introductions**  
Mark Quinn, director of public and member relations, Electric  
Cooperatives of South Carolina and former host of SCETV's *Big Picture*
- 6:15 Intersections of Education, Justice, and Health**  
Lynn Bailey, consulting healthcare economist  
Montrio Belton, director, SC Office of School Transformation  
Sue Berkowitz, director, Appleseed Legal Justice Center  
Renée Romberger, VP for Community Health Policy and Strategy,  
Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System
- 7 Break and Refreshments**
- 7:15 Intersections (continued)**
- 8 Wine and hors d'oeuvres Reception**  
All attendees invited.

## Who's Who

**Jill Fuson** is the manager of Policy Events and Conferences for the Riley Institute at Furman. Along with the executive and associate directors, she develops programming for conferences such as the annual Wilkins Awards Dinner in Columbia, Politics and Media Conferences, the Summer Lecture Series with OLLI, and coordinates visits by fellows-in-residence. She also directs South Carolina United, an annual four-day intensive program on issues in South Carolina for incoming Hollingsworth scholars, and manages the Riley Institute Advance team.



Previously, Fuson has taught in public high schools in Florida and South Carolina. For five years, she owned and operated Carolina Family Adventures, a company that provided all-inclusive active vacations in the western Carolinas.

A graduate of Furman University with a B.A. in English, Fuson is a candidate for a master's of public policy and administration at Northwestern University, and will complete her degree in December 2012. She is married to Jim Fuson, a family physician with Reedy Family Medicine, and they have four children.

**Mark Quinn** is director of Public and Member Relations at the Electric Cooperatives of South Carolina and has had a long career as a professional journalist in South Carolina. Quinn worked in television journalism for more than 16 years, 13 of which were spent in Columbia, South Carolina. For 11 years, he worked in various on-air capacities for one of the most successful NBC affiliates in the country, WIS-TV. In 2007 he began work with South Carolina Educational Television and is the former host of ETV and ETV Radio's weekly news and public affairs program, *The Big Picture* and *The Big Picture on the Radio*. Among the highlights of his tenure with SCETV was his on-site coverage of both the Republican and Democratic National Conventions of 2008 and the statewide gubernatorial, congressional, and constitutional officer debates in 2010.



**Lynn Bailey** is a healthcare economist with a consulting practice, Lynn Bailey Associates, based in Columbia, South Carolina. She has over 25 years of experience in healthcare consulting. Bailey has a strong background in strategic thinking/management, strategy development, public policy analysis, economic analysis, market research, health care finance, and regulatory planning (certificate of need and licensure).



Bailey publishes regularly in USC Moore's School of Business's *Business and Economic Review—Healthcare Corner*, Columbia Medical Society's *Recorder*, *The SC Nurse*, *The State*, *The Greenville News*, and the *Spartanburg Herald Journal*. She is regularly quoted in *The State*, *The Charleston Post and Courier*, and *The Greenville News*. She does a daily healthcare segment *U Need 2 Know* with Frank Knapp on WOIC 1230AM.

Bailey holds a master's degree in economics with additional graduate hours in health care finance from the University of South Carolina's Moore School of Business. She also attended the Yale School of Organization and Management's executive program in health care management. She holds a BA in political science and economics from Guilford College in Greensboro, North Carolina.

**Montrio Belton, Sr.**, Ed.D., is director of the Office of School Transformation, serving as part of the staff of South Carolina Superintendent of Education Mick Zais. In this role, he is responsible for implementation of Superintendent Zais's vision for school transformation, especially as it relates to these programs: TAP: The System for Teacher and Student Advancement, High Schools that Work/Making Middle Grades Work, Montessori, Single Gender Schools, Palmetto Priority Schools (lowest performing schools based on state standards), School Improvement Grant (lowest performing schools based on federal standards), Positive Behavior Intervention Support, Response to Intervention, and Charter Schools.



Before becoming director, he worked for sixteen years as a teacher, coach, assistant principal, and principal in both South and North Carolina. Primarily, he worked in schools with predominant minority populations with high concentrations of poverty.

Belton and his spouse, Tonya Burns Belton, have two children.

**Sue Berkowitz**, attorney and director of the South Carolina Appleseed Legal Justice Center, is an advocate for low income South Carolinians seeking to overcome social, economic, and legal injustice.



Berkowitz has focused her practice in the areas of health, welfare, hunger, and consumer issues. Among the legislation to which she has contributed are the Small Loan Act of 1995, the Family Independence Act of 1995, the High Cost and Consumer Home Loan Act of 2003, the eligibility increase for the State Children's Health Insurance Program (2007), SC Identity Theft Act (2008), Payday Lending Act (2009) and Unemployment Modernization (2010). Prior to working with SC Appleseed she was a staff attorney with Palmetto Legal Services and the Department of Social Services.

Berkowitz works with a number of state agencies on policy issues that impact the low income community, including changes to consumer and mortgage lending laws, the Family Independence Program, Medicaid, Unemployment Insurance, and Food Stamp rules. Sue was awarded the Order of Palmetto, the SC Commission on Women's Woman of Achievement Award, USC School of Law Order of the Coif, and the NAACP President's Award for her work on predatory lending and poverty issues. A graduate of USC and Western New England School of Law, *cum laude*, she is married to Harrison Palmer and has two sons.

**Renée Romberger** currently serves as the vice president for Community Health Policy and Strategy at Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System. Her work is focused on improving the health of the community by improving health outcomes and reducing the costs of care. She works in partnership with many other community organizations to identify solutions that focus on environmental, policy, and delivery system changes.



Romberger has 30 years of experience in health care with 25 years in hospital administration including operations, marketing/public relations, business development, managed care, and community health. She received her bachelor of arts from the College of Charleston and a master's in health sciences from the Medical University of South Carolina. Among the awards she has received are the SC DHEC State Public Health Education Advocate Award in 2010 and the Extraordinary Woman in Healthcare Award from AnMed Health in 2011.

Romberger is chair of the Board of Directors for AccessHealth Spartanburg and serves on numerous boards of directors including Welvista, United Way of the Piedmont, College of Charleston Foundation, and the SC Chapter of American College of Healthcare Executives.

Romberger is married to Randy Romberger, administrator of Shriners Hospital for Children–Greenville, and she has three step-children, three grandchildren, and two rescue cats.

## Upcoming Riley Institute Events

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- Sept. 25** **Jeffrey Brown, senior correspondent for *PBS Newshour***, Younts Conference Center, Furman University
- Oct. 17** **The annual Dick and Tunky Riley WhatWorksSC Award for Excellence** given to an outstanding education initiative in South Carolina, held in Columbia, South Carolina
- Jan. 8** **The annual Wilkins Legislative and Civic Awards Dinner** Columbia, South Carolina

## Events at Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

For more information, visit our website at [www.furman.edu/olli](http://www.furman.edu/olli)

- Aug. 14** **Registration begins for OLLI Fall Term**
- Sept. 17** **Fall classes begin**
- Oct. 18** **Dedication of the Herring Center for Continuing Education (4 p.m.)**

**OLLI @ Furman** inspires seasoned adults to stay intellectually and physically active through its many opportunities for lifelong learning, health and wellbeing, personal connection, creativity, and enjoyment. OLLI @ Furman is funded by the generous support of the university, membership fees, and the Bernard Osher Foundation, which supports 122 Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes on university and college campuses across the country. To learn more, visit [www.furman.edu/olli](http://www.furman.edu/olli).

**The Riley Institute at Furman** is a non-partisan organization affiliated with the Department of Political Science at Furman. Named for former Governor of South Carolina and U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley, the institute engages students and citizens across South Carolina in the arenas of politics, public policy, and leadership.

Since its inauguration in 1999, the Riley Institute has developed a broad array of community leadership programs, symposia, and conferences designed to promote discussion and analysis of public policy issues. The institute also conducts research on education and other areas of public policy in South Carolina and nationally.

Through its promotion of engaged learning for students, leadership development, policy research, and conferences featuring internationally recognized speakers, the Riley Institute has established itself as an innovator in policy and public leadership. Learn more at [rileyinstitute.org](http://rileyinstitute.org).

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