



Our mission is to provide an environment for young, career-minded individuals between the ages of 22 and 39 to meet and develop both socially and professionally.

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Coming Up.

August 19 Third Thursday 6:00 - 8:00 The Willcox Inn & Spa This month's Third Thursday event will be held...

Thursday, August 19 6:00 to 8:00 PM at The Willcox Inn & Spa

AYP Third Thursday on August 19th will be held at The Willcox Inn & Spa, 100 Colleton Ave, Aiken, SC We look forward to seeing everyone by the pool!

RSVP to Mandy Collins at <u>mcollins@aikenchamber.net</u> or (803) 641-1111.





Miano relocated to Aiken in June of 2006. Prior to coming to Aiken she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Cum Laude, from the University of Kentucky in 2003 and a Master of Science in Education, Higher Education in 2006, also from the University of Kentucky. Angel has been with the University of South Carolina Aiken as the Assistant Director of Student Involvement since 2006. At USCA Angel does campus event planning and volunteer programs. Angel also serves as the advisor to both USCA's Homecoming and Fall Fest weeks and teaches **Emerging Leaders and Citizen** Leadership. She is currently the chapter advisor to the Sigma Zeta Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity at USCA and the Assistant Cheerleading coach at USCA. Angel is also the chair of the Enrichment Committee for USCA's Certified Employees Assembly, the chair of USCA's transfer orientation, and serves on USCA's QEP steering committee for reaccreditation. While at USCA Angel has received the Advisor of the Year award and the SGA Hall of Fame Award for a university employee. Angel has also served on the Regional Conference Planning Committee (RCPC) for the National Association for Campus Activities (NACA). As a member of the RCPC she has served as the Assistant School Registration Coordinator, Block Booking Coordinator for two years, and she currently serves as the **Business Networks Coordinator for** NACA. She has also served on the Programming Basics Institute (PBI) staff for NACA and served as the PBI coordinator for 2009. With NACA, Angel has received the Shuronda H. Smith Outstanding New Professional Award for the South Region. As a member of the Aiken Young **Professionals Steering Committee** Angel serves as the co-chair for the Lunch & Learn Committee. Angel is recently married to Steve Miano III of Aiken. Currently, they have two dogs, Toby & Pearl, and a George.

If you would like to be a featured young professional, please email your information to Jessica Ross at <u>jross2@srpfcu.org</u> by August 31, 2010. Make sure to pick up your member discount card



at the August 19th Networking event!

Aiken Young Professional 2010 AYP Member

Exp: 12/31/10

At the Events



POOL VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT at THE WILLCOX INN & SPA EVERY SUNDAY FROM 3:00 TO 7:00 DRINK SPECIALS AT THE POOLSIDE BAY ALONE WITH BBO AND HAMBURGETSI

AYP IS LOOKING FOT TEAM MEMBERS! CONTACT JASON FABUN AT JTABUN@SecurityFederalBank.com IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE FUN!!

Networking at its BEST

Few people are naturals at networking. Most of us have to work at it. Networking can be daunting when you're attending an event and you don't know anyone, or if you are more reserved. With a few tips and practice, networking can help you build your business connections, make new friends and connect people, and boost your confidence. AYP encourages our members to network as much as possible at our events.

Avoid Siberia

A room's entrance is the best place to meet people or start a group. Avoid the back of the room- networking Siberia. It's a cold and lonely place. Come early and then, from this prime location, greet people as they arrive. Renew acquaintances and make new ones.

Be genuine

Almost nothing is worse than talking to a person whose only purpose is to push their agenda. Have a genuine interesting in getting to know people, and what they do. Even though you may not utilize their services, you may know of others who can. Playing 'matchmaker' has the benefit of getting people what they want, having them remembering who to go to for almost anything (center of attention), and getting more business as people want to help the one that helped them.



In the Area August 2010

<u>August 19</u> AYP Third Thursday The Willcox Inn and Spa 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. <u>www.aiken-yp.com</u>

<u>August 21</u> USCA Men's Soccer vs. USC Salkehatchie (Exhibition) USCA Soccer Field 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

<u>August 21</u> Augusta Canal Sunset Cruise 1450 Green St. Suite 400, Augusta, Ga. 5:30 Tickets cost \$20

<u>August 26</u> Aiken Chamber Business After Hours City of Aiken Municipal Building 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. <u>www.aikenchamber.net</u>

<u>September 10</u> Aiken Chamber's First Friday Means Business Newberry Hall 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. <u>www.aikenchamber.net</u>

<u>September 10 & 11</u> Aiken's Makin' Park Ave. from Chesterfield St. to Union St. 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. <u>www.aikenchamber.net</u>

> <u>September 12</u> Soul City Sirens Roller Derby Red Wing Rollerway, Augusta, Ga. 6:00 p.m. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!! If you would like to help with the 4th quarter Celebrate Aiken event, contact Nealie Godbee at Nealie.Godbee@veracity.payments.com

Aiken Uouna Professionals Nigh 20% off all food & Happy Hour prices all night.

Our vision is to be an organization that brings young professionals together through the hosting of networking and educational events throughout the year. We will be an avenue for attracting and retaining new young professionals to the Greater Aiken area through these events. We will be a voice in the community for the young professionals in greater Aiken by fostering a collaborative relationship between the greater Aiken Chamber and area businesses.